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Introduction

The following information is a result of having found miners graffiti whilst exploring the lead mines of the North Pennines.

Such as: —

I wanted to know more about these men and their families.

I began this quest initially by exploring the Hexham newspapers, the Hexham, Courant, Hexham Herald and Alston Herald. The task grew when I discovered the degree of mobility of these extraordinary people, and what follows is dedicated as a memorial to all those who lived and worked in the lead mining areas of the North Pennines.

The information contained in this document has been gathered over many years and from many sources.

The main resources used were found at:

Ancestry.co.uk

British Newspaper Archive.co.uk

California Digital Newspaper Collection

Carlisle Record Office

Chronicling America; The Library of Congress

Cleveland, S. Durham and N. Yorkshire Family History Society (various monumental inscriptions)

Cumbria Family History Society (various monumental inscriptions)

Family Search

Gale 19th Century British Library Newspapers

GENUKI

London Gazette

National Library of Australia

National Library of New Zealand

New Zealand Papers Past

Newcastle City Libraries

Northumberland and Durham Family History Society (various monumental inscriptions)

The North of England Institute of Mining and Mechanical Engineers

Northumberland Count Archives

Ontario Public Records

Penn Libraries: Historical Newspapers Online

The Times Digital Archive

University of Leicester: Historical Directories

Utah Digital Newspapers

The Weardale Churchyard Project

Winnipeg Free Press Archive

The Weardale Museum & High House Chapel, Ireshopeburn

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memorial inscriptions, made my research so much easier. These can be accessed at Newcastle City Library.

Other resources & sources have been used and acknowledged when such information has been known.

I am also particularly grateful to the great numbers of people who have made their research freely available on the internet, for other researchers to read and learn from.

Please note that these are all secondary sources and therefore all information should be checked using a primary resource before being used.

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Mining Journal
London Gazette
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These are to give notice to all persons, who have a mind to venture in Lead Mines, that a fourth part of a Flourish Grove, called Hillclose Grove, in Aldston Moor; is to be sold by Mr Thomas Heron, the Elder of Corbridge: Enquire of Mr William Heron in the Close, in Newcastle upon Tyne, who will appoint the Time and Place to Treat about the same.

15th October 1712 (Newcastle Courant)
Where as several Piggs of Lead have been lately stolen from the upper end of the New-Key, in Newcastle upon Tyne, If anyone can discover or apprehend any person or persons concerned in the same and give Notice thereof to the printer of this paper, they shall receive a Guinea Reward.

11th January 1716 (Newcastle Courant)
The House of Commons impeach'd two English and five Scotch Lords, concerned in the Rebellion, viz. Derwentwater, Widdrington, Niddisdale, Carnworth, Penmure, Wintoun and Nairn: And this day the said Lords were brought from the Tower, to the Bar of the Lords House, and there impeach'd, and were afterwards recommitted to the Tower as Prisoners of Parliament.

27th February 1716 (Newcastle Courant)

London, Feb. 25.

Yesterday Morning about Eight a Clock, a Detachment of the Guards of a 1000 Foot, and 500 Horse marched to Tower-hill, and surrounded the Scaffold, The Sheriffs of London and Middlesex at Nine, went to the Tower, and demanding the Bodies of the Earl of Derwentwater, and the Lord Viscount Kenmure the Lieutenant of the Tower delivered them up, and took a Receipt. The Sheriffs then conduced them to a Room in the Transport Office, and afterwards to the Scaffold, where the Executioner performed the Decollation with as much Dexterity as themselves or Friends could wish holding up the Head, said, "God bless King George, here is the Head of a Traytor" as is usual. The Lord Kenmure, who took: his Fate the last, behaved himself with an uncommon Courage, being observed before his Exit to talk Familiary with his Friends, and two Nonjuring Ministers, to walk round the Block, to pull off his hat and Peruke, and Cloaths himself and: even to take Advice how to place his Head and from first to last, not in the least to alter his Countenance; but the, Earl of Derwentwater had not the like Presence of Mind, being seized with great Anxiety, and a seeming Discomposure.
The Executioner got a Black Velvet-Sute belonging to the latter, and two half Broad Pieces, and of the Lord Kenmure Nine, Guineas wrapt up in a Paper; Their Heads and Bodies were sent away to the Surgeons to be sew'd together, and afterward to the Undertakers, to be interrd.
On Thursday Night the Addres of the House of Lords, was considered in Council, and at last agreed to Reprieve the Lord Widdrington, the Lord Nairn, and the Lord Carnwath, for twelve Days, which was sent about eight of the Clock Yesterday Morning to the Tower; and about Ten, the Earl of Derwentwater was brought to the Scaffold out of the Transport Office, and prayed, and laid his Head and rose up, and prayed again, and spoke to this Effect, viz; "*That he*

could have saved his life, but had always been bred up in the Rules of Honour, and chose rather to die than discover. That if the Prince would have given him his Life, he would have been Faithful, but having not thought fit to Grant it, he beg'd Pardon of his Majesty, for pleading Guilty". After which, the Lord Kenmure was brought upon, the 'Scaffold, and about; Eleven he was beheaded. He was assisted by two Ministers, and dy'd a Protestant. Betwixt Nine and Ten on Thursda'y Night, the. Earl of Nithsdale made his Escape in his Sisters' Cloaths, and Riding Hood out of the Tower, he being very like her and went through all the Guards undiscovered. The Captain of the Guard, and also the Wardens were secured and imprisoned, as also, his Sister; and diligent Search is made after to seize him. He was to be beheaded Yesterday; if he had not made his Escape.
The Earl of Derwentwater's Corps, are to be carried to Northumberland, to be interr'd, and the Lord Kenmure's for Scotland. The latter when he took his Leave of his Son on the Scaffold, clap'd him on the back, *and bid him be Couragious.*

24th March 1716 (Newcastle Courant)
The King hath seized on the Estates of the Late Earl of Derwentwater, and Kenmure, as also on the Lords Widdrington, Nithsdale, Carnwath, Nairn, and Winton, being forfeited for being in the Rebellion; but we hear the Stewards have carried off all the Deeds and Writings, and are not to be found.

13th June 1717 (Stamford Mercury)
We hear from Edinburgh, That the Silver Mine which was discovered last Winter near Alva, five miles of Sterling, by Sir John Erskine, who being concerned in the late Rebellion, obtained Pardon by the Procurement of his brother, who is the Czar's chief Physician, yields £800 a Week Sterling in good Oar, which is mixed with Lead, Tin, Copper, Sulphurous Matter, &c. Tis said, that according to the ancient Laws of Scotland, the Propriety of the Mines belongs to the Owner of the Land where the same is found out, only the Tenth Part falls to the King.

16th June 1722 (Newcastle Courant)
The Lord's: Read a Second Time the Bill to Enable Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Colleges, Deans and Chapters, Parsons and Vicars, others having Spiritual promotions to make Leases of their Mines, &c. Committed it to a select Committee.

14th July 1722 (Newcastle Courant)
From the St. James's Evening-Post, London, July 7
Last Thursday the remaining Part of the Estate of the late Earl of Derwentwater was sold by the Commissioners and Trustees for Sale of the forfeited Estates, at Essex-house, for £7210 to Mr. Garthsolke, a Northumberland Gentleman, also the Estate late of Ralph Shuttleworth, Esq; in the County of Lancaster, of the yearly Value of £4 5s. for £51 to Mr. Smith, Merchant in London.

20th July 1723 (Newcastle Courant)
An Account is come from Durham, of the hearty welcome which their Representative Sir John Eden met with, in his return for his great Services in opposing the Bill for enabling the Bishops, &c. to make Leases of Mines not accustomably letten by them: The Consequence whereof was made appear to

be so destructive of the Rights of the Dean and. Chapter, the Copy-holders and Lease-holders of that County that scarce a Family but what is in some degree affected by it. The People, in general were Impatient of seeing their Preserver of their Properties, some of them met him on the other Side the River Tease, and as the Rumour of his Arrival spread thro' the Country, they were a little Time above 2000, to return him Thanks, and Congratulate with him, on the happy Deliverance. They conducted him to Durham with Music, ringing of Bells, and all other Demonstrations of Joy: About a Mile from Durham, many of the Citizens complemented him with their Banners difplay'd, 2 Banners were provided by some of the Lease-holders, with Sir John's Crest and Motto. Pro Aris et Focis.

31st August 1723 (Newcastle Courant)

London, Aug. 27. On the 19th Instant died of the Small Pox at Brussels, aged about 30, and much regretted for her exemplary Charity to the Poor, and many other excellent Qualities, Mary-Anne, Relict of James Ratcliffe, late Earl of Derwentwater, who was beheaded on Tower Hill, for High Treason February 24, 1716. She was Daughter of Sir John Webb Bar. and has left Issue two Sons. Her Corpse was carry'd, the Day after she died, to Louvain, to be inter'd there in the Church of the English Regular Canonesses of St. Austin.

24th October 1724 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Let against May next

A Farm of Land at Black-hall in the County of Durham, four miles from Hartlepool, and eight from Sunderland, consisting of about 120 acres of arable, meadow and pasture grounds, well-watered and fenced, with a very good Tenants House, Barns, Byers, Stables, &c. a Limestone Quarry on the ground, and a Lead Mine: Any Gentleman who has mind to farm the said ground, or work the lead Mine, may apply to Mr Hercules Crosby in Stockton, who will treat about the same.

6th May 1727 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

One Half Part of a Lead Mine, lying at Newlandside nigh Stanhope in Weardale, held by Lease from Mr Strother of Fowberry, for twenty one years, where of but four Years and Half are expired: Enquire of Mr Ralph Sowerby of Newcastle.

To be SOLD

The Manor and Estate of Eggleston in Teesdale, in the county of Durham, within four miles of Barnard Castle, of the clear yearly value of £316 to which belongs very large commons, wherein are Mines of Lead and Coal; also a very good and well situate Seat-house on the Estate; Enquire of Mr George Wilson at Symon's Inn, London; or Mr John Airey, Attorney at Law in Newcastle upon Tyne, who have power to sell the same.

17th February 1728 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LETT against Mayday next

The Farm at Settlingstones, in the parish of Nether Warden, in the county of Northumberland, belonging to Mrs Anne Fenwick, Widow; as also the Lead Mines in the said Farm, all Persons that have a Mind to treat for the same,

may apply themselves to the said Mrs Fenwick, or to Mr William Rook, at Carlisle, who will Lett the said Farm, or Mines, jointly or separately.

27th August 1728 (Caledonian Mercury)

Edinburgh, Aug. 27

By Letters from Inverlochy of the 16th current We learn That his Excellency General Wade has been viewing the Lead Mine belonging to Alexander Murray, Esq; of Stanhope, in which he is an Adventurer, and whereof they give the following Account: That among the several Edge Veins all ready discovered, there is one lately found, that in Appearance exceeds any Thing that hitherto has been seen in Great Britain: It is already discovered about 2 English Miles in Length; carrying for most part within a Fathom of the Surface of the Ground very good Ore of an extraordinary Breadth, in many Places; particularly in one, where, when the same was measured, it was found to be 13 Foot broad, mostly solid Ore.

14th November 1728 (Stamford Mercury)

Yesterday morning came on a hearing of a cause in the High Court of Chancery between the two Wynnes, Father and Son, relating to a rich Lead Mine in Flintshire; when the latter having offer'd a proposal for an Accommodation with his father, proceedings were suspended till the next Seal Day.

7th December 1728 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Lett

A Lead Mine at Settling Stones, in the county of Northumberland: Enquire of Mrs Anne Fenwick, at her house in Fisher Street, in Carlisle.

7th March 1729 (London Gazette)

TO be sold, The Tythes within the Parish of Carum, in the County of Northumberland, near the River Tweed, and about Ten Miles from Berwick, let now for about £340 per Annum. As also the Lead Mines and Minerals within the Liberties of Blanchland, in the Counties of Durham and Northumberland; the Bounders supposed to be 40 Miles or upwards about (the Boundary to the West Part, adjoyning upon the Liberties of the late Sir William Blacket's at Alland Head's) five Veins being now worked, and rich in Lead and Silver, and 38 Veins appearing to the Surface, Within the said Liberties, all unopened: Together with two Lead Mills, two Refineries, Smiths Forges Dwelling-Houses, convenient for the Workmen, and Water-Engines; to be sold together or separate; As also the Dwelling-Houses in South-Shields, which belonged to the late Reverend Mr. Stoddart, all Freeholds: Enquire of Mr. Ware, in South-Shields; Mr. Ralph Gowland, Attorney at Law in Durham; Mr. Widdrington, Attorney at Law in Newcastle; Mr. William Shell, Attorney at Law, in Berwick; Mr. Jonathan Maugham, in Wolsingham; and Mr. Samuel Gowland, Attorney at Law, at No. 11, in Cook's-Court near Lincoln's Inn, London.

7th June 1729 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

The Manor of Knaresdale, in the county of Northumberland, belonging to Mr Wallis, with all his Lands, Mines, Woods, viz. nigh 1000 oaks, and 4000 Birch, Alder and Ash, with a fine Spring of young wood, all to be sold with the

said Lands, which are Tythe free, paying small Modus. Mr Wallis will treat for the same at any Time, at the George Inn, in Penrith, in the county of Cumberland.

1st September 1729 (Caledonian Mercury)

A Patent is pass'd the Seals, appointing Patentees to work the Silver, Copper, and Lead Mines belonging to Sir John Erskine in Scotland.

14th February 1730 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD,

THE Tythes within the Parish of Carum, in the County of Northumberland, near the River Tweed, and about 10 Miles from Berwick, Lett now for about £340 per Ann. As also the Lead-Mines, and Minerals, within the Liberties of Blanchland, in the Counties of Durham and Northumberland; the Bounders supposed to be 40 Miles or upwards about, (the Boundary to the West Part, adjoining upon the Liberties of the late Sir William Blackett's, at Allan-heads) five Vein's being now work'd, and rich in Lead and Silver, and 38 Vein's appearing to the surface, within the said Liberties, all unopened; Together with two Lead Mills, two Refineries, Smiths-Forges, Dwelling Houses, convenient for the Workmen, and Water-Engines, to be Sold together, or separate; as also the Dwelling Houses in South Shields, which belonged to the late Rev. Mr. Stoddart, all freehold. Enquire of Mr Ware, at South Shields , Mr. Ralph Gowland, Attorney at Law, in Durham, Mr. Widdrington, Attorney at Law, in Newcastle, Mr. William Shell, Attorney at Law, in Berwick, Mr. Jonathan Maughan, in Wolsingham, Mr. Joshua Ware, and Mr. Samuel Gowland, both in London; and to be Lett against Ladyday next, the Mansion House, or Seat, called, The Barnes, with the Land belonging to it, near. South Shields, together with the Orchards and Gardens, either with, or without the Furniture of the aforesaid House: Enquire of Mr. Ware, at the Barnes aforesaid.

22nd May 1731 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

A Moiety of a Black Lead Mine, in the county of Cumberland, near Keswick: Enquire of Mr Joshua Douglas, Town-Clerk, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

9th November 1731 (Caledonian Mercury)

Strontian, Oct. 30. This being the Anniversary of His Majesty's Birthday, the Hon. Jerom Horsey, Esq; Director of the York-Buildings Company's Lead Mines at Swinfort, attended by all the Gentlemen in the Company's Service there, did drink the Healths of their Majesties, the Prince, the Royal Family, &c. with several other Loyal Healths, particularly that of his Grace the Duke of Argyle, within whose Jurisdiction the said Mines are; under Discharges of the Fire-arms of a Detachment of the Independent Companies, and of the Cannon, &c. of all the Ships in the River. All the Work People employed by said Company here, being many Hundreds, had Hogsheads of Punch given them to drink the foresaid Healths. The Evening was concluded with a Bonfire., repeting all Loyal Healths, and every other Testimony of joy.

19th February 1732 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Lett

A LEAD MINE, lately discover'd at Lewisburne in North Tyne in Northumberland: Enquire of William Hardwicke, Esq; the Owner, at Mrs Cook's in Westgate in Newcastle, or Mr Rich. Ellis of Hexham, who will lett the same on reasonable Terms.

21st April 1733 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold by Publick Auction

On Saturday, the 12th day of May, at Aldston, the dues of Oar arising from the Lead Mines in Aldston Moor, from Christmas 1732, to Christmas 1733, and also to be sold on Tuesday the 15th of May, at the Black Bull, in Hexham, together or in Parcells, a large quantity of Oak Timber, belonging to the Government, now lying in the Bogg Wood, Capons Cleugh, Harsondale, and Dilston Park, by Mr Watson, Receiver. N.B. Whoever buys the Lead Oar, or Timber must give sufficient Security for the Payment of the Governments money.

22nd March 1735 (Ipswich Journal)

We hear there will be no Lottery this year for finishing Greenwich Hospital, but that the late Earl of Derwentwater's forfeited State of about £6000 per annum will be sold, and the Money arising by the sale thereof (or so much as wanted) will be applied to finish the noble work.

8th May 1735 (Derby Mercury)

Wirksworth, May 6. A few days ago, a poor Man, as he was working in a Lead Mine near this Town, found above a Hundred Pieces of Roman Silver Coin, being the *Romani Denarii*: The newest of these pieces must be above 1600 years old. The Busts of the five Emperors of Rome appear exceeding full and clear upon several of them, and the Inscription very legible. There was the remains of a pot in which they were hid, but very much decay'd.

10th May 1735 (Newcastle Courant)

Yesterday the committee upon Greenwich Hospital voted Lord Gage £1000 *(Sic)** as a reward for detecting the fraudulent sale of the late Earl of Derwentwater's Estate: One Gentleman was for giving him but £700 but his Lordship declar'd he had expended above that sum in prosecuting the discovery, and that he might have had above £10,000 for concealing the Roguery.

**Actual amount was £2000.*

17th May 1735 (Newcastle Courant)

From Wye's Letter, &c. May 8.

To day the Lords in a Committee went thro' the Bill for the Application of the Estates of the late Earl of Derwentwater and Charles Ratcliff and reported it without Amendment.

23rd March 1736 (London Gazette)

London, March 24, 1735-6

Whereas by an Act of Parliament passed in the Eighth year of the reign of His Majesty George the Second, for the application of the Rents and Profits of the Estates forfeited by the Attainder of James late Earl of Derwentwater, and Charles Radcliffe, it is enacted amongst other things, that the Commissioner or Governors of His Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seaman at Greenwich, are to give six months previous notice in the London Gazette of the Time and Place, when and where such Estates are intended, to be Lett. Notice is therefore hereby given by us the Commissioners of the said Hospital. That on Wednesday the 29th September, next ensuing, and every Wednesday and Friday following, will be let on Lease for 21 years, or on Tack notes for one year, at Salter's Hall in London, any of the Lead mines, or Veins of Lead ore within the Manor of Aldston Moor, in the County of Cumberland, or elsewhere belonging to the said estate, till the whole shall be lett; and all Adventurers are desired to give their proposals in writing, directed to William Corbett, Esq., at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Messrs. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle near Durham, showing what Veins or Mines they or each of them would take, and whether on Lease or Tack Note, and at what Due or share to the Hospital.

15th May 1736 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold

A Twenty-Eighth Part of a Lead Mine at Blackhall, in the county of Durham, situate near the sea, and now very hopeful for ore, together with a Twenty-Eighth Part of a large quantity of ore in hand. Enquire of Mr William Browne in Stockton, in the said County of Durham.

14th August 1736 (Newcastle Courant)

SALTERS-HALL, JULY 24. 1736.

WHEREAS it has been represented to us the Commissioners for Greenwich Hospital, that great Inconveniencies will attend the letting the Farms, Tythes, Collieries, Lead-Mines, &c. belonging to the Derwentwater-Estate, by obliging Tenants to go to London, to their great Loss and Expence: In order therefore to remedy the same, we do hereby give Notice, that those Persons who cannot conveniently attend at Salters-Hall in London, according to the former Advertisement, and are desirous to take any of the said Farms, Tythes, Collieries, Lead-Mines, &c. may apply to Messrs. Walton and Boag at the Three Kings in Newcastle upon Tyne, Thursdays and Saturdays, from Eight in the Morning till Twelve, or from Two till Six o'clock in the Afternoon, who will give them any Information relating to the same; and are also impowered to treat for letting any of the said Farms, Tythes, Lead-Mines, &c. subject to our Confirmation.

21st May 1737 (Newcastle Courant)

To Be Sold

The Dues of Lead Ore arising within the Manor of Alston Moor, from Christmas last to Christmas next. Enquire of Messrs. Walton and Boag, at the Three Kings in Newcastle upon Tyne, or of Mr John Stephenson, Moor Master, at Nentsberry in Alston Moor, who are impowered to sell the same.

18th June 1737 (Newcastle Courant)

WHEREAS a very promising Copper-Mine has been discover'd in a Limestone-Quarry, adjoining to the Glebe-Land of Middleton-Tyas near Richmond, Yorkshire whence have been taken many hundred Weight of very Rich Oar; and whereas certain Persons had agreed with the Incumbent there to sink for a Mine in the Glebe aforesaid, in a Place very promising, where are great Signs of Copper, and have sunk in the Rock about fifteen Yards, at which Depth was found Stone mix'd with pure Copper; but the said Undertakers, being under a Prosecution for being detected in some indirect Practices, having desisted: This is to give Notice, That if any Person or Persons arc inclin'd to undertake the said Mine, as now sunk and made very easy to proceed on, upon advantageous Terms, they may apply to the Rev. Dr. Mawet, at Kneton Hall near Middleton-Tyas aforesaid, who will treat about the same.

31st December 1737 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD

A Freehold and Copyhold Estate, call'd Newlandside, near Stanhope, in the county of Durham of the yearly value of Thirty Pounds, consisting of Arable Meadow, and Pasture Grounds, with a good Dwelling House, Barns, Byers, and Stables. Also a very good Lead Mine in the Freehold Estate. Enquire of Mr Henry Ward, Attorney at Law in Newcastle.

9th December 1738 (Newcastle Courant)

On Tuesday last a General Court was held at the Admiralty Office, of the Commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital, when they signed a Lease to George Liddell, Esq; and Company, of all the Lead Mines on the Derwentwater Estate.

23rd February 1739 (London Gazette)

Royal Hospital for Seaman at Greenwich Aug, 30, 1739

Whereas by an Act of Parliament passed in the Eighth year of the reign of His present Majesty, for the application of the Rents and Profits of the Estates forfeited by the Attainder of James late Earl of Derwentwater, and Charles Radcliffe, it is enacted amongst other things, that the Commissioner or Governors of His Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seaman at Greenwich, are to give six months previous notice in the London Gazette of the Time and Place, when and where such Estates are intended, to be Lett.

Notice is therefore hereby given by us the Commissioners of the said Hospital. That on Wednesday the 2nd April, 1740, at Salter's Hall in London will be let on lease for 21 years, or on Tack notes for one year, the following open Lead mines or Veins of Lead ore, viz.

Cooperhole-head, Goangill, Nentsberry Green Ends, ditto North Vein, Middle Vein, Guddimgill Moss, Dowgang, Nenthead Field, Dow Pott-Syke, Garrigill-burn old grove, Dodberry Dike-head, Hill Close, Clargill Midows, Clargill Cleugh-head, Cash-burn, Cornriggs, Gate Castle, Middle Syke, Scarr Ends, Lee House, Low Birchy-bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Dry Burn, Gill House-Burn, How Burn Moss, Park-grove, Rock Hill, Horse Edge, Slattymea.

And on Wednesday the 4th June following will be also Lett at the same place, the several other open Lead mines or Veins of Lead ore, viz, Broomberry

East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Birchy Bank, Roderup Cleugh, and Green Hill Sike or Green Cragg, all within the Manor of Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland, belonging to the said estates; and all Adventurers are desired to give their proposals in writing, directed to William Corbett, Esq., at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Messrs. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle near Durham, showing what Veins or Mines they or each of them would take, and whether on Lease or Tack Note, and at what Due or share to the Hospital.

8th March 1739 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold
To the Highest Bidder
By Mr. CUTHBERT COLLINGWOOD, Merchant, in Newcastle,
On Thursday the seventeenth Day of April next, at the
King's-Head in Appleby,

THE Manor of Warcopp, in the County of Westmorland with all its Royalties, free and customary Rents, Services, Members, and Appurtenances: The Capital Messuage, called, WARCOPP-HALL, and all the Demesne and other Lands thereto belonging, together with the Water Corn-mill there: The perpetual Advowsons of the Church of Warcopp, and the Tythes of Warcopp and Bleatarn: All late the Estate of R. Braithwaite. Esq., deceased. There is a Lead-mine in the Estate, now open and work'd, and a good Prospect of Lead in several other Parts of the Manor. There is a Prescription of £4. a Year to the Vicar of Warcopp, in lieu of all Tythes for the whole Estate. Exact Rentals may be had either from the said Mr. Collingwood at Newcastle, Mr. Rich. Yeats in Appleby, or from Mr. Thomas Simpson, Attorney, in Penrith.
N.B. Mr. Rich. Orton of Warcopp, will show the Estate to any person who desires to see it

20th October 1739 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold
Together, or in Parcels, to the highest Bidder
On the first Day of December now next ensuing
At the King's-Head in APPLEBY, Westmoreland

THE Manor, Royalties of Lead and Coal (a very good Lead-Mine being now wrought) and Capital Messuage of Warcopp, in the county aforesaid, with the Demain Lands, Freehold Messuages and Tenements, Customary Messuages and Tenements, Free Rents and Customary Rents, Boons and Services, with the perpetual Advowson of Warcopp Church, and the Tythes of Warcopp and Bleatarn; and a very good double Water Corn-Mill; all of the yearly value of near £300. There is a good quantity of Oak and Birch, with other Sorts of Wood growing upon the premises.
N.B. The Estate pays a Prescription of £4 per Ann. To the Vicar of Warcopp, in lieu of all Tythes; pays no Rent or other Acknowledgement to any Lord, save the Customary Rent of 2s. to Sir Philip Musgrave, for a small parcel of ground. A Rental may be had of the Premises, upon Application to Robert Braithwaite, Esq; of Warcopp Hall.

12th April 1740 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold to the best Bidder

By Mr. CUTHBERT COLLINGWOOD, Merchant, in Newcastle,

On Thursday the twenty-fourth Day of April Inst. at the King's-Head in Appleby

THE Manor of Warcopp, in the County of Westmoreland, with all its Royalties, free and customary Rents, Services, Members, and Appurtenances: The Capital Messuage, called, WARCOPP-HALL, and all the Demesine and other Lands hereto belonging; together with the Water Corn-mill there: The perpetual Advowsance of the Church of Warcopp, and the Tythes of Warcopp and Bleatarn: All late the Estate of R.Braithwaite, Esq; deceased.

There is a Lead-mine in the Estate, now open and work'd, and a good Prospect of Lead in several other Parts of the Manor, there is a Prescription of £4 a year to the Vicar of Warcopp, in lieu of all Tythes for the whole Estate. Exact Rentals may be had either from the said Mr. Collingwood at Newcastle, Mr. Rich. Yeats in Appleby, or from Mr. Thomas Simpson, Attorney, in Penrith. N.B. Mr. Rich. Orton of Warcopp, will shew the Estate to any person who desires to see it.

11th October 1740 (Newcastle Courant)

On Thursday last, in the afternoon, after a long and tedious illness, died at his seat in this town, George Liddell, Esq., one of the representatives in Parliament for Berwick upon Tweed, and one of the Commissioners for Greenwich Hospital, &c. He was a gentleman of great abilities, and well esteemed by all in the country.

18th October 1740 (Newcastle Courant)

In the Paragraph in our last, relating to the Death of George Liddell, Esq., it was said that he was a Commissioner for Greenwich Hospital, &c., therefore this first opportunity is taken to declare that the said assertion is false and groundless, —- That worthy Gentleman's Corps was carried from his Seat, and interr'd on Tuesday last at Lamesley, on which Occasion most of the Gentlemen in this Country attended, and the greatest Order and Decency imaginable was observed through the whole Funeral Rites.

The biographical details below were obtained from www.historyofparliamentonline.org

LIDDELL, George (1678-1740), of Eslington, Northumberland.

ConstituencyDates

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED
1727 - 9 Oct. 1740

Family and Education

Baptised 1st August 1678, 4th son of Sir Henry Liddell, 3rd Bt., M.P., of Ravensworth by Catherine, daughter and of Sir John Bright, 1st Bt., of Badsworth, Yorks.; cousin of Thomas and uncle of Sir Henry Liddell, 4th Bt.

Biography

The Liddell's of Ravensworth were descended from a Newcastle merchant, who bought the Durham estates of the Gascoines, including a rich coalfield, in 1607. Like the rest of the family, a coal-owner, George Liddell was one of the

founders of the 'Grand Alliance', a cartel which dominated the North Country coal trade for the rest of the century. From 1727, he was returned for Berwick with the support of the government interest there. On excellent terms with Walpole, who called him 'the wise man of the north', he voted with the Government on every recorded division. On 14 Apr. 1738, Edward Harley's parliamentary diary refers to a bill relating to the forfeited Derwentwater estate, the proceeds of which went to Greenwich Hospital.
The outward presence for this bill was to sell part of the estate to clear off the mortgage upon it. The private interest was a job for Colonel Liddell, for it was intended to sell that part of the estate upon which were mines and woods and lands capable of great improvement, and not that part which was fully improved.
In a list of the division on the Spanish convention in 1739, Liddell is shown as 'director for Greenwich Hospital of Lord Derwentwater's estates'. He died 9 Oct. 1740. He was unmarried.

3rd January 1741 (Newcastle Courant)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich, Dec. 7, 1740

THE Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 24th of June 1741 or as soon after as may be, the following open Lead Mines, or Veins of Lead Ore, within the Manor of Aldston-Moor, in the Count of Cumberland, belonging to the Derwentwater Estate, will be lett, on Lease for 21 Years, or on Tack-Note for one Year, viz. Couperholehead, Goangill, Nentsberry Gran Ends, ditto North Vein, Middle Vein, Guddingill Moss, Dowgang, Nenthead Field, Dowpot Sike, Garrygill Burn Old Grove, Dodberry Dikehead, Hill Close, Clargill Meadow, Cash Burn, Cornriggs, Gate Castle, Middle Sike, Scarr Ends, Lee House, Low Birchey Bank, Broom Berry, West of Tyne, Dryburn, Gillhouse Burn, Howburn Moss, Park Grove, Rock Hill, Hors Edge, Slate Mea, Broom Berry, East of Nent, Guttergill, Howblagill, High Birchy Bank, Roderup Cleugh, Green Hill Sike or Green Cragg, Nentsberry Haggs, Green Cast, Baxton Edge and Balehill or Farnberry. And all Adventurers are desired to give their proposals in writing, directed to William Corbett, Esq., at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Messrs. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle near Durham, showing what Veins or Mines they or each of them would take, and whether on Lease or Tack Note, and at what Due or share to the Hospital.

7th February 1741 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold

THE LEAD MINES in Weardale, in the county of Durham, call'd ALLERGILL, late belonging to Mr Wm. Denton, deceas'd, being held by lease for the remainder of a Term whereof nineteen Years and upwards are yet to come. Whoever is inclined to purchase the same, may apply to Miss Denton of Stockton; and the works will be shewn by Mr John Elliot of Middleton.

25th July 1741 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold

Together, or in Parcels, Situate at Aldston, in the County of Cumberland,

AN Estate lately belonging to Mr Thomas Lee, deceased, consisting of Arable, Meadow and Pasture Ground, well fenced and watered; with a Malting and a convenient Pub- lick House, commonly called Aldston House, with good Byers and Stables. Enquire of Mr Robert Hutchinson at Aldston aforesaid, Mr Henry Salkeld, Pewterer, or Mr Henry Ward, Attorney at Law, in Newcastle upon Tyne.

N.B. Mr Thomas Lee, who lately gave Notice in the Newcastle Journal, that he had a Title to the said Estate, has now conveyed all his Right to the Persons who intend to sell.

Thomas Lee of Aldstone House, was buried 29th January 1741, at St Augustine's, Alston.

15th January 1742 (London Gazette)

The Directors of His Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich hereby give Notice, 'That the Dues of Lead Ore, which were raised in the Manor of Aldston Moor, belonging to the Derwent water Estate, in the County of Cumberland, from Michaelmas1741, to Michaelmas 1742, and also the Dues of Lead Ore raised and to be raised from Michaelmas 1742, to Michaelmas 1743 are to be sold to the best Bidder, together or separate. Enquire of William Corbett, Esq; at the Post Office in Broad Street, London; Mr John Stephenson, of Nentsberry in Alston Moor; or of Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle near Durham; of whom all necessary Information may be had relating thereto.

9th April 1743 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Lett, or Sold
TOGETHER, or SEPARATE,

THE Remainder of a LEASE for a Term of 21 years, which commenc'd at May-day 1737, of several valuable Lead Mines within the Manors of Alston Moor and Thornwate, in the County of Cumberland; and also the Remainder of a Lease for a Term of 29 Years, which commenc'd at Lady-day 1741, of Five Eighths of several other Lead Mines in the Manor of Huntsonworth, and County of Durham, with Smelt Mills and other Conveniences, well situate in each of the said Manors, and all manner of Utensils fit for Smelting, as also all Grove Utensils and Implements for working and carrying on Lead Mines, in good Repair; all which said Lead Mines were granted to the late Geo. Liddel, Esq., and his Partners. Whoever are desirous to treat for the same, may apply to John Airey, Esq., or Mr. Robt Ellison in Westgate, Newcastle upon Tyne, by Letter or otherwise.

N. B. There are several unopen Lead Mines within the Manor of Alston Moor, granted to the said Partners on Tack Note, which will be Lett or sold as above. And there is also a convenient Refining House, with all manner of Utensils, situate within a Mile of Newcastle, which will be Lett on reasonable Terms, provided the above Mines are lett or sold together.

26th November 1743 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold to the Best Bidder

On the 29th of March next, at Ten o'clock in the Forenoon, at James Snarey's the sign of the Globe in Hexham, in the County of Northumberland,

A FREEHOLD ESTATE, call'd SATTLEINGSTONES, (belonging to the honourable Colonel John Fenwick) with all the Lead Mines therein, and all the Wood growing thereon: It pays a small Modus in lieu of the Tythe of Corn and Hay, and adjoins on a very good Common, called Groundon Common, on which it has Common Right; all the Houses are new built. Enquire of John Nowell, at Naward Castle in the County of Cumberland, who is impower'd to sell the laid Estate: Tho. Thompson, the farmer, will shew the Premises.

7th February 1744 (London Gazette)

ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR SEAMEN AT GREENWICH

FEBRUARY the 10th 1743-44

The Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 15th Day of August next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on lease for Twenty-one years at Salters - Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate viz. Couperhole-head, Goangill, Nentsberry Green Ends, North Vein, Middle Vein, Goodamgill Moss, Dowgang, Nentheadfield, Dowpott-Syke, Garrygill-burn Old Groves, Dodberry Dyke-head, Hill Close, Clargill Meadows, Clargill Cleugh-head, Cash-burn, Corn Riggs, Gate Castle, Middle Syke, Scarr Ends, Lee House, Low Birchey-bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gillhouse-burn, Howburn Moss, Park-grove, Horse Edge, Sleaty Mea, Broomberry East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Birchey Bank, Roderup Cleugh, Greenhill Syke, or Green Cragg, Nentberryhaggs. Greencastle, Baxton Edge, Bailhill, or Farnberry, Fletcher's Foot, North Vein, Old Cowslitts, Brownley-hill, Long Hole Head, East End, Gallygill Syke, Windy-brow, Willopknott, Dryburn, Rampgill-head near Killophead, Redgroves Edge, Blagill Greenends, Burns Intack, and Hudgillburn; and also the Limestone Quarries in Scremerston Estate near Berwick upon Tweed, with a Liberty of erecting Limekills, and burning lime there. And all persons desirous to take any of the said Lead Mines or Limestone Quarries, aforesaid, may give in their proposals in writing, directed to Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle near Durham.

10th April 1744 (London Gazette)

ROYAL HOSPITAL for Seamen at Greenwich,

Jan 26, 1743-4.

THE Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 15th Day of August next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on Lease for Twenty-one Years at Salters-Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate, viz. Couperhole-head, Goangill, Nentsberry Green Ends, North-Vein, Middle-Vein, Goodamgill Moss, Dowgang, Nentheadfield, Dowpott-Syke, Garrygill-burn old Groves, Dadberry dyke-head, Hill Close, Clergill Meadows, Clergill Cleugh-head, Cashburn, Corn Riggs, Gate Castle, Middle Syke, Scarr Ends, Leehouse, Low Birchey-bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gillhouse-burn, Howburn Moss, Park grove, Horse Edge, Sleaty Mea, Broomberry East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Bircheybank, Rodderup Cleugh. Greenhill Syke, or Greencraig, Nentsberry Haggs, Greencastle, Baxton Edge, Bailhill, or Farnberry, Flitcheress Foot, No, Vein,

Old Cowslitts, Brownleyhill, Longholehead East End, Garrygill Syke, Windybrow, Willop Knott, Dryburn, Rampgillhead near Kellophead, Redgroves Edge, Blagill Greenends, Burns lntack, and Hudgill burn; and also the Limestone Quarries in Scremmerston Estate near Berwick upon Tweed, with a Liberty of erecting Limekilns, and burning Lime there. As also that on Wednesday the 17th of October next, or as soon after as may be, will be let on Lease for 21 years from May Day 1745, The Corn Mills, and Housing thereunto belonging, and about 56 acres of Land at Woodhall in the Manor of Wark, and County of Northumberland, late or now in the possession of Thomas Blair, and John Coates, or their undertenants. And all persons desirous to take any of the Lead Mines, Limestone Quarries, or Corn Mills, with their Appurtenances aforesaid, may give in their Proposals in Writing, directed to Mr Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle, near Durham. And at the same time will be sold the Dues of Lead Ore, raised and to be raised within the Manor of Aldston Moore, in the County of Cumberland, from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next. Enquire of Mr Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle, near Durham, or of Mr John Stephenson, Moor Master, at Nentsberry in Aldston Moore.

26th May 1744 (Newcastle Courant)

They write from Edinburgh, that they have certain information there, that at the Earl of Hoperton's Mines at Leadhills, there have been made some Experiments to blow Furnaces with a Fall of Water, which is now brought to the utmost perfection. It is found by Experience to be sufficient for melting any Ore in Leadhills, and is far preferable to Bellows for the Constancy of the Blast. It likewise exceeds all Methods known of conveying good Air into the Works at what Depth or Distance soever.

29th January 1745 (London Gazette)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich,
Jan. 31, 1744-5

THE Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital for at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 7th Day of August next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on Lease for Twenty-one Years at Salters-Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate, viz. Cowperholehead, Goangill, Nentsberrygreen-ends, North-Vein, Middle-Vein, Goodamgillmoss, Nentheadfield, Dowpottsyke, Garrygill-burn Old Groves, Dodberry dyke head, Hill Close, Clargill Meadows, Clargill Cleugh-head, Cashburn, Corn Riggs, Gate Castle, Middlesyke, Scarr Ends, Leehouse, Lowbircheybank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gillhouse-burn, Howburnmoss, Parkgrove, Horse Edge, Slattey Mea, Broomberry East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Birchey bank, Rodderup Cleugh. Greenhill Syke, or Greencraig, Nentsberry Haggs, Greencastle, Baxton Edge, Balehill, or Farrenberry, North Vein of Fletcheress Foot, Brownleyhill, Longholehead East End, Gallygill Syke, Windybrow, Wellopknott, Dryburn, Rampgillhead near Kelluphead, Redgroves Edge, Blagill Greenends, Burns ln tack, Hudgill burn; Longcleugh, Middlecleugh, Fletcheress, and Greengrove or Band End. And all persons desirous to take any of the Lead Mines, may give in their

Proposals in Writing, directed to Mr Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle, near Durham.

To be Sold

The Dues of Lead Ore, raised and to be raised within the Derwentwater Estate, from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next. Enquire of Mr Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, Mr John Stephenson, at Nentsberry in Alston Moore, or Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle, near Durham.

22nd June 1745 (London Gazette)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich,
June 25, 1745

The Commissioners of His Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 7th Day of August next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on Lease for 21 years at Salters Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate, viz. Couperhole-head, Goan-gill, Nentsbury Green Ends, North Vein, Middle Vein, Gooddomgill Moss, Nentheadfield, Garrygill burn old Groves, Doddberry Dike-head, Hill Close, Clargill Meadows, Clargill Cleugh head, Cashburn, Cornriggs, Gate Castle, Middle Syke, Scarr Ends, Lee House, Low Birchey Bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gillhouse burn, Howburn Moss, Horse Edge Slattey Mea, Broomberry East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Birchey Bank, Roderup Cleugh, Greenhill Syke, or Green Cragg, Nentsberry-haggs, Green Castle, Baxton Edge, Balehill, or Farrenberry, North Vein of Fletcheris Foot, Brownley-hill, Long- Hole Head East End, Gallygill Syke, Windy-brow, Wellhopeknott, Dryburn, Rampgill-head near Kellup head, Redgroves Edge, Blagill Green-ends, Bums in Tack, Hudgill-burn Longcleugh, Middle Cleugh, Fletcheress, and Greengrove or Band End, And on Wednesday the 1st of January next, or as soon after as may be, at the same Place, will also lett on Lease for 21 Years, a Colliery in Grindon Common in the Barony of Langley and County of Northumberland; to be entered upon at May-day next, And all Persons desirous to take any of the Lead Mines or Colliery, may give in their Proposals in Writing, directed o Mr-Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad street, London, of to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravenswortb Castle near Durham.

23rd September 1746 (London Gazette)

Royal Hospital at Greenwich, Sept. 24, 1746

The Commissioners of His Majesty's Royal Hospital at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 25th March next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on Lease for 21 years at Salters Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate, viz. Couperhole head, Goangill, Nentsbury Green Ends, Ditto North Vein, Middle Vein, Gudamgill Moss, Nenthead Field, Dowpottsyke, Garrigill Burn Old Grove, Dodberry Dike Head, Clargill Meadows, Clargill Cleugh head, Cash Burn, Cornriggs, Gate castle, Middle Syke, Scar ends, Lee House, Low Birchy bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gllhouse burn, Howburn moss, Park Grove, Horse edge, Slatey Mea, Broomberry East of Nent, Guttergill, How Blagill, High Birchy bank, Rodderup Cleugh, Greenhill Syke or Green Craig, Nentsberry Haggs, Green Castle,

Baxton Edge, Bale hill or Farrenberry, N° Vein of Fletcheriss Foot, Brownley hill, Longhole head East End, Windybrow, Dryburn, Rampgill head near Killop head, Redgroves Edge, Blagill green Ends, Burns Intack. Long Cleugh, Middle Cleugh, Fletcheriss, Green grove or Band End, Rock Hill, and Taylor Syke Foot, as also will be Lett at the same Time on Lease for 21 Years from May Day next, Throckley Mill, with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging, late in 'the possession of William Trumble, and now in the Possession of Thomas Bell, and a House and Garth or Garden, at Meldon, late in the Possession of Ralph Thompson, and now in the Possession, of Mr Andrew Bullock, or their Under Tenants. And all Persons desirous to take any of the said Lead Mines or Farms, with their Appurtenances aforesaid, may give in their Proposals in Writing, directed to Mr. Richard Horne, at the Pay Office in Broad-street, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravenswortb Castle near Durham.

May 1747 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD, or LETT
For a Term of Years,

ALL the MINES and VEINS of LEAD ORE, together with the Smelt Mills, and other Houses there unto belonging, in the Manor of Marrick in the County of York. Whoever has a Mind to purchase or take a Lease of the same, are desired to send their Proposals to the Hon. William Powlett, Esq; at his House in Burton-street, London, or to William Warton, Esq; at Gillingwood in the County of York.

22nd October 1748 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD, together or Separate,

THE Manors or Lordships of Whitfield, otherwise Whitfield Hall, and Owston, otherwise Great Owston, now lett at between £700 and £800 per Ann. but greatly improvable: And also the Rectory and perpetual Advowson of the Church of Whitfield.

Whitfield Hall is a large modem Building, and the Lands now inclosed contain by Computation 3000 Acres, and lie all contiguous to the Rivet Allan in Allandale, in the County of Northumberland; and an uncontested Boundary of Waste or Common adjoining, containing by Computation 4000 Acres or more, in a healthful Part of the Country, and Plenty of Fowl and Fish, Limestones in several different parts of the Ground, and Plenty of Coal, with some valuable Wood on Part of the Premises, and a considerable Spring of Wood on another Part there of; very advantageous Lead Mmes are now wrought at a small Distance from the Premises, and very hopeful to be got and found in the Premises when tried and sought for: There is no Out-Rent, except one of 7s. 6d. issuing out of the said Premises, and there is a Modus of 13s. 4d. payable in lieu of all Hay Tithes of Part of the same.

Also several Farms lying and being at Woolsingham in the County of Durham, called Bellaside, Wrenns Close, Falfield, Bridge-end Garth, and Snabbs Garth, all late the Estate of and belonging to Matthew Whitfield, of Woolsingham aforesaid, Esq., and Robert Whitfield, his Son, deceas'd- Enquire of Anthony Wilkinson, and Robert Wharton, both of the City of Durham, Esqrs.

N. B, Robert Ridley and Matthew Dawson will shew the Premises.

20th June 1749 (London Gazette)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich
June 21, 1749

THE Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital at Greenwich hereby give Notice, that on Saturday the 9th Day of December next, or as soon after as may be, will be lett on Lease for 21 Years, at Salters-Hall, in London, the following Lead Mines in the Derwentwater Estate, viz. Cowperhole Head, Goangill, Nentsberry Green-Ends, Ditto North Vein, Ditto Middle Vein, Goodamgill Moss, Nenthead Field, Garrygill Burn, Old Groves, Dodbury Dyke Head, Hill Close East of Tyne, Clargill Meadows, Clargill Cleugh Head, Cashburn, Cornriggs, Gate Castle, Middle Syke, Scar Ends, Lee House, Low-birchy Bank, Broomberry West of Tyne, Gill-house Burn, Howburn Moss, Park Grove, Horse Edge, Slatymea, Broomberry West of Nent, Guttergill, Howblaygill, High-birchy Bank, Rodderupcleugh, Greenhill Syke or Green Craig, Greencastle, Baxton Edge, Bailhill or Farnberry, North Vein of Fletcheress Foot, Dryburn, Blaygill, Green Ends, Burn's Intack, Fletcheress, Greengrove or Bankend, Rock hill, Taylors-Syke Foot, and Greengill East End. And all Persons desirous to take any of the said Lead Mines, may give in their proposals in Writing, directed to Mr Richard Horne, at the Pay-Office in Broad-street, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth Castle, near Durham.

24th February 1750 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD peremptorily
To the Best BIDDER,

On Tuesday the first Day of May next, between Twelve and Five o'clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr Joseph Hay, Innkeeper in Durham,
THE Manors of WHITFIELD and OWSTON, in the County of Northumberland, of the yearly Value of £900 and upwards, clear Rent, Land-Tax excepted, together with the Advowson of the Rectory of Whitfield, with a large and modern Seat-house, several inclosed Farms, containing 3200 Acres and upwards, and an extensive Royalty of about 8000 Acres of Ground belonging thereto; both the inclosed Grounds and the Commons are capable of great Improvement, and there is Plenty of Fish, Moor-game, and other Opportunities of Sport within the same. There is a valuable Spring of Wood now growing thereon, and a great Prospect of very valuable Lead Mines within the Premises. Also several Parcels of Freehold, Copyhold, and Leasehold Lands, lying at Wolsingham, in the County of Durham. For further Particulars enquire of Mr James Close, or Mr Jonathan Wharton, both of Lincoln's Inn, Anthony Wilkinson and Robert Wharton, Esqrs. or Mr Goddard in Durham.

30th June 1750 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LETT immediately,

THE several VEINS of LEAD ORE following, at Rookhope, in the parish of Stanhope and County of Durham, viz. Respy, alias Resby Myres, West Brackensike, East Brackensike, Longwell, West Scarsike, and East Scarsike. Whoever desires to treat for the same, or any of them, may apply to Mr Robert Ellison, or Mr Ralph Featherston, in Westgate, Newcastle upon Tyne.

24th August 1751 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD immediately

A FULL FOURTH PART OR SHARE of a very rich Lead MINE called DOWGANG, nigh Nenthead in Aldstone Moor, held by Lease under the honourable Commissioners of his Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich for 21 years 15 of which are yet unexpired. The said Mine for more than a Year past, and at present employs nigh 100 Workmen, and may be viewed by any Gentleman or Agent that has a desire to purchase, and moreover the owner Mr Robert Rutter may be treated with either at his own House, or at the House of Mr Nathaniel Yeats, in Aldstone Town, and will make proper Title, and also deliver the original Lease to any Purchaser.

14th September 1751 (Newcastle Courant)

To be S O L D,

Situate near Hexham, in the County of Northumberland,

A Very improveable Freehold ESTATE, of the yearly Value of 100/, called SETLINGSTONES, containing 500 Acres of Arable, Meadow and Pasture Ground; also the Wood thereupon, and a Lead Mine within the same. This Estate is tythe free, paying only a small Modus of 1s. 6d. yearly, and has a Right of Intercommoning upon a very large Common, called Grundon Common. The Dwelling-houses, Out-houses, and other Conveniences are in good Repair, and none wanting proper for a Tenant.

Mr Matthew Pigg, of Padge-croft, or Mr William Todd, of Landends, near to Haydon-bridge, will shew the said Estate, and treat about selling the same, or any Person inclinable to purchase it, may apply to Mr Joshua Douglas, of Newcastle upon Tyne, or Mr Charles Shaftoe, of Hexham, to treat about the Sale thereof.

9th November 1751 (Ipswich Journal)

Keswick in Cumberland, Oct. 22. The same villainous Gang that hath for the last fourteen years past, plundered the black Lead Mine in Borrowdale, and yearly stolen from thence, by a moderate Computation, one thousand pounds worth of Black Lead; by Force broke into and kept possession thereof, during the time the Assizes were held last year at Carlisle, for the county of Cumberland; when many of the gang were then tried for robbing the mine. The same attempt was also made and repeated by them this last August, during the time several of their companions were taking their trials at Carlisle, for breaking into and robbing the Mine; and when others were also tried upon the Black Act for shooting several times in the night at Mr John White, and six others employed to guard the mine, with an attempt to murder the Guard, and take possession of the mine. And a third attempt to murder the said John White, and the rest of the Guardsmen, and then to seize and keep possession of the mine, was also made by this desperate and wicked set of men, in the night of Sunday the 20th inst., when the Guard, though several times shot at, providentially escaped by the darkness of the night.

6th June 1752 (Newcastle Courant)

By a Letter from Fort Augustus, in the North of Scotland, we are informed, that there has lately been discovered on the Estate of McDonald of Glengary, near to that Place, very rich Copper and Lead Mines, and that a Gentleman from

London is actually at Work there, having carried with him a Number of Miners for that Purpose. The said Letter further adds, that from the Reports of skilful Miners, who have viewed the Country, there is the greatest Prospects of valuable Mines there that has as yet been discovered, and that the same, if properly looked after, would turn out to be an inestimable Treasure.

16th September 1752 (Newcastle Courant)

We are informed from Denbigh in North Wales, that there are already three Companies of Miners employed to draw Lead from the Mines belonging to his Grace the Duke of Ancaster in that Country, and that there will be Work enough for ten Companies more The Circumference of the Duke's Estate is about 80 Miles, the Whole consisting of Mountains full of Fossils and Minerals: But above all, they abound chiefly in Lead Ore of every Kind, and it is asserted, that the Ore, and Ore-bearing Symptoms, appear on the Surface of the Ground.

Every one of the capital Veins of the richest Mines that ever were, and are now, in North Wales, determine in his Grace's Estate with greater Lustre than at the several Spots whence considerable Wealth was drawn: And there are so many Mines in the Duke's Lands, that it would be impossible for the several Mining Companies (united) in Great Britain to work them all. The Lands which form the Gwedyr Estate, belonging to his Grace, lie chiefly in the Countries of Caernarvon and Denbigh, on both Sides the navigable River Conway. The chief Lead Mines are in Caernarvonshire, in the Hills called the British Alps, which are some hundred Yards (almost perpendicular) high. In these Lead Mines are many Veins, from half a Yard to three or four Yards broad; and they run or strike due East and West for three or four Miles. Many Strings of Lead Ore, from half an Inch to four Inches broad, appear on the Surface of the Ground. The Estate in Question abounds with Rivulets for washing the Ore; and the farthest Mine is not above three or four Miles from the Navigation of the River Conway. All the Lands, quite to the Place where the Vessels are loaded, belong to the Duke of Ancaster, a Circumstance that will be of great Advantage to those who shall be concerned in those Mines. May Prosperity attend the Working of there, and every Undertaking which, by employing Multitudes of industrious Poor, enriches Individuals, and the Kingdom in general. So many Branches of Commerce are departing from us, owing to our Venality and Indolence, and the superior Wisdom and Industry of Rival Nations, that it is our Duty zealously to cultivate any new Trade, Manufacture, &c. which may offer itself.

11th August 1753 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD,

A FARM situate at NEWLANDSIDE, in the Parish of Stanhope, in Weardale, in the County of Durham, consisting of a Farm house, Barns, and other Conveniences; 70 Acres or more of Freehold Lands, in which there is a Lead-mine and Lime- stone Quarries, and 45 Acres or more of Copyhold Lands, held under the Bishop of Durham, at a yearly Rent of 9s. 8 d. and a Fine of 10s. on Admittance; together with several other Pieces of Woody Ground, not included in the Quantities above mentioned; and an unlimited Right of Common on Bolyhope Fell. The whole Let for three Years, from May-day last, at £42 per Ann. For further Particulars, enquire of Messrs Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth-castle, or of Mr William Boag, Attorney at Law in Newcastle

upon Tyne. —Mr Tallintire Schoolmaster, at Westgate, near Stanhope aforesaid, will shew the Premises.

17th September 1754 (Manchester Mercury)

Country News

Carlisle, Sept. 4. We hear that the Indictments against _____ and others for breaking into the Black Lead Mines in Borrowdale in this county, were respited until the next Assizes; and that the mines will be opened a second time this summer, in order to exhaust all the veins thereof, the proprietors of the Mines being unable to find any method sufficient for their preservation from being robbed, and that a great quantity of the lead already dug is just now sent to London; and that a very large quantity more of the best and finest lead that was ever seen is also going to London.

4th January 1755 (Newcastle Courant)

They write from Middleton-tees, in the county of Durham, that a few days ago two Men were killed, and several others much bruised in a lead mine near that place.

1st February 1755 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LETT by Lease, from the Dean and Chapter of Durham, Renewable every four or seven years

THE LEAD MINES in the MOORS, COMMONS, and Wastes in the Manor of Muggleswick, in the county of Durham, as the same were late in the Tenure of Mr Joseph Liddell, of the Town and county of Newcastle upon Tyne, Merchant, deceased.

1st March 1755 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

THE Third Part of several VEINS of LEAD OAR called RESPY, in the parish of Stanhope, and county of Durham; considerable Quantities of Oar now raised and wrought from these Mines, and they are very promising. Enquire of Mr Baker, at Elemorehall, or at Mr Dixon's Office in Durham.

31st May 1755 (Newcastle Courant)

To be Sold

THE Manor of Grinton, in Swaledale in the County of York, in the Commons and Wastes whereof are many old Lead Mines! whereout have been raised great Quantities Leadore, and in which are likewise considerable Parcels of fresh Ground very promising for new ones, and for Coal Mines, also Smelting Mill and Farm with good Conveniences; the latter capable of great Improvement, and under an easy Prescription of Tithes, and now in the occupation of the Under-tenants of George Wood, at £52 8s. per Annum. For further Particulars enquire of Wingate Pulleine, Esq, at Carleton or Mr Ralph Stobbs, at Darlington.

26th July 1755 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the best Bidder

On Saturday the second day of August next, between the Hours of Two and Five in the Afternoon, at the House of Mrs Verity, in Richmond, in the county of York;

THE MANOR of GRINTON, in Swaledale, in the said county; in the Common's and Wastes whereof are many old Lead Mines, whereout have been raised great Quantities of Lead-Ore, and in which are likewise considerable Parcels of Fresh Ground very promising for new ones, and for Coal Mines; also a Smelting Mill and a Farm with good Conveniences; the latter capable of great improvement, and under a small Prescription for Tithes, and now in the occupation of the Under-tenants of George Wood, at £52 8s. per annum. —In the mean Time particulars may be had of Wingate Pulleine, Esq; at Carleton, or Mr Ralph Stobbs, at Darlington.

17th April 1756 (Newcastle Courant)

TO all able-bodied Persons above the Age of 15 years, or under 40, who have been employed In either the Lead Mines or Coal Works, and are willing to inlist as a Miner in his Majesty's Royal Regiment of Artillery, commanded by the Hon. Col. William Belford, now lying at Woolwich, in Kent, let them repair to Capt. Thomas Smith's Quartets, at Mr Green's, the Sign of the Half Moon, in Durham; at Mr Courtney's, the Sign of the Turk's Head, in Chester-le street, or at Mr Parker's, the Sign of the Turk's Head, in Newcastle upon Tyne, where they will be kindly received, and enter into present Pay, at half a Guinea a Week, and good Quarters; and when they come to the respective Regiment, shall have all necessary Cloathing and Arms. Such who inlist and behave themselves properly, may be very soon advanced to a Corporal, whose Pay is two Shillings a Day, and from thence to a Sergeant, at half a Crown a Day.

Parish of CHESTER-LE-STREET

Whereas his Majesty, at this Juncture of Emergency, has an immediate occasion for a Company of Miners to be added to the Royal Regiment of Artillery, commanded by the Hon. Colonel William Belford, now lying at Woolwich, in Kent. As an Encouragement to all such Person or persons within this Parish, who are willing to inlist as Volunteers in the said Regiment, shall receive of Henry Lambton, Esq. ONE GUINEA, by applying to Mr Thomas Hall, of Lambton, who will pay the same. Lambton, April 15, 1756

1st May 1756 (Newcastle Courant)

Saturday last a Number of stout young Fellows were marched in here, headed by one of the principal Grovers from Sir Walter Blackett's Lead Mines, which, with these sent in by the Right Hon. Lord Ravensworth, George Bowes and Henry Lambton, Esqrs. who generously gave a Guinea Bounty to each, more than completed the Company of Miners to be railed in this Part, by nine Men; their Compliment being only 100, who were marched from here on Thursday Morning last by Capt. Smith, to join the Artillery Regiment at Woolwich.—Since which there has been a great many offering; themselves, but could not be taken 'till it's known what 'Success the Recruiting Party in Cornwall has met with, where another Company was to be raised.—On every Event we see Britain's

brave sons alert for Action and desirous of engaging under Encouragement worthy the intent of her glorious Guardians!

26th June 1756 (Newcastle Courant)

ANY Person or Persons who will undertake to employ and maintain the POOR in the Parish of Aldston, in the county of Cumberland, may deliver Proposals, in Writing, to the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish, on or before Saturday the 10th Day of July next; when the said Overseers will attend the House of Mr Jonathan Hylton, in Aldston aforesaid, and treat with the Person or Persons who shall make such Proposals.

14th August 1756 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

The well accustomed INN, called ALSTON HOUSE, near Alston Town, in the county of Cumberland, with the Lands thereunto belonging; part Freehold, and part held by Lease for 1000 years, of which about 850 yet to come, pleasantly situated on the River Tyne. —Enquire of Mr. Hylton, at Alston House, who will show the premises, and treat for the sale thereof.

25th June 1757 (Newcastle Courant)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich, June 15, 1757.

THE DUES of LEAD ORE, raised and to be raised, from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next, at Capelcleugh, Wellhopeknot, Carrs, Carrs-Sun-vein, Lough-vein, Thorngill, Taylor-Syke, and Nentsberryhaggs Lead Mines, within the Manor of Alston moor, being sold. The Commissioners of the said Hospital hereby give Notice, that such Persons as are willing to purchase the remaining Parts of the Dues of LEAD ORE, together or separate, raised and to be raised, within the Time above mentioned, in the Derwentwater Estate, may deliver their Proposals, sealed up, to the Directors at Salters-hall, in London, on Wednesday the sixth Day of July next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon and in the mean Time, by applying to Richard Horne, Esq; at the Navy-office, London, or to Mess. Walton and Boag, at Ravensworth-castle, near Durham, they may be informed of all further particulars relating thereto.

13th May 1758 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD,

On or before the 27th of June, 1758,

A FREEHOLD ESTATE, at Reavling, two Miles West of Middleton in Teasdale, in the County of Durham, near 40 Acres of Land, with proper Housing, and a good prospect of a Lead Mine, and a Right on an extensive Common adjoining. —Enquire of Mr John Bruce, at Monkton, or Mr William Bruce, at Newcastle, Executor of the late William Teasdale, deceased.

N. B. Mr Coatsworth, at Lowhouse, near Middleton aforesaid, will shew the Premises.

11th November 1758 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder

At Katy's Coffee house, on the Sandhill, Newcastle on Wednesday the 29th of November inst. at Three o'clock in the Afternoon.

One sixteenth Share of Two LEAD MINES at Calvert hold *(sic)* and Clargill head, in Priorsdale, Cumberland, late belonging to Ralph Christon, deceased. —For Further Particulars enquire of John Reay, at Alstone, or of Jonathan Ormston, or James King, in Newcastle. The Conditions will be produced at the Time of Sale.

27th January 1759 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

ALL that undivided MOIETY of the FREEHOLD CAPITAL MESSUAGE, LANDS, and GROUNDS, at Unthank, in the Parish of Shotley, and County of Northumberland; with a Right of depasturing on an extensive Common thereto adjoining: And also an undivided MOIETY of the MINES and MINERALS in and under the said Lands and Grounds. Thomas Hunter, of Unthank, the Tenant, will shew the premises. —Enquire of Mr Cuthbert Smith, at Snowsgreen, or at his Office, in Durham.

16th June 1759 (Newcastle Courant)

Last Week Mr John Smith, Agent to the Lead Company, was unfortunately kill'd by a fall from his horse, near his House at Shildon, near Hexham.

Court Minutes Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal

8th December 1748 LLC 10

Received the security bond of John Smith the chief agent in the North for the sum of five hundred pounds.

13th April 1751 LLC 11

John Smith the Company's agent in the North was ordered to go over to Derbyshire to inspect the Company's mines, and also those of Mr Nightingale and give the Court his opinion thereon.

7th October 1755 LLC 11

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Court that Mr John Smith do go into Wales and Derbyshire so soon as the Company's affairs in the North under his care will permit, to view the Company's mines and works in those parts and make a report thereof.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Court that a gratuity of fifty pounds be given to Mr. John Smith the Company's chief agent in the North of England for extraordinary Services.

28th January 1760 LLC 12

Resolved that Thomas Brown and Thomas Tweedale be appointed joint Visitors and Inspectors of all the Company's mines late under the direction of John Smith, and assist at the letting of all bargains and consult together upon all mineral operations and report under their hands the state of the several workings and mines to the Court every three months.

John Smith was buried at St Andrew, Auckland, 9th June 1759, his estate was Administered by his wife Hannah.

15th September 1759 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the best Bidder,

At the Exchange Coffee-house in Newcastle, on Friday the 21st of September inst. at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon;

SEVERAL LEAD-MINES, and PARTS and SHARES of LEAD MINES near Aldstone, in the County of Cumberland, which belonged to the late Dr Tatham, of Sunderland. ——For Particulars enquire of Mr Dixon, or Mr Robinson, Attornies, in Durham.

Ralph Tatham, Physician, of Sunderland, died of consumption, 18th September, buried 20th September 1752, at Holy Trinity, Sunderland.

11th April 1761 (Newcastle Courant)

On Tuesday the 31st ult., was married at Edinburgh, Capt. John Erasmus Blackett, of the Northumberland Militia, to Miss *(Sarah, daughter of Robert Roddam of Hethpool, Northumberland))* Rhodam; a young lady whose Beauty, Merit, and Accomplishments have made her universally admired, with a fortune of 5000 *l*. and on Thursday they came to his house in Pilgrim Street.

John Erasmus Blackett was appointed Chief Steward of the Blacket Lead Company in 1773, he retired from the company in 1804, and died 11th June 1814. He was Mayor of Newcastle in 1765, 1772, 1780, and 1790.

18th June 1814 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

Saturday last aged 86, John Erasmus Blackett, Esq the senior Alderman of the corporation of Newcastle, and father of Lady Collingwood.

Sarah Blackett wife of John Erasmus, died 14th July 1775, aged 35.

12th December 1761 (Newcastle Courant)

THE COPPER and LEAD MINES the Manor of ASBY-WINDERWATH, in the County of Westmoreland and in the Manors of WYTHBURNE, WYTHOPP, and HIGH-IRBY, in the County of Cumberland, are to be demised, and Lett to Farm for a Term of Years, to be entered upon immediately, by Mr Monkhouse, at Hutton-hall, in Cumberland.

To be SOLD,

At the House of Mr Anthony Hewatson, innkeeper, in Aldstone, on Wednesday the 10th of January next, between the Hours of Two and Eight in the Afternoon of the Same Day;

THE several MINES or VEINS of LEAD ORE in Aldstone Moor, late in the Possession of Mr Robert Loraine, deceased, for a Term to come, held under the Hon. the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, called and known by the fevers! Names of CAPELCLEUGH VEIN,, CAPELCLEUGH CROSS VEIN, CAPELCLEUGH WEST-END and CAPELCLEUGH SUN VEIN such of those Veins as are now, working, are regularly won, with proper Levels, and turn out a large Quantity of Ore, and very prosperous; and those that are not yet begun with, will be won by the same Levels, and now within a few fathoms of being laid open, and have the greatest prospect of being rich Veins, from the Goodness of the next preceding Veins now working.——Any Person or Persons inclinable to be a Purchaser or Purchasers, may be fully informed of all Particulars and Descriptions, by applying to Mr Robert Allgood, of Hexham, or to Mr Anthony Hewatson, of Aldstone, the present Agent of the said Mines, who will shew them.

N. B. A considerable Quantity of ORE now upon Bank, and wrought out of the said Mines, since last Michaelmas, and also what shall be wrought till the

Day of Sale (Dues excepted) will be sold at the Time and Place above mentioned.

5th January 1762 (Leeds Intelligence)

To peremptorily SOLD,

By AUCTION, the Highest Bidder Bidders,

On Thursday the 21st Day of this instant January, between the Hours One and Three in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr. James Swaile in Grassington in Craven, in the County York,

Messuage and Tenement, call'd Bland's Tenement, in Burnfall, in Craven which did late belong unto the Reverend John Alcock, late of Burntall aforesaid deceased, of the Yearly Value of about £26. The Premises lye mostly together and near the Town Pastures which there are Cattlegates which afford an Opportunity of keeping good Winter Stock. Also the several Lead Mines, Shares or Parts of Lead-Mines, the Manor of Grassington which did late belong to the said John Alcock, called the New Rake, Burnt Ling, Two Meers, North Rake, Blew Level, and other the Lead-Mines there, late the said John Alcock remaining unsold. Particulars may be had of Mr. Alcock, Attorney in Skipton and Conditions will be produced at the Time of Sale.

11th September 1762 (Newcastle Courant)

Last Saturday died, of a Stroke of the Palsy, Mr Richard Harndon, chief Steward of Sir Walter Blackett's Lead Mines, at Coalcleugh: He was an excellent miner, and a man of spirit, application, and honesty.

Richard Harrison of Lovelady Shield was buried at Alston 6th September 1762.

27th November 1762 (Newcastle Courant)

Last Week a Cause was decided in his Majesty's Court of King's Bench, upon a Question, whether Lead Mines are liable to be affected to the Poor's Rate, by the Act of the 43d of Elizabeth; when the Court determined they are not liable.

24th May 1763 (Manchester Mercury)

A few Days since, two Labourers were working in a Lead Mine, near Kirby Lonsdale, they found above 100 Pieces of Silver Coin, being the Roman Denarii, in two Leaden Urns, the freshest of which Pieces appears be near 1600 Years old, and the Busts of the five first Emperors of Rome appear very clear upon some of them.

10th December 1763 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LET on TACK NOTE,

Or on a Lease for 11 or 21 Years, and entered upon immediately,

A Valuable LEAD MINE, commonly called BIRK'S GROVE situate at Low Bishoply, near Stanhope in Weardale, with open Shafts and Level, necessary for working the same. — Any Person or Persons, inclinable to take the said Lead Mine, are desired to deliver their proposals to Mr Joseph Addison, Glazier, on the Side, Newcastle or to Mr Anthony Tallentire, at Westgate, near Stanhope in Weardale aforesaid, who will shew the Premises.

25 February 1764 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD,

THE LEASE of the LEAD MINE, called Eastrake, within the Common of Middleton, in Teasdale, in the County of Durham, for the Remainder of a Term of 21 Years, which commenced at Michaelmas 1750.

And the LEASE of the LEAD MINE, called Fleakbridge, and of a VEIN of LEAD ORE about three hundred Yards South East of the said Fleakbridge Mines and of another VEIN of LEAD ORE, called Fleakbridge Old Vein, in Wiregill, all within the Common of Middleton in Teasdale aforesaid, for the Remainder of a Term of 21 Years which commenced the 7th of March, 1758 together with the Engine and other Materials, at the said Fleakbridge Lead Mine.

And the LEASE of the SMELTING MILL, celled Acton New Mill, is the Parish of Shotley and County of Northumberland, For the Term of 21 Years from May day next.

And also the LEASE of the REFINERY and SHOTHOUSE, at the Meadow Foot in Elswick, adjoining the River Tyne, near Newcastle, for the Remainder of a Term of 21 Years, which commenced at the 1st of May, 1757.

Mr Marshall, of Blanchland, in the County of Northumberland, will shew the Lead Mines and Smelting Mill, and Mr Langlands, Goldsmith, in Newcastle, will shew the Refinery: And for further Particulars, enquire of Mr Hugall, Attorney, in Durham.

5th May 1764 (Caledonian Mercury)

To be LET

A LEAD MINE on the Banks of the large lake of Loch Maree, in the parish of Gerloch, and county of Ross, which is navigable at all seasons of the year, and communicates with the sea, on the west by the river Ewe; and on the east, by an easy day's journey, of good road from Dingwall or Inverness. Upon a small experiment made by the proprietor, a vein of above three feet of lead has already appeared, and the neighbouring ground abounds with oak and other woods.

Samples of the ore and Sparr, with an accurate draught and description of the mines and conterminous ground, are to be seen in the hands of Alexander Mackenzie, Writer to the signet, who is impowered to adjust articles with any person or company disposed to contract for a lease.

7th July 1764 (Caledonian Mercury)

TWENTY-SIX TUNS of POTTERS ORE, of the best quality, in one or more lots, and all the mining tools, air pipes, pumps, and other materials belonging to the lead mine at Castlandhill, are to be sold, by way of roup, at the said lead mine, which lies within a quarter of a mile of the harbour of Inverkeithing, upon Tuesday the 17th of July instant, by twelve mid-day.

Roup = Auction

29th September 1764 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LET, as usual, on very reasonable Terms

SEVERAL VEINS of LEAD ORE, within the Manor or Lordship of KIRKHAUGH in the county of Northumberland: Some of them have been wrought by the Lead Company in London, under Lease, lately expired. —Any

persons desirous of taking these veins, may apply to Christopher Richardson, Esq; at Nunwick, near Penrith, Robert Lowes, Esq., at his house in Hexham; or Mr Brougham, Attorney at Law, at Penrith aforesaid, in Cumberland.

16th March 1765 (Newcastle Chronicle)
We hear from Alston, that in the storm on Tuesday se'nnight, one Charles Beaston, a miner, was suffocated on his return home from the mine, between Nenthead and Garrigill, his body was found the next day. Also a boy, about 14 years of age, perished in the said storm, in going from Nenthead to Allendale.
Charles Beasting (son of James, baptised at Garrigill 19th May 1727) of Garrigill Gate, was buried at St John's Church, 6th March 1765.
Charles married Hannah Pattinson, 9th June 1753, at Alston.
Children of Charles Beasting:
Ann baptised September 1754,
William baptised August 1756, married Hannah Waugh, 27th November 1784
James baptised 6th August 1758, married Jane Bowman, 6th May 1779
Mary baptised 13th January 1761, married Peter Milburn (of Stanhope) 21st June 1783 or John Fairless of Stanhope 1792
Hannah baptised 18th September 1763, possible marriage to John Dickinson, possible burial at Garrigill, 12th June 1827.
Possible burial of Hannah Beasting snr., 1st October 1788, at Garrigill.

30th March 1765 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Last week died at Nenthead near Aldston, Ann Gibson, aged 110 years. She came front Derbyshire 70 years ago, and has wrought in the lead mines there ever since.
Ann Gibson was buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 20th March 1765.

2nd April 1765 (Newcastle Journal)
Newcastle, March 30. The latest storm was the most severe in Alston moor that has been known for many years; and tho' it may appear almost incredible in many parts of England, we are well assured that the snow in several places was fourteen or fifteen foot thick. At Tynehead a home was overblown while the people were in it, and the whole family (Mr. Watson's; were obliged to roll themselves out from the top part ot the house over the snow, at the utmost danger of their lives. At Nenthead several houses were covered up above the windows, and the people were confined within for some days, and obliged to burn candles all the while.

4th May 1765 (Newcastle Chronicle)
To be SOLD together or Separate
THE LEASE of the LEAD-MINE, called Eastrake, within the Common of Middleton in Teesdale, in the County of Durham, for the Remainder of a Term of 21 Years, which Commenced at Michaelmas, 1750.
Also the LEASE of the LEAD MINE, called FLEAKBRIDGE; and of a VEIN of LEAD-ORE, about three hundred Yards South-east of the said Fleakbridge Mine; and of another VEIN of LEAD ORE, called Fleakbridge Old Vein, in Wiregill, all within the Common of Middleton in Teesdale aforesaid, for the Remainder of a Term of 21 Years, which commenced the

7th of March, 1758; together with the Engine and other Materials at the laid Fleakbridge Mine. Enquire of Mr Hugall, Attorney, in Durham.

28th December 1765 (Newcastle Chronicle)

To be LET

At Threapland, in the county of Cumberland

A COPPER MINE in which a good deal of work has been done, but not of late years; the Manor and Lordship of Threapland where the said Mine lies is very extensive with Limestone Ground, and very promising of both Copper and Lead Ore.

Anyone who chooses to lease the said Mine for a term of Years, will be used upon very reasonable Terms, and may see some of the Copper Ore lately got out of the side of the old Mine. For further particulars, enquire of Mr Roger Williamson, at Snittlegarth, or of Mr Thomas Story of Dalston, near Carlisle.

31st May 1766 (Newcastle Courant)

Last week was married at Aldston, in Cumberland, Mr Edward Loraine, a Gentleman largely concerned in Lead Mines there, to Miss Netters, of Rosegill, a beautiful young lady, with a fortune of 2000 *l*.

At St John's, Garrigill, Edward Loraine married Isabella Nattrass, daughter of John Nattrass, 15th May 1766.

Edward Loraine son of Robert Loraine and Mary Allgood

14th June 1766 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD,

THE DUES of LEAD ORE, raised within the Manor of ALSTON MOOR, in the County of Cumberland. Part of the Derwentwater Estate, from Michaelmas 1764, Michaelmas 1765. Enquire of John lbbetson, Esq., at the Admiralty Office, London.

N.B. The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital propose to build, with all possible Expedition, a Smelting Mill, with two Ore Hearths and a Slagg Hearth, at or near Woodhall, in the County of Northumberland, and, in the mean Time, will erect proper Bingsteads near the same, for the Reception of the said Due's; The Mill, with its Conveniences, will be let along with the Dues, Rent-free for nine Months, after its being ready for Work, which it is expected will be about Martinmas next, the Purchaser or Purchasers of the said Dues, delivering up the said Mill, with its Conveniences, at the end of the said nine Months, in as complete Repair as when the same shall be entered upon.

10th January 1767 (Newcastle Courant)

We learn from Aldstone, in Cumberland, that so great is the increase of that place from the Lead Mines that 800 Sheep and 10 Bullocks were killed there on Christmas Eve, and were all sold before seven o'clock at Night.

Saturday some of the Grover's at Fallowfield having been at Hexham, where they drank too freely, and on the road Home meeting with a young Woman, they used her so rudely, and frightened her so much, that it is feared she will lose her reason.

24th January 1767 (Newcastle Courant)
On the 13th instant five of a Grover's at Fallowfield Lead Mines, who had abused the young Woman (as mentioned in the paper of the 10th inst) were apprehended, and carried before a Justice of the Peace, where they submitted to pay the surgeon's Bill, and give her 12 Guineas, and enter into a Bond for their future good Behaviour.

21st February 1767 (Newcastle Chronicle)

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich,
Feb. 13, 1767.
NOTICE is hereby given,

THAT such Persons as may be willing to purchase (together or in separate Parcels) the DUES of LEAD ORE, raised from Michaelmas 1765, to Michaelmas, 1766 at the following Lead Mines within the Manor of Aldston-Moor, Part of the Derwentwater Estate, in the County of Cumberland, (that is to say) Rampgill and Redgroves, Rampgill Sun Vein, Thortergill Sun Vein, Guddamgill Moss, Middle Cleugh, Middle Cleugh first Vein, Middle Cleugh second Vein, Longcleugh, Fletcherass, Carrs, Windy Brow, and Old Blagill, may deliver in their Proposals (sealed up) to the Directors of this Hospital, at Salters Hall in London, on Wednesday the 4th Day oft March next, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon; or on or before Friday the 17th Day of February, to Mess'. Walton and Smeaton, at Farnacres, near Newcastle upon Tyne. —Note, That it is expected Security be given by the respective Purchasers before the Delivery begins, for Payment of the Money at Michaelmas 1767; and to oblige them to remove the Ore before that Time.
JOHN IBBETSON, Secretary.

4th July 1767 (Newcastle Chronicle)
On Monday the 22nd of last month, in the evening, two women called at the house of one John Wilson of Carr-sheel in Allendale, one of whom pretended to be deaf and dumb, the other acted as her interpreter; they had a considerable quantity of powdered herbs which they sold as never-failing remedies for all disorders; the interpreter said they were going to Aldstone in Cumberland, but were much fatigued with that day's journey, and entreated to lodge there that night, and accordingly were accommodated with a bed in a room in which were other three beds, taken up by some miners who boarded there. About 7 next morning they arose, and pretending to be in a violent hurry to get to Aldstone would not stay to breakfast, but persuading their hostess to give them half a crown for a few doses of their powdered herbs, took their leave, and walked away. About four hours after their departure, one of the miners coming from his work, went up to the room where these two women had lodged, to put off his working cloaths, and dress for the remainder of the day, when on taking down a pair of breeches which hung at the head of his bed, and upon examining the pockets (wherein he had left a purse containing £13 19s. 6 d.) to his great astonishment perceived that his purse and its contents were gone: The two women were immediately suspected for the theft, and ten or a dozen miners were instantly called together, who pursued and came up with them about eleven o'clock that night near Temmon, on their road to Carlisle, and found them both exceedingly intoxicated, they having indulged themselves at Glenwelt with

a large quantity of cyder and brandy. The next morning they were carried before John Tweddell, Esq; of Unthank-hall, one of his Majesty's justices of the peace for the county of Northumberland, when the deaf and dumb lady came to her perfect hearing and speech. —On their examination they confessed the fact, and returned the greatest part of the money, and said they were born at Edinburgh; she who had pretended to be deaf and dumb called herself Ann Buchanan, otherwise Hewston; the other, who had acted as her interpreter, called herself Margaret Smyth. — They were both committed to the county goal at Morpeth.

8th November 1766 (Newcastle Chronicle)
We hear some experienced miners and assayers of metal, are soon to be engaged to go over to Minorca, where there is a prospect of improving a silver and lead mine, lately discovered in that island, to great advantage.

11th April 1767 (Newcastle Courant)
Last week died at Nent Head, near Stanhope, William Clemison aged 97. He retained his faculties to the last.

5th September 1767 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Edinburgh, Aug. 28. We are informed from the Island of Isla, that in working the lead mines there, a vein of seven feet thick has been lately discovered, which is almost double the bulk of any vein yet discovered in Scotland.

12th July 1768 (Manchester Mercury)

To be Sold by Auction

At the House of Mr. William Hilton, being the Sign of the Angel, in Macclesfield, in the County of Chester, upon Tuesday the 9th Day of August between the Hours of two and five in the Afternoon, in the Lots, and subject to the Conditions and then and there to be produced.

The following Shares of Mines of Copper and Lead, (that is to say,)

In ENGLAND.

ONE eighth in a Lead Mine, called Have at all, or Dale Top near Wirksworth, in Derbyshire.
One sixth and one seventy-second in a Lead Mine, called Sleck Breck, or Bonsall Moor in Derbyshire
One sixth in a Lead Mine, called Good Luck, on Wetton Hill, in Staffordshire.
One twenty-fourth in a Lead Mine, called Dove Dale, and Cow Pit Rocke, on Nesto Side, near Matlock, in Derbyshire.
One eighth in a Lead Mine, called Lady's Venture, or Cobler and Cooper's Pipe, on Ball Eye, near Bonsall, Derbyshire
One eighth in a Lead Mine, called Derbyshire Old Rake, near Newton Grange, in Derbyshire.
Eleven twenty-fourths of a Lead Mine, called Font Arabia, on Ball Eye, near Bonsall, in Derbyshire
One eighth of Lead Mines, called Gascoyne, Roman Cross, Chapman Moor, Pannels, Horsedale, &c., near Bonsall, in Derbyshire.
Seven twenty-fourths in a Lead Mine, on the Ball Eye, near Bonsall, in Derbyshire.

One eighth in a Lead Mine, called Brogdale, Koulican, Hollysinnes, &c. on the Ball Eye, near Bonsall, in Derbyshire
One eighth in a Lead Mine, called Low and Stulbin, near Bonsall, in Derbyshire.

In WALES.

One Ounce in a Lead Mine, on Halkin Mountain, in Flintshire
Two Ounce and a half in a Lead Mine, on Halkin Mountain, in Flintshire, in Lease from Thomas Hughs, Esq.
Two Ounce in a Lead Mine, on Halkin, aforesaid, in Lease from the said Thomas Hughs, Esq.;
One Ounce in a Lead Mine, called Lucky be happy, in Halkin aforesaid, in Lease from Lord Grosvenor.
Two Ounce in a Copper Mine, called Gwernor, in Caernarvonshire.
One tenth in a Lead Mine, called Cheney's Rake, or New Company's Venture, in Lease from Lord Grosvenor.
One Ounce in a Lead Mine, called Loggerheads, two Miles from Mould, in Flintshire, in Lease from Mrs. Jones.

28th January 1769 (Newcastle Courant)
Wednesday two well dressed men were found lying by each other dead, at a place called Harwood Head, and near the edge of a lead mine on the moors betwixt Aldston and Middleton in Teesdale. It is supposed they had come from Aldston on the preceding day, and overtaken by a thick snow with a violent wind, had missed their road, and travelled about the moors till quite spent, when they had laid themselves down and expired.

16th March 1770 (Derby Mercury)
The great Cause between the Partners of *Little-Pasture* and *Black-Hole*, concerning a rich Lead Mine near Eyam, was determined on Monday Morning, after a short hearing, in favour of *Little-Pasture*.

19th May 1770 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LET

A LEAD MINE, called Awgills, on Stainmore, in the county of Westmorland, under lease for 18 years, whereof nine are not yet expired, lays in a fine streak of ground, pays 7 duty, has a good Bob Engine upon it, the wheel thereof nine yards diameter, and the cranks 8½ cwt. and strikes four, five, or six feet, as occasion requires. —Any Gentlemen that are inclineable to take the same, may apply to Jonathan Ewbanke, of Stainmore aforesaid, who will shew the Works, the Engine, and all other necessary Utensils on the field, on or before Thursday the 5th day of July next; on which day (if the Field is not let) all the Miner's and Smith's tools, which are very good, and little worse for wear, will be sold by public Auction.

9th June 1770 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LET and entered immediately

THE LEAD MINES, lately wrought by Mr Thomas Shirley, under certain lands, lying and being in Muggleswick Park, held by lease from the Ho. Dean and Chapter of Durham. —Enquire of Mr Lynn, of Urpeth, near Chester le Street.

17th November 1770 (Newcastle Chronicle)

THE MINES of LEAD, COPPER, and IRON ORE, and all other the MINES and MINERALS within and under the Grounds of the extensive Lordship of Millam In the County of Cumberland, situated on the Irish Sea on the West, and the navigable River Dudden on the East, are to be let immediately, and great Encouragement will be given to work the same.

Enquire of Mess. Peele and Wilson, of Simond's Inn, Chancery-lane, London, Esqrs. Edmund Gibson, of Burr-field, near Bootle, in the County of Cumberland, Esq; Mess. Grey and Burke, in Durham; Mr Pemberton, Attorney at Law, in Sunderland, and Mr Bell, in Whickham, near Newcastle upon Tyne, who will treat about the same: Mr John Ashburner, of Millam Castle, in the said County, will shew the Boundary of the said Lordship.

8th December 1770 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold by public Sale to the best Bidder, at the House of Mrs Sarah Stokeld's, in Hexham, on Wednesday the 19th Day of this inst. December, between the Hours of One and Four in the Afternoon, (by Mr Joseph Topping and John Stokeld, Assignees of William Ridley, late of Hexham, Flax-dresser) All that One Sixteenth Part or Share of a certain LEAD MINE, commonly called Haddon Field Lead Mine, situate in the County of Northumberland, and held by Lease under their Graces the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland; and all our interest therein during all the Term unexpired in and by the said lease, and also all our sixteenth Share, or all Ore lying above Ground, as also all our sixteenth Share of all Materials belonging to the said Lead Mine.

And also all that One Sixteenth Part or Share of certain other LEAD MINES, called Broomsbery Lead Mine, situate at Aldston Moor, in the County of Cumberland, and held by Lease under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital; and all out Estate and interest during all such Term as are thereof unexpired, and also all our sixteenth Share of all Materials belonging to the said Lead Mine.

N.B. The several Persons who stood indebted to the said William Ridley at the Time of his Failure, are desired to pay their several and respective Debts to the said Assignees immediately, otherwise they will be prosecuted without further Notice.

22nd December 1770 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES.

To be LET,

Within the Lordship or parish of Sedburgh in the West Riding of the County of York, TWO VEINS of LEAD ORE, and ONE of COPPER——Any Person inclinable to take the same, or any part of the said extensive Lordship, for winning and working of Lead or Copper Ore, may apply to George Dixon, of Cockfield, near Raby, in the county of Durham, or Roger Moyster, at the Cross Hall, near Sedburgh.

January 1771 (The Scots Magazine, Volume 33)

An account of Old John Taylor.

John Taylor, son to Barny Taylor, by his wife Agnes Watson, was born in Garrygill, in the parish of Aldstone, in the county of Cumberland. His father was

a native of Westmoreland, a miner; and died when John was only four years old, leaving other three children, two daughters older, and a son younger, besides John, to the care of their mother, who lived about twenty-five years thereafter.

John was early set to work, owing to the poor state that his mother was left in by his father's death. Accordingly, he went, and wrought at dressing lead-ore, which he followed for two years at a 2d. per day. From thence he went below ground, a kibble-boy, and had been employed in assisting the miners in removing the ore and rubbish to the bank, at the rate of 4d. per day, for three years or four, when the great solar eclipse, called the Mirk Monday*, happened. At that time, he was at the bottom of a shaft or pit called Winlock shaft and was called on, by the man at the shaft-head, one Thomas Millbank, to tell those below to come out, because a great cloud had darkened the sun, so that the birds were falling to the earth. This event, which he always repeats with the fame circumstances, is the only aera from which to reckon his age.

John continued to work in the mines in the neighbourhood, of Aldstone till about twenty-six years of age. He then went to the leadmines at Blackhills in the Bishoprick of Durham, where he continued about nine years; four of which he was employed in watching an engine that drew water from these works, where he was obliged to such close attendance, that he had only four hours of the twenty-four allowed to refresh himself by sleep, his victuals being brought to him on the spot.

From Blackhills he was sent by one Mr Donbledays, a Quaker, to view and make a report of some mines in the Island of Islay, for the Quaker company, his then masters. He soon returned again to the north of England from Islay, where he had begun an acquaintance with one Captain Pollock, who then had the mines of Islay in possession, having purchased the lease of these works from one Squire Keafie, an Irish gentleman, and wanted to sell the lease again to the Quaker company. Some time after John was engaged by Captain Pollock (who had missed a bargain with the Quaker company) to go to Islay as an overseer, and to work himself also; where he went, and remained some little above a year; and then again returned to the north of England; where he remained some time, he does not remember how long, till he was engaged, with some others, to go to Etrick, in the south-east of Scotland, to make trials for lead-ore for a gentleman there, one Scot of Harden; Where he continued about a year and a half; when the gentleman dying, the work was dropt, and the workmen left unpaid, by which John lost £18 of his wages: as Harden's successor was a minor, and his affairs in disorder, no payments were made till the heir came of age; before which period John left the evidences of his debt, and never more inquired after it.

From Etrick, John, on his way to Edinburgh, fell in with some gentlemen of the mint, coming from London to coin the Scottish money into British; with whom he engaged, upon giving sufficient security for his good behaviour. He continued in the mint at Edinburgh for two years, till that job being ended, he then again engaged with Pollock before mentioned, who had got some Edinburgh and Glasgow merchants to join him in working the mines of Islay, to go to Islay again. Having gone to the north of England, and brought more miners along with him to carry on the works, he settled in Islay, and married his only wife, in 1709, and remained there till the year 1730; when the Islay works giving up, John was obliged to decamp, with his family. He brought his family then to Glasgow, and

leaving them there, went to the mines at Strontian in Argyleshire; where he wrought about two years; but being attacked by the black scurvy that then raged at Strontian, he left that place, and returned to Glasgow; and for some time he continued thereabouts as a day-labourer, quarrying stones, ditching, &c. But wearying of that way of life, he went to Hilderston-hills, near Bathgate, and wrought about three months for the York-building Company there, in what they called a silver vein. This work also misgiving, John from thence, in 1733, came to Leadhills, where he wrought regularly as a miner till 1752; when his great age obliged him to desist from working any longer; being then about one hundred and fourteen years old.

He was always a thin spare man, about five feet eight inches high, black-hair'd, ruddy faced, and long visaged; had always a good appetite; and when he was obliged to go to work, (as the miners are at all hours), found no difficulty of making as hearty a meal at mid-night as at mid-day. His breakfast for many years past and at present still is; a few pottage made of oatmeal, with a little milk or ale mixed; his dinner; flesh and broth of flesh, constantly from his youth; and at present he eats a little flesh to dinner, when boiled tender. His drink was, and still is, chiefly malt liquor: and although he could never be called a drunkard, yet by times he would take a bottle heartily with an acquaintance; and if his daily labour produced so much a's supplied the demands of his family, and kept him out of debt; no man in the world enjoyed life with an happier relish than John.

He never remembers to have been sick (for the small pox he had in his infancy) till about the year 1724, when he was seized in Islay with a bloody flux; and at Strontian he was seized, in common with the rest of the miners, with the scurvy, occasioned by drinking spirits; and feeding on salt provisions. Here John had also a severe fever, occasioned by travelling to and from Glasgow; where he had been to visit his family, in the heat of summer; and what is remarkable, of this fever is, that having been let blood in the' arm, the wound broke out, and before it was discovered; the blood had run through the bed and alongst the floor, till under a table in the midst of a company that were drinking in the room, by which he was almost bled to death.

In 1741 and 1742, in the spring of both years, he was seized with the scurvy at Leadhills, owing probably to the same causes that brought it on him at Strontian.

In March 1758 his wife died; when he having got cold, was seized with a looseness, attended with feverish symptoms, which brought him very low. Having recovered from this illness, he continued healthy for several years, till the spring of 1763, when he was again attacked with sickness; but recovering, he has continued in tolerable good health since.

One remarkable incident of John is, that his teeth were strong and good, and he freely eat the hardest cakes or bread, till 1764, when he took the resolution of leaving off to chew tobacco, which he had constantly used, to save an article of expense that he thought unnecessary. Accordingly he left off using tobacco for about two months: the consequence of which was, that the toothache seized him, and has not left him a tooth, save some few double ones, that are more a trouble than a benefit to him.

For about these eight or nine years past, the different seasons of the year have had a visible effect upon his body; with regard to his strength or weakness; for, from the month of February to the end of May, his ability gradually decays; so that he is then very weak, and sometimes unable to walk.

From the end of May, to the end of September, he revives naturally with the warmth and heat of the season, so that he is then at the strongest, and continues tolerably so till the approach of spring. In cold weather he lies much in bed, and takes a glass of brandy twice or thrice a-day to warm his stomach. In warm days he walks out with a stick, and is not much bowed down.

Leadhills Graveyard

SACRED
To
The MEMORY of
ROBERT TAYLOR
who was during many years
an Overseer to
the
SCOTCH MINING COMPANY
at
LEADHILLS
and died May 6th
1791
in the 67th year of his age.
He is
Buried by the side of his Father
JOHN TAYLOR
who died in this place
at
the Remarkable age of
137 years.

Source: Findagrave.com
Added by Derek Moffat

His wife bore him nine children; whereof five are dead, and four living, at and about Leadhills.

In last October; 1766, he walked from his own house to Leadhills, a large computed mile; and having entertained his children and grandchildren in a public house, returned the same day on foot.

John is not yet, nor never was, a great sleeper. He always used a great deal of exercise, and when able to work, had always his hand in some work or other: and till within these few years he used to divert himself, white-the season answered, with fishing trouts with a rod.

The above was written in the end of 1766, or beginning of 1767. —What follows, was added in April 1770.

John is now in the 132d year of his age; and is so very weak, that he is close confined to bed, not being able to stand, or sit, or stir himself, but as he is helped, like a child. The faculties of his mind are also much impaired of late, as

well as those of his body, so that at some times he has little of judgement or memory left. His diet is much the same as above described, but generally must be fed by another hand, being so weakly that he is seldom able to do it himself.
* Mirk Monday happened A. D. 1652
Leadhills, April 24. 1770.
John Taylor's death at Leadhills was reported in The Scots Magazine of 1st May 1770.

2nd February 1771 (Newcastle Chronicle)
A very rich lead mine is discovered near Caldbeck, in Cumberland, said to be the property of the Earl of Egremont.

21st February 1771 (Stamford Mercury)
The rich copper mine now in full work in the Island of Anglesey, was discovered two years since by a Scotch Gentleman, versed in mines and minerals, who in traversing the mountainous part of the Island, after long continued rain, saw the master vein laid quite bare. The floods having washed away the upper strata of mould and rubbish discovered the courses for a considerable length.

23rd February 1771 (Newcastle Chronicle)
TO be Sold to the best Bidder, on Friday the 29th of March next, between the Hours of Four and Eight o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Sign of the Blue Bell, in Alston, Cumberland, One Tenth Part or Share of a LEAD MINE, called and known by the Name of Old Blagill within two Miles of Alston aforesaid, and taken by Lease under the Hon. Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, for the Term of 21 Years, and only three Years expired of the said Term, and in the last Year a large Quantity of Ore has been got, and has at this Time very good Ore In the Workings, and under a proper Plan for managing the said Work; the said Share is the Property of Mr Wm Ainsley of Alfton aforesaid; and any inclinable to purchase the said Share, may apply any Time before the Day of Sale to the said Wm Ainsley, and he will shew the said Mine, and treat about the same; to enter on the 5th Day of April; and Conditions will be produced against the Day of Sale for the Payment and Security of the said Share.
Also to be sold at the same Time, Three Eighth Parts or Shares of a LEAD MINE, called and known by the Name of Calvertfolds, in Tyne head, in the said Parish of Alston-Moor, and taken by Lease of Mr Gill, for the Term of 21 Years, and not one Year yet expired, and a large Quantity of Ore has already been raised. Conditions will be produced against the Day of Sale. Any inclinable to purchase the said Shares, may apply to Mess. Wm or George Ainsley, of Alston aforesaid, and they will shew the said Mine.
N. B. The Reason of the above said Shares being to sell, is Wm Ainsley being employed as Agent under the Hon. London Company, and will not be allowed to have any Share or Shares in Lead Mines so long as he continues Agent for the said Company.

23 March 1771 (Newcastle Chronicle)
TO be publicly Sold to the best Bidder, at the House of Mrs Ann Hetherington, known by the Sign of the Globe, in Alston, in the County of Cumberland, on Saturday the 20th Day of April next, between the Hours

of Two - and Four in the Afternoon, ALL that one-sixteenth Part or Share of certain LEAD MINES or VEINS of LEAD ORE, lying and being within and under the Manor or Lordship of Alston Moor in the said County of Cumberland, late belonging to Joseph Batty, of Nentsbury Greens, and commonly called Broomberry Lead Mine, held by Lease under the Commissioners Greenwich Hospital for the Term of twenty one years of which eighteen were to come on the 12th Day of March inst. And also, One Sixteenth Share of all UTENSILS and MATERIALS belonging to the said Lead Mine.

For particulars, in the meantime, enquire of Mr Adam Wilkinson, of Nentsbury, or Mr Wm. Westgarth of Coalcleugh; Assignees of the said Joseph Batty.

N. B, All Persons who stood indebted to the Estate of the said Joseph Batey, are required immediately to pay their respective Debts to the said Mr Wilkinson and Mr Westgarth, or they will be forthwith prosecuted.

27th May 1771 (Caledonian Mercury)

Sale of the Lease of the Lead-mines of Isla.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary Sale, in the Exchange Coffee-house in Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 7th day of August next, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon.

The LEASE of all the MINES in the ISLAND of ISLA, which has 23 years to run from the 11th day of November next. —These Mines are already opened in eight different places distant a few miles from one another, seven of them containing veins of Lead, and one of them a Copper vein. —There are several Levels already finished, and one just now driving that leads to a vein of solid Lead-ore, about three feet thick, without any mixture of Sparr.

The Island of Isla is conveniently situated on the west of Scotland, has a fine natural harbour, called FREEPORT, in the neighbourhood of these mines, where the Ore can be shipped off at a small expense, as there is little or no land carriage, and the necessary materials for carrying on the works be received at the same small expense. —-What Lead-ore has been already raised from these Mines turns out extremely rich yielding about 50 per cent, in solid Silver.

The Lease with the Articles of Sale, and a Report of Engineers who viewed them in July 1770, may be seen in the hands of William Wemyss writer to the Signet, Edinburgh: and copies thereof in the hands of Charles Fergusson, Esq; and Co. at London, and Mess. Clifford and Co. at Amsterdam: —And any person who shall go to Isla to survey the works, will be shown the premises, and receive particular information of them, on applying to James Addison engineer there.

Mr Charles Freebairn architect will treat with any one intending to purchase previous to the day of sale.

24th June 1771 (Caledonian Mercury)

Sale of the Lease of the Mines of Isla.

TO be SOLD, within the Exchange coffee-house in Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 27th day of November next, betwixt the hours of four and seven o'clock afternoon, jointly or separately, as purchasers may incline,

FIVE-TWENTIETH SHARES of the LEASE of the MINES of ISLA, which have been carried on for several years to advantage, and have now a promising appearance in sundry places, particularly, in one level, which is carrying up towards a very capital vein, on a string leading to the said vein, which though drove only a few fathoms, has yielded upwards of 250 tuns of ore of excellent quality, and holds silver well worth the refining.

At same time, FIVE or SIX SHARES more will be disposed of, if purchasers incline.

The field is the most extensive in Britain, and appears to be thoroughly mineral, having been opened in numberless places, many miles distant from one another, having great advantages of levels, and rivers for machinery, when under level, with good roads to the different shipping places, which are safe and convenient, within three or four miles of the work.

The island of Isla is situated on the south-west coast of Scotland, near the Frith of Clyde, has several safe and convenient harbours, particularly in the Sound of Isla and Lochindale.

The lease, whereof twenty-two years are yet to run, with the articles of sale, and surveys made by Engineers, are to be seen in the hands of William Wemyss, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh; and copies thereof are lodged with Mr. Charles Freebairn Architect, and James Addison, Overseer at the works; Messrs. Charles Fergusson and Company, London; and Mess. Clifford and Sons, Amsterdam; to any of whom such as intend to purchase, may apply for further particulars.

7th September 1771 (Newcastle Courant)

TO be Let, for a Term of Years, All the LEAD and COPPER MINES, or Veins of Lead and Copper Ore, lying and being within or under the Manor or Lordship of Melmerby, in the county of Cumberland; and also, a Blue SLATE QUARRY, belonging to Thomas Patterson, of Melmerby aforesaid, Esq. — Whoever chooses to take the said Mines or Quarry, or any of them, will be treated with at Melmerby-hall in the said county.

9th November 1771 (Newcastle Courant)

To Be Sold

At the house of George Aynsley, of the Blue Bell, in Aldstone, in Cumberland, on Saturday the 7th day of December next, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

A Leasehold MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, for the term of 999 years(few years of which are expired) with appurtenances thereunto belonging in good repair and condition, situate, standing, and being in Nenthead, in the parish of Aldstone, aforesaid, late belonging to Joseph Elliot, of Nenthead, aforesaid, Miner, deceased.—For further particulars, in the meantime, apply to Messrs. Lowes and Sparke, in Hexham, Northumberland.

Possible burial of Joseph Elliot of Nenthead, 14th July 1768.

18th April 1772 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder

By the Assignees of George Wray, a Bankrupt, at the Golden Lion, in Hexham, on Friday the 1st day of May next, between the hours of two and four in the afternoon, subject to the conditions to be then exhibited.

ONE EIGHTH PART of the valuable LEAD MINE, called Windybrea, in the county of Northumberland, held by lease for twenty-one years, of which term about 14 years are unexpired. —Particulars may be had at Mr Cuthbert's Office, in Newcastle.

24th April 1772 (Derby Mercury)

THE Proprietors of LEAD-MINES and Miners, in the Wapentake of Wirksworth, are desir'd to meet at the House of William Lovett, at Matlock New Bath, on Wednesday the 13th of May next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, to consider of proper Measures to be taken, for the Support of the mineral Customs in the said Wapentake.

TO be SOLD

A LEAD MINE, call'd Calver-mill Sough, in the Liberty of Calver, and County of Derby. —-Also a Fire Engine, and all the Materials belonging to the above Mine and Engine. Apply to Mr. Thomas Souther, or to Mr. Adam Dawson, of Wensley, in the County of Derby, who will treat for the same.

26th June 1772 (Derby Mercury)

To be Lett,

At the House of Mr. William Lovatt, being the New Bath at Matlock, on Friday the 24th Day of July next, upon such Terms as shall be then and there produced.

FULL Power and Authority to drive up a SOUGH from the Bottom of a Piece of Wood-Ground, within Cromford, in the County of Derby, called Birchwood, into and through the same; also, through the Lands, Commons and Waste Grounds within the Manor of Cromford aforesaid, to those well known, rich, and valuable Veins of Lead Ore, lying within the several Manors of Cromford, Wirksworth, and Middleton, in the said County; and to enjoy the said Sough to the Lessees sole use for any Number of Years.

This Sough will lay dry all the said Veins 18 Fathom lower than the present one call'd Cromford Sough, and consequently procure the Proprietors a great Composition from the Owners of the Mines already discovered, which for want of such Level cannot be further wrought. It will be brought' up much sooner, and at much less Expense at this Place than any other; and has this particular Advantage over any Sough hitherto begun or thought of, that it will not, like them, run parallel to the Veins, but a-cross them, and thereby enable the Proprietors, at a very small Expense, to make the earliest Discoveries of other Mines, and work them to their owe use and Benefit.

At the same Place a much deeper Level may be had with Ease, if Occasion shall require it, by a Wheel to be turn'd by the River Derwent.

4 July 1772 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold to the best Bidder, on Saturday the 11th of July next, between the hours of Two and Five o' Clock in the Afternoon, at Mr Geo. Ainsley's, at Alston House, One Sixteenth Share of a Lease of all that valuable LEAD MINE, in Alston Moor, called Rodderup Cleugh, held under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, for twenty one Years, near fifteen of which are unexpired. For further Particulars, enquire of Mr Jacob Vickers, at Stanhope; or Mr George Ainsley aforesaid.

8th August 1772 (Newcastle Courant)
Saturday se'nnight, as Mr Thomas Vipond, of Skides, was crossing the river Tyne near Aldston, the water being much out by the late rains, he was unfortunately drowned. *Buried at St John's, Garrigill 28th July 1772*

26th August 1772 (Caledonian Mercury)
We are informed, that the lease of Mr Riddle's lead and other mines on his estate of Ardnamurchan, is purchased by Alexander Edgar, Esq; and some wealthy merchants of Bristol. These mines though very promising, have been much neglected since the York Building Company failed; in their time they were wrought to great advantage.

26 September 1772 (Newcastle Chronicle)
TO be Sold to the best Bidder, on Saturday the 10th of October next, between the Hours of Two and Six in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr Thomas Walton, Innkeeper, in Aldston, all that valuable LEAD-MINE known by the Name of Goongill, situate within two Miles of Aldston aforesaid, now in the Possession of Mr Joseph Pigg, and Partners. Any Person or Persons inclinable to view the said Mine, may apply to Philip Harrop, at Foreshield, near Aldston; or to Mr Andrew Adamson, in the Town of Aldston, either of whom will shew the same.

It is confidently said, that a bill will be brought in to regulate companies which are not established by authority; that the partners shall not be liable to make good any losses that shall exceed their capital stock, which capital stock shall be annually declared in the public papers, so that everyone may know what credit to give them. This statutory law will be of great service in promoting of mining and other hazardous schemes as many people will cheerfully subscribe what they can spare, when they would not choose to run the risk of embarking their whole, or an uncertain part of their fortune, in pursuit of plans of trade, that at best are doubtful; at the fame, time they will take care that their capital stock is sufficient for all the purposes of their trade, or they may afterwards increase their stock, and advertise such addition to their capital. The public companies in France are said to be on this footing, and the partners not liable for more than their capital stock.

24 October 1772 (Newcastle Chronicle)
TO be sold to the best Bidder, at the House of Mr Gibson, the Golden Lion, in Hexham, on Tuesday the 17th Day of November next, betwixt the Hours of Ten and Twelve o'clock in the Forenoon, Seven Sixteenth SHARES of all the COPPER and LEAD MINES, known by the Name of Dryburn, near Aldstone, held by Lease under the Governors of Greenwich Hospital for twenty-one Years, seventeen of which are yet unexpired.
This Work has been carried on at a very great Expence in driving Levels, &c. to unwater the Mines; in which Proceedings several Veins of both Copper and Lead have been cut; and, upon the whole, this is looked upon to be the most likely Trial West of Tyne.
There is a Smith's Shop upon the Premises, As also every Convenience for washing Ore, &c.
Mr Ralph Bainbridge, at Aldstone, will shew the Premisses.

20th January 1773 Garrigill St John's Church Register
Samuel Willgoose, agent of the Lead Mines at Nenthead, was buried 20th January 1773
The will of Samuel Wilgoose (Perogative Court of Canterbury 1384 – 1858) gives information regarding his family.
He had three daughters and two sons alive at the time of making his will 10th July 1771. Ann who had married Joseph Heywood, 4th September 1764, at Pinxton, Derbyshire, Elizabeth who had married Arthur Wright, 11th September 1764, at Pinxton, Derbyshire, Margaret who had married John Chapman 18th July 1763.
Samuel leaves legacies for the children of his son, Thomas, as well as to his sons Thomas and Samuel.
At St John's Churchyard
Headstone

In Memory of Samuel Wilgoose of Nenthead
Who died 18th Day of January 1773 Aged 66 years.

19 June 1773 (Newcastle Chronicle)
TO be Sold to the highest Bidder, at Mr John Waugh's at Aldstone, on Saturday the 26th inst. between the Hours of Two and Four in the Afternoon, One-sixteenth Share of that valuable LEAD MINE, called Rotherhope Cleugh. For further Particulars, enquire of Mr John Waugh, at Aldstone aforesaid**.**

21 August 1773 (Newcastle Chronicle)
LEAD MINES
TO be Let, for the Term of 25 Years.
A Vein of LEAD ORE, called Woodmar Well, situate in Priorsdale, in the County of Cumberland: As also several other Veins, lying in a Tract of Land North of Stoney Cleugh, towards Nenthead. Any Persons inclinable to take

any of the said Veins, may apply to Evan Emerson, at Temple Sowerby; Mr Adam Wilkinson, at Nentsberry; or Mr Jos. Dickinson, at Lovelady Shield.

4th September 1773 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Let, The Mines of LEAD and COPPER, in the Manor of Knaresdale. —Any Person desirous of taking any one of the Veins there, may apply to Thomas James, of Penrith, who will treat about the same. And to encourage Adventurers, a low Duty will be accepted.

18 September 1773 (Newcastle Chronicle)

To be Sold, on Saturday the ninth Day of October next, at the House of Mr John Bell, Innkeeper in Alston, Cumberland, The LEAD MINE, called and known by the Name or Cashburn, lying and being in Alston Moor, and held by Lease under the Right Hon. the Governors of Greenwich Hospital, for the Term of twenty-one Years, of which fifteen Years are yet unexpired. — A large Quantity of exceeding good Ore has been got at the Mine, and a good Prospect of future Success; every Thing necessary to work the said Mine to Advantage being almost completed. Any Person or Persons inclinable to purchase, may hear farther Particulars, by applying to Mr Wm Slack, at Alston aforesaid, who will shew the premises.

12th November 1773 (Derby Mercury)

To be SOLD

At Matlock Bath in the county of Derby, on Friday the third day of December next between the hours of 3 and 7 o'clock in the afternoon, subject to such conditions as shall then be produced.

The several SHARES, or PARTS of and in the following LEAD MINES, in the county of Derby, to wit.

LOT 1st. One Eighty-eighth Part or Share in a rich and valuable lead mine, called GREGORY's near Ashover in the county of Derby, which hath been worked to very great advantage, having produced near £16000 annually, neat profits to the company.

LOT 2nd. One other Eighty-eighth Part or Share in the same mine.

LOT. 3rd. One other Eighty-eighth Part or Share in the same mine.

LOT. 4th One other Eighty-eighth Part or Share in the same mine.

N.B. The clear annual Profits of the above Lots, may be reasonably computed at £200, for each Lot.

LOT. 5th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share in a Lead Mine called PORTOWAY, near Winster, in the said county of Derby.

LOT. 6th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called LIME-Kiln and DRAKE, near Winster, aforesaid.

LOT. 7th. One Forty-Eighth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called YATE STOOP, near Winster, aforesaid.

LOT. 8th. One Forty-Eighth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called PLACKETT, near Winster aforesaid.

LOT. 9th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called NORTHCLIFFE, near Wirksworth, aforesaid.

Lot. 10th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called GELL'S, NORTHCLIFFE, near Wirksworth, aforesaid.

LOT. 11th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called WATER LANE GROVE.
LOT. 12th. One Twenty-Fourth Part or Share, in another Lead Mine, called DAVIS's.
Such of the above Lead Mines, as lie in the King's Field, are tenable as long as the Company who are in possession thereof shall think proper to continue them, subject to the customary Rents of Mines in the county of Derby; and such of the Mines as lie in the property of Individuals, are held by Leases from the Owners of the lands wherein the same lie, for long terms of ears, which will be particularised in the conditions of sale.
Most of the eight last mentioned Lots are profitable to the proprietors thereof, and are likely to turn out to great advantage upon the finishing of the several Levels and Works, which are now carrying on for the draining and pursuing the Ore therein.
The first Lot will be offered to sale exactly at Three o'clock, and the other Lots will be put up successively, in the course above set forth.
For further particulars application may be made to Mr Glover, Mr Roe, or Mr Peter Wright, in Macclesfield, in the county of Chester; Mr John Dantry, of Leek, in the county of Stafford; Messrs. Barkers and Wilkinson, at Chesterfield in the said county of Derby; or Mr Wright, Attorney, in Manchester, in the county of Lancaster.

21st June 1774 (Leeds Intelligence)

To be SOLD,

At the House of Lodge Calvert, Innholder of Starbottan, near Kettlewell in Craven, in the County of York, on Monday the Fourth Day of July next, pursuant to such Conditions as shall be then and there produced.

ALL that FREEHOLD ESTATE, late Part of the Estate of Mr James Jackson, situate in Starbottan aforesaid, and consisting of four inclosed Closes of rich, Arable or Meadow Ground, and two Dales of Land in the Open Fields; also of the following Beast-Gates and Sheep-Gates, upon the stinted Pastures belonging Starbottan aforesaid, hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, eight Beast-Gates upon Cam, Forty-two Sheep-Gates on Knucklebone, and ten Beast-Gates, or forty Sheep-Gates on the Outmoor.

The said Premises are now let at Will, at upwards of £22 per Annum, and are capable to be let for a Term of Years at that Rent or upwards; are subject to a Lord's Rent of 8s. per Annum, and pay a Modus of 1s. per Annum in Lieu of Hay Tythe; may he so proportioned in Point of Value, as to accommodate a Purchaser or Purchasers with Queen Ann's Bounty Money (or any other pious Donations). By the Governors of which Bounty, or their Solicitor, the Title has already been approved upon another Occasion.

At the same Time and Place will also be fold by Auction,
A valuable LEAD ORE MINE, consisting of ten Meers of Ground Square, and situate on a Place or Pasture called Hunterfleets, in Coverdale, in the said County of York, with the Shafts, Tools, &c, &c. thereto belonging, all in a working Condition.
Also, One Fourth Part or Share of another valuable LEAD MINE, situate on the same Pasture, at a Place there called Stone-Gill, consisting of ten other Meers of Ground, Square.

Also, One Twelfth Part of another LEAD MINE, at Starbottan aforesaid, called Old Cam Forefield.
The two first mentioned Lead Mines are held under Grant, from the Rev. Dr. Marton, of Lancaster, and are subject to a ninth Part of the Lead Ore got thereout, to be paid to him for working the same.
The other Lead Mine is held under Grant, from his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, and is subject to pay a fifth Part of the Lead Ore got thereout, as a Duty for working the same.

Further Particulars may be had by enquiring at Mr Alcock's Office, in Skipton, Yorkshire or of Mr Law. Simondson, of Starbottan; who, or the Tenant, will shew the Estate; and who, or Mr Joseph Airey, of Starbottan aforesaid, will shew the said Mines.

23rd July 1774 (Newcastle Chronicle)

NOTICE is hereby given

THAT a Pay is intended to be made by Mr Thomas Hodgson and Co. for Hartley Lead Mines, at the House of Mr Thomas Hutton, at Soulby in the parish of Kirbystephen, and county of Westmorland, on Friday the 22nd of July inst. at which Time and Place Wm Slack, late of Kirbystephen, is desired to appear and pay his Share, or forfeit the same by Virtue of a Bond subsisting amongst the said Company.

3rd September 1774 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold in publick to the highest Bidder, upon the Premises, on the 6th Day of October next, A very improveable Freehold ESTATE called Haltwhistle Fellend, consisting of one Messuage, a good Dwelling House, with Barns, Byers, Stables, and other Out-houses, all in good Repair, and upwards of
300 Acres of Arable Land and Meadow Ground, being Parcel of the Estates of the late Mr Thomas Armstrong of Haltwhistle Fellend, in the County of Northumberland, deceased. The said Estate is well inclosed with good Stone Walls is near Coals, and has Limestone upon the Premises; is capable of very great Improvement, and to be entered upon at Lady-Day next. For further Particulars, may apply to Mrs Mary Armstrong at Fellend aforesaid, Widow, who will shew the Premises; to Mr Thomas Snowball, of Lowhouse, near Haltwhistle, or to Mr Richard Lawson, the Younger, of Drumburgh near Carlisle. And any Person choosing to purchase the same, may enquire as above.
Likewise to be Sold, on the 8th Day of October next, An eighth Part of a rich LEAD MINE known by the of Brownlihill. Whoever inclines to purchase the same may apply as above.

15th October 1774 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold to the highest Bidder, at the House of Mr Thomas Walton, known by the Sign of the Globe, in Aldstone, in the County of Cumberland, between the Hours of Three and Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, on Saturday the 29th Day of October inst in the Lots, and according to the Terms and Conditions of Sale then to be produced, A Leasehold ESTATE, for a Term of One Thousand Years, few of which are expired, consisting of several Meadows, Closes or Parcels of Land, with several Messuages or Dwelling-

Houses, situate and being at Nenthead, in the said County of Cumberland, belonging to Mr Lancelot Livich of the fame Place. The said Premises have a Right upon an extensive and good grazing Common adjoining.
For further particulars in the mean Time, apply to the said Lancelot Livich; or Mr Sparke, of Hexham in the County of Northumberland.

5th November 1774 (Newcastle Courant)
Married
Last week, at the Quaker's Meeting-house at Newbiggin, in Derwent, Mr Thomas Reay, an eminent Merchant at Aldstone, to the much esteemed Miss Elizabeth Smith, of Blanchland.

10th December 1774 (Newcastle Chronicle)
LITERARY ARTICLES
THE LEAD MINER'S Complaints

The trees all their verdure have lost,
Scarce a leaf to be seen in the spray;
The rivulets are buoyed up with frost,
Obstructing the stream in its way.
The valleys are covered with snow,
Unsullied now Crossfell appears,
The icicles brilliantly show,
If Sol do but faintly appear.
The Miner's tho' hardy and brave,
Are benumbed with the chilness of air,
As from their subterranean cave,
They to their own lodging repair.

But the washers of ore, as to them,
Their fate is undoubtedly worse
Their water's all froze in the dam,
Retarding its bubbling course.

Ye rich, who live splendid and gay,
And each day deliciously dine;
Reflect on the labours, I pray,
Of those that work hard at the mine.

Aldistone, Nov. 26, 1774

17th March 1775 (Derby Mercury)
Joshua Roose and John Woodhouse, being indicted for the wilful murder of Thomas Mather, by lighting a fire in a lead mine near Wirksworth, with an intention to drive out the people at work in a mine adjoining, belonging to another company, (after communication had been opened betwixt them) and thereby suffocating him the said Thomas Mather, were after a trial which lasted five hours, convicted of Manslaughter, and branded in the left hand; and for their correction, ordered to continue in gaol six months.

17th June 1775 (Newcastle Chronicle)

LEAD MINES

TO be Sold, at Kirkby Stephen, in public sale, or by private contract, on or before the 3rd Day of July 1775, One Eighth Share of a Lease of all Hartley Lead Mines in the parish of Kirkby Stephen and county of Westmorland, belonging to Robert Wilson, ironmonger.—For further particulars apply to Mess. C---sby and Bradley, of Kirkby Stephen.

This will be no more advertised.

24th June 1775 (Newcastle Chronicle)

LEAD MINES.

TO be Let, for a Term of 21 Years, situate in that Part of Priorsdale which belongs to Eshgill. A Vein of LEAD ORE, called Littlegill, or Dowksyke, late in the possession of the Governor and Company: Another Vein, called Littlegillhead, late in the possession of Mr Isaac Elliot: Another Vein called Hunter Cleugh, late in the possession of Mr James Reay, and all the rest of the Veins in his Liberty Hendysyke, Woodmar-Well, and Priorsdale_Knot, only excepted.

Any persons desirous of taking any of the said Veins, may give in their Proposals in Writing to Mr Evan Emerson, at Templesowerby; Mr Adam Wilkinson, at Nentsbury; or Mr Jos. Dickinson, at Loveladyshield, who will treat with them for the same.

29 July 1775 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold to the best Bidder, (if not disposed of sooner by private contract, of which timely Notice will be given) at the White Hart in Alston, on Saturday the 19th Day of August next, between the Hours of Two and Six in the Afternoon, Twenty three, Three Hundred and Eighty Fourth Parts or Shares, being very near equal to One Sixteenth Part or Share, of all those valuable Leases of LEAD MINES in Alston Moor, now held by the Brownleyhill Company under Greenwich Hospital. Any Person or Persons inclinable to purchase the same, are desired to apply to Mr Joseph Hilton, of Alston aforesaid; and Mr William Hutchinson, Agent at the said Mines, will shew the Premises.

N. B. The said Share received a neat Profit of £164 10s. for the last Year's Dividend; and the Mines are now in a very flourishing State.

26th August 1775 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold by Public Auction, at the Sign of the Cross Keys, in Aldstone, on Saturday the 30th of September next, A LEASE of that valuable LEAD MINE, called Slope *(or Stope)* Vein, in the Manor of Aldstone Moor, held for 21 years under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, of which four years are expired. For further particulars, enquire of Ralph Bainbridge, of Aldstone, who will shew the premises.

16th March 1776 (Newcastle Chronicle)

We are advised from Alston, that several persons there, in going from thence to Nenthead during the late storm, were so benumbed in their hands by the frost, that the most of them have since lost all their finger nails.

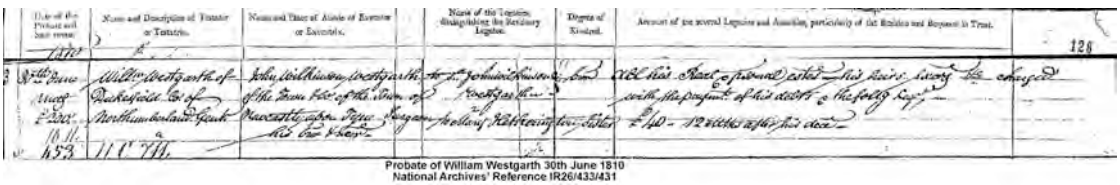
6th April 1776 (Newcastle Courant)
Died
Sunday at Coalcleugh, near Alston, Mr William Westgarth, one of the people called Quakers, principle Agent for Sir Walter Blackett's lead mines, well known for his great mechanical genius, and particularly for the construction of a Bob Engine to work underground, for which he received the thanks of the Royal Society. He was a sincere friend, and an honest man.
William Westgarth died 31st March 1776, at Coalcleugh, aged 40.

Thomas Westgarth of Jeffreys married Elizabeth Keenleyside of Burnfoot about 1731.
Children of Thomas and Elizabeth Westgarth:
1. William born 11th April 1732, at Jeffreys, died?
2. John born 5th July 1733, at Jeffereys Rake
3. William born 7th September 1735, at Jeffreys
4. Joshua born 7th July 1742 at Rideing, Allendale, married Jane Hilton 14th May 1769
5. Thomas born about 1749, buried 22nd April 1753, at Burnfoot, aged 4 years.

Thomas Westgarth senior of the Rideing, Allendale, died 17th September 1748 and was buried at Burnfoot 20th September.
Elizabeth Westgarth died?

***3. William Westgarth** married Jane Wilkinson 17th September 1759 at Dumfries, Scotland, their marriage is recorded in the records of St Augustine's, Alston*
Children of William and Jane Westgarth.
3a. Thomas born Nenthead 13th May 1760
3b. William born Nenthead 21st May 1762 at Nenthead, William was buried at Slaley 1st January 1810, aged 47, will probate 30th June 1810 See below.
3c. Mary born Nenthead 17th August 1764 at Nenthead, Mary married Joseph Heatherington 12th August 1783, at Allendale.
3d. John Wilkinson born, 9th August 1773, baptised 25th July 1808, at St Nicholas, Newcastle, married Susanna Gibson 6th August 1808, at St John, Newcastle. John Wilkinson Westgarth, surgeon, was died 18th September 1833, aged 60, he was buried 22nd September 1833, at St Andrew, Newcastle.
In 1851, at 6 Percy Street, Susannah Westgarth, surgeons widow, aged 74.
Susanna Westgarth died 14th September 1858, at Newcastle.

Jane Westgarth was buried at Slaley 29th January 1814, aged 81 years.



Probate of William Westgarth 30th June 1810
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12th October 1776 ((Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser))
Monday Se'ennight, a melancholy accident happened at Nenthead Lead Mines, in this county. A girl belonging to Mr Isaac Scollick aged about 10 years of age, fell down a Whim-Gee shaft 40 fathoms deep; what heightened the distress of this catastrophe was, that her parents were both within a few yards of the place,

and saw her fall.—The body was immediately drawn up, bruised in a manner too shocking to relate.

2 November 1776 (Newcastle Chronicle)

SHARE of a LEAD MINE

To be Sold to the highest bidder at the house of Edward Yates, Innkeeper, In Aldston, on Friday the 29th Day of November inst, between the Hours of Three and Six in the Afternoon, pursuant to Conditions then to be produced, One Twentieth part or share of a valuable Lead Mine, in Aldston Moor, called Old Blagil. For Particulars in the mean Time apply to Mr John Hutchinson, near Aldston; or at Mr Herron's Office, in Hexham.

15th November 1776 (Derby Mercury)

To be SOLD to the BEST BIDDER,

At the House of Mr William Knowles, at Elton in the County of Derby, on Wednesday the 4th December next, between the hours of Eleven and Twelve in the forenoon.

A LEAD MINE, known by the Name of the CROSS FLATTS, in the Liberty of Middleton by Youlgrave, and Wapentake of Wirksworth.

18th January 1777 (Newcastle Courant)

Married

Wednesday at Haltwhistle, Mr Jos. Hall, son of Mr Thomas Hall, of Alston-House, principle Agent to the Lead Company in London, to Miss Snowball, daughter of Mr Snowball, of the Low-House, near Haltwhistle with a fortune of £3000.

Joseph Hall married Mary Snowball 14th January 1777 at Haltwhistle.

23rd January 1777 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Married

Thursday last, at Aldstone, Mr John Fisher, an eminent linen-draper in Cheapside, London; to Miss Wilkinson, daughter of Adam Wilkinson, of Nentsbury, Esq. a truly amiable young lady, with a fortune of £10,000.

John Fisher married Mary Wilkinson, 16th January 1777, at St Augustine's, Alston.

2nd May 1777 (Derby Mercury)

DERBYSHIRE.

To be SOLD by AUCTION,

Some Time in June next. SUNDRY LEAD MINES, situated as described, in the six following Lots.

LOT 1. Lathgiil Dale, Title, in the several Liberties of Upper Haddon, Bakewell, Sheldon, Monyash, and Meadow- place Grange, and in the Hundred of High Peak. LOT 2. Watering Close, Bithoms, and Slack, Titles, in the Liberty of Wensley, and Wapentake of Wirksworth.

LOT 3. Millclose, Title, in the said Liberty and Wapentake.

LOT 4. Gurdall and Davis, Titles, in the said Liberty and Wapentake.

LOT 5. Boot Wood, Title, in the Liberty of Birchover, and Hundred of High Peak.

LOT 6. Ballingdon Wood, Title, in the Liberty of Brassington, and Wapentake of Wirksworth.
For further Particulars apply to Mr. WILLIAM SMITH, at Winster or Mr. JOHN TAYLOR, at Stanton, who will shew the Premises

10 May 1777 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO BE SOLD to the best Bidder

At the house of James Hastings, Innkeeper, at Haltwhistle, in the parish of Haltwhistle, in Northumberland, on Thursday the 22nd day of May instant, between the hours of three and six in the afternoon.
ALL that one full Eighth Part or 48 Shares of all that valuable Lead Mine, in Aldstone Moor, in the parish of Aldstone, in the county of Cumberland, known by the name of Brownley-hill Lead Mine, now carried on and working with great success and profit to the owners at an easy expence,, late belonging to Mr Thomas Armstrong, late of Fell End, in the parish of Haltwhistle aforesaid, deceased; together with a fall eighth Part or 48 shares of all materials to the said Lead Mine belonging, and also of the profits of the same, either from Michaelmas last past, or Michaelmas next ensuing, according the conditions of sale that will then be produced, and which shall seem to be the mod agreeable to the persons then appearing to be bidders. And the several creditors of the said Mr Armstrong, who have not been paid their several demands, are earnestly requested to attend at the place aforesaid, at or before eleven of the clock in the forenoon of the same day, with an account of the nature and amount of their respective demands, in order that the same may be perfectly known, and to consult with, and assist the Executors and Trustees, named in the Will of the said Mr Armstrong, respecting the sale of the premises.—For further particulars enquire of Mr Thomas Snowball, of Lowhouse in the parish of Haltwhistle, aforesaid or of Mr Richard Lawson, of Drumburgh, near Carlisle or Mr Lowes's Office, in Hexham, in the said county of Northumberland.

6th June 1777 (Derby Mercury)

To be SOLD by AUCTION,
By Mr. ANTHONY TISSINGTON.

At Matlock Old Bath, in the County of Derby, on Thursday the 19th Day of June, 1777, betwixt Eleven and Two o'clock, in separate Lots, viz.
I. ONE Twelfth Share of a Lead Mine, called Crabtree, or Crabtree Doghole.
II. One Twenty-fourth Share of a Lead Mine, called Pingles. Both in the Liberty of Middleton, in the Wapentake of Wirksworth.
III. One Twelfth Share of a Lead Mine, in the Liberty of Cromford, in the Wapentake of Wirksworth, called Dunrake, or Britland's Dunrake.
IV. One Forty-eighth Share of a Lead Mine and Sough, with all Mineral Titles thereunto belonging, called Yate Stoop.
V. One Forty-eight Share of a Lead Mine, called Burning Drake and Limekiln, consolidated.
Both these two last being situated near Winster, in the County of Derby.

30th December 1777 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Married
A few days ago, at Aldstone in this county, by the Rev. Mr. Lancaster, Thomas Graham, of Carlisle, Esq., to Miss Whitfield of Clargill, an accomplished lady, with a fortune of £70,000.
Thomas Graham married Ann Whitfield 16th December 1777, at St Augustine's, Alston.

21st April 1778 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Died
A few days ago, at Resewen near Wigton, Mr. Walton of Aldston Moor.
William Walton, aged 44, was buried at Wigton, 13th April 1778.

29th May 1778 (Derby Mercury)
To be SOLD Reasonable,
SIX-EIGHTY-EIGHT Parts or Shares of a LEAD MINE, called Ox-Close, in the Liberty of Matlock, and Wapentake of Wirksworth, with all the Veins and Meers of ground thereto belonging; and also, the Utensils and Materials, which are very considerable. —Further particulars may be had by applying to Mr ROBERT SHORE, of Snitterton, near Wirksworth, who is authorised to sell the same.

23rd June 1778 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
CARLISLE GAOL
THE following Persons being prisoners for Debt, now confined in his Majesty's Goal at the City of Carlisle, in and for the County of Cumberland, do hereby give this public Notice, that they do intend to take the Benefit of an Act of Parliament passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty King George the Third, intitled "An Act for the Relief of insolvent Debtors, and for the Relief of Bankrupts in certain Cases," at the next general Special Sessions, or general quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be held and for the said County, or any Adjournment thereof which shall happen 21 Days from the first Publication of the undermentioned Names; and they hereby give Notice, that true and perfect Schedules containing Discovery of all their real and personal Estates (hereafter to be sworn to) are now ready to be delivered to any Creditor or Creditors, applying for the same to the Goaler or Keeper his Majesty's Goal in and for the County aforesaid, in such manner as by the said act is directed.
SECOND NOTICE
John Elliot, late of Aldston, in the said county, Miner.
Thomas Stevenson, late of Aldston in the said county, Taylor.

18th July 1778 (Newcastle Courant)
Lands and Shares of Lead Mines
To be peremptorily Sold to the highest Bidder, on Tuesday the 6th day of October next, at three o' clock in the Afternoon, at Mr Forster's, the Black Bull, in Hexham, in the following Lots, pursuant to such conditions of sale as shall then and there be produced. …

Lot 5. A LEASEHOLD ESTATE, for the now Residue of a Term of 1000 Years, commencing the 4th of September, 1611, situate in the Manor an Lordship of Aldston Moor, in Cumberland, called Gracefield Tenement, now in the Possession of Henry Wallis and John Stephenson, as Tenants.
Lot 6. Two Sixteenth Parts or Shires, for the now Residue of a Term of 21 Years, of and in a certain valuable and rich working Lead Mine, or Vein of Lead Ore, lying and being in the Manor of Aldston Moor in the County of Cumberland, known by the Names of Bloomsberry and Gillgill Syke Veins, being North and South running Veins.
Lot 7. Three Thirty-second Parts or Shares, for the now Residue of a Term of 21 Years, of and in another Lead Mine, or Vein of Lead Ore, lying and being at Hawdonfield, and at Settlingstones, in the Parish of Nether Warden, in the County of Northumberland, and called Hawdonfield, and at Settlingstones Veins.
Also to be sold, the Household Goods and Furniture of the said Mr Robert Allgood, and his Stock upon Sunnyside Farm; the Sale of which will begin on Wednesday the 7th of October, at Ten o'clock in the Forenoon, and continue till the whole are sold. A Schedule of the same may be seen at Mr Gibson's Office, in Hexham.
Lott 6 and 7 will be divided, at the Time of Safe, into smaller Shares, if found at that Time advisable so to do.
Mr Hutchinson, the Agent of Bloomsbury Mine, will shew Lot 6; Mr Hetherington, the agent of Hawdonfield Mine, will shew Lot 5. And for further Particulars, apply to Mr Davidson, Attorney at Law in Newcastle or to the said Mr Jasper Gibson, in Hexham. …

29th August 1778 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold, A FREEHOLD ESTATE, called Revelling, situate two Miles West of Middleton Teesdale, in the County of Durham; containing about 40 Acres of In-ground, and 117 Acres of Common, adjoining thereto, has fallen to its Share, well walled about: Also a Lead Mine, under the Inground, unwrought. The Common has been wrought close to the House, by the Right Hon. the Earl of Darlington, with great Success. It is much under-let for Thirty Pounds a Year neat, and not any Lease. Enquire of William Bruce, in Gallowgate, Newcastle. Mr Robt Coatsworth, of Low-House, near Middleton aforesaid, will shew the Premises. This will be more no more advertised

12th December 1778 (Newcastle Chronicle)

ALDSTON, Cumberland.

All Persons who stand indebted to Hannah Reay, of Aldston, Widow, either in her own Right, or as Administratrix to the Estate and of her late Husband, Joseph Reay, deceased, are hereby required pay their respective Debts to Ralph Bainbridge, of Gateshead, near Newcastle; Joseph Watson, of the Riding in Allendale; or Joshua Westgarth, Merchant, in Aldston; Trustees for the Creditors of the said Hannah Reay, who are legally authorised to receive the same; otherwise they will prosecuted without further Notice.
Allendale Quaker records show Joseph Reay, of Aldston married Hanah Weston at Allendale, about 1756, Joseph was buried 6th July 1774.

TO be Let, and entered upon the 5th of January 1779 A COLLIERY, or COAL MINE, within the Manor of Alston Moor, in the County of Cumberland, called

Clargil Cleugh Colliery, watered be a Level or Drift, along which the Coals may be conveniently carried, so that the Expense of sinking Pits will be wholly saved, and that of drawing the Coals greatly decreased. The Colliery will, for the present only be let from the 5th of January to the 22nd of November 1779: And all Persons who with to take it, are desired to send their Proposals, in Writing directed to Mess. Walton and Turner, at Farn-Acres, and leave the same at the Post-Office, in Gateshead, on or before Monday the 18th Day of this inst. December, 1778.
N. B. The Town of Alston know principally supplied with Coal from Clargil Cleugh Colliery,
For further Particulars, enquire of Mr Jonathan Hilton of Alston, who will shew the Premises.

16th January 1779 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

At Mr Joseph Wilson's, Innkeeper, in Allendale Town, on Friday the 5th day of February, between the hours of one and three o' clock in the afternoon.
… Also to be sold then. One Sixteenth Part or Share of and in a certain valuable Lead Mine or Vein of Lead Ore, lying and being in the Manor of Aldston Moor, in the county of Cumberland, known by the name of Windy Brae, with one-sixteenth Part or Share of the Implements belonging to the same. Mr Thomas Kidd, the Agent, will shew the said mine. —For farther particulars, apply to Mr Thompson of Haydon Bridge, the owner; Mr Mallabar of Thorngrafton; or of Mr Jasper Gibson in Hexham.

20th March 1779 (Newcastle Chronicle)

LEAD MINES

To be Sold, the following SHARES: Four-eighths share of a Lead Mine, in Thortergill Sike, Aldston Moor: subject to arrears of Dues; Two-eighths ditto, at Middleton near Teasdale; One-tenth ditto, at Harthorp, near Langdon; One-sixteenth ditto, at Bloomsbury.
Those who are desirous of becoming Purchasers may apply to Isaac Woodville, at his Warehouse, in the White Swan Entry, Flesh-market, Newcastle; or John Reay, at Alston.

8th May 1779 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the best Bidder,

At Loftus's, the White Hart, in Newcastle, on Wednesday the 26th day of May instant, between the hours of three and six o'clock in the afternoon of that day, by Order of the Assignees of Messrs. Nesbitt and Hunter, Bankrupts, subject to conditions of sale then and there to be produced. …
Also to be SOLD at the fame time, the several fly Shares of the following Lead Mines, together or in lots as shall be agreed upon at the time of the sale, viz.
Two-thirds of five-sixteenths of the Lead Mine called Hawdon-field.
One-sixteenth of the Lead Mine called Broomsberry.
One-fourth of the Lead Mine called Little Gill Head.
And one-fourth of five-eighths of the Lead Mine called Pikestone. …
For particulars, apply to Mr John Hey, at the Office (late Nesbitt and Hunter's) the Foot of the Side.

25th June 1779 (Derby Mercury)

To be SOLD to the Best Bidder,

At the House of William Knowles at ELTON, in the County of Derby, on Thursday the 8th of July next, betwixt the Hours of Two and Four in the Afternoon 5.

TWENTY-THREE TWENTY-FOURTH PARTS of a certain SOUGH or LEAD MINE called CROSS-FLATS, situate and being at Middleton by Youlgreave, in the Wapentake of Wirksworth, and County of Derby.

For further Particulars apply to Mr. ANTHONY TATLOW, at Alfreton, in the said County.

26th June 1779 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder,

On Thursday the 22nd day of July instant, between the hours of five and seven in the afternoon, at the house of Mr Alexander Ridley, at the sign of the Sun, in Haltwhistle,

TWO several Estates, belonging to Mr Adam Wilkinson of Nentsbury, near Aldston, in two Lots, (unless sold in the mean time, and if sold notice shall be given) subject to conditions then produced.

Lot 1st, A very valuable and well situated Freehold Estate, in the parish of Haltwhistle, and known by the name of Wydon Eales. with a small Customary Estate thereto adjoining, capable great improvement, and discharged from both hay and corn tithe.

Lot 2d, Another very valuable and well situated Freehold Estate, in the parish of Knarsdale, and known by the name of Hole House, capable of great improvement, also free from hay and corn tithe, with considerable Spring of Wood upon it.

And also to be SOLD to the highest Bidder, on Saturday the 24th of July next, between the hours of five and seven in the afternoon, at the house Mr James Robinson, at the sign of the Globe, in Aldston,

Three several Estates, belonging to the said Adam Wilkinson, in three several Lots, (unless sold in the mean time by private contract, and if sold notice shall be given) subject to conditions then produced.

Lot 1st, A very valuable Estate, known the name of Nenthead, situate upon the river Nent, and within five miles of the town of Aldston, (also subject to conditions then produced) upon a lease granted for 1000 years, and very little above 150 years expired.

Lot 2d. Two other very valuable Leasehold Estates, known by the names of Upper and Lower Nentsbury, situate near the river Nent, and within three miles of the town-of Aldston.

Lot 3d, A very valuable Freehold Estate, situate upon the river Tyne, at place called Nether Esh Gill, together with the Sixth Part the Manor of Priorsdale, with several valuable Veins of Lead Ore.

And also to be SOLD to the highest Bidder, on Monday the 26th day of July next, the hours of five and severn in the afternoon, at the of Mr Richard Rudd, in Kirby Stephen,

A very valuable Customary Estate, belonging the said Adam Wilkinson, situate within the manor of Brough, in Westmorland, (unless sold in the meantime by private contract, and if sold notice will be given) subject to conditions then produced.

The respective lots will be shewn by the tenants residing upon the same respectively, save the estate in the manor Brough, which will be shewn by Mr Stephen Cleasby of Cragg House, near Brough aforesaid.
The several Creditors of the said Adam Wilkinson, are desired to send account their respective debts, and also the nature of their securities, to James Liddell, of the town and county Newcastle upon Tyne, Merchant, (one of the Trustees in whom the estates and other the effects of the said Adam Wilkinson are vested for the payment his debts) or to Mr John Donkin, of Sandoe, (Steward to Henry Errington, Esq; the joint Trustee with the James Liddell) on or before the 21st day of July next. *And also to be SOLD to the highest Bidder, on Thursday the 29th day of July instant, between the hours two and five in the afternoon, at the house of the said Mr James Robinson,*
All the several Parts and Shares of Lead Mines belonging to the said Adam Wilkinson.-—Particulars in the meantime may be had upon application the said Mr Liddell or Mr John Donkin: And on the two following days will be SOLD by the same mode of Sale. All the other Personal Estate of the said Adam Wilkinson.

7th August 1779 (Newcastle Courant)

To be LET and entered upon the 12th day of May next.

The several Farms late belonging to Adam Wilkinson of Nentsbury, in the county of Cumberland, Gentleman, (viz.) Wydon Eales in the parish of Haltwhistle, Hole-house in the parish of Knaresdale, Nether Esh Gill, Upper and Lower Nentsbury, and part of Nenthead, in the parish of Aldstone; and also a farm within the manor of Brough, in Westmorland. —For further particulars respecting the Farms called Wydon Eales, and Hole-house, enquire of Mr Donkin of Sandoe, who is appointed to let the same, and the respective tenants who are resident upon these two Farms will shew them. —For further particulars respecting the other Farms, enquire of Mr Robert Hodgson, of Aldstone, who is appointed to shew and let the same.

8th January 1780 (Newcastle Chronicle)

Friday night, about twelve o'clock, J. Rickerson, Esq; of Randalholm, set out on a matrimonial jaunt to Gretna Green, with the amiable Miss Jenny Wilkinson, of Nentsberry, near Aldston. No frigid clime or season can impede the rapid marches of the *God of Love*.

Jane daughter of Adam Wilkinson of Nenthead baptised 8th September 1762, married William Randall Featherstonehaugh Richardson Randall 13th June 1780, at St Augustine's, Alston. (Was this their 'official' marriage?)

In Garrigill Church Yard:

IN MEMORY OF
Adam Wilkinson of Nentsbury
Who died 10th January 1790, aged 70 years.
Also of Elizabeth his wife who died 10th April
1810 aged 87 years
Also of Hannah his daughter who died 10th July
1789 aged 30 (or 50) years
And Mary his daughter died 10th July
1817 aged 63 (or 65) years

29th April 1780 (Newcastle Chronicle)

LEAD MINES

TO be Let, for a Term of 21 Years, All the VEINS already cut in Littlegillhead Level, with all the veins which shall hereafter be discovered in the further prosecution of the said Level; and likewise all the Rest of the unwrought Veins, in Eshgill Liberty, situated in Priorsdale, in the parish of Alston, and county of Cumberland.

For particulars, enquire of Mr Evan Emerson, at Temple Sowerby; Mr Joseph Dickinson, at Lovelady Shield; or Mr Robert Hodgson, at Aldston.

22nd July 1780 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD

SEVERAL Parcels of OAK WOOD belonging to the commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital, now cut in the Barony of Langley, and in Coastley Highwood, Hexhamshire, Wooley, Dilston, Newtonhall, Whittle, and Newlands Woods; also, several Parcels of Oak Bark in Langley Barony, and at Dilston, Newtonhall, Whittle, and Newlands. —All persons who may be desirous of purchasing all or any part of the Wood or Bark, are requested to deliver their proposals in writing to Messrs Walton and Turner, at the Golden Lion, in Hexham, on Tuesday the first day of Next month, between the hours of eleven in the morning and fur in the afternoon. For particulars apply to Mr Nicholas Thornton, at Millhills, near Haydon Bridge; Mr George Sample, at Longhope, near Hexham; Mr John Jobling, at Newtonhall; and Mr John Surtees, at Ebchester.

The wood at Wooley is fit for shipbuilding, that at Whittle for Boat Builders, and all the rest well situated and fit for Lead Mines. —There is a small parcel of Ash to be sold at Newlands.

5th August 1780 (Newcastle Courant)

TO be Sold in public Sale, on Wednesday the 30th Day of August 1780, at the House of Mr Nathaniel Yeats, in Alston, in the County of Cumberland, by the Trustees and Executors of Thomas Armstrong, late of Haltwhistle Fell End, in the County of Northumberland, deceased, One-Eighth SHARE of BROWNLEYHILL LEAD MINE, in Alston-Moor; together with One-Eighth Share of all Work Tools, and other Materials belonging thereto. The Time for Payment of the Money and other Conditions will be fixed upon the Day of Sale; and any Time previous thereto, the Mine Tools and Materials may be seen. And the Creditors of the said Thomas Armstrong are desired to meet the said Trustees at the Crown, in Haltwhistle, on Thursday the 31st of August 1780, to inspect and examine the Accounts of the said Trustees.

24th November 1780 (Derby Mercury)

To be Sold

ALL the LEAD MINES belonging to the Company of Mines Royal, &c. being within the Liberties of Wensley and Matlock, Wapentake of Wirksworth, and County of Derby, known and called by the Names of Dealfield, Holewood Pipe, Old Tearfall, Wood's Pipe, Barber's Calamine Holes, and Old Ash.— Likewise the Materials at the "said Mines, such as Horse Engines, Gear Barrels, Wind-Trunks, Washing Fats, &c. &c. Apply to THOMAS LEAN of Bonsall, in the said County, who will treat for the same.

18th May 1781 (Derby Mercury)

On Thursday, last two Persons were unfortunately killed by the Damp in a Lead Mine at Wirksworth in this County. -—This melancholy Affair was nearly as follow, viz. A Man going down at Four in the Afternoon, found the Person dead whom he was then going to relieve from his Work, upon this he returned and acquainted the Neighbours, and six other Men went down with an intention of bringing up the Deceased, but were also overtaken by the Damp, and were obliged to retreat as fast as possible, and notwithstanding their precipitate Flight, the first Man, being much weaker than the rest, was not able to support himself, and is said to have fallen at least twenty Fathoms-—The other five were drawn to the Top with much Difficulty, but were so much hurt by the Damp, that it was some Time before they recovered.—-This Disaster is said to have been occasioned by the Smoke of a Lime Kiln, which was drawn by the Air into the Shaft.

9 June 1781 (Newcastle Chronicle)

WHEREAS at a Meeting of the Receivers and other Agents of Greenwich Hospital, and of the Stewards and Agents of many of the Lead Mines within Alston Moor, and several others, the principal Inhabitants of this Parish to take into Confederation the great Evils, Misfortunes, and mischief which lately have happened in this Neighbourhood by reason of the great number of Dogs kept by the Workmen employed in the said Lead Mines; and others for the killing and destroying of Game: It was resolved, That if any Lead Ore Miner employed in the said Mines shall presume, after the 24th Day of June next, to have, keep, or use, either for himself or others, or to have in the possession of others, for his use, any Greyhound, Hound, Spaniel, or other Dog, for the Destruction of Game; or shall, from the Date hereof, presume to go upon the Moor within this Manor, or the Moors adjacent thereto, to break, train, or exercise any Dogs under the Description aforesaid, all and every such Lead Ore Miners offending herein, shalt not be employed again, after the Expiration of their then Bargain, in any of the Lead Mines aforesaid. And the said Lead Ore Miners are hereby required to take Notice, that from and after the said 24th Day of June, it will be made a Condition in the letting of every Bargain to be wrought in any of the said Mines, that if they shall be found to offend as above-mentioned, their Bargains shall, from the time of the Offence committed, be null and void. And all and every other Person and Persons not employed in any of the said Lead Mines, and who are not qualified by the Laws of the kingdom to kill Game, are hereby required to take Notice, that if they shall, from and after the said 24th Day of June, have, keep, or use, either for themselves or others, any Dogs under the Description aforesaid; or from the Date hereof break, train, or exercise them in Manner afore said, such persons offending will be prosecuted for the doing thereof with the utmost Rigour of the Law, a subscription for that purpose being agreed upon and entered into.

N.B. Any Person or Persons who will give Information to any of the Stewards or Agents of the said Lead Mines, of any Persons offending as above stated, will meet with every due Encouragement, and be thankfully rewarded.

(This will be no more advertised)

22nd January 1782 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Advertiser)

COPPER MINES

To be Let on Lease, all the Copper Mines in the Manor of Tilberthwaite, in the County of Lancaster, belonging to John Pennington, Esq. Several veins of which have been lately opened, and produced valuable Copper Ore, and from every Appearance is very promising. —And also the SLATE QUARRIES in the Manor of Little Langdale, in the county of Westmorland.

N.B. Any Person or Persons who choose to Rent the same, may apply to Mr Atkinson of Muncaster-House, where proposals of Letting may be seen; and he will treat with any inclinable to Lease the same.

9th February 1782 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold to the best Bidder on Friday the 1st March 1782, at the House of Mr Adam Wilkinson at Nentsberry, in Aldston Moor, HALF of the REMAINDER of a LEASE, bearing Date March 25, 1779, for 21 years, of a very valuable and promising LEADMINE, known by the name of Littlegill, situate in Aldston Moor, now in the possession of the Executors of Matthew Watson, late of Northgate.

Joshua Myers will shew the Premises. —The sale to begin exactly at Two o'clock in the afternoon.

27th April 1782 (Newcastle Chronicle)

FIRE ENGINE

TO be Sold, All the MATERIALS of one of the completest Fire Engines in the North of England, built in the Year 1776, for the Copper Mines at Middleton Tyas, near Richmond, in the County of York, all the Iron Work whereof was made at Carron;

The principal Articles consist of

A bored CYLINDER, with Bottom, 10 Feet 4 Inches long, 61 Inches Diameter, and weight upwards of 5 Tons.

The BOILER is composed of 13 Pieces of rolled Iron Plates, and weight upwards of 6 Tons, exclusive of a strong Lead Cover.

A bored WORKING BARREL, 11 Feet long and 21 inches Diameter. —-Another and Suction, 10 Feet, with another of the same Length.

The MAIN PUMPS, of which there are two Sets, vis. one of Cast Iron 9 Feet long and 22 inches Diameters, with a Door to change Buckets.

Another PUMP, 7 Feet 4 Inches long and 17¾ Inches Diameter, with a Clack Frame and Door.

Another BOTTOM PUMP, with Snore Holes, 7 Feet 4 inches long, 17¾ Inches Diameter. Wood Pumps of various dimensions.

Two FRUSTUMS of CONES for turning Iron Hoops upon.

Two WHEELS of CAST IRON, one 12 Feet, and the other 10 Feet Diameter, with Chains fixed to the Beam for working Pumps by Sliders, at Shafts, 38 Yards from the Engine Shaft.

The REGULATING BEAM is 4 Feet square, composed of 16 Pieces of Fir Timber, combined together with Screw Bolts, 26 Feet long, with Martingales, Chains, &c.

And every other Article and Utensil belonging to a Fire Engine.

Printed Particulars of every minute Article may be had on Application to Mr George Allan, at Darlington; Mr Hutton Perkins, at Barnard castle; Mr John

Gordon, at Forcett; or of Mr Christopher Charge, at Middleton Tyas, who will shew all the Premises.
N.B. Middleton Tyas is 18 Miles from the Port of Stockton, from whence any of the above Materials may be sent by Water to any Part of the Kingdom.

15th June 1782 (Newcastle Chronicle)

Lead, Copper, Iron, and Coal Mines, Woods, Kelp, Shores, &c.

TO Let for Term of entered upon immediately, All any Parts of the MINES in the Baronies of Ardnamorchan said Sunart, those hitherto wrought arc commonly known by the Name of the Strontian Lead Mines, situated within three Miles of the Head of Loch Sunart (a navigable Arm of the Sea. wherein any Number of Ships of the largest Size may ride Anchor with Safety) in the County of Argyle. They were formerly wrought by the Duke of Norfolk's Company, afterwards by the York-building Company, with great Success, and since by other Companies; at present they are wrought by the Proprietor, the Lease having come into his Hands lately by Accident. The Appearances of Ore are deemed by judges to be flattering; who also are of Opinion, that if a Level drove for 300 Fathoms to flank the principal Vein, (which is tractable for upwards of fifteen Miles in Length in Sunart) and another of 900 Fathoms, drove upon the same Vein, these Works may be carried on several Hundred Years without any other levels. There is Plenty of Fuel for smelting the Ore, and Provisions most kinds are to be found upon the Estate; the Inhabitants are uncommonly civilized and attentive to Strangers, among whom any Number of Pickmen and Labourers may be got or trained at very reasonable Wages. N. B. There is now above 100 tons of Lead at Strontian for Sale; its Quality is well known many Places,- particularly at Bristol and Glasgow, where Quantities of it may be now seen. …
Also the LEAD MINES in the Lands of Torobols, in the Island of Illa, contiguous to Shawfields Mines, and to Navigation. …
For particulars apply to Sir James Riddell, Bart. at his House in Stradford-Place, London, the Proprietor; to David Erskine, Esq; Edinburgh; to Mr Thomas Gibson, Newcastle; or to the Agents or Tenants upon the several premises.

1st July 1782 (Caledonian Mercury)

ISLAY MINES.

TO be LET in tack, for such number of years, and on such terms as can be agreed upon. The WHOLE MINES in the Island of Islay, belonging ta Mr Campbell of Shawfield. These mines discover themselves at surface in many different places of the Island. They were opened and wrought by Mr Freebairn the late tacksman in nine different places. Eight of the veins carried lead only, and the other a mixture of lead and copper ore.
The veins are in general from two to three feet wide of solid lead and brangled ore; and according to the assays made in Scotland, give from 16 to 32 ounces of silver per ton; but from assays made in London yield to the amount 48 ounces. One of these vein runs in some paces nine feet wide, carrying three ribs of ore; each of them four inches solid, besides small strings and brangled ore intermixed.
The works need no timber, and in general have not much water when, at the depth of 20 or 30 fathoms. Levels are already made in different places; and

the report of an experienced miner who lately surveyed them, concludes thus: "Upon the whole these mines already discovered shew that if the levels were carried up and engines properly placed to take the benefit of the water that offers to work them, they would become profitable and lasting."

There will be also let to the person who takes the mines, a FARM in their neighbourhood, consisting of between four and five hundred acres, with a convenient stead of offices lately built.

The Island of Islay is peculiarly situated for working its minerals to advantage, being the Southern most of all the Western Islands, and within two days sail of Liverpool, and many other places of market. The veins already opened are also within less than three measured miles of a fine natural harbour in the Island called Freeport, where a smelting house, dwelling house, and set of offices have been created, and will be likewise set in lease to the person who takes the mines.

For further particulars apply to John Spottiswood, solicitor at law, London, Isaac Grant, writer to the Signet, Edinburgh, or James Addison, late overseer of the above mines, presently residing at the house of Mess. Hugle, MacDougal, and Company, Queen-street, Glasgow.

2nd July 1782 (Manchester Mercury)

BLACK LEAD PENCIL MANUFACTORY,

At WORSLEY, near MANCHESTER.

J. GILBERT and Co.

Respectfully acquaint the PUBLIC,

THAT they now make that valuable Article, and that they will use their utmost Endeavours to retrieve the Reputation of them, which has been so much injured by Persons who have imposed on the Public by Selling Pencils of little or no Value. This Imposition has prevented much the Sale of good Lead, which is a Disappointment to the Public, and a great Loss to the Proprietors of the Black Lead Mine, of which J. Gilbert has a Share, and has induced him to begin this Manufactory, in which the Public may be assured; none but the best Lead will be used.

As the Manufactory is so far situated from the Metropolis, J. Gilbert and Co. for the Convenience of their Customers have appointed them to be sold (Wholesale only) by William Champante No. 4, Minories, London, from whom they maybe had on the same Terms, as from J. Gilbert and Co. and may be assured of having the best Sorts at the shortest Notice and lowest Prices, which are fixed according to the Length of Lead in them.

N. B. All our Pencils are marked "J. G. Worsley."

20th July 1782 (Newcastle Courant)

A Correspondent writes from North Shields that last Saturday Afternoon, he, in Company with a friend took a Trip to Marsden Rocks, to view, as he had several times done some Years ago, the large and spacious Caverns, with other romantic and entertaining Scenes of Nature, which are to be met with upon the Sea Coast there; and what gave them additional Pleasure, being quite new, was an interview with an old Man, seemingly near 80 Years of Age, who told them that, in the earliest Part of his Life he was a Miner in the Lead-mines at Allen-heads, had for some years past lived at South Shields; but, to avoid the Charge of house rent, he and his Wife formed a resolution to make one of the Caves

under these Rocks the Place of their Residence which, the Beginning of this Summer they accordingly did, and have furnished that in which they reside with two beds, Tables, Chairs, a convenient Fire-place, Furnace, &c. The romantic Situation of the Place, and Singularity of the Thing, has drawn a great Number of People to visit him, whom he accommodated with hung Beef, Tea, &c. our Correspondent and Friend were refreshing themselves in the Cave, a Carriage arrived with two Gentlemen and Ladies, attended by their Footman, for whom he provided some tea.

10th September 1782 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Advertiser)

LEAD MINES to LET

SEVERAL whole and entire unwrought Veins of Lead Ore within the Manor of Dufton, in the county of Westmorland, called by the Names of MELDON, or the BACKSIDE of DUFTON FELL; many of these Veins have been proved to be rich and profitable in the Earl of Darlington's Manor of Middleton in Teesdale, and necessarily bear by their course through this Liberty, the Mineral Strata appear to be in great Perfection, setting forth an encouraging prospect to the skilful Miner from his judicious trials.

Any Person inclinable to take all or any Part of the same, may apply to Edward Milward, Esq. the Owner, and Lord of the Manor of Dufton, who will treat with and grant all reasonable and desirable Terms to any spirited Adventurers within his Liberty.

14th September 1782 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES to LET.

Several whole and entire unwrought Veins of Lead Ore within the Manor of Dufton, in the county Westmoreland, called by the names of Meldon, on the back side of Dutton Fell; many of these Veins have been proved to be rich and profitable in the Earl of Darlington's Manor of Middleton in Teasdale, and necessarily bear by their course though this liberty; the Mineral Strata appear to be in great perfection, setting forth an encouraging prospect to the skilful Miner from his judicious trials.

Any person inclinable to take all or any part of the same, may apply to Edward Milward, Esq; the Owner, and Lord of the Manor of Dufton, who will treat with and grant all reasonable and desirable terms to any spirited Adventurers within his liberty

28th December 1782 (Newcastle Courant)

SHARES of a LEAD MINE

To be peremptorily SOLD to the highest bidder, together or in lots, on Tuesday the 14th of January instant, between the hours of twelve and two o'clock, at the Golden Lion, in Hexham.

TWO Sixteenth Parts or Shares (for the now residue of a term of 21 years) of and in certain valuable and rich Working Lead Mine, or Vein of Lead Ore, lying and being in the Manor of Alstone Moor, in the county of Cumberland, known by the names of Bloomsbery and Gillgill Syke Veins, being north and south running veins, with Two Sixteenth Parts or Shares of the implements belonging to the same.—Mr Fairless of Ninebanks, will shew the premises; and for further particulars, apply to Mr Jasper Gibson in Hexham.

7th January 1783 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Died

Thursday, se'nnight, in the 37th year of her age, Mrs. Jane Westgarth, wife of Mr. Westgarth, merchant in Aldstone, greatly respected.

1st February 1783 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES. —Reginald Gibson's Creditors.

To be Sold to the highest Bidder, at the Golden Lion Inn, in Hexham, on Wednesday the 12th Day of February inst. between the Hours of Three and Four in the Afternoon, upon such Terms and Conditions as shall be then and there produced,

One twentieth PART of all that LEAD MINE or VEIN of LEAD ORE called Blaygill, situate in Alston Moor; with the like Share of the Ore at Bank; and of all the Implements and Appurtenances belonging to the said Mine, late the Property of Mr Reginald Gibson, of Corbridge.

The above will be sold in different Shares or Lots, if more agreeable to the Company at the Time of Sale.— For Particulars in the mean time, apply to Mr John Bell, or Mr Lancelot Liddell, Hexham, Assignees of the Effects of the said Reginald Gibson.

The Creditors of the said Reginald Gibson are desired to meet the said Assignees, at Ten o'clock in the Forenoon of the said 12th of February, at the above mentioned Place, to consult about the Terms and Manner of Sale of the said Mine; and other Matters relative the said Reginald Gibson's Estate and Effects.

4th March 1783 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Deaths

On the 18th ult. at Aldstone, in the 79th year of her age, Hannah Raisley, one of the people called Quakers; her life was employed in a constant series of good and virtuous actions, which endeared her to all who had the happiness of her acquaintance, among whom her memory will be long revered.

26 April 1783 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TO be Sold in public Sale, to the highest Bidder, on Tuesday the 13th Day of May, 1783, at the House of Mr Hugh Brodie, the Turk's Head, in the Biggmarket, Newcastle upon Tyne, at Three o' Clock in the Afternoon (by the Assignees of Henry Ellison) All that PARCEL of GROUND, (used as a Burying Ground) situate in Percy-street, in Newcastle aforesaid, Also at the fame Place will be sold, on Tuesday the 27th of May, 1783, One HALF or MOIETY of the Royalty, In which are wrought (by the Quaker Company) lead Mines situate at Hunsingworth, in the County of Durham with all the Profits arising from the same since the last settlement.

The Purchaser of each to pay Ten Guineas in Hand, and the Remainder of the Purchase Money in three Months.

6th May 1783 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths
At Aldstone, in the 79th year of his age, Mr. Jonathan Hilton, one of the Moor Masters of that place.
Jonathan Hilton was buried 28th April 1873, in St. Augustine's Churchyard. See "Alston Moor Its Pastoral People its Mines and Miners" by William Wallace pages 124-126; reprint 1986.

12th June 1783 (Derby Mercury)

LEAD MINES.

Seven Twenty Fourths Shares or Parts of a certain Groove or Lead Mine, called or known by the Name of Ringing and Raddle Hole Rakes, Six Twenty Fourths Shares or Parts of a Lead Mine, known by the Name of the Dimple Groove, One Twenty Fourth Share or Part of a Lead Mine, known by the Name of the Side Groove. The above Mines or Grooves, are situate near the Turnpike Road leading from Matlock to Buxton, one Mile or thereabouts from Matlock Bath. Six 24ths Shares or Parts of a Mine, known by the Name of Whalfe Mine. Six Twenty Fourths Shares or Parts of a Mine, known by the Name of Crymbow Mine.

These Mines or Grooves are situate one Mile from Monyash, in the Hundred of High-Peak, and County of Derby.

For Particulars apply to Miss GOODWIN at Monyash; or Mr. GEORGE GOODWIN at the Spa, Derby. 11th June, 1783.

13th November 1783 (Derby Mercury)

To be SOLD by Public Auction

On Tuesday the 30th of December Inst. betwixt the Hours of Twelve and Four o'clock in the Afternoon, at the Angel Inn in Winster;

ALL that LEAD MINE and Branch of a Sough, called Davis Mine and Sough, being within the Liberty of Wensley, and Hundred of Low Peak.

The Sough is completed up to the Forefield of the said Mine or Vein within a few Fathoms, and with the Advantage of Twenty Fathoms deeper than the Upper-bearing Stratums, betwixt which and the Sough, are two others totally untouched, near two Hundred Yards behind the present Forefield; which from the ancient Time these were in Workmanship, the Unskilfulness of the Miner, and the Necessity of a Sough or Drain, which is so far completed at a very great Expence and Time, the deep and valuable Part were rendered impregnable, being over-powered with Water.—It appears in the Books or Accounts of a King's Officer, called a Bar-Master, (late Mr. Abel of Wensley, where, in his Son's Hands, the same are to be seen) whose Office in Part, were to keep in his respective Liberty, Accounts of all Ore raised or got therein, which being the Custom to be done by Measure, were upwards of Twenty-five Thousand Loads, which at this Time sell at Two Guineas per Load, and the Expence thereof were estimated by a very respectable Miner not to exceed Twelve Shillings,

The Reason of this Publication, is on Account of the present Proprietor being at too great a Distance from the Work.

27th January 1785 (Derby Mercury)

THE additional Tax or Duty of One Guinea per Fodder or Ton, laid upon Lead exported, by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, and which took place on the 20th of September last, having been found to operate to the great Disadvantage of the Persons concerned in Lead and Lead Mines in this Kingdom, by enabling Foreigners to bring their Lead to Market at a lower Price than English Lead can be afforded.

A MEETING of the Principal Miners and Maintainers of Mines in this County, is appointed to be held at Mr. MASON's, at MATLOCK BATH, on FRIDAY the 11th Day of FEBRUARY next, at Eleven in the Morning, to take into Consideration the Means of obtaining a Repeal of the said Tax or Duty,

By Order,

ANTH. LAX MAYNARD.

Chesterfield, 31st January, 1785.

17th February 1785 (Derby Mercury)

TAX upon LEAD. DERBYSHIRE.

AT a Meeting of the principal Miners and Maintainers of Mines in the County of Derby, held at Matlock Bath in the said County, this 11th Day of February, 1785, pursuant to Advertisements in the Derby News Paper, for the Purpose of taking into Consideration the Means of obtaining a Repeal of the Tax or Duty laid upon Lead exported from Great- Britain, by an Act of the last Session of Parliament.

PHILIP GELL, Esq. in the Chair.

Resolved unanimously, That the Tax or Duty of £1 1s. per Fodder or Ton, and the additional Import or Duty of £5. per Cent, and £5. per Cent, thereon, laid upon Lead exported from Great-Britain, by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, is a very burthensome, partial, and oppressive Tax, as it falls entirely upon the Mine Adventurers, who are a few Individuals, and not upon the Public at large.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Meeting, that if the said Tax or Duty should be continued, German and other Lead will be brought to Foreign Markets at a Price which English Lead cannot be afforded at, from the great Expence that now attends the working of Lead Mines in England, and the general Poorness of such Mines; and that the foreign Trade for Lead will thereby in a great Measure be lost to this Country.

Resolved, That the Right Honourable Lord George Cavendish, and Edward Miller Mundy, Esq; the Representatives in Parliament tor this County, be immediately applied to & requested to confer with the Members of other Counties, in which are Lead Mines, in Order that the most effectual Means may be taken to obtain a Repeal of the said Tax or Duty.

Resolved, That the before-mentioned Resolutions be signed by the Chairman, and published in the Derby, York, and London News-Papers. P. GELL, Chairman.

22nd February 1785 (Cumberland Paquet)

Whereas there have been lately Stolen from Dufton Smelt mill, in the county of Westmorland, five pigs of Lead, marked E.M.D. the property of Edward Milward Esq. of Dufton Hall, in the said county: Any person who can give information respecting the same, so as the Offender, or Offenders, may be brought to

Justice, shall, upon their conviction, receive a Reward of Ten Guineas, from the said Edward Milward, Esq., or Mr Jebs Smith, of Dufton, aforesaid.

1st March 1785 (Leeds Intelligencer)

Lead Mines.

To be SOLD by AUCTION,

At the House- of Mr. William Hartley, in Grassington, in the County of York, on Friday the 18th Day. of March Inst. between the Hours of Four and Six o'Clock in the Afternoon, TWO-SEVENTH PARTS of a certain LEAD MINE, called BLACKRIGG, situate on the. High-end of. Knaresbro' Forest, near Greenhow-Hill, the Property of the Assignees of James Collins.

Also, All the said Assignees Share and Interest of, in and to another LEAD MINE, called BUCKDEN GAVEL Lead Mine, near Kettlewell in the said County.

12th October 1785 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Advertiser)

COWPER'S BANKRUPCY

NOTICE is Hereby Given, that a Meeting of the Creditors of THOMAS COWPER, of Dufton, in the county of Westmorland, a Bankrupt, will be held at the King's Head in Appleby, on SATURDAY the 15th October next, 1785, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon; to take into their consideration, how to recover sundry Debts, due to the said Bankrupt, and other Special Affairs.

Also to be SOLD the same Evening

At the King's Head in Appleby aforesaid

A valuable LEAD MINE upon Dufton Fell, at a place called White Rake and Clover Dock, in the county of Westmorland, nearly one year of the Lease of which is unexpired.

Also will be SOLD at the same Time

A valuable COLLIERY, situate at Meldon, upon Dufton Fell aforesaid. Upwards of six years of the Lease are unexpired.

The Particulars relative to the Sale of the Lead Mine and Colliery will be made known at the Time of Sale, or in the mean Time, by applying to Sir George Atkinson, Assignee to the Estate and Estates of the said Thomas Cowper.

29th October 1785 (Newcastle Courant)

COUNTY of DURHAM.

A MURDER

Escaped from the custody of the Constables of the Forest, in Weardale, in the parish of Stanhope, in this county, one GEORGE PEART, late of Burtry Ford, in the same parish, Miner, who is charged before one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said county, with having killed one JAMES STEPHENSON in the night of the 21st instant, near the house of William Lowes, of Heathery Cleugh, in the said parish of Stanhope.

The said George Peart is about twenty-five years of age, six feet four inches high, remarkably (strong, and well made, and lowers in his walk, is of a sullen countenance, has a tear or cut upon his right cheek, just under the eye, wears his own light brown hair, which hangs' loose about his neck; had on when he escaped, a round hat, an olive coloured sustian jacket, a striped waistcoat, and dark olive coloured velveret breeches; was born at Rush, near Saint John's Chapel, in Weardale, and speaks the dialect of the place; it is supposed he is

gone towards Alston Moor, or some other part of Cumberland, probably with an intent to get employment in the Lead Mines there, in which business he has been brought up.
Apprehend and secure the said George Peart, and give information to Robert Curry, of Bishop Oak, in the said county of Durham, Esquire, one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the same county.
27th October 1785. By Order, Geo. Pearson, Clerk of the Peace.

4th February 1786 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD STOLEN

Whereas FOUR PIECES or PIGS of LEAD, the Property of the Commissioners and Governors of the Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich, marked at each end G H—L—1785, were, between Tuesday morning the 17th, and Thursday morning the 19th of last month, stolen from near Summer Rods Bar, on the Glenwhelt Turnpike Road: Messrs Walton and Turner hereby give notice, that any person or persons making information to them, or to Messrs Mulcaster, at Langley Lead Mill, so as the offender or offenders may be convicted of the said offence, shall receive a Reward of TWENTY POUNDS.

13th May 1786 (Newcastle Courant)

Died

Tuesday, at Dukesfield, in the 75th year of his age, Mr Francis Salkeld, Agent to Sir Thomas Blackett, Bart., in the lead mines; in which capacity he served the family 63 years with great reputation.

12th August 1786 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD by public Sale to the highest Bidder,

On Wednesday the 27th of September next, at the Crown and Thistle, Groat-Market, in the town of Newcastle upon Tyne,
THAT valuable Royalty or Manor called Tynehead, in the Chapelry of Garrigill, parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland, about six miles from the market town of Alston; consisting of several enclosed Meadows and Pasture, with an extensive Common; the whole by computation about 25 miles In circumference, and containing many valuable Lead Mines, now under lease, and working, some In a prosperous state; and all Let at one sixth duty of the Ore or Value, to the Lord of the Manor; and no doubt there are many Lead Mine Veins not found. The inclosed Lands by computation, are about 340 acres, susceptible of much Improvement, and now occupied by seven tenants, on Leases of 21 years, which will expire at Martinmas, 1787.
There are also four Leasehold Estates on said Royalty, which pay Tithes, Lords Rent, and a Twenty-penny Fine. — Conditions, to be produced on the day of the sale; and for further Information apply to Mr Thomas Andros; or Mr Robert Hodgson, at the town of Alston.
N. B. For the benefit of improving the Estate, there are plenty of Coals, Limestone, and Freestone therein.

12th May 1787 (Newcastle Courant)
Thursday Se'nnight, about three o'clock in the morning Mr Matthew Watson, jun. the Carrier from Weardale to this town, was stopped, about four miles of Stanhope, by a single footpad, who robbed him of 15gs. and his pocket-book.

5th May 1787 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINE.

To be SOLD by public Auction

On Tuesday, the 15th day of May at the house of Mr Ions, Golden Lion, in Hexham, between the hours of eleven and twelve in the forenoon subject to such conditions of sale at shall be then and there produced,
ONE Twentieth Part or Share of that very valuable LEAD MINE, situate near Alstone, known by the name of Old Blagill, with every appurtenance thereto belonging. —For any further information, may apply to Mr Richard Hetherington, Newcastle; or Thomas Rutherford, Low-Glasshouses.
Newcastle, 19th April, 1787.

6th September 1787 (Derby Mercury)
A Shocking Misfortune happened on Monday the 3d. Inst. at Great Hucklow, near Tideswell in this County. Two Men were working in a Lead Mine, when the Earth suddenly gave way, without any previous Motion to make them aware of the Danger, one of the Men was sorely bruised, and the other hastening to extricate him, was almost instantaneously crushed to Death, with his Arms clung round his fellow Labourer. Immediately on the Alarm being given by their Wives (who were at top of the Mine, unhappy Spectators of the Accident) a great Number of People gathered together and begun to dig away the Earth, to save, if possible, the unfortunate Miners. After working three and thirty Hours, almost without ceasing a Man's Voice was heard to say, in scarce intelligible Accents, "Make haste I cannot live much longer!" Redoubling their Efforts, in about two Hours, and after having dug twelve Yards from the Surface, they succeeded in their Endeavours and found one of them dead as above described, and the other in a miserable State— both his Arms broke, and, from present Appearances, unlikely to recover. The Man that is dead has left a Wife and six Children totally destitute the other has three Children, and his Wife is in daily Expectation of adding another to her distressed Family.

3rd November 1787 (Newcastle Courant)

SALE of SHARES of LEAD MINES.

To be SOLD by Auction

On Saturday the 10th day of November instant, at the house of Mr Thomas Hetherington, at Lowbyer, near Alston, in Cumberland, in eight several Lotts, subject to conditions of Sale the to be produced.
SEVERAL Shares of LEAD MINES, &c. Lot 1st, 15/1?4 shares of Brownley Hill. Lot 2d. 1/40 Share of Blagill, together with Smelting Mill. Lot 3d. 1/3 Share of Thortergill Syke. Lot 4th. 1/16 Share Greengill East End. Lot 5th, 1/16 Share of Peat Stack Hill. All situate in Alston Moor, Cumberland. Lot 6th, 3/64 Shares of Cock Hill, situate in Yorkshire. Lot 7th. A Dwelling-house, Shop, and Conveniences, Leasehold for 1000 years, and not 100 years yet expired. Lot the 8th, A Close and Garden Freehold. For further particulars enquire of Messrs. Thomas Temperley and John Friend, both of Alston

aforesaid; or at Mr Charles Shaftoe's Office, in Hexham. The Sale will begin at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, and continue till all are sold.

26th April 1788 (Newcastle Courant)

SALE of SHARES of a LEAD MINE

To be SOLD by Auction

On Friday the 16th day of May next, between the hours of one and three o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Mr Thomas Hetherington, at Lowbyer, near Alston in Cumberland.

THREE Sixty-Fourth Shares of a very valuable Lead Mine, situate in the county of York, known by the name of Cock Hill, subject to conditions of sale then to be produced. —For further particulars enquire of Messrs. Thomas Temperley and John Friend, both of near Alston; or Mr Charles Shaftoe's office, in Hexham.

18th June 1788 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Last week, as some workmen were quitting a lead-mine, in the neighbourhood of Keswick, a part of the roof fell in, and shut up one of the people. The others were so near as to hear him call out for assistance; and, on removing a part the, rubbish, he told them a large stone pressed upon his head. After much difficulty, they got to him, and brought him out; but, he was so much bruised that he died soon after.—The accident was rendered more shocking by the circumstance of his son, a boy of about twelve years of age, having just stepped out of the place before the roof gave way, and by his cries alarming the others.

19th June 1788 (Derby Mercury)

To be Sold by Auction

By JOHN SAXTON.

At the House of Richard Fowler, known by the Sign of the Black Bull in Wirksworth in the County of Derby, on Tuesday the first Day of July next, between the Hours of three and five in the Afternoon, (Subject to such Conditions as will be then produced)

THE following Shares of the under-mentioned LEAD MINES:

Names of Mines	Shares,	Liberties where
Slack Rake, or Henstock-Hill Top,	1-24th	Middleton
Bradwell Mine,	1-24th	Middleton
Dogholes Consolidated,	1-48th	Middleton
Intake, or Mather's Groove,	1-24th	Middleton
Providence	2-24th	Middleton
Bage,	1-72nd	Wirksworth
Wigley's Meer,	1-24th	Wirksworth
Thompson's Meer	1-24th	Wirksworth
Oxclose	1-22nd, 1-44th, and 1-88th	Matlock
Side Mine	1-24th	Matlock
Ley Close	2-24th	Matlock
Teal Edge	2-24th	Cromford
Blocklow	2-24th	Bonsall
Speedwell	1-16th	Crich

And also to be Sold by Auction

At the STUDY in Bonsall, in the said County of Derby, on WEDNESDAY the second Day of May next, at ten o'clock in the Forenoon.

ALL THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

HORSES, COWS, CALVES, PIGS, IMPLEMENTS of HUSBANDRY, CORN growing on the Farm, &c. &c. late the Property of ADAM SIMPSON, of Bonsall aforesaid.

Further Particulars may be had by applying to Mr. JOSEPH SIMPSON, of Bonsall.

27th September 1788 (Newcastle Courant)

NOTICE to COPARTNERS

THE Copartners of Broomsberry Lead Mine and Black Hall Smelt Mill, do give notice to all such of their Partners as are at present in any arrear on account of their respective Shares of the said Mine and Mill, that unless they appear at the next Meeting of the said Copartners to be held at the house of Mr Thomas Ions, the Golden Lion, in Hexham, on Tuesday the 14th day of October next, at eleven o'clock in the afternoon, and then and there pay and discharge all such sum and sums of money as they shall be then found in arrear on account of their said respective shares, that the same will in pursuance of an Agreement in the present Deed of Copartnership, becomes forfeited to the other partners, who have come to a resolution to dispose of such shares, in the manner directed by the said Deed, whereby the said partners for neglecting to discharge their arrears will be totally barred from any future claim to any part of the said Mines or Mill. 27th September 1788.

1st October 1788 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

The following casualties have happened within these few days, as appears from the inquests taken by Mr. John James, coroner, of Carlisle. —A young man, employed in a mine at Aldstone-moor, having occasion to bring up some working-tools, which had been left there a few days before, imprudently ventured farther than his light would burn, and was suffocated. —William Willis, another person employed in the same mines, was immured by a part of the roof falling in. On clearing away the rubbish, after much difficulty, his body was discovered under a stone of three yards in length, a yard broad, and about the same depth. They were under the necessity of blasting the stone, before the mangled remains of the unfortunate man could be got out.

William Willis of Nenthead was buried at St Augustine's, Alston,18th September 1788.

4th October 1788 (Newcastle Courant)

NOTICE to CREDITORS

WHEREAS an Advertisement appeared in last Saturday's Paper, giving notice to all such Partners of Broomsberry Company as are in arrears on account of their Shares in Broomsberry Lead Mine, and Black Hall Smelt Mill, to appear on Tuesday the 14th day of October instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of Mr Ions, the Golden Lion, in Hexham, to discharge such arrears, upon pain of forfeiture of any future claim to such Mine or Mill.

The surviving Trustees in a Deed of Trust of the Goods and ----- of Mr Robert Allgood, late of Hexham, do hereby give notice to the Creditors of the said Mr Robert Allgood, they do not intend to discharge any arrears that may be then found due, on account of his the said Mr Robert Allgood's Share, or in any shape to take any steps for preventing the same from sinking into the hands of the other Co-partners. 4th October 1788.

6th December 1788 (Newcastle Courant)

SHARES of LEAD MINES.

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder,

On Tuesday the 23rd day of December the between the hours of twelve and one o'clock in the same day, at the House of Mr Ions, the Golden Lion, in Hexham,

Lot 1st. One Eight Part or Share, for the now Residue of a Term of 21 years, of and in a certain valuable and working Lead Mine, or Vein of Lead Ore, lying in the manor of Aldston Moor, in the county of Cumberland and commonly known by the name of Broomsbury Mine.

Lot 2d. One sixteenth Part or Share, for the now Residue of a Term of 21 years, of the said Mine and Premises.

For farther particulars enquire of Mr Fairless, at Ninebanks; or Mr John Teasdale, Agent, at the Mine. 6th December 1788

10th December 1788 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

NOTICE and REWARD

THE BLACK LEAD MINE, in Borrowdale, in this county, having been broken into several Times in the Night Time, and the Yard. House, and Doors securing the Mine, and Part of the Inner Wall, having also been broken;

Notice is hereby Given,

That a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS will paid by the Proprietors of the said Mine, to any Person, or Persons, who will lay before them, or Mr. Benson, of Cockermouth, Attorney at Law, (their Agent) Information whereupon the Offenders may be apprehended and convicted.—And if the Informer be an Accomplice, he will be pardoned.

14th February 1789 (Newcastle Courant)

SALE of SHARES of LEAD MINES.

To be SOLD by Auction,

Thursday the 19th day of February instant, between the hours of three and four o' clock in the afternoon at the house of Mr Thomas Ions, in Hexham, known by name of the Golden Lion, in two Lots,

SEVERAL SHARES of LEAD MINES, subject to conditions of Sale then to be produced,

Lot 1st. Three sixty-fourth Shares of a very valuable Lead Mine, situate in the county of York, known by the name of Cockhill.

Lot 2d. One-fortieth Share of Blagill, together with one-fortieth Share of a Smelting Mill, situate in Alston Moor, Cumberland. —For further particulars enquire of Messrs Thomas Temperly, and John Friend, both of near Alston aforesaid; or at Mr Charles Shaftoe's Office, in Hexham.

13th June 1789 (Newcastle Courant)

Whereas JOSEPH TURNER, of Gateshead, in the county of Durham, Edge Tool Maker, hath, from time to time, procured Money and Goods in a very fraudulent manner, upon the. credit of Messrs. John, and Thomas Dodd, the former of Alston, and the latter of Nenthead, in Alston Moor, in the county of Cumberland/ by applying to their friends in and about the neighbourhood of Newcastle, and producing false letters in their names:— This, therefore, is to desire the Public in general, and their friends- in particular, to be aware of such a Villain in future as they are determined to pay nothing which he may procure by such unwarrantable methods.

Alston, June 1st 1789. JOHN and THOMAS DODD

11th July 1789 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD by Auction

On Wednesday the 15th instant, at the House of Mr William Reed, the sign of the Black Bull, in Hexham.

One twentieth Part or Share of BLAGILL LEAD MINE, together with a SMELTING MILL.—For further particulars, enquire of Mr Jasper Gibson, in Hexham.

1st August 1789 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD by Auction

By order of the Assignees of Joseph Davison, a Bankrupt,

At house of Mr John Lee, situate at Chapel, in Weardale, in the county of Durham, and known by the sign of the King's Head, on the 22d day of August instant, between the hours of two and five in the afternoon.

Compart FREEHOLD FARM of meadow and pasture Ground, with a good Dwelling House, and other suitable conveniences, capable of great improvement, near Chapel, in Weardale, called Pinfold-house Farm, and containing 28 Acres and upwards; together with a well accustomed Water Corn Mill, and four new built Farm Houses on the fame Premises.

The above Farm it entitled to 19 stints on Chapel Pasture and 38 stints on Chapel Fell, and is subject to the annual out-rent of 10s payable to the Lord Bishop of Durham, and £7 per annum to a person 65 years of age.

Also to be SOLD at the same time and place,

A Freehold FARM of meadow and pasture Ground, well-watered and fenced, with a large new-built Dwelling- House, and other conveniences thereon, situate near Chapel aforesaid, called the Wham, and containing 14 acres and upwards.

The same Farm is entitled to 18 Stints on -------- Fell, and subject to the annual Out-rent of 6s. 8d. payable to the Lord Bishop of Durham.

Also to be SOLD by Auction, by order of the said Assignees, at the house of Mr Mark Sherlock, at Middleton in Teesdale, in the said county of Durham, on the 24th day of August instant, between the hours of two and four in the afternoon.

One Half Share of a Lead Mine and Materials, situate near Stanhope, in the said county of Durham, called the Park Lead Mine.

Also a tenth Share of a Lead Mine and Materials, situate near Middleton, in Teasdale aforesaid, called Westerhead Lead Mine.

And also a tenth Share of another Lead Mine and Materials situate in Teasdale aforesaid, called the Side Lead Mine. …
The several tenants will shew the Farms; Mark Sherlock the Lead Mines; and Miss Hardcastle the house at Sunderland; and for further particulars enquire of Mr Chriscop, Attorney, Durham.

21st November 1789 (Newcastle Courant)

SPENCER's CROFT ESTATE

To be SOLD by public Auction, together or in Parcels, On Friday the 4th December, 1789 at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the House of John Bell, known by the sign of the Greyhound, in Aldston, in the county of Cumberland.
ALL that Messuage, Tenement, and Estate, called SPENCER's CROFT, situate and being near to the market town of Aldston aforesaid, now let to several tenants at the yearly rent of £131.
Also a small Field, called WELL CLOSE, in the township of Aldston aforesaid, containing about 1 acre, now in the possession of John Bell, as farmer thereof.
The aforesaid Premises are Leasehold, under Greenwich Hospital, for the remainder of a term of 1000 years.
Also One-sixteenth Share of a certain Lead Mine, called Brownlow Hill; and One-eighth Share of a Mine called Greengill East End, in the parish of Aldston aforesaid.
For further particulars apply to Mr William Hutchinson, jun. of Lonning, near Aldston, the owner, who will shew the Premises; or to Mr Grave, Attorney at Law, in Penrith, Cumberland.

13th March 1790 (Newcastle Courant)

At the House of Mr Wharton, Sign of the Black Bull, in Barnardcastle, in the county of Durham, on Wednesday 21st day of April, 1790, between the hours of four and six in the afternoon, subject to Articles and Conditions then to be produced.
A SMELTING MILL, well situated, standing on Blacton Burn, in the Manor of Egglestone, lately erected, and in good working order, with a large supply of Water, and every other thing requisite for smelting Lead Ore; and an allotment of land adjoining to the Mill, containing ten Acres or thereabouts.

9th June 1790 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

ALSTONE ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS various offences have lately been committed in this Town and Neighbourhood, we whose names are hereunto subscribed, being Land Owners and Inhabitants of the said Town and Parish of ALSTONE, in the County of Cumberland, do hereby unanimously agree That we are fully resolved to Prosecute at our joint Expence, with the utmost Rigour of the Law, and if possible to Conviction, every Person or Persons who shall be guilty of any Burglary, Felony, Theft, or any injurious Treatment or Damage against our persons, or the Property of any of us; and that we will spare neither Pains or Expence in detecting, apprehending, or convicting such Offenders; and will amply reward any Information which may prove the means of detecting, apprehending, or convicting any Person or Persons who shall injure, or attempt

to injure, the Person or Property of any of the members of this Association. As Witness our Hands this 26th Day of May, 1790.

SUBCRIBERS NAMES

B. Jackson, Vicar	John Hutchinsun	John Whitfield, Alstone
John Winder, Curate	Wm. Swinburn	Ralph Vipond
John Hodgson	Henry Proud	Jos. Watson, Hill House
John Hallyburton, Surgeon	John Dodd	Joseph Emerson
Rob. Hodgson	Thomas Dodd	John Corin
Thomas Hodgson	Hugh Walton	Thos. Hall
Mark Barningham	Wm. Place	Adam Elliot
Wm. Soppitt	Joseph Hind	Joseph Hutchinson
Rob. Teasdale, Merchant	Nich. Rowell	John Walton, Nest
John Brumwell, Surgeon	John Walton, Silly Hole	John Laidlaw, Surgeon
John Friend, jun., Merchant	Thomas Hilton	John Friend, Crosslands
Wm. White, Merchant	John Atkinson	Thos. Walton
Thos. Atkinson, Merchant	Joshua Vipond	Thos. Pattinson
John Hilton, Merchant	Jacob Smith	Joseph Johnson
John Carrick	Joseph Renwick	John Pattinson
Wm. Carrick	John Dickinson, moor-master	John Teasdale
Rob. Hinde	Henry Wallace	John Kindred
Wm. Hutchinson, jun.	John Whitfield, Clargill	Thomas Vipond, Grace Field
Joseph Dickinson	Wm. Walton, Raise	Allgood Hunter
	Thos. Friend	
	Timothy Teasdale	

11th September 1790 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD in publick Sale to the Best Bidder,

At the house of Joseph Archer, sign of the Four Awls, in Alston, on Saturday the 25th day of this instant September, betwixt the hours of Three and Six o' Clock in the afternoon, subject to conditions will be then produced,

ALL that valuable LEAD MINE called West Calvert, with all the Wood and working Material belonging the said Mine, the property of Robert Lancaster. The Mine will be sold either together or in lots, as may suit the purchaser at the time of sale. —For further particulars in the meantime apply to Robert Lancaster, the owner.

N. B. There is 18 years unexpired of the lease of the said Mine.

6th November 1790 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD by Auction,

by Proposals, (as shall be agreed on at the time of sale) at the house of Mr John Dowell, the Crown and Thistle Inn, in Newcastle on Wednesday the 10th of November, 1790, between the hours of three and five in the , afternoon, unless previously disposed of by private contract (of which notice will in that case be given in this Paper) subject to conditions then to be produced, TWO Fortieth Parts or Shares (either together or separate, as shall be most agreeable to Purchasers) of the rich Lead Mines, called

Old Blagill, and Ash Gill, in Alstone Moor, In the county of Cumberland, and of the Mill for Smelting Lead Ore, called Blagill Mill, respectively held by Lease under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital. For particulars, in the meantime, apply to Anthony Surtees, Esq. at Newbiggin, near Hexham.

13th November 1790 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder.

On Tuesday the seventh day of December next, at twelve o'clock, at the house of Charles Turner, the Queen's Head, in Newcastle, before Charles Wren Esquire, the Receiver of the Estates of William Bacon Forster, Esquire, an Infant.

THE Moiety of the several MINES hereafter mentioned late the property of John William Bacon Forster, Esq. deceased, and which are situate in the county of Durham, and held by Lease jointly with Sir Thomas Blackett, under the Bishop of Durham.

LOT 1

1 Wolfcleugh Mine	in Whesenhope Fell
2 Blackberry alias Bleaberry Cleugh	in Ditto
3 Scraithhead	in Burnhope Fell
4 Greengroves	in Ditto
5 Hazly Gill	in Ditto
6 Screith Head	in Ditto

LOT 2

1 Grove Rake Mine	in Rookhope Fell
2 Foulwood at Lintzgarth Cleugh	in Ditto
3 Barkshaw Meadow	in Ditto
4 Songhaust	in Killhope Fell
5 Cowford	in Ditto

LOT 3

1 Harnley Shaw	in Bollihope Fell
2 Shafto Will	in Ditto
3 Leavy Cleugh	in Ditto
4 Crawley	in Stanhope Fell
5 Berry Cleugh	in Swinhope Fell

LOT 4

1 Earncleugh Mines	in Middlehope Fell
2 Sear Sike	in Ditto
3 Coleberry	in Ireshope Fell
4 Ireshope Burn Foot	

LOT 5

1 Brickonside Mine	in Burtry Ford Fell
2 Greenfield	in Ditto
3 Broudmea	in Sedling Fell
4 Roger's Will	in Crawley Fell
5 Greenwell Mine	

LOT 6

1 Pudding Thorne Mine	in Hathery Cleugh Fell
2 Pekestone	in Wolsingham Fell

3 Bolehill or Greenhills	in Sedling Pasture
4 Stone Peake	in Middle Black Dean Pasture
5 New Meadows	in Easter Black Dean Pasture

For further particulars enquire of the said Mr Wren in Newcastle; or G. L. Van Heythuyson *(Gerard Levinge Van Heythuysen)*, Solicitor, in Bedford Row, and Messrs Grahams, Solicitors, in Lincoln's Inn, London.

The history of the Bacon/Forster family is given in an article "Bacon of Staward, Styford, Newton Cap and Adderstone" by Brian Bacon in "THE JOURNAL OF THE NORTHUMBERLAND & DURHAM FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Vol. 11 No. 4, Winter, 1986." (http://www.ndfhs.org/pdfs/Vol-11-No-4.pdf)

20th November 1790 (Newcastle Courant)

Tuesday, a man was accidentally killed in one of the lead mines, on Alston Moor. *Possibly William Eels or John Laidlow, both of Nenthead.*

5th March 1791 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the BEST BIDDER,

At the house of Thomas Milburn, Innkeeper, in Wolsingham, on Thursday the 24th March, ONE Sixteenth SHARE of that valuable LEAD MINE, known by the name of HAREHOPE GILL; it pays one-fifth duty to the Lord of the Manor; there is 19 years of the lease to come. The purchaser to be subject to Conditions produced at the sale.

3rd May 1791 (Cumberland Paquet)

Newcastle, April 30. Thursday Se'nnight, as Mr Joseph Dixon, of Clargill, one of the proprietors and agent of Fallowfield lead mine was returning from this town, he was attacked by two footpads, at Welton Bridge near Harlow Hill. One of the villains seized the bridle of his horse, while the other presented a pistol to his breast of Mr Dixon, who endeavoured to push it away, but without effect, as the pistol went off and shot him through the left arm. They then knocked him off his horse, robbed him of upward of 30*l* and left him for dead in the road.

14th May 1791 (Newcastle Courant)

At the Cumberland Quarter Sessions, Wm. Dickinson and Isaac Hodgson, were tried on two separate indictments, for stealing iron implements from the lead mines, on Alston Moor. Hodgson was found guilty, on the first indictment, and Dickinson was acquited; but on the second, they were both found guilty. The former is to be transported for seven years, and the latter was publickly whipped at Alston, on Saturday, and is to be imprisoned six months in county gaol.

26th July 1791 (Cumberland Paquet)

TO SCHOOLMASTERS

WANTED, at the HEAD SCHOOL, at ALSTON a MASTER qualified to teach the Classics, English, Common Arithmetic, and Practical Mathematics.—Candidates must appear at Alston, on SATURDAY the 7th of August, 1791, at Three o'clock, when a meeting will be held.

There is a Salary of TEN POUNDS per annum belonging to the said school.

N.B. None need apply, but such as can bring Recommendations of their Conduct and Morality.

25th October 1791 (Cumberland Paquet)
Last week a young man was killed in one of the lead-mines of Aldstone moor.

5th November 1791 (Newcastle Courant)
Married
Tuesday at Corbridge Mr. Robert French Agent to the London Lead Company, to Miss Ann Angus of Great Whittington.
Robert French married Ann Angus 1st November 1791 at Corbridge
Robert French baptised 17th June 1736, at Whitfield, father Henry French.
Robert French of Hunter Oak, Hexham, buried 2nd September 1807, aged 71 years, at St John, Whitfield. Ann French was buried 17th April 1829, aged 71, at St John, Whitfield.
Children of Robert and Ann French:
Robert Henry baptised 25th December 1793 at St Cuthbert, Allendale. Robert Henry French married Margaret Jackson 20th October 1818, at Haltwhistle, he was buried 11th February 1838, at St John Whitfield, aged 44.
Barbera baptised 5th May 1796 at St Cuthbert, Allendale. Barbara French married Thomas Pearson 14th May 1825, at Holy Cross, Haltwhistle, possible burial of Thomas Pearson 27th March 1832, aged 31, at Holy Cross, Haltwhistle.
Barbara Pearson married George Forton, 27th October 1838, at Allendale

31st October 1791 (Caledonian Mercury)
TO BE LET
The Extensive LEAD MINES of STRONTIAN in the barony of Ardnamurchan, situated near to the navigable arm of the sea, called Loch Sunart, 25 miles east of Tobermory, and Sound of Mull in Argyllshire, and may be entered upon immediately.

5th November 1791 (Caledonian Mercury)
LEAD MINES TO LET
To be Let and entered immediately
THE LEAD MINES of TYNDROM, belonging to the Earl of Breadalbane.
Tyndrum is situated in Perthshire, ten miles from the head of Loch Lomond, from whence the Lead has been generally carried to the Low Country.
A farm will be Let along with the Mines, and there is proper accommodation for the people employed in the works.
The Smelting Mill and Utensils, which belonged to the former Lessees, will be given over on appretintion.
The Plans and Works will be shown by John MacNicol, overseer at Tyndrum, and proposals for a lease may be given in to John Campbell, writer to the signet.

12th May 1792 (Newcastle Courant)
SALES or LEAD MINES and HOUSES.
To be SOLD in public SALE to the highest bidder
At the house of Mr John Walton, Leadmine Agent, Alston, on

Saturday the 26th day if May between the hours of three and five o' clock in the afternoon, late the property of Leonard Bradwell, of Garragill-gate, deceased, and of William Stott, of Blackburn Mill.

TWO SIXTEENTH SHARES of all those Valuable LEAD MINES or VEINS of LEAD ORE, in the Manor of. Harehope, Broadwood, and Biggins, with upwards of ONE HUNDRED BINGS of ORE, now lying at the Bank, and the Mine in a flourishing state, sltuate near Wolsingham, in the county of Durham, held under lease of the Right Honourable the Earl of Burford, for 21 years, paying 1-6th duty in Ore, to the Lord of the Manor; to enter at Michaelmas last, and pay at Christmas next. For particulars apply to Mr John Harrison, in Frosterly; George Race, of Wolsingham; or John Bradwell, of Garragill-gate, who will shew the said Mines.

A**lso, to be SOLD in public SALE to the highest Bidder,**

At the house of Foster Halden, Innkeeper, in Garragill-gate, on Friday the first day of June next, between the hours of three and five o' clock in the afternoon, subject to conditions of sale to be then produced, in the following Lots.

Lot I, All that well-accustomed PUBLIC HOUSE and GARDEN, at Garragill-gate aforesaid, in the possession of Foster Halden, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 7l.

Lot II. All that commodious DWELLING HOUSE, SHOP, STABLES, and other Conveniences, at Garragill-gate aforesaid, now in the possession of Thomas Bradwell, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 10l. And also, all that DWELLING HOUSE, adjoining the above, in the possession of John Teasdale, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 3l. 3s.

For further particulars apply to John Bradwell, or Thomas Millican, of Garragill-gate aforesaid, Trustees of the said late Leonard Bradwell, deceased, who will shew the premises, and give any other necessary information.

Garragill-gate 21st April, 1792.

1st September 1792 (Newcastle Courant)

Died

Yesterday, se'nnight, of a few hours illness, at his son's house, on the Sandhill, in this town, where he had been on a visit for a few days, Mr John Brumwell, of Aldstone, Surgeon, aged 72.

15th February 1793 (Chester Chronicle)

ISLE OF MANN MINES.

TO BE LET,

AND MAY BE ENTERED UPON IMMEDIATELY,

ONE or more Lead Mines in the Isle of Mann, at present in work. Proposals will be received, and further enquiries answered, by Capt. Charles Small, Douglas, Isle of Mann, where samples of the ore of the respective mines may be seen.

N B. Near 100 tons of LEAD ORE arc now on hand to be disposed of.

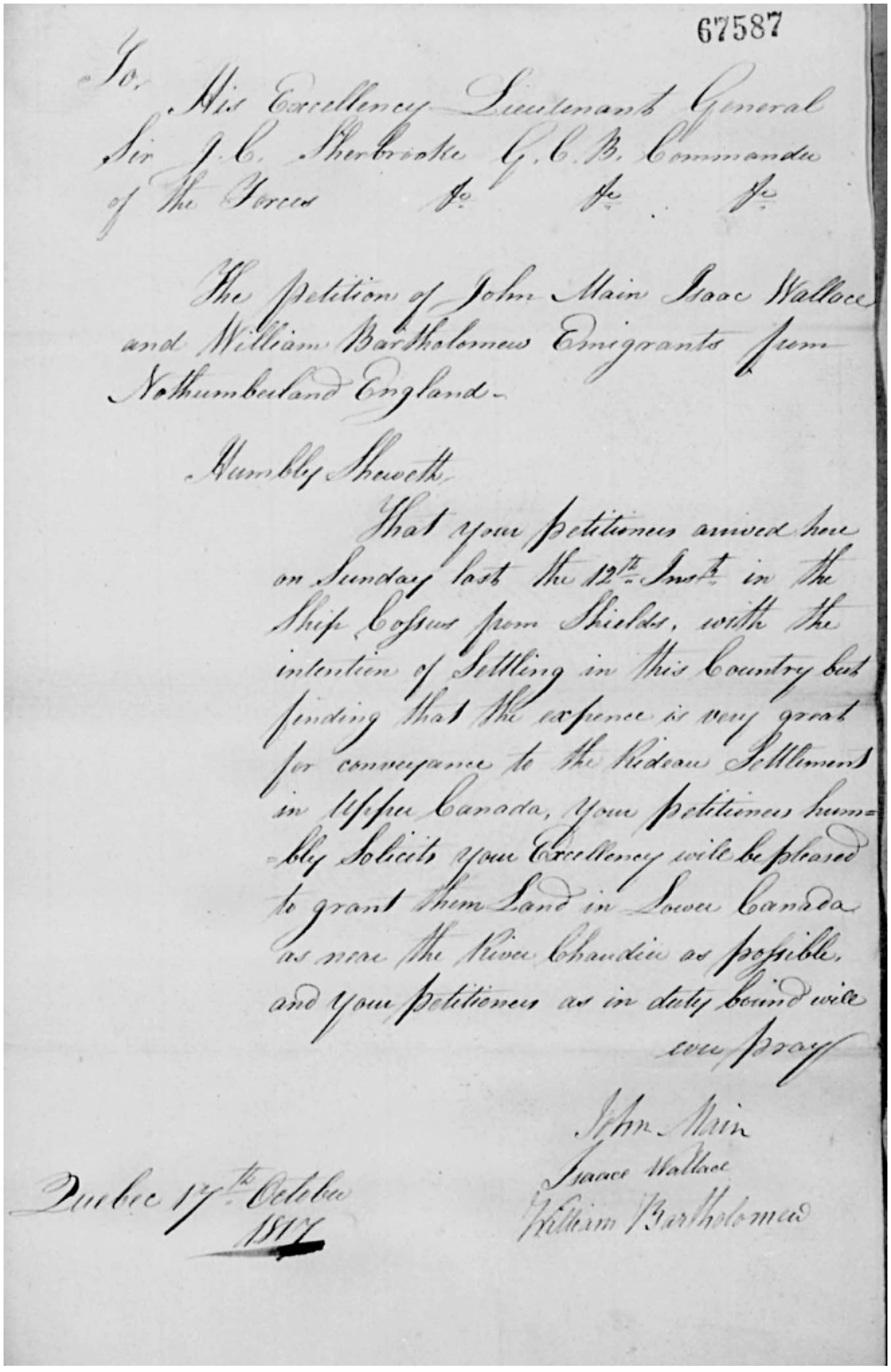
As it is imagined that a COPPER MINE, many years unwrought, may be opened to considerable advantage, the proprietor will give every suitable encouragement to any persons, or company, disposed for such an undertaking. Further particulars may be known by applying as above.

6th July 1793 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Married
Lately at Hexham, the Rev. Mr Jackson, vicar of Alstone cum Garrigill, in Cumberland, to Miss Bird, daughter of Mr Bird, of Hexham
Benjamin Jackson married Zilpah Bird 13th June 1793, at Hexham.

27th July 1793 (Newcastle Courant)
ROAD from BURTRY FORD to ALSTON, from ALSTON to MEREBURN, and from ALSTON to BURNSTONES.
A MEETING of the several persons desirous to promote the making and repairing of the above mentioned roads, under the authority of Parliament, is requested to be held at Thomas Hetherington's, at Lowbyer, near Alston, on Saturday the tenth day of next month, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; at which time, subscriptions will be taken in for defraying the expenses of applying for and obtaining an Act in the next session of Parliament, and of making and repairing all the said Roads, or of such part or parts thereof, as shall be agreed upon at the said meeting.
25th July 1793.

24th August 1793 (Newcastle Courant)
To be SOLD, One-Fortieth Share of that rich and valuable LEAD MINE, BLAGILL, on Alstone Moor, Cumberland.
Apply to Mr John Errington, Cleatlam; or Mr Peter Allison, Streatlam-Castle, in the county of Durham.

1st March 1794 (Newcastle Courant)
Wednesday se'nnight, at Garrigill, in Cumberland, the wife of Thomas Wallace, lead miner, was delivered of three sons, which were named Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; the mother and children are all likely to do well.
Thomas Wallace married Jane Heatherington at Stanhope on the 18th May 1793, Abraham died in 1794, his burial is recorded at Garrigill 4th March 1794.
In 1814 Jane died I believe at Renwick, on 10th December.
Isaac married Mary Schollic, at Renwick 22nd January 1816. Shortly afterwards Isaac and his wife emigrated to Canada.
Jacob Wallace married Rachel Wallace 12th May 1819, at Kirkoswald and followed his brother to Canada.
In a petition requesting land, Isaac states that his father, brother & wife, and his Uncle and family arrived in Canada in the summer of 1819.
Thomas Wallace snr. died in 1822.
In 1851 Isaac aged 57, and Mary aged 61, are listed as living, at St. Paul d'Abbotsford, St Hyacinthe County, sub district 403, Canada East, Quebec, also William Wallace aged 26, born Canada.
The following information is derived from the National Archives of Canada, Lower Canada Land Petitions.



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To
His Excellency Lieutenant General
Sir J. C. Sherbrooke G. C. B. Commander
of the Forces &c &c &c

The Petition of John Main Isaac Wallace
and William Bartholomew Emigrants from
Northumberland England

Humbly Sheweth

That your petitioners arrived here
on Sunday last the 12th Inst. in the
Ship Cossus from Shields, with the
intention of Settling in this Country but
finding that the expence is very great
for conveyance to the Redeau Settlement
in Upper Canada, your petitioners humb-
bly Solicit your Excellency will be pleased
to grant them Land in Lower Canada
as near the River Chaudiere as possible,
and your petitioners as in duty bound will
ever pray

John Main
Isaac Wallace
William Bartholomew

Quebec 17th October
1817

Petition of Isaac Wallace for land 17th October 1817

To

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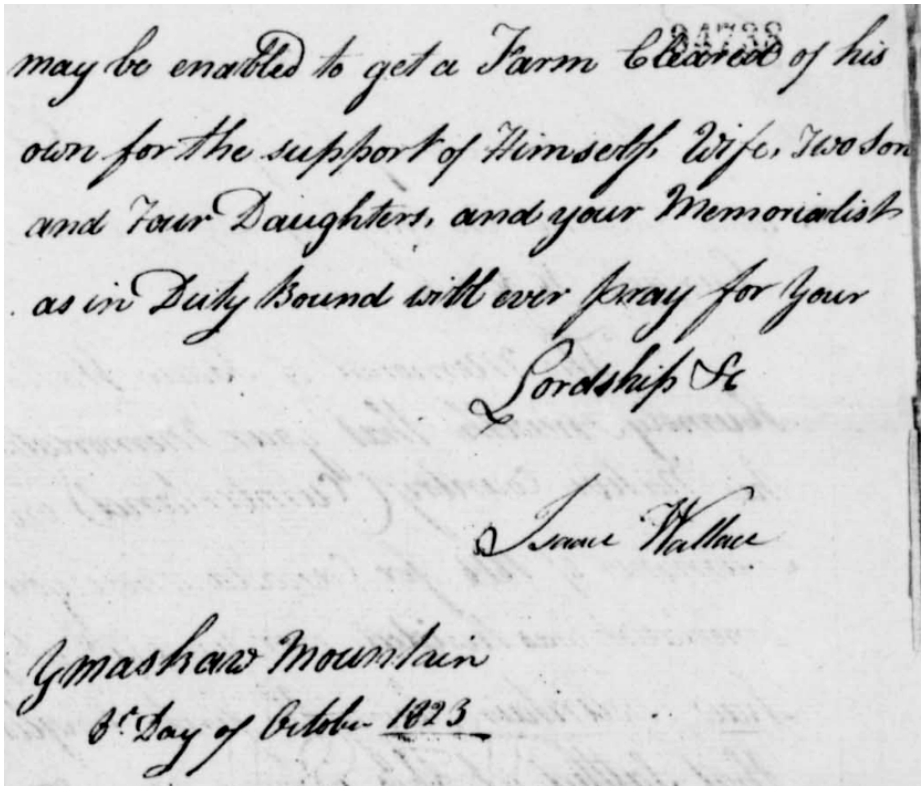
His Excellency George Earl of Dalhousie
and Governor in Chief of upper and Lower
Canada &c. &c. &c. &c.

The Memorial of Isaac Wallace
Humbly Sheweth that your Memorialist left
his Native Country (Cumberland) in the
Summer of 1816 for Canada where your Me-
morialist has Resided ever since &c. at Ymas-
haw Mountain, being the first English man
that Settled at this Place; — your Memorialist
immediatly wrote to his Father that he liked this
place very well advising them to come out
without delay, accordingly they arrived here
in the Summer of 1819. viz. My Father, Brother and
wife and my Uncle and Family and a number
of your Memorialists Country People; and we now
feel anxious for a Near Settlement:
and understanding that the Land of the
Township of Granby has fallen into the hands
of Government

Therefore your Memorialist Humbly Hopes
that your Lordships will be Graciously pleased
to Grant them a portion of Land in the
Township of Granby; that your Memorialist

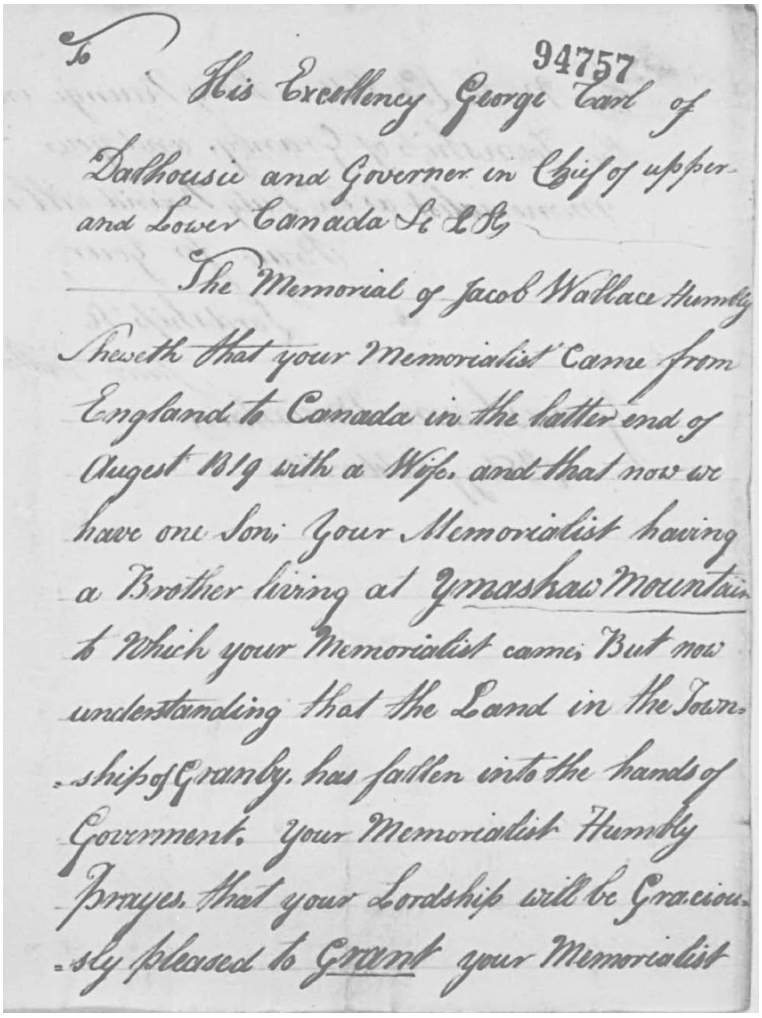


may be enabled to get a Farm Cleared of his own for the support of Himself, Wife, Two Son and Four Daughters, and your Memorialist as in Duty Bound will ever pray for Your Lordship &c

Isaac Wallace

Gmashaw Mountain
8th Day of October 1823

Petition of Isaac Wallace dated 8th October 1823



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To

His Excellency George Earl of

Dalhousie and Governer in Chief of upper

and Lower Canada &c &c &c

The Memorial of Jacob Wallace Humbly

Sheweth that your Memorialist Came from

England to Canada in the latter end of

August 1819 with a Wife, and that now we

have one Son; Your Memorialist having

a Brother living at Ymashaw Mountain

to Which your Memorialist came; But now

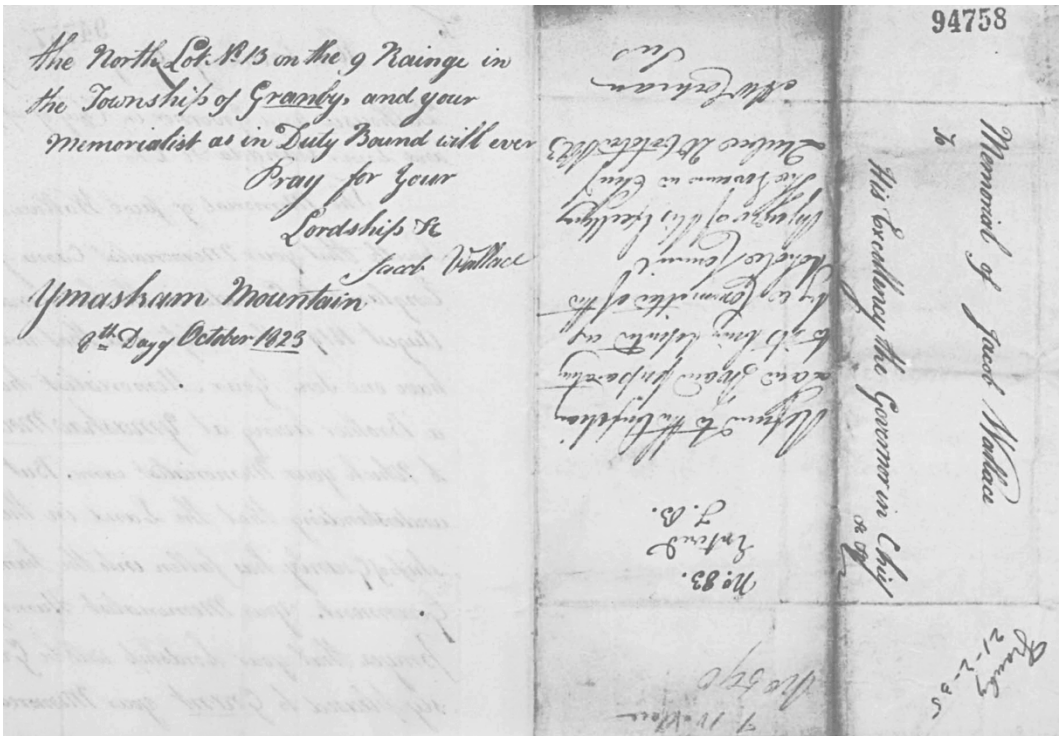
understanding that the Land in the Town-

-ship of Granby, has fallen into the hands of

Government. Your Memorialist Humbly

Prayes that your Lordship will be Gracious-

-ly pleased to Grant your Memorialist



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the North Lot No 13 on the 9 Raingo in

the Township of Granby, and your

Memorialist as in Duty Bound will ever

Pray for Your

Lordships &c

Jacob Wallace

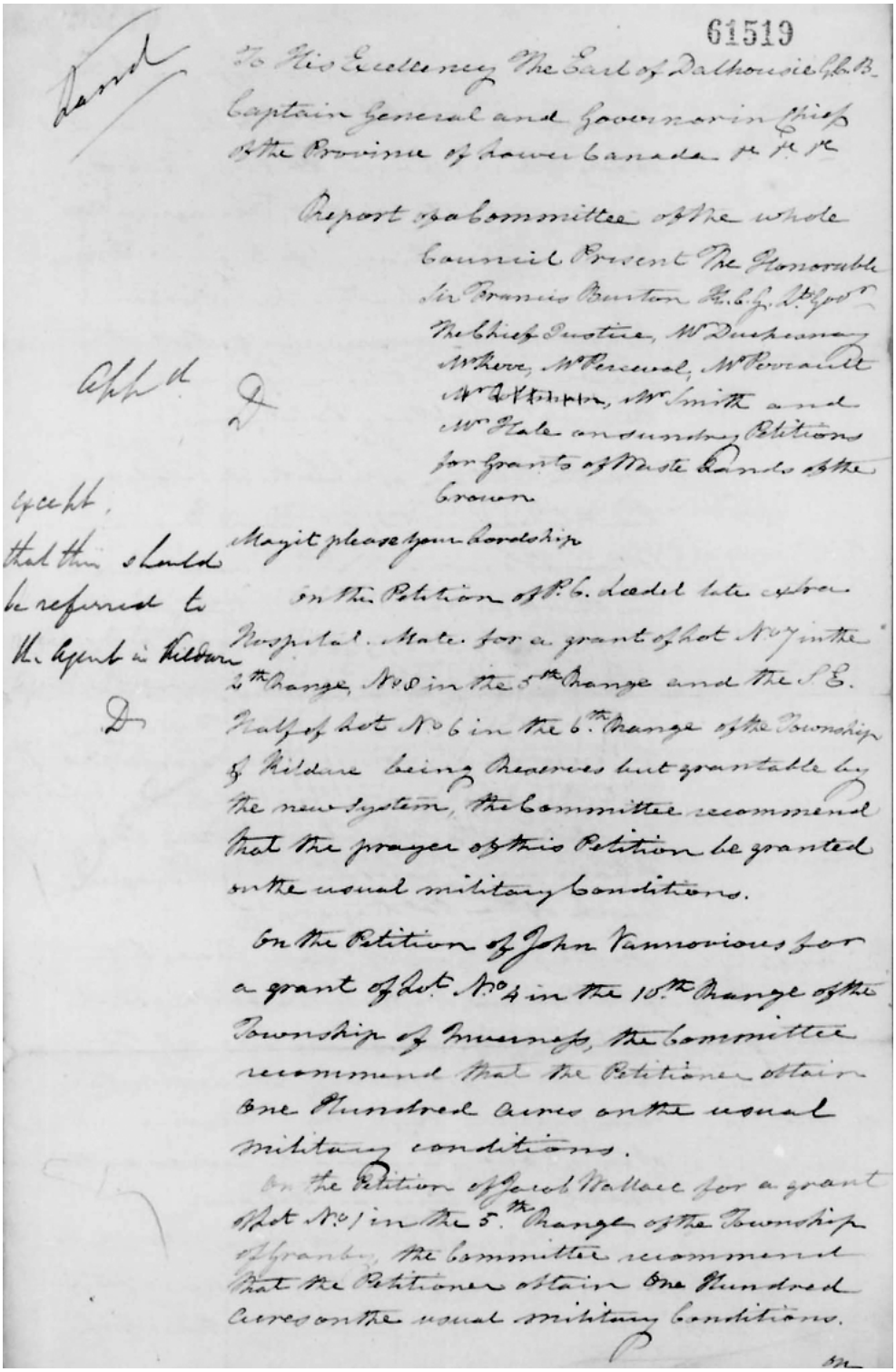
Ymashaw Mountain

8th Dayy October 1823

Memorial of Jacob Wallace

&

His Excellency the Governor in Chief



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To His Excellency The Earl of Dalhousie G.C.B.
Captain General and Governor in Chief
of the Province of Lower Canada &c &c &c

Report of a Committee of the whole
Council Present The Honorable
Sir Francis Burton Bt. C.J. Lt. Gov.
The Chief Justice, Mr Dunpearay
Mr Kerr, Mr Percival, Mr Powell
Mr Stanton, Mr Smith and
Mr Hale on sundry Petitions
for Grants of Waste Lands of the
Crown

Approved

except
that this Land
be referred to
the Agent in Kildare

May it please your Lordship

On the Petition of P. C. Loedel late of the
Hospital Staff for a grant of Lot No 7 in the
2nd Range, No 8 in the 5th Range and the S.E.
Half of Lot No 6 in the 6th Range of the Township
of Kildare being Reserves but grantable by
the new system, the Committee recommend
that the prayer of this Petition be granted
on the usual military conditions.

On the Petition of John Vannovious for
a grant of Lot No 4 in the 15th Range of the
Township of Inverness, the Committee
recommend that the Petitioner obtain
one Hundred acres on the usual
military conditions.

On the Petition of Jacob Wallace for a grant
of Lot No 1 in the 5th Range of the Township
of Granby, the Committee recommend
that the Petitioner obtain One Hundred
Acres on the usual military conditions.

The above document is the approval of grants of land to settlers, including Jacob Wallace and Isaac Wallace of 100 acres. Isaacs grant is recorded on page 61520/21 of this document, dated 6th November 1823.
More detailed information regarding this family can be found at
http://web.ncf.ca/bf250/wallacea.html

25th March 1794 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

KIRKHOUSE &c.

TO be SOLD, by Auction, at the House of Richard Brown, Innkeeper in Temple Sowerby, in the County of Westmorland, on THURSDAY the 24th of April, at One o'clock in the afternoon, by Order of the ASSIGNEES of John Jackson of Temple Sowerby, in the County of Westmorland, Bankrupt, subject to such Conditions as will then and there produced.

All that Messuage and Tenement, called by the Name KIRKHOUSE; situate within the parish of Kirbyyhore, in the County of Westmorland aforesaid …

Also all the said John Jackson's Share, Interest, and property of and in two Lead Mines; the one called BULMAN HILLS, in the Manor of Ouseby, in the county of Cumberland, and the other called ROBINSONS STREAK, on Dufton Fells, in the County of Westmorland.

17th April 1794 (Derby Mercury)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the White Horse Inn in Bakewell, on Thursday the
24th of April Instant

ONE SIXTEENTH SHARE of a LEAD MINE, called the Magpye Mine, and a CLOSE of good Copyhold, Meadow Land, containing by Admeasurement two Acres; both situate in the Hamlet of Sheldon, near Bakewell.—The Land is now occupied by Mr. Woodroot of the same Place, and was lately the Property of Mr. ISAAC MOSSAY of Bakewell, now deceased. Whole Creditors are humbly requested (for the Benefit of the Legatees) to pay immediately all Sundry Debts, due to the Claimants, into the Hands of Mr. GEORGE GOULD of Bakewell, who is duly authorised to receive the same, and to discharge all legal Demands per Contra.

For Particulars apply to MATTHEWS, Bakewell.

19th April 1794 (Newcastle Courant)

Died

Wednesday Se'nnight, at Garrigill, in the county of Cumberland, in the prime of life, Mr John Walton, greatly respected as a Methodist Preacher and universally lamented by numerous acquaintances.

John Walton of Fewsteads, was buried art St John's, Garrigill 11th April 1794.

7th June 1794 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE. SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER,

On Thursday the 26th day of June inst., between the hours of two and four in the afternoon, AT the House of Mr George Beck, At Boltsburn, in Rookhope, Weardale, A large quantity of LEAD ORE, at Stotsfield-burn Pasture Mine, in Rookhope aforesaid.

Also at the same place, and at the same time, A quantity of LEAD ORE, at the White Heaps, in Derwent-head.

14th June 1794 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,
TO THE BEST BIDDER

At the house of Thomas Ions, the Golden Lion, in Hexham, on Tuesday 24th June, 1794, betwixt the hours of four and six in the afternoon.
BROOMSBERRY LEAD MINE, in Alston Moor, in the county of Cumberland, and all the Veins of LEAD ORE, in Lease to Broomsberry Company, near the said mine; and also all the Stores and Utensils used in working and carrying on the same.
Further particulars may be had on application to John Carr Esq., of Ryhope, in the county of Durham; Messrs Walter Hall, and Co. Newcastle; or Mr Ruddock, or Mr Gibson, Hexham.

23rd August 1794 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD

At the house of Mr Thomas Bell, Blanchland, on Friday the 29th inst.
A Quantity of LEAD ORE, now laying at Whiteheaps and Farney Gill Lead Mines. Blanchland, August 20 1794

18th October 1794 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
Married at Alston Mr. Christopher Arnison, surgeon of Allendale Town to Miss Brumwell of Alston *(Isabella, married 9th October, daughter of John and Isabella Brumwell). Christopher Arnison (son of John Arnison and Mary Hardy, married 26th December 1758, at Kirkoswald) died 19th February 1814 aged 44. Children John Brummel, baptised 26th August 1795, William Campbell, baptised 11th July 1797, Mary baptised 15th July 1800, George baptised 12th March 1804 and Charles born 21st July 1809, baptised 28th August 1810. William son of Christopher and Isabella, born 11th July 1797, continued his fathers tradition and was surgeon at Allendale for over 50 years, was buried at Allendale 10th May 1883, Williams wife Jane (Harle, married 19th April 1826) born 24th May 1793, died 20th April 1878. Their first born son Christopher born 10th July 1828, died 30th January 1835.*
In 1841, at Allendale Town, William Arnison, surgeon, aged 40, his wife Jane, aged 45, George 10, Mary 5, William Christopher 4, and Charles Arnison, surgeon aged 30.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, William Arnison, aged 53, General Practitioner, his wife Jane aged 56, born Hartburn, Northumberland, daughter Mary aged 19 years (died Allendale 30th November 1902) and Alexander Nivison, aged 22, medical assistant, born Scotland.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, William Campbell Arnison, aged 63, Licentiate of Apothercaries Hall, London, his wife Jane aged 66, son George aged 30, M.R.C.S. Eng., and L.L.A
In 1851, at Stanhope, George Arnison, unmarried aged 47, General practitioner, born Allendale.
In 1861, at Stanhope, George Arnison, unmarried, aged 57, licentiate of Royal College of Surgeons, and Appothcaries Hall, London. and Nephew, William C. Arnison, MD. Durham University, and Royal College of Surgeons.

In 1851, at Alston, Charles Arnison, aged 41, General practitioner, born Allendale. In 1861, at Alston, Charles Arnison, unmarried, aged 51, General Practitioner, L.R.C.P. Edin., M.R.C.S. Eng., L.L.A.
George Arnison married Sarah Drewett, last quarter of 1861, at Chertsey, Surrey.
In 1871, at Allendale, George Arnison, aged 40 (born 9th May 1830, died 4th April 1904), surgeon, general practitioner, his wife Sarah aged 41 (born Walton on Thames, 4th May 1829, died 30th January 1907), children William Drewett aged 6, and Sarah 4 years. Mary Jane baptised 16th May 1863?
In 1881, at Allendale, George Arnison, aged 50, Surgeon Genl Pract (M R C S L S A), children Mary Jane 17, Christopher 9, and Caroline 6. Sarah and William were at Chertsey, visiting Sarahs sister. In 1881, at Station road, Chertsey, Surrey, Mary M. Drewett, unmarried, aged 50, Sarah Arnison, aged 57, and William Arnison, aged 19, Medical student.

14th October 1794 (Chester Chronicle)

VALUABLE LEAD MINES

TO BE SOLD,

At the White-horse, in Holywell, in the county of Flint, on Wednesday the 15th of October inst. between the hours of three and five o'clock in the afternoon, subject to conditions;

FIVE-AND-A-HALF Sixty-fourth Shares in Talargoch mine.

FOUR-AND-A-QUARTER Fifty-ninth Shares in Holway level-mine.

Particulars may be known by applying to Mr. Thomas Edwards, mine agent, near Holywell aforesaid, or Messrs. Dicken and Warren, attorneys, Market-Drayton.

2nd May 1795 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES.

To be SOLD to the best BiDDER,

At the house of Mr Rog Gibson, Corbridge, on Wednesday the sixth May, between the hours of one and three o' clock in the afternoon, subject to conditions then to be produced.

TWO FORTIETH PARTS or SHARES of that valuable LEAD MINE called BLAGILL, in the parish of Alston, and county of Cumberland with the same PARTS or SHARES of BLAGHILL SMELT MILL, situated at Langley. For particulars apply to Mr Alex Whaley, at Sandoe; or to Mr Reg. Gibson, Corbridge.

N.B. The Lead Mine is now working to great advantage having lately opened a vein of excellent Ore, belonging the Blagill Co. in the great level called Nentforce.

3rd October 1795 (Newcastle Courant)

TO be SOLD by public AUCTION,

On Saturday the 10th day of October instant, at the Wheat Sheaf, in the county of Durham

(Either together of in separate Lots,)

ALL that extensive and complete freehold Estate called STANHOPE HALL, in the county palatine of Durham, pleasantly situated on the banks of the River Wear, above the city of Durham, and extremely eligible for a

Gentleman's Seat, abounding with very fine Plantations, which extend upwards of a mile from the Hall, along the side, of a beautiful and romantic Rivulet. The whole Estate lies together to a most commodious manner, and consists of an extensive demesne with a large Hall or Mansion House, and a great number of other Buildings, Gardens, &c. adjoining; And also, about fourteen different compact FARMS, with convenient and suitable housing thereon, and likewise a WATER CORN MILL belonging thereto—All the housing upon the Estate well built and In good condition, and the respective Farms properly sub-divided by good and sufficient fences.

The whole of the Estate is in a very favourable situation for farther improvement, having a Limekiln and plenty of Lime- stone upon the premises; and a Turnpike Road is lately made, in consequence of an Act of Parliament, through the body of the Estate, which connects it well with the other great Roads.

The Proprietor of this valuable Estate it possessed of all its Royalties, and it abounds with a number of Lead Veins, some of which are now working and at times are very fortunate, and in various parts extremely rich; and as a great number of the Veins have not yet been tried or explored, it is supposed there are favourable prospects for several good Mines. Large Flats or Beds of Ore have also been frequently found in the Estate besides the above mentioned Veins — And for the convenience of working the Lead Mines a most extensive and well-built Mill for smelting the Ore, together with a refining Mill for extracting the Silver from the Lead, are erected upon the Estate, together with other Apparatus requisite for the whole process of making Lead fit for market.

For further particulars enquire of Francis Gregg, Esq. Skinner's Hall, London; Mr Ramshay, of Naworth Castle, near Brampton in Cumberland, where a plan of the Estate may be seen; or of Mess Mounsey, Attorneys, In Carlisle.

Mr Christopher Walton, of Stanhope Hall, will shew the premises.

12th December 1795 (Newcastle Courant)

Whereas JOHN DODD, of Alston, and THOMAS DODD, of Nenthead, both in the parish of Alston and county of Cumberland, have often been imposed upon, by Persons taking up Goods in their Names, in and about the Neighbourhood of Newcastle: This therefore is to caution the Public, if they suffer any Person or Persons to do so in future, the aforesaid John and Thomas Dodd will not pay such Contracts, except Notes are given under their Hands for such Goods.

9th January 1796 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES TO BE SOLD.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At Mr William Thirlwell's, the Three Crowns, in Alston, on Saturday the 23rd instant, between the hours of three and five in the Afternoon, (subject to such conditions of Sale as shall be then produced)

ONE Sixteenth SHARE of that good and valuable LEAD MINE, called BROWNLEY HILL, in Alston Moor.

Also Eight Sixteenth SHARES of SLOAT LEAD MINE, In Alston Moor.

Also, One Sixteenth SHARE of C0CKHILL LEAD MINE, near Pately Bridge, in Yorkshire.

For further Particulars apply to Mr William Hutchinson, jun. Loning, near Alston; or to Mr Hunter, Attorney at Law, at his Offices, in Hexham, or Alston.
Hexham 6th January 1796

13th February 1796 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES to be SOLD.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the House of Mr Michael Walton, by the Sign of the Golden Lion, in Alston, on Saturday the 13th inst., between the Hours of Two and Five in the Afternoon, (subject to such Conditions of Sale as shall be then produced)
TWO SIXTEENTH SHARES of Brownley Hill LEAD MINE, and of the New TRIAL now making by the Brownley Hill Company, in Alston-Moor, in the County of Cumberland.
For further Particulars, apply to Mr Allgood Hunter, at his Offices, in Hexham or Alston.
WANTED, against May-Day, next,
The Sum of EIGHT HUNDRED POUNDS, upon a good real Security; for which 5l. per Cent, interest will be given, and regularly paid. —Apply as above.
Hexham, 3d Feb. 1796.

21st May 1796 (Newcastle Courant)

DURHAM.

To be SOLD by AUCTION,

By, Messrs. SKINNER, DYKE, & SKINNER,
On Thursday the 26ih May inst. at Twelve o' clock, at Garraway's Coffee-House, Change Alley, Cornhill, London, in one Lot
THE CAPITAL and VERY Valuable LEAD MINE, Part FREEHOLD and Part LEASEHOLD, called

HARNISHAW MINE,

exceedingly eligibly situate at BOLLIHOPE, near Stanhope in Weardale, four Miles South-West of WOLSIMOHAM, a capital Market-Town in the County of DURHAM.
The MINE is now in high Repute, working to great Profit with an Engine, and considerable Works erected at a great Expence; together with

EAST and WEST BOLLIHOPE FARMS,

FREEHOLD and COPYHOLD of Inheritance, situate in the Parish of Stanhope, contiguous to the Lead- Works, and containing ONE HUNDRED and FORTY-SEVEN ACRES of very good ARABLE, MEADOW, PASTURE, and WOOD LAND; TWO FARM HOUSES and proper Outbuildings; a considerable Sheep- Walk and extensive Common Rights; let to Mr Jonathan Lowes, Tenant at Will, at only EIGHTY pounds per Annum net, but of the Value of

ONE HUNDRED and TWENTY POUNDS per Ann.

To be viewed by applying to Mr Milburn, the Overseer at Wolsingham: Particulars may be had also of Charles Wren, Esq. Newcastle; the Printer of the York Courant; at the Place of Sale; and of Messrs Skinner, Dyke, and Skinner, Aldersgate- Street, London.

16th July 1796 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINES to be SOLD,
IN LOTS, TO THE BEST BIDDER,

At the house of William Little, Innkeeper, in Alston, on Friday the 5th Day of August next, at Two o' clock in the afternoon.

ALL those LEAD MINES belonging Lord Carlisle and Co. held by Lease under the Commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital and known by the Names of Tyne Bottom, East and West of Tyne; Fletcheras and Bentyfield; together with all the Houses and Land at Tyne Bottom aforesaid.

Also, all the LEAD VEINS in Low House Estate held by Lease under Mrs Richardson for 42 Years, from May 1778.—For Particulars of the Lots enquire of Christ. Walton, of Stanhope; William Thomason of Tyne Bottom, will shew the Mines, &c.

22nd October 1796 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD by AUCTION

At, the Brewery House, near Alston, on Saturday the 5th Day of November next, betwixt the Hours of Four and Six, either together or in Lots, as may be agreed upon at the time of sale, subject to such Conditions of Sale as shall be then and there produced.

All those Leasehold DWELLING HOUSES and COTTAGES, together with about 11 Acres of Meadow Ground, more or less situate at Nenthead, Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland, with an unlimited Right upon an extensive Sheep Common, called Nenthead Common, now in the several Possessions of William Richardson, Caleb Drydon, John Jackson, John Elliot, Isaac Hornsby, Joseph Blaylock, and others, at the yearly Rent of £59 15s.

The respective tenants will shew the Premises; and for further Particulars in the mean Time, apply to Mr Dickenson, of Love-Lady Shield, on Alston Moor aforesaid; or Mr Hunter, Attorney at-Law, Hexham. October 10, 1796.

19th January 1797 (Derby Mercury)

Friday last a fatal accident happened to two men who were at work in a Lead mine near Wirksworth, in this county, occasioned by the ground suddenly giving way and closing in upon them, by which they were immediately buried in the ruins. The body of one of them was dug out on Monday afternoon; the other has not yet been found. Each of them have left a widow and several children to lament their misfortune.

26th January 1797 (Derby Mercury)

We are happy to acquaint our readers that Job Pearson *(see 9th March 1797 for his correct name)* of Matlock Upperwood, one of the poor men who were buried by the running-in of a lead mine near Wirksworth, (as mentioned in our last weeks paper) has, after a week's confinement, been providentially discovered alive, and is now in a fair way of recovery. His release may principally be ascribed to the humane exertions of a gentleman of great respectability at Wirksworth, by whom a number of miners were unremittingly employed for that purpose; he has, however, the heartfelt satisfaction of having restored to a disconsolate wife and nine small children, an excellent husband and father, and

to society, an honest and industrious member. Anthony Pearson, the other miner, was found dead some days before.

9th March 1797 (Derby Mercury)

JOB BODEN's

Thankful address to his mineral friends.

IMPRESS'D with the sincerest gratitude the human heart is capable of feeling, in being by their labour and the blessing of God, restored to the world by a resurrection from his late dreadful situation, after being buried a full week in the gloomy bowels of the cold earth, near 30 fathoms deep, by the breaking in of a Lead Mine on Cromford Moor, near Wirksworth, by which sad mischance his fellow partner and worthy companion was suffocated in the mud and rubbish, who has left an inconsolable widow and two small children to lament the loss of a tender husband and indulgent parent.

Job Boden of Matlock, the survivor, (knowing the impossibility of a personal attendance on all) takes this method of returning his humble and hearty thanks for the persevering and strenuous exertions of his numerous friends all-round the neighbourhood, for their unremitting labour and hazard in opening a way for his deliverance, amongst which valuable number he begs leave to remark particularly, a Gentleman of WIRKSWORTH, well known for his charitable benevolence, (whole name he forbears to mention) to whole personal attendance at the Mine, and encouraging assistance, he (under God) stands chiefly indebted, for being restored to the arms of a disconsolate wife, and the inexpressive joy of eight daughters; who all humbly join in this public acknowledgment, it not being in their power to do more than to pray to God to reward them for their goodness and humanity.

JOB BODEN.

Matlock-Wood, Feb. 26, 1797.

10th March 1798 (Newcastle Courant)

DURHAM

To be SOLD by private Contract

A VALUABLE LEAD MINE, part Freehold and Part Copyhold, called HARNISHAW MINE, eligibly situate at BOLLIHOPE, near Stanhope in Weardale, four miles south-west of Wolsingham, a capital Market Town in the County of Durham. The Mine is in great repute, and has an Engine and considerable Works erected at a great Expence.

Together with East and West Bollihope Farms, Freehold and Copyhold of Inheritance, situate in the Parish of Stanhope, contiguous to the Lead Works, and containing 147 Acres and 39 Perches, more or less, of very good arable meadow, pasture, and wood land, Two Farm-Houses, and proper Out-buildings, let to Mr Lowes, Tenant at Will, at £105 per Annum. The Farm is entitled to an unlimited Right of Common upon the extensive Tract of Land called Bollihope Common. Total Out-goings £1 7s 1d. only.

For Particulars apply to C Wren, Esq., Newcastle; Mr Dinning, Newlands, near Belford; and Messrs. Van Heythuysen and Carr, John Street, Bedford Road, London.

21st April 1798 (Newcastle Courant)

EAST BUCKLERDALE LEAD MINE
In the TOWNSHIP of FROSTERLEY, County Durham
TO BE LET UPON LEASE

For Severn, Fourteen, or Twenty-one years, subject to Conditions, which may be known upon Application, to Mr James Wall, at Frosterley,

THE WORKING of the LEAD MINE, in the Freehold Estate, called East Bucklerdale, in the Township of Frosterley, being a North East Continuation of the well-known valuable Mine, of Dryburnside.

To prevent the Possibility of the above mentioned Mine being worked ineffectually, Mr Richardson, of London, the proprietor, has been favoured by the Permission of Mr Todd, at Frosterley, to introduce a Horse Level, from the Bed or Level of the River Wear for the Benefit of his Lessee.

7th April 1798 (Newcastle Courant)

VOLUNTARY SUBSCRIPTIONS in the Parish of ALSTON, and County of Cumberland

Mr Robert Hodgson, Alston	£5	5	0
Mr Joseph Dickinson, Lovelady Shield	5	5	0
Mr Thomas Dodd, Nenthead	5	5	0
Mr Robert Teasdale, Alston	5	5	0
Mr Robert Stagg, ditto	5	5	0
Mr William Todd, ditto	5	5	0
Mr Joseph Watson. Jolly beard House	5	5	0
Mr Utrick Walton, Nest	5	5	0
Mr John Dodd, Alston	2	2	0
Mr John Dickinson, Lowbyer	2	2	0
Mr John Carrick, Alston	2	2	0
Mr John Friend, Annetwalls	2	2	0
Mr John Hallyburton, Alston	1	1	0
Mr John Dodd, junior, ditto	1	1	0
Mr Whitfield Wilton, Wanwood	2	2	0
Mr John Slack, Alston	0	10	6
Mr Thomas Hall, Foreshield	0	10	6
Mr Henry Wilton, Alston	0	10	6
Mr Thomas Carrick, ditto	1	1	0
Mr Edmund Bulman, ditto	0	10	6
Mr John Teasdale, ditto	1	1	0
Mr Joseph Dobson, ditto	0	10	6
Mr John Harrop, ditto	1	5	0
Mr John Morland, Gallygill	0	10	6
Mrs Brumwell, Alston	2	2	0
Nicholas Walton, Esq. Newcastle	5	5	0
Mr Hugh Pattinson, Alston	0	5	0
Ml John Friend, Croplands	1	1	0
Mr Tho. Little, Lowbyer (Nent Force Level)	0	10	6
Mr William Watson, Alston	0	10	6
Mr Thomas Hodgson, ditto	1	1	0
Mr Thomas Atkinson, ditto	1	1	0
Mr Samuel Hudspith, Tynehead Mill	0	10	6

Mr John Whitfield, Clargill		1	1	0
Mr John Bulman, Alston		1	1	0
Mr Nicholas Rowell, ditto		1	1	0
Mr John Dowson, Bayles		5	5	0
Mr Edward Dowson, ditto		1	1	0
Mr John Bradwell, Garrigill Gate		0	2	6
Mr Wm. Jobling and Co. for Blagill Lead Mine		5	5	0
Mr Thomas Walton, Skelgill		0	5	0
Mr Henry Walton, Howgill Rigg		0	2	0
Mr John Errington, Alston		0	5	0
Mr Richard Gray, Nenthead		0	3	0
Mr Thomas Millican, Alston		0	2	6
The Rev. Timothy Nelson, Redwing		1	1	0
Mr John Walton, Nest		1	1	0
Mr John Wilson, Nenthall		0	5	0
Mr Cuthbert Fairlamb, Randal Holme		0	2	6
Mr Thomas Hetherington, Lowbyer		0	2	6
Mr William Hetherington, ditto		0	2	6
Mr Robert French, Nenthead		2	0	0
Mr Jonathan Featherstone, ditto		0	10	6
Mr Alex Forrest		0	2	6
Mr R. Teasdale, Whitley, Parish of Kirkhaugh		0	10	6
Mr William Walton, Raise		2	2	0
His Majesty's Officers of Excise		0	10	0
Mr John Pattinson, shoemaker, Alston		0	5	0
Mr Stephen Robson, Chandler, ditto		0	5	0
Mr John Pattinson, Shopkeeper, ditto		0	5	0

From the Workmen of several Lead Mines

No. of Men				
252	Governor and Co's Mines by Thomas Dodd	22	1	6
102	Thorngill West End by J. Teasdale	10	4	6
66	Hen. Errington, Esq. and Co's Mines by R. Hodgson	6	1	6
40	Blagill Company's Mines, by Thos. Walton	3	11	0
24	Brownleyhill Co's Mines, by Uttrick Walton	2	14	0
19	Nattrass North Vein, by Jos. Teasdale	2	9	0
17	Black Eshgill Head Co. by Thos. Walton	1	13	0
13	Nent Force Level, by John Dickinson	1	11	0
13	Tynehead Mill, by William Todd	1	6	6
11	Eshgill Field, by William Todd	1	5	0
11	West Calvert, by William Todd	1	2	6
10	Nenthead Field, by Nicholas Rowell	1	3	0
8	Thorngill Cross Vein, by J. Walton	0	16	0
8	Greengill East End, by John Walton	0	16	0
6	Carrs West of Nent, by Utrick Walton	0	12	0
5	Gallygill Syke, by William Todd	0	10	6
5	Gallygill Syke West End, by J. Teasdale	0	10	0
644		£158	16	6

The threat of invasion by the French induced the Government to introduce a system of Voluntary Contributions to raise money for the defence of the country.
Below is an extract from a government publication, "Address to the Inhabitants of Great Britain from The Committee for Conducting the Voluntary Contribution for the Defence of The Country." Published 1798:

…These, and other considerations, have induced Government to propose a Voluntary Subscription in aid of the fund to be raised by the new assessment, which will give an opportunity to those who, by the plan of that assessment, pay very small sums, or sums very inadequate to their incomes, to come forward with a voluntary contribution; at present so essential and necessary to the interest, the honour, the safety, and the political existence of the state. This measure has been justly termed a small premium of insurance, to secure the whole of our remaining property. The rich and opulent are therefore' more particularly interested in it.

But it is not from the rich only that Contributions may be expected. Persons of every station and condition, we are confident, will readily come forward in aid of this measure, as their ability and circumstances may allow.

As the danger is general, so will be the de sire to contribute to repel it, and those whom the projected invasion of the enemy would plunder of the produce of their farms,

of the savings of their trade, nay, from whom it would cut off the very employments by which their bread and the subsistence of their families are earned, will cheerfully part with a certain portion of that produce, or those savings, to secure the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of the remainder. Persons in the-lower and more laborious situations of life, which do, not admit of their present contribution in money, will have an opportunity, in case of an actual invasion, of aiding their country, not less effectually, by their personal services in labour; which the public funds will compensate, which the public gratitude will reward and honour. …

The response to this by various parishes in the country can be seen by the following published in the Newcastle Courant of 3rd March 1798.

Morpeth, March 1st, 1798

AT a Meeting held this Day of the VESTRY and INHABITANTS of this Parish,

It was unanimously Resolved.

I. That in the present Situation of Public Affairs, when the Country is threatened to be invaded by ambitious and implacable Enemies, whose avowed Object is to destroy the Constitution and Independence of these Kingdoms; it behoves all Ranks and Descriptions of People to use their utmost Exertions to defeat their Hostile Designs.

II. That it is the Opinion of this Meeting that, Nothing would tend So much to frustrate the Projects of the Enemy, as the Success attending Voluntary Contributions for tbc Defence of the Country.

III. That a Subscription Book be opened to enter the Voluntary Contributions of this Parish at Mr Bennet's, to be afterwards transmitted to the Bank of England, as the Voluntary Contributions of Morpeth Parish.

IV. That a Committee be appointed to carry these Resolutions into Effect.
Signed FRED. EKINS, Chairman.

21st June 1800 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the highest bidder

On Monday, June 30th, between the Hours of Four and Six in the Evening, at Mrs Routledge's Inn at Blanchland.

FIVE TWELFTH SHARES of those two valuable LEADMINES, known by the names of WHITE HEAPS and FARNEY GILL, situated in the Manor of Hunstonworth, or the Whole of such Mines, together with two Engines, two Dwelling houses, two Smith's-shops, an Office, a Store Room, and all the Materials —For further Particulars enquire of Edw. Blenk, Blanchland.

5th July 1800 (Newcastle Courant)

To be SOLD to the highest Bidder,

On Friday the 1st Day of August next, between the Hours of 3 and 5 of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr Thirlwell, Innkeeper, in Alston, in the county of Cumberland.

TWO ESTATES, late belonging to the late Mr Adam Wilkinson, deceased, in two lots, subject to Conditions of Sale then to be produced.

Lot 1st—A very valuable FREEHOLD ESTATE, situate upon the River South Tyne, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland, known by the Name of Nether Esh Gill, together with the 6th Part of the Manor of Priorsdale, and in which Manor there are several valuable Lead-Mines.

Lot 2d—A very valuable LEASEHOLD ESTATE, situate In the said Parish of Alston, known by the Name of Low Cherry Tree Hill, being Part of a Tenement called Nent-head. Particulars in the meantime may be had upon Application to Mr Robert Hodgson, of Alston aforesaid; Mr Donkin, of Anick, near Hexham; or Mr Shaftoe, Attorney at Law, in Hexham.

8th November 1800 (Newcastle Courant)

WANTED,

A PERSON who understands the felling and cutting up of Grove Timber, and the measuring and sawing up to Advantage all Sorts of Forest Timber. He must be a Workman, yet capable of over-looking his Men, sober and active, and who can write tolerably.

Also, A PERSON who has been bred a House Carpenter and Joiner, who perfectly understands Roofing, and can direct, in all their Branches, a Set of Joiners.

N. B. He will be allowed Apprentices.

Also, THREE YOUNG MEN, to act under mining Stewards, who have been bred Miners, and. can write tolerably.

ALSO, TWO YOUNG MEN who can write well, and understand Arithmetic.

ALSO, A CARPENTER who understands building Boats for Canals.

ALSO, A WIRE-WORKER who understands making and repairing of Mine Sieves, to work either by the Week or Piece.

ALSO, A CORF-MAKER, to work either by the Week or Dozen.

Men of good Character, and who are sober and active, will meet with Encouragement, by applying at the Office for the C. B. Lead Mines, near Reeth.

All Letters must be Post-paid.

C. B. Lead Mine Company was formed by Charles Bathurst based at Arkengarthdale

10th January 1801 (Carlisle Journal)

LEAD MINE

IN the late Mineral Survey of the County of Dumfries, made by Messrs. BUSEYS, the Public expence, they examined a Shaft formerly begun, in a place where evident appearances of Lead had been discovered, upon the Estate of Tundergarth, belonging to William Murray, Esq. and there they met with a large Vein of that kind of Spar which usually accompanies Lead Ore, and also pieces Lead sticking to some of the Spar, from which there is every reason to believe that, if a proper trial was made, Lead might found. As Mr, Murray desirous of entering into an Agreement, upon reasonable Terms, with any skilful Miner, whose Experience and whose Circumstances enable him to prosecute this undertaking, he makes this public Intimation, that such Persons as are willing to engage may Apply to him for the necessary information, at Murrayfield near Lockerbie.

N.B. There is a Level already carried on from the entrance of the Shaft to the Vein of Spar, being about a quarter of a mile in length.

2nd March 1801 (Star(London))

LEAD MINES IN SCOTLAND.

To be Leased for such a number of years, as may be agreed on,

THE LEAD MINES of STRONTIAN, which have been open for more than seventy years, and presently out of lease. The veins run in an almost uninterrupted course for several miles, have been wrought to a great extent, and are peculiarly well situated for levels, wood, water, and water carriage.

Strontian is a port town, situated (on an arm of the sea) at the head of Loch Sunart, in the northern part of Argyllshire, and is close by the principal mines. In this village are several acres of good grass land, houses for the Manager and Agents with store-house smelting-house, and other necessary buildings; to which vessels of seventy tons have an easy and safe access. There is also a most excellent grazing hill contiguous to the mines, with houses for many of the workmen, and at no great distance similar accommodation for many more.

These works, from their extent and situation, are capable of being carried on upon a very superior scale, and are well worth attention, evincing every probability, under proper management, of being a permanent and valuable concern. The lead is duty free, and the opening of the Crinan Canal will considerably shorten communication with Glasgow, &c.

Horse and water engines are already erected upon several of the mines, and a smelting apparatus at Strontian, so that, water excepted, they are free and fit for immediate work.

Proposals will be received by Henry Jardine, Writer to the Signet, at Edinburgh; and Thomas Jeffreys, at Strontian, who will shew the Premises and different plans of the same.

11th August 1801 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Marriages

The 21st ult., at Gretna Green, Mr Whitfield Harrison of St John's Chapel, Weardale, to Miss Sarah Todd, daughter of the late John Todd, Esq. of Scorton, Yorkshire.

Whitfield Harrison and Sarah Todd were married, 30th July 1801, at Stanhope.

12th December 1801 (Carlisle Journal)

On the 7th inst. Joshua Vipont fell down the Shaft of a pit at Newlands, in the parish of Aldston, and was killed on the spot.

Joshua Vipond, miner/innkeeper, of Nenthead, aged 30, was buried at St John's churchyard, Garrigill, 6th December 1801.

5th June 1802 (Carlisle Journal)

TO BE LET,
BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,

For such a Term of Years at may be agreed upon,
And entered upon immediately,

A New MILL, fit for Spinning COTTON and FLAX, Situated at ALDSTON, in Cumberland. At one end of a very powerful Overfall Water Wheel (supplied with plenty of Water that never freezes in Winter), is a Building 81 Feet long, and 32 Feet wide—Four Rooms, and a Garret, each the above size. At the other end of the Wheel are Erections fit for Preparing, together with several other valuable Conveniences.

For further Particulars apply to Wm. Todd, of Aldston, the Owner, who will Let the same.

N. B. Here are plenty of Labourers of all descriptions to be had, on very reasonable Terms.

14th August 1802 (Carlisle Journal)

CHARLTON'S ASSIGNMENT.

WHEREAS Matthew Charlton, of Alston in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland, Shopkeeper, hath, by Indenture, duly- executed, bearing dale the 31st day of July, now last past, assigned all his Book Debts, Shares of Lead Mines, and other Estate and Estates whatsoever, unto Joseph Watson, of Hillhouse, and Robert Walton, of Corby Gates, both in the said parish of Alston, Gentlemen, (IN TRUST), for the equal benefit of themselves, and all other the Creditors of the said Matthew Charlton, who shall execute the said Deed on before the 1st day November now next coming:—

Notice is therefore hereby given,

That the said Assignment is lodged at the Office of Mr. Bainbridge, Attorney at Law, Alston, for the Perusal and Signature of the Creditors; and such of them as shall neglect or refuse to execute the same within the time aforesaid, will be excluded all benefit arising therefrom. And all who stand indebted to the said Matthew Charlton, are requested Immediately to pay their respective Debts to the said Joseph Watson and Robert Walton, otherwise Prosecutions will be commenced for the recovery thereof. Alston, August 2, 1802.

30th October 1802 (Carlisle Journal)

LEAD MINES CRAVEN.

TO LET, For a Term of Years—on Duty,

THE LEAD MINES within the Royalty of Darnbrook, near Arncliff, in Craven, Yorkshire, which were worked with great success some years ago. They are situated within 8 or 10 miles of the Great Canal from Leeds to Liverpool, and are furnished with a copious Supply of Water for washing and dressing the Ore, and for working Smelt Mills and Machinery. There is also Coal within the Royalty. Mr. Thomas Pearson, of Darnbrook, will shew the Mining Grounds; and for Particulars, and the Terms of Letting, apply to Mr. Robert Clarke, of Stockton-upon-Tees.

8th March 1803 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Speedy & Regular Communication,
BETWEEN DURHAM AND ALSTONE MOOR.

The frequent and disagreeable Delays, Disappointments, and Impositions, which have been long experienced in the Conveyance of Letters, Parcels, and all Kinds of Goods on the Road between Durham and Alstone Moor, (by way of Wolsingham, Stanhope, Chapel in Weardale, &c.), having induced the Gentlemen and commercial Men in that Distract to attempt the Establishment of a Postman and Carrier to and from those two Places, by which a Communication shall be opened twice a Week; it is proposed, that, for the first year, Subscription be entered into, by all who may be interested therein, or who are desirous of promoting the object of such an institution. The Subscription to be raised is intended to be applied to the Encouragement of the Person or Persons' undertaking the same, and for indemnifying them against any Deficiency in point of Carriage, &c. which every New Attempt of that Nature is obviously subject to, until it be fully known and regularly established.

All Persons, therefore, who are desirous of encouraging this Undertaking, will please to signify the same by Letters, on or before the Fifth Day of March instant, to Mr Robert Bainbridge. Attorney at Law, in Alstone, with the respective Sums they intend subscribing towards its Attainment: it being intended to hold a Meeting the following Day,, at two o'clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr George Walton, Innkeeper, in Chapel in Weardale, for the Purpose of carrying the Plan into complete Execution; when and where the Attendance of such of the Subscribers as can make it convenient is particularly requested; and when and where also the Person or Persons willing to undertake the said Employment, or a Part, or on the whole line of Road, will likewise attend, with, proper Securities for the due Fulfilment of his Engagements.

22nd March 1803 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Extraordinary Instance of Resuscitation.—A few days ago, a miner whose name is Wm. Makepeace, going from Allenheads to Allendale town during an intense frost, was found apparently lifeless. Being carried to the latter place, Mr Arnison the surgeon requested send for the Coroner, in order that an inquest might be taken upon the body. Perceiving, however, some fluttering and irregular pulsation, which indicated that the spark of life was not utterly extinct, Mr A. was determined to TRY the methods recommended by the Humane

Society in cases of suspended animation. Accordingly, the requisite assistance was procured, to rub the body, administer stimulants, &c. For six hours all their labours were unavailing, and at the end of that period it was with some difficulty that the people could be prevailed on to continue their exertions. Persevering a little while longer, the at first feeble pulsation became more strong and distinct, which inspired them with hope; and by a continued application of 12 hours, the man was restored to the use of all his faculties. On his recovery, he informed the surgeon that he had been at Allenheads, along with a gentleman there, in a lead mine, and had only drank two glasses of liquor at a considerable distance from each other. In walking home, he became gradually feeble, and at length was so debilitated that he sunk down by the side of the road, when he turned so completely insensible, that he could not account for the cause of his illness in any rational way whatever.

17th January 1804 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the House of Mr Richard Fetherstonhaugh, Innkeeper, Alston, in the County of Cumberland, on Friday the 17th Day of February next• between the Hours of Four and Eight o'clock in the Evening,

ONE-SIXTH Part or' Share of all those Veins or Mines of LEAD-ORE, called Pasture-head Veins or Mines, situate within the Manor of Ayle, in the Parish of Kirkhaugh, and County of Northumberland, with the like Share of all mining Materials and Utensils to the same Mines belonging, and which Share formerly belonged to Mr John Wood, late of Hexham, Currier, and is now intended to be sold towards defraying the Expences already accrued in winning and working the fame.

Further Particulars in the mean Time may be had by applying to Mr Richard Fetherstonhaugh, Alston.

12th March 1804 (Leeds Intelligence)

Deaths

On Saturday the 18th ult. died at Wark-Mill, near Allendale Town, Mr Jonathan Spark, sen. in the 59th year of his age; 27 of which were spent as agent at Allenheads Smelt Mill, for Thomas Richard Beaumont, Esq; of Bretton Hall, near Barnsley.

Jonathan Spark, baptised 27th October 1745, son of Jonathan and Mary Spark, married Margaret Tweddell 22nd November 1775.

Children of Jonathan and Margaret Spark:
1. Mary baptised 18th October 1776, at Allendale
2. Jane baptised 15th July 1779, at Allendale
3. Jonathan baptised 11th March 1781, at St Peter, Allenheads
4. Margaret baptised 8th June 1782, at St Peter, Allenheads
5. Hannah baptised 7th March 1784, at St Peter, Allenheads
6. Hugh baptised 23rd October 1785, at St Peter, Allenheads
7. William baptised 30th September 1787, at St Peter, Allenheads
8. Joseph baptised 19th August 1790, died 20th October 1790, at St Peter, Allenheads.

Margaret Spark wife of Jonathan was buried 27th August 1790,

The Dukesfield Smelters and Carriers Project gives the following information: (https://www.dukesfield.org.uk/jonathan-sparke-1781-1866/)

Jonathan Sparke (1781-1866)

Jonathan is described as agent at Allen Mill (1804) & variously lead mill agent (1805), smelter (1807), agent (1812), agent at the smelt mill (1814). Jonathan was resident at Peasmeadows during this period – placing him probably at Allenheads smelt mill. H was born in 1781, the son of Jonathan Sparke and wife Margaret nee Tweddle at Peasmeadows, near Allenheads. Jonathan senr, (1745-1804) was also lead mill agent for 27 years, at Allenheads Smelt Mill until his death, 1804, aged 59 (of asthma).

Jonathan married Elizabeth Dryden on 9 Oct 1804 at Warden and their children were baptised from there between 1810 and 1814. It is possible that he was moved to the role of mill agent at Dukesfield in that year. He was certainly there by 1826, remaining at Dukesfield Hall until 1836 when he moved to Hill Top, Langley, presumably as part of the transfer of smelting from Dukesfield to the Blagill part of the Langley smelting mill complex. He was in Haydon Bridge village by 1851 and in Whittoes Hill, Haydon Bridge in 1861– possibly Gees Wood House (there in 1863), described as smelting /lead agent in the 1841- 61 census returns. His son John Tweddle Sparke (1814-60) worked as a smelt mill clerk at Dukesfield. In 1833 he moved to Allen Mill then on to Blagill Mill in 1835 as agent. By 1841 he had left the employ of the Beaumont's.

Jonathan died on 31 July 1866 at Haydon Bridge.

Elizabeth Sparke wife of Jonathan Spark, died 7th May 1818, aged 37, at St Peter, Allenheads.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Warden, Haydon Bridge, Jonathan Spark, smelting agent aged 60, and Samuel Walton, smelting agent, aged 30.
In 1851, at Haydon Bridge, Jonathan Sparke, widower, aged 70, lead Agent, daughter Mary Walton, wife of Samuel Walton, Smelting Agent, aged 39, grandchildren, Isaac Walton 7, Mary Jane Walton 5, Jonathan Sparke Walton 4, Elizabeth Walton 10 months, George Jonathan Middleton 14, and Margaret Jane Middleton 11.
In 1861, at Haydon Bridge, Jonathan Sparke, widower, aged 80, lead Agent, daughter Mary Walton, married, house keeper, aged 49, grandchildren, Isaac Walton 17, Mary Jane Walton 15, Jonathan Walton 14, and Elizabeth Walton 10 years.

30th June 1804 (Carlisle Journal)

SHARE IN A BLACK-LEAD MINE

At Borrowdale, in Cumberland
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION

By Messrs SKINNER, DYKE, and Co. On THURSDAY the 12th July, at Twelve o'clock, at Garraway's Coffee House, Change Alley, Cornhill, London. Twenty-Fourth SHARE of a Moiety Valuable BLACK LEAD MINE at Borrowdale, in the parish Crosthwaite in the county of Cumberland, now producing an annual Income of about Sixty-Five Pounds, with great probability of considerable Increase. The Premises are held on Lease for an unexpired term of 53 years. Printed Particulars maybe had of the Printer of the Carlisle Journal, Carlisle; of Mr. Ware, Printer the Cumberland Pacquet,

Whitehaven of Messrs. Hill and Meredith, Solicitors, Gray's-Inn, London, the place of sale, and of Messrs. Skinner, Dyke and Co. Aldergate-street, London.

2nd April 1805 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

ALSTON MOOR COMMONS DIVISION.

WE, JOHN FRYER; WILLIAM DONKIN, and WILLIAM BATES, the Commissioners appointed in and by in Act of Parliament made and passed in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, “An Act for dividing, allotting, inclosing, and otherwise improving several Commons, Moors, or Wastes, within the Manor of Alston otherwise Alston Moor and Garragill, in the Parish of Alston and County of Cumberland,” do (in Pursuance of the Directions contained in the said Act, and in another Act made and passed in the 41st Year of his said present Majesty’s reign, intituled “An Act for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts of Inclosure, and for facilitating the Mode of provide the several Facts usually required on the passing of such Acts,”) hereby give Notice, that we have set out and appointed the following several public Carriage Roads and Highways through and over the Lands and Grounds intended to be divided, allotted, and inclosed, namely. —

LONG CROSS ROAD, beginning at the Hexham Turnpike, near Clargill Bridge, and leading Eastward to the Boundary of the Manor of Whitfield, at Long Cross.

ALE BURN ROAD, beginning at the Hexham Turnpike, at the East Corner of Clargill Intack, and leading North- Westward to Ale Burn.

BLAGILL GREENS ROAD, beginning at the Hexham Turnpike, near the Low Byer Loaning Head, and leading South-Eastward into Blake Laws Road, near Foreshield Grains.

BLAKE LAWS ROAD, beginning at the Weardale Turnpike, near Nent Hall, and leading Northward to the Boundary of the Regality, or Manor of Hexham, near Blake laws Croft.

NENTSBERRY GREENS ROAD, beginning at Blake laws Road, and leading Sooth Eastward over Nentsberry Greens, and by Guddamgill Bum, to East Nenthead.

RAMPGILL RAKE ROAD, beginning at the Weardale Turnpike, near Rampgill Shop, and leading North Eastward to the Boundary of the Regality, or Manor of Hexham; near Scaleburn-Head Currock.

NENTHEAD and GARRAGILL GATE ROAD, beginning at the West End of an ancient Lane, In West Nenthead Tenement, and leading Westward by Browngill Shop, to the Head of an ancient Lane in Dodberry Tenement.

ESHGILL SIDE ROAD, beginning at the last mentioned Road, and leading Southward along Eshgill Side to Eshgill Bridge.

SNAPPERGILL ROAD, beginning at the last mentioned Road, and leading Westward down Snappergill Loaning, to the River Tyne.

ALSTON and GARRAGILL GATE ROAD, beginning at the South End of the Town of Alston, and leading Southward to Wheelbarrow Hall.

CRAG GREENS ROAD, beginning at the last mentioned Road, near Wheelbarrow Hall, and leading South Eastward, by the South East Angle of Low House Freehold, then turning South Westward to Low House Loaning Head.

LIME KILN ROAD, beginning at the Weardale Turnpike, near Low Skellgill and leading South Westward by the Lime Kilns, to the Alston and Garragill Gate Road.
PENRITH ROAD, beginning at Lead Gate, and leading South Westward to the Boundary of the Manor of Glassonby, near Dick Lee's Cabin.
BLACKBURN MILL ROAD, beginning at the Lead Gate, and leading Southward to Blackburn Mill.
RODDERUP SIDE ROAD, beginning at a Gate near Howburn House, and leading South and South Eastward to Garragiil Gate.
LEEHOUSE ROAD, beginning at a Gate in High Crossgill Tenement, and leading Southward to Leehouse Well Strand, near High Leehouse.
And that a Map in which the said intended Roads are accurately laid down and described, is deposited with Mr Robert Bainbridge, Attorney at Law, in Alston aforesaid, for the Inspection of all Persons concerned. And we do hereby further give Notice, that we have appointed a Meeting to be holden at the House of Mr James Pearson, at Low Byer, near Alston, on Monday the Twenty Second Day of April next, at Ten o'clock in the Forenoon of the same Day, at which Meeting any Person who may be injured or aggrieved by the setting out of such Roads may attend, and object thereto, in order to have such Redress therein as may be thought right.
Dated the Twenty seventh Day of March, 1805
JOHN FRYER. WILLIAM DONKIN. WILLIAM BATES.

20th April 1805 (Newcastle Courant)

BLAGILL SMELT MILL,
NEAR EGGLESTON, TEESDALE

WANTED, an AGENT or PARTNER, to take the Management of the above SMELT MILL and REFINERY, which is well situated for Carriage to Newcastle and Stockton, and near both Coal, Peat, and Lime, of the best Quality, at a low Price; this Mill is built on a much larger Scale than most other Mills in the Country, having a large Water Wheel with Plenty of Water, two large Hearths and Bellows, one Ore Furnace, and a Refining House forty Feet Square inside, containing two Refining Furnaces and a Reducer, with two Coal and Lime Houses, and nine large Bingsteads, which will hold Ten Thousand Bings of Ore. The whole of the Buildings and Bingsteads are completely flagged, so that there can be no Waste of Ore, and can smelt and refine two Hundred and Fifty Bings of Ore a Week, if required. Part of this Mill will be let to smelt and refine by the Bing or Fodder, to those who wish to smelt their own Ore. A Man of respectable Character, and well acquainted with Alston Moor and Teesdale, will meet with good Encouragement by applying to the Owner, David Crawford, Heworth, below Newcastle, Letters, Post paid, will be duly answered.

30th November 1805 (Carlisle Journal)

Colonel Stanley has conferred the surgeoncy of the Royal Lancashire Militia, vacant by the resignation of Dr Barker, upon Mr. Stephenson of Nenthead, in Cumberland, who has accordingly joined the regiment at Plymouth.

18th January 1806 (Lancaster Gazette)
On Tuesday se'nnight, Mr Gibson, a young man of Alston Moor, was killed, by falling down the shaft of an old mine.
St Augustine's, Alston, burial records give John Gibson natural son of Mary Gibson and Christopher Whitfield killed at the mines died Jan 7 1806, aged 18 years.

17th May 1806 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
Thursday, se'nnight, Mr. J. Stagg of Alston to Miss Ruth Dickinson, of Dufton Hall, Westmorland. *(Joseph Stagg aged 31, married Ruth Dickinson aged 30 at Dufton 8th May 1806) See Robert Stagg & Family*

22nd July 1806 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
WHEREAS I, THOMAS FOSTER, of DADDRY SHIELD, in the Parish of Stanhope, and County of Durham, Miner, did, on Sunday the first Day of June last past, assault and ill treat ISAAC HORNSBY, of Nenthead, in the County of Cumberland, Gentleman, on the Road between Daddry Shield aforesaid and Westgate, in the said Parish and County, without any Provocation, for which Offence, the said Mr Hornsby has very properly instituted a prosecution against me; but on Consideration of my thus publicly begging his Pardon, and my Promise to be of good behaviour for the future, has kindly consented to withdraw such prosecution. Witness my Hand, the 11th Day of July 1806
THOMAS FOSTER
Witness,
John Dodd.
Thomas Dodd, Junr

14th March 1807 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
Wednesday last at Gateshead, Mr. Robert Stagg to Miss Anne R. youngest daughter of Mr. J. Roddam, linen draper, Gateshead. *See Robert Stagg & Family*

20th June 1807 (Newcastle Courant)
FIFTY POUNDS REWARD.—WHEREAS, in the night of the fourth of June last, where stolen, from the Governor and Company's Lead Wharf at Stella, TEN PIECES OF LEAD, marked "LEAD COMPANY." Whoever will give such information to Mr Matthew Fleck, at Stella, as may lead to a Discovery of the Offender or Offenders, so that they may be prosecuted to Conviction, shall, on such Conviction, receive a Reward FIFTY POUNDS, by Application to Mr Middleton Hewitson, Percy-Street, Newcastle.—Newcastle 13th June 1807.

29th August 1807 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
The 11th inst. At Middleton, in Teesdale, Mr Wm. Barnes, of Egglestone, to Miss Stagg, of the same place.
William Barnes married Elizabeth Stagg, daughter of Joshua Stagg, see the Stagg family history.

17th October 1807 (Lancaster Gazette)

On the 30th ult. an inquest was held at Kirkland, Kendal, on the body of Sarah Jameson, aged 26, wife of Thomas Jameson, weaver, and daughter of Mr Emerson Cain, of Alston Moor.—Verdict—Manslaughter. It appears that a controversy was the cause of her untimely end, by the blows given by her husband! He is now in Appleby gaol.

1st March 1808 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

COURT OF KING'S BENCH,

Tuesday, Feb. 23.

THE BISHOP; OF DURHAM v. T. R. BEAUMONT, Esq. AND HIS WIFE.

This was an action directed from the Court of Chancery. We have often before had to state the proceedings in this case.

Mr Walton, who opened the pleadings, said, that the issue stated, that two discourses were held between the Plaintiff and Mr J Erasmus Blackett, in which certain representations were made by the latter respecting the ninth part of certain lead-ore of Weardale mines, in the county of Northumberland, to which Dr Barrington was entitled as Bishop of Durham. It was said to be represented to the Right Rev. Prelate, that 925L was the full annual value of such ninth share of lead-ore at the time of the representation. The Bishop asserted, that this representation was made, and which assertion was contradicted by the Defendant. There was another, account, in which it was said, that 925L was more than the value, which was in the same manner, and by the fame parties, averred and contradicted.

Lord Redesdale and Mr Baron Wood had been subpoenaed as witnesses, and sat on the Bench with the Chief Justice, On the part of the plaintiff. Sir S. Romilly, from the Court of Chancery, assisted by Mr Topping and Mr Martin, conduced the cause. On behalf of the Defendants, the Attorney-General and Mr Garrow were assisted by Mr Bell, also from the opposite side of the Hall.

Sir S. Romilly very briefly stated the facts of the case. Mr Edward Emms, Secretary to the Bishop of Durham, deposed to the two conversations between Mr J. E. Blackett and the Rev. Prelate; the one held at the castle of Durham, the other at the time of a meeting of the Sons of the Clergy at the Turk's Head, Newcastle. His evidence was to the effect stated in the pleadings, that Mr Blackett had said, when his honour and conscience were appealed to by the Bishop, that the full annual value of the ninth share of lead ore was 925L; or that such sum was more than the value. The Attorney-General, in a very long address to the Jury, stated the nature of mining concerns; and insisted that the witness had entirely forgotten what had passed at the two interviews referred to. He then called the Gentleman who was party to the conversation.

Mr John Erasmus Blackett, during a long examination, directly contradicted the evidence of Mr Emms, asserting that he neither did say nor could say, that 925L was the full value of the Bishops ninth share of the lead ore, but admitted that he said, that such annual rent was a fair equivalent for such ninth share, under all the risks and difficulties attending the working of the mines. The witness said he was 81 years of age.

The Attorney-General; on the occasion of this conflicting testimony of two respectable witnesses, proposed to call some honourable person to give

testimony to the character of his own witness, on the authority of the case of Doe, on the demise of Stephenson v. Walker, before Lord Chief Justice Mansfield; but the Noble and Learned Judge said, that he was most confidently of opinion, that there was no colour or pretence for adducing such testimony.
After Sir S. Romilly had replied, and Lord Ellenborough had summed up the evidence, the Jury retired, and after deliberating between two and three hours, found a verdict for the Plaintiff.
It is not improbable, that the effed of this decision will be to the amount of 60,000L. or perhaps more, in favour of the Bishop of Durham.

27th August 1808 (Leeds Mercury)
A case of very considerable importance to the owners of mines came to be tried at Durham. It was an action brought by John Skottowe, Esq., of Chesham Bucks, the owner of some mines in Derwent, against the Incorporated Lead Company, who had been tenants thereof for a great number of years, and damages to the amount of £100,000 were claimed by Mr Skottowe, against them for waste and destruction done to his inheritance. After several legal objections, taken by the Defendants, were overruled, a verdict was entered for the Plaintiff for the damages claimed, subject to a reference as to the amount. A verdict, subject also to a reference, was likewise obtained by the Lessees of some adjoining mines, against the Lead Company, for the damages done to their mines, in consequence of the acts of waste done to Mr Skottowe's.

8th November 1808 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

LEAD MINE.

TO be SOLD by Private Contract in Consequence of the Dissolution of Partnership between Messrs. BREE, BARCROFT and BREE, A TWENTY YEAR'S LEASE of the East Beckstone's Vein at Thornthwaite,—which is completely opened: —Has lately had the Appearance of equal to Six Inches solid Metal, from Roof to Sole; and the Bargain, which is just terminated, was at Seven Pounds per Ton, Tontail— Together with
A CAPITAL NEW WATER WHEEL, Pumps. Tools, Implements,—several Tons of Ore, well worthy the Attention of POTTERS, and Others.
Apply personally, or by Letter, (Post paid) at the House of Charles Lindsay, near the Works at Thornthwaite, or of the Proprietor, MARTIN BREE, Esq; Braithwaite Lodge, Keswick.

18th January 1809 (Morning Advertiser)

ROBBERY

A short time since, Mr. W. Richardson, the Collector of the Lead Company, at Durham was robbed of upwards of £934 by two footpads, as he was travelling on horseback from Barnard Castle, when he was within about three miles of Wolsingham. The circumstance of a footpad robbery in that part of the country caused considerable alarm, and every possible exertion was made with a view to apprehend the robbers, and recover the stolen property. Two men were taken into custody on suspicion, and Mr. Richardson actually swore to their being the robbers, and they stand committed for trial. Since which one of them has proved incontestably that he was at Carlisle, by the evidence of one of the Magistrates of that city; this excited much astonishment in the minds of the Magistrates at

Durham, and induced them to write to the Magistrates at Bow-street, to send an Officer more intelligent than their own. On hearing the full circumstances of the case, he gave it as his opinion, that Mr. Richardson had not been robbed, it turned out that Richardson had been heard to say, he travelled in danger of his life, as he carried such large sums with him, the sum of which he said he was robbed was the largest he ever had: yet, on the day of the night on which he stated himself to have been robbed, he had done his business in sufficient time to have left Bernard Castle at two o'clock; but he did not leave till four, when he was sure to be benighted. On the spot where he said he was robbed, lived a Gentleman, to whom he was personally known, yet he did not go to his house to give him an alarm, where he could have procured a number of men to go in pursuit of the robbers.
Antheny, the officer, searched Mr. Richardson, and found upon him some papers, which he said were in his saddle-bags at the time he was robbed.
Under all these circumstances, the Magistrates have committed him, on suspicion of having embezzled the money of which he said he was robbed, and he will be tried at the ensuing Sessions, there being no Assizes for Durham in the Spring.

30th December 1809 (Lancaster Gazette)
Saturday se'nnight, a person named Bell, was found dead in the snow, near Garrigill Gate, Alston Moor.
Alston burial records show John Bell, miner, aged 45, of Skellgill, was found dead.

10th March 1810 (Carlisle Journal)
On the evening the 25th ult.,. Mr. John Bennett, of Manasty, in Borrowdale, agent to W. O Sheffield, Esq., manager of the copper and lead-mines, in Newlands, &c. on his return from Keswick, was drowned in Grange river, which had, overflowed its banks.

21st July 1810 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
Thursday se'nnight, at Alston, Mr John Dickinson, of the Greenwich Hospital Office, Newcastle, to Miss Walton, daughter of Utrick Walton, Esq. of the Nest.
John Dickinson married Margaret Walton, 12th July 1810, at St Augustine's, Alston. See Durham Wills

18th May 1811 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
The 23d ult. at Alston, Mr Joseph Little, jun. of Coalcleugh to Miss Ruth Stagg, of Jollybeard-house.
Ruth, daughter of Robert Stagg and Rachel Gascoigne died 28th December 1811, aged 27 years. See Robert Stagg & Family

22nd June 1811 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
Saturday se'nnight, at Alston, Mr Isaac Hornsby, agent, to Miss Isabella Cain, daughter of Mr Emmerson Cain, all of Nenthead.

Isaac Hornsby son of Isaac Hornsby & Hannah Walton, christened 17th January 1770,
Isaac Hornsby married Mary Dodd 4th July 1791, at Alston (eldest daughter of Thomas Dodd
Children of Isaac & Mary Hornsby

1. *Mary/Sarah, baptised, Tuesday, February 21, 1792 died Wednesday, November 9, 1864 aged 69*
2. *Garthwaite, baptised, Thursday, November 14, 1793*
3. *Thomas Dodd, baptised, Wednesday, September 23, 1795*
4. *Isaac, born Saturday, August 26, 1797*
5. *Anna, born Wednesday, January 7, 1801, died Tuesday, February 9, 1869,*
   aged 67
6. *Isabella, born Tuesday, August 24, 1802*
7. *Adam, born Tuesday, May 15, 1804 died Tuesday, January 8, 1805*
8. *Jonathan, born Monday, July 8, 1805 died Thursday, April 13, 1809*
9. *Emma born ? baptised Tuesday, January 5, 1813*

Mary Hornsby died 16th January 1810 aged 38.

Isaac Hornsby married Isabella Cain 1st June 1811 at Alston
Children of Isaac's second marriage to Isabella Cain:

10. *Matthew, baptised 27th August 1814*
11. *Sally, baptised 27th August 1814*
12. *Hannah, baptised 4th March 1818*
13. *Emerson, baptised 24th July 1819*
14. *John George, baptised, 26th December 1820*
15. *Adam, baptised 27th December 1822*
16. *Jane, baptised 27th December 1822*
17. *Jonathan, baptised 30th June 1826*
18. *Forster born about 1818*
19. *Benjamin born about 1827, baptised 13th April 1829*
20. *Rebecca born 13th June 1828, baptised 13th April 1829*
21. *Esther Ann baptised 16th April 1830*

Isaac Hornsby died 14th December 1835, aged 66.

In 1841, at High Dyke Heads, Isabella Hornsby, widow, independent means, aged 54, children, Emerson, lead miner aged 22, Jane, 18, Jonathan 16, Benjamin 14, and Rebecca 12.
See 24th April, 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870,1st April 1882, 23rd February 1901, and 6th April 1901.

9th July 1811 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
On the 14th ult. The body of Mr Joshua Archer, of Nenthead, near Alston, miner, was found within a quarter of a mile of the place where he usually worked.
Joshua Archer son of John and Margaret (Liverick, married 12th December 1761, at St Augustine's, Alston) Archer, of Foreshield, baptised 28th May 1772, at St Augustine's, Alston, married Ann Nattrass 24th May 1798, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Joshua and Ann Archer:
John born 28th May 1798, 1st son of Joshua Archer of Fourdarguehouse, miner, by his wife Ann daughter of John and Ann Nattrass.

William born 26th November 1799, 2nd son of Joshua Archer of Fourdikehouse, miner, by his wife Nancy, daughter of John and Ann Nattrass.
Ann baptised 22nd August 1802, 1st daughter of Joshua Archer of Alston,, miner, by his wife Ann daughter of John Nattrass, native of Stanhope.
Joshua, born 4th October 1804, 3rd son of Joshua Archer, Nentsbury, miner, by his wife Nancy, daughter of John Nattrass.
Margaret, born 17th February 1807, 2nd daughter of Joshua Archer of Nenthead, miner, by his wife Nancy, daughter of John Nattrass.
Mary born 9th August 1809, 3rd daughter of Joshua Archer of Wellgill, miner, by his wife Nancy, daughter of John Nattrass.
Joshua Archer of Wellgill aged 40, was buried 13th June 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston.
See 30th November 1864

3rd August 1811 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
A few days ago, Mr Joseph Hall, to Miss Cain, both of Nenthead, near Alston.
Joseph Hall married Jane Cain 13th July 1811 at St Augustine's, Alston.
Lately Mr John Kindred of Slaggyburn, to Miss Elizabeth Pattinson, of Park, near Alston.
John Kindred married Elizabeth Pattinson 13th July 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 26th November 1867.

10th June 1812 (London Courier and Evening Gazette)
CAST IRON. —Wanted several Thousand Fathoms of Iron Rail, several Fathoms of pipes, and sundry other articles of Cast Iron; Models thereof may be seen by applying to Mr Lang, at the house of the Arkindale and Derwent Mines Company, No. 22, Surrey-street, Strand. —Proposals must be given in to the Board of Directors of the Arkindale and Derwent Mines, on or before one o'clock, on Monday June 15h, stating lowest price, terms of payment, and where to be delivered. Also wanted a supply of 600 to 800 dozen of candles per month, twelve to the pound, to be paid on delivery. —
Proposals to be given in as above, on or before the 15th June.

15th July 1813 (Derby Mercury)
PROVIDENCE LEAD MINE
BEWERLEY, YORKSHIRE
TO BE SOLD
For a Term of Twenty-One Years
For a Sum without Duty, or for a less Sum with a proportionate Duty
ALL that well Established and Valuable LEAD MINE, or VEIN of ORE, called Providence Mine, situate at Hardcastle, near Pateley Bridge, Yorkshire; with the Steam Engine, Smelting Mill, Roasting Furnace, and other Works and Privileges thereto belonging.
This Mine is well worth the Attention of all Persons who are or wish to be interested in Mineral Concerns.
The Ore is of the best Quality, and found in great Abundance; the Engine is of Ten Horse Power, and draws and crushes the Ore; the Establishment is replete with every Convenience for working the Mine to great Advantage. It is situate at Hardcastle, near Greena Hill, three miles from Pateley Bridge; fifteen miles from

Ripon, where Coals may be had, and from whence there is Water Carriage to Hull; thirteen mites from Skipton, where Coals may also be had, and from whence there is Water Carriage to Leeds and Hull.
A Purchaser may be accommodated with an Agent's House, and Cottages for Miners, Stables for Horses, and about Thirty Acres of Land adjoining the Mine.
A Plan and full Particulars are preparing, and in the meantime further Information may be had of the Manager, at the Mine; of Henry Owen Cunliffe, Esq. (the Proprietor), Queen's Elms, Chelsea, London; at the Office of Messrs. Ross, Hall, and Ross, Solicitors, New Boswell Court, London; of Mr. Hall, Solicitor, Alfreton, Derbyshire; and of David Watson, No. 1, Castle Court, Birchin Lane, London.

7th August 1813 (Caledonian Mercury)

LEAD AT LEITH FOR SALE

Either in Small or Large Quantities

To Be Sold

TEN THOUSAND and FIFTY BARS of LEAD, weighing 645 tons, the produce of the Mines ay Wanlock-head, and which is free from duty on exportation. This lead is all at Leith, ready for being immediately sold, either for home consumption or for a foreign market.

For further particulars application may be made to Messrs. Tair, Young, and Laurie, Park Place, Edinburgh, who have authority to sell the whole immediately, either in one parcel, or in such small quantities as purchasers shall incline.

30th August 1814 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Deaths

At Alston, aged 45, Henry Walton, Esq. mineralogist.

Henry Walton buried 21st August 1814, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Henry Walton baptised 25th November 1768, at St John, Garrigill, son of John and Mary Walton of Nest.
Henry Walton married Mary Robson, 5th June 1806, at St Augustine, Alston.
Children of Henry and Mary Walton:
1. Robert born 8th February 1807, baptised at St John, Garrigill, 1st son of Henry Walton of Cropshall, miner by his wife Mary daughter of Henry Robson.
2. Sarah born 13th January 1809, baptised at St John, Garrigill, 1st daughter of Henry Walton of Cropshall, miner by his wife Mary daughter of Henry Robson.
3. Maria baptised 17th January 1813 at St John, Garrigill

Mary Walton was buried 2nd July 1813, aged 39, at St Augustine, Alston.

1st October 1814 (Durham County Advertiser)

Marriages

The 26th ult., at Stanhope Mr. George Crawhall, of Coalcleugh, to Miss *Ann* Sowerby, of Old Park, Weardale.

George Crawhall baptised 12th August 1780, at St Peter, Allenheads, son of Thomas and Ann (nee Bownas, married 21st November 1771, at Allendale) Crawhall.

In 1851, at White House, Weardale, George Crawhall, widower, landed proprietor farming 80 acres, employing 5 labourers, aged 70, his sister, Jane Walton, married aged 59, and great niece, Betsy V Wooler, aged 8.
George Crawhall died 6th July 1852, at White House, Weardale.
See 8th March 1845, 29th November 1845, and 10th July 1852.

4th March 1815 (Durham County Advertiser)

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY GUINEAS REWARD.

WHEREAS about seven o'clock in the morning of Monday the 20th inst. a most daring robbery was committed about half a mile from the town of Wolsingham, in the county of Durham, on Thomas Watson, of Wolsingham aforesaid, common carrier and postman, (who was 'then driving a waggon and cart, on the turnpike road, to Chapel in Weardale) by some villain or villains unknown, who knocked him down, and severely braised him on the head, and left him lying on the road in a state of insensibility, and feloniously took from the said Thomas Watson, two black leather pocket books, containing £31 in £5 and £1 provincial notes; and several letters. And in consequence of the inability of the said Thomas Watson, to defray the expence of a prosecution, a meeting was held this day at Wolsingham aforesaid, by several of the inhabitants of the parishes of Wolsingham, Stanhope, and the neighbourhood, and a subscription entered into for defraying such expence, at which meeting Robert Curry, of Bishop-oak, near Wolsingham aforesaid, Esquire, presided. Whoever will give such information to the said Mr Curry, as may be the means of discovering the offender or offenders, will upon conviction, receive a reward of one hundred and fifty guineas, to be paid by Mr Joseph Little, of Stanhope in the said county, the Treasurer. And in case any accomplice In the said robbery, will give such information as may lead to the conviction of any other offenders In the said robbery, he shall receive the above reward, and all possible means will be used to obtain the pardon of such accomplice.—February 21, 1815.

8 April 1815
Report of Thomas Dodd to the Court of Assistants of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal
Northern Mines Report Book 1806 - 1820

On the 15 February last the son of a poor widow in this place and who was the principle support of the distressed family was in a moment precipitated down one of the Whims shafts at Rampgill 330 feet and was broke to pieces. I hope the Court will pardon me for naming this doleful event, for I knew the Court in some disastrous cases graciously condescended to bestow some small charity upon the survivors. This was a fine boy of 17 or 18 years of age. The rope had got off the pulley wheel which is exactly over the top of the new shaft and in his attempt to put it right he slipped his foot and went down. In the margin was written, “Boy killed by fall down the Whimsey shaft at Rampgill see the books page 95”.

The only burial that fits this description is that of Thomas Archer, aged 18 years, who was buried at Alston 17th February 1815.

2nd May 1815 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

TO MASONS AND BRICKLAYERS
TO BE LET

THE BUILDING a Set of HORIZONTAL CHIMNEYS, at Allenheads Mill, near Allendale Town. Every material necessary for completing the work, will be furnished to the undertaker by the proprietor. —Mr Jona. Sparke, the agent at the place, will shew the situation and a plan of the building. For further particulars apply to Mr John Mulcaster, Blaydon Refinery, near Newcastle, who will receive proposals until the 15th day of May, 1815.
Blaydon Refinery, 27th April, 1815.

17th June 1815 (York Herald, and General Advertiser)

Elopment. —On the evening of the 5th inst., Mr F. _____' schoolmaster of Nenthead, near Alston, eloped in a post chaise with the youngest daughter of the London Lead agent of the above place, and arrived at the Howard's Arms Inn, in Brampton, the following morning, from thence the anxious pair resumed their flight for Gretna Green: presently two neighbouring sturdy rustics, each upon a prancing roadster, appeared in pursuit to retake the fair fugitive; happily poor pedagogue and his intended rib had fled, and the two ninnies dodged on to Gretna Green, but, previous to their arrival, the enamoured lovers were coupled at the celebrated temple of Hymen. She is the third person of that family who has been tied with Hymen's cable at Gretna Green.

27th June 1815 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

On the ____ of the 5th inst. Mr F. Charlton, schoolmaster, Nenthead, aged 20, eloped with Miss R. Dodd, youngest daughter of Mr T. Dodd, agent, of the same place, aged __. They took chaise at Alston, and were wafted on by _____ to Gretna Green, the next day, by 12 ___Hodge left Alston on the morning of the 6th, in pursuit of the lovers, but he did not reach Gretna till ___ at night, and only a few minutes before the _____ pair re-entered the vehicle on their return home. They reached Brampton that night, where the wished for consummation is said to have taken place. This couple are particularly attached to each other, though they suffer all the pangs of a cruel separation.
See Thomas Dodd and Family, & Rebecca Charlton.

4th July 1815 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Deaths

Saturday se'nnight, Mr Anthony Thompson of Nenthead, near Alston, aged 45.
Anthony Thompson, son of Joseph and Ann Thompson of Nenthead, was baptised 8th December 1772, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Anthony Thompson, married Margaret Robinson, 20th March 1794, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Anthony Thompson aged 43, of Nenthead, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 26th June 1815.
Margaret Thompson, aged 69, widow, of Nenthead, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 29th May 1827.

11th July 1815 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Deaths

Saturday se'nnight, at Alston, Mary wife of Thomas Walton, agent to the East Crossfell Lead Mine Company, aged 27. *See17th February 1818*

3rd October 1815 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

In the matter of Arthur Mowbray, George Lewis Hollingsworth, John Wetherell, William Shields, Wm. Boulton, and William Richard Stokes, of the city of Durham, and of Darlington, in the county of Durham, and of Thirsk, in the county of York, and of Lothbury, in the city if London, bankers, partners, dealers and chapmen, bankrupts.

AT a General Meeting of the Creditors, held on the 20th day of September, 1815, at the house of William Ward, the Wheat Sheaf Inn, in the city of Durham, pursuant to a notice in the London Gazette,

THOS. HANWAY BIGGE, Esq. in the Chair.

1st. It was resolved, That the assignees have power to give authority to the solvent partners in the Berwick bank, to sue for, and collect the out standing debts and property of the said bank, on giving such security as they shall approve and depositing the surplus in the Bank of England, or in some approved banking house, to be invested in Exchequer bills, or other government securities, and applied and divided between the said assignees, and the said solvent partners, according to their respective interests therein.

2d. It was resolved. That the assignees do pay to the clerks of the respective banking houses, the salaries and wages not exceeding half a year, due at the time of the bankruptcy, and to the servants of the respective bankrupts, their wages not exceeding a quarter of a year, due at the time of the bankruptcy. …

3rd. That the assignees may take into consideration the situation of the said bankrupts, with reference to the Arkendale and Derwent mines, and procure, at the least possible expense, information as to the value thereof, and to lay the result of their enquiries before a future meeting, to be called by the assignees as soon as they shall be prepared for it, or to sell and dispose of the same at their discretion without convening a further meeting. …

25th November 1815 (Durham County Advertiser)

To be SOLD by public Auction,

On Friday, the 1st of December, 1815, between the hours of 4 and 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Mr Samuel Leybourn, Innkeeper, Healey Field, in the parish of Lanchester, and county Durham.

ALL that Valuable LEAD MINE, known by the name of Healey Field, together with an excellent smelting mill, and 34 acres of land, more or less, with a quantity of oak wood growing on the same.

Further particulars may be known on application to Mr William Bateson, at Healey Field Mill.

Healey Field Mill, Nov. 14. 1815.

2nd March 1816 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At Gateshead, on the 25th ult., Mr. Joseph Little, agent to the London Lead Mine Company, in Alston Moor and Weardale, to Jane, daughter of Mr. William Fenwick, merchant, Stanhope.
See 11th July 1829

26th March 1816 (Tyne Mercury, Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

LEAD MINES
To be SOLD by Auction

On Saturday the 15th day of April, at 6 o'clock, at Lowbyre, near Aldston
All those well-known LEAD MINES, called Brownley Hill and High Raise, situate near Nentsbury, in Aldston Moor, with the valuable crushing –mill and appurtenances belonging to the said mines.
Further particulars may be known on application to Robert Hayton, the agent, at Grassfield, near Nentsbury, aforesaid. —March 20.

2nd November 1816 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON MOOR

Owing to the extreme depression of the Lead-mining concern, the town and neighbourhood of Alston Moor are at this time in a most deplorable state; some hundreds of the Miners having been lately discharged, and being without any employment, are in a state of complete insubordination. They have for some time past assembled together in large bodies every morning at the sound of a horn, for the purpose of poaching, the neighbourhood of Alston abounding with game, and have sallied out in all directions upon the adjoining Manors. A gamekeeper was lately fired at and wounded in attempting to secure one of them; and two of the keepers having one day succeeded in taking a man who was out by himself, were carrying him off, when they were pursued by the rest of the gang, and obliged to take shelter in a house which was presently surrounded by the poachers, who threatened to shoot them immediately if they did not release the man; and the muzzles of six guns were presented at them through one window; they were, therefore, obliged to release their prisoner to save their own lives.—(Carlisle Patriot)

9th November 1816 (Carlisle Patriot)
To the Editor of the Carlisle Patriot,
"Alston Moor, Nov. 7, 1816.
"Sir, —I am sorry to see that you have been to much imposed on, and induced to insert in your paper of last week, a paragraph respecting this country, which is nearly all together false, or so much exaggerated, that it certainly requires contradiction. Owing to the great depression in the price of lead, many Mines in this country are now not worked, and consequently many workmen are without employment: but the number, comparatively speaking, is very small. I myself, only five days ago, requested the Overseer of the parish to send me a list of the persons who had applied for parochial relief, on account of want of employment, and the number which he gave me is only twelve. —Neither has there been any insubordination or disturbance whatever; and the account of the poachers collecting together in large bodies, is also entirely false. Two young men—the

sons of a respectable landed proprietor in the parish and consequently, not obliged to pursue the unlawful practice from necessity—were about a month ago detected poaching in an adjoining Manor, and one of them was secured by the Gamekeeper, and taken to a farm-house in the neighbourhood. And the only part of your paragraph, which is true. Is that ten or twelve men went from this place in the night and released the person in custody—but no guns were fired either in the release, or when the poacher was seized. It is therefore hoped that you will contradict a report which is so completely false, and calculated to do much injury."

14th December 1816 (Carlisle Patriot)
On Saturday last, a man named John Irwin, formerly a miller at Burnstones Mill near Alston, was found lying dead in a small rivulet near Burnstones. He had been engaged for some time previous as a Labourer at Mr Thomas Robinson's, Middle Farm, and was on his return home. For some time before he had been in a desponding way from illness and having been reduced in circumstances. On the preceding Saturday he had procured a bottle of laudanum at Carlisle, the contents of which he drank and afterwards laid himself down in the water. A paper was found in his pocket declaring the motives which actuated him, and expressing a desire to be buried in a particular place. He has left a wife and family. We have not yet heard the result of the Coroner's inquest.

7th January 1817 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
The subscription at Alston Moor, to employ the industrious poor of that parish, has been very liberal, amounting upwards of £800. For the last two months, from fifty to sixty men have been employed in repairing the roads.

18th January 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)
A Correspondent informs us, that the subscription for the Relief of the Labouring Poor, in Alston, continues to increase rapidly, and that the greatest portion of the Ladies of the town and neighbourhood have seconded the benevolence of the gentlemen, by forming themselves into a Society for the distribution of warm clothing to the poor females of the town, which clothing they make with their own hands; their subscriptions already amount to a considerable sum. Such a plan at this season of the year cannot fail to do much good, and reflects great honour on its promoters. The Members of the Society have been most indefatigable in the selection of proper objects of charity, as well as in promoting the subscription.

8th February 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)

HORNSBY'S BANKRUPTCY.

WHEREAS, a Commission of BANKRUPT is awarded and issued forth against ISAAC HORNSBY, the Elder, of NENTHEAD, in the Parish of ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, WOOLLEN DRAPER, GROCER, DEALER and CHAPMAN, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major part of them, on the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh days of FEBRUARY instant, and on the Twenty-fifth day of MARCH next, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon on each day, at the House of Mrs.

MARGARET SNOWDON, the *Duke's Head Inn*, in Carlisle, and make a full discovery and disclosure of his Estate and Effects, when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second sitting to chose Assignees, and at the last sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay, or deliver the same, but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give notice to Mr. BIRKETT, Solicitor, Cloak-lane, London; or to Mr. BLOW, Solicitor, Carlisle.
JOSEPH LIDDELL. HENRY PEARSON. RICHARD LAW.

SCHOOLMASTER WANTED

A SCHOOLMASTER WANTED against MAYDAY next, at the GRAMMER SCHOOL, at ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland. The present Endowment belonging to the school, amounts to upwards of £36 per Annum, and a prospect of good Quarter Pence. The Master must be able to Teach the Latin and English Languages; also Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic.
The proposing Candidates are requested to attend on FRIDAY the 7th Day of MARCH next, at the VESTRY ROOM, ALSTON, at which time the appointment will take place.
Further particulars may be had by applying to THOMAS COLLING, Overseer of the Poor.
Alston, Jan. 30, 1817.

19th April 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)

JOHN SMITH, of Alston, labourer, was charged with breaking open the shop of Joseph Ramsay, of Alston, on the night of Tuesday last, and stealing thereout 16lbs of cheese, 2lbs of bacon, and about 20s. worth of copper coin. He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to seven years' transportation.

10th May 1817 (Durham County Advertiser)

Parliament

House of Lords

Lord Lascelles, with the leave of the House, brought in a Bill to make lead mines chargeable to the poor rates. —It was read a first time, and ordered for a second reading on the 19th May.

27th May 1817 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED

NOTICE is hereby given, that the partnership lately subsisting between JOHN LITTLE, of Raisehouse, in the parish of Alston, in the county of Cumberland, WILLIAM BELL, of Brampton, in the said county, and WILLIAM WATSON, of Foreshield, in the said county, as Patent Shot Manufacturers, at Tower Hill, nigh Alston, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, and that the business will in future be carried on by the said John Little & Son only. As witness our hands this 23d day of May 1817.

Witness—Thos James

JOHN LITTLE
WILLIAM BELL
WM WATSON

14th June 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

House of Commons, Thursday, June 5.

Sir James Graham presented a petition from certain lead-mine proprietors, against the bill now in progress through the house for reducing the profits of that species of property liable to poor-rate. The petitioners prayed to heard by counsel in support of the prayer of their petition. Ordered to lie on the table.

28th June 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

The 12th inst., at Alston, Mr. Thomas Thompson, of Wearhead, Weardale to Miss Sarah Watson, granddaughter of John Burn, Esq., of the former place.

12 Jun 1817 Thomas Thompson (of Wearhead in the parish of Stanhope, County Durham, age 21, widower, miner) obtained a licence to marry Sarah Watson (of Alston, Cumberland, age 21, spinster), directed to Alston Surety: John Burn, gentleman of Alston

Thomas Thompson was buried 15th December 1833, at St John the Baptist, Stanhope.

In 1851, at Wearhead, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, Sarah Thompson, widow, aged 57, and her son Burn, grocer & Draper, aged 33.

In 1861, at Wearhead, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, Sarah Thompson, widow, aged 68, her son Burn, grocer & Draper, aged 43, house servant, Ann Watson, 36, and James Sparke, draper & grocer, bonded, aged 36.

St John's Chapel Memorial:

In
Memory
of
Sarah Thompson
Widow of Thomas Thompson of Wearhead
Who died may 10th 1861
Aged 66 years
Also of
Burn Thompson their son
Who died June 23rd 1861
Aged 42 years.

16th August 1817 (Durham County Advertiser)

VALUABLE LEAD MINE.

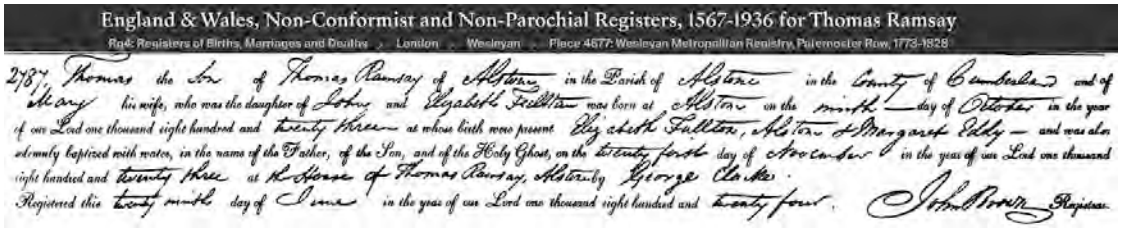
For SALE by public Auction, (Unless an acceptable offer shall be sooner made by Private Contract, of which early notice will given,)

At the house of Anthony Wood. Innholder, in Pateley Bridge, in the parish Ripon, on Saturday the 30th day of August instant, at 3 o'clock the afternoon, AN EIGHTH SHARE or that very rich LEAD MINE, called the SUNSIDE or COCHILL HILL MINE, upon Greenhow Hill, three miles west of Pateley Bridge aforesaid, which has been in constant working for a great many years, with more general success than any other adventure of the kind in that district. The mine is in now lease, for about 17 years to come, five respectable proprietors only, who conduct it on the best principles of mining, with facilities in levels, superintendence, &c. peculiar to itself. The profits have been hitherto certain and considerable, and the prospects are still flattering, so that

a person desirous to improve his income, as well as capital, without risk, will find the offer of this share worth attention. For all particulars apply to Mr Nathan Newbould. of Pateley Bridge aforesaid, Mining Agent, or at office of Messrs. Coates and Morley, in Ripon.—August 11, 1817.

19th August 1817 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham Cumberland Gazette))
Deaths
The 9th inst. at Alston, Mr Wm. Armstrong, engine keeper to the Governor and Co's water works, at Blackashgill lead mine, aged 62 years, much respected by a numerous acquaintance.

30th August 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
On the 16th instant, at Alston, Mr. Thomas Ramsay, Alston and Newcastle carrier to Miss Mary Fulton, daughter of John Fulton, of Alston, spirit merchant.
Alston parish register gives Thomas Ramsay married Mary Fulltan 14th August 1817.


England & Wales, Non-Conformist and Non-Parochial Registers, 1567-1936 for Thomas Ramsay
RG4: Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths > London > Wesleyan > Place 4677: Wesleyan Metropolitan Registry, Paternoster Row, 1773-1828

Thomas Ramsay was buried at Alston 15th March 1830, aged 43.
Mary Ramsay married Robert Walton 16th February 1835, at Alston.
Robert Walton, merchant, died 2nd February 1838, aged 44 years.
In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, Mary Walton, innkeeper aged 40, Jane Ramsay, dressmaker, aged 20, John Ramsay, Apprentice Joiner, aged 15, Mary Walton 15, and Elizabeth Walton 3.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Mary Walton, widow, furniture broker, aged 54, son John Ramsay, joiner employing 2 men, aged 29, son in law, Robert Walton, joiner, apprentice, aged 22, and visitor, married sister, Ann Armstrong, aged 52.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Mary Walton, widow, Furniture dealer, aged 65, son in law, Errington Gibson, joiner, aged 23, married daughter, Elizabeth Gibson, 23, and grandson, Fulton Gibson, aged 6 months.
Errington Gibson emigrated to Dartmouth, Halifax East, Nova Scotia; see 1st February 1873

13th September 1817 (Durham County Advertiser)
Married
At Lanchester, on Wednesday se'nnight, Mr John Dolphin, cashier for Arkendale and Derwent Mines, to Miss Parker, daughter of Mr Parker, of Hunter-House, Derwent.
John Dolphin son of John, baptised 26th September 1785, at Helmsley, Yorkshire. John Dolphin married Mary Parker, 3rd September 1817, at Lanchester, Durham.

Children of John & Mary Dolphin:
Mary Ann baptised 5th September 1819, Edmondbyers
John Porter baptised 16th May 1825, born about 1822, Edmondbyers, died 12th June 1899, solicitor of Wolsingham.
Henry Parker baptised 16th May 1825, born about 1821, died 18th June 1895, (Farmer) buried at Wolsingham.
Eliza baptised 16th May 1825, buried 22nd February 1878, at Lanchester
Thomas Richard, born about 1830, died 1891

In 1841, at Hunter House, Edmondbyers, John Dolphin, aged 50, his wife Mary aged 45, children, Henry 20, Mary 20, Eliza 15, and Thomas 11.
In 1851, at Hunter House, Edmondbyers, John Dolphin, Landed Proprietor In Right Of His Wife, aged 65, his wife Mary aged 55, children, Eliza 27, and Thomas Richard, farmer, aged 21.
In 1861, at Delves Lane, Durham, John Dolphin, Land Proprietor 150 acres & agent, aged 75, his wife Mary aged 75, daughter, Eliza 37, and son Thomas R, farmer, aged 31
Mary Dolphin buried 1st August 1865, at Lanchester, Durham, aged about 70.
In 1871, at Consett, Durham, John Dolphin, widow, land owner, aged 85, born Helmsly, Yorkshire, son Thomas R, Farmer, aged 41, born Edmondbyers, Durham, and daughter Eliza, aged 47, born Durham.
John Dolphin died 27th September 1872, at The Delves, he was buried 30th September 1872, at Lanchester, aged about 87.

St Mary's and St Stephen's Churchyard, Wolsingham, Weardale.

WILLIAM HENRY
BELOVED SON OF
HENRY PARKER & JANE PHILLIS DOLPHIN
OF NEW HALL
WHO DIED DECEMBER 24TH 1893
AGED 36 YEARS
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
HENRY PARKER DOLPHIN WHO DIED JUNE 18TH 1895
AGED 75 YEARS

ALSO OF JANE PHILLIS DOLPHIN
HIS WIFE WHO DIED MARCH 29TH 1896
AGED 76 YEARS
ALSO MARY
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MARCH 20TH 1909
AGED 62 YEARS.
In Memory of
JOHN PORTER DOLPHIN
WHO DIED AT WOLSINGHAM
ON THE 12TH DAY OF JUNE 1899
AGED 77 YEARS.

Source:
The Weardale Churchyard Project
Prepared by Margaret Manchester on behalf of Weardale Field Study Society

16th September 1817 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
Deaths
2nd inst. at Sidehead, in Weardale, John Hall, aged 43, much respected. His death was caused by a large mass of the side of the mine falling upon him on the 27th ult.

30th September 1817 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
Marriages
On the 15th inst. at Alston, Andrew King, esq. of Glasgow, to Miss Sarah Ann Hutchinson, eldest daughter of the late Wm Hutchinson, Esq. of Lonning House, near Alston.

4th October 1817 (London Gazette)
THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth agains Joseph Little, of Bales, in the County of Cumberland, Farmer; Joseph Elliott, of Eshgill, in the said County, Lead- Miner; John Little, of Highlee-House, in the said County, Farmer; John Elliott, of Middleton, in Teasdale, in the County of Durham, Yeoman; Thomas Elliott, of Dean Hole, in the said County of Durham, Farmer; Simon Elliott, of Castle-Side,in the said County of Durham, Miner; Thomas Pullan of Pately-Bridge, in the County of York, Timber- Merchant; and William Little, of South Shields, in the said County of Durham, Linen-Draper (carrying on, as Partners, the trade or business of Lead-Miners, Merchants, Dealers and Chapmen, under the firm of Little, Elliott, and Co. at Heleyfield, in the County of- Durham-aforesaid), are requested to meet the Assignees of the estate and effects of the said Bankrupt, on the 14th of October instant, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon precisely, at the George Inn, in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees giving up, relinquishing, or abandoning certain lead- mines or shares of lead-mines belonging to the said Bankrupts, or to some or one of them, and also all equity or right of redemption of, in, and to the same, and to certain lands, hereditament, and premises of them the said Bankrupts, some one or more of them, situate at Heleyfield and Tyne-Head, or elsewhere, or to consider of the most effectual means for disposing of such part of the joint and separate estates and effects of the said Bankrupts as shall then be undisposed of, and further to consider of the properest means to be used by the said Assignees in adjusting the said Co-partnership estates, accounts, and dealings of the said Bankrupts all or any of them, and more especially the joint and separate accounts, transactions, and dealings of the said Bankrupts With the West Cross Fell Mining Company; or any of them; and on other special affairs.

4th October 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
On the 15th ult., at Alston, Andrew King, Esq., of Glasgow, to Miss Sarah Ann Hutchinson, eldest daughter of the late William Hutchinson, Esq., of Lonning House, near Alston.
Sarah Ann Hutchinson, baptised 31st August 1787, at St Augustine's, Alston, daughter of William Hutchinson of Loning.

8th November 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 4th instant, Mr. Robert Teasdale, merchant, aged 74, much respected.

22nd November 1817 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Alston, Mrs. Isabella Potts, advanced in years, mother of Richard Potts, merchant.

23rd December 1817 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
On Saturday se'nnight, a well-dressed young woman went into the shop of Mr John Cowper, merchant, Alston, and bought goods to the amount of 18s. for which she presented a £10 Bank of England note in payment. After she was gone, Mr C. began to suspect the validity of the note, and took it to the office of Mess. Bainbridge, solicitors, who also were of opinion that it was forged. While Mr C. was there, another note of the same value was brought into the office tor inspection, by Mrs Pattinson, merchant, which had been paid to her by the same woman for a trifling purchase. This confirmed suspicion, and Mr C. immediately went in search of the delinquent, whom he found in a public-house along with two men.— After talking to them a short time, he recovered his goods and change; but the party prevaricated so much, that Mr C. had them all taken into custody, and carried before a magistrate for examination. They have since been all committed to Carlisle gaol, for trial at the next assizes: Their names are Catherine Smith, *alias* Henderson; Patrick Callaghan, *alias* Smith, *alias* Murphy; and Bernard Callaghan. There were found upon them several provincial bank notes; and it is supposed they have been altering forged Bank of England notes at Newcastle, Durham, Sunderland, and Shields.

31st January 1818 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
Last week at Whitehaven, Mr. Thomas Lee, to Mrs. Dryden of Alston Moor.

17th February 1818 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
Deaths
1st inst. at Alston, aged 36, much respected, Mr Thomas Walton, agent for Crossfell lead mines. *See 11th July 1815*

18th February 1818 (The Morning Chronicle)
This Day is Published
AN APPEAL to the POOR MINER, and to every Nobleman, Gentleman, and Tradesman in the Kingdom, who feels interested in the Miner's fate.
By FREDERICK HALL, of Reeth, in Yorkshire.
Second Edition; with the Resolutions at the Meetings held at Reeth, Richmond, Middleton in Teesdale, Stanhope, Chapel in Weardale, Alston and Hexham; and very important further Information obtained upon Mr. Hall's Visit to the several Towns.

Sold by Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme and Brown, London; J. and G.Todd; York; Mr. Charnley, Newcastle; Mr, Wilson, Hull; Mr. Bowman, Richmond; and all Booksellers in the kingdom.

At a MEETING of the COMMITTEE of the MINER'S APPEAL, held at Alston, on Monday the 9th day of February, 1818,
JOSEPH SALKELD, Esq., in the Chair;
It was resolved unanimously, That this, Meeting approves of the Petition which has been read, and that it be left for signature, at the Golden Lion Inn, in Alston.
Resolved, That John Little, Esq. Chairman of the Meetings, at Alston, be requested to take the said Petition to London, and produce it at the Meeting to be held at the London Tavern,
Resolved, That the said Petition be inserted in The Newcastle Courant, and other Newspapers.
JOSEPH SALKELD, Chairman,
The Chairman having left the Chair, it was resolved unanimously, That the Thanks of the Meeting be given to Joseph Salkeld, Esq. for his conduct in the Chair.

TO THE LORDS OF MANORS, AND PROPRIETORS OF LEAD MINES, AND TO THE MINING ADVENTURER.
The Petition of the Miners, Tradesmen, Landholders, and the Inhabitants in General of the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland,
Humbly sheweth—That in this Parish there are ancient and very extensive Lead Mines, and a great proportion of the Population is composed of labouring Miners.
That in consequence of the low price of Lead, the Wages of the Miners have been so greatly reduced as to subject them to very severe privations and distress, and a very great additional burden has been laid on the Parish.
The Average of the Poor Rate for the last year amounted to Eleven Shillings in the Pound on the Rack Rent, and at this time requires Twelve Shillings in the Pound; and notwithstanding every attention and economy is practised, the Rate is still increasing, the aggregate number of Paupers being at present upwards of eight hundred, out of a population of about five thousand.
In the hope of better times, your Petitioners have borne their distresses with patience and fortitude, and their industry has been unremitting.
Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray, that you will be to take their situation into your serious consideration and adopt such measures as may tend to advance the Price of Lead, and by thus enabling the Adventurer to afford better wages to the miners, to relieve us from a state of distress and misery hitherto unparalleled. And your Petitioners will ever pray. (Signed by upwards of 1000 Signatures).

23rd May 1818 (Carlisle Patriot)
The *Jason*, sailed from Whitehaven, for Quebec, on Sunday morning, with one hundred and ten passengers; of whom nineteen men, nineteen women, and sixty four children were from Alston, in this county.
See 22nd August 1818

20th June 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)

TO BUILDERS, &c.

To be LET by Proposal

THE Building of a HOUSE at Stanhope. Persons desirous of contracting, may by applying to Mr Stagg, at Middleton in Teesdale; to Mr Little, at Stanhope in Weardale; or to Mr Bonomi, architect, Durham. Proposals in writing will be received by Mr Stagg, at Middleton, until the 7th day of July, 1818. —Middleton, June 16, 1818

30th June 1818 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Marriages

15th inst. at Alston, Mr Thomas Shaw, miner, of Grassington, to Phoebe, only daughter of Mr Wm. Elder, china and Staffordshire ware merchant, Alston.

11th July 1818 (Carlisle Patriot)

On the evening of Tuesday last, we were visited, in this neighbourhood, by a very severe storm of lightening, thunder, and rain, of considerable duration. It extended from Carlisle over nearly the whole of the northern and eastern parts of the county. It was particularly violent at Alston Moor. The lightning struck the house of Mr William Walton, and instantly killed Mrs Walton, his wife, Mr. W. and his daughter, were both struck senseless to the ground by the same flash, and their recovery is yet very doubtful. A cow and several sheep, belonging to Mr. Walton, were also killed at the same moment.

8th August 1818 (Carlisle Journal)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the Golden Lion, ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, on the 22d Day of August, 1818, at Six o'clock in the Evening

ONE FOURTH SHARE of and in a SHOT MANUFACTORY, at ALSTON aforesaid; carried on under the Firm of Messrs LITTLE and Co.

And also, certain SHARES of and in several LEAD MINES, at or near to Alston aforesaid; late the Property of Wm. Bell, of Brampton, in the said County, Brandy Merchant, a Bankrupt, and now become vested in his Assignees.

The precise Extent of the Interest of the Assignees in the said Lead Mines will be specified in the Particulars produced at the Time of Sale; and further Information may be had, in the meantime, on applying to Mr. SOULBY, of St. Mary Hill, Loudon; Mr. CROSBY, of Kirkbythore; Mr. Hope, of Brampton; or Mr. Butterworth of Penrith, the Assignees; or to Mr. HUTTON, of Penrith, solicitor.

22nd August 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)

Marriages

At Alston, on Saturday last, Mr. Humphrey Morrison, of Love Lady Shield, to Mrs. Frances Short of Foreshield, one of the proprietors of that valuable lead mine Hudgill Burn, in Alston Moor.

In 1851, at Flat, Garrigill, Humphrae Morrison, independent and farmer aged 70, his wife Frances, servant Catherine Dixon aged 52, and visitor John Bell, scholar aged 15.

Humphrey Morrison was buried at Garrigill 21st November 1855, aged 77, Frances was buried at Garrigill, 17th February 1861, aged 74.
See 6th November 1885

22nd August 1818 (The Times)
Extract of a letter from William White, Master of the brig Jason, of Whitehaven, which sailed from the port the 17th May last, freighted by Government, with 128 settlers from Alston Moor, for Upper Canada: -
"Jason (off Kamonrascas, about 100 miles below Quebec), June 28
"We arrived all well, in the river St. Lawrence on the 20th inst. after a pleasant and agreeable passage; since which we have been detained by contrary winds."
The Montreal Gazette of 15th July 1818, records that the brig arrived at Quebec on 30th June, following a 42 day journey, with 128 settlers, and the ship also carried ballast, lead and tin.

The following is from an article in the Ontario newspaper, "The Peterborough Examiner" referring to the original settlers, from Alston Moor, of Smithtown, Ontario, in 1818, who are commemorated by a monument in that town.

11th October 2014, Peterborough Examiner
"The Cumberland Settlers"
Elwood Hugh Jones, Professor Emeritus of History at Trent University and Archivist, Trent Valley Archives,

"… The Cumberland settlers had written to the Colonial Office asking for help in settling a group of some sixty settlers in Canada. The British government agreed to give 100 acres to each adult male member of the group, and to refund the settlement duties if they made improvements within five years of reaching their land. The group travelled from Port Hope mostly by water, as there were no roads until the 1840s; the women and children stayed in Port Hope until 1819, and the men established a group home on the triangle that is still evident at the base of the Communication Road, now known as Chemong Road. After the winter they helped each other to build their first homes, shanties or small log cabins, on their respective 100 acre lots which stretched along Communication Road for a few miles. …"
"…When the Cumberland Settlers arrived in Smith Township in 1818, they were the first European settlers in the area north of Rice Lake. Settlement was opened after a British treaty with the First Nations. It remains a mystery as to why the Colonial Office chose to settle them on such virgin land, but it appears to be connected with Upper Canadian ideas that the War of 1812 made it essential to develop and protect the waterways that could provide alternate ways to stifle American invasions. …"

Names on the Smithtown Memorial

William Dixon and five sons;
Joseph Lee and two sons, John and George;
John Smith and one son, Joseph;
Robert Milburn;
Thomas W. Milburn;
Robert Walton;
John Walton;

Margaret Stephenson;
Walton Wilson.

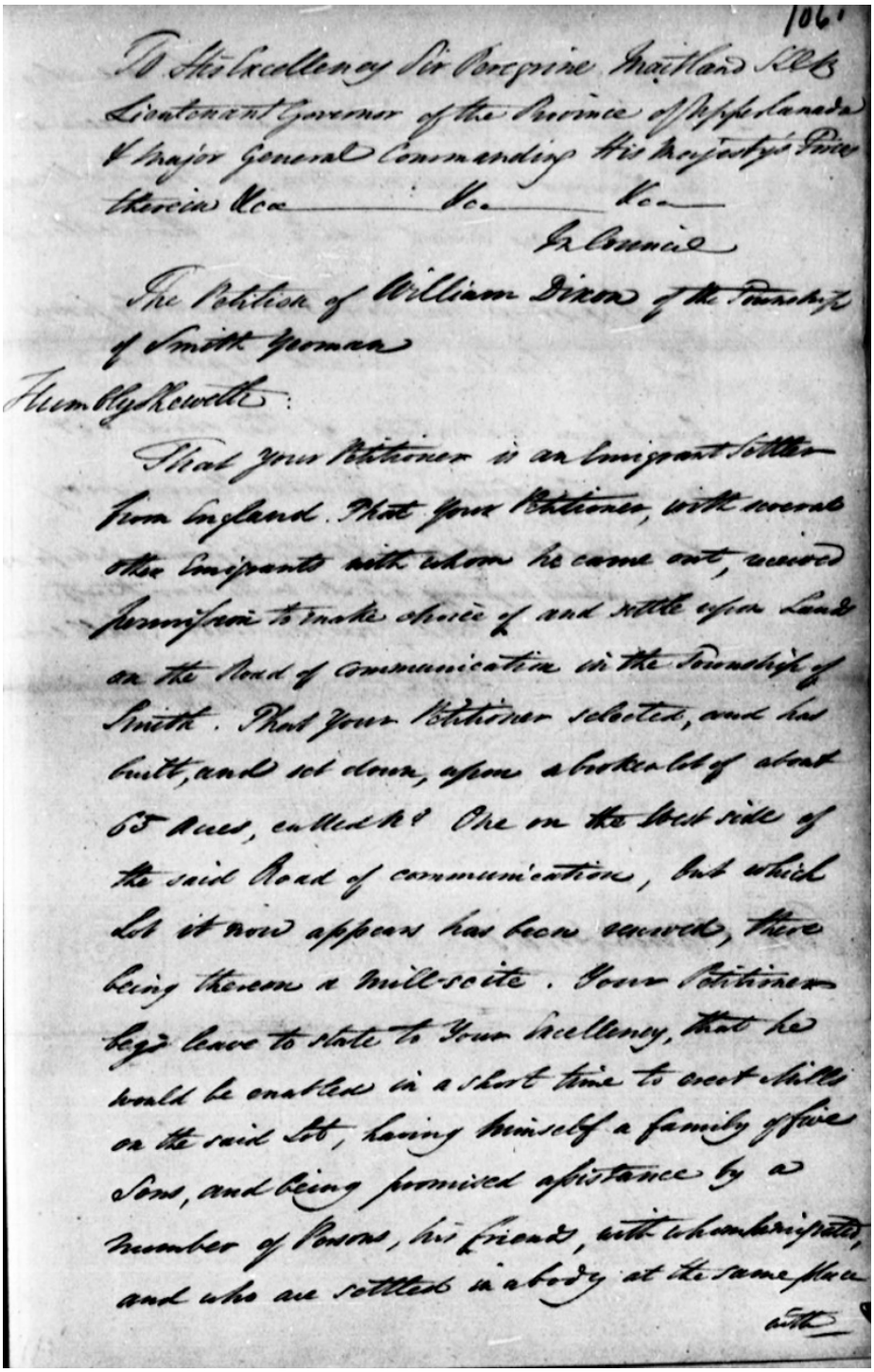
William Dixon house, Peterborough, Ontario
The pictures above and the text below are from:
Heritage Designation Brief and City of Peterborough Bylaw 1986-93

DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC PLACE
An early Georgian style, stone dwelling, the William Dixon house is located on a hillside on Park Street in Peterborough. It is recognized for its heritage value by City of Peterborough Bylaw 1986-93.

HERITAGE VALUE
"The heritage value of the William Dixon house lies in its association with the Dixon family, one of the six original "Colony Settlers" of the Peterborough area. A good example of Georgian styling, it is among the oldest houses in the town and one of only a few stone dwellings surviving. William Dixon immigrated to Canada from England with his parents in 1818. In 1829, after his marriage to Isabella Harvey, William built his first house on a share of the family land. His second house, now 661 Park Street North, was built in 1837 on the 1829 foundation. It is built with stones from Dixon's quarry, but has been covered on three sides with stucco plaster. Dixon was a district magistrate, captain of the militia during the 1837 Rebellion, and owner of the first sawmill and stone quarry in the Peterborough area. The house was owned by the Dixon family for over 50 years."

10th February 2014 Peterborough Examiner
"In Search of Dixon's Mill" Elwood Hugh Jones
"William Dixon snr died in 1823. … His eldest son, also William married in 1829 Isabella Harvey (1800-1884) who came with a party from Scotland in 1819, built the house, known as Dixon House, and apparently dating from 1829, has had a storied history. They lived in Dixon House, which was built in 1837 on the site where the first house was built in 1829. Two of the five sons that came with William Dixon died in 1819 and 1820. Joseph Dixon (1809-1863) and his wife, Margaret, had five sons and a daughter."
"According to the Theberges, authors of the history of Smith Township, At the Edge of the Shield (1982), William and Joseph Dixon were operating this mill by 1826, and at that time it had one muley saw. At the time there were four water powered sawmills, but only this one was in Smith township."

William Dixon married Nancy Chester, 23rd November 1791, at St Augustine's, Alston, Nancy was the daughter of Isaac and Frances Chester, of Allendale, Northumberland, she was baptised at Ninebanks, Allendale, 10th April 1767.
Children of William and Nancy Dixon.
Isaac born 9th December 1797, baptised 29th December 1797, Leadgate
John baptised 3rd April 1800, Leadgate
Ann born 6th April 1803, baptised April 1803, Leadgate
William born 12th August 1805, baptised October 1805, Leadgate
Joseph born 15 December 1807, Aimshaugh
Utrick born 23rd April 1810, Aimshaugh



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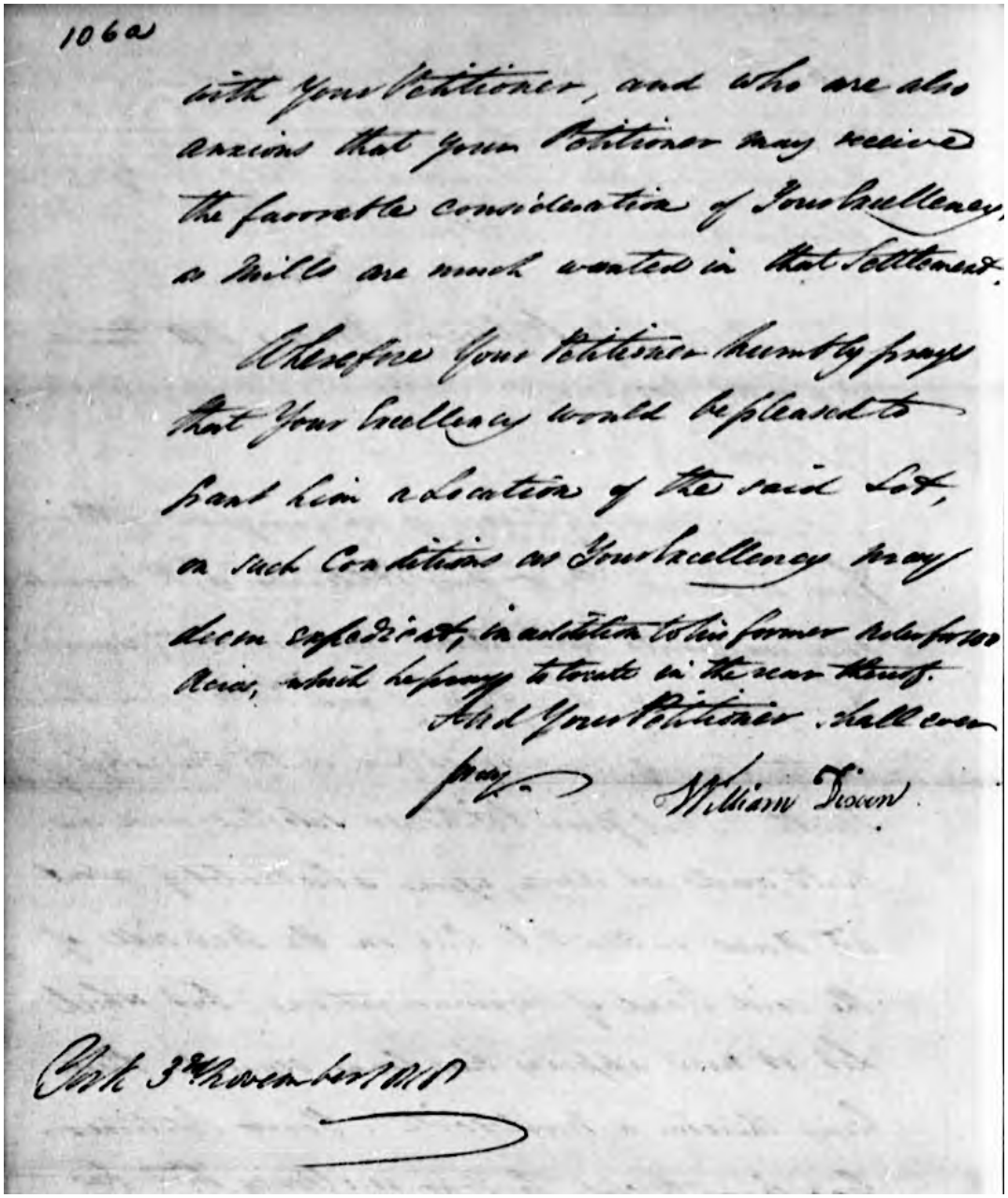
To His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland KCB
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada
& Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces
therein &c &c &c

In Council

The Petition of William Dixon of the Township
of Smith Yeoman

Humbly Sheweth:

That your Petitioner is an Emigrant Settler
from England. That your Petitioner, with several
other Emigrants with whom he came out, received
permission to make choice of and settle upon Lands
on the Road of Communication in the Township of
Smith. That your Petitioner selected, and has
built, and set down, upon a Broken Lot of about
65 Acres, called No One on the West side of
the said Road of communication, but which
Lot it now appears has been erroneously, there
being thereon a Mill-seat. Your Petitioner
begs leave to state to Your Excellency, that he
would be enabled in a short time to erect Mills
on the said Lot, having himself a family of five
Sons, and being promised assistance by a
number of Persons, his friends, with whom he is related,
and who are settled in a body at the same place
with



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with your Petitioner, and who are also anxious that your Petitioner may receive the favorable consideration of Your Excellency, as Mills are much wanted in that Settlement.

Wherefore your Petitioner humbly prays that Your Excellency would be pleased to grant him a location of the said Lot, on such Conditions as Your Excellency may deem expedient, in addition to his former location of 100 Acres, which he prays to locate in the rear thereof.

And your Petitioner shall ever pray &c. William Dixon.

York 3rd November 1815

Petition of William Dixon of Smith for Land
Library and Archives Canada Upper Canada Land Petitions (1763-1865)

3rd October 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At Stanhope, on Wednesday last, Mr. Joseph Crawhall of Denton West House, near Newcastle, to Miss Margaret Emerson, of Weardale.

10th October 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
We are happy to announce the return, to work of the miners in the employ of Colonel Beaumont. It appears that these men had petitioned for an increase of wages for working the ore, and an additional allowance of 2s. 6d.. per week subsidence money, making in the whole ten shillings. Several meetings bare been held at Chapel during the fortnight the miners have been off work; but nothing decisive took place till Monday last, when it was announced by the chairman, Mr Thomas Walton, that it was the wish of Mr Beaumont, jun. that they should return to their work, and he would use his influence with a view to promote the object of their petition. The miners upon this promise returned to their employment. There are upwards of two thousand men, independent of washer boys, employed in Col. B.'s mines, and their wages, during the last two years, we are assured, have not averaged five shillings per man per week, and the greater part of them are now receiving parish aid. Subscriptions have latterly been entered into for their relief, and C. Rippon, Esq. of Stanhope Castle, in addition to a sum of money, sent the poor men fifteen bolls of rye. The meetings were very peaceably conducted.— Two men, who had collected contributions, as they stated, for the general fund, but had applied them to their own use, have undergone the punishment of being ducked.

17th October 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
The paragraph which appears in our last, describing the situation of the Weardale miners, and which we received from a person who signs his letter "A. Coulthard," we find to be totally incorrect. We have been permitted to inspect Col. Beaumont's pay lists for the last three years, and we were surprised on learning from them the amount which has been paid in wages, some of the miners having actually earned, in a single year, upwards of £140. per man! A great deal, however, depends upon the nature of the workings, and the different situations in which the men are employed, and there is consequently much variation in their earnings. There are, we understand, about 1200 men employed in Col. Beaumont's Weardale mines, and the annual pay list amounts to about £60,000., making an average of £50. per man per annum, instead of 5s. per week, as stated by our Weardale correspondent. Mr Wentworth Beaumont did not enter into any promise to promote the object of the miners' petition, as has been incorrectly stated. The following, which is extracted from a letter written in Mr W. Beaumont's own hand, is the correct statement:— "When the deputation from the miners waited upon me on Thursday, 2nd inst. I remarked, that whatever their situation might be, I considered their conduct highly improper, and assured them that I should listen to no application from them until they had returned to their work.

24th October 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
The miners lately employed by Col. Beaumont, in Weardale, are again off work. They resolved, at a meeting on Monday last, not to return to their employment until an advance of wages is allowed them.

31st October 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
The Weardale Miners are again at work, an increased allowance of 5s. per Bing of ore been granted them.

31st October 1818 (Carlisle Patriot)
We have frequently heard, for the last two years, of the alarming extent to which the system of Poaching has been carried, in several parts of this and the adjoining Counties, more particularly in that part of the extensive parish of Alston Moor, coiled Garrigill, where the practice of Poaching may be said to be almost universal, and has led to the utter subversion of that social bond of society, by which the inhabitants of every particular district, as well as kingdom, ought to be united to each other, and has in many instances, caused the laws of the country, as well as the civil officers intrusted with their execution, to be trampled upon. We are, however, very glad to learn that several spirited and respectable inhabitants of the above parish, sensible of the disgrace reflected upon the district by the practice we have alluded to, have determined to exert themselves as far as lays in their power to put a stop to it, and have professed themselves willing to act as Special Constables, in aid of the civil power, to restore good order; and they have also signed a resolution to mark every act of Poaching with their determined disapprobation.-Our Correspondent adds, that notice has been given for a general meeting, to be held at Alston, on Thursday the 5th of next month, to consider of the most effectual means to be adopted, in order to discourage and put an end to the practice of Poaching in that parish, which is expected to be attended by every respectable inhabitant of the parish and neighbourhood.

12th December 1818 (Durham County Advertiser)
Weardale Poachers.—On Monday morning last a party of constables succeeded in taking two of the most incorrigible members of this fraternity. Their success. however, was of short duration—the fellows were taken to Chapel, whence the circumstance rung through the hills— the clan mustered their forces, and marched to Stanhope, where the escort had imprudently stopped at a public house with their captives. Here a few of these daring and lawless miscreants, leaving their companions as a corps of reserve at the end of the town, rushed into the house armed with guns, and in three minutes effected a rescue, by disarming and putting to flight double their numbers, and most unmercifully beating one or two of the constables who had the courage to remain to do their duty, one of whom, we regret to add, lies at Stanhope in a most dangerous state. Anthony Siddle, one of the persons rescued, has since delivered himself up to justice, and is now in the gaol in this city.

19th January 1819 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
On Sunday se'nnight, the inanimate body of Mr John Walton, of Blaglehead, near Alston, was found on Eales Fell, between Whitfield and Knaresdale.
See 10th April 1819

KIRKHAUGH CHURCH YARD
In Memory of
John Walton of Dyke
In this Parish

who departed this life Jany 8th 1819
in the 41st year of his age.
Also Sarah Veitch daughter of the above
who died at Castlenook May 8th 1840
aged 31 years.

23rd January 1819 (Carlisle Patriot)
On Monday last, a party of Hussars, 28 in number, under the command of an officer, was sent from this city to Alston Moor, at the requisition of the magistrates of that place. It appears that poaching has lately been carried to an extreme pitch in that neighbourhood; the men engaged in it are of the most desperate character; and their conduct is generally of a very daring nature. One of these persons having been apprehended, he was rescued by his associates in such numbers, and under such circumstances, as to render it necessary to support the civil with military power. The result of this expedition is not yet known in Carlisle; but the most absurd reports are in circulation—such as that three of the hussars and several of the inhabitants have been killed. We mention this merely to give it a contradiction.

30th January 1819 (Durham County Advertiser)
Mr Brignal, one of the constables of this city, having been directed by the magistrates, assembled at the late Quarter Sessions, to serve six warrants on the six individuals concerned in the attack upon the constables at Stanhope. when Siddle and his fellow prisoner were rescued, Mr B. waited upon the Rev. W. Wilson, at Wolsingham, to ask the advice of that magistrate, as to the course he should pursue. Mr W. very readily lent his assistance and accompanied Mr Brignal to Chapel, the residence of most of the offenders, none of whom they saw. They then Called upon some of the friends of the men, and pointed out to them the folly of any attempt to evade the law, and they succeeded in obtaining a promise that the accused persona should all appear with their sureties at Wolsingham before the Rev. Magistrate on the following day. Five out of the six faithfully fulfilled this promise, and entered into recognizances to appear at the next sessions to answer to the charge of assaulting the constables when in the exercise of their duty. Mr Brignal is of opinion that the character of the Weardale miners has been much mis-represented. They are, he says, quiet, hospitable people, and be has no doubt, had he gone alone to Chapel, that he should have met with no obstruction in the performance of his duty. He attributes the late attack at Stanhope to the improper conduct of the constables then employed.

27th February 1819 (Durham County Advertiser)
At a Court of assistants, held at the Lead Company's House, in Martin's Lane, London, on Tuesday the 19th January, 1819.
It was moved, seconded and resolved unanimously,
That this Court do express its warm approbation of the Bishop of Durham's very benevolent design of establishing a certain number of Schools In Weardale, in the county of Durham, as intimated to the Court by the deputation of its members who visited the Company's Works in the month of August, and more particularly communicated to the Court by the Rev. George Newby, of Wilton-le-Wear, on the 14th instant; and that this Court, deeply impressed with the importance of instructing the children of the poor miners and others, have

already given directions to their superintendent, Mr Stagg, to prepare a Building at Middleton in Teesdale. and another at Nent Head In Alston Moor, each capable of accommodating Two Hundred Children, to be opened as Schools, on the first day of next May; and by, a resolution of this Court, held on the 19th of February, 1818, It was ordered, “that the Masters of the said Schools should be members of the Church of England, and that the children be required to attend public worship twice evry Sunday, leaving the option, of the place to their parents;” that In these Schools the Court anxiously hope all the children of their workmen employed in Teesdale and Alston Moor. will receive the rudiments of religious and useful education, and in some degree realise the expectations entertained by the Bishop of Durham; but that this Court, fully sensible of the importance of extending the benefit of education as proposed by his Lordship, are willing, in addition to the establishments they have already ordered. to contribute the sum of four hundred pounds in aid of his Lordships benevolent and pious design.

Moved and seconded,

That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Honourable Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Durham, and that the Reverend George Newby be requested to convey the same to his Lordship.

(Signed) C. W. THOMAS. Secretary.

To the Editor of the Durham County Advertiser.

It is with heartfelt gratitude I am enabled to regale your readers with tidings from the mountains of a more pleasant cast than those which hare lately issued from your press.— 'The resolutions of the Lead Company, (which appear in another part of this paper,) will be hailed by every miner as the commencement of a new era, and afford grounds to hope that the character of my brethren will ere long be belter understood and more justly appreciated. We are not so sunk in barbarism, as to be insensible of the blessings of a free constitution, and lament sincerely, in common with our more enlightened countrymen, the dreadful consequences that must result from lawless anarchy and unrestricted violence. But the innocent should not suffer with the guilty; and the desperate and disgraceful attack made in this dale upon the civil authorities in the discharge of their duty, is contemplated by every honest miner with feelings of abhorrence and merited contempt, and in a forcible light points out the necessity of co-operation (to prevent the recurrence of a similar outrage), of all parties who are possessed of the means of redressing the existing grievances amongst us.

Westgate, Feb. 23. A———R.

To the Editor of the Durham County Advertiser.

SIR,—We, the undersigned, against whom a bill of Indictment fur an assault and rescue at Stanhope, was found by the Grand Jury at the 1st Quarter Sessions for the county of Durham. hare heard with much concern of a paragraph which appeared in the Tyne Mercury of the 2nd instant. We request you to slate to the public, that it appeared without our knowledge, and that it by no means accords with our sentiments . We are fully sensible that we have grossly violated the laws. and are anxious to make all the amends in our power. *Our surrender was unconditional—no promises were held forth to us, and no understanding exists that we should be treated leniently if we surrendered.* We do not deny that we hoped, and still hope, that a prompt

submission to the offended laws would induce the magistrates to be merciful but we throw ourselves on their mercy, and trust that the injudicious language of others may not make it less easy for that mercy to be extended to us
With regard to a paragraph which appeared in the Durham County Advertiser of the 30th Jan. last, respecting the conduct of the constables whom we assaulted, we can truly say that it was inserted without our knowledge, and that we are very sorry it was inserted at all. To recriminate on others would ill become men in our situation. Our earnest wish is to testify by any means in our power our sorrow for the past; and we intreat all persons whatever to abstain from meddling in a matter which concerns only ourselves, and those who will have to decide on our cases. We are, Sir, your humble servants,

his
THOMAS X LOW,
mark,
JOHN KIDD
JOHN CURRAH.
his
JAMES X CRAGGS.
mark
WM BELL the younger.
DIXSON WATSON.

Chapel In Weardale, 23d February, 1819.

6th March 1819 (Westmorland Gazette)
Deaths
At Penrith on Thursday last, Mr. Robert Carter, formerly of Alston, miner aged 74.

6th March 1819 (Newcastle Courant)
ALSTON MOOR COMMONS DIVISION.
WE, JOHN FRYER, WILLIAM DONKIN, and WILLIAM RATES, the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for dividing, allotting, inclosing, and otherwise improving several Commons, Moors, or Wastes, within the Manor of Alston, otherwise Alston Moor, and Garragill, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland," do hereby give public Notice, that we have prepared a Draught of our intended Award of the Division of the Commons, Moors, and Wastes, by the said Act directed to be divided, and that we intend to meet at the House of Mr Matthew Hetherington, at Low Byer, near Alston, on Thursday, the 8th Day of April next, at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, to read over and settle the same; and all Persons interested therein, their Stewards or Agents, may, if they think proper, attend such Meeting and peruse and inspect the said Draught, and hear the same read over, and be at Liberty to make such Objections thereto as they shall think proper, in Order to have the same removed, or the Parties complaining to have such Redress therein, as shall in the Judgment of us the said Commissioners appear to be just. Given under our Hands the 27th Day of February, 1819.
JOHN FRYER.
WILLIAM DONKIN.
WILLIAM BATES.

10 April 1819 (Newcastle Courant)
THE Creditors of JOHN WALTON, late of the Dyke in the Parish of Kirkhaugh, in the County of Northumberland. Farmer and Sheep-dealer, deceased, are requested immediately to send an Account of their Demands, together with Nature of their Securities, (if any) to Mr. Isaac Walton, Hudgill-Rig, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland (the Administrator,) or to Mr. John Bownas Wilson, solicitor, Brampton, Cumberland. And all Persons who stood indebt to the said John Walton, at the time of his Decease, are required immediately to pay the Amount of their respective Debts to the Isaac Walton, or John Bownas Wilson, otherwise Action will be commenced to compel the Payment thereof. Brampton, April 6.1819.
See 19th January 1819

15th April 1820 (Newcastle Courant)
ALSTON MOOR DIVISION.
WE JOHN FRYER, of the Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne, WILLIAM DONKIN, of Sandoe, in the County of Northumberland, and WILLIAM BATES, of Chollerton, in the same County, the Commissioners named in, or appointed and acting under the Direction of an Act of Parliament, passed in the 43rd Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act for dividing, allotting, inclosing, and otherwise improving several Commons, Moors, or Wastes, within the Manor of Alston, otherwise Alston Moor, and Garragill, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland," having completed the Division and Allotment of the said Commons, Moors, or Wastes, and having drawn up a Draft of our Award of the said Division, and the said Draft having been read over, perused, and settled at a Meeting advertised and held for that purpose, we have caused the said Award to be fairly engrossed or Written upon Parchment and do hereby give Notice, that we will attend at the House of Mr Matthew Hetherington, at Low Byer. near Alston, on Thursday, 27th Day of April instant, at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of reading over and executing our said Award, in the Presence of such of the Proprietors as may attend for that purpose.
JOHN FRYER.
WILLIAM DONKIN.
WILLIAM BATES.
Newcastle, 11th April, 1820.

24th April 1819 (Durham County Advertiser)
DURHAM EASTER SESSIONS.
At these Sessions Thomas Lowe, John Kidd, John Currah, James Craggs, Wm Bell, and Dixon Watson, were put to the bar, charged on an indictment found against them at the Christmas Sessions, for an assault on a constable, and rescuing from his possession Anthony Siddle whom he had in lawful custody. The circumstances which led to this prosecution, (and which were stated in our paper of the 12th of December last,) were as follow:—Application was made at the Michaelmas Sessions last year, for bench warrants to apprehend several persons residing at and near Chapel, who were suspected of poaching to a great extent. Thos Cairns, the prosecutor in this case, with other constables, was dispatched to execute the warrants, but they did not succeed in taking more

than one man, Anthony Siddle, whom they brought with them to Stanhope, at which place they stopped to take some refreshment, having travelled all night. They had not remained at Stanhope many minutes, before the house in which they were was besieged by a large party of these daring mountaineers, in arms, who had followed them from Chapel, where they mustered. A party of them, among whom were the defendants, entered the house, and commenced an attack on the constables, whom they beat unmercifully, and put to flight, and finally succeeded in rescuing Siddle from custody. The constables, though armed with the authority and power of the law, found they had no chance with their assailants who fought with one hand, and in the other they held their guns ready cocked. No damage was done by the guns. Siddle, however, delivered himself to justice a few days after this. On the prisoners being arraigned, they pleaded guilty.—Mr Losh, on the part of the prosecution, addressed the court. He said, he appeared there to conduct a prosecution against the prisoners, for a very serious offence. The Learned Gentleman then stated the particulars (as above) and observed, that to assault an officer of justice, or obstruct him in the discharge of his duty, was of itself a very great offence, inasmuch as it prevented the ends of justice being attained, but in this case the offence was considerably aggravated, by the ill treatment which the constables received from their assailants. The offence for which Siddle was apprehended was one of no ordinary nature, and one which the laws of this country visited with severe punishment; yet he was sorry to observe it was carried on, in the neighbourhood where the defendants resided, to a most alarming extent, and which rendered the interference of the civil authorities absolutely necessary to check an evil daily increasing, and the commission of which, in the face of the law, must of necessity tend to injure the morals of the people and make them worse subjects, as they were inculcating a principle of contempt of the laws, the strict observance of which was imperiously necessary to; protect the constitution of the country and the peace and welfare of our fellow subjects; yet these practices had been committed to an extent before unknown, and when the hand of justice had succeeded in discovering the author of them, and was about to consign a perpetrator to be dealt with according to law, the prisoners rose in a body, and without more to do, resolved and did take the law into their own hands to defeat the objects of justice; under these circumstances the Court would, be believed, find it to be its duty to pass upon the prisoners a severe and exemplary punishment, as great a punishment as the law would allow, but he was instructed to inform the Court, and in doing which he felt the greatest pleasure, that the whole of the prisoners, since the time of their entering into recognizance to appear here, had conducted themselves in a manner which left no doubt that they had become sensible of their offence, and had resolved to conduct themselves properly in future. That their contrition had been manifest he had been most credibly informed. In consequence of which he had humbly to entreat the Court to pass upon the prisoners as mild a punishment as the nature of the case would admit; and he hoped and trusted that whatever punishment the Court in its judgment might think right to inflict upon the defendants, it would have the effect to convince them that the laws of their country are not to be violated with impunity, and would render them better and more peaceable subjects. The Learned Counsel said he would only add that most of the prisoners had wives and small families, and those, he was informed, who were not married had families dependent upon them.—The Rev. W. Nesfield

(chairman *pro. tem*) said, that before passing sentence, he felt it his duty to say a few words to the prisoners: they stood there charged with almost as heavy an offence at could be committed. It gave great satisfaction to him to find them evincing contrition for their offence: if they had not, the Court would have found it their bounden duty to pass upon them a sentence which would have deprived their helpless families, and those who were dependent upon them, for a time, of that support which they were bound to afford them. He trusted that the prisoners, as well as everyone who heard him, would profit by this prosecution, and learn in future to respect the laws of the country. The Rev. Gentleman then delivered the sentence of the Court, which was, that the prisoners be fined 1s. each and find sureties, themselves in £50, and two sureties in £__, each to keep the peace for one year, and to be imprisoned until such fine be paid and such sureties found. They were all immediately dismissed, except Kidd, who had no sureties ready. He was consequently sent to prison, but has since been discharged on finding sureties. They are all fine looking men, and conducted themselves in the most proper manner before the Court.

1st May 1819 (Carlisle Journal)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE LORDS. Thursday, April 22.

The House met this day, in pursuance of the terms the adjournment. Except the presenting of petitions, and some routine Business, nothing was transacted. Amongst the petitions was one (presented by the Earl of Lonsdale) from the owners of lead mines in Northumberland, Cumberland, Yorkshire, and Durham, praying that lead-mines may not assessed to the poor-rates.

HOUSE OF COMMONS FRIDAY, April 23.

Mr. V. PAULETT presented a petition from the miners of Stanhope against the Lead Mines' Assessment for the Poor-rates; and similar petitions from other miners in the county of Durham; as was a similar petition from the miners of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmorland, and Yorkshire, presented by Mr ELLISON.

Mr. MORRITT moved the second reading of the Mines' Assessment Bill. Its object, he said, was make the ore mines liable to assessment for the poor-rates, and was brought before the House in consequence of petitions to that effect from the North Riding of Yorkshire. It was his intention to exempt the iron mines from the payment poor-rates, this sort of property never having been taxed.

Col. WOOD could find no reason to tax lead mines and suffer iron mines not to be taxed. It was also proposed exempt lead mines from this tax where benefit societies are established among the workmen. In proportion as they were dragged into the operation the poor-rates, they would destroy all efforts among the poor to relieve themselves. He should vote against the Bill.

Lord LASCELLES said, that the miners were in great numbers on the poor-rates, and the farmers were obliged to pay, to their absolute ruin, for their support.

Sir J. GRAHAM opposed the measure, because it was a partial one, and ought to have taxed all such property. He moved that the Bill be read a second time that day six month.

Lord MILTON objected to the exemption of iron mines, and was willing have his own, and all such property, subjected to the poor-rates. These mines created

the very poor rates which they would not defray, because they attracted a very great proportion the poor their immediate neighbourhood.
Mr. V. PAULETT supported the amendment, because the mines would be given up altogether if this Bill passed, which were now only kept at work to give support to a great many poor persons.
Mr. CURWEN supported the Bill.
The House then divided— For the second reading, 43—Against it 77—Majority, 34. The Bill was consequently lost.

31st July 1819 (Carlisle Patriot)
On Saturday last a young man of the name of Lee fell down a shaft of 40 fathoms, at Nenthead, near Alston, and was killed on the spot.
The only Lee buried at Alston or Garrigill for this period that I have found is, Joseph Lee of Physic Hall, buried 25th July 1819, at Alston, aged 13 years.
Marriages
At Alston, on Wednesday se'nnight, Mr. W. Bainbridge, solicitor, to Miss Hannah Rowell.

7th August 1819 (Newcastle Courant)
Sunday night whilst a miner's family of the name Birket, residing in the neighbourhood of Alston Moor, were sitting round the fire, the lightning descended down the chimney and threw the whole upon the ground, they soon after recovered from the shock. A young girl was severely burnt and a boy much hurt, but the rest were little worse. The — element was attracted by almost every piece of iron in the house extracting nails from the wood, and throwing whatever implements were made of that metal considerably out of their place.

11th December 1819 (Durham County Advertiser)
Married
On the 27th ult., Mr Richard Bell, of Shildon, near Blanchland, agent to Arkendale and Derwent Mines Company, to Miss Mary Ellis, of Hexham.

11th December 1819 (Carlisle Journal)
We are happy to announce that the Bishop of Durham is now building and endowing eight schools in suitable situations, among the lead mines of his county. The masters will have moderate salaries to encourage industry, but not preclude the necessity of exertion. By this judicious diffusion of his Lordships bounty, throughout the district, the means of useful learning will be brought commodiously home to a greater number of scholars, than by one large though central establishment, more splendid but less useful.

15th April 1820 (Newcastle Courant)
ALSTON MOOR DIVISION.
WE, JOHN FRYER, of the Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne. WILLIAM DONKIN, of Sandoe, in the County of Northumberland, and WILLIAM BATES, of Chollerton, in the same County, the Commissioners named in, or appointed and acting under the Direction of an Act of Parliament, passed in the 43rd Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act for dividing, allotting, inclosing, and otherwise improving several Commons, Moors, or Wastes, within the Manor of Alston, otherwise Alston Moor and Garrigill, in

the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland." having completed the Division and Allotment of the said Commons, Moors, or Wastes, and having drawn up a Draft of our Award of the said Division, and the said Draft having been read over, perused, and settled at a Meeting advertised and held for that purpose, we have caused the said Award to be fairly engrossed or written upon Parchment and do hereby give Notice, that we will attend the House of Mr Matthew Hetherington, at Low Byer, near Alston, on Thursday the 27th Day of April instant, at ten o'clock in the Fore noon for the purpose of reading over and executing our said Award, in the Presence of such of the Proprietors as may attend for that purpose.

Newcastle, 11th April 1820.

JOHN FRYER.
WILLIAM DONKIN
W.BATES

3rd June 1820 (Durham County Advertiser)

Marriages

At Stanhope, on Saturday last, Thomas Hodgson to Eleanor Batey; John Batey to Hannah Milburn; Joseph Vipond to Mary Westgarth; Joseph Featherston to Mary Lonsdale; and John Walton to Sarah Walton, all of the parish of Stanhope.

Deaths

At St John's Chapel, Weardale, aged 60, Mrs. Raine, wife of Mr. Henry Raine, of Wellhope, much respected.

24th June 1820 (Durham County Advertiser)

VALUABLE MINING GROUND TO BE LET.

To be LET by Proposal,

For 21 years, from the first of January next,

THE LEAD MINES within the Lordships of Arkindale, New Forest, and Hope, in the North Riding of Yorkshire, in the three following lots, viz.: —

Lot 1. To comprise Moulds, and the whole of the west side of Arkle Beck up to Coneyseat Hill and Middle Beck.

Lot 2. To comprise the grounds from Middle Beck, south east to Earlsett Cragg, and from thence in a line to Hurgill Head; and from thence down Eskelith Gill to the place where that Gill falls into Arkle Beck.

Lot 3. To comprise the grounds called Windegg, Tanner Rake, Hope Moor, and Hexwith, and the whole of New Forest.

N. B. If the lots are let separately, a money rent and a duty on smelted lead will he required for each lot: but, if any persons are willing to take the whole royalty together for 21 years, a money rent only, without duty, will be accepted.

Proposals will be received for taking any of the lots, or the whole, at Mr Yarker's, the King's Head, in Richmond, on Tuesday the 18th day of July next, at twelve o'clock; and in the meantime, the particular terms and conditions to be performed by the lessees of any lot, or for the whole royalty, may be seen on application to Mr Joseph Alderson, West House, Arkindale (who will shew the mining ground, and, by permission of the present lessees, their levels and works underground), or at the office of Messrs Clarke and Grey, Stockton upon Tees.

June 20th. 1820.

8th July 1820 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Alston, on Saturday last, Mr. William Daglish, cabinet maker, Newcastle, to Miss Isabella White, daughter of Mrs. Teasdale, of the former place.

4th November 1820 (Carlisle Patriot)
TO SCHOOLMASTERS.

WANTED, against CHRISTMAS, 1820, a SCHOOLMASTER in the VILLAGE of GARRAGILL-GATE, in the Parish of ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland. Salary £60 per Annum. None need apply except Persons of good moral conduct, and who are well acquainted with the Madras System of Tuition.

Such Persons as intend to Apply, must attend at the Schoolhouse at NENTHEAD, in the said Parish, on THURSDAY the 7th DECEMBER next, to be Examined by Mr. CARR, the Schoolmaster there, as to their Capacity for Teaching and Qualifications, and afterwards attend the Committee of the School on FRIDAY the 8th Day of DECEMBER, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon, in the Schoolhouse at Garrgill-Gate aforesaid. Further Particulars may be had by applying to Mr. DICKINSON, of Lowbyer, near Alston.

10th February 1821 (Carlisle Patriot)
The following most distressing accident, occurred at the mines of Wanlockhead, early in the morning of Wednesday, the 31st ult. Among the numerous workmen employed in these extensive lead mines, there are persons constantly stationed at the hand-pump, for the purpose, we believe, of raising the water to such a level, as the engine can act upon, and who, from the nature the duty, frequently require to relieve one another, like soldier's guard, or sailors in a storm. In consequence of this arrangement, two labourers had just begun to descend the mine, to relieve two of their fellow pumpers, who were at the same time ascending, when a young man, named Matthew Weir, came forward with the intention it is supposed, of assisting his companions, but who overstepping the guard from the darkness the morning, actually walked into the Pit, and was instantly precipitated to the bottom—a depth of at least 196 feet. In his fall, he came in contact, though at different distances, with Peter Hastie and John Moffat, the two men that were ascending; both of whom he unseated with such violence, that the former after hanging for a few seconds, fell upon the dead body of Weir, to the great consternation of the people below. John Moffat was rather more fortunate; and while forced from his seat and in the very act of falling back, his ankle providentially got fixed in the loop of the rope; and in this way he hung suspended by the heels in the very middle of the yawning chasm! We will not attempt to describe what the unfortunate man must have felt, while placed in a situation which was nearly as frightful as that of the Aeronaut who made a desperate effort to repair some part of his balloon, and who while dangling between heaven and earth, trusted to the frail hold of a few folds of ribbon. Suffice it to say, that the people below, while removing the bodies of the other men, discovered the woeful plight of the remaining sufferer, who was ultimately saved by the great and meritorious exertions of the man at the windlass and lowered to the bottom without any further accident. Of the three persons concerned in this calamitous affair, M. Weir was killed on the spot; P.

Hastie although taken up alive was unable speak, and died the same evening; and John Moffat though still living, is considered to be in very doubtful way. The two individuals last named were both single men; but M. Weir has left a sorrowing widow, and a numerous family.—*Dumfries Courier.*

21st May 1821 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Monday last, whilst Benjamin Gibson, of Thornthwaite, was working in a Lead mine near that place, the roof gave way and he was instantly crushed to death. The following day an inquest was held on view of the body, before H. Thompson, Esq. and a verdict of accidental death returned—The unfortunate sufferer was an industrious, honest man, and has left a wife and family to lament his untimely death.

22nd September 1821 (Durham County Advertiser)
About 500 men and 150 children were entertained with an excellent dinner at Middleton in Teesdale, on Tuesday se'nnight, by Robert Stagg, Esq. agent to the London Mining Company. The day was spent in the most joyous, yet decorous manner.

13th October 1821 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At Stanhope, on Saturday se'nnight, Mr. Joshua Craig, to Miss Deborah Featherston, Tuesday se'nnight, Mr. Jonathan Vickers of Peasmires, to Miss Collingwood, of Noah's Ark, both in the parish of Stanhope.

17th November 1821 (Durham County Advertiser)
The Society for the Encouragement of Parochial Schools in this Diocese has just published its Annual Report; and we cannot forbear laying before our readers the following extract.
It records one of the many acts of munificence and wisely directed charity, which will make the name and memory of the present Bishop of Durham honoured by our latest posterity: —
"A large and most important addition to the number of Schools in Union with the Society has been made by the splendid liberality of the Lord Bishop of Durham. His Lordship has built seven School-houses in different parts of Weardale, (towards the cost of which the London Lead Company have liberally contributed the sum of £400); in which it will be seen, on reference to the list, that more than 500 children are regularly taught. A permanent endowment of them has been given by the same munificent hand; but in such a judicious measure, as may tend rather to assist and stimulate, than to supersede, the liberality of local contributors; without whose active and zealous co-operation, it is needless to say, the amplest endowments would be unable to secure the reel prosperity of such institutions. …"

6th April 1822 (Carlisle Patriot)
One of the Dufton Lead Mines is so productive that a labouring man and his son have earned the sum of five hundred pounds whilst working it in the last twelve months.

5th October 1822 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths
At Allenheads, on the 18th ult. Aged 71, Mrs Crawhall, deservedly regretted.
Ann Crawhall buried 21st September 1822, at St Peter's, Allenheads.

9th November 1822 (Westmorland Gazette)
Alston Moor:
The proprietors of the Grassfield lead mine, Alston Moor, have lately discovered a vein in their mining field, which is very productive.

7th December 1822 (Westmorland Gazette)
Accident:
On the 12th inst., *(sic)* while Mr William Walton, of Alston, miner, was employed in walling and arching a level on Dufton Fell, Westmorland, the roof of the arch gave way, and killed him on the spot. Another person employed in the same work fortunately escaped.
At Alston, St Augustine's, a William Walton, aged 33, was buried 14th November 1822.

24th December 1822 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
A correspondent says that "Alston is now one of the most flourishing towns in the north of England, owing to the richness of the lead mines. The proprietor of Hudgill Burn Mine will share this year between 30 and 40 thousand pounds, exclusive of the 5th lot of ore to the Governors of Greenwich Hospital, as lords of the manor. The whole of the land under which the above mine is situated is not worth £4 per annum."

11th January 1823 (Durham County Advertiser)
COURT OF KING'S BENCH, Saturday, JAN. 4.
Statute of Limitation
DOUBLEDAY v. PULLEN
This was an action for the recovery of £2,000. upon Bills of Exchange, drawn by the Plaintiff and accepted by the Defendant . The transactions between the parties appeared to be of a very complicated nature. They had embarked in working, upon an extensive scale, a lead mine in the county of Durham. Its concerns were managed by shareholders. The capital was distributed in fifty shares, twenty seven of which were sold for £8000. each, and with the £2I6,000. so raised, £70,000. was appropriated in the shape of capital for working the mines, and the remainder was sunk in a variety of other disbursements between the parties. In the course of the business the Plaintiff and Defendant separated, the latter entering into an agreement to make some advances upon the credit of the twenty-two undisposed shares of the mines. Bonds and deeds were accordingly executed by those concerned, and in a subsequent arrangement, four notes of £500. each, drawn by the Plaintiff, and accepted by the Defendant, were paid into the banking-house of Messrs Lambton &. Co. at Newcastle. The bankers compelled the Plaintiff, who was the drawer, to pay these bills upon their being dishonoured by the Defendant, whose affairs had become embarrassed, owing to the unexpected failure of the lead mines, the shares of

which were the security on which he relied for the fulfilment of his contracts. The Defendant refused to pay the notes on the ground that the security, on the faith of which they had been given, had proved utterly unavailing. The statute of limitation was also pleaded, it not appearing that any promise of payment had been made within the term of six years. The latter plea was established, and the Plaintiff was non-suited.

25th January 1823 (Carlisle Patriot)
Our Alston correspondent write—"The weather is so very cold and stormy, that a man named Abraham Graham, perished in crossing the hills between Nenthead and Allendale, on the 17th instant."

7th June 1823 (Durham County Advertiser)

To be LET by Contract,

In one or several Lots, as may be agreed upon,

THE BUILDING of TWO OVERMEN'S HOUSES, and of COTTAGE HOUSES for the accommodation of Twenty Five Miners' Families, to be erected at Middleton in Teesdale.

Proposals will be received by Mr. Stagg, at Marton House, near Appleby, on or before Tuesday the 25th June, 1823. Persons sending in Proposals may attend on the same day, before 12 o'clock, if it suits their convenience.

Plans and specifications of the work may be seen, and other particulars be known, at Marton House, near Appleby; at the London Lead Company's Office, Middleton; and at the Office of Mr. Bonomi, Architect, Durham.

Two sufficient sureties will be required for the due performance of the Contract, and their names must be sent in with the Proposal.

Marton House, near Appleby, June 4th, 1823.

9th August 1823 (Durham County Advertiser)
Alston Moor, which, from the richness of its lead mines has become so interesting and profitable a district to those who are connected with it, is likely to be touch benefited by the aid of the celebrated Mr McAdam, who, accompanied by Lord Lowther and Mr Locker, Secretary to Greenwich Hospital, is now at Alston, projecting roads in different directions from that place. It is said an entirely new line, with a very easy elevation, may be made over Heartside to Penrith.

20th October 1823 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Marriages

On Wednesday last at Alston, Mr Isaac Crawhall, of Newhouse, Weardale, to Ann, second daughter of John Wilson, Esq. of Nenthall.

On Wednesday last at Alston, Mr Edward Heylin, of Penrith, draper, to Miss Maria Featherstonehaugh, daughter of Mr Featherstonehaugh, Innkeeper, Alston.

25th October 1823 (Durham County Advertiser)

THE MINERAL LAWS OF DERBYSHIRE.

The Lead mines of Derbyshire are of very remote antiquity. The Odin mine at Castleton bears the name of one of the Saxon deities; it may. therefore, be

inferred that it was known to, and worked by the Saxons previously to the introduction of Christianity. In the wapentake of Wirksworth there were lead mines so early as the year 853; at which time a grant was made by the abbess of Repton, of her estate at Wircenworth on condition that an annual stipend of lead, of the value of three hundred shillings, should he paid for certain religious uses as she then directed. The laws that now govern the mining interests of' this county contain some curious provisions; how they originated is now difficult to determine, but, from indisputable records, it appears “that Edward the First directed the Sheriff of the county to call a meeting at Ashbourne of such persons as were best acquainted with the rights and customs of the mines.” On this occasion their privileges were ascertained and confirmed; the two Courts of Money and Wirksworth established; and a code of permanent regulations adopted. These regulations constitute the mineral law of Derbyshire at the present time. The principal officers of these Courts are denominated barmasters, and it is their peculiar duty to preside on all cases of trial in which the mining interests of their respective jurisdictions are concerned; and generally, to see that justice is fully and fairly administered. It is likewise the duty of the barmaster to put miners in possession of any veins of lead ore which they may discover. The mode of doing this is extremely simple, yet curious. When a man has found or imagines he has found a vein of ore in any part of the “King’s Field," which, with very few exceptions includes the whole of the mineral districts of Derbyshire, he may claim it as his own merely by fixing down a few sticks, put together in a peculiar way, and notifying the same to the barmaster, who immediately gives him complete and exclusive possession of his newly-acquired property in a way as summary as it is decisive. The barmaster, accompanied by two jurymen belonging to the mineral Court, enters the place, field, or meadow, where the miner intends to commence his operations marks out a plot of ground about fourteen yards square, takes it from the former proprietor, whether it be freehold or not, and given it to a new possessor. But this is not all; the miner has now only obtained a piece of land in which to sink his shaft. The little insulated spot which has just been made his own, if surrounded with fields some covered with grass and some with corn, through which the barmaster and the two jurymen soon mark out a path to the public highway; they arrange themselves on a line with each other, and with their arms wide extended and their fingers' ends just touching, they march abreast from the mine in the most convenient direction to the nearest public carriage road, placing stakes on each side as they proceed, within which they confirm to the miner a carriage-way in perpetuity, whereon he may cart his minerals, uninterrupted by any authority whatever. Neither standing corn, nor any other description of standing corn, nor any other description of property, with the exception of “a dwelling-house, a high road, a garden, or an orchard," is, or can be exempt from the fundamental law of the miners. A number of other provisions, equally singular, are included amongst their regulations. “If any miner be killed or slain. or damped upon the mine, within any groove,” no King's Coroner has power to interfere; the barmaster becomes invested with his authority, and holds an inquest accordingly. In article the thirteenth it is provided, “that no person shall sue any miner for debt that doth belong unto the miners in any Court but the Mineral Court, and, if any person do the contrary, he shall lose his debt and pay the charges in law.” In a subsequent clause it is enacted, “that no officer, for trespass or debt, shall execute or serve any writ, warrant, or

present, upon any miner, being at work in the mine, nor when the miners come and go to the Barmote Court, but the barmaster or his deputy only." These extracts are sufficient to shew how extensive and various the authority of the barmaster is; they likewise exemplify the peculiar nature of those previsions which govern and regulate the practice of the miners of Derbyshire.

13th December 1823 (Carlisle Patriot)

We are enabled to lay before our readers the following important communications from Mr. McAdam to Mr. Locker. Secretary to Greenwich Hospital, on the subject of the intended new roads in the Counties of Cumberland and Northumberland: they contain many encouraging statements; and we trust the project will not be suffered to languish by those who have the power of conducting it to its desired termination. Mr. McAdam forcibly points out the advantages of a better communication in the district referred to; but how much would the facilities of commerce of all kinds be increased by a continuation of the Carlisle Canal to Newcastle? As one improvement generally leads to another, we hope that the Northumberland Noblemen and Gentlemen will arouse themselves and exhibit their wonted spirit of enterprise and liberality: we are sure that they will be well seconded in Cumberland.

(COPY.)

Aldstone Moor, 19th July 1823.

On inspection of the several Roads to which my attention was directed by you, I find them in a most deplorable state, both as regards the lines and the surface. The same may be observed of all the roads in this part of the country, the want of management being apparent throughout. The lines of road have been so improperly carried, that in many places the rise is one in seven, and in several parts one in five.

With respect to the construction of the roads, they are altogether the worst that have yet come to my knowledge: not only have the old defective methods been followed in the formation, stoning, and subsequent repairs of the roads, but the work has been executed in the most slovenly careless manner, without method, and regardless of expense. No pains having been taken to preserve the roads from the Winter floods, by keeping open the waterways, they are washed out so as to present the appearance of a bed of rocks, rather than an artificial road. Under such circumstances it must be obvious that the traffic required by the commerce and agriculture of the district must be carried on with difficulty and at a great expense. In the circle of which Aldstone is the centre, having a diameter of about thirty-six miles, all the articles produced in the country, and requiring transport, are of a heavy description, viz: lead and lead ore, coal, lime, timber, stone. And the distances to be travelled are considerable, the rate carriage at present is high yet the persons employed are very inadequately paid—such are the difficulties arising from the condition of the roads

The quantity of lead and lead ore carried upon the roads within the circle under consideration may he computed at 14,000 tons annually; of coal, perhaps 3,000 tons; timber and other heavy commodities, 3,000 tons, making an aggregate of 20,000 tons per annum. Supposing the average distance carried to be only ten miles and that the improvement of the roads to lower the price of carriage at the very moderate rate of three-pence per ton per mile, the direct saving would he £2,500 per annum. The indirect saving of expense of carriage of provisions, and other lighter commodities, and the facilities to be given to the agricultural and

other interests of the country are not so easily estimated, but may be supposed to be of much consequence, because the situation of the mines in a very high country has collected an extra population of six thousand persons dependent for a supply of provisions on a lower Country, distant from twenty to thirty miles, and because lime is much and very usefully employed in the agriculture of the country for the grass lands required for the; maintenance of a great number of horses employed in the transport.

In addition to all the advantages belonging particularly to the domestic economy of the circle, good roads will open communications from south to north, and from east to west, through a country in the centre of the kingdom, which in its present state forms a barrier to all improvement, by which the traffic will be much increased, and the toll revenues consequently improved.

On the road front Hexham to Penrith the greatest impediments are Cupola Bank, Whitfield Fell, and Hartside Fell. The road over Cupola Bank may be made at a rise of one foot in twenty-seven, without an increase of distance beyond half a mile, which will probably be regained soon after the ascent is attained. Whitfield Fell, may be crossed at a rise of one foot in twenty-six on the eastern side, and on the western side about one foot in twenty-one to Clargill, and from thence to the summit one foot in twenty-eight. Hartside Fell may be crossed at a rise of one foot in thirty from Aldstone to the summit, and at one foot in twenty from Melmerby to the summit. All the other parts of this road may be so much improved, as to be considered nearly level.

The road of communication to Nent Head, which branches front this road, at or near Clargill, may be greatly improved, so as no part of it may rise more than one foot in twenty-three, and will be much shorter than the present defective line; this road is important, as being the communication with the coal mines, from which Aldstone and the lead district, in Nentwater, are principally supplied.

Should the roads from Hexham to Penrith and from Burtryford to Burnstones be consolidated, and the branches added from Hudgill Burn to Clargill, from Aldstone to Penrith, from Langley Mills to Haydon- bridge, from Langley Mills by West Boat and Tower Tye to Bellingham, the whole road in the New Trust will be about seventy-five miles, of which fifty miles must be made over new ground, and twenty-five miles of old road improved.

The expense, including bridges and the purchase of land, fencing, &c. will be about £20,000.

The tolls at present levied on these roads amount to about £1,500 per annum, and the additional tolls that may be levied on the road, to be added, may be safely estimated at £1,700, making an income of £3,200. The future expenditure for repairs, allowing for statute labour, to be performed, and including Surveyor's salaries, will be about £1,775; Interest of debt £1,000; total 2,775; income as above £3,200; surplus £425.

I have the utmost confidence that there will be a material increase of the tolls, as soon as the roads are put into a proper state of repair, whereby the communications will be facilitated, and much intercourse promoted through this country.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. L. McADAM.

To E. H. Locker, Esq., Secretary to
Greenwich Hospital.

(COPY.)

Office of Roads, Bristol, 30th Sept. 1823.

SIR, —I beg leave to report to you, for the information of the Directors of Greenwich Hospital, the conclusion of my labours in laying off' and procuring plans of the various roads in the Counties of Cumberland, Northumberland, Durham, and York, connected with the Manors and Estates of the Hospital.

These roads are comprised in a circle, of which the diameter is about fifty miles, extending from Bellingham in Northumberland, on the north, to Rokeby Abbey Bridge, in the County of York on the south; and from Penrith in Cumberland, on the west, to West-boat in Northumberland, on the east; including several branches, as by a sketch accompanying this will be more easily understood.

Copies of the plans of the roads are sent to you with this, for the purpose of shewing the particulars of the proposed improvements for the information of the Board.

The estimate of expense that accompanies the plans, has been formed upon the supposition of receiving a considerable addition from the road revenue of tolls and statute labour: the former will be increased by the improvement of the roads, and the consequent increase of traffic; the latter must be continued for two or three years, while the improvement is in progress. It may reasonably be expected, that the country will give that aid cheerfully and effectually in consideration of the great advantage to be derived, and the prospect of an entire abatement of statute labour, in as far as relates to the turnpike roads, and in consideration, that the improvement of parish roads, with reduced expense, will keep pace with that of the turnpike roads. Agriculture will be relieved from compulsory statute labour, and the expensive and inefficient remedy of indictments will be no longer resorted to.

In making the estimates, I have also taken into account a reasonable time for accomplishing the whole plan, beginning with removing the most prominent evils which at prevent obstruct the communication, and proceeding with the other improvements in the order of their importance, at the same time getting the old roads put into a good condition. I have likewise calculated entirely upon the Trustees committing the execution of the whole to the hands of skilful and economical officers, and placing the affairs of the roads under vigilant and respectable control, by which in future the roads may be kept in good order, and their revenues protected from waste, fraud, and mismanagement.

It is not easy to enumerate the great advantages which opening the communications of this country will afford to the property; the various and complicated interests of Greenwich Hospital in the North of England, required that an extended and liberal view should be taken of their affairs, and of the state of the country in which they are placed: your journey has accomplished that desirable object, and I must trust much to your communicating so the Directors the many and great advantages to be derived from your labours, amongst which the amendment of the roads and opening communications are certainly important features, when we consider the quantity of, heavy commodities which are transported to considerable distances by them and their tenants. From the very remote situation of the mining country (many of the mines being from 1500 to 2000 feet above the level of tide water), it is necessary to connect the roads of the district with others in every direction, in order to create a traffic of the extent and description that will secure a toll revenue

adequate to the objects in view; viz. payment of interest, creating a sinking-fund, and preserving the roads in a state of good repair.

The Estates and Manors of Greenwich Hospital in the Counties of Northumberland and Cumberland, are placed in a mountainous part of the country, difficult of access, and having at present no other roads than those formed on the old pack horse tracks, and carried upon lines so inconvenient and steep, as not only to be a great obstruction to the local carriage, but to present a barrier to all communication with commercial districts on every side.

The heavy commodities produced within the circle described above, are transported at an expense, one third, and in many cases one half, beyond what they might be carried on good lines of well constructed road. This loss falls particularly heavy on the Hospital and its tenants: and generally the value of the whole property is depressed by this impediment to traffic of every kind. A population of six thousand persons, in the mining district, is supplied with provisions entirely from a lower part of the country, at present with much difficulty and expense. From the great extern and flourishing condition of the woods and plantations of these Estates the transport of their timber to a market is already of consequence and will be every year of increased importance.

The great impedimenta that surround and as it were cut off the mining district from the rest of the world, are on the west, Hartside Fell; on the south, Killhope Cross, and Yad Moss; to the north. Coal Fell; on the east, Whitfield Fell and Cupola Bank. ‘The late survey has shown that these impediments may be got over, without any increase of distance, by very easy ascents. The steepest rises will not exceed one foot in twenty, and these are not of any extent.

A branch road has been laid off into the most extensive mining district in Nent-Water, by which the distance in materially lessened, and a new road, nearly level, made to communicate with the present turnpike, road. This with the projected improvements of Cupola Bank and Whitfield Fell, will open a safe and easy road to Langley Smelting Mills, from whence to Hexham the proposed alterations will give easy access. Beyond this line it is hoped that the local Trustees will be induced to make the necessary and very evident improvements on the road from Hexham to Newcastle, which in the port of shipping with which the Estates of the Hospital communicate.

The enlightened measures adopted by Greenwich Hospital, for the improvement of the roads, deserve the grateful and active co-operation of the Landed Proprietors off the several counties. It is difficult to estimate the extent, or the advantages of the impulse thus given to improvement by the exertions of a great public body, actuated by the most enlarged views of sound policy and concern for the public welfare.

The want of a method of making cheap and durable communications throughout the country, has hitherto prevented the roads from keeping pace with the advancement of our national prosperity. This is peculiarly observable in these counties, where the roads are generally the most expensive and the worst in the kingdom. The extent and value of the mines, and the vast quantity of agricultural produce, are source of wealth, which are at present kept in check by the want of eligible communication, but which could not fail of rising to their proper level, were this restraint removed. The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, as extensive landed proprietors, and Lords of a great mining country, have an immense and peculiar interest in the execution of this wise measure.

The new method of constructing good and durable roads, at comparatively small cost, cannot fail of producing extensive benefits in the Northern Counties, where the large sums expended in making, and the ignorance of those employed in repairing roads, have prevented the Proprietors fully availing themselves of their natural advantages. This part of the kingdom abounds with the most excellent materials, procurable at moderate prices; the people are industrious, healthy, and ingenious, and the funds for maintenance of the roads are ample. Were these powerful means placed under the control of a respectable executive department, properly supported by the Commissioners, there can be no doubt of a favourable result.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient,
humble servant, J. L. McADAM

To E. H. Locker, Esq., Secretary to Greenwich Hospital,

27th December 1823 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Egglestone, lately, aged 28, after a long and tedious illness, which she bore with exemplary fortitude and resignation, Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. John Barnes, principle Lead Mining Agent to the Earl of Darlington.
See 30th September 1826

6th March 1824 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
Suddenly, on the 27th ult., at Blaydon, Mr John Alderson, aged 70, many years agent to the Lead Company. His beloved disposition endeared him to a numerous circle of friends, who deeply lament his loss.

17th April 1824 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Egglestone, in this county, on the 8th inst., in the 40th year of his age, after a tedious illness, which he bore with real Christian patience, Mr. Joshua Stagg, Cashier to the London Lead Company. He was highly and deservedly respected, and his death is sincerely lamented. *See Robert Stagg & Family*

24th April 1824 (Carlisle Patriot)
The Act for repairing the old and making several new turnpike roads in the neighbourhood of Alston Moor, which were surveyed last year by J. L. McAdam, Esq. has received royal assent.

15th May 1824 (Carlisle Patriot)
Married
Mr. Joseph Hetherington, of the Flat, near Aldstone, to Deborah, second daughter of William Leach, of Eden Banks, Esq.
Joseph Hetherington married Deborah Leach (baptised 15th February, Cumwhitton), 13th May 1824, at Cumrew, Cumberland. Alston parish records show Joseph Hetherington to be a Yeoman, living at High Middle Skelgill, Alston.

26th June 1824 (Carlisle Patriot)
An inquest was held at Alston Moor, on Wednesday evening last, before Richard Lowry, Esq. coroner, in view of the body of Robert Thompson miner, who was killed on Tuesday, in Brownley Hill lead mine, by the fall of a quantity of rubbish, technically called limestone-deads, under which he was suffocated. Verdict, accidental death.

3rd July 1824 (Carlisle Patriot)
On Tuesday last, an inquest was held at Alston Moor, before Richard Lowry, Esq., coroner, in view of the body of Joseph Dickinson, who was killed on the day preceding in Hudgillburn lead-mine by the falling of two large stones, while employed in picking out stones from the roof of the mine with a gavelock *(Iron crow-bar)*. Verdict, accidental death.
Buried 1st July 1824, at Alston aged 30 years.

2nd August 1824 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
The lead mines in the Isle of Man are at present very promising; forty miners who have been engaged to work at them, arrived here on Monday last, from Alston Moor, and on the following morning took their passage in the Alley and Nancy, Mylrea, for Douglas.

11th September 1824 (Durham County Advertiser)
EFFECTS OF THE THUNDER STORM OF THURSDAY, 2nd INST.
When we stated in our publication of last Friday, that this city and neighbourhood were visited on the previous evening with a dreadful storm of thunder, lightning, and rain, we were not aware of its disastrous consequences. We have since collected the distressing details, and we now lay them before our readers.
No case that has come within our knowledge, as resulting from the storm, appears to us so lamentable as that of the late Mr. John Pinkney, and we therefore place it first in the melancholy catalogue. Mr. Pinkney was an agent to the London Lead Company, and employed in their mines, near Middleton, in this county; he was also a local preacher in the Methodist conpecion *(sic)*, and generally respected. In riding from the mines towards the town of Middleton in Teesdale, in company with Mr. John Elliott, another agent, poor Pinkney and his horse were struck by the electric fluid, and both instantly deprived of life. The following particulars of the awful event were stated before the coroner by Mr. Elliott: —
Deponent and John Pinkney were riding in company towards Middleton, in the afternoon of Thursday the 2nd of September instant, about four o'clock in the afternoon; deponent mounted on a mule, and Pinkney (the deceased) on a bay mare. When about two miles from Middleton, a thunder storm commenced, which increased till they had advanced within half a mile of that place, when a remarkably vivid flash of lightning passed deponent's face so near that he felt its great heat. His mule being alarmed, immediately sprang forward, and deponent on looking back for deceased, saw him, together with his mare, lying on the ground. Deponent immediately alighted, and called for assistance, when John Bailes and Jacob Tarn, and a boy or two, came from a neighbouring house, and helped to lift deceased up. He appeared to be quite dead, and his

mare also. The body of Pinkney was soon afterwards removed to his own house. A short time before he was struck, deceased observed, in allusion to the lightning, that "he had never before seen any thing so beautiful."
[The hat of the unfortunate man was produced before the Jury. It was much torn and jagged in the front of the crown and brim, and a small perforation appeared in the back part of the crown, shewing that the electric fluid had passed through his head. The breast of the mare, it was stated, had a putrid appearance.]
The evidence of Mr. Elliott being deemed conclusive, no other person was examined, and the Jury returned the following verdict: —"That John Pinkney, (the deceased), on the second day of September instant, while riding in company with one John Elliott, in a thunder storm, was, by the visitation of God, suddenly struck with electric fluid, by means whereof lie received a violent shock in his head and different parts of his body, which caused his instant death."
Mr. Pinkney has left a widow, far advanced in pregnancy and five young children, to mourn his melancholy fate.
John Pinkney aged 36, was buried at Middleton, 4th September 1824.
John Pinkney married Mary Walton, at Middleton 18th May 1811.
Elizabeth, baptised 28 Aug 1814, child of John and Mally, Miner
George, baptised 5 Jul 1812, born 6 Jun 1812, 1st son of John (miner) and Mally (formerly Walton)
John, baptised 10 Nov 1816, child of John and Mally, Miner
Mark, baptised 12 Nov 1820, child of John and Mally, Agent On Lead Mines
Mary, baptised 22 Oct 1824, child of John and Mary, Miner Agent Deceased.
In 1841, at New Town, Middleton, Mary Pinkney, aged 50, Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 25, and Mark, aged 20.
Mark Pinkney married Sarah Bowman, 3rd quarter of 1841.
In 1851, at Masterman Place, Middleton, Mark Pinkney, millwright, aged 31, his wife Sarah 31, children, John 10, Thomas 8, Sarah 6, Joseph 4, George 1, and his mother Mary Pinkney, widow, annuitant, aged 62.
In 1861, at Hude, Middleton, Mary Pinkney, widow, aged 73.
In 1861, at Townend, Mark Pinkney, millwright, aged 41, his wife Sarah aged 41, children, John, millwright, aged 19, Thomas Bowman, millwright, aged 17, Sarah Ann 15, Joseph 13, George 10, Mark 7, Mary Isabela 5, Matthew Dixon aged 2.
Mary Pinkney died 4th quarter of 1869

9th October 1824 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
At Truro, in Cornwall, on the 19th ult., Mr James Deans, engineer to the Baldew Tin Company, and son of Mr Wm. Deans, of Shildon, near Blanchland, engineer to the Arkendale and Derwent Mines Company.
James Dean aged 24, was buried 24th September, at Kenwyn, Cornwall.
See 5th April 1844, death of William Deans
In Orchard Street, on the 29th ult., aged 67, Mr W Deans. He was 28 years engineer to the Derwent Mining Co., but latterly of this town.

9th October 1824 (Carlisle Patriot)
Inquests held before Richard Lowry, Esq., Coroner: At Alston, on Tuesday last, on the body of Thomas Little, aged four years, who on the day preceding fell into a mill-burn which runs through the town, and was drowned before he could be rescued. Verdict accidental death.

1st February 1825 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Inquest
At Alston on the 23rd, on the body of Thomas Percival, aged 26 years, who was so much hurt in the side by some splinters of a stone which he was blasting in Smallcleugh Lead-mine, that he died in two hours: verdict accidental death.
Thomas Percival married Hannah Blacklock, 10th February 1791, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Hannah Percival, baptised at St Augustine's Alston:
1. Nancy baptised 31st August 1793, daughter of Thomas Percival of Nenthead.
2. Joshua baptised 4th October 1794, son of Thomas and Hannah Percival of Moor-Cock-Hall. Joshua Percival died 6th November 1842, aged 48.
See 1st July 1876
3. Elizabeth baptised 3rd September 1796, daughter of Thomas and Hannah Percival of Nenthead.
4. Hannah born 2nd August 1801, 3rd daughter of Thomas Percival of Nenthead, by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph Blacklock of Allenheads. Hannah Percival was buried 13th September 1806, aged 5.
5. Thomas Percival, born 31st August 1798, 2nd son of Thomas Percival, Moor-Cock-Hall, miner, by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Blacklock.
6. Mary born about 1804
7. Edward born about 1806
8. John baptised 8th February 1809.

Thomas Percival senior, of Nenthead was buried, 10th September 1824, aged 59, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Thomas Percival of Wellgill, Dykeheads, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston 23rd January 1825.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Hannah Percival, aged 70, Edward, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 30, Robert, apprentice shoemaker aged 25, and Hannah aged 9.
Robert Percival shoemaker died 17th March 1843, aged 27, at Nenthead.
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Hannah Percival, lead miners widow, aged 81, son John, lead ore washing foreman, aged 42, and granddaughter, Hannah Percival, aged 19.
Hannah Percival, aged 92, was buried at Nenthead, 19th October 1859.

26th March 1825 (Westmorland Gazette)
NEW LEAD MINE.—As the industry and ingenuity of man extend, so does his perseverance too, in seeking out sources of wealth. A lead mine has been recently opened at Glencoin, which may be considered part of the North Eastern

base of Helvellyn, by a company who have every prospect of success, as the ore is fine, a specimen of which we possess.

29th March 1825 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

VALUABLE LEAD IN ALSTON MOOR IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Low Byer Inn, near ALSTON on SATURDAY the 7th of May, at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon,

Two VEINS of LEAD ORE, that have been intersected by the Great Nent Force Level, by which these Veins are completely freed from Water, to the Depth of near 60 Fathoms, through the whole of which they are unexplored.

These Veins are in the immediate Neighbourhood of the rich Veins of Hudgill Burn, of some of which they must be a Continuation. Further Particulars may be obtained by Application to Messrs. WAILES and BRANDLING, Greenwich Hospital Office, Newcastle- upon-Tyne, where a general Plan may be seen; or by personal Inspection of the Mining Ground and Plans, upon Application to Mr. DICKINSON, the Hospital's Agent, in Alston Moor, who has Directions to afford every Information upon the Subject.

Newcastle. 21st March. 1825.

9th April 1825 (Durham County Advertiser)

Deaths

At the Low Leases, near Hexham, on Friday last, aged 65, greatly respected, Mr. John Smith, formerly steward at Copelaw *(sic)* smelt mill, belonging to the London Lead Company.

Gaunless Smelt Mill (Copley, East of Eggleston), Smelt mill first built for the 3rd Earl of Darlington, and latter operated by the London Lead Company, operated from about 1770 to about 1870.

23rd April 1825 (Durham County Advertiser)

BRITISH LEAD COMPANY.
CAPITAL £500,000.

TO BE RAISED BY 10,000 SHARES OF *£50*. EACH

THE PROMOTERS would not now obtrude any object of little moment or doubtful excellence. For more that a Century their Ancestors have been connected with the valuable Lead Mines in the Northern Mining District of England, and they know the immense Profits that some families and "THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY" have obtained, as they also know the increasing demand for Lead, evinced by a rise of more than 20 per Cent, in Pig Lead, and of 30 per Cent in Lead Ore, at the Pit's mouth. They have, therefore, purchased and secured many valuable Lead Mines, not only in CUMBERLAND, NORTHUMBERLAND, and DURHAM—but in DERBYSHIRE, STAFFORDSHIRE, WESTMORLAND, YORKSHIRE, and NORTH BRITAIN. They propose principaly to attend to the Extraction and Purchase of Lead Ore: but Mines for Zinc, Copper, and Black Lead, have been also acquired.

Of the Mines and Mining Grounds, surveys have berm made by scientific and practical men, possessing local information. Some Mines are held on old leases, and the remainder on equitable terms. Several are now actually

worked, and all the railways, machinery, and needful apparatus supplied. Their general produce is rich and abundant The Lead in several reins is open to the day, with much silver intermixed. The Copper has been ascertained by able Mineralogists to be of the (best quality, and the Black lead of a superior kind. Where the Mining Grounds are unworked—they are either in abeyance, from the want of sufficient Capital after a great preparatory expenditure, or are contiguous to Mines long open—and that have enriched their Possessors. Under circumstances so peculiarly propitious—favoured by much local patronage—sanctioned by the opinions of opulent and enlightened men—and encouraged by the knowledge of the wealth realized by Companies and Individuals, who have hither to monopolized the supply, —THE PROMOTERS propose to raise the Capital necessary to carry on operations with the spirit and success, that will ensure to Subscribers early and gainful returns. That Capital is divided into small Shares, to enable the small takers of Mines to invest their monies in an object to which they are attached and they will reserve *one-fourth* of the Shares for the Gentlemen in the Northern Counties who wish to subscribe.

To afford opportunities for subscribing, to persons distant from the Metropolis intending not to speculate, but to make permanent investments—THEY will receive applications for Shares until May 10th. After that day no application can be received; but the Shares will be immediately allotted, and a deposit of £5. per Share required. Such applications for Shares, with an undertaking to pay the deposits, which are to be forfeited if the Deed of settlement be not duly signed, or if future calls be withheld—may be addressed to,

Sir Peter Pole and Co. Bankers, Bartholomew-Lane,
London;
Matthew Forster, Esq. Solicitor, Newcastle-upon-Tyne ; and
John Wilks, Esq. Solicitor, Finsbury Place, Loudon

30th July 1825 (Carlisle Patriot)

On the 22nd inst., Richard Lowry, Esq. coroner, held an inquest at Nenthead, Alston, on the body of Hannah Briggs, aged 59, who was found dead on the 21st, at the bottom of a lead mine, called High-Whimsey-foot shaft, but by what means she was precipitated down the said shaft, there was no evidence to show, and the jury returned a verdict to that effect.

Hannah Briggs was buried 24th July 1825, aged 59, at St Augustine's, Alston.

12th November 1825 (Newcastle Courant)

TO SURGEONS

WANTED by the by the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead &c., a regularly-educated SURGEON and MAN-MIDWIFE, to attend upon their Workmen and Families in the Parish of Alstone, in the County of Cumberland. His Residence must be fixed at Nenthead, about five Miles from the Town of Alstone the Situation must be entered upon on the 1st of January, 1826.

The Salary is liberal, and general Practice is allowed.

Candidates will be required to produce satisfactory Testimonials on or before the 17th December, 1825, on which Day the Examination will take Place, and the Appointment be made.

Further Particulars may be known on Application to Mr John Millican, Nenthead House.
Nenthead House, November 2nd, 1825.

15th November 1825 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Inquests held before Richard Lowry, Esq. one of the coroners for this county: - On the 7th inst. At Fair View, parish of Alston, on the body of Hannah Lee, aged 78 years, who on the preceding day was found dead at a place called Briggle Burn Hush, having accidentally fallen down a precipice, into it, and when discovered she was in a standing position, her person entirely covered with rubbish, excepting a small part of her head only, and of course she was smothered. Verdict, accidental death.

6th December 1825 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
We are happy to be enabled to state, that the Alston lead mines have, for some time past, been more than usually lucrative. The agent of Greenwich Hospital has, within the last few days, made no less than 18 grants for new mines, and had applications for eight more. We believe this is unprecedented.

21st January 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)
An inquest (briefly noticed in our last) was held at Alston on Monday week, by Richard Lowry, Esq. upon the body of "Utrick Walton, aged 40 years, who died in consequence of a fracture received on the back part of the head, by a fall down a flight of stairs."—The deceased was attending one of those nocturnal meetings, falsely called in Alston "Days Works" held at John Pattinson's, Cross Key's public-house, on the 5th inst., where little else but drunkenness prevails. From the extreme state of intoxication in which this unfortunate man was at the time, it is supposed that he had, unconscious of being elevated above the ground floor, walked directly out of the room, the door of which is placed immediately at the top of a steep and high flight of stairs, and was thus precipitated down, and met with a premature end—Alston, Jan. 10.

28th January 1826 (Newcastle Courant)

A LEAD MINE AGENT

WANTED immediately, to undertake the entire management of a Lead Mine, at Bavington, Northumberland. He must be an active hardy man, not exceeding 40 years of age, perfectly acquainted with Lead Mining in all its branches, able to write a good hand, and keep correct accounts; to such a person, a liberal salary will be offered. Applications to be made to Mr Thomas Milner, Newcastle upon Tyne.
NB. None need apply who cannot produce a good Character Writing, for Ability and Honesty, from his last Employers.
Newcastle, 18th Jan. 1826.

The Law Advertiser for the year 1830, gives John Berkley, and Francis Ewart, as owners of Bavington Lead Mine.

25th February 1826 (Newcastle Courant)
Inquest
An inquisition was held on Saturday week, at Alston, before Richard Lowery, Esq., coroner, on the body of Ralph Martindale, who was found dead on the preceding day on Nenthead Common, without marks of violence on his person, or any indication that his death was otherwise than natural. Verdict to that effect.
Ralph Martindale married Elizabeth Lee 14th February 1807, at St Augustine's Alston. The funeral of Ralph Martindale, took place 12th February 1826 aged 66, at the Independent Chapel, Alston. The funeral of his wife Betty took place 16th July 1837, aged 74, at the Independent Chapel, Alston.

25th February 1826 (Durham County Advertiser)
TO BE LET BY PROPOSALS,
For such a term as may be agreed upon,
ALL that valuable LEAD MINE, called and known by the name of FALLOWFIELD MINE. On application at Matfen Hall, a person will be sent to shew the Mine; and proposals sealed up, directed to Sir EDWARD BLACKETT, Bart. Matfen Hall, will be attended to until the 1st of March next.
—Matfen Hall, Jan. 2d, 1826

18th March 1826 (Westmorland Gazette)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 7th inst., Fanny Helton, linen draper.
At Alston, Nanny wife of George Jackson, of Blagill Hill Top, aged 22.
At Alston, Joseph, the only son of Mr J. Brown, Penrith and Alston, carrier.

19 March 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION. MR ALEX. REED, Auctioneer,
By Order of the Assignees of the Estate and Effects of George Hoy, a Bankrupt,
At the Crown and Thistle Inn, Groat Market, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Wednesday, the 16th Day of August, 1826, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon.
2-32ds of CRAIG GREEN LEAD MINE.
2-32ds of YADMOSS LEAD MINE.
1-16th of DRYBURN LEAD MINE
These Mines are all In the Manor of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, and are held of the Commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital.
1-32d Of DUBBYSYKE LEAD MINE, in the Manor of Harwood, in the County of Durham, held of the Earl of Darlington. And
1-32d of a LEAD MINE, in the Parish of Hamsterley, in the County of Durham, held of George Hutton Wilkinson, Esq.
Also, at the same Place, and on the same Day, at 5 o'clock in the Afternoon,
A FREEHOLD COTTAGE, situated near the Cannon, on Gateshead Fell, in the County of Durham, in the Occupation of Thomas Brown, And also
All the INTEREST of the said Bankrupt for his life (now of the Age of 40 Years) in ONE UNDIVIDED EIGHTH PART OR SHARE of a FREEHOLD ESTATE, situated it or near Benwell, in the County of Northumberland,

consisting of a Farm House and Offices, and about, 36 Acres of excellent Land, in the Occupation of Anthony Richardson.
Further Particulars may be had by applying to Mr Thomas Atkinson, Grocer, one of the Assignees, or to Mr Henry Ingledew, Solicitor, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

25th March 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)

LEAD MINES FOR SALE.

To be SOLD, by AUCTION, it the Home of Mr. Joseph BLAND, Innkeeper, ALSTON, in the Evening of SATURDAY the fifth Day of April, 1826, by Order of the Assignees of Messrs. JOHNSTON AND MANLEY, Bankrupts, together or in such Lots as shall be arranged at the time of Sale,

ALL those valuable LEAD MINES, or VEINS of LEAD ORE, called respectively WEST CALVERT MINE, CALVERT SUN VEIN, and EAST CALVERT MINE, situate in the Manor of Tynehead, in the County of Cumberland, and now held by LEASE for the remainder of a Term of Twenty-one Years, commencing the 25th of June, 1822, at one-sixth duty in Ore; together with all Engines and other Mining Materials thereto belonging.

Mr. THOMAS MILLICAN, of Tynehead, will shew the Premises; and for further Particulars apply to him, or at the Office of Messrs. R. & W. BAINBRIDGE, Solicitors, Alston, where the Lease of the Premises may be inspected; or at the Office of Mr. HARRISON Solicitor, Penrith.

29th April 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)

MEETING OF CREDITORS

THE Creditors of JOHN THOMPSON, late of NENTHEAD, in the Parish of Alston, in the county of Cumberland, MINER, an Insolvent Debtor, are requested to meet the, Assignee of the said Insolvent's Estate and Effects, on SATURDAY the Thirteenth Day of May next, at One o'clock in the Afternoon, at the House known by the Sign of the Rose and Crown, in the 'Town of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, to assent to or dissent from the said Assignee forthwith making Sale, either by Public Auction or Private Contract, of a certain Leasehold Estate, consisting of a Messuage or Tenement, called Cherry-tree Hill, in the Parish of Alston, aforesaid, late the Property of the said Insolvent, and on other affairs relating to the said Insolvent's Estate and Effects.

By order of Mr. JOSEPH HILL, the Assignee.

W. J. HUTCHINSON, Solicitor, Middleton-in-Teesdale, April 22, 1826.

3rd June 1826 (Durham County Advertiser)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 18th ult., much respected, aged 46, Mr. Joseph Richardson, agent of Holyfield Lead Mine.

Joseph Richardson married Sarah Walton, 8th September 1811, at St Augustin's Church, Alston.

William Richardson, 1st son of Joseph Richardson, of Wellgill, miner, and Sarah daughter of John Walton, was born 8th January 1812, at Alston.

Joseph Richardson, was buried 20th May 1826, aged 46, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 6th September 1834

27th June 1826 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
Lately, at Alston, Mr John Hunter, of Greenend, to Miss Jane Fultan, youngest daughter of Mr John Fultan, Miners Arms Inn, Alston. *See 13th February 1841.*
In 1841, at Grassfield, Alston, John Hunter, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane 35, children, Nancy 12, Mary 9, John 4, and William 1.
John Hunter died 3rd quarter 1841.
John Walton married Jane Hunter 2nd quarter 1845, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at High Grassfield, Alston, John Walton, lead miner, aged_9, his wife Jane 45, children, William 11, Thomas 5, James 1, and stepson, John Hunter aged 14.
In 1861, at Grassfield, Alston, Jane Walton, widow, aged 55, children, William Hunter, lead miner, aged 21, and James Walton aged 11.
In 1871, at Crook with Billy Row, James Walton, labourer, aged 21, his wife Jane 20, born Yorkshire, mother, Jane Walton, widow, aged 65, and uncle James Walton, widower, aged 65.

29th July 1826 (Newcastle Courant)

VALUABLE LEAD MINES.
TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,

FIVE THIRTY-SECOND SHARES of all that valuable LEAD MINE called CUPOLO FIELD, near Cupolo Bridge, in the Manor of Whitfield, County of Northumberland.

Also, FIVE THIRTY-SECOND SHARES of CARLING FIELD LEAD MINE, near Cupolo Bridge, in Staward Manor, Northumberland.

These Mines are upon the same Veins on each Side of the River Allen, where Machinery may be applied to a considerable Extent. There are several other Veins with Ore in the same Leases near to these Veins. That Part of the Vein in Whitfield Manor is raising Ore, at a very low Rate, with two or three Partnerships of Men, in the main Limestone, and the Ground is all *Maiden Ground* never having been worked before. In Staward Manor, the Vein is near being, and is expected to be equally as good as the other Mine.

Also, FIVE THIRTY-SECOND SHARES of NEW STREAK LEAD MINE, at Pike Law, in Teesdale, Durham, held under Lease of the Earl of Darlington.

For Particulars, apply to Mr Donkin, Solicitor, Hexham; or Mr Ingledew, Solicitor, Dean-Street, Newcastle, who are authorised to treat for the same, and with whom Plans may be seen.

5th August 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)
Thomas Smith of Alston, labourer, was committed on Friday last, by the Rev. Benj. Jackson, to Carlisle gaol, for having on Wednesday the 19th ult., upon the high road between Alston and Garrigill, made a most wanton assault upon George Gargate, a servant man in the employ of Mr J. Watson, of Garrigill, by throwing several stones at him without any provocation, one of which wounded him severely in the back part of his head. The young man was for some days

after at times in a state of delirium, and is not yet pronounced out of danger by the surgeons. *See 21st October 1826*

19th August 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)

A Correspondent informs us that the Receivers of Greenwich Hospital paid the whole of the workmen in their employ at Alston on the 16th June, and that the proprietors of mines who had sold lead to these gentlemen received payment for it on Thursday last.

Another Correspondent says: −We are happy to announce that the distress alluded to by us in a former paper as prevailing at Alston, in consequence of the casual suspension of the accustomed pays by the receivers of the Greenwich Hospital, is now entirely removed, such payments having been made to the satisfaction of all parties interested; and knowing, as we do, the highly respectable character of these gentlemen, we are well aware that their exertions would not have been wanting had they suspected that it would have occasioned the slightest inconvenience to the public. We likewise understand that no specified time of payment had been fixed upon by the Receivers, but only reckoned upon by the public at the usual period, which certainly exonerates them from any imputation or blame.

31st August 1826

Death of George Craft

Although I have not as yet found a newspaper record relating to the death of George Craft, there is a Memorial Stone at St Mary's Abbey Church Yard, Blanchland. Robert Craft married Mary Kidd 4th July 1809 at Hexham.

St Mary's Abbey Church, Blanchland

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF GEORGE & MARTHA ONLY SON &
DAUGHTER OF ROBERT & MARY CRAFT.
MARTHA DIED MAY 25 1818 AGED 5 YEARS.

GEORGE UNFORTUNATELY LOST HIS LIFE IN THE 15
YEAR OF HIS AGE BY A FALL IN THE SUN VEIN,
JEFFREYS RAKE MINE WHILST UNDER THE
EMPLOYMENT OF HALL & CO. AUGUST 31ST 1826

5th September 1826 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
Deaths
At Wearhead, Weardale, on the 24th ult, Mr John Emerson, aged 79.
At Alston, on the 25th ult. Mr John Atkin, woollen manufacturer, aged 55.
At Alston, 26th ult. Mrs Margaret Pattinson, aged 71, widow of Mr Thomas Pattinson, of that place, merchant, and mother of Mr Pattinson, late of this town, but now assay master to the Greenwich Hospital Lead mines. She was a member of the Society of Friends, and was much and deservedly respected.
Margaret Pattinson, buried at the Friends Burial ground near Alston 28th August 1826 aged 70. Her Husband Thomas a grocer died 19th May 1812, aged 57. He was buried near the Meeting House Door at Alston, 21st May 1812. Parents of Hugh Lee Pattinson born 25th December 1796 at Alston, he died 11th November 1858). See 20th September 1850, 12th November 1858, 28th November 1868, and 29th October 1898.

16th September 1826 (Durham County Advertiser)
A melancholy accident happened yesterday se'nnight, in one of Col. Beaumont's lead mines, in the neighbourhood of Stanhope. As one of the workmen, named George Rain, was in the act of repairing a dangerous part of the roof of the mine, it suddenly gave way, and he was buried under a large mass of rubbish. After 13 hours' hard labour the unfortunate sufferer was got out a lifeless corpse. He has left a widow and four children to lament his loss.

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St Thomas the Apostle, Churchyard, Stanhope
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George Rain and his brother Joseph were baptised at St Thomas, Stanhope 1st January 1792, sons of John and Susannah (nee Hall) Rain.
George Rain married Elizabeth Brown 10th July 1813.
Children of George and Elizabeth Rain:
John baptised 27th December 1813, at Stanhope
Elizabeth baptised 13th December 1817, at Stanhope
George baptised 8th September 1822, died 2nd September 1835
Thomas baptised 5th December 1825, at Stanhope

30th September 1826 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Egglestone, on Tuesday the 19th inst., in the 78th year of his age, Mr. John Barnes, lead mining agent to the Earl of Darlington, which situation he has filled under the late and present Earl for a period of 55 years, to the great satisfaction of his employers, and the comfort of the workmen engaged in the Teesdale mines. The feeling of respect universally entertained for him was fully testified by the numerous attendance at his funeral, of all classes in the neighbourhood. *See 27th December 1823*

21st October 1826 (Carlisle Patriot)
Thomas Smith was indicted for a gross and wanton assault upon George Gargett a youth about sixteen, in the parish of Alston—The facts detailed by the prosecutor were as follows: He was riding his master's pony along the road near Alston, and close by where the defendant was at work with others in a building, when the defendant said, “Whose cow is that?” — (it seems there is some vulgar meaning attached to this question peculiar to Alston)—to which the prosecutor made no answer. The defendant then said, “D—n thee. I'll make thee speak” and immediately threw a stone, which hit the prosecutor on the elbow; and not satisfied with this, he instantly threw another, which nearly took a fatal effect on the back of the head, by fracturing the skull. The poor lad was confined to his bed for two months, —and it was by the aid of a good constitution that he recovered at all. His evidence was corroborated by his father, who proved that the neighbours had been called in three times, when he was thought to have been dying; and the Jury, without a moment's hesitation, pronounced a verdict of Guilty. Sentence: Three months imprisonment in Carlisle gaol. *See 5th August 1826*

9th December 1826 (Durham Chronicle)
Marriages
At Alston, Mr Thomas Cain, of Nenthead, to Miss Proud, straw Hat Maker.
Thomas Cain married Frances Proud, at St Augustine's Church Alston, 23rd November 1826. See 16th July 1858, & 3rd January 1863.

12th June 1827 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 17th ult. Mr Anthony Pattinson, to Miss Jane Walton.
At Alston, on the 17th ult. Mr James Spotswood, of Physic Hall, near Alston to Miss Jane Martindale, of Alston.

In 1841, at Physic Hall, Alston, James Spotiswood, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 35, children, James 10, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 4, Hannah 4, and Sarah aged 1.
In 1851, at Physic Hall, Jane Spottswood, lead miners widow, aged 49, children, James, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Hannah 14, and Sarah 11.
See 21st June 1873

17th July 1827 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

ALSTON AND KIRKHAUGH

An appeal against the removal of William Featherstonehaugh, his wife, and four children, from Alston to Kirkhaugh. Order quashed, respecting the female pauper and two of the children, but confirmed towards the two youngest children, William and Francis.

28th July 1827 (Newcastle Courant)

THE COVES LEAD MINE, near Stanhope, TO BE LET; immediate Possession may be had. Mr Evans, Hoppyland Park, will give every necessary Information; and Offers for the same will be received by G. T. Lenton Blenkinsopp Esq.
Whickham House, 24th July, 1827. (Not to be repeated)

TO BE LET, ON LEASE

THE VALUABLE LEAD MINE called HAREHOPE GILL, in the Parishes of Wolsingham and Stanhope, and County Durham. Proposals will be received by Mr Mowbray, at Hetton, until the 4th August next. John Heatherington, of Willow Green, near to the Mine, will show the Grounds, and Information as to the late and prospective Workings may be had on Application to Mr Dolphin, Ruffside, near Blanchland. —July 16

6th October 1827 (Newcastle Courant)

SHARES OF VALUABLE LEAD AND COPPER MINES, FOR SALE.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

By Order of the Trustees of John Rickerby, at the House of Mr. Wm. Dodd, Golden Lion Inn Alston, on Saturday, the 20th of October, 1827, at 6 o'clock in the Evening.
THE following SHARES of valuable LEAD and COPPER MINES: viz.—4-64th Parts or Shares of EAST CROSS-FELL and LANG KATE LOCK LEAD MINES, with the like Shares of a SMELT MILL, and all other Materials about the Mine, situated in the Manors of Skirwith and Kirkland, at 1-6th Duty.
2-64th Parts or Shares of SCAR ENDS COPPER and LEAD MINE, in the Manor of Alston Moor; Duty of Copper 1-10th, and of Lead Ore 1-6th.
4-64th Parts or Shares of FORE SHIELD GRAINS LEAD MINE, in the aforesaid Manor of Alston Moor, at 1-5th Duty. Mr. E. V. Little of Ousby, will shew Cross-fell and Lang Kate Lock Mines: Mr. John Leathart, of Alston, Scar Ends; and Mr. Matthew Pattinson, Fore Shield Grains; and further Particulars will be produced at the Time of Sale.

6th October 1827 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD

ONE-FORTIETH SHARE of BLAGILL LEAD MINE, on Alston Moor. Apply to Mr John Brown, Attorney, Newcastle, who is authorised to treat for Sale.

3rd November 1827 (Carlisle Patriot)

In last week's paper, we stated the death of Mr Wm Liddle, of Hayring, near Nenthall, Alston, by drowning in the Nent. His body, it appears, was discovered within a short distance of Foreshield Bridge. He left Alston, at eleven o'clock on the night of Saturday week, on his way home. He called at East Skelgill Gate-house, where he was strongly pressed to stay all night, as it rained heavily and was exceedingly dark, but refusing, he was supplied with a light for his lantern, and, after talking some time cheerfully with the gate keeper, he proceeded. The river Nent, on the east end of Nenthall-bridge, runs for 20 or 30 yards, very near the road, which is protected by a warren, but there is no wall nor paling between the road and the river. — At this spot it is supposed the deceased stumbled into the water. The lantern was found firmly grasped in his left hand bruises of consequence were discoverable on his body, and his money and papers were untouched in his pockets. Mr Liddle was agent at Grassfield and Galligill Syke North Vein Lead Mines, and of the latter he possessed a share. On the day of his decease he was appointed at Blagill Lead Mine; he was also extensively connected with many other mines in the manor of Alston Moor. In his occupation he was remarkably expert, and most willing at all times to give information or render assistance to others. His kind disposition and integrity of character gained him the love and esteem of all who knew him.

William Liddle of Hayring was buried at Alston, 23rd October 1827, aged 55.

6th November 1827 (Northumberland and Durham Gazette)

Married

At St Peter's, in Allendale, Northumberland, on the 31st ult. the Rev. Wm. Walton, incumbent of St Peter's, and chaplain to Col. and Mrs Beaumont, at Allenheads, to Jane, youngest daughter of the late Thos. Crawhall, Esq. of Allenheads.

15th December 1827 (Newcastle Courant)

VALUABLE

COLLIERIES AND LEAD MINES.

TO BE LET,

… Also, for such a Term as may be agreed upon, SEVERAL LEAD MINES, and VEINS of LEAD ORE, within the extensive Forest of Lune, where considerable Quantities of the finest and purest Ore are now raising, and may be seen, either at the Mines, or at the newly-erected Smelting Mills of Messrs Sherlock and Co,, at Newbiggin, near Middleton in Tees dale, who will furnish any further Particulars as to its Quality, and in the adjoining Manors of Lune, Holwick, Crosthwaite, Lonton„ Mickleton, Hunderthwaite, and Cotherston, in the Parish of Romaldkirk, and Northwest Part of the County of York, boundered by the River Tees, and the Marquis of Cleveland, on the North, and Maize Beck, with the Earls of Lonsdale and Thanet, on the West.

All the above Collieries are situated within a very short Distance of the Darlington Rail-Road.
Charles Raine, the Bailiff for the above Manors, residing at Lonton, near Middleton, will, on Application, shew the above Lead Mines and Boundaries.
For Particulars apply to Richard Dobson, at the Office of Streatlam Castle; or to Edward Steel, Colliery Viewer, Low Fell, near Gateshead; either o whom will receive Proposals until the 31st December next.
Streatlam Castle, near Barnardcastle, 8th Nov.1827.

29th December 1827 (Newcastle Courant)

TO MINERS

TO BE LET

THE FREEHOLD VEINS called HAREHOPE GILL, with two others, leading through the Farm called Sunnyside, situated in the Parish of Wolsingham.
For Particulars, apply to Mr William Little, Mining Agent, at Healey Field; or to Mr Jonathan Wooler, the owner. —Wolsingham, Dec. 18th 1827.

16 February 1828 (Durham County Advertiser)

AT a MEETING of the Inhabitants of Stanhope, held in pursuance of public notice, at the National School Boom, on Friday the 8th day of February, 1828, CUTHBERT RIPPON, Esq. in the Chair,

It was unanimously Resolved

That this Meeting views with serious alarm, the gradual and continuous decline in the price of lead.

That in the opinion of this Meeting, this depreciation is mainly produced by the increased advantages afforded to the importation of foreign lead and lead ore, by the reduction of duty, and the late commercial regulations.

That during the last ten years, the lead mines of this parish have afforded moderate profits to the adventurers, at an average price of £22. per ton, all of which save the richest (which description doth not include one-third part of those now working), must at the present price of £16. 10s. per ton be entirely abandoned.

That nine-tenths of the 8000 inhabitants of this parish are wholly dependent on the Mines, that a considerable reduction has already been made in the wages of Miners and Smelters, though in no relative proportion to the reduced price of lead; and while we acknowledge with gratitude this noble sacrifice on the part of the principal Mining Proprietors, we are aware such can only continue for a short time.

That a reduction has taken place in the numbers of workmen, whose sole refuge is in the poor rate; the demands' on which, and the Savings Bank, have, during the last year, steadily increased, and the fact is undoubted, that unless some relief be speedily afforded to the Mining Interest, the claims on the former will exceed the utmost value of the rateable property within the parish.

That to avert such calamity, to save our parish from general pauperism, and prevent the degrading necessity of applying to public charity, it is expedient to present Petitions to the two Houses of Parliament, praying them, without delay, to take our case into their serious consideration, and most especially to examine the propriety of increasing the duty paid on the importation of Foreign Lead and

Lead Ore, thus affording to the British Miner fair protection from the ruinous rivalry of foreign competition.
That Petitions, founded on these resolutions, be prepared and signed by the inhabitants of the parish.
That a copy of these resolutions be sent by the Chairman to T. R. Beaumont, Esq., and the Governor and Company for Smelling Lead, and to such other Noblemen and Gentlemen whose connexions with the county, or the mining interests, may warrant the intrusion of our situation on their notice.
That a copy of these proceedings be inserted in the following Newspapers, viz.: — Durham County Advertiser, Durham Chronicle, Newcastle Chronicle, Newcastle Courant, and York Herald.
That all expences attending these applications be defrayed out of the poor rate of the parish.
(Signed) CUTHBERT RIPPON.

1st March 1828 (Carlisle Patriot)
From a Correspondent: — "There is no class of society in the kingdom so likely to feel the full effects of the free trade or reciprocity system as the inhabitants of the mining districts; —we allude more particularly to the lead mines in our immediate neighbourhood, Alston, Garrigill, Weardale, Teasdale, &c. where nine-tenths of a population of thirty-five thousand are entirely maintained by working these mines. One of the measures of Mr. Huskisson's liberal system is a repeal of the duty on foreign lead, and a consequent reduction of price in the market of from £25 to £17 per ton. A few of the richest mines only can afford to raise ore to meet this price; —the greater number will be compelled to suspend their works altogether, and thousands of industrious men will be thrown out of employment without any resource but the scanty relief afforded by the parish. In Weardale the want of labour is more apparent than in the adjoining dales, and it is affirmed that if the present system be continued for a period of two years, the whole rental of the land in the dale will be insufficient to maintain the poor. It is not our intention to arraign Mr Huskisson's system of trade; it may be in the-end, for aught we know, beneficial to the nation at large; but we contend that the alteration should be gradually and gently introduced. In the present instance, the shock is too sudden to be averted, and its consequences too disastrous even for the mighty benefits contemplated. A giant oak is sometimes rent asunder in an instant by a stroke of lightning; but it can also be severed, and to a more useful purpose, by the gentle and scientific power of man."

15th March 1828 (Carlisle Patriot)
The distress in the lead-mines district continues to increase, and seems pregnant with the most alarming consequences to the small tradesmen, shopkeepers, and even farmers, in the range of its operation. The sufferers in and around Alston have prepared a petition to Parliament, praying for a revision of the laws relating to the importation of foreign lead and lead-ore. We hear of similar proceedings in Weardale. In a short time, an increased number of hands will be thrown upon the parish-rates or upon the public.

29th March 1828 (Newcastle Courant)
An inquest was held on Friday last, at Hunstanworth, on the body of Matthew Elliott, a miner, who, in going to his work, being nearly suffocated by the foul air

in a mine at Hunstanworth, had fallen down a shaft and was killed. Verdict—Accidental death.

Matthew Elliott, of North Gate, was buried at Stanhope 22nd March 1828, aged 36 years.

2nd April 1828 (The Times)

House of Commons Tuesday April 1st

Foreign Lead and Lead Ore

Lord LOWTHER presented a petition from a most respectable class of persons connected with the lead mines situate at Alston Moor, in the county of Cumberland, complaining of the depreciation in the value of British lead, in consequence of the low rate of duty payable on the importation of foreign lead ore. … He was aware that the importation of foreign ore was not the only cause of the depreciation complained of; it might in some degree be attributed to the general stagnation of trade, but the petitioners believed that the chief cause was the admission of foreign ore at a low duty.

Mr. C. GRANT said, his noble friend himself had the candour to allow that other causes than the importation or foreign ore had led to the distress complained of; and indeed, there were other causes, sufficiently obvious, which abundantly accounted for it. Circumstances which affected other speculations would also affect that of lend mining, and would cause a depreciation in the value of the article. One real cause, however, of the depreciation was, that other countries were now capable of supplying neighbouring states. This country used to supply many parts of Europe with lead, which now drew their supplies from Spain. France, Italy, and Holland, who formerly received their supply from England, for the last few years, had it from Spain. But still notwithstanding this competition, England continued annually to export 14,000 tons of lead. Now, when it was recollected that this country produced 40,000 tons of lead yearly, and exported 14,000 tons, while only 5,000 tons were imported, surely they could not say that the trade was in such a very deplorable state. Under all the circumstances, it appeared to him that the complaint of the petitioners was founded in misconception.

After a few words from Mr. P. THOMSON, Mr. WARBURTON, Lord LOWTHER, and Mr. HUME, the petition was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

5th April 1828 (Durham County Advertiser)

Parliament

House of Lords

Lead Mines

Lord W. POWLETT presented a Petition from the proprietors of lead mines in the county of Durham, to which he wished to call the particular attention of the Right Hon. Gentleman opposite. The Petitioners complained that the population in that part of the country, who chiefly subsisted by working those mines, were plunged in the deepest distress, in consequence of a clause in a recent Act of Parliament, by which the duty on the importation of foreign lead ore was reduced, and they prayed for relief. When he stated, that in Durham and the neighbouring county there were between 40,000 and 50,000 persons whose subsistence depended entirely on the mines, the subject would at once be recognised as one of considerable importance. The Petitioners stated that Spanish ore to a considerable amount was imported into this country, and he

was informed that the Spanish ore was of a much finer quality than the ore of this kingdom; and they wished to call the attention of the Right Hon. Gentleman to the inequality between the duty on lead ore imported, as compared with that charged on manufactured lead. The duty on the former was 10s. a ton; on the latter, It was upwards of 40s. They were desirous that these duties should be equalized. He must, however, in candour observe, that there had been so small an importation of the raw material for some years, that be did think it could base operated against this country. He believed the real cause of the depression arose from a very considerable quantity of the Spanish ore being sent to South America, which shut us out of that market. The mines of Spain yielded 40,000 tons of lead per year; and of that quantity 20,000 tons were exported. The subject was, however, well worthy of consideration, since the British mines employed an immense number of persons who had no other means of subsistence whatever.—Mr HUSKISSON said, an alteration had undoubtedly been made in the law on this subject; but he did not attribute the depression complained of to that circumstance. The scale of duty had been lowered with reference to lead ore; and an additional duty bad been placed on the manufactured article. That plan was adopted because it gave an opportunity for the employment of British capital, and the exertion of British industry, in the manufacture of the raw article. The importation had been, however, so small, that he could not attribute that as the cause of the depression which he, in common with the Noble Lord, deplored; and which he (Mr Huskisson) would immediately remedy, if he knew any means of doing so. In 1825 a prodigious quantity of lead ore was in the market; but in consequence of a stop being put in a great degree to building speculations, a considerable depreciation took place in the price. This was one of the results which ordinarily occurred in the alternations attendant on excessive speculation, and did not rise from the alteration in the law, the principle of which had, generally speaking, operated beneficially. He could not consent to repeal the law, a course which would not relieve the parties, and which would, in fact, seem like a recall of those measures with respect to the commercial policy of this country, in the propriety of which the House had agreed with him. — Mr WARBURTON observed, that lead mines of peculiar richness had been discovered in Spain, and from those mines she supplied the world with this article. That being the case, it was impossible that anything could be done by the Government to effect the change required by the Petitioners.

10th May 1828 (Durham County Advertiser)

Parliament

House of Lords

FRIDAY.

The Marquis of Cleveland presented a Petition, signed by 1000 persons connected with lead mines in Stanhope, in the county of Durham, against the importation of foreign lead.

10th May 1828 (Carlisle Patriot)

Inquest: May 7, at Alston, on the body of John Lee, landlord of the White Swan Inn there, who hung himself on Monday in his own hay loft by a rope fastened to a beam. He had shewn signs of mental derangement before committing the fatal act; the jury, therefore, returned a verdict of Lunacy.

21st June 1828 (Newcastle Courant)
Births
On the 13th inst., at Nenthead, the wife of Mr Isaac Hornsby, Lead Mining Agent, of a daughter, being her 20th child. *See 22nd June 1811*

26th July 1828 (Carlisle Patriot)
STATE OF THE NORTHERN COUNTIES
(from Bell's Messenger)
…I have travelled to this place from Penrith along the unfrequented route over Alston-moor, in order to visit the mining districts. As almost all travellers from Loudon to the north, and vice versa, choose the mail-coach road through Carlisle, the astonishing improvements made, during the last two years, in that dreary country, are scarcely known, yet they ought to be known. From the village of Mellerby, or Melmerby, about eight or nine miles short of Alston, the old road ascended the side of a lofty fell (as the mountain-moors of this country are termed), and was not only difficult and dangerous, but sometimes impracticable for many vehicles. Mr. McAdam has here commenced his new road, which winds round this fell to Alston. Beyond the town it begins again, crosses Alston-moor, and the extensive moors called West Allendale, falls into the old road at Whitfield, close to the fine mansion of Mr. Ord. the member for Morpeth, (whose estate, comprehending the whole parish, is an oasis in a desert, and contains some of the noblest timber, perhaps, in the world.) and recommences at the rocky heights beyond the river Allen, traversing East Allendale, and continuing nearly to Hexham, a distance of 20 miles. At
the end of Whitfield where the river divides East and West Allendale, the enterprise was appalling. The old road was frightful, rough, rugged, and precipitous. Carriages hardly ventured the descent, and the carts from the mines or mills unloaded the ore, and made several trips before the whole could be got up. A safe zig-zag road up the face of the heights, constructed with great skill and judgment, having an inclination of only about 1 in 15, now supersedes the former. This part of the road, besides its utility, adds greatly to the picturesque beauty of the scenery here. Its several terraces command a noble view of the rich landscapes in Mr. Ord's estate. From below, the aspect of the hill is like that of a vast fortress. The scarped rock rising perpendicularly to a prodigious height; the river, resembling a wide fosse, close to its base; the declivity, or glacis, on the other side; and the zig-zag road turning off successively at acute angles, and defended by parapet walls of masonry, give back to the mind the image of a Gibraltar—

"Where arrowy frize and wedged ravelin
"Weave like a diadem their tracery round
"The lofty summit of the mountain green."

This magnificent road is mostly constructed in the following manner: —The surface of the moors, to the depth of several feet, is peat-moss. Upon this substance timber is laid, then earth, then a layer of broken hayle (which is a sort of freestone), and lastly compact limestone, of the colour and of nearly the texture of flint, broken into small angular fragments. All these materials (except the timber) are at hand. Owing to the springy nature of the bed, the road in some parts (*mirabile dictu*) is actually elastic,—that is, it bends under a heavy weight,

though perfectly solid and secure. Substantial and even handsome stone bridges are erected over the torrents that descend from the heights, and the small rills are collected into neat semi-circular cisterns, formed of stone without cement, for the convenience of cattle, and even passengers. In all dangerous places, and, indeed, along the greater part of the road, walls constructed of oblong pieces of stone adjusted to each other, without cement, are built at the edge; and posts, painted black and white, are fixed at equal distances
as marks during the winter. It is a surprising work, and will be a lasting memorial of the talents of Mr. McAdam. Its value to the mines is incalculable.
The contiguous portions of the counties of Cumberland, Northumberland and Durham, subsist upon these productive sources of our national wealth. My object in visiting this wild country was to inspect the lead mines in the Alston district, which are little noticed by travellers. The mode of working them differs from that employed in Cornwall; but the Alston miners are now adopting many of the practices of their Cornish brethren with obvious advantage. One of the most valuable lead mines I entered; and you may not be displeased with some account of it.
The mine is the property of Greenwich Hospital, the grantee of this and other portions of the valuable estates forfeited by the Earl of Derwentwater. In consideration of a rent of one-fifth of the net produce, a lease of this (and other mines in the district) is given to a Company, who bargain with the miners to work out and wash the ore ready for the smelting-mill at so much per bing, which is 64 stone, or eight hundred weight. These bargains are important transactions. They take place every quarter, and as the rate depends upon the prospects of the mine (being les if favourable, and greater otherwise), much finesse and altercation precede the adjustment. The late bargain for this mine was 8s per bing, which is almost the lowest known rate; it has been as high as 50s.

22nd July 1828 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

On Saturday, Sunday, and Monday week, it rained incessantly at Alston Moor, where the waters were greatly swelled, and some large trees carried several miles down the South Tyne by the violence of the flood. The river Nent, near its junction at Alston falls over a precipice of limestone into a narrow valley, where large masses of rock have fallen from the effect of similar floods. The bed of the river, and the tremendous rushing of so great a volume of water through so confined and rugged a channel, formed a terrible and sublime spectacle.

30th August 1828 (Newcastle Courant)

VALUABLE AND EXTENSIVE LEAD MINES,
SMELTING MILL FOR SALE.

Shortly will be put up for SALE by public Auction,
Unless previously disposed of by private Contract,

ALL the LEAD MINES, SMELTING MILL, ENGINES, and other Machinery and Utensils, with the FREEHOLD & LEASEHOLD LANDS & GROUNDS belonging to the “British lead Company,” situated at Brandon Walls, Rookhope, Muggleswick Common, Stotsfield Burn, and Thorney Brow, &c. &c. in the Parish of Stanhope, in the County of Durham.

Further Particulars may be known on Application to Messrs Forster, Solicitors, Library Place, Newcastle, who are authorised to treat for the Sale of the Premises; or to Mr John Walton, the Agent on the Premises, who will show the Property.

23 September 1828 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

A small vein of lead ore has been lately discovered near the top of Yadmoss, by Messrs. Price, Featherston, Teasdale, & Co. of Newcastle, in the manor belonging jointly to the Commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital and James Burnett, Esq. of Ovington. It is worked in a limestone stratum, called the Scarr Limestone, and contains a rib (from two to six inches wide) of a peculiarly refractory species of ore, which, on being reduced, yields lead containing 95 oz. of silver per fodder. This is the richest lead ore at present worked in the north of England.

11th October 1828 (Durham County Advertiser)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the Crown and Thistle Inn, Groat Market, Newcastle, on Thursday the 23d day of October instant, at 12 *o'clock at noon.*

(Mr THOMAS YOUNG. Auctioneer)

ALL the valuable LEAD MINES, for various terms of years, and SMELTING MILL, with the FREEHOLD and LEASEHOLD LANDS AND GROUNDS, in the parish of Stanhope, and county of Durham, belonging to the "British Lead Company," in the following lots : —

Lot 1. A LEAD MINE, called Stotsfield BURN.

Lot *2.* A LEAD MINE, at Brandon Walls, with a PARCEL OF FREEHOLD GROUND, small PLANTATION of Fir Trees, Agent's and Engineer's DWELLING HOUSES, Smith's and Joiner's SHOPS, STABLES, &c.

Lot 3. A LEAD MINE, at Thorney Brow.

Lot 4. A LEASE-LENGTH of the rich VEIN called MIDDLE HOPE. VEIN, situated at Boltsburn; and an unexpired term of 15 years in Mr Smith's MINING GROUND at Rookhope, through which pass some rich veins of lead ore.

Lot 5. A LEAD MINE, called Six Darg Mine near Wearhead.

Lot 6. A valuable SMELTING MILL, called FELDON MILL, and the DWELLING.HOUSES and OFFICES belonging thereto; together with TWENTY EIGHT ACRES OF LAND, or thereabouts, held by Leave of the Dean and Chapter of Durham.

N.B. All the Engines, Mills, and other Mining and Smelting Utensils and Apparatus, belonging to each Lot respectively, to be taken by the purchasers at a valuation.

Lot 7. THIRTY FIVE ACRES OF CUSTOMARY FREEHOLD LAND, called BOG ESTATE, with right of Pasturage over 400 acres of Common.

Further particulars may be known on application to Messrs FORSTER, Solicitors, Library Place, Newcastle; or to Mr JOHN WALTON, of Brandon Walls, the Company's Agent, who will shew the property.

4th November 1828 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Deaths

At Alston, aged 20, deeply lamented, Miss Walton, only daughter of Mr Jonathan Walton, formerly of Nest, near that place.

Mary Walton buried 26th October

At Alston, suddenly, aged 56, Mr John Haldon, innkeeper, much respected.

22nd November 1828 (Carlisle Patriot)

An extract from "History, Directory and Gazetteer of the Counties of Durham and Northumberland, published by Parson & White, 1828.

"THE LEAD DISTRICT is a bleak and rugged region of mountains, extending from Northumberland and Durham into Cumberland and Westmorland, and thence to the extremity of Derbyshire, being about 160 miles in extent but in this space the veins lie so low that they are not worth winking, except in the five counties just mentioned, and in the north western extremity of Yorkshire.

"The different coal strata rise and crop out east of the Derwent, where the uppermost strata of the lead measures are supposed to burst from beneath the lower coal seams. The lead sections are more regular than those of coal, and each individual bed is anticipated with great certainty by practical miners. From Healyfield and Blanchland on the Derwent, the mines first become of importance, and continue so to the very summit of Cross Fell. The richest mining fields in Northumberland are at Allenheads and Coalcleugh, where the mine measures dip to the north east, about one yard in twenty-seven. These, with the other five lead mines in the parish of Allendale, are the property of Colonel and Mrs. Beaumont, and produce on an average about 2,500 tons of lead per annum. The Manor of Alston, in Cumberland, contains 69 lead mines, which are, or have been worked; they are the property of the Commissioners and Governors of Greenwich Hospital, and are let to the London Lead Company, and private adventurers, who pay one fifth of the ore raised in. them for rent. Including Cross Fell, these mines yield on an average 7,600 tons of lead, yearly. In Weardale there are 36 mines, belonging to the Bishop of Dot ham, and principally occupied by Colonel and Mrs. Beaumont, they produce about 6,800 tons of lead per annum. The 38 mines in Teesdale are the property of the Marquis of Cleveland; and produce on an average 3,200 tons of lead every year. The adjacent mines in Westmorland, belonging to the Earl of Thanet, yield 620 tons per annum; so that the whole average produce of this rich portion of the mining districts amounts to no less than 20,720 tons of lead per annum, exclusive of a considerable quantity of silver which is extracted from the ore at the different smelting furnaces. Every ton of lead ore produces, on an average, about 9 or 10 ounces of silver, and in the year 1820, it is supposed, that 63,686 ounces of silver were extracted from the lead ore, at Langley smelting mill. Hutchinson says, "that one sort of lead which was brought to Newcastle for sale yielded between 30 and 40 oz. of silver per ton."

"In the lead formation, according to Dr. Thompson, there are seven beds or sills of coal, nineteen of limestone, sixty of plate or slate clay, and fifty of sandstone; but Mr, Winch, in his section, makes twenty-one limestone beds, of which the aggregate thickness is 96 fathoms. Some of the beds agree with those of the coal-field, viz. coal, shale, and sandstone; but other rocky masses also attend the lead measures. The sandstone and shale beds first rise from

beneath the coal formation. The slate sill is of a grey colour, and Is used as a roofing slate; the millstone grit is one of the uppermost strata on the Derwent, and is quarried for millstones; the grindstone sill, a fine grained yellowish sandstone, is the uppermost bed at Coalcleugh and Allenheads; hazle, tuft, and a variety of other Sandstones prevail, particularly in the lower part of the lead measures. The richest mineral depository is the rake vein; the principal veins in Northumberland extend nearly east and west, whilst the cross veins run from north to south, and are very irregular in their depth and breadth. The most remarkable cross vein, is called the Great Burtreeford and has been traced from the east Allen river, below Cation in Northumberland, to Lunedale, in Yorkshire. It throws more than eighty fathoms to the west, and the mines on the east side of it are generally of a softer nature than those on the west. The Whetstone Mea cross vein, divides into two branches southward of the west Allen; the eastern branch throws down to the west about 24 fathoms, and the western branch 18 fathoms to the east: they cross and intersect the mining field of Coalcleugh, through which three or four other veins pass in a parallel direction. At the west end of this mining field runs a rich vein, called the Bounder end. The next veins in succession to the west, are, the Moss, and Old Carr's cross veins, and the Black Eshgill, and Sir John's veins, which are followed by the Great Backbone, or sulphur vein, containing pyrites blended with copper ore. The flat or dilated veins, lie between two layers of stone, and are frequently discovered by the miners whilst they are working downwards in the rake veins. Sometimes when the miners have cut a drift through a twitch, the vein opens in a large and wide belly of pure and solid ore. Cavities have been found in the great limestone stratum that have yielded upwards of 1000 bings of lead. (A bing is 8cwt) But the ore is not always in a pure and solid slate, for the veins are frequently separated longitudinally into two or more divisions by a hard and heavy stone vein, which is technically called a rider. The most prevalent stone in mineral veins Is spar, of which there are four kinds, viz. Calcareous, Fluor, Cauk, Quartz, the latter of which is frequently very beautiful, being so fine and smooth as not to exhibit any grain, and so hard as to cut glass like the diamond. Fluor spar also occurs in a great variety of colours; but green, white, yellow, violet, red, and brown, are its most prevalent hues. Cauk, or barytic spar is commonly of a dull yellowish, brownish, or reddish white, and is very difficult to separate front the metallic ores. Large caverns are frequently met with In the lead mines. The insides of these cavities are frequently met with in the lead mines. The insides of these cavities exhibit all the variety, beauty, and splendour of the most curious grotto work, being formed by the variegated spar, shot into a diversity of figured crystals. But these caverns are never-so magnificent as when there is less or more of yellow copper ore, or of pyrites or black Jack in them, as these ores are found to produce in hard veins the most beautiful colours in the world.

“When it is ascertained that ores exist in any particular place, and can be worked to advantage, a shaft is sunk in the ground, or, if the situation will admit, a level, or adit, is driven. Means are also employed to remove water and destructive fluids from the mine. Choak damp is very common in lead mines; but the fire damp has not been met with, except in the Grand Aqueduct Levels called Nent Force, where it has been twice exploded. The level of Nent Force, from Old Hagg’s engine shift, is a stupendous adit, more than four miles in length; strangers, who wish to explore it, may be accommodated with boats and guides by applying at the Lowbyer Inn, near Alston.

"Besides the district just described, lead ore Is found in come of the northern parts of Northumberland. A strong vein is now worked near Fallowfield, that was drowned, but recovered about fifteen years ago. Strings of ore have been discovered on the coast at Ellwick, and on the eastern side of Holy Island. Arsenic is found in lead mines, but no Copper, as has been erroneously stated by some historians.

"The washing of lead ore, &c., has been greatly facilitated during the last thirty years by the introduction of crushing machines, stamping mills, slime pits, dollying, &c.; but a variety of circumstances combine to render the mines very uncertain as to the profit of the adventurers. They are, however, wrought with great spirit, and are not only productive of much wealth, but also give employment to a numerous class of industrious workmen. …"

2nd December 1828 (Tyne Mercury; Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 26th ult. by the Rev. Edward Bigland, Mr Luke Pearson, of Allendale Town, Northumberland, to Jane, eldest daughter of the late John Little, Esq. of Raise House, near Alston, Cumberland.

10th January 1829 (The Times)

Public Sales

A fine Corn Estate, near Newcastle and Durham, lying well together. Intersected by the river Derwent, 15 miles from Durham, Newcastle, and Hexham, containing together about 3,200 acres of fine land, and let to respectable tenants, at rents producing about £2,700 per Annum. —By Mr. HOGGART, at the Mart, in February next, unless an acceptable offer should be made by Private Contract, by direction of the Executors and Trustees for Sale under the Will of the late Thomas Walker, Esq.,

THE Manor or Lordship of Waskerley, with the estates thereto connected, forming together a very Important and valuable property for investment of capital; containing altogether about 3,200 acres of fine land, the chief part in arable, producing abundant crops of corn, and near to the best markets, and from whence it is shipped for the London markets; the poor-rates and Assessments moderate, the tenants respectable, the farm-houses and buildings in good repair, the estate well stocked with game, and the River Derwent affording excellent fishing, as well as the miner streams and rivulets which Intersect the estate. There are about 400 acres of woods and plantations, of a most thrifty description, and rapidly increasing, so that in a few years the timber upon the estate will form no small feature of its value; a considerable income is already derived by the underwoods and thinnings. The property Is subdivided into farms in the chapelry of Shotley and parish, of Bywell, St. Andrew; a chief part in the county of Northumberland/ and the remainder in the county of Durham, comprising Waskerley Farm, Sanshllis and Hill Top, North and South Shotley and Mill, Field Head, North Snods, Shotley-hall (the residence of Thomas Walker, Esq.), South Snods, Bollisher, and Airyholme, and Snows-green. The farm-houses of a most substantial and superior description. This beautiful property lies nearly within a ring fence, under a fine system of cultivation, for which the agriculturists in these counties are

so justly distinguished; a portion of the pastures, meadows, and feeding grounds is attached to each farm. Particulars will be ready in due time; and any person now wishing to treat may have all inquiries satisfactorily answered, on application to Messrs. Lowdham, Park, and Freeth, Llncoln's Inn-fields; or to Mr. Hoggart, of Old Broad-street, Royal Exchange, where a map of the estate may be inspected.

7th February 1829 (Newcastle Courant)
On the 29th ult., Mr. Hugh Gill, of Garrigill Gate, near Alston was unfortunately killed in a lead mine, near the head of the South Tyne, by a quantity of rubbish falling upon him. He was a most worthy, and industrious young man.
Hugh Gill was buried at Garrigill 31st January 1829, aged 31 years.

10th June 1829 (The Scotsman)

ORGANIC REMAINS OF PLANTS.

To the Editor of the Scotsman.
Sir. —The interest you lake in every thing likely to advance the science of Geology, encourages me to solicit a small space in your widely circulated newspaper, to record what accidentally came under my view when lately at the river Derwent in the county of Durham.
To the ardour of M. A. Brongniart in the researches he has so successfully made in collecting materials for the physical history of the formations, which compose the crust of our planet, every geologist must feel deeply indebted. Although the world feel under many obligations to Cuvier, Sternberg, Boue, Brown, M. D'Urville, &c., for their able and unremitting exertions in this ancient and dark field of early existence, it has been reserved for this eminent young naturalist to present to the public a classification so natural and clear as greatly to facilitate the labours of those who interest themselves in such pursuits, and to aid them in recording the particulars which may accidentally come under their immediate notice. Impressed with the importance of this object I availed myself of the kindness of Mr. Dolphin, head agent to Messrs. Hall and Co., who solicited me to explore a vein called Jefferies Rake, in the Derwent mines, near Blanchland, in the county of Durham. Accordingly, on the 22d of April, Mr. Dolphin, a few friends, and myself, proceeded to our undertaking. Having travelled up the Adit about three quartets of a mile, we began to descend by the assistance of ladders. At the depth of about 55 fathoms below the surface, in a bed of sandstone 40 fathoms thick, to our astonishment we were gratified by the sight of some magnificent specimens of an ancient flora belonging to M. A. Brongniart's first period of vegetable creation. The two varieties I saw appear to belong to his third class, the "vascular cryptogamic." The first were Stigmariae (Lycopodiaceae). The second were magnificent specimens of great circumference of Sigellariae (Felices.) One of these last named specimens, which is situated in the space cleared out to get at the lead ore, stands erect, and its roots are firmly embedded in a thin stratum of bituminous shale, much carbonized. I should think the height of this prodigious fern stump may be about five feet, and its diameter probably exceeds two.
It has, I understand, been the opinion of some gentlemen, who have visited these ancient relics, that they have been washed into and deposited in their present situation by some aqueous revolution. To this conclusion I must object,

for two reasons: first, because the roots are firmly embedded in the shale, as if they had remained undisturbed in their original earthy envelope; and secondly, because you may discover in each cheek of the vein, other trunks of these members of the ancient flora in the solid ruck, the position and appearance of which are most consistent with the supposition that they grew on the spot where they are now found. The confused heaping, fracturing, and violence, which characterise alluvial action, are not seen here.

The essential character of this first vegetation is the predominance of vascular cryptogamic plants; and we have here a most striking example of the great development which the species in question had attained in this first period of vegetable creation, when the two principal agents, heat and moisture, had evidently exerted an extraordinary influence.

If the attention lately paid to the study of fossil conchology has been so highly instrumental in clearing up the many doubts respecting the different sedimentary formation—if the works of Cuvier and others, founded on the early observations and views of Werner, have afforded us so many interesting proofs of successive creations, from those of the early inhabitants of the deep, up to the most perfect formed quadrupeds may we not expect equal pleasure and instruction from an application to the study of these ancient vegetable remains, which will, when properly examined, greatly facilitate our knowledge of the forms, character, and qualities of the plants peculiar to each successive period, and of the degree of temperature and humidity which must have existed at the same time ?

I could say much more upon this instructive subject, and in praise of the natural way In which M. A. Brongniart accounts for the phenomena of the successive periods of creation as developed in its animal and vegetable tribes; but for the present I conclude by expressing my sincere wish that the views of this ingenious philosopher may be forwarded by the manifestation of a corresponding zeal among the promoters of this branch of the science in our own country.

I remain, Sir, your obedient Servant,

14, Great King-street. HENRY WITHAM.

11th July 1829 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

On the 1st inst., at Alston, Mr. Joseph Little, of Stanhope, in Weardale, to Miss Mary Millican of Nenthead, near the former place.

Joseph Little was born 15th December 1786, son of Joseph and Sarah Little of Tynehead, christened at Redwing Congregational Chapel, 1st January 1787.

Joseph Little married Lucy Pearson, 3rd October 1807, at Lanchester, Durham.

Children of Joseph and Lucy Little:

Sarah born 3rd April 1808, baptised, 4th September 1808, at Muggleswick, Durham. Sarah married Frederick Fenwick on the 15th of September 1829 at Stanhope.

Lucy Little died 21st October 1809, buried 23rd October 1809, aged 23 years, at Muggleswick, Durham, living at Watergate.

Joseph married Ruth Stagg 23rd April 1811 in Alston, St Augustine's, Joseph is listed as widowed.

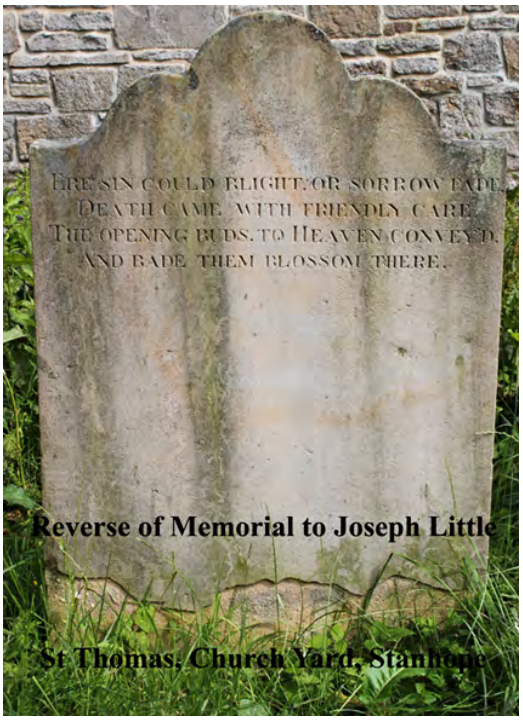
Ruth Little died at Hillhouse, 28th December 1811, aged 27 years.

Joseph married Jane Fenwick 12th February 1816, at Gateshead St Mary's.

Children of Joseph and Jane Little:
Phoebe baptised 21st September 1817, died on the 10th of November 1824 aged 8 years
Mary Jane baptised 23rd November 1822,
William Fenwick, baptised 23rd November 1822, died on the 5th of December 1822, aged 11 months.
Jane Little (nee Fenwick) died 20th November 1822, aged 29 years.
Mary Millican was the daughter of John Vipond Millican and Francis Tinniswood, she was born 23rd January 1801.
Joseph Little and Mary Millican had two children:
John Tinniswood, baptised 2nd December 1829, died 16th June 1898 in Iron Bridge, Gladstone Twp., Algoma District, Ontario.
Francis Lucy baptised 5th July 1834 (died 16th July 1834), both at Stanhope.

The minute books of the Governor and Company for Smelting down lead with Pit Coal and Sea coal show:
12th July 1810 Joseph Little is appointed as agent to Stanhope mill at a salary of £130 per annum to commence from Midsummer last. (Replacing Robert Stagg who had been appointed to Stanhope Mill 13th April 1809). In 1812 Joseph is referred to as also being assistant to the Company Cashier.
The 1841 census shows at Nenthead Low Hill Top, John Millican, Lead mine agent, aged 60, his son John Millican, smelting lead agent, 30, and his wife Sarah Millican aged 30, and Mary Little, of Independent means, aged 40 (died 9th February 1851, aged 50, at Nenthead), and servants, Ann Tinniswood aged 15, and Elizabeth Tinniswood aged 10.
See 2nd March 1816, and 2nd September 1876.

St Thomas' Churchyard, Stanhope


ERE SIN COULD BLIGHT OR SORROW FADE
DEATH CAME WITH FRIENDLY CARE
THE OPENING BUDS TO HEAVEN CONVEY'D
AND BADE THEM BLOSSOM THERE
Reverse of Memorial to Joseph Little

St Thomas, Church Yard, Stanhope

St Thomas Church Yard Stanhope

IN
MEMORY OF
JOSEPH LITTLE
OF STANHOPE-HOUSE
THE MUCH RESPECTED AGENT OF THE LONDON
MINING COMPANY, WHO DIED ON THE
21ST DAY OF JULY 1835 AGED 48 YEARS
AND OF JANE, HIS WIFE, WHO DIED ON THE
20TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1822 AGED 29 YEARS
AND OF WILLIAM FENWICK LITTLE, THEIR SON,
WHO DIED ON THE 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1822
AGED 11 MONTHS. AND OF PHOEBE LITTLE
THEIR DAUGHTER, WHO DIED ON THE
10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1824 AGED 8 YEARS
ALSO FRANCES LUCY THE INFANT DAUGHTER OF
THE SAID JOSEPH & MARY LITTLE HIS WIFE
WHO DIED ON THE 16TH DAY OF JULY 1834

18th July 1829 (Carlisle Patriot)

William Richardson, committed June 21, 1829, by Robert Hodgson, Esq. and the Rev. Benjamin Jackson, convicted of having violently assaulted John Leathart of Alston, and having refused to pay £2 14s. Committed one calendar month.

John Ridley, committed July 4, 1829, by the Rev. Benjamin Jackson, convicted of refusing to perform an order of bastardy, upon which there is £11 13s. due to the parish of Alston, to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for three mouths, unless, &c.

Joseph Harrop committed July 4, 1829, by the Rev. Benjamin Jackson, convicted of having wilfully been at such a distance from the carriages or carts of his matter Joseph Hill, of Nenthead, of which he was the driver, whilst the said carriages or carts were passing upon the turnpike road leading from Alston to Burn-stones, that he, the said Joseph Harrop, could not have the direction and government of the horses or cattle drawing the same, contrary, &c. whereby he hath forfeited £1 9s., and for non-payment is committed for one month.

29th August 1829 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT

1-30th SHARE OF THE VALUABLE LEAD MINE, now working to great advantage, called YADMOSS, in the county of Cumberland.

Application to be made to Mr Alexander Reed, Dean Street, Newcastle, who will treat for the same; or further particulars respecting the Mine may be had of Mr Thomas Teasdale, the Agent, in the Close.

Newcastle, 27th August, 1829

17th October 1829 (Carlisle Patriot)

PUBLIC HOUSE AT MELMERBY FOR SALE

To be SOLD, PEREMPTORILY, in PUBLIC SALE, on the PREMISES, on the 25th Day of NOVEMBER 1829, at Six o'clock in the Evening,

ALL that substantially-built INN, known by the Name of the NEW INN, together with Stables adjoining thereto, situate at MELMERBY, in the County of Cumberland, in the Possession of THOMAS BORROWDALE, as tenant, who will shew the Premises.

Also at the same Place will be SOLD, the THIRTY-SECOND PART or SHARE of and in all that MINE, situate at ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, known by the Name of the BLACK SYKE LEAD MINE; all which Premises were formerly the Property of Mr. THOMAS WILSON, Wine Merchant, of Penrith, deceased. For further Particulars apply to Mr. THOMAS DOWSON, of Alston, and at the Office of Mr. HINDSON, Solicitor, Penrith.

21st November 1829 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION

At the Crown and Thistle Inn, Newcastle, on Tuesday the 1st December, 1829, at 6 o'clock, P.M.

FOUR SIXTIETH SHARES of that rich and valuable Lead and Silver Mine, called YADMOSS, in Alston Moor, held under Grant from the Greenwich Hospital and Burnet, producing 113 oz. 2 dwts. 21 grs. of Silver to the Fodder of lead of 21 cwt which has been smelted at the Healyfield Smelt Mill. For information apply Mr Thos. Teasdale, one of the acting partners.

28th November 1829 (Newcastle Courant)

TO MILLWRIGHTS AND OTHERS

PROPOSALS to be sent in to Mr Joseph Price, Glass Works, Gateshead, for a WATER WHEEL, of 24 Feet Diameter, 2½ Trod, the Difference between cast Iron and the best Memel Timber; to be constituted with three Stampers on one Side, and a Pair of fluted and plain Rollers on the other; the Rollers to be 14 Inches Diameter, for crushing Lead Ore, to be proportionally strong to the Wheel, and to be finished in a workman-like Manner, (subject to the Survey of two Millwrights, to call in an Umpire, if thought necessary); to be finished and to be put up by 20th March, 1830; at a Place called Yadmoss, in Alston Moor; the Wheel Case, &c. the Company will make ready for putting up the wheel at their own Expense; all the other Parts by Proposal as stated above.

Newcastle, 26th Nov. 1829

23rd February 1830 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

A Petition was presented to the House of Commons last week, by Sir J Graham, from the owners and workmen of the Lead Mines at Alston Moor, in this county, complaining of severe distress. Lord Lowther, and Lord Wm. Powlett supported the petition, and bore testimony to the ruinous condition of the mining interests, and the consequent sufferings of the workmen.

An inquest was taken before R. Lowry, Esq. coroner, at Nenthead, in the parish of Alston, on the 11th instant, upon the body of Tamar Armstrong, aged 41 years. The deceased was subject to violent spasmodic affections, and in consequence of one of these attacks she died very suddenly.

Verdict—Died by the visitation of God.

Tamar Armstrong of Nenthead, aged 41, was buried 11th February 1830, at St Augustine's Alston

10th April 1830 (Newcastle Courant)

PARDON ASKED

WE, the Undersigned, JONATHAN THOMPSON, JOHN PATTINSON, & GEORGE PATTINSON, all of Nenthead, in the County of Cumberland, Lead-ore Miners, having on the 24th and 26th Days of October last past, assaulted Featherston Hodgson and Thomas Bowman, two of the Game-watchers for Mrs Beaumont, of Bretton Hall, whilst in the Discharge of their Duties, and for which Assault a Prosecution has been commenced against us, but in Consideration of our giving Security for our future good Behaviour, and thus publicly begging their Pardon, such Prosecution has been kindly withdrawn. Witness our Hands this 30th Day of March, 1830.

JONATHAN, THOMPSON, JOHN PATTINSON, His GEORGE X PATTINSON mark.

Witness, Chas. Head.

24th April 1830 (Newcastle Courant)

Births

On the 16th inst., at Nenthead, near Alston, the wife of Mr. Isaac Hornsby, of a daughter, being his 21st child by two wives.

See 22nd June 1811, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 1st April 1882, and 23rd February 1901.

24th April 1830 (Westmorland Gazette)

EMIGRATION. —During the past week several families have passed through Penrith to proceed to Maryport for the purpose of emigrating to America and the British Settlements. Such is the anxiety of individuals to quit "the envy of surrounding nations," that the poor are petitioning their respective parishes to grant them aid, and which in a great number of instances has been complied with. The population of Knock, Dufton, and some of the adjoining townships, now begin to experience a decrease in the population. Numbers are now preparing in and about Alston Moor, and to all appearance this will be a memorable year emigration.

19 June 1830 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the Crown and Thistle Inn, Groat Market, Newcastle, on Monday, 28th June, 1830, at 12 o'clock at Noon,

BY MR THOMAS YOUNG,

ALL the valuable LEAD MINES, and SMELTING MILL, called FELDON MILL, with the Freehold and Leasehold LANDS, &c. in the Parish of Stanhope, and County of Durham, belonging to the British Lead Company, subject to such Terms as will be then produced, unless an Offer for the Whole or Part thereof should be in the mean time accepted, of which due Notice will be given.

Further Particulars, may he known on Application to the Auctioneer, Newcastle; Messrs Forsters, Solicitors, Library Place; or to Mr John Walton, of Brandon Walls, the Company's Agent, who will shew the Property.

20th July 1830 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Inquest
On the 11th, at Nenthead, parish of Alston, on the body of John Cousin, who was suffocated by a quantity of earth having fallen upon him when working in a lead mine. *Working in Bloomsbury Mine*
John Cousin born 16th September 1801, baptised December 1801, at St Augustine, Alston, son of John Cousin of Nenthead, miner native of Knarsdale by his wife Hannah (John & Hannah married at Alston 5th March 1795) native of Middleton in Teesdale, daughter of John Hind.
John Cousin, aged 29, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston on 11th July 1830.

21st August 1830 (Carlisle Patriot)
EDWARD COATS' ASSIGNMENT
WHEREAS EDWARD COATS, of ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, CARRIER and INNKEEPER, hath, by Indenture of Assignment bearing date the 17th day of August, 1830, assigned over all his Stock in Trade, House-hold Goods, Furniture, Farming Stock, Out-standing Debts, and all other his Personal Estate and Effects, unto RALPH BROWN, of Wanwood Side, near Alston aforesaid, Yeoman, and WILLIAM COATS, of Garrigill, near Alston aforesaid, Miller, in trust, for the equal benefit of such of his Creditors who shall produce satisfactory evidence of their Debts, and execute the said Assignment within Three Months from the date thereof:
NOTICE is THEREFORE HEREBY GIVEN,
That the said Indenture of Assignment is Lodged at the Office of Mr. TAYLOR, Solicitor, of Alston, for the Inspection and Execution of such of the said Creditors who may be desirous of taking the benefit of the said Assignment. And all Persons Indebted to the said E. Coats are requested to pay their respective Debts forthwith to the said Mr. TAYLOR, or to one of the said Assignees, otherwise Actions will be commenced for the recovery thereof.
TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of the said EDWARD COATS,, on Friday, the 27th Day of August instant, at 10 o'clock in the Forenoon, All his STOCK of HORSES, CARTS, CART GEAR, and IMPLEMENTS of HUSBANDRY; and a Quantity of new well-got HAY. Also all-his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Jonathan Woodmass, Auctioneer. Alston, August 18, 1830.

4th September 1830 (Carlisle Patriot)
TO SCHOLLMASTERS
WANTED at MICHAELMAS next at NENT HALL SCHOOL; in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, a respectable Person, who is qualified to Teach the English Language, Writing, Aithmetic, Mathematics, &c. Respectable Testamonials will be required of his good moral conduct, and of his qualifications as a Teacher, and of his being a Member of the Church of England.
The School has an Endowment of £20 per annum, with a comfortable House, and good Garden, which, together with the Quarterly Payments, is estimated at about £60 a year.
Candidates for the Situation must forward their Testimonials (post-paid) to Mr Wilson, Nent Hall, Aug. 30th, 1830.

14th September 1830 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
A lead mine has been opened in Loweswater; the ore is not very plentiful, but of excellent quality.

1st October 1831 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Married
At Alston, on the 21st ult. Mr. Tinniswood Millican, of Nenthead, to Miss Lucy Little, of the Bails, near the former place.
See 17th August 1844, 12th July 1865, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, and 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

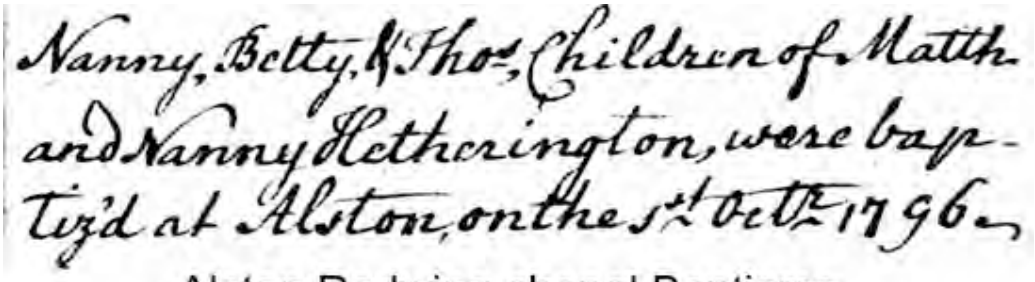
20th October 1830 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
At Trinity chapel, in this town on the 22nd Mr Henry Yeats, miner, Alston Moor, to Miss Elizabeth Craig.
Henry Yeats born 21st December 1806, baptised 25th January 1807, at Redwing, Alston Independent Chapel, son of Thomas & Mary Yeats, of Fairhill, Alston.
In 1831 & 1832, Henry Yeats, lead ore miner and his wife Elizabeth were living at Nattrass Gill.
Children of Henry & Elizabeth Yeats:
Mary born 21st February 1831, baptised 6th March 1831, at Redwing
Thomas born 28th August 1832, baptised 2nd September 1832, at Redwing
Ezekial born about 1838 at Penrith, died 1st qtr 1875, aged 37, at Newcastle.
Isabella born about 1840 at Penrith
Henry born 2nd qtr 1843 at Newcastle
George born about 1847 at Workington
In 1851, at Alloa, Clackmannnanshire, Scotland, Henry Yeats, Methodist Minister, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 40, children, Mary 20, Ezekial 13, Isabella 11, Henry 7, and George 4. In 1851, Thomas Yeats aged 18, was visiting Robert Barron, cheese monger, aged 35, and his family at Lambton Street, Gateshead.
Thomas Yeats married Hannah Thomasine McCree 2nd qtr 1857, at Newcastle.
In 1861, at Napier St, Newcastle, Thomas Yeats, commercial traveller for Bacon Factory, aged 28, his wife Hannah T aged 24, children, Henry 3, Margaret J 1, brothers, Ezekiel, grocers assistant, aged 23, Henry, mechanic in iron foundry, aged 18, George, railway clerk aged 15, and sister Isabella 21.
In 1871, at Barrasford, Northumberland, Henry Yeats, widower, clerk & timekeeper, aged 61, born at Fairhill, Alston.
Probable death of Henry Yeats, 14th May 1878, aged 72, at Diana Street, Newcastle.

1st January 1831 (Newcastle Courant)
TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,
AN excellent, modern-built Freehold DWELLING-HOUSE, called MARTON HOUSE, furnished, and ready for immediate occupation with Coach-House, Stabling, out-Offices, and other Conveniences proper for the

Accommodation of a Gentleman's Family together with Gardens well stocked with Fruit Trees, and about sixteen Acres of Meadow and Pasture Land, including Belts of Plantations immediately adjoining.
The above Premises are situate near the Village of Longmarton, in Westmorland, within a Mile of the London and Glasgow Mail Road, and distant from Appleby 8 Miles, from Temple Sowerby, 5 Miles, and from Penrith, 12 Miles.
The Dwelling-House commands most delightful and extensive Views of the adjoining picturesque Country, and is well worthy the Attention of any Sporting Gentleman, being in the immediate Neighbourhood of excellent Grouse Moors, and the Vicinity abounding with other Game.
These Premises are equally well adapted for a Family desirous to possess a particularly healthful and pleasant Retreat, being situated in a fine Champaign Part of the Country, and at a convenient Distance from the Westmorland and Cumberland Lakes.
The Premises may be viewed by applying to the Gardener on the Spot; and further Particulars may be known on Application to Mr. Stagg, Middleton House, near Barnard-Castle or to Messrs R. and W. Bainbridge, Solicitors, Alston, near Penrith, either of which Parties will, at any Time previous to the 1st of March next, be ready to receive Offers from Persona desirous of purchasing. —Middleton House, Dec 22, 1830.

22nd January 1831 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., aged 84, Mr John Dodd, formerly agent to the lead company, and merchant in Alston.
John Dodd aged 82, was buried at Alston 21st January 1831.
See Thomas Dodd & Family

25th January 1831 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths
At Low Byer, near Alston, Thomas only son of Matthew Hetherington, of the Low Byer Inn, aged 34.
Thomas Hetherington, son of Matthew Hetherington and Ann Walton, (Matthew Hetherington and Ann Walton, married 15th September 1793, at St Augustine's, Alston)baptised 1st October 1796


Nanny, Betty, & Thos, Children of Matth. and Nanny Hetherington, were bapt. tiz'd at Alston, on the 1st Octr 1796.
Alston Redwing chapel Baptisms

Thomas Hetherington married Sarah Bulman 13th March 1817, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 4th February 1832

25th February 1831 (Durham County Advertiser)

On Friday evening last, some villain discharged a gun through the window of Middleton House, the residence of Robert Stagg, Esq., agent of the London Lead Company. Fortunately the family had retired to rest, and no further damage was done than the breaking about 7 squares of glass. A reward has been offered for the detention of the perpetrator of this diabolical outrage, but hitherto without success. Mr. Stagg bears a good character amongst the miners, for kindness towards them, and a disposition to alleviate their distress as far as lies in his power.

26th February 1831 (Newcastle Chronicle)

TOLLS TO BE LET,
ALLENDALE TURNPIKE ROAD

NOTICE is hereby given, that the next Meeting of the Trustees of the said Road is appointed to be held at the House of William Holmes, the Younger, the Sign of the King's Head, in Allendale Town, on Friday, the 25th Day of March next, at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon, when the TOLLS arising at the several Toll Gates upon the said Road and Branches called or known by the several Names of Catton, Carrshield, Allendale Town, Thornley Gate, Bridge-end, Sindrop, and Coalcleugh Toll Bars, and the side Gates at Bridge-end and Sindrop will be LET BY AUCTION, either together or separate, to the best Bidders, in the Manner directed by the Acts passed in the third and fourth Years of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, “for Regulating Turnpike Roads," which Tolls produced the last Year the clear Sum of 1226/. 3s. 1d above the Expenses of collecting them. Whoever happens to be the best Bidder, must at the same Time pay one Month in Advance, (if required) of the Rent at which such tolls may be let, and give security with sufficient Sureties, to the Satisfaction of the Trustees of the said Road for Payment of the rest of the Money Monthly, or in such other Proportions as shall be directed.

BELL and HEAD,
Clerks to the Trustees of the said Road.

	£.	s.	d.
Allendale Town and Sindrop Gates for one Year,	421	0	0
Catton, Thornley, and Bridge-end Gates for Do.	692	0	0
Carr Shield, and Coalcleugh Gates for Do.	113	3	1
	£1226	3	1

Manor Office, Hexham, Feb. 24, 1831.

26th February 1831 (Newcastle Courant)

WOLSINGHAM and WEARDALE Estates and Smelting Mill for Sale
To be sold by Auction
At Mrs. Emmerson’s the Half Moon, in Wolsingham, on Tuesday, the 8th March, 1831, at 12 o’clock.

Lot 11. The VALUABLE LEAD ORE SMELTING MILL, at Bollyhope, in Weardale, having a Roasting Furnace, a Smelting Furnace, two Smelting Hearths, a Slag Hearth, a Refining Furnace, a Reducing Furnace, and every other requisite and convenience for carrying on the

business of smelting in the most complete manner; with an excellent Dwelling House for an Agent, and new-built Workmen's Houses, &c., and about 7A., 1R., 13r., of Freehold and Copyhold Land attached. The respective Tenants will show the Lands, and Mr. John Taylor, the Agent, will show the Mill and premises at Bollyhope.

Died

On the 16th inst., at Lowbyer, near Alston, Mrs. Dickinson, wife of Mr. John Dickinson, lately Agent to Greenwich Hospital, in that district aged 71, much respected. *See 19th January 1833*

5th March 1831 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

On the 22nd ult., at Alston, Mr. James Vipond, of Garrigill Gate, shopkeeper, to Miss Walton *(Elizabeth)* youngest daughter of Mr. Jonathan Walton, formerly a clogger at Alston.

James son of James Vipond (baptised 30th May 1761 at Garrigill) and Ann White (baptised 10th October 1762, married 16th September 1784), baptised 19th September 1803, James burial is recorded at Garrigill, 30th June 1838, aged 35.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Elizabeth Vipond, aged 35, grocer, James 9, Walton 8, and Ann Vipond, aged 79, Independent.

Elizabeth died 19th December 1843, buried at Garrigill 21st December 1843, aged 42 years. Ann Vipond was buried at Garrigill 14th January 1844, aged 82 years.

In 1851, James, aged 19, and Walton aged 17, were working as lead miners, and lodging at Skydes, Garrigill, with Thomas Spark.

In 1851, Thomas Spark (son of Hugh Spark and Nancy Vipond), lead miner & farmer, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth (married at Alston 26th January 1837, daughter of Ralph & Elizabeth Winskill, baptised 7th April 1816) aged 34, children Vipond 13, Elizabeth 16, son Aeneas aged 1, lodgers James Vipond, lead miner, aged 19, Walton Vipond, lead miner, aged 17, and servant Elizabeth Dixon 15.

In 1861 at Garrigill Village, James Vipond, draper and grocer aged 20, his wife Ann aged 20 (Shaw, daughter of Thomas Shaw, married 24th June 1860), son Thomas W 4 months (died 13th March 1862, aged 15 months), brother Walton Vipond, assistant grocer, aged 28, domestic servant, Catharine Barron aged 26, and lodger May Ann Carrick, teacher reading, writing, arithmetic, aged 28 born Haltwhistle.

James and Ann had a son Jonathan who died 12th October 1869 an infant.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, James Vipond aged 39, draper, grocer and landowner, his wife Ann aged 30, children Elizabeth A. 9, Thomas W. 7, James 5, Mary E. 3, Minnie S. 5 Months, and servant Ann Watson 18.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, James Vipond aged 49, draper and grocer, his wife Ann 40, children Elizabeth A. 19, Thomas W. watchmaker, aged 17, James 15, Mary Eleanor 13, Minnie S. 10, Lillian 8, Isabel 7, Georgina B. 4, Clara M. age 1

In 1891, at Garrigill, James Vipond, draper & grocer, aged 59, his wife Ann 50, children Minnie S. 20, Lillian 18, Clara M. 11, and Hilda E. 9. James junior was at Hesley Well Row, West Allendale, listed as an insurance superintendent, aged 26.

James died 5th February 1900, aged 68, his wife Ann died 26th September 1913, aged 73.
In 1891, at Stanhope Street, Arthurs Hill, Newcastle, Thos. W. Vipond, watchmaker, jeweller, aged 27, his sister Mary E Vipond, dressmaker, aged 23, sister Georgina B Vipond 14, and visitor Elizabeth A Laws, (sister) married aged 29. Elizabeth Ann Vipond married William Laws, at Alston, 2nd quarter of 1881.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, William Laws, chemist's assistant, aged 40, children Karl A. 9, Sydney V. 7, Lybert A. 5, visitor Isabella Vipond 17, and boarder Mary P Laws 19. In 1901, at Market Square, Alston, William Laws, grocer on own account, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth A. 39, children Sydney V. grocer 17, and Hilda L. aged 7.
In 1901, at Garrigill, Ann Vipond, widow, living on own means, aged 69, children James, grocer & sub postmaster, aged 35, Isabel 27, and Clara Maria, 21(married William John Little, a traveller, born Alston, 4th quarter of 1905).
In 1911, William and Clara were living at South Tyne Cottage, Alston.
Mary Eleanor married Joseph Thomas Pragnell, in 1911, Joseph Thomas Pragnell, aged 50, a shipping clerk, born Yeovil, Somerset, his wife, Mary Eleanor aged 43, and son Thomas 3 years, living at 20 Whitley Road, Whitley Bay.
In 1911, at 36 Grove Street, Newcastle, Ann Vipond, widow, aged 70, son Thomas Walton, watchmaker, shopkeeper, single, aged 47, daughters Lillian Vipond, single, aged 38, Hilda Evelena Vipond, telephone operator, aged 28 Tybert Aubourne Laws, grandson,shipowners clerk aged 25, born Alston.
See 29th June 1860, and 14th January 1905

10th June 1831 (Durham County Advertiser)
The Pitmen. —The men belonging Hetton Colliery, and who were recently bound to the Owners of that concern, have again quitted their employment, on account of some half dozen or eight lead-miners from Weardale having been set to work in the pits, and whose discharge they insist upon. This dictation on the part of the pitmen to their employers is sufficiently bad, but we understand it does not stop here, for the Hetton men and some others are at this moment actually attempting to fix the prices which the farmers shall charge for their wheat, butter, milk, &c., and in some cases the rent which the landlord shall receive! They also require that women employed in the fields shall be paid two shillings and sixpence per day during harvest and not less than one shilling per day at all other times; and they threaten punishment to the women if they accept inferior terms. What the next demands of these unreasonable men will be, we are at a loss to imagine, but it appears to us certain that if they persevere in their present illegal course, they will ere long bring down upon themselves the vengeance of the offended laws of their country.

25th June 1831 (Carlisle Patriot)
Inquests held before R. Lowry, Esq., coroner: At Nest, in the parish of Alston, on Sunday last, in view of the body of Teasdale Stephenson, aged 15 years, who was accidentally killed, on the Friday preceding by falling from the top of a waggon (which he was driving in a mine called Hudgill Burn), the wheel of which

passed over his head, and so severely fractured his skull that he died instantly.. Verdict accordingly.
Joseph Stephenson married Hannah Todd 17th May 1804, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Joseph and Hannah Stephenson:
William born 2nd February 1806, 1st son of Joseph Stephenson, Alston miner, by his wife Hannah daughter of William Todd.
Ann born 21st August 1809, 1st daughter of Joseph Stephenson, Hudgill miner, by his wife Hannah daughter of William Todd.
Joseph born 20th February 1812, 2nd son of Joseph Stephenson, Hudgill miner, by his wife Hannah daughter of William Todd.
Teasdale baptised 24th February 1817, Teasdale Stephenson of Low Nest, aged 15, was buried 19th June 1831, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Possible Children of Joseph and Hannah Stephenson:
Elizabeth baptised 10th March 1822
Mary baptised 10th March 1822
Hannah baptised 30th January 1825
Sarah baptised 25t November 1827
Jane born 2nd September 1830, baptised 29th November 1830, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.

2nd August 1831 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths
At Cumberland Row, Newcastle upon Tyne, Ruth wife of Mr Joseph Dickinson, of Alston, aged 39.
Ruth Dickinson aged 39 was buried at Alston, 24th July 1831.
Joseph Dickinson married Ruth Rowell 28th October 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Ruth Lancaster Dickinson, daughter of Joseph and Ruth Dickinson, was baptised 26th August 1824 at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1851, at Townfoot, Alston, Joseph Dickinson, widower, land surveyor, aged 54, and servant, Catherine Pearson, house servant, aged 24.
See Administration of Joseph Dickinson 1854.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Ruth L. Dickinson, landed proprietor, aged 36, and servant Jane Hill, domestic servant, aged 24.
In 1871, at Beaconsfield, Little Woolton, Lancashire, Daniel James, widower, merchant, aged 68, born New York, USA, 3 sons, aged 19, 17, and 16, visitors, Ruth Dickinson, 46, Lucy Arrow, widow, aged 45, and Lucy M Arrow 18, and 5 servants.

Ruth Lancaster Dickinson, married Daniel James, (his 3rd wife) at Alston, 5th July 1871.
See 18th July 1871
Daniel James died 27th November 1876, probate shows effects of £45,000.
In 1881, at Beaconsfield, Little Woolton, Lancashire, Ruth L. James widow, annuitant, aged 56, and 5 servants.
In 1891, at Coton House, Churchover, Rugby, Warrwickshire, John Arthur James, living on his own means, aged 38, his wife Mary V aged 29, stepmother, Ruth L. James, widow, living on her own means, aged 66, niece, Helen M James 1, Mother in Law, Prudence P Cavindish Bentich, married,

aged 64, cousin Mary Leslie aged 32, visitors, Isabel Faquhar aged 32, Helen L Faquhar 31, and 23 servants.

Ruth Lancaster James of Beaconsfield, Little Woolton, near Liverpool, died 4th April 1907, probate to George Wright Mumford, and John Arthur James, effects £54,836 6s 8d; re-sworn, £56,300 11s 8d.

23rd September 2006 (Cumberland and Westmorland Herald)
Spotlight on history of threatened hospital

Ruth Lancaster James Cottage Hospital, Alston
Paper presented by Alastair Robertson to the Alston Moor Historical Society:

…The first initiative came in 1895 from Miss Ada Richardson, who wrote to the RDC asking for consideration to be given to the provision of a trained nurse for the Alston area. The request was turned down as the RDC had "no means at their disposal" for furthering the objective. However, in 1898, the RDC decided to apply for urban powers under the Public Health Acts of 1875 and 1890.
In 1902, the isolation hospital committee recommended that a site be sought for a new hospital and that, in the interim, a temporary building be found. Haltwhistle Council was invited to join the project. While in modern times Alston has little affinity with Haltwhistle, it was then the easiest large town to get to as it was at the end of the railway line which was the main mode of transport in and out of Alston. Many workers in the Alston area lived in Haltwhistle and used the train to get to work.

NOT HAPPY
A year later, a plan supported by both councils was prepared for a joint isolation hospital. However, the medical officer was not happy with the proposed site and asked for the whole plan to be reconsidered. By the end of 1903, after the consideration of a number of existing buildings, only a house at High Shield Hill was regarded as suitable but it was in need of repair. A further report was requested.
At this point in the story, a woman called Ruth Lancaster James was called upon to play a major role. She was a resident of Woolton, Liverpool, but owned estates on Alston Moor and was very generous to local good causes, one of her most significant gestures being the paying off of a large debt on the Fairhill recreation ground.
She was anxious to do more and responded positively to a petition she received for the building of a hospital.
In 1906, plans were drawn up for a cottage hospital and, in 1907, permission was granted for a sewage drain to be laid beneath the road to the cemetery. One feature of the new building was the provision of modern-style flush toilets a novelty at the time.
Mrs. James had endowed the project with £5,000 for building and upkeep. This inspired other legacies to be made. The cost of the building was £2,026 and it was duly opened in 1908 by Lady Mabel Howard. Mrs. James did not live to see it open as she died in 1907.
Some of the money was used to purchase a three-acre field in front of the new building and this proved to be an inspired move as there were

soon to be buildings on the other three sides, but the frontal views were preserved for posterity.

INSURANCE SCHEME

Treatment was not free at the point of delivery. To help ease the burden of payment, a form of insurance facility known as the Recommend Scheme was introduced in the 1920s. Organisations were able to join by payment, on behalf of their members, the sum of eight guineas per annum. Individuals were also able to join by paying one penny per week. At that time, staying in the hospital cost two guineas per week and an operation cost 11 guineas. There was an element of means testing as anybody with an income over £250 per annum was subject to an additional levy.

The first doctor was a local man, Stewart Carson, who worked on the Moor for 45 years and was a prime mover of the hospital project. In 1928, after he died in 1925, the building of a memorial was inaugurated by a donation of £200 from local businessman Isaac Walton. The appeal was to reach the target of £1,200.

The demands placed on the hospital grew and there were many accidents in the mines and quarries. It was clear that an extension was required and this was opened in 1929. While main contractors Craig Brothers and Keartons did much of the work, they were assisted by Vieille Montagne miners (who had the benefit of their own hospital fund) in their spare time. The company donated a great deal of material. …

St Augustine's Church Yard, Alston

Ruth Wife of
Joseph Dickinson
of Alston Land Surveyor
and Daughter of
Nicholas and Agnes Rowell
who died 21st July 1831
Aged 39 years
Also of the above named
Joseph Dickinson who
died Sept 16th 1853
Aged 58 years

17th September 1831 (Carlisle Patriot)

FATAL EXPLOSION. —A dreadful accident happened at the Long Clough lead mine, near Alston, on Friday last.. As a young man, named Thomas Dickinson,

was in the act of blasting a stone in the mine, a sudden explosion took place, and a large piece of the stone striking him upon the head, he was so much injured that he died instantly. An inquest was held upon the body of the unfortunate youth, on Saturday, when a verdict of "accidental death" as returned.

Thomas Dickinson, aged 18, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston 11th September 1831.

19th November 1831 (Westmorland Gazette)

BLACK LEAD MINES OF SEATTER *sic (Seatoller)* **FELL.**

About seventy years ago, a person who possessed a part the mountain contiguous the mines determined to obtain a share of the rich mineral. Here, with great labour, he sunk a shaft, which carried diagonally till he entered the mines, and with secret joy continued his depredations for some time undiscovered. At length his fraud was detected, and he was tried at Carlisle. The peculiarity of his case had no precedent. He saved his life; but an Act Parliament was passed 1752 to secure this valuable property; by which the stealer and receiver are both subjected the same punishment as for felony. Wad, or, as is improperly called, black lead, is not found in regular veins, but in lumps and irregular masses, several of which weigh four or five pounds. Some of these pieces are hard and gritty, and of little value; others are soft, and of a fine texture, and worth four guineas a pound. It is described as lying in the mine in the form of tree, having a body or root, from which proceed veins or: branches in all directions; the body is the finest wad, and the branches are an inferior quality. Such is the richness of the mines, that in the space of half hour, a single workman can obtain as much of the mineral will sell for one thousand pounds. When the mines are opened, sufficient quantity is procured to answer the demand. The wad of the best quality is packed in barrels, and conveyed under a strong guard to Kendal, whence it is sent to London by waggons, the proprietors of which give a bond for its safe delivery. The inferior sort is conveyed by land to Ulverston, whence it is shipped for the metropolis. Of late years apprehensions have been entertained that the supply of this useful article would fail; but larger quantities have since been procured, and the mines have proved more productive. Dr. Merret and some others, have supposed that these are the only wad mines in the world but that is not the case. A mineral of similar nature, though of inferior quality, and obtained only in small quantities, has been discovered in Scotland, Spain, Germany, and the East indies. The principal consumption of the mineral consists what all called blacklead pencils, which have acquired so much reputation abroad under the title of *Crayons d' Angleterre*. It is bought by the pencil-makers in London, who attend a sale of it in Essex-street, on the first Monday in every month,— *Guide to the Lakes*.

26th November 1831 (Carlisle Patriot)

Mr. Beaumont, M.P. for the county of Northumberland, who on the recent death of his mother, Mrs Beaumont of Portman-square, succeeded to her immense freehold estates, as well as valuable lead mines, in the north of England, will, it is said, shortly be raised to the dignity of the peerage.

30th December 1831 (Durham County Advertiser)
On Saturday last, some hundreds of pitman from the neighbouring coal-mines assembled at Waldridge Colliery, near Chester-Le-Street, where they forcibly stopped the steam engine, and threw several metal tubs down the shaft; their object being to deter a party of lead-miners who had been brought to supply the place of some refractory colliers, from working. It was found necessary to apply for the assistance of a military force, and a troop of the 2nd Dragoons or Queen's Bays having in consequence arrived, the pitmen took their departure, and the lead-miners now pursue their labours unmolested, under the protection of the military.

28th January 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)
An inquest was held at Nent Head, in the parish of Alston, on Sunday last, upon the body of Joseph Hayton, aged 52 years. He was found dead in bed in the King's Head public house, at Nent Head; and no marks of violence appearing upon his body, the Jury returned a verdict of "Died by the visitation of God."
Joseph Hill Hayton, of Nenthead, was buried 2nd January 1832, aged 52, at Alston.

Robert Hayton, born about 1747, died 1820, buried 8th November 1820 aged 73 at Alston, married Ann Hill (daughter of Jonathan and Mary Hill, baptised 30th May 1748 at Lanchester, Durham) on 15th February 1771 at St Thomas, Stanhope, Durham, witnesses Ra. Westgarth and Jno. Hill.
1. Mary baptised 16th January 1771, at St Thomas, Stanhope,
2. Ann baptised 3rd January 1773, Stanhope, Durham.
3. Robert baptised 25th December 1774, Stanhope, Durham.
4. Jonathan born about 1777
5. Joseph Hill born about 1780
6. Jane born about 1782

Ann Hayton nee Hill buried at Alston 27 April 1795 aged about 46 years.

4th February 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)
On Tuesday last an inquest was held at Alstone, before R. Lowry, Esq., coroner, in view of the body of Mr Edmund Bulman, blacksmith there, aged 66, who whilst at work the preceding day, fell down in a fit of apoplexy, and suddenly expired. Verdict—Died by a visitation of God. Mr Bulman was an old inhabitant of Alstone, and highly respected.
Edmund Bulman buried 1st February 1832, at St Augustine, Alston, aged 66.
Edmund Bulman married Sarah Walton 30th May 1790 at St Augustine, Alston.
Children of Edmund and Sarah Bulman:
Joseph baptised 24th June 1792, at St Augustine, Alston
William baptised 5th January 1794, at St Augustine, Alston
Sarah baptised 31st January 1797, at St Augustine, Alston.
See 25th January 1831

Sarah Bulman snr. died 28th December 1851, aged 75, at Alston

10th March 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)
Inquest: —On Wednesday last, at Welgill Dyke-heads, in the parish of Alstone, (also before R. Lowry, Esq) in view of the body of John Armstrong, aged 64

years. The deceased was found dead, on the day preceding the inquest, on a common public highway, leading from Nenthead to Brownley Hill. There were no marks of violence upon the body of the deceased; and how or by what means he met his death, could not be ascertained at the inquest. Verdict—Died by the visitation God.

John Armstrong of Welgill Dyke Heads, was buried 8th March 1832, aged 64, at St Augustine, Alston. Possible baptism, John, son of John Armstrong of Nentsbury, baptised 15th August 1767, at St Augustine, Alston.

24th March 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)

CHILD BURNT.— A most distressing accident occurred at Nenthead in the parish of Alston, a short time ago. Mary Bond, a little girl about six years old, had been left along with another child in her fathers house, and, whilst playing near the fire, her clothes caught fire, and she was so dreadfully burnt that she lingered in great agony until Saturday last, when she expired. An inquest was held upon the body, by R. Lowry, Esq. coroner, and a verdict of "accidental death" returned.

7th April 1832 (Newcastle Courant)

EMIGRATION. The Commissioners appointed to enquire into the subject of emigration to the British colonies in North America, have issued a notice, dated from the Colonial Office, in which they give some useful information to persons desirous to emigrate. They commence by stating the nature of the assistance which will be afforded by government to emigrants, and proceed to remark upon various other subjects connected with our North American possessions. Government, they state, will not grant any pecuniary aid to emigrants nor will they, after their arrival, be provided with grants of land, gifts of tools, or a supply of provisions. The land which is for sale will be open to public competition, and therefore the price must depend upon the offers made; generally speaking it will hardly fetch less than from 4s. to 5s. per acre; indeed, in good situations, it has lately realised 7s. 6d., 10s., and even 15s. Government, however, though declining to afford pecuniary assistance, have been at some pains to afford facilities to emigrants upon their arrival, and with this view agents are to be maintained at the principal colonial ports, who will gratuitously give every requisite Information to persons upon their first landing to protect them against imposition, and point out to them the most advantageous line of conduct to be pursued according to circumstances. In cases, also, where a private engagement cannot immediately be obtained, these agents will procure employment in some of the public works in progress in the colonies. In order to provide against, frauds, and also to prevent an improper expenditure at the first moment of arrival, it has been arranged that money may be mode payable there, instead of giving it into the hands- of emigrants in this country. Money may be paid into the hands of Messrs Smith, Payne, and Smith, who wilt give letters of credit, so as to enable the emigrant to reserve the amount in the Canadas. They will not, however, take a less sum than £20 on account of any one individual. The best months for leaving England are stated to be March and April, as those who emigrate later do not find employment so abundant, and have, of course, less time before the approach of winter. The Commissioners suggest, that persons proceeding to Canada should also be provided with the means of paying for the journey, which they may have to make after their arrival at

Quebec. The cost of conveyance will of course depend upon the distances but the average appears, to be at the rate of 180 miles for about 7s. Passages from London to Quebec or New Brunswick may be engaged either inclusive or exclusive of provisions. In the former case, the price is about £6; in the latter £8. But, from Liverpool, Greenock, and the principal ports of Ireland, it is a good deal lower. In fact, in March and April, the Commissioners say it may probably be obtained from Dublin for 35s., or 39s., but the prices increase as the season advances. The Colonies to which emigrants to North America can proceed with the most advantage are stated to be Lower Canada, Upper Canada, and New Brunswick. The following is a correct list of the prices of grain and wages in Lower Canada: — Wheat per bushel 4s. 6d., Rye about 3s., Maize 2s. 6d., and Oats 1s. 3d. Wages of labourers 2s. 6d. per day; shipbuilders, carpenters, joiners, coopers, masons, and tailors, 5s. per day. From a calculation made with respect to Upper Canada, it appears that the yearly wages of labourers there hired by the year, are from £27 to £30, monthly wages from £1 10s, to £3 10s; daily wages from 2s. to 3s. 9d. In all the above rates of wages, board and lodging ore found by the employer; without board, daily wages vary from 3s. 6d. out of harvest, to 5s. in harvest time. The wages given to mechanics may be stated to be from 5s, to 7s. 6d. per day. In New Brunswick, the expense of living, and the rate of wages, is somewhat the same as in Lower Canada; but it may be remarked that when labourers have became better acquainted with the work of a particular colony they may be able to get increased wages. The mechanics most in demand are those connected with house building. Shoemakers, tailors, and ship-builders also, find plenty of employment. The following are the prices of a few articles of necessity in New Brunswick: —Bread, the 4lb. loaf, 10d.; Beef, per stone, 3s. 3d.; Mutton, 2s. 6d.; Pork, 2s. 0½d.; Veal 2s. 4d., Salt Pork, £4 15s. per barrel. Coals are about 30, per chaldron. House rent at St. John's is from £5 to £6 for families occupying one room, and for families occupying two rooms, from £6 to £10.

14th April 1832 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the Low Byer Inn, Alston, on Thursday the Third Day of May next between the Hours of Four and Six o'clock in the evening,

ALL those SIX DWELLING HOUSES, with the Out-houses and Appurtenances, commonly called Over-Water-Houses, situated at Nenthead, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, and now in the Occupation of Michael Walton and John Walton, and their Under- tenants. And also, all that Croft behind the same, containing three Quarters of an Acre of Land, or thereabouts. And also, all that Allotment, or Parcel of Pasture Ground, situate near Nenthead aforesaid, containing 70 Acres, or thereabouts, and now also in the Occupation of the said Michael Walton and John Walton, or their Under-tenants. Further Particulars may be known, on Application to Mr Jasper Gibson, Solicitor, Hexham.

14th April 1832 (Newcastle Chronicle)

On the 6th inst. a coroner's inquest was held on the body of John, son of Mr. Thomas Lee, aged 22 years, of the Row, near Barhaugh, Northumberland, who unfortunately was killed at the bottom of a shaft in a lead mine near Barhaugh,

12 fathoms deep, by the falling of some stones out of a kibble, as some persons at the top were drawing it up. Verdict —accidental death.

In Kirkhaugh Church Yard:

Sacred
to the memory of
Thomas Lee of Low Row
who died June 5th 1846
aged 6- years
Also of Ann his wife who died
Dec 22 1844 aged 57 years
Also John their son who died
April 4 1832 aged 22 years
Also of Ann their daughter who died
August 8 1844 aged 31 years
Also of William their son who died
March 7 1826 aged 2 years
and was interred at Alston.

Source: Transcript at Newcastle City Library

17th April 1832 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Great numbers of the Alston Moor lead-miners are daily quitting that part of Cumberland for Newcastle, where they meet with instant engagement in the Coal-mines and make good wages.

21st April 1832 (Newcastle Chronicle)

CAUTION.

WHEREAS several Licensed Keepers of Public Houses and Retail Dealers in Spirits or Wines not residing at Allenheads, have been in the Habit of attending Allenheads at the Annual Ray Day of Mr. Beaumont, M. P. to his Workmen;

Notice is hereby given to all Licensed Keepers of Public Houses, and Retail Dealers in Spirits or Wines, who shall attend the said Pay Day at Allenheads, this Year, or in future, that according to the Excise Laws thereon, they render themselves liable to a Penalty, and that such Penalty is £50 for each Offence.

And Notice it further hereby given, that all such Penalties will be strictly enforced at the ensuing Pay Day, and on all future Occasions. —April 17, 1832.

11th May 1832 (Durham County Advertiser)

On Tuesday last, 63 pitmen and their families were ejected from their houses at Felling Colliery, and on the same day several were also turned adrift from Fawdon Colliery. No resistance was offered at either of these places, the military having been present at both. Several lead-miners have passed through this city since our last, on their way to Hetton and other Collieries, where they are engaged to work in the coal mines.

12th May 1832 (Newcastle Journal)

Alston Moor. During the last week upwards of a hundred individuals have left Alston for the purpose of emigrating to North America by the ship Samuel, now lying at Maryport, bound for Quebec. The persons thus expatriating themselves,

are chiefly miners, who, from the ruinous depression of the lead trade, have long been out of employment, exposed to a situation of extreme misery and want. They are sent from Alston by means of a subscription raised in their behalf, and many of the suffering heads of families feel that they are driven from their native home to seek a precarious subsistence in the gloomy forests of Canada. Thus are we, step by step, losing the real strength of our population, and well may the people of Alston Moor, who, though not Political Economists have at least common sense, exclaim, "So much for the Free Trade system, which within one twelve-months has deprived us of about two thousand of our inhabitants, who in better times used to diffuse plenty to all around, by spending their earnings amongst their neighbours!
The Ships List, see 2nd June 1832, below, indicates the "Samuel" sailed from Whitehaven, not Maryport.

19th May 1832 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
On the 12th inst., at Alston, Mr Thomas Hardy, lead miner, Fair Hill, to Miss *Jane* Craige, of Jolly Board-house, near Alston.
Christopher Hardy married Ann Green 26th December 1793, at Knaresdale.
Children of Christopher and Ann Hardy:
Mary baptised 4th April 1795, St Augustine's, Alston
Thomas born 9th August 1798, baptised 20th August 1798, St Augustine's, Alston
Ann baptised 19th July 1801, St Augustine's, Alston
Sarah born 14th March 1805, baptised 17th March 1805, St Augustine's, Alston
Thomas Hardy born June 27 1808, 2nd son of Christopher Hardy, Newshield, miner, by his wife Ann daughter of Thomas Green, St Augustine's, Alston
Hannah born 5th May 1811, baptised December 1811, St Augustine's, Alston
In 1841, at Fair Hill, Christopher Hardy, lead miner, aged 70, and his wife Ann aged 70.
Christopher Hardy died 1st quarter 1845.
Ann Hardy died 3rd quarter 1856.
In 1841 at Fair Hill, Alston, Thomas Hardy, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 25, children, Christopher 8, Thomas 4, and John 1.
In 1851, at Melmerby, Thomas Hardy, gamekeeper, aged 42, his wife Jane (born Whitehaven) aged 38, children, Christopher, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead mine labourer, aged 14, Ann 8, Frances 6, and William 3.
In 1861, at Melmerby, Thomas Hardy, gamekeeper, aged 52, his wife Jane 49, children, John, post messenger, aged 21, Frances, house servant, aged 16, and Lillah 8.
In 1871, at Gale Hall, Melmerby, Thomas Hardy, gamekeeper, aged 62, his wife Jane aged 59, and daughter Lillah aged 18.
In 1881 at High Aimshaugh, Leadgate, Alston, Thomas Hardy, retired gamekeeper, aged 72, and his wife Jane aged 69.
Thomas Hardy died 17th June 1890, aged 83.
In 1891, at Leadgate, Jane Hardy, widow, living on her own means, aged 80, daughter Lillah Greenup, widow, aged 36, and visitor Mary Ellison, aged 17.
In 1901, at 3 Regent Street, Lancaster, John Hardy, widower, book keeper, aged 61, and his sister Lillah Greenup, widow, house keeper, aged 47.
See 21st June 1890

22nd May 1832 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
THE LEAD TRADE.— No state of decay and ruin can possibly exceed that which now prevails, and has for some time existed, throughout the lead-mining district, extending over large tracts of country in the counties of Northumberland, Durham, Cumberland, Westmorland, and the North Riding of Yorkshire. Time was, when the raising and smelting of British lend afforded a source of wealth to numerous private individuals, and of ample wages to large bodies of labouring people; but the admission of Spanish and Italian lead at a duty which put the English producer out of the market, has brought about a lamentable change of scene. In 1825 pig lead fetched £25 per father of 21 cwt.; which has gone on rapidly decreasing, until, at the present time, the best lead will not fetch more than from £11 to £13, the value having fallen since 1825 fully one half! *Newcastle Journal*

The fine new schooner Lowther, sailed from Workington last week for Canada with a full complement of passengers, —125 in number, 90 of whom were men and women. They were principally we understand, from the neighbourhood of Alston Moor, were a most respectable body of people, and are supposed to have carried out not less than 3000 sovereigns, besides expending from two or three hundred pounds in Workington in such articles as they consider might be useful on their arrival in America.
The Brig Lowther, sailed from Workington on 18th May and arrived at Quebec on 9th July.

2nd June 1832 (Newcastle Journal)
EMIGRATION. —On Sunday last, the brig Nancy sailed from Whitehaven for Quebec, with upwards of 160 emigrants, a few of whom were from Penrith and other parts of Cumberland, but the great bulk of them were from Scotland. The vessel sailed with a favourable breeze from the S. E., and the passengers appeared in the best health and spirits. On leaving the harbour, they cheered their farewell most enthusiastically, which was replied to by the immense crowd assembled on the North Wall to witness their departure. We fervently hope that they may meet in the land of their adoption, better success in life than appears to have been their lot in this country. Two sloops, containing upwards of 180 emigrant passengers, arrived here on Saturday, from Annan, under the expectation of obtaining a passage in the vessel named above; but as she had previously secured her number, they met with disappointment. A vessel, we understand; will be fitted out with all possible dispatch, in order to convey them to their sighed-for country—the Canadas. —So says our respectable neighbour of the *Cumberland Pacquet*. It is truly lamentable to see so many of our able, talented, and wealthy population driven from their native soil by the effects of vicious legislation. The persons emigrating are chiefly farmers and lead-miners. The lead trade in particular continues, and so it must remain until the free-trade quackery is annihilated; in a state of ruinous depression.
Shipping records show that the Brig Nancy sailed from Whitehaven on 3rd June, carrying 108 settlers and coals, arrived at Quebec (Grosse Isle) 20th July 1832.

In 1832, it became a requirement for ships arriving at Quebec to complete a passenger list; this was the result of legislation, to raise taxes on emigrants entering the country payable by the ship captains:

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AN Act to create a Fund for defraying the expense of providing Medical assistance for sick Emigrants, and of enabling Indigent persons of that description to proceed to the place of their destination.
[25th February, 1832.]

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN.
WHEREAS by Message from His Excellency the Right Honorable Matthew Lord Aylmer, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, laid before both Houses of the Legislature, His Excellency has been pleased to signify that in conformity to the instructions he has received from your Majesty's Government, he recommends the expediency of imposing a rate or duty payable by the Masters of vessels bringing Emigrants into this Province, for the purpose of creating a fund for defraying the expense of Medical care and attendance, for sick Emigrants, and of enabling indigent persons of that description to proceed to places of their destination, and it is expedient that provision should be made for carrying the said recommendation into effect: May it therefore please your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America," and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" —And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that there shall be raised, levied and collected a rate or duty payable in the manner hereinafter prescribed, by the Master or person in command of every vessel arriving in the Port of Quebec or in the Port of Montreal, from any Port of the United Kingdom, with passengers or emigrants therefrom, and having been cleared of the Custom House at such Port after the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and such pate or duty shall be five shillings currency, for every such passenger or emigrant who shall have embarked under the sanction of His Majesty's Government, ascertained by a certificate from one-of the Officers of His Majesty's Customs at the Port at which such vessel shall have cleared, and ten shillings currency, for every such passenger or emigrant who shall have embarked without such sanction, and such rate or duty shall be paid by the Master or person in command of such vessel, or by such person on his behalf to the Collector, or other Chief Officer of the Customs at the Port at which such vessel shall be first entered, and at the time of making such first entry, which shall contain on the face of it, the number of passengers actually on board the vessel, and no such entry shall be deemed to have been validly made, or to have any legal effect whatsoever, unless such rates or duties be so paid as aforesaid..

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that for the purposes of this Act, two children each under the age of fourteen years, or three children, each under the age of seven years, shall be reckoned as one passenger: and that no child under the age of twelve months shall be reckoned among the number of passengers.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no Master or person having the command of any ship or vessel arriving in either of the said ports, shall permit any passenger to leave such vessel, until he shall have delivered to the Collector or other Chief Officer of His Majesty's Customs at such Port, a correct list of all the passengers on board such ship or vessel at the time of her arrival at such Port, nor Until such list shall have been certified to be correct, and a certificate of such correctness and a permission to allow his passengers to leave the vessel and a receipt for the duties payable by him under the provisions of this Act, shall have been given to him by the said Collector or other Chief Officer, under a penalty of twenty pounds currency, to be paid by such Master or person having the command, for every passenger leaving his ship or vessel contrary to the provisions of this Act: Provided always, that the said list shall contain the, name of each head of family or single person being a passenger on board such vessel, his profession or trade, his country and the place of his destination, and the number of grown persons and children belonging to his family on board such vessel.

Provided always that nothing in this Act contained, shall prevent the Master or person having the command of any ship or vessel, from permitting any passengers to leave the vessel at the request of such passenger, before the arrival of the vessel in the Harbour of Quebec, but in every such case the names of the passengers who shall so leave shall be entered in the manifest on the list of Emigrants made out at the time of the clearing of the vessel from the United Kingdom, and shall be certified under the signatures of the passengers so leaving the vessel: and if the number of passengers remaining on board on the arrival of the vessel in the Harbour of Quebec do not correspond with that mentioned in such manifest, after deducting the number who shall have so left the vessel, the Master or person having the command of such vessel shall incur a penalty of five pounds currency, for each passenger not found on board or entered on the manifest as having left the vessel as aforesaid. …

Source: The Provincial Statutes of Lower Canada Volume 14
From the Montreal Gazette of 27th February 1832:
Source: http://www.theshipslist.com

NEW EMIGRANT BILL
From the Quebec Mercury

The Emigrant Tax Bill, in conformity to the despatch from the Minister of the Colonial Department, has passed through both Houses of the Legislature. It imposes a tax of 5 shillings currency a head on each adult passenger or emigrant coming to Canada, from any port in the United Kingdom; two children under fourteen years of age and three under seven years of age, reckon as a grown person, children under twelve months do not reckon as passengers. The Bill has excited an extraordinary sensation in the mercantile body, who regard it as destructive of the shipping interest, and as the sure means of turning the route of Emigrants, even those whose ultimate destination is Canada, to New York, where a Company is generally said to be forming for the purpose of conveying Emigrants from the United Kingdom to that port, and forwarding them thence to Canada, at a lower rate than they can

obtain passage to Quebec, and be forwarded to the Montreal District and to Upper Canada, by the St. Lawrence.

The views of these speculators will be materially assisted by the proposed tax, and a large annual expenditure by British subjects, which ought to benefit British ship-owners, will be turned into the pockets of foreigners. The Board of Trade presented a strong Petition to the Legislative Council against the Bill and we understand that a similar Petition, from the same body, will be laid before His Excellency.

The Emigrant population also appear to participate deeply in the feeling against the Bill, and it is evident that the funds it will in the first instance create, (as Emigrants will not be apprized of the existence of such a law in time to change their plans this season, at least not in the early part of it.) will be far more than sufficient for the relief of any probable number of sick and indigent Emigrants which can arrive in one, two, or three seasons. But the chance is, that the law will kill the goose, and the golden eggs be lost forever, by Emigrants avoiding a British port at which they are taxable commodities.

One class, we know, will rejoice in the result this law must produce. It is that class which views with envy the prosperity attendant on the efforts of the industrious Emigrant and to whose feelings it is wormwood and gall to see the ragged bas de soie [silk stockings], late the subject of their scorn, transformed by the magic wand of severe industry, into the thriving, contented and happy cultivator, the produce of whose farm and dairy, from its superior quality, will always command a better price than the miserable productions of those who will not profit by example. This is the class who look upon Emigrants as foreign invaders of the soil, and who, instead of emulating their example, would throw every obstacle in the way, which might prevent a single Emigrant from the United Kingdom, be he possessed of capital or a pauper, be he Protestant or Catholic, from setting a foot in Lower Canada. In Upper Canada, the value of the Emigrant population is better understood and the rapidly augmenting population of that thriving Province may, when it is too late, teach the narrow minded exclusives of Lower Canada, that an Emigrant population established within its limits, and having common views and interests with themselves, is less dangerous to their rights and properties, than an overwhelming population of the same description inhabiting another Province, and that Province requiring free and unobstructed egress and ingress to and from the ocean, with some other points, in which her interests and those of Lower Canada do not, perhaps, on all respects, exactly tally. (*From the Quebec Mercury*)

The ships list, gives the following ships leaving Whitehaven and Maryport for Quebec in 1832.

Arrival	Ship	Captain	Departed	Port Left	Settlers
May 23	brig Dykes	Cockton	17 April	Maryport	156
June 01	brig Donegall	Matches	17 April	Maryport	128
June 02	brig Sarah Marianne	Archibald	15 April	Maryport	165
June 02	brig Maria	Hewett	19 April	Maryport	136
June 05	brig Nicholson	Craig	19 April	Maryport	183

June 24	brig Ann	Moore	05 May	Maryport	136
May 27	bark Brothers	Jenkinson	09 April	Whitehaven or Whitby	110
June 20	brig Samuel	McGhee	13 May	Whitehaven	159
July 20	brig Nancy	—	03 June	Whitehaven	108
Aug 06	brig Magnete	Goulder	17 June	Whitehaven	146
Aug 22	brig Nelly	Dale	27 June	Whitehaven	73

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23rd June 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)
on Saturday night last, about seven o'clock, a most desperate assault was committed near the Barracks, at Newcastle, upon Ralph Whitfield, Robert Storey, and Thomas Vipond, three lead miners, from Alston Moor, now employed as pitmen at Fawdon Colliery. Two of the aggressors, namely, Thomas Archer and Henry Hodgson, are privates of the 68th regiment of foot, now stationed there on the recruiting service; and this circumstance ave occasion for the propagation of a ridiculous rumour, that the military had refused to actagainst the pitmen. The other offenders are George Hall, a pitman at St Leonard's and Robert Preston, a notorious pick-pocket. They have been committed to gaol to take their trial for the offence.
The Newcastle Chronicle of 11th August 1832, reported that Archer was imprisoned for 14 months, Hodgson, Preston, and Hall for 12 months, and they were to enter into recognisance 50l each to keep the peace.

14th July 1832 (Newcastle Courant)
On Friday last, the inhabitants of the chapelry of Garrigill, in Alston Moor, met at the village of Garrigill Gate to celebrate the passing of the Reform Bill, by a Tea-drinking, on the Village-green, for which purpose a long range of tables, with seats was set out, of such length as to accommodate 180 persons at a time. At the ends and middle of the table baskets of flowers were placed, inscribed with the word "Reform;" and, at convenient distances round the tables, poles were fixed in the ground, decorated with woodbine, evergreens, and branches of trees, covered with foliage, with blue banners, ornamented at the corners with red ribbons, on which the following mottoes were inscribed: —The King, the People, and Reform; Long live our Patriotic Ministers, Grey, Brougham, Russell, and Althorp; Graham; Beaumont; Burdett: Russell; Durham; Hobhouse; Blamire; Cleveland; Howick and Althorp; Ord; Hodgson; Grey, Brougham, and the Bills; Success to the Lead Trade, &c. There was also a flag waving on the church steeple, with the motto "Union is strength." At a little before 4 o'clock, the first company sat down, consisting entirely of females, with the exception of three of the oldest men in the place, viz., at the foot of the table, Thos. Armstrong and James Robinson, the former upwards of 90, and the latter someway between 80 and 90 years of age; and, at the head, John Martin, with his wife Mary, who are each 102 years of age. The venerable couple have been married 80 years, and the good wife was dressed in her wedding gown, which had been so carefully kept that it is yet at good as new, and old John was seated on an armchair made of heart of oak 107 years ago! At half-past six, the whole company, amounting to 1121 persons, had partaken of the refreshment. When

the tables were set round the signal for beginning was announced by the firing of guns, the band playing all the time, and at interval paraded round the tables, a beautiful flag being carried in front, with the motto “God speed the Plough," and a suitable device. At the conclusion, excellent speeches were made by the Rev. Mr. Harper, Mr. Stephens, and others, who, after speaking of the particular object of the meeting, expressed their highest satisfaction at the manner in which it had been conducted. As a public rejoicing of this nature was probably never held here before, greet Interest was excited in the village and neighbourhood, and the day being favourable the scene was truly gratifying end delightful. The remnants of bread, &c., were next day distributed amongst the poor and the children.

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The first Reform Act

The Representation of the People Act 1832, known as the first Reform Act or Great Reform Act:

- *disenfranchised 56 boroughs in England and Wales and reduced another 31 to only one MP*
- *created 67 new constituencies*
- *broadened the franchise's property qualification in the counties, to include small landowners, tenant farmers, and shopkeepers*
- *created a uniform franchise in the boroughs, giving the vote to all householders who paid a yearly rental of £10 or more and some lodgers*
- *Limited change had been achieved but for many it did not go far enough. The property qualifications meant that the majority of working men still could not vote.*

25th August 1832 (Newcastle Chronicle)

Deaths

At St Ann’s House, on the 19th inst. Ann, daughter of Mr John Crawhall, Craig House, Allenheads.

4th September 1832 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

PUMPS and MACHINERY for SALE, and LEAD MINES, to LET.

To be SOLD, by PRIVATE CONTRACT,—. The Machinery now at work upon the LOWESWATER MINES, consisting of a WATER WHEEL, Twenty-two feet in Diameter; Thirty-two Fathoms of Nine-inch PUMPS; Eight-Inch Working Barrel, Winding Machinery, and other Utensils usually employed in Mining; all effective, and in good condition, being almost new.

A LEASE of the said Mines may obtained upon reasonable Terms, by Application to Mr. James Pollock, Watermillock, near Penrith. The Machinery may be viewed and further Particulars known by applying at the Works.

22nd September 1832 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Allenheads, on the 14th inst., of a sudden attack of apoplexy, aged 53, much and deservedly lamented, John Crawhall, Esq., of Craig House, Allenheads.

Son of Thomas and Ann (Bownas) Crawhall, baptised at Allendale St. Cuthbert's, 12th March 1774. On 9th March 1793, John married Dorothy Featherstonehaugh, Dorothy died 30th Jan 1806, aged 32. John married Margaret Dawson, eldest daughter of Jacob Dawson of Allenheads,, at Allendale 3rd December 1809.
Children of John and Dorothy Crawhall:
Fanny, born 18 December 1794
Albany, baptised 5 September 1797, died 26 February 1831.
Ann, born 23 June 1799, died 19 August 1832.
Thomas, born 20 March 1801, died 19 April 1831.
John, born 1 May 1803,
Dorothy, born 11 January 1806
Children of John and Margaret Crawhall:
Jane, baptised 2 December 1809, buried 29th May 1810, at Allenheads, St Peter's.
Margaret, baptised 5 January 1814
Betsy baptised 5 January 1814.
Jane, born 13 April 1817
Joseph, baptised 25 September 1819
William, baptised 17 May 1824
Maria, baptised 24 February 1827
Margaret Crawhall died at Crook, 8 September 1859, buried at Allenheads, St Peter's, 12 September 1859.
Hodgson in his History Of Northumberland states: "At present Barhaugh is an estate of John Crawhall of Craig House, near Allenheads, Esq., who obtained it by marriage with Dorothy, daughter of the co-heir of Albany Featherstonehaugh, whose ancestors had been seated here for several generations."

6th October 1832 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 23rd ult., Mr Teasdale Lowes, to Margaret, daughter of Mr Joseph Walton, Bowsclose, Harewood, Durham. *See 28th June 1873*

3rd November 1832 (Newcastle Chronicle)
A melancholy accident happened last week in a lead mine, near Caldbeck, called Driggith Mine. In consequence of the late heavy rains, a considerable quantity of water had accumulated in the mine, greatly to the obstruction of the operations of the miners; and as they were endeavouring to let off the water, a sudden gush of it forced down the planks and bearers used in the work, whereby several of the men were thrown down with great violence, two of whom, we regret to say, were killed. They were John Harrison, upon whom the planks, bearers and a great quantity of stones and earth fell, which caused his instantaneous death; and Jonathan Simpson, who was carried down by the force if the water to the mouth of the mine, which occasioned such severe injuries on his head and other parts of his body, that he died on Sunday last. Inquests were holden on the bodies before H. Lowry, Esqr., Conroner, and verdicts returned, in both cases, of "Accidental Death."—*Carlisle Patriot.*

20th November 1832 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

On Saturday afternoon week, about three o'clock, Alston and its vicinity were visited by one of the most tremendous tempests of wind and rain from the S. E. ever remembered. The storm continued till about ten o'clock in the evening, when it settled down to a calm and became a fine clear night. During the tempest Mr. Bainbridge, solicitor, Alston, had several trees torn up by the roots in a plantation near the town, and two young women had a narrow escape from being lost upon Hartside. They were crossing that boisterous Fell, and had ascended to near the top, when they were found by Mr Stone, road-surveyor, in quite an exhausted condition. Mr. S. humanely alighted from his gig, and, having helped them into it, took them to the Shaw House, where he had them taken care of for the night. The same afternoon, Mrs. Hannah Martin, of Redheugh, West Allendale, and her daughter, while crossing the fell from Alston, where they had been attending a hiring, were overtaken by the storm, and both perished. They were found on Sunday, within less than a quarter of a mile from home lying close together on the moor by Mrs. M.'s two sons, who are inconsolable for the loss of an affectionate parent and beloved sister, Mrs. Martin was the mother of fifteen children, and was much respected by all who knew her; she was upwards of sixty years of age. The young woman, when found, was nearly covered with sand, washed from the hills by the mountain torrents.

19th January 1833 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, on the 15th inst., in the 63rd year of his age, much and deservedly respected, Mr Thomas Brown.

Thomas Brown of Ivy House Garrigill Gate, had been the bailiff for the Eshgill Estates, and Manors, under Robert Stagg Esq. See 21st November 1835

At Lowbyer, near Alston, on the 16th inst., aged 78, much and deservedly respected, Mr Dickinson, late principle agent of the Greenwich Hospital, in that district. *See 24th May 1865, and 25th January 1867*

John Dickinson was buried at Alston Redwing, the register for 21st January 1833 gives:

Mr John Dickinson, Lowbyer, Deacon of the Independent Church Alston ever since its formation in 1804, aged 78. He was the founder and most zealous promoter of the interest in the place a most liberal supporter of the cause of Christ and a firm friend of everything good.

His epitaph at the Congregational Church Alston:

Source: Transcripts Newcastle City Library

In Memory of
John Dickinson of
Lowbyer who departed
this life on the 16th day of January 1833
in the 79th Year of his age
"He was a faithful man, and feared God above many"
Also of Mary his wife
who departed this life on the 16th day
of February 1831 in the 72nd year of her age

They were happily united in a state
of matrimony for upwards of fifty
years, and left behind them a numerous offspring
to lament their loss.

John Dickinson married Mary Friend 21st May 1780, at Alston, St Augustine's.

9 February 1833 (Carlisle Journal)

On Sunday last, an inquest was taken at Nenthead in the parish of Alston, before Richard Lowry, Esq coroner, upon the body of John Spark, aged 53, who on the 1st instant, was found dead in bed. No marks of violence appeared upon his person, upon which the jury returned a verdict of "Died by a visitation of God."

John Spark was buried at Alston, 3rd February 1833, aged 53.

30th March 1833 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Isabella, daughter of Mr. R. Armstrong.

Isabella Armstrong, aged 1 year, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston 22nd March 1833.

At Annet Walls, near Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr. Joseph Friend, aged 60.

At Allenheads, on the 23rd inst., Mr. William Richardson, an operative leadminer, and the oldest workman in Col. Beaumont's mines, aged 86, much respected.

At Bailes, near Alston, Edward Charlton, many years bailiff, to his Grace the Duke of Buckingham, and the late Lord Middleton, and well known in this county for his many eccentricities while toll gate keeper at Markclose, Skelgill, &c., aged 73 years. His memory will be long revered by a numerous circle of friends.

6th April 1833 (Newcastle Courant)

Married

The 28th ult., Mr. John Teasdale, of Nenthead, to Miss Hannah Liddle of the same place.

I*n 1841 at West Nenthead, John Teasdale, stonemason, aged 30, Hannah 30, Thomas 7, Ann 3, and Joseph 1 year.*

See 16th July 1842, and 2nd September 1876.

20 April 1833 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquests. — On the 15th inst. At High Lovelady Shield, parish of Alston, upon the body of Wm. Snowdon, aged 10, who on the 12th fell against a pan containing hot water, and was so much scalded about his neck and breast, that he died on the following day. Verdict, "Accidental death."

27th April 1833 (Newcastle Journal)

TO BE LET,

And Entered upon at Midsummer, 1833

A MERCHANT'S SHOP, WAREHOUSE, &c., situated at Nenthead in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, belonging to the Governor and Company for smelting down Lead, and now tenanted by James Longmire.

This Shop has for several Years been well accustomed in the READY MONEY Grocery, and Linen and Woollen Drapery Business, and is worthy the Attention of Parties who can make it the Interest of others to deal with them. A decided Preference will be given to a Person accustomed to the general Retail Trade.

Mr. Millican, of Nenthead, will on Application, send a Person to shew the Premises, and give further Particulars; and Proposals in Writing for taking the same will be received by Mr. Stagg, of Middleton House, Teesdale, until Saturday, the 18th Day of May next, soon after which the Tenant will be declared.

Middleton House, near Barnard Castle, April 24, 1833.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 18th inst., much respected, Mr Wm. Beaty *(aged 64)*.

At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, the ? inst. much lamented Mrs. Green, wife Mr. John Green.

Ann Green aged 35, burial at Garrigill 20th April 1833.

1st June 1833 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 19th ult., Mr. John Cowper, mineral dealer, aged 60.

John Cowper baptised at Garrigill 23rd May 1773, son of John Cowper, clogger, of Turnings, Garrigill (bap. 5th April 1738 at Garrigill, buried 8th Feb. 1776) and Hannah Robinson (Bap. 20th Sept. 1747) who married at Garrigill 9th August 1768.

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

IN THE MEMORY OF
JOHN COWPER OF ALSTON,
MINERALOGIST,
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MAY
19
1833, AGED 60 YEARS.
ALSO OF SARAH HIS WIFE WHO
DIED MARCH 7, 1859,
IN THE 80TH YEAR OF HER AGE.
ALSO OF WALTON THEIR
SON WHO DIED MAY 24TH 1821
AGED 15 YEARS.
ALSO EMERSON THEIR SON
WHO DIED JULY 30 1863
AGED 56 YEARS.

Source: Transcripts Newcastle City Library

St Augustine's Church Yard, Alston

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
ROBERT WALTON OF ALSTON,
WOOLEN MANUFACTURER.
SIXTH SON OF JACOB AND MARY WALTON
OF GREEN ENDS,
WHO DIED MARCH 19TH 1849,
AGED 35 YEARS.
ALSO OF MARY HIS BELOVED WIFE, AND
DAUGHTER OF JOHN AND SARAH COWPER
OF ALSTON, WHO DIED OCTOBER 6TH 1847,
AGED 29 YEARS.
ALSO OF MARY JANE THEIR INFANT
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED OCTOBER 11TH 1847,
AGED 14 DAYS.

Source: Transcripts Newcastle City Library

John Cowper married Sarah Walton 3rd November 1804, at Garrigill.
Children; — Walton, baptised 2nd July 1805, Emerson baptised 25th June 1807, John born about 1811, Elizabeth, born 1st February 1817, baptised 30th May 1817, Mary born 18th April 1818, baptised 9th June 1818, Hannah, born 7th April 1820, baptised 15th May 1820, Sarah born 23rd March 1822, baptised 14th May 1822, Joseph born 27th May 1824, baptised 27th May 1824.
Sarah died 27th April 1824, aged 2 years and 8 months.
Mary married Robert Walton of Alston, on the 25th August 1846.
Elizabeth married Joseph Milburn 16th April 1840 at Alston.
Emerson married Tamar Shaw 28th January 1836 at Penrith

In 1841, at Crosthwaite, John Cowper aged 30, mineral dealer.
In 1851, at Alston, Sarah Cowper, widow, mineral dealer, aged 71, and son John aged 40, proprietor of mines. Jacob Walton and John Cowper purchased Fallowfield Lead Mine and Colliery, near Hexham, Jacob Walton, John Cowper, his brother Emerson Cowper, and W. Dowthwaite had a lease of Force Crag mine near Keswick. Jacob & John also had an interest in Threlkeld Lead Mine. (Source Alastair Robertson. "The Walton Family", 2004)
See 1st May 1836, and April 4th 1845.
In 1861, John Cowper aged 50, proprietor of lead mines, and his wife Sarah, aged 26, were at Siloth, lodging a Eden Street.
In 1871, at Acomb, Northumberland, John Cowper, mine proprietor, aged 61, his wife Sarah aged 34, children John 9, Judith Sarah 8, Edith Mary 6, Florance 4, Minnie 1, Emily 1 Month, and servants, Isabella Shield, house maid, aged 22, and Jane Robinson, nurse, aged 22.
See 14th January 1868, 23rd November 1864, and 22nd July 1876.

29th June 1833 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Skelgill Plains, near Alston, on the 20th instant, Hannah, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Bowman. *Hannah Bowman, daughter of Joseph Bowman, Miner, and his wife Isabella (Watson, married 9th May 1815, at St Augustine's, Alston, Isabella Watson, baptised 28th October 1787, at St John, Garrigill, father William Watson, Isabella Bowman was buried 27th December 1824, aged 38, at Alston), baptised 9th June 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston. Hannah Bowman of Skelgill, aged 17 years, was buried at St Augustine's Alston, 23rd June 1833.*
See 23rd July 1838
At Garrigill Gate, on the 21st instant, Mr. John Bowman, miner, in his 66th year, much respected. *John Bowman baptised 3rd August 1766, at St John, Garrigill, son of Joseph Bowman of Dryburn. John Bowman married Mary Armstrong 24th December 1792, at St John, Garrigill.*
John Bowman of Beldy, was buried at St John, Garrigill, 24th June 1833.
Mary Bowman, aged 84 years, was buried at Garrigill 31st July 1843, the 1841 census gives at Garrigill Gate, Mary Bowman, widow, aged 74, and Thomas Bowman, teacher aged 25. Possible baptism of Mary Bowman nee Armstrong, 21st February 1768, at St John Armstrong, Garrigill, father John Armstrong.

13th July 1833 (Newcastle Journal)
Longevity. —There is now living at Ashgillside in the vale of Garrigill, near Alston, a venerable couple of the names of John and Mary Martin, both in their one hundred and second year, one being the senior of the other only by a few days. It is seventy-seven years since they were made "one twain" in the holy bands of matrimony, in which time they have reared a large family of men and women. These patriarchs are both in the enjoyment of health, with their faculties unimpaired. From the storehouse of memory, they occasionally entertain their visitors with stories of "langsyne," at the house of Mrs. Isabella Watson, their youngest daughter, with whom they now reside.
John Martin of Ashgill, burial at Garrigill, age 103, 21st April 1834.
Children of John & Mary Martin: Mary baptised 11th June 1773, Eleanor baptised 23rd July 1775, died 4th January 1805, John baptised 11 May 1777, died 27th December 1799, Henry baptised 11th February 1779, buried 23rd February 1779, Elizabeth baptised 15th January 1780, Henry & Thomas twin sons, baptised 23rd June 1782, Henry died 13th August 1782, Thomas married Ann Brown 8th November 1806; all at Knaresdale.
In 1841, at Ashgill side, Matthew Watson, farmer, aged 50, Isabella aged 55, Joseph, labourer, aged 20, Jane 15 (born 1st January 1826), Matthew 13 (born 2nd September 1827), and Francis 4.
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, aged 61, farmer of 639 acres (part of which is common land), born Garrigill, his wife Isabella aged 68, born Knaresdale (baptised Knaresdale, 30th October 1785), Northumberland, unmarried son Joseph, lead miner aged 30, born Garrigill, married son Matthew, lead miner, aged 23, born Garrigill, his wife Jane , born Allendale, aged 26 (Jane Bell, married 1st Feb 1851, at Garrigill Gate), Mary Coats, orphan, servant, aged 13, and grandson Robert Watson, aged 9, born Garrigill.

In 1861, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, yeoman, aged 33, his wife Jane, aged 36, children Ellen 9, Isabella 8, Thomas 4, Jane 2 and mother Isabella Watson, aged 75, widow, annuitant.
See 19th November 1836, & 8th February 1851.

20th July 1833 (Newcastle Journal)
Yesterday week the first stone of a new bridge over the River Tyne, at Alston Brewery, was laid by Mr. Christopher Hodgson, bridge-master, under the inspection of two magistrates, and a number of country gentlemen, who attended on the occasion. After the stone was lowered into place, the workmen and numerous spectators were plentifully regaled with strong beer from the brewery, and the evening was spent in mirth and glee.

3rd August 1833 (Newcastle Courant)
To Be Sold By Auction

At the house of Mr. Thomas Shaw, Turks Head Inn, Alston, on Wednesday, August 7th 1833.
All that Current going LEAD MINE, situated within the Manor of Tynehead, and known by the name West Crossfell Lead Mine; together with all Engines and other Materials upon the premises. The sale to commence at six o'clock.
For further particulars enquire of Mr. Thomas Shaw.

3rd August 1833 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
At Penrith, on the 24th ult., Mr. Joseph Watson, High Rodderup, near Alston, to Miss Frances Bell, daughter of Mr. W. Bell, Blackcleugh, near Wearhead, Weardale.
In 1851, at High Rodderhope, Joseph Watson, landed proprietor, aged 61, his wife Frances 44, children Adah 16, William 15, John 12, Frances 10, Mary 7, Elizabeth 4, and Isabella 11 months. In 1861, at High Rodderhope, Joseph Watson, yeoman farmer 250 acres, aged 71, his wife Fanny 53, children Adah 26, John 22, Fanny 20, Mary 17, Elizabeth 14, and Isabella 11.
See 18th July 1862, 19th December 1865, 21st May 1869, 14th May 1870, & 13th December 1870

28th September 1833 (Newcastle Courant)
On Friday the 20th inst., a numerous meeting of ratepayers specially convened, was held in the National School Room, at Stanhope, to consider of a resolution adopted in May last, assessing the rents of the lead mines in that parish towards the relief of the poor. Joseph Little, Esq., was called to the chair, when Mr J, R. Featherston proposed that the assessment inserted in the rate book should be expunged, which was supported by Messrs B. Johnson and C. Harrison, and passed nearly unanimously. Mr Featherston then moved that no further monies arising from the poor rates should be applied to defray any legal proceedings respecting the assessment of the rents of the lead mines in the parish of Stanhope The Chairman was requested to sign on behalf of the meeting the proceedings of the day, and thanks were voted to him for the able manner in which he had presided.

12th October 1833 (Carlisle Patriot)
The first keystone of Alston Bridge Arch was set on Saturday last, by the Rev. Mr. Jackson, one of the County Magistrates, who expressed his great satisfaction at the work done, and the utility of the new bridge, when completed. He complimented the Bridge Master on the plan of the bridge, Messrs. Nixon and Denton on the execution of the work done, and the workmen on their attention and orderly behaviour; and the latter he presented with a quantity of ale. On Monday last, the arch was closed. The last stone was set by Anthony Wright, Esq., who made an appropriate speech on the occasion, expressing his satisfaction of the proceedings, and his willingness to assist as far as he could. He, with Mr. Wilson, Mr. Bainbridge, and other gentlemen, contributed liberally to entertain the workmen, who proceeded to the quarry, accompanied by the Alston band, returned with the quarrymen, and afterwards retired to regale themselves.

23rd November 1833 (Carlisle Patriot)
The western abutment of the new Bridge, over the Tyne, at Alston, was washed away by the flood on Thursday evening.—This beautiful structure consisted of only one arch, probably the largest in the county, and was nearly completed. The water came down with irresistible force, and getting behind the abutment, carried it away—the embankment not being finished.

4th January 1834 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON *remov.* STANHOPE *appel*.

This was an appeal against the removal of Margaret Hall and her two sons.
Mr. Armstrong, with whom was Mr. Rawlinson, appeared for the removants; and stated that the husband of the pauper (now deceased) was the son of John Hall, of Stanhope, in the county of Durham, where they had been relieved many times: and upon that relief he should now rely.
Mary Hall (a very old and infirm woman)—I had a son called Wm. Hall, who married a woman named Margaret. My husband's name was John. He came to Alston when he was a young man; and came with his father and mother from Weardale. In my husband's lifetime, we received relief from Stanhope: we were then living at Nent Head. After my husbands death I got relief from Stanhope. The overseers said they would take my sons to the poor house to find them work. I received relief from them for some time. William, the husband of the pauper, was living with me at that time. All the time I received the relief from Stanhope, I was living in Alston.
By Mr. Gregg—It was not in my husband's lifetime I received relief from Stanhope.
Margaret Hall (the pauper)—I am the widow of William Hall. I have three children; two of them have been removed with me. Whilst my husband and I were living in Alston, I applied to the overseer of Stanhope, and was relieved by him. We were allowed half a crown a week for a time; and then they rused to give us more, as my husband was making sufficient wages. We got first 5s., and then 2s. 6d.
By Mr. Gregg—The 5s. and 2s. 6d. were all I got. This Is fifteen years ago.
Mark Hall—I remember my father's death; and that my mother received relief from Stanhope, it was said. My mother received relief for 6, 8, or 10 months, I can't say which.

Mr. Gregg appeared for the appellants. The removants having secured the services of the two leading counsel of the Sessions Bar, the Bench would readily conclude that their case required a good deal of support. Had they made out a case to satisfy the Bench? He thought not; and after a few observations upon the case, he called
John Robinson—I am the overseer of St. John's Chapel, in Stanhope. I have the parish books with me, and have examined them particularly. There is no entry for the pauper or any of her family for fifty years back. If relief had been given it would have been entered. All other entries are here.
Mr. Armstrong replied. The parish books were no evidence for the appellants. There was no balance of evidence—it was all on one side; and he thought the Bench could not hesitate to confirm this order.
Order confirmed unanimously.

11th January 1834 (Carlisle Patriot)
John Scaif, committed Nov. 14, by the Rev. Benjamin Jackson for non-payment of a bastardy order, upon which there is £3 1s. 8d. due to the parish of Alston, to be imprisoned three calendar months and kept to hard labour, unless, &c.

11th January 1834 (Carlisle Journal)

CHARITIES IN CUMBERLAND

(Continued from our last)

(From the 5th Report of the Parliamentary Commissioners)

PARISH OF ALSTON with GARRIGILL

Fairhill Estate, including Mrs Graham's gift

By indenture dated 15th September 1739, between John Friend, of Annat Walls, of the first part; Thos. Vipont and others, churchwardens and overseers of the parish, of the second part; and Nicholas Whitfield and others of the third part.

Reciting, that there had theretofore been bequeathed to the poor of the parish of Alston, to the school in Alston, and to the poor and school within the chapelry of Garrigill, several sums of money, amounting in the whole to £217 5s., which there belonged: —

To the poor of Alston	£83	6	8
To the school in Alston	81	5	-
To the poor of Garrigill	27	13	4
To the school in Garrigill	25	-	-
	£217	5	0

And reciting, that the churchwardens, overseers, and inhabitants of the said parish, for the better securing the said charities, had contracted for the purchase of the premises thereinafter mentioned, and that they had ordered the same to be conveyed to John Friend in trust, to be by him assigned to such persons as should be by them afterwards appointed; and reciting, that Nicholas Whitfield and others, the third part, had been appointed by them trustees. It is witnessed, that the said John Friend, in consideration of five shillings, conveyed to the said trustees a messuage or tenement, with the appurtenances, at Netherfair Hill, in Alston Moor, being freehold property, and assigned to them a fourth part the pasture called Fairhill Pasture, Alston Moor, and an inclosure at Netherfair Hill, adjoining the messuage above-mentioned, being leasehold property, held for

the remainder of a term of 1,000 years, upon trust that they should let the same and apply the rents thereof in the following proportions:—

For the overseer the poor of Alston, for the use of the poor of the said parish	£4	3	4
For the schoolmaster of Alston	4	1	3
To the overseers of Garrigill, for the use the poor	1	7	8
To the schoolmaster Garrigill.	1	5	0

And if the rents should amount to more or less, that an increase or deduction should be made from each part in the like proportions.

It appears that the whole of the consideration money was £274, of which £68 was to be paid for the completion of the purchase, within six months after the death of Mary Wallis, as may be collected from a bond, dated 8th May 1738, and by indorsement thereon, the sum of £68 is stated to have been paid 4th September, 1756.

By indentures of lease and release, dated 30th April and May 1st, 1756, the trustees, churchwardens, and overseers mortgaged the premises to Ann Whitfield for securing the sum of £68, which was probably raised for the completing the purchase as abovementioned.

By indentures of lease and release, dated 19th and 20th June, 1797, reciting, that the trustees were entitled to the several premises above-mentioned upon certain trusts, by means whereof they had become chargeable with the payment of £68 to John Wallis, who had called upon the trustees for the same; and reciting, that the said trustees had borrowed £68 of Ann Graham, formerly Ann Whitfield, and had mortgaged the premises above-mentioned as security for the same; and further reciting, that the said Ann Graham, by will, dated 4th April, 1796, had directed her executor, George Mowbray, within 12 months after her death, to assure the £68 so secured above-mentioned, in such manner that the yearly interest might be applied towards the augmentation the salary of the master of the school at Alston.

It is witnessed, that the said George Mowbray conveyed and assigned the said freehold and leasehold premises to Joseph Thompson and other persons for the remainder of a term that had been vested the said Ann Graham, upon trust to apply the interest of the said mortgage in augmentation of the salary of the said schoolmaster.

On the inclosure of Alston by Act of Parliament, of 43rd George III., allotments were made to this property in respect of the freehold and leasehold interests; the former consisting of 43A. 1R. 32P., and the latter in two parcels (one 3A. 1R. 6P., the other 39A. 3R. 16P.,) amounting in the whole to 86A. 2R. 14P.

(To be continued)

18th January 1834 (Carlisle Journal)

CHARITIES IN CUMBERLAND

(Continued from our last)

(From the 5th Report of the Parliamentary Commissioners)

PARISH OF ALSTON

The above allotments (except about two or three acres) are let lease for years, from 1st May, 1811, to William Pearson, at £16 a year. The letting was by tender, public notice having been previously given. The tenant is to make boundary and sub division fences, and to lay not less than 2,200 Carlisle bushels of lime on the land within the last seven years of his term, and to keep all fences and gates in repair.

The original Fairhill estate, consisting of 22 acres, together with about two or three acres of the new, allotment, is let to Mary Yates for one year, at £36 10s. This estate has lately been let yearly to the best bidder, and generally let to the person who has the care of the poor, the workhouse being situate on this estate.

We have particularly inquired, whether this estate, is not let for less value, by reason that the person who takes the land also agrees to farm the poor at a certain rate, it appears, however, that this land is let at its full value, and that the allowance for the poor varies with the times. We find, that in 1818 the estate was let at £30 a year, the tenant farming the poor at 2s. 10d. per head per week. In 1819, £35 was the rent of the land, and the poor were taken at 2s. 8d. In the present year, as before stated, £36 10s. is the rent, and the poor are taken at 2s. 5d.; by which it appears, that the rent has increased regularly, whilst, the allowance for the poor has diminished. The poor-house is supposed to have been built long ago at the expense of the parish, by whom it is now repaired. No rent is allowed by the parish in respect of the occupation of these premises, which seem to supply the place of a farm-house for the land.

The application of these rents is very irregular, the whole having been carried to the general account of the parish poor-rate for several years. On the other hand, there have been payments made thereout to the school masters of Alston and Garrigill. For the - last few years these payments have been,

To the schoolmaster of Alston £26 4 0
To the schoolmaster of Garrigill 7 0 10½

Whilst the remainder has been improperly applied to the general purposes of the parish.

We could not discover by what calculation the schoolmaster received these several sums, which are not in proportion to the scale drawn out in the indenture of 1739. It does not appear whether interest for the sum of £68 given by Mrs. Graham, is included in the payment to the schoolmaster at Alston, but it probably forms part his salary.

For the last year nothing has been paid to either of the schoolmasters. A demand of about £70 has been made by the commissioners for the expenses incurred relating to the inclosure. A former demand of £69 9s. 6d. for the same purpose, was paid out of the poor-rate; but several of the parishioners have objected to the payment this second demand, and, until this question is settled, the payment to the schoolmasters has been withheld. But considering, that for several years the parish has received the benefit of the surplus, which ought to have been distributed in charity to the poor, we trust there will be no difficulty in

this respect, and that, in future, a more correct distribution will be made of the rents of this property, according to the scale laid down the trust-deed; first setting apart £3 8s. as the specific interest of Mrs. Graham's legacy, to be paid the schoolmaster Alston.

The Alston schoolmaster receives all children coming to him at a quarterage settled by the vestry, which is considered a lower rate than would paid if the school had no endowment. Six children were formerly taught free; but for the last four or five years the parish have not insisted upon the master teaching any children gratuitously.

No children are taught free for the share paid to, the schoolmaster Garrigill.

Since this report was drawn up, we have been informed by the vicar of Alston, that it has been agreed at vestry meeting, that the rent of the Fairhill estate, as far relates to the poor of the parish Alston, shall, in future, be applied, and given by the churchwardens and overseers, to such poor persons as have not received parochial relief; and that two persons are to be appointed to survey the estate and ascertain the rent, in order that each establishment may receive its due proportion.

Shield's Gift.

John Shield, of London, by indenture, dated 5th June, 1617, gave 40s. a year to the poor of the parish of Alston.

This sum is paid annually by the Cooks' company, London, and is distributed amongst the poor of Alston and Garrigill on Christmas-day, yearly; two-thirds being given to the former, and one-third to the latter place.

A more particular account of this donation will be given in our Report of the Charities vested or under the management of the Cooks' company.

Wilkinson's Charity

Robert Wilkinson, will, dated 24th February, 1685, gave £100 to the village of Garrigill, where his mother was born, to purchase lands the clear yearly value of £5, to disposed in the following manner—viz., 20s. a year to a schoolmaster at Garrigill, towards his maintenance, and 40s. a year to the said schoolmaster, for teaching six poor children of the poorest inhabitants of Garrigill, gratis, till they could read the Bible through, and then others to put in their stead; 10s. to a minister, for preaching a sermon every year in Garrigill chapel, upon, the 1st day of February; and 10s. to be distributed yearly to such poor inhabitants, in Garrigill, his trustees and their successors should judge most needful, in the said chapel, immediately after the said sermon; and the remaining 20s. a year to his four trustees, and their successors, to each of them 5s. a piece. Provided always, that if the said trustees and their successors should neglect or refuse to nominate and appoint six poor children, to be taught as aforesaid, for the space of one month after they should be desired by the said schoolmaster, then the said 40s. year, left for their learning, and the said 20s. a year, left to the said trustees, should, for ever after, paid to the said chapelwardens and overseers of the poor, and should by them distributed yearly and every year to the poor in the said chapel, upon the day of February, in manner aforesaid.

In 1689, this sum was laid out in the purchase of an annuity rent-charge £5, issuing out of certain premises situate Bowes, the county of York, for the uses of the said will, which now paid regularly by the Rev. John Headlam, Rector of Wycliffe, the owner of the property. Twenty shillings are paid the schoolmaster at Garrigill, and 40s. more for teaching six poor children there, gratis, who are appointed the trustees. The Vicar of Alston receives 10s. yearly for preaching a sermon the chapel of Garrigill; and that same day, 10s. are distributed to the poor people there. The remaining 20s. are retained by the trustees for their own use.

Stephenson's Charity.

John Stephenson, by will, dated May, 1759, desired his executor, Matthew Stephenson, out of the personal estate to which he would be entitled by the said will, to pay yearly and every year for ever, to and amongst 16 poor widows who should have legal settlements in the parish of Aldstone and chapelry of Garrigill, the county of Cumberland, 5s. each; and eight poor widows who should have legal settlements in the parish of Knarsdale; and also to eight poor widows who should have legal settlements the parish of Kirkhaugh, both the county of Northumberland, 5s. each; and for want of such a number of poor widows in the said chapelry and parishes respectively, his will and desire was, that such number might from time to time made and supplied, and the said respective annual sums paid to and amongst so many poor men respectively, having legal settlements in the said chapelry and parishes respectively, as the number of poor widows should respectively fall short, the same to them and every one of them at Aldstone, Knarsdale and Kirkhaugh respectively on the 25 day December in every year, by the minister and churchwardens, for the time being, of those places respectively. And he did also desire the said Matthew Stephenson, his executors and administrators, to distribute yearly and every year, on the 25th day of December for ever, to eight poor persons having legal settlements in the parish Boldon, in the county of Durham, 5s. a piece; and willed that during the life of his wife the proper and deserving objects of that charity might be determined by her and the said Matthew Stephenson. And to the end that the said charities before-mentioned might be continued for ever, the said John Stephenson did desire the said Matthew Stephenson would immediately after his death, charge the house in Westgate-street, in Newcastle aforesaid, tenanted by Mrs. Lyddell, with the annual sum of for ever, according to the directions of the Act of Parliament in that case made and provided, so that a perpetual fund might subsist for the aforesaid charities.

By indenture, dated 18th July, 1761, inrolled in the court of Chancery, the said Matthew Stephenson being desirous to fulfil the charitable intent of the said testator, granted to Ogle Wallis and William Peters, heirs and assigns, a rent-charge of £10 issuing out of all that brick messuage, burgage or tenement Westgate-street, Newcastle, purchased by the said John Stephenson of George Graham deceased, in trust, for the purposes mentioned in the said will.

The sum of £4 is regularly received from John Annerdale, Esq., who is the possessor of the house in Westgate-street, Newcastle; £2 are given to eight poor widows having settlements in Alston, and the same sum to eight in Garrigill chapelry under the direction of the vicar of Alston, who has regularly attended to the distribution for the last 30 years.

Langhorne's Charity.

Charles Langhorne by his will, dated 26th June, 1802, devised his messuage, dwelling house, and houses or tenement with the appurtenances, and two closes thereunto belonging, situate in Alston Moor, and all his bonds, debts, and other personal property of which he should die possessed, to Thomas Dodd, of Nent Head, in the parish of Alston, and John Pattinson, of Alston Town, and their heirs, be disposed of as thereinafter mentioned.

And he bequeathed several legacies to certain persons therein named; and the testator declared his will to be, his said trustees, or their heirs, should the 24th December in every year after his decease, pay or cause to be paid, all the income or interest the residue and remainder of his personal property that he should die possessed of, after paying all his legacies and other expenses to and amongst the poor having legal settlements in the said parish of Alston, living and residing Nent Water, that is to say, at and above Nent Hall, in the said parish, and nowhere else, according as his said trustees should think proper; and he declared to be his will, that the aforesaid tenement with the appurtenances should never be sold.

By grant, under the sign manual, dated 21st July, 1815, reciting the will of Charles Langhorne, and that the said will had been proved by the executors, that the said Charles Langhorne was born illegitimate, and died unmarried; and that his personal property consisted, amongst other things, of the tenement and lands mentioned the will which were held under a lease formerly granted by Henry Hilton, a former lord of the fee, for the residue of a term of 1000 years, commencing from the 9th September, 1621, and of sum of £100 secured by mortgage of certain copyhold lands in Hexham, and of a sum of £140 secured by mortgage lands in Alston; which said several parts of the said Charles Langhorne's estate, by virtue the statute 9th Geo. 2d ; and by reason the said Charles Langhorne's having died without kindred, devolved the crown, subject to the payment of so much of his debts and legacies as the other parts of his personal estate were insufficient to discharge. And further reciting a petition certain landholders of Alston, praying a grant of the said property upon the trusts of the said will.

The said messuage and lands, and the said mortgages, were granted lo Henry Charles Litchfield and Henry Hobhouse, Esquires, their executors, administrators, and assigns, upon trust, to sell the said premises, and with the produce thereof to pay, the first place, the expenses incurred, and to invest the residue the money so to be received the three per cent, bank annuities, the names Thomas Dodd, John Friend, John Dodd, Robert Teesdale, and Robert Bainbridge, who should hold the same trust to pay the dividends thereof the 24th December every year, to such poor persons having legal settlements in the parish of Alston, and residing in Nent Water, at and above Nent Hall, in the said parish, as should not have received parochial relief within one year then next preceding, in such proportions as to the trustees should seem meet. And it was directed that the trustees should execute an instrument, be approved of by the solicitor to the Treasury, declaring the said trusts, which instrument should contain power for the appointment of new trustees.

By indenture, dated 12 August, 1818, between Henry Charles Litchfield and Henry Hobhouse Esquires, of the one part; John Friend, John, Dodd, and

Robert Bainbridge, who had survived Thomas Dodd and Robert Teesdale, of the other part; reciting the warrant aforesaid, and the will of Charles Langhorne, and reciting, that in pursuance of the directions of the said warrant, the said Henry Charles Litchfield and Henry Hobhouse had sold the said messuage, and had received and got the said mortgages, and after making the several payments directed, there remained a balance in their hands of £611; and reciting, that Thomas Dodd and Robert Teesdale had died, leaving the parties of the second part surviving; that the said Henry Charles Litchfield and Henry Hobhouse had, on the 24th July preceding, invested the said £611 in the purchase of £777 2s. 1d. stock, in the three per cent, reduced, in the names of the said John Friend, John Dodd, and Robert Bainbridge; and that a draft of the said indenture had been submitted to George Maule, Esq., the solicitor of the Treasury, who had approved thereof, and signed his name there to.

It is witnessed, that the said parties of the second part declared that the said stock was held by them for the trusts aforesaid.

And it was thereby provided, that in case any trustee should die or become incapable or unfit to act, it should be lawful for the Vicar Alston, for the time being, or in case of his incapacity or refusal, for the churchwardens of the said parish, for the time being to nominate some other fit person as trustee, so that in no event the number of the trustees should be less than three; and it was also expressly agreed, that immediately after the execution of the said indenture, it should be lawful for the Vicar of Alston, and he was thereby forthwith required to nominate two fit persons the room of the said Thomas Dodd and Robert Teesdale; and that when any new trustees should be appointed, the said stock should be transferred to them.

By deed, dated 17th November, 1818, the Rev. Benjamin Jackson, Vicar of Alston, in pursuance of the before abstracted deed, appointed Joseph Dickinson, and Jonathan Walton to be trustees, together with the three former trustees, four of whom (into whose names the stock had been transferred) declared that they held it upon the trusts above-mentioned. The first dividend on the above-mentioned stock was received 10th October, 1818, and the first distribution took place on the 24th December following.
Public notice was given, on 21st December, that a distribution would made at the vestry-room the 24th. About £4 having been expended procuring two powers of attorney and other incidental charges; the remainder of the dividend, £7 10s. 1d. was divided amongst thirty-two poor persons, who had not received relief within the year, in sums varying from to 2s. to 6s.

A similar notice was given previous to the last 24th of December, on which day a year's dividends was distributed like manner to sixty poor persons, sums varying from 4s. 10s. The names of every person receiving this charity are entered in a book, with the number in family, and the sums they receive, which is signed by the Vicar and acting overseer. The accounts are kept with great exactness.

This charity is not given to any person receiving parish relief. It is confined to those living in the district Nent Water who have settlements the parish.

Chapelry of Garrigill.
Donor Unknown.

In the returns made to Parliament in 1786, a sum of money belonging to this chapelry, producing 10s. yearly as interest, is stated to be "lent a promissory note, and the security bad." No donor's name or date is given.

On inquiry we find that there was a sum of money lent on note, but that the person who had it died insolvent many years ago, and nothing could recovered.

Will of Charles Langhorn

Charles Langhorn
Nentsberry Green Ends
Died 31st July 1802 aged 67 years

In the name of God Amen

I Charles Langhorn of Craignook in the Parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland, miner being of sound mind, memory, and understanding (Blessed be God for the same) do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say.

First I Give, Devise, and bequeath all that my Mesuage Dwelling House and Houses or Tenement with the Appurtenances and two Closes, Inclosures or parcels of ground thereinto belonging and now therewith enjoyed situate, standing lying and being in Alston Moor, aforesaid, and commonly called and known by the names of George Carr's West Field and Isaac Walton's field, and also all my Bonds, Notes, Book Debts, Creditors and all other personal property, that I shall die possessed of unto Thomas Dodd the Elder of Nenthead in the Parish of Alston aforesaid and John Pattinson of Alston Town in the Parish of Alston Lead ore miner, and to their Heirs to be disposed of as herein after mentioned. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Dodd of Nenthead aforesaid the sum of Twenty pounds to be paid twelve months after my decease, also I give unto Mary Dodd, wife of the said Thomas Dodd the like sum of Twenty pounds to be paid at the end of twelve months after my decease; also I give unto Ann Carr of Craig Nook widow of the late George Carr, in case she survives me, the like sum of Twenty pounds to be paid at the end of twelve months after my decease also I give unto William Carr of Alston aforesaid, son of the late George Carr, the like sum of Twenty pounds to be paid at the end of twelve months after my decease, also I give unto George Carr of Appleby in the County of Westmoreland son of the said William Carr the sum of Five pounds to be paid at the end of twelve months after my decease; also I give Richard Pearson of Harris in the Parish of Enstable in the County of Cumberland, miner, the sum of Twenty pounds to be paid at the end of twelve months after my decease. And it is my further will, that my said trustees or their Heirs, shall on the twenty Fourth day of December in every year after my decease pay or cause to be paid all the Income or Interest of the Residue and remainder of my personal property that I shall die Possessed of, after paying all my personal Legacies just Debts, Funeral Expenses, and all other reasonable expenses to and amongst the poor having Legal Settlements in the said Parish of Alston, living and residing in Nentwater that is to say at and above Nenthall in the Parish, and nowhere else, according as my said Trustee shall think proper.

And it is also my Will that the Aforesaid tenement with the Appurtenances there into belonging shall never be sold. And lastly I do hereby, make, constitute, and appoint Thomas Dodd and John Pattinson aforesaid sole executors and

Trustees of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereinto set my hand and seal, and duly published and declared the same this Twenty Sixth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Two. The words (and to their Heirs to be disposed of as herein) in the first page writ upon an Erasure- and the word (Carr) in the same page interlined being first made.

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Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Testator Charles Langhorn as, and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereinto subscribed our names as witnesses at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other of us.

Jasper Hunter
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Hannah x Hunter
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Will Proved at York 16th July 1803

22nd February 1834 (Newcastle Journal;)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, on the 15th inst. Mr William Parmely to Miss E. Parmely, both of Snappergill.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, William Parmely, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 30, children, Jane 6, Elizabeth 4, and Mary 2.
William Parmely was buried 16th December 1848, aged 45, at Garrigill.
In 1851, at Gatefoot, Garrigill, Elizabeth Parmely, widow, aged 43, children, Jane 16, Elizabeth 14, Mary 12, Margaret 9, Hannah 7, and lodger, Joseph Scoaling, lead miner aged 30.

1st March 1834 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the House of Mrs. Bland, the Crown Inn, in Alston, in the County of Cumberland, on Saturday, the 15th Day of March, 1834, at seven o'clock in the Evening,

(Subject to Conditions, which will then be produced)

ALL those TWO MESSUAGES or TENEMENTS, one of which was formerly used as a Public House.

And also, all those CLOSES of Meadow and Pasture Land, containing together 25 Acres, or thereabouts, with the Stables, Byers, and Conveniences to the same belonging.

All of which Premises are commonly called or known by the Name of GREEN ENDS, and are situate in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, and now in the Possession of Mr. Jacob Walton, as Tenant thereof.

A good Carriage-Road runs through the above-mentioned Premises to the Market Town of Alston, from which they are distant only four Miles. The Estate is capable of very great Improvement at a small Expense, as there is plenty of Limestone in the Neighbourhood.

The Premises may be viewed on Application to the said Jacob Walton; and further Particulars may be known, and a Plan seen, on applying to Mr. John Dunn, Solicitor, Durham, or to Messrs R. and W. Bainbridge, Solicitors, Alston.

See 1st June 1833, 14th May 1836, 13th June 1840, and 16th November 1864.

1st March 1834 (Newcastle Journal)

VEGETATION IN A LEAD MINE—SINGULAR FACT.—On the 20th instant, Jonathan Woodmass, Jun., a working miner, at Netherhurth Lead-mine, Alston, the property of Messrs. Shaw & Co., brought up a quantity of new potatoes, which had actually vegetated many fathoms below the surface. The potatoes were of; the light-red kidney sort, and some of them measured six inches in circumference, while many of the stalks were 18 inches long, and produced at the root from 16 to 19 of the vegetable. It appears that the workmen got a quantity of potatoes taken to the mine (which lays near the head of the river Tees) in the latter, end of last year, for their winter store, and took them down to preserve them from frost, and the crop of which we are now speaking, were produced from some small ones, which were cast aside as worthless, and which took root spontaneously, without any covering whatever. A quantity of the potatoes thus produced in the deep bosom of the earth, were cooked at the residence of Mr. Shaw, at Alston, and partaken of by a party of friends. Their flavour was excellent.

15th March 1834 (Newcastle Journal)

Longevity

John Martin and his wife Martha, living with Mrs. Watson, their eldest daughter, at Ashgill-Side, vale of Garrigill, Alston Moor, recently received the congratulations of their friends on the anniversary of their 103rd birthday. The venerable pair are well in health and capable of walking about, but the faculty of memory is much impaired in both since our record of them last year. In the primitive language of the mountaineers of Alston, “they have lived together, man and wife, upwards of 80 years.”

15th March 1834 (Carlisle Journal)

I**nquest.** — At Mill House, in the parish of Alston, on Wednesday last upon the body of Wm. Walton, aged 22. It appeared that the deceased had been working in Rotherup Fell Mine on the day preceding, when a large stone fell from the drift roof of the mine upon his right side, and injured him so much that he died shortly afterwards. Verdict, “Accidental death.”

William Walton aged 22, of Leadgate was buried at Garrigill 14th March 1834.

29th March 1834 (Newcastle Journal)

THE LEAD TRADE.

The mining district in this and a neighbouring county, for a considerable time past have been very much depressed owing to the state of the Lead Trade; and the town of Alston in particular, has been almost half depopulated by the circumstance, many of its inhabitants having emigrated to America, and others removed to the coal districts, in search of employment. The value of property has, of course, been greatly deteriorated, and there are said to have been 200 empty dwellings in the small town. We are happy to state that such an

improvement has lately taken place, as to afford hope of ultimate restoration of the town and trade of Alston Moor. Two years ago, Lead was as low as £12 per ton, and we understand it has lately been sold in the neighbourhood at upwards of £18 per ton.

5th April 1834 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Hudgill near Alston, suddenly, on the 28th ult., Mr. John Hudson, miner, aged 45 years, greatly respected.
John Hudson of Hudgill, was buried 30th March 1834, at Alston, aged 45.

5th April 1834 (Carlisle Patriot)
We have repeatedly had occasion to allude to the depressed state of the lead trade, and the consequent distress in the mining district of this and an adjoin county. We are told, so disastrous have been the effects of this depression in Alston Moor, that in the small town of Alston alone there were a short time since nearly 200 empty dwellings. We have much gratification in stating, however, that a great improvement has lately taken place in the trade, which is strikingly evinced by the fact that lead has been sold at £18 per ton, which two years ago brought only £12. There are prospects, therefore, of the town of Alston being restored to its former prosperity.

19th April 1834 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest: At Alston, Townhead, on the 12th, in view of the body of Hannah Coulson, aged 8. The child had been left alone in her father's house on the 10th, when by some means her clothes caught fire, and she was so much scorched upon the neck and face, and other parts of her body, that she died six hours afterwards. Verdict, "Accidental death."

29th April 1834 (Cumberland Pacquet and Wares Whitehaven Advertiser)
SHARES IN A VALUABLE LEAD MINE
FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD, by PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY the Fifth Day of May, 1834, at the House of Mrs. Westmorland, known by the Sign of the Angel, in Penrith, in the County of Cumberland, at Six o'clock in the Evening,
Twenty-eight Sixty-fourth SHARES, (together or in different Shares) in that valuable and prosperous LEAD MINE called Greenside, situate in Patterdale in the County of Westmorland, held for the residue of a Term of Twenty-one years, which commenced from the First Day of June, 1827, granted by on Indenture of Lease bearing date the 31st Day of May, 1827.
The Shares are offered for Sale by the Executrix of the late THOMAS CANT, deceased, and further Particulars may be had on Application to Mr. JAMESON, Solicitor. Penrith.

3rd May 1834 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Raise House, near Alston, on the 23rd ult., suddenly, of apoplexy, Mr. Christopher Crawford, aged 52; much regretted by his numerous acquaintances. *Buried at Alston, 26th April 1834.*

At Eshgill-side, Garrigill, near Alston, on the 19th ult., much respected, Mr. John Martin, aged 103; who, it will be remembered, presided at the reform dinner, at Garrigill Gate. *See 14th July 1832, 13th July 1833, 19th November 1836*
At Skelgill Plains, near Alston, much respected, Mr. Joseph Bowman, aged 49; formerly proprietor of Holyfield Lead Mine.

23rd May 1834 (London Gazette)
NOTICE is hereby given, that the first Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Derwent Mines Company will be held at their office, No. 2, Turnwheel-lane, Dowgate-hill, on Tuesday the 5th day of June next, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely.
Joseph Symm, clerk to the said Company.
28th June 1834 (Newcastle Journal)
An inquest was held on Saturday last, at Middleton in Teesdale, the body of a miner, named Thomas Watson, aged 32, who was killed in the Skeyer's Lead Mine, inconsequence a quantity of lead ore and rubbish falling upon him. Verdict, accidental death.

6th September 1834 (Newcastle Courant)
On Wednesday the 27th ult., a fatal accident occurred in the Pasture Grove lead mine, Weardale, belonging to Thos. Wentworth Beaumont, Esq., M.P., to Joseph Beck, many years workman in the same mine. When preparing to blast a quantity of stone from the roof, it fell upon him and bruised his head in a shocking manner, and caused instant death.

6th September 1834 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 16th ult., of a rapid decline, aged 22, much respected, William, only son of the late Mr. Joseph Richardson, proprietor of Holy Field Lead Mine. *See 3rd June 1826*

20th September 1834 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, on the 13th inst., Mr Joseph Varty, of Lonning-head, Garrigill, to Mary Ann, youngest daughter of Mr William Watson, innkeeper, Garrigill-gate.
In 1841, at Nentsbury, Alston, Joseph Varty, Innkeeper, aged 30, his wife Mary 20, children, Hannah 5, William 3, and Mary 1.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Joseph Varty, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary Ann 36, children, Hannah 15, Mary Ann 13, William 11, Elizabeth 4, and Sarah 1 year.
Joseph Varty died 4th February 1855, aged 47, buried at St John, Garrigill, 7th February 1855.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Mary Ann Varty, widow, confectioner, aged 46, children Mary Ann 20, Sarah 11, and John 8.
Mary Ann Varty, innkeeper, emigrated to Australia with her children, from Southampton to Melbourne, on the Boanerges, 18th March 1862, arriving 9th July 1862.
See 9th February 1855, & 25th January 1856

Passenger Manifest of the Boanerges, 18th March 1862

Marvellous Escape From Death In A Mine—On the 12th instant, as Samuel White, Sen., of Alston, was engaged in making repairs in the low water-level of Thorngill East-end Leadmine, in Alston moor, a portion of the roof fell down and partially entombed him. On recovering his recollection, he discovered that the water was running over his shoulders, and would soon have drowned him. By a despairing effort, he first relieved his head and other parts of his body. On endeavouring to extricate his leg and foot, he found the bone was broken in two places, notwithstanding which he succeeded in crawling out of the level a distance of 200 fathoms, and in despite of the obstacles offered by a large stream of water. The compound fractured has been since reset by Mr. John Bell, and the sufferer is recovering.

4th October 1834 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 23rd ult. after a long and painful illness Mr. Thomas Madgen, aged 83, the oldest operative miner in Alston Moor.
See the Will of Leonard Madgin
At Skelgill, near Alston, very suddenly, Mr. John Spotswood late of Stockton upon Tees, aged 64. *Shopkeeper & Yeoman (son of John Spotswood, of Nenthead, who was buried At St Augustine's, Alston, 7th November 1807, aged 69, Date of Probate 30th January 1808 Will 4th September 1807 (DPR/1/1/1808/S20/1-2))*

St Augustine's Church Yard Alston

In Memory
Of John Spotswood of Nent
Head who died Novr 7th 1807
Aged 69 Years also of
Sarah Spotswood his wife
Nenthead who died
March 8th 1795 aged 69 years

John Spotswood senior, married Sarah Waugh 30th December 1766, at St Augustine's, Alston, witness George Spotswood; their son John was baptised 10th April 1768, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John Spotswood jnr, married Mary Ann Graham, 22nd August 1793, at St Andrew, Newcastle.
Children of John and Mary Ann Spotswood:
Sarah Spotswood, born 16th April 1795, baptised 24th December 1797, St Nicholas Parish, Newcastle
Letitia Bell Spottswood, born 22nd January 1810, baptised 9th Sep[tember 1810, at Gateshead.
William Carr married Letitia Bell Spotswood, 4th October 1830, at St Cuthberts, Darlington.
Mary Ann Spotswood was buried 27th August 1828, aged 58, at St John, Newcastle.
John Spottiswood, married Elizabeth Milner, 14th June 1829, at St Andrew, Newcastle, Elizabeth had a daughter, Mary Ann Milner.

7th November 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, on the 24th ult. by the Rev. Mr Hind, Mr Edward Charlton, of the Grey Bull Inn, Black House, near Alston, to Isabella, daughter of Mr Watson, of Crossgill.
At Alston on the 1st inst. Mr Geo. Dickinson to Miss Walton.
George Dickinson, married Sarah Walton, 1st November 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Alston Municiple Cemetery

In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, George Dickinson, common carrier, aged 48, born, Belford, Northumberland, his wife Sarah, aged 37, born Alston, children, William 15, Walton 11, Mary 8, Thomas 4, Elizabeth L. 1, servant, John Law, cartman aged 21, and house servant, Isabella Carrick aged 21.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, George Dickinson, carrier, aged 56, his wife Sarah, aged 47, children, Walton, coal agent, aged 22, George 16, Thomas 14, Sarah 11, john 10, Jane 6, nephew Richard Walton, assistant grocer, aged 16, nephew David Walton 11, and house servant, Susannah Low, aged 20.
In 1871, at Bridge End, Alston, George Dickinson, farmer of 100 acres, aged 66, his wife Sarah, aged 56, children, Walton, farmers son, aged 31, Mary 28, George, farmers son 26, Thomas, Railway clerk, aged 24, John, farmers son, aged 19, Jane 16, and nephew David Walton, Railway clerk, aged 21.
George Dickinson, died 20th June 1879, aged 76 years.
Sarah Dickinson died 23rd February 1895, aged 82 years.

11th November 1834 (Cumberland Pacquet and Wares Whitehaven Advertiser)
A young man named William Millican, who is employed as a miner at Greenside, in the vicinity of Keswick, met with a serious accident on Wednesday last. He was engaged with two other workmen boring a hole for blasting with gunpowder, which he ignited by a train, but had not got sufficiently far from the spot when the explosion took place, and the consequence was, that he was dreadfully injured in his face and arms, but is now pronounced to be in a fair way to recovery. He is a very industrious and deserving character.

5th December 1835 (Westmorland Gazette)
BORROWDALE BLACK LEAD MINES—These valuable mines have been inspected during the last week, by ———Banks, Esq., of London, the principal proprietor. Mr. B. expressed his entire satisfaction, with the manner in which the mines had been carried on and conducted by their steward, Mr. William Dixon, of Seathwaite, and also expressed an intention of re-opening the mines, which have been entirely closed for several months back.

31 Jan 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 26th inst., aged 28, very much respected, Mr. Errington Gibson manager of the Alston Brewery.
Errington born 14th July 1806, at Alston, Father Joseph and Hannah Gibson (Errington, married 23rd December 1805, at Alston)
Errington Gibson married Tamar Moore, 15th June 1833, at Lambly, Northumberland.
Errington Gibson buried at Alston 30th January 1835, aged 28.
See Durham Wills for Errington Gibson

14th February 1835 (Carlisle Patriot)
TO STONE MASONS
To be LET, the BUILDING of a NEW STONE BRIDGE over the river SOUTH TYNE, near ALSTON, in the county of Cumberland.
A Plan and Specification, with Sections of the Bridge, may be seen at the CLERK of the PEACE'S Office, Courts, Carlisle, where tenders will be

received until the 22nd Day of FEBRUARY next, and the Contractor declared at the Petty Session's to be holden at the GEORGE INN, Penrith, on the 24th Day of February next. Clerk of the Peacee's Office, Courts
Carlisle, January 29th, 1835

21st February 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, the 17th instant, Elizabeth *(aged 76)*, relict of the late Mr. Thomas Walton, agent the Blagill Lead Mine.

11th April 1835 (Carlisle Patriot)
COUNTY BUSINESS
The new Bridge at Alston had been let for £850, to be completed by the 31st August next. It will be commenced with immediately.

18th April 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
The Postmaster General has given directions for the establishment of a daily post between Penrith and Hexham, through Alston and Haydon Bridge, an arrangement which will be a great accommodation to the district.

18th April 1835 (Westmorland Gazette)
A shocking accident befel young man, named, Coulthard, a miner, at Greenside, in Patterdale, on Thursday last. It appears that whilst attending a water-wheel, one of the bolts in the shaft of the axletree became loosened, and in attempting to fasten it, the unfortunate youth was caught by the coat neck, and carried five or six times round with the wheel before it could stopped. Both his thighs were broken— one them in two places—and he is now in state extreme danger.
On Friday week, a young man, twenty years of age, named Joseph Bowman, a miner at Greenside, in Patterdale, met his death under the following circumstances: —He was engaged to blast a large stone at Wallthwaite, and completed his boring, was in the act of putting down the powder, when it exploded—in consequence, most probably, of his instruments having become heated by friction. The man was so dreadfully injured about the head and throat that he died in a few days.
Joseph Bowman aged 21, buried at St Mary, Threlkeld, 7th April 1835

2nd May 1835 (Westmorland Gazette)
Marriage
At Alston, Mr P. Bainbridge, of Patterdale Cumberland, to Jane, youngest daughter of Mr Archer.
Peter Bainbridge married Jane Archer 16th April 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Peter Bainbridge, born 10th January 1808, 2nd son of John Bainbridge, Alston miner, and his wife Mary, daughter of William Beadle.
In 1841, at Barton, Westmorland, Peter Bainbridge, lead miner aged, 30, his wife Jane 30, and son William 1.

Jane Bainbridge, died 1st quarter 1848, registered at West Ward, Westmorland.
Peter Bainbridge of Patterdale married Elizabeth Richardson, 1st September 1849, at Gretna Green.
In 1851, at Hartsop, Patterdale, Peter Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 43, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth 48, children William 11, Joseph 8, Mary 6, and Jane aged 4.
In 1861, at Green Bank, Patterdale, Peter Bainbridge, miner, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 58, children, William, miner, aged 21, Joseph, miner, aged 18, May A 16, and Elizabeth 10. Elizabeth Bainbridge died 4th quarter 1868, aged 66.
In 1871, at Low Hartsop, Patterdale, Peter Bainbridge, widow, miner, aged 63.
In 1881, at Holme Ground, Hawkshead, Coniston, John Brunskill, slate quarier, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 28, children Mary 10, Margaret 3, Jane 6, and boarder, Peter Bainbridge, widow, labourer, aged 73.

16th May 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
A new daily post, conveyed by mail cart, has commenced, by authority of the Postmaster General, from Penrith over Alston Moor to Hexham, where it arrives in time for the mail coach to Newcastle, and as this post returns to Penrith immediately on the arrival of the Newcastle and Carlisle mail at Hexham, reaching Alston at 1 o'clock, it has opened a direct and very expeditious communication between Newcastle, Shields, and other important places on the eastern side of the kingdom and Alston, while the London and South letters are received at the latter town, via Penrith, before 7 o'clock in the morning.
Deaths
At Keswick, on the 28th ult., Mrs. Ann Calvert, formerly of Alston Moor, in her 88th year. She was much respected through life by all who knew her, for her industry, perseverance, and integrity; she was a widow 45 years, and although left with numerous offspring, and was frequently recommended to apply for assistance from the parish to which she belonged, yet her noble and independent disposition still refused, and, with care and attention, she reared her family in a most respectable manner.

23rd May 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Craig House, near Allenheads, on the 15th inst., aged 31 deeply and deservedly regretted by a very numerous circle of relatives and friends, Mr John Bownas.

26th May 1835 (London Gazette)
Derwent Mines Company.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the second Annual General. Meeting of the Shareholders of the Derwent Mines Company will be held at their Office, 2, Turnwheel-lane, Dowgale-hill, on Thursday the 4th day of June next at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, and that it will be proposed at such meeting (in addition to the usual business of the day) to. declare a dividend, and also to make certain alterations in the amount of capital and number of shares in the said Company. — Dated this 23rd day of May 1835.
Joseph Symm, Clerk to the said Company

24th June 1835 (Derby Mercury)

WIRKSWORTH
VALUABLE LEAD MINES
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION

By Mr Brearey

At the Greyhound Inn Cromford, in the county of Derby, on Saturday the 11th day of July, 1835, at Six o'clock in the evening

TEN EIGHTEENTH SHARES of the Goodluck and Diana Mines and Bank Close Scrins, situate in the Soke and Wapentake of Wirksworth, belonging to the London Lead Company.

The advantages attached to the title of the Goodluck Veins are as follow:

A splendid work of Ore, comprising two broad ribs of Lead, that have been worked within the last three years, the richness of which is so well known, that it may be justly considered as the most eligible and promising of all the Veins contained in the rich Valley of Wirksworth.

The Soles of the Mine are 13 yards above the level of the Cromford Sough at Hands Hollyhole Shaft, which 13 yards will be laid dry by the level at present driving from that Shaft towards Goodluck Mine.

The Goodluck Vein is forward of the Field, therefore in addition to the known goodness of this Vein, all discoveries will belong to the proprietors of the Goodluck Vein, which discoveries the best of miners speak with confidence will produce a fortune.

The situation of the principal Shaft at Goodluck is highly advantageous for the erection of a Steam Engine, being in the lowest part of the Valley of Wirksworth, and the depth being only 20 fathoms.

In consequence of the above advantages the London Lead Company have entered into an agreement with the Cromford Soughers, that in the event of the former giving relief to the Mines (at present under water) in the Valley of Wirksworth, the Cromford Soughers resign their right to a certain composition which, they are entitled to receive, the London Company paying them a fourth part of the alienated composition. The composition is one sixth of the Ore raised in the various mines in the Valley of Wirksworth, which are relieved from water by the Sough or Engines.

In order to carry into effect, the agreement between the Cromford Soughers and themselves, the London. Company have driven a level in the solid stone 6 feet by 4 from the Hands Hollyhole Shaft to the Little Diana Vein, a distance of nearly 300 yards. The level in future will be continued in the Vein, and consequently driven at a trifling expence.

The Diana Mine is now getting a considerable quantity of Ore, with every prospect of increased profit; there are between 30 and 40 fathoms of stone dry, with 30 meers of whole ground in the forefield.

The Goodluck and Diana Mines have good engine and climbing shafts in complete repair; waggon gates fitted with rails; two engine gins, nearly new; warehouse, coes, and every necessary building and implement for carrying on a large concern.

The Shares of the London Lead Company are eighteenths instead of twenty-fourths, which are customary. Ten Eighteenths (the Shares to be sold) are equal to 13-24ths and 1-72.

For further particulars, which will be printed in a few days, and for a plan of the whole property, application to be made (post-paid) to Mr. Brearey, Summer Hill, Derby.

29th August 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Dufton, near Appleby, Mr William Dalton, agent to the London Lead Company, aged 40 years, Mr D. was author of Travels in America, and a highly respectable local preacher in the Wesleyan Methodist Society, and generally beloved.

19th September 1835 (Newcastle Courant)
On Friday se'nnight, as a young man named William Walton, of Dykeheads, near Alston was employed in wheeling limestone in a quarry at Nenthead; he had to cross a plank from one embankment to another, and in one of his trips it is supposed the barrow had slipped from the plank, and having lost his balance, he fell amongst some large stones beneath, and fractured his skull, which caused death in a quarter of an hour.
The coroners report gives the age as 21 years. Alston Transcripts give his burial on 6th September 1835, aged 25.

19th September 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
On Tuesday Last an inquest was held at Alston, on view of the body of Adam Walton, a miner. The deceased was engaged with another man in making a shaft in one of the lead mines near Alston, and in ascending he omitted to take the usual precaution of tying the rope around his thigh when about eight yards up the shaft, he lost his hold and was precipitated to the bottom. His companion went down immediately, and found him quite dead. His head was much bruised, and the skull was fractured. Verdict—accidental death.
The coroners report gives the age as 23 years, Alston transcripts give Adam Walton buried 16th September 1835, aged 53.

31st October 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr. Isaac Armstrong to Miss Mary Black, both of Nenthead.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong (son of Robert & Hannah Armstrong, baptised 27th August 1814), lead miner, aged 27, Mary 23, Dinah 5, and Mary Ann 3 months. In 1851 at Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner & farmer aged 36, his wife Mary aged 32, children, Dinah aged 15, employed at home, Joseph 8, Hannah 4, Isaac 2, Ann 2, and Mary 7 months. In 1861, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 44, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah, house servant, aged 15, Isaac 12, Mary 9, and Thomas Rutherford, grandson, aged 4 months.

21st November 1835 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr. John Woodmas, aged 68 years.
At Ivy House, Garrigill Gate, on the 9th inst., Mr. Westgarth Forster, mineralogist, aged 63. His modest unassuming manners caused him to be beloved and

respected, and his extensive knowledge in mining operations made his Company to be sought after by persons employed in that pursuit to whom his mind was ever open.

Son of Westgarth and Lucy Foster (Emerson married 9th June 1766, at St Margaret, Durham) of Coalcleugh, baptised at Alston 8th December 1772.
Westgarth FORSTER of Unthank Hall in the County of Durham, died 1st February 1797, aged 58, Lucy his wife, died 7th September 1806, aged 63.
Children:
Mary baptised 6th September 1767 at Garrigill, died 13th February 1814, aged 47.
Susan born 14th April 1769, baptised 14th April 1771, at Garrigill
Lucy baptised 14th April 1771, at Garrigill.
Westgarth baptised 8th December 1772, at Alston.
William baptised 2nd August 1780 at Allendale, died in London 20th April 1812, aged 32.
Phoebe baptised 1 May 1778, at Allendale.
Phoebe married Thomas Brown (Merchant) at Garrigill 26th October 1806,
Thomas died 15th January 1833, at Garrigill, aged 62
Phoebe died 11th November 1836, aged 58 (buried at Garrigill 14th November 1836).
See, 19th January 1833, and 19th November 1836

Their son Thomas baptised 27th July 1808, married Hannah Watson, 12th May 1834 (Hannah died 18th July 1838, aged 30, buried at Garrigill, 21st July 1838).
Their son John baptised 17th July 1812, at Garrigill, married Elizabeth Bell, 21st December 1837, at Garrigill.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Brown, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth aged 25, and Phoebe aged 1 year. Their children, Jane, buried 23rd May 1846, aged 2; John buried 31st May 1846, aged 4 weeks; Susanna, buried 30th March 1847, aged 2. John died 16th March 1846, buried 18th March 1846, at Garrigill, aged 33; his wife Elizabeth born 25th April 1813, died 5th June 1879.
In 1851, at Ivy Cottage, Garrigill, Elizh Brown, widow, proprietor of houses, aged 37, daughters, Phebe 11, Sarah 9, and son, William Bird 8.
In 1851, at Laing, William Bird, aged 63, landed proprietor, his wife Sarah (Vipond married at Alston 14th December 1813, died 6th September, buried 9th September 1855), aged 64, servant, Robert Hawthorn, widow, farm labourer, aged 41, Mary Slack, house servant, aged 22.
In 1861, at Ivy House, Garrigill, William Bird (died 31st January, buried 5th February 1870), widow, landed proprietor, aged 73, born Skirwith, nieces Phebe Brown, aged 21, house maid, Sarah Brown, dairy maid, border Rob Hawthorn, widow, carter, aged 56, born Scotland, and Ann Bell, servant, aged 18.
In 1861, William Bird Brown aged 18, is listed as a schoolmaster, and is lodging at Beltingham, Northumberland.
In 1871, at Ivy House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Brown, widow, aged 58, annuitant, son William B. aged 28, farmer of 255½ acres, farm servant John Smith aged 15, and also at Ivy House Mary Bird, widow (Second wife of William Bird, Mary Slack aged 59, married William Bird aged 76, 20th December 1863, at St John, Garrigill), aged 67, annuitant (died at Howburn, Haltwhistle, 28th April 1875 aged 71, burial recorded at Garrigill 1st May 1875).

In 1881 at Ivy House, William B. Brown, farmer of 144 acres, employing 1 boy, aged 38, his wife Sarah aged 33, children Julia P. 8, Lucy F. 7, Evangeline 2, Sarah E. 6 months and farm servant Thomas W. Atkinson aged 15.
See 14th September 1855, 8th July 1876, & 13th February 1875.

Redwing Epitaphs give the following information: —

The children of William and Sarah Brown of Ivy House Garrigill,
Phoebe and Rebecca born and died 6th February 1875.
Josephine Pickering born 26th January 1876, died 29th June 1876.
Josephine Elizabeth born 30th June 1877 died 16th January 1878.
"For of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF WESTGARTH FORSTER
OF UNTHANK HALL IN THE COUNTY OF
DURHAM WHO DIED FEBY THE 1ST 1797 IN
THE 59TH YEAR OF HIS AGE.
ALSO OF LUCY FORSTER HIS WIFE WHO
DIED SEPT THE 7TH 1808, AGED 63
YEARS.
ALSO OF WILLIAM FORSTER THEIR SON WHO
DIED AT LONDON ON THE 20TH APRIL 1812
AGED 32 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY FORSTER THEIR DAUGHTER WHO

DIED ON THE 13TH FEBRUARY 1814 AGED 17
YEARS.
ALSO THOMAS BROWN THEIR SON IN LAW
DIED JANY 15TH 1833 AGED 62 YEARS.
ALSO OF PHOEBE THEIR DAUGHTER
AND WIFE OF THOMAS BROWN WHO DIED
NOVEMBER 11TH 1836 AGED 58 YEARS.
ALSO OF HANNAH WIFE OF THOMAS BROWN SON OF
THE ABOVE THOMAS & PHOEBE BROWN WHO
DIED JULY 18TH 1838, AGED 30 YEARS.
ALSO OF JOHN SON OF THOMAS & PHOEBE BROWN
WHO DIED MARCH 16TH 1846
AGED 36 YEARS.
JANE HIS DAUGHTER DIED MAY 21ST 1846
AGED 2 YEARS
JOHN HIS SON DIED MAY 29TH 1846
AGED 4 WEEKS
SUSANNA HIS DAUGHTER DIED MARCH 29TH 1847 AGED 2 YEARS
ALSO OF WESTGARTH SON OF THE ABOVE WESTGARTH
& LUCY FORSTER DIED 9TH NOV 1835
AGED 63 YEARS

Source: Garrigill Transcripts Newcastle City Library

The following is from CAPELLA de GERARDEGILE by CAESAR CAINE 1908, sourced from the Wordsworth Collection of Cornell University.

> Westgarth Forster. … His father occupied the post of Manager of the Allendale Mines, and upon his death in 1797, his son was appointed his successor, and continued to hold the post till 1807. He then resigned his occupation as mine agent, and, together with his sister Susan, occupied Ivy House, Garrigill, alternating the duties of a farmer with researches for his book which appeared in 1809.
> In 1810 he became mine surveyor, and laboured in his profession with enthusiasm until 1833. A second edition of his "Strata" appeared in 1821.
> During this period his energies led him far beyond the mineral areas of the North. We find him in Wales, distant English counties like Somerset, and also in the mining regions of Spain and America. He met with a measure of financial success, and in his most prosperous days his income ran easily into four figures. But reverses set in, and the closing years of the life of this clever man were saddened by successive losses, caused by what has been called a mania for mining speculations.
> At the "winning of the hay" in 1833 he walked into Garrigill practically a penniless man. Repeated misfortune had undermined his health, and he died poor and depressed in spirit.

In 1834 he parted with his plate, pictures, and books, for daily sustenance, and expired at Ivy House as recorded on his tomb stone, Nov. 9th, 1835.

IVY House, Garrigill ("The Hivin")

Wallace says it was built in 1790, but it was, in part standing a hundred years before this. One portion bears the date 1694

Source:Capella de Gerardegile by Caesar Caine, 1908

28th November 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 19th inst. Mr. Joseph Bell, miner, to Miss Mary Ann Reynolds, of Bruntly Syke, near Alston.
In 1841, at Braithwaite, Caldbeck High, Joseph Bell, lead miner aged 30, Mary 25, and John 4 years.
In 1851, at High Caldbeck, Joseph Bell, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary Ann aged 38, son John, lead ore washer, aged 14, and lodger, Nicholson Stewart, mining labourer, aged 23.
In 1861, at Caldbeck Low, Martha Norman, widow, aged 70, grandsons, William Norman, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph Norman, aged 8, and lodger Joseph Bell, married lead miner, aged 65.
In1861, at Caldbeck Low, John Bell, lead miner, aged 24, born Alston, his wife Catherine, aged 25, born Caldbeck, children Mary Ann aged 2, Joseph aged 1, and Elizabeth aged 1 day.
In 1871, at Flimby, John Bell, aged 34, coal miner, his wife Catherine, aged 35, children, Mary Ann 12, Joseph 11, Elizabeth 9, and James I. 5 years.

28th November 1835 (Carlisle Patriot)
The elegant bridge at Alston was opened to the public on Saturday last, although not quite complete, for the erection of the parapets is necessarily delayed until the spring. By connoisseurs in architecture we understand this bridge is pronounced one of the most complete of the kind erected in the north of England, and reflects much praiseworthy credit on the undertakers, Messrs. John Griensthwaite and Co., of Penrith. Mr Milton, the Bridge Surveyor, it is

said, is highly gratified at the workmanship, and entertains no doubt of its durability. The improvement in the old road approaching thereto shows the bridge to great advantage, and must likewise prove a great benefit to the town of Alston.

5th December 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 25th ult., Mr. Joseph Cowing of Foulard Farm House, to Mrs. Mary Cowing of Overwater Houses, near Nenthead.
William Cowing (son of Thomas Cowing & Elizabeth Hetherington, married 25th May 1775) married Mary Nanson, of Brough, Westmorland, 13th December 1812, William died at Alston, buried 30th November 1832, aged 54. In 1841, at Donks Hall, Joseph Cowing (son of William Cowing and Jane Thompson, baptised 26th September 1789) aged 50, carrier, Mary aged 50, and Michael aged 9, baptised at Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead 13th August 1832, born 25th May 1832 (son of William Cowing and Mary Nanson).
In 1851, at Cab End, Nenthead, Joseph Cowing, annuitant from a club, aged 61, born Alston, his wife Mary aged 60, born Brough, Westmorland, step son Michael Cowing, aged 18, cart driver, born Alston.
Deaths
At Lowbyer, near Alston, on the 2nd inst., aged 23, Mr. Robert Dickinson

19th December 1835 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead 14th inst. after a long and painful illness Mr. Isaac Hornsby *(aged 66)* mine surveyor and plan agent in the lead works at Nenthead.
See 24th April, 1830, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 1st April 1882, 23rd February 1901, and 6th April 1901.

23rd January 1836 (Carlisle Journal)

LEAD ORE MINE FOR SALE.
To be SOLD, by PRIVATE CONTRACT
47-64ths

PARTS of SHARES of EAGLE CRAG LEAD ORE MINE, situated in PATTERDALE, Westmorland; with the like Shares of all the Ore now raised and laying at Bank, and materials thereto belonging.
Further Particulars may be known by applying to JOHN ERRINGTON, of Patterdale, the Owner, who will show the Mine, &c., and treat for the same, either personally or by letter, post paid, to Penrith.
The above Shares will be Sold altogether, or in Lots, to suit purchasers.
Patterdale, Jan. 14th, 1836.

20th February 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 12th inst. Hannah, relict of the late Mr. Wm. Teasdale, aged 78, much respected.
Hannah Teasdale, of Nenthead, buried 14th February 1836, at Alston.

19th March 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Hillhouse, near Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 57 years, Mr. Nicholas Richardson.
Nicholas Richardson buried 9th March 1836, at Alston. See 22nd July 1843, 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, 8th May 1897, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.
On the 13th inst., at Alston, aged 50, Mr. John Thompson, chemist and druggist.

19th March 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Hexham, on Wednesday the 30th ult., Mr. J. White of Bayles House, near Alston, to Miss Bell of Wentworth Place near Hexham.

16th April 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Dalston Green, on Tuesday last, Mr. Thomas Forest, aged 55 years, formerly a miner at Alston Moor.

16th April 1836 (Carlisle Patriot)
CUMBERLAND EASTER SESSIONS
The Bridge Master's report was next read; of which the following is a copy :—
"Cockermouth, 5th April, 1836.
"GENTLEMEN,—I beg to report to you, that Alston Bridge is at last completed, with the exception of the fencing of posts and rails at each side of the road, at the west end thereof, and the finally clearing away the eastern abutment of the old bridge, and some stones out of the river's course; and I think I may take upon me to say, that after great perseverance and determination to carry the contract fully into effect, the work is well executed— will bear inspection in any part of it—and I hope give satisfaction. I ought to have stated, that it was opened out and made passable in November last, and is at this moment, I believe, without the slightest yielding, or settlement. The old bridge gave the contractors no trouble of taking down, as about a month since it fell down, and very fortunately, at a time when no one was upon it, for had it occurred half an hour earlier, I fear the accident would have proved serious, as several persons were then standing upon it. I am afraid the account for the extra work at this bridge, now before the Court, may appear large—but against which there is a considerable set off— nothing short, however, of the quantity, in my opinion, could have done, so heavy and extensive have all the embankments been— both river and land to provide against, and still there are some who think I ought to have done more to protect their property, which the alterations for the new bridge left exposed and occasioned expenses. The contractors are in court, and wish, I believe, to make some statements of the loses they have sustained in consequence of the deficiency of the workmanship in the stones of the late new bridge not being available for the present bridge, as well as the loss in the quantity of stones, which have been carried too far down the river by the floods to justify the expense with which the recovery of them would have been attended; this disappointment, together with the high rate of wages they were obliged to give to get men to work in that part of the county, has, I fear, reduced

their contract to a considerable loss. I am sorry for this, as really the bridge is soundly and substantially executed, and will, I believe, last for centuries to come without any material expense to the county. …"

30th April 1836 (Kendal Mercury)
A short time ago, a lead mine was commenced on the Westmorland side of the Lake of Ullswater at a place called Swathbeck, with every likelihood of success. Eagle Crag mine is also re-opened and the shares gradually advance. Greenside is in a most flourishing state.

30th April 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nest near Alston, on the 20th inst. after severe illness Mr. Joseph Stephenson, miner, aged 24, much respected.
Joseph Stephenson, of Nest, was buried At Alston, 22nd April 1836.
See 8th October 1836

14th May 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
On the 7th inst., very suddenly, aged 67, Mr. John Friend, of Corby Gates, near Alston, much respected, and many years receiver of the duty on ore in the manor of Alston Moor under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.
On the 8th inst., after a long and afflicting illness, aged 50, Mary, wife of Mr. Jacob Walton, Nentsbury Green, near Alston.
Alston Epitaphs give the following: —

IN MEMORY OF MARY, WIFE OF JACOB WALTON OF GREENENDS, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON THE 8TH DAY OF MAY 1836 IN HER

57TH YEAR, SHE WAS A FAITHFUL AND VIRTUOUS WOMAN.

AND OF THE ABOVE JACOB WALTON, OF GREENENDS, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON THE 6TH DAY OF JUNE 1840,

IN HIS 64TH YEAR, AFTER A USEFUL AND ACTIVE LIFE.

ALSO OF MARY THEIR DAUGHTER AND WIFE OF JOHN HUDLESTONE, NENTHALL, WHO DIED ON THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER 1839,

IN HER 27TH YEAR, AND FRIEND WALTON THEIR EIGHTH AND YOUNGEST SON, WHO DIED ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 1842,

IN HIS 19TH YEAR.

WILLIAM, SON OF JACOB AND MARY WALTON, DIED MAY 3RD 1843, AGED 43,

SARAH THEIR DAUGHTER, DIED MAY 12, 1845,

AGED 32 YEARS.

MARGARET THEIR DAUGHTER DIED MAY 1ST 1846 AGED 28 YEARS.

See 1st June 1833, 13th June 1840, and 16th November 1864

14th May 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
A young man of the name of Thos. Phillipson, of Alston, met with his death very suddenly on Saturday last. He was employed in burning a lime kiln at Newshield. The kiln was filled with coal and limestone to within four feet of the top and had been lighted. Shortly after laying on a fresh supply of coal, the deceased had it is supposed, got down into the mouth for the purpose of breaking some large pieces of limestone, when, becoming suddenly overpowered by the carbonic acid gas rising from the heat of the kiln, he had fallen down and been suffocated. He was found about two hours after he had gone to work, lying upon the burning material quite dead. The deceased was very industrious and well conducted man, and is much lamented by his family and all who knew him. An inquest was held upon the body, and a verdict of "Accidental death" returned.
Thomas Philipson aged 30, of Alston was buried at Alston 9th May 1836.

4th June 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
Suicide.— On Friday night last, Mary Low, the wife of James Low, a miner in Alston, put a period to her existence by cutting her throat with a razor. The deceased had for two months and upwards been in very bad health, and at the time of her death was in the last stage of consumption. She was subject to occasional attacks of despondency. In the evening in question her husband was at a public house drinking, and during his absence a young man of the Methodist persuasion called as usual to pray with her. He appears to have laboured to convince her of the joys and happiness which was in store for her in the next world, and of the cares and toils which we are doomed to suffer in this life, and there is little doubt that the subject had been impressed deeply upon her mind that she had formed the resolution of taking her own life, for immediately after he left the house she sent her servant girl and the children on an errand into the town, and then having fastened the outer door had preceded to a room upstairs, and after preparing her self with a razor, had got into bed and then cut her throat. In a short time the girl returned, and finding the door locked she alarmed the neighbours and sent for the husband, who upon going into the room upstairs found his wife quite dead. Her throat was cut from ear to ear, and the bed clothes saturated with blood. The deceased was 35 years of age, and has several young children. An inquest was held upon the body before W. Carrick Esq., on Saturday last, and after a long investigation before a highly respectable jury, a verdict was returned, that the deceased committed suicide during a fit of temporary insanity.
Mary Low aged 35, was buried at Alston 29th May 1836.

17th June 1836
Coroners Inquest (Carlisle Archives TCR 2)
Inquest held on the 17th June 1836 on the body of William Robinson aged 16, verdict accidental death.
Depositions of Hugh Hutchinson & John Dryden.

Hugh Hutchinson, Nenthead miner. I knew the deceased he was about 16 or 17 years old. The last time I saw him alive was in Archer Level in Capel Cleugh lead mine. He was a driver of wagons in that level. 2 wagons were drawing by one horse. He left the far end of the level with 2 wagons laden with ore drawn by a horse the property of the Gov. & Co.,

when they started he sat upon the first waggon the fore part he sat upon the end and his legs hung down behind the horse. I saw the men were sitting upon the hinder waggon. We sat with our backs to him, having our faces looking back in the direction we had mined. The horse started quicker than usual. I don't know the reason. After going about a quarter mile the waggons crossed a switch rail which caused more noise and I think the horse had been frightened at that as he went off at a quicker pace and the driver did all he could to stop him by shouting at him this appeared to make the horse go faster. In about 20 fathoms one waggon was thrown off the rails and that stopped the horse. I got off and saw deceased lying upon the level floor. Both waggons had crossed over his body. He was dead the blood was flowing from the head. We took him up until an empty waggon came I took him out and he was carried home. I don't think he struck the horse to make it run away. He had new reins. It is usual to drive with reins. I have known the horse 3 months. I think he has been at that work about that time. I have heard it said that he has made attempts before to run away but never got off. He was at a swift trot when the accident happened.

John Dryden. I work in this mine I have known the horse about a year. He has worked at his drawing work during that time I never have been his driver but I have been in the habit of seeing him at his work. He went under the character of being a sl _ _ _ ish horse in his temper. When he had a heavy load by throwing himself to it and going off very fast. I never knew him to go off in a trot or gallop. I never heard of him running away before. I think it was safe to entrust him to the deceased and have done so with a child of my own of that age. I never heard of any complaint being made to the steward about the horse.

18th June 1836 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Hesket-New-Market, on Saturday last, Mr Jonathan Iveson, aged 84; many years agent for the Duke of Portland's lead mines, on Caldbeck Fell.

9th July 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
A poor woman was struck by lightning at Nattrass, near Alston, while sitting in her house, which set her clothes on fire; and before she was discovered they were nearly burnt off. She is now lying in a dreadful condition. A watch, which was hanging upon a shelf in the same room, was melted from the nail upon which it hung.

15th July 1836 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At St John's Chapel, Weardale, 2nd inst., Mr. Thomas Gardiner, Mount Pleasant, to Miss Anne Robinson, of Windy Side.
At Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, Mr. Thomas Hodgson, of Nenthead to, Miss Ann Pattinson.

6th August 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
A man named Thomas Slater was drowned in the Caper Cleugh *(probably Capelcleugh)* mine, Alston, whilst engaged in driving a level, by the bursting

in of an old working, on the 26th ult. His son, who was working with him, had a narrow escape. Verdict of the coroner's inquest, accidental death.

13th August 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
STEAMER ON ULLSWATER LAKE.—The spirited mining company, who are now working the lucrative lead mines in Patterdale, have resolved to put a steam boat on Ullswater Lake, for the purpose of conveying pig lead down to Pooley Bridge, a distance of nine miles, instead of conveying it by the slow operation of carts, a distance of not less than ten miles. The steamer on conveying down the lead, will return laden with the most useful of all articles to a mining establishment, viz. coal.— We think the day cannot be far distant when pleasure-boats, for the accommodation of tourists, will be propelled by steam, on all the larger lakes, such as Windermere, which is 13 miles in length, and Ullswater, which is nine miles in length.—*Cor*.

10th September 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 6th instant, Mr. J. D. Stagg, son of Robert Stagg, Esq., of Middleton House, to Elizabeth daughter of Mr. Robert Bainbridge, solicitor, Alston.
See 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 5th April 1861, 4th January 1873, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

1st October 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 22nd ult., Mr. George Shield, mine proprietor, to Miss Walton, of the Church Gates-house.
In 1841, at Bruntly Syke, Alston, George Shield (son of James Shield & Mary Vipond, who married at Alston 19th February 1803 Mary was the daughter of Jacob Vipond, and Ann Fleming [who married 9th May 1767, at Alston]. Mary and James had 4 sons, John born 23rd October 1803, James born 10th February 1806, Jacob born 18th March 1808, and George born 11th February 1811), lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah (Walton, married 22nd September 1836, aged 25, children Ann 4, and Mary 2 years.
In 1851, at Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Sarah 37, children Ann 14, Mary 11, Sarah Jane 8, Elizabeth 4, and John James 1.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Sarah 47, sons John James 11, and George 8.
See 4th February 1859
In 1871, at Town Foot, George Shield, lead ore miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 57, sons John James, lead ore miner, aged 21, and George, black & white smith, aged 18.
In 1881, at 12 Front Street, Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 70, his wife Sarah 67, son John James, butcher & lead miner, aged 31, and visitor Fredrick Wm. Horton, warehouse clerk, aged 18.
George Shield died 31st March 1887, aged 76, see 2nd April 1887.

8th October 1836 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nest, near Alston, on the 2nd inst., advanced in years, Mr. Joseph Stephenson, lead ore dresser, much respected. *Aged 57 years.*
See 30th April 1836

8th October 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
ESTATES, INN. AND LEAD MINES.
TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, by Mr. J. PATTINSON, at the House of Mrs. Dodd, the Golden Lion Inn, ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, on SATURDAY the 12th of NOVEMBER, 1836, at Six o'clock in the Evening, Lot 1st, all that valuable Leasehold ESTATE, called MIDDLE PARK, in the Parish of Alston, now Tenanted by William Ridley; consisting of Two good Dwelling Houses and suitable Out-houses, and 31A. 1r. 4p. (be the same more or less) of ancient Meadow and Pasture Land, with an unlimited right of Pasturage and Game on Gildersdale Forest (containing upwards of 3600 Acres of excellent Shooting Ground well supplied with Grouse), also Five Stints or Cattle-gates on Crookburn Moor, with half a Pew (No. 28) in Alston Church.
Lot 2nd. Two Leasehold DWELLING HOUSES and Out-houses, called BRECCON HOLME. near Alston, and 6A. 2r. 12p. or thereabouts of Meadow and Pasture Land adjoining, and about half an Acre of Land with a thriving Plantation thereon.
Lot 3rd. All that commodious and well-accustomed INN, known by the sign of the GOLDEN LION, containing on the first floor 3 Rooms on the second 4 Rooms, and on the third 4 Rooms, with extensive Cellars underneath, together With Stabling for 12 Horses, Hay Lofts, Two Cottage Houses, and a good Kitchen Garden adjoining the same, in the occupation of Mrs. Dodd and others.
Lot 4th. An excellent leasehold DWELLING HOUSE, TWO COTTAGES and a GARDEN, situate near the Grammar School, Alston, in the occupation of Edward Little and others.
Lot 5th. Two good Leasehold DWELLING HOUSES, JOINER'S SHOP and GARDEN, situated at Alston Townhead, in the occupation of William Johnson and William Walton.
Lot 6th. A Leasehold DWELLING HOUSE and STABLE, situated in the Butts Alston. In the occupation of James Kilgower and John Pattinson.
Lot 7th. Thirteen Sixty-fourth parts or shares of GALLIGILL SIKE LEAD ORE MINES with the same shares of a Crushing Mill and other Utensils, belonging thereto.
Lot 8th. Four Sixty-fourth parts or shares of GALLIGILL NORTH VEIN LEAD ORE MINE.
Lot 9th. Four Sixty-fourth parts or shares of CRAIG GREEN LEAD ORE MINE.
The above Lead Ore Mines are all situated in the Manor of Alston Moor.
The respective Tenants will show the Premises, and further particulars may be known by applying to Messrs. E. V. LITTLE and JOHN COULTHARD, Executors in the late John Little Esq., or to Messrs. BAINBRIDGE, Solicitors, Alston.
Alston, September 19th 1836.

Edward Little married Sarah Watson, 10th May 1764, at St John's, Garrigill.
Children of Edward and Sarah Little:

1. Tamar baptised 25th December 1764 at St John's, Garrigill; married Thomas Coulthard 24th January 1787, at St John's, Garrigill.
2. George baptised 14th June 1767 at St John's, Garrigill, married Hannah Vipond 2nd July 1791, at St Augustine's, Alston.
3. Mary baptised 18th January 1770 at St John's, Garrigill, buried 30th April 1777
4. John baptised 27th June 1773 at St John's, Garrigill
5. Sarah baptised 9th April 1776 at St John's, Garrigill, buried 7th July 1779
6. Thomas baptised 30th December 1780 at St Augustine's, Alston of Park, buried 31st May 1785

Edward Little of Flatt died 22nd May 1803, aged 75 years, his wife Sarah died 5th July 1812 aged 73 years.

2. Children of George and Hannah Little:
2a. Edward Vipond baptised 13th May 1792, married Ann Moffett 25th January 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston.
2b. Mary baptised 1st January 1795
2c. Ann baptised 19th May 1797, buried 7th January 1801, aged 4.
2d.Sarah baptised 19th September 1799
2e. John baptised 23rd May 1802
2f. George baptised 20th May 1805, married Mally who died 8th April 1826, aged 20, his daughter Sarah died 18th March 1825 aged 13 months.

2a. Children of Edward Vipond Little and Ann Moffett:
2a.1. George John baptised 29th August 1816, at Alston
2a.2. John baptised 11th April 1819, at Alston
2a.3. Edward Vipond baptised 6th May 1821, at Alston, died at Greenside Lodge, Patterdale, 12th February 1840, aged 19. See 22nd February 1840
2a.4.Hannah baptised 26th October 1823, at Alston
2a.5. Thomas baptised 8th August 1825, at Ousby, married Jane Miller
2a.6. Jacob baptised 14th December 1827, at Ousby, emigrated to Australia in 1852.
2a.7. baptised 16th June 1829, at Ousby
2a.8. Moffett baptised 19th June 1831, at Ousby
2a.9. Margaret baptised 27th April 1834, at Patterdale
2a.10. Joseph baptised 15th January 1836, at Patterdale
2a.11. James baptised 13th April 1838, at Patterdale
2a.12. Henry baptised 29th September1839, at Patterdale

In 1841, at Greenside Lodge, Edward Vipond Little, lead mine agent, aged 45, his wife Ann 40, children, Jacob 14, William 12, Moffett 10, Margaret 7, Joseph 5, Henry 1, mother Hannah Little, widow, aged 70, brother George, lead miner, aged 35, and servant, Elizabeth Wilson aged 15.
In 1851, at Stainton, Dacre, Cumberland, Edward V. Little, lead mine agent, aged 58, his wife Ann 53, children, Jacob, contractor of work, aged 23, Margaret 16, and Henry 11.

20th December 1851 (Kendal Mercury)
Eamont Bridge Workhouse. —The Rev. T. A. Gibson, Vicar of Barton, was appointed Chaplin to this Workhouse (West Ward Union) at the meeting of the Guardians on Wednesday. Mr Edward Vipond Little, of

Stainton, and his wife were at the same time appointed master and matron.

Edward Vipond Little died 15th January 1858 at Eamont Bridge
In 1861, at Park Terrace, Siloth, Cumberland, Ann Little, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 64, daughter, Margaret 26, granddaughter, Margaret Little, aged 11, born Scotland.

2a.10. Joseph Little married Agnes Burmiston, 3rd quarter 1868, registered at Penrith
In 1871, at 13 King Street, Chester, Mary Burmiston, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 62, Agnes Little, widow, mantle maker, aged 35, son Edward Frank, 7 months, mother in law Ann Little, widow, aged 73, maintained by daughter and sister in law, aged 73, sister in law, Margaret, grocer, aged 36.
In 1881, at St Oswald, Chester, Agnes Little, widow, mantle maker, aged 46, and son, Edward F aged 10.
Ann Little widow of Edward Vipond Little died at Chester, 6th December 1878, aged 81.
Agnes wife of Joseph Little died 27th December 1885, aged 50.

2a.5. Thomas Little married Jane?
In 1861, at Elswick, Newcastle, Thomas Little, house carpenter, aged 34, his wife Jane 33, born Scotland, children, Edward V 8, born Penrith, George 5, born Penrith, and Thomas 1, born Gateshead. Margaret aged 11 was living with her grandmother Ann Little at Siloth.*
In 1871, at Elswick, Newcastle, Thomas Little, house carpenter, aged 45, his wife Jane 44, children Margaret J. dressmaker, aged 21,born, Scotland, Edward V. merchants clerk, aged 18, George, ___ fitter, aged 15, Ann E 9, Jane H 5, and Thomas 2
In 1881, at 28 Kyle Street, Elswick, Newcastle, Thomas Little, joiner, aged 55, his wife Jane 54, children, Ann E, dressmaker, aged 19, Jane H, confectioners shopwoman, aged 15, and Thomas W. 12.
Thomas Little of 28 Kyle Street died, on 7th September 1884, aged 59.

**Edward V Little married Janet daughter of James Robson, Assay Master, 21st August 1877, at Bewick Street, Baptist Chapel, Newcastle; they emigrated to Australia.*

27th August 1938 page 14, The Advertiser, Adelaide, South Australia
OBITUARY
Death Of Oldest S.A. Customs Agent
Mr. Edward Vipond Little, the oldest customs and shipping agent in South Australia, and probably in the Commonwealth, died at his home. Torrens road, Woodville, recently, at the age of 86. Mr. Little was recognised as one of the best-informed men in the State on coastal shipping. He was born at Penrith England, and, a week before leaving for Australia in the ship Drumpark on August 28, 1877, was married to Miss Janet Robson (21st August 1877). He arrived at Melbourne on November 26, 1877 and, after a year in Victoria, he came to South Australia, and entered the firm of Morgan, Connor and Glyde, shipping and general agents, and flour millers, of Port Adelaide.

Later he started the business of E. V. Little, customs and shipping agents, and. with his son, Mr. K. V. Little, was connected with the office for 55 years.
Except for a few years at Semaphore, he lived at Woodville during the whole time he was in South Australia. Mr. Little was devoted to music. He was choirmaster and organist at the Semaphore Baptist Church for many years, and later Mr. E. V. Little, jun., followed his father as organist in this and other churches in the Port Adelaide district. Mr. E. V. Little, jun.. died some years ago. and his wife died two years ago.
Mr. E. V. Little left one son Mr. K. V. Little (Port Adelaide) and two daughters. Mesdames P. H. Jones (Toorak Gardens), and E. Judd (Mosman, Sydney).

4. John Little married Sarah Walton 17th October 1795, at St Augustine's, Alston.
See 2nd December 1837 and 21st August 1857.
Children of John and Sarah Little:
4a. William baptised 12th February 1796, son of John & Sarah Little of Flatt, Garrigill.
4b. George born 5th May 1798 2nd son of John Little of Dryburn, Miner, by his wife Sarah daughter of John & Sarah Walton.
4c. John born 22nd November 1800, 3rd son of John Little of Dryburn, farmer, by his wife Sarah daughter of John Walton of Sillyhole.
4d. Mary born 18th March 1803, 1st daughter of John Little of Flatt, agent, by his wife Sarah daughter of John Walton of Sillyhole. Mary died 13th June 1820 aged 17, buried at St John Garrigill
4e. Jane born 9th January 1805, 2nd daughter of John Little of Flatt, agent, by his wife Sarah daughter of John Walton.
4f. Edward born 16th February 1807 son of John Little of Raise, yeoman, by his wife Sarah daughter of John Walton of Sillyhole.
4g. Sarah born 29th July 1810. Sarah died 21st August 1820 aged 10, buried at St John's, Garrigill.
4h. Diana born 12th February 1812
4i. Elizabeth Tamer born 23rd October 1815

John Little of Raise House, Alston, died 9th July 1821, aged 47, at Allonby, where he had gone for his health. Buried at Garrigill 13th July 1821.

The Will of John Little of Raise House, Alston:

The last Will and Testament of John Little of Raise House in Alston, Cumberland, Gentleman.
To wife Sarah Little yearly sum of £25, paid half yearly while she remains a widow, also use of all my household furniture, plate, china, bedding and linen, and have my dwelling house called Raise House and the garden and field called Home Field, and 2 stints or Cattle Gates on the Moor or stinted pasture called Crookburn Moor with necessary out-housing and byers without paying any rent.
To my wife yearly and every year by half yearly payments of £14 for each of my children who shall be under 18 years of age and reside with their mother. In case of second marriage or death, the Executors are directed to pay £14 to children under 18 as they see fit.

To my son William Little, the dwelling house and buildings called the Shot Manufactory and pastures in which it is situated extending to Hall Hill pasture for his natural life. After his decease the same premises to go to the eldest son of William Little who may be living, if there is none then it goes to my own eldest son still living.
I direct my Executors within 12 months to sell all my stock of cattles, hay, grass, farming crop and utensils belonging to my several farms in the parish of Alston and let my several farms to best advantage and to carry on my several shares of Lead Ore Mines or Veins to best advantage and to apply the money arising for the purpose of this will.
As soon as my youngest child attains the age of 18 the Executors shall sell and convert to money all my Leasehold Estates and Effects, Shares of Lead Ore Mines or Veins and other personal property except the premises at Raise and Cattle Stints given to my Wife and the Shot Manufactory bequeathed to my son William Little and also except my household furniture, plate, china, bedding and linen, and to apply the money arising towards paying just debts and to place out at interest upon good security sufficient sum of money to pay the annuity of £25 to my Wife and to pay and apply the residue amongst my several children -
William, George, John, Jane, Edward, Diana, Elizabeth Tamer and Thomas Little – each childs share £800 if there is that much, if not in equal proportion, and the residue, if any, equally divided amongst my sons only - to be paid when the children reach the age of 21 years.
After the second marriage or death of my Wife, the property at Raise and Cattle Stints, househod furniture, plate, china, bedding and linen and the money that paid her annuity, fall into the hands of the Executors for the benefit of my children. Household furniture, plate, china, bedding and linen to be equally divided amongst my children. Premises at Raise and Cattle Stints to be sold and money to be divided equally amongst children.
I recommend to the Executors to allow my shares of Lead Ore Mines called East Cross Fell and Long Kate Lock Mines to be carried on to the extent of the present lease by my son William Little. After the expiration of the lease the Executors to either carry on or dispose of them.
I give to my son John Little my Gold Watch provided he give the Gold Watch he hath to my son Edward Little
If money is available, Executors can advance up to £200 to each son for their advancement in the World from their legacies.
£10 to each Executor and their reasonable expenses from the estate:
Executors -
Joseph Salkeld of Randal Holme in Alston
George Hope of New Mills near Brampton
Two nephews - Edward Vipond Little of Alston and John Coulthard of Low Rotherhope of Alston
10 April 1821

Probate at Prerogative Court of York
Edward Vipond Little and John Coulthard swore Oaths 18 Oct 1821
Probate granted 2 November 1821
Effects under £3000

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

In Memory
Of Edward Little
Of Flat who died
May 22nd 1803 Aged
75 Years
Also of Sarah his wife who
Died July 5 1812 aged 73 yrs

depoſited the Remains
Mary THE Daug' OF
John & Sarah Little
OF
Raise House
who died on the 13th of June 1820 aged 17
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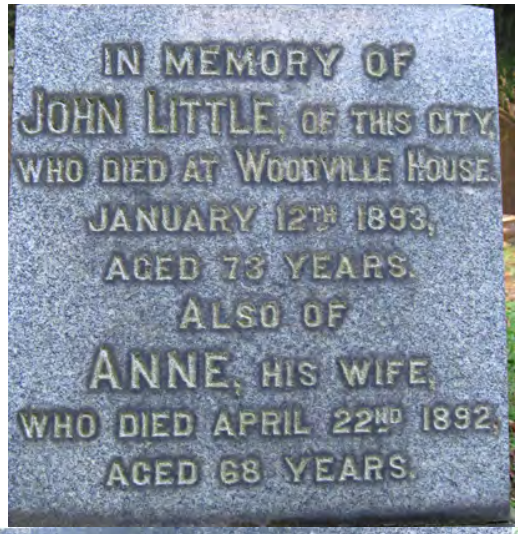

Overleigh Cemetery, Chester, Cheshire

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29th October 1836 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest
On the 25th, at Warnwood house, near Alston on the body of Thomas Shield, aged 18 months, who, on Saturday last, set fire to his clothes during the absence of his mother, and received injuries which terminated in his death on the following evening. Verdict, "Accidental death."
Thomas Shield aged 19 months, of New Wanwood, was buried at Alston 25th October 1836.

19th November 1836 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 10th inst., Mr. John Milburn, of Slaggy Burn, to Miss Elizabeth Pattinson of Watergreen House.
Deaths
At Ivy House Garrigill gate, Mrs. P. Brown, relict of the late Mr. T. Brown aged 58, much respected. *See 21st November 1835*
At Eshgill Side on the 13th inst., in her 106th year, Mary, relict of the late Mr. John Martin, she retained her recollection till near her death. *Mary Martin, of Ashgill, aged 105, buried at Garrigill 16th November 1836. See 14th July 1832, 13th July 1833, and 3rd May 1834*

21st January 1837 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr. John Whitfield, aged 60.
John Whitfield buried 15th January 1837, at St Augustine, Alston.
At Alston, on the 14th inst., Mr. Robert Elliot, one of the proprietors of Hudgill Burn Leadworks, aged 62.
Robert Elliot son of Andrew and Mary (Walton married 18th May 1769, at St John Garrigill) Elliot baptised 27th March 1774 at St Augustine, Alston.
Robert Elliot was buried 19th January 1837, aged 62, at St Augustine, Alston.
Robert Elliot married Jane Spark 21st August 1794, at St Augustine, Alston.
Children of Robert and Jane Elliot:
1. Rebecca baptised 29th September 1795, daughter of Robert and Jane Elliot of Nenthall. Rebecca married Thomas Shield 7th April 1814, she was buried at Alston 23rd July 1824, at St Augustine, Alston.
2. Adam born 8th December 1798 1st son of Robert Elliot of Nenthall, miner by his wife Jane daughter of John and Mary Spark of Allendale. Adam married Mary Smith, 16th June 1821, at Alston. Adam Elliot, Yeoman, died 4th April 1849, aged 50.
3. Mary born 22nd May 1803, 2nd daughter of Robert Elliot of High Nenthall, miner by his wife Jane daughter of John Spark of Alston. Mary married Thomas Colling 27th December 1821, she was buried 26th November 1821, at St Augustine, Alston.
4. Hannah born 31st May 1808, 3rd daughter of Robert Elliot of Galligill, miner by his wife Jane daughter of John Spark.
5. Thomas born 1st May 1811 2nd son of Robert Elliot of Galligill, miner by his wife Jane daughter of John Spark. Thomas Elliot married Sarah Dalton 4th qtr 1841, at Penrith. Thomas Elliot died 23rd July 1865, at Alston, aged 54. His daughter Sarah Ann died 25th April 1863, aged 6 years. Sarah Elliot diued 4th qtr 1887, aged 67, at Alston.

6. Jane baptised 20th December 1817. Jane married David William Rome, a Road Surveyor, of Mark Close, Alston, son of Mr G. D. Rome, Civil Engineer, of Heathfield near Annan, 8th January 1838, at St Augustine, Alston
7. Robert baptised 28th December 1819, married Mary Ann Ludlow, 29th January 1852, at Old Church, St Pancras, London. Robert Elliot died 18th April 1888 at Cumberland Lodge Camden Road, Middlesex, aged 68; he had been a manufacturer of Gold Cases.
See The Will of Andrew Elliot probate 1810.

Alston Churchyard

In Memory of
ROBERT ELLIOT,
who died Jan 14th 1837 aged 62 years
And of JANE his Faithful WIFE And Widow
who died Sept 28th 1840 aged 66 years
Also of
HANNAH the DAUGHTER of
Robert and Jane Elliot of Nent-Water
who departed this Life on the 22d day of March
1821, aged 17 years
Also Rebecca their
DAUGHTER
the Wife of Thomas Shield who departed this Life
Also of Mary their Daug the Wife of
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the 24th Day of Nov 1824 aged 22

Source:Newcastle City Library, Alston Transcripts by John Walton Robinson and Edwin Dodds

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Error on gravestone Hannah was 13 when she died, she was buried on 25th March 1821

3rd February 1837 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
The 29th ult., at Hott's Cottage, Weardale, aged 69, deeply lamented, Jane, relict of Thomas Emerson, Esq., of New House.

17th February 1837 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE LET
And entered upon at May-day next

ALL that extensive LEAD WHARF, together with a substantially well-built WAREHOUSE, and DWELLING HOUSE, situate at Stella, at present in the Occupation of the Governor and Co. for smelting down Lead.
And also, the PREMISES adjoining the above, lately in the Occupation of Messrs Edington and Mark, and used by them as a brewery and Malting.
Both the said Premises adjoin the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway on the one Side and the River Tyne on the other; from and to which Goods can he sent or received at a very trifling Expense.

The Warehouse having been lately built and constructed of the very best Materials, is well calculated for a Steam Mill, or any other Thing of the Kind, where Strength and Durability are requisite.
Mr. Latimer, the Agent at the Lead Wharf, will, on Application allow the Premises to be viewed: and further Particulars may be known by applying to M. W. Dunn, Esq., Hedgefield House, near Ryton.
Hedgefield House, Feb. 1, 1837.

18th February 1837 (Carlisle Journal)

SHARES in LEAD MINES.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the

Swan Inn, PENRITH, Cumberland, on Tuesday, the 21st FEBRUARY instant, at Six o'clock in the Evening. Lot 1,—Two 64th SHAKES in the rich and highly improved LEAD ORE MINE, called EAGLE CRAGG, situate in GRISEDALE, near Patterdale, Westmorland.
This mine is working by a respectable Proprietary, with great success; the Lead Ore is found in strata similar to the fortunate Greenside Mine, from which Eagle Cragg is but a short distance. The purchasers of these shares will be entitled to participate in the Lead Ore now on Bank, estimated to be worth £450 or thereabouts.
Lot 2.—Two 64th SHARES in the WYTHBURN COPPER MINE, situate in the Manor of Wythburn, in Cumberland, now working with every prospect of success, by a respectable Company.
Lot 3.—One 64th SHARE in the SWARTHBECK LEAD ORE MINE, near to Pooley, in Westmorland, with the right of searching for Mines and Minerals in an extensive Mining District in Martindale.
Apply to Mr. E. HEYLIN, of Penrith, Secretary to the Eagle Cragg Mining Company; or to Mr. MACHELL. Solicitor, Penrith.
Penrith, 2nd February, 1837.

3rd March 1837 (Newcastle Courant)

Newcastle Spring Assizes

Thomas Spoors (aged 25), James Richardson (aged 17), Thomas Widdrington (aged 20), Joseph Jobling (aged 18), were arraigned on a charge of stealing lead from the White Hart Yard, on the 6th February; and Ann Black on a charge of receiving the same, knowing it to be stolen.
Thomas Spoors and Joseph Jobling pleaded Guilty to this charge; Jobling also pleaded Guilty to three other charges on his being previously arraigned. The other prisoners all pleaded Not Guilty, and the Court proceeded to try them accordingly.
Mr. WILKINSON opened the case, and called
James Lounds who deposed: —I am the agent of the Cross-fell Lead Mines, of the firm of John Spedding and Co. I reside at Brandling-place. John Errington, the carrier, brings lead to my lead-yard in the Close; the value of lead is about two pence per pound and a fraction. I am not authorised to sell the lead until it is brought into my yard, and I get an order from my employers.
John Errington deposed: —Jane Errington is a common carrier between Alston and Hexham; she carries the lead to Hexham, and I carry it to this town. I carried 53 pigs of lead from December down to the 6th of February, eight were put in

the High Crane, and the remaining 45 in the White Hart yard. It was the custom to leave them there.
John Pitkethley deposed: —I am a labourer employed by the last witness. On the 4th of February last, I put 6 pigs in the White Hart yard under the window. It had the mark "Cross-fell Mill," and the number.
Philip Oxley (an accomplice of the prisoners, and who had been admitted King's evidence,) was then called, and being sworn, deposed as follows: —I am a Cartwright, and I know the four young men at the bar. Jobling lives in the Pudding-chare. On the 4th of February I went to his house, and asked him for a saw. I got it, and left it at the Wheel of Fortune public-house in the Cloth-market. On Sunday the 5th of February, I saw Spoors at the Wheel of Fortune public-house. Jobling, Richardson, and Widdrington were present; I said to Spoors that I was going to take the saw home again that night. He said, mind Philip, it is not here. Widdrington, Jobling, Richardson, and himself, had had a pig of lead that night; they had been sawing it up at the foot of Wilson's yard, and had been down at Black's with it about ½ past eight the same evening. Spoors said, in the presence of the other prisoners, that they had got another pig of lead at Wilson's low house, and the saw was with it. He said I had a right to a share of it. On the Monday night we all met at the Wheel of Fortune again. Spoors said, he went down about 11 o'clock on the Sunday night, took up a pig of lead, and went down with it, and put it half-way through the big door, and then went the other way, and hid it in Wilson's low-house amongst some dirt. We all came out of the door, and went down the front yard, and met at the foot of Wilson's yard, Spoors said, he would go and saw the two pigs. Some of them said, if he sawed them there he would be catched. Jobling, Widdrington, and I, went up Wilson's yard to the opposite side of the street. Spoors said, if we had a wheel-barrow we could wheel them down the street. Richardson said he had got a wheel-barrow before at the Black Bull public-house in the name of Forster. Widdrington and Jobling agreed to go for it. They brought it, and set it down near to Boyce's cook-shop. One of them said we had better wheel the barrow down the yard above (Parrott's). Widdrington wheeled it down the yard, I stood at the head of the yard, and the other four went for the lead. They were away about five minutes, and returned without the lead, Richardson asked me how far the barrow was down the yard, I said, about half-way. He went down and fetched it, and wheeled it down Wilson's yard. We were all standing at the foot of the yard. I came up the yard; saw Spoors, Widdrington, and Richardson, and I agreed to take the lead that night, Spoors, went down Wilson's yard, went into the house, and brought out a pig of lead to Richardson, Spoors, and myself. Widdrington and Jobling bad gone away. Richardson went in and fetched the other pig of lead, and Spoors and I went to fetch the saw. Spoors took it into the new buildings, and cut it in two. I went back to the Wheel of Fortune and on returning Widdrington and Jobling had come back. Spoors finished sawing, Richardson put one of the pieces into a poke, and went away to Black's with it. Spoor's gave me the saw and I also went to Black's. I met Richardson at the head of Dean-street; he returned with me to Black's. Widdrington and Jobling came to Black's about ten minutes after, with each a piece of lead. One went out and brought the fourth piece of lead. Jobling and I cut the four pieces into eight in Black's back room. Mrs. Black weighed them; she said they were worth Id. per pound, and gave us 18s.; she laid down half-a-sovereign and 8s. in silver. Two got 3s. each. I took up the remainder, and we went out. I gave it to Spoors.

We went into a house in the Side with red curtains, and got a pot of rum. Spoors laid down half-a-sovereign, and paid for the rum. When we came out, Spoors got 5s. 6d., and we got 3s. each. We went to the Head of the Side. Widdrington and Jobling went away; and Spoors, Richardson, and myself, went to the Wheel of Fortune. Spoors, and a friend of mine named Robinson, and I, went to the Bee-hive. I gave the saw to a servant, and told her to let it stop until I came down stairs. The public-house in the Side is kept by Bell —Cross-examined by Mr. INGHAM—I have been in the gaol, and have given evidence against the prisoners to get clear myself. I have been taken up before for stealing lead with Cook. I never gave evidence before. The lead was weighed in separate pieces,
Thomas Ridley deposed: —I keep the Black Bull public house. On the night of Monday the 6th of February, two persons came for the loan of a wheel-barrow for Mr. Forster, who keeps the Wheel of Fortune. I said they might have it.
Elizabeth Hall, servant at the Three Tuns, in the Cloth Market, saw a pig of lead lying inside the bar window of the lower house, and a wheel-barrow on the outside. She wheeled it up the yard, and saw Widdrington and Jobling come into the yard and take it away.
George Bell, remembers about three weeks ago five men coming into his house in the Side, and calling for a pot of rum. They put down a half sovereign, and he gave them 9s. 6d., in change.
Wm. Robinson remembers being with Oxley and Spoors at Forster's, on the 5th Feb. They were afterwards together at the Bee Hive, and staid there till 11 o'clock.
Ann Cuthberts, servant at the Bee Hive, remembers Oxley bringing a saw there with him.
Edward Tweedy was employed by the prisoner, Thomas Black, to drive his cart, about Christmas. Mrs. Black had an oval pan, which was used for melting lead.
Wm. Baker searched the house of the prisoner Black, and found some pans, which appeared to have been used for melting lead. He also found a saw and some pokes: the saw appeared to have been used for sawing lead.
Wm. Savage had been a lodger for the last two years with the prisoner Black. He had seen the prisoners Spoors and Richardson there, but never saw them with lead. He had seen Mrs. Black melting lead.
Mr. John Brown, Clerk to the Magistrates, was present when Widdrington was examined before the Magistrates. He then said "All that Spoors has said about me is a parcel of lies; Oxley has spoken the truth about me."
Mr. INGHAM, who defended Black, contended that there was no evidence against her to go to the Jury, as the testimony of the accomplice was not sufficiently substantiated by corroborating circumstances.
The other prisoners, Richardson and Widdrington, on being called upon, only persevered in their plea of not guilty.
His Lordship then summed up, and observed that in a case like the present, where the principal evidence was that of an accomplice, it was necessary to have strong corroborating evidence. It did not appear to him that there was any material confirmation of Oxley, the accomplice, except as it concerned the prisoner Widdrington, in what he had stated before the magistrates, as given in evidence by Mr. John Brown. The witnesses called on the part of the prosecution to confirm the truth of Oxley's story, only proved that the whole of it was not an invention—but in his Lordship's judgment they did not give a sufficient corroboration to prove the charge against the prisoners.

The Jury, after a brief consultation, returned a verdict of not guilty against all the prisoners except Spoors and Jobling, who had pleaded guilty.
JOHN TURNBULL, JOHN COOK, and JAMES RICHARDSON, were charged with stealing a pig of lead on the 29th of December, and ANN BLACK with receiving the same. The evidence in this case as in the former was principally that of the accomplice, Oxley, with little confirmation, except that he stated when he went to the back part of Black's house he saw Cook cutting some lead in the back room. On the prisoners being asked what they had to say, Turnbull and Richardson said they had no remarks to make, but Cook admitted that he was at Black's on the night in question, but that Oxley did not see him when he came from the back part of the house, and that he was not cutting lead at the time. The jury found Cook guilty, and acquitted the other prisoners,
TURNBULL, COOK, RICHARDSON, BRIAN, and JOBLING were tried on another charge, but acquitted.
THOMAS BLACK, and ANN BLACK, his wife, were then charged with receiving lead knowing it to have been stolen, Oxley's evidence was again gone into at great length, but the only criminating evidence was the admission of Ann Black before the magistrates, wherein she admitted buying four pieces of lead of Oxley, She was found guilty, and her husband acquitted.
Several other cases of a similar nature against the same prisoners and others connected with them were gone into, but there was not sufficient substantial evidence to convict them. His Lordship, on passing sentence on those found guilty observed, that he could not help stating that there seemed to have been a very extensive system of robbery going on for a great length of time, and although some of them had escaped for the present, there was every likelihood of their someday or other getting their just punishment. Joseph Jobling was sentenced for the first and second charges, to which he had pleaded guilty, to be transported seven years for each offence, and for the two other charges to two months' imprisonment previous to being sent out of the country. Thomas Spoors and John Cook seven years each, and Ann Black fourteen years.
Turnbull, Richardson, and Oxley were again taken into custody, and sent to be tried at Durham, on a charge of robbing a shop in Gateshead, and Thomas Black for receiving the stolen goods.

11th March 1837 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, the 4th inst., Mr. John Elliot, of Fumess, Garrigill, to Miss Frances Stephenson, of Hudgill, Nentwater.
In 1841, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Elliott, game watcher, aged 30, his wife Frances, aged 20, children Ann 3 and Sarah 1 year.

17th March 1837 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At St John's Chapel, Weardale, 25th ult., Mr. John Peadon, Dyke to Miss Adelaide Walton, Side Head. —2nd inst., Mr. Jas. Golightly, miller, to Miss Jane Hodgson, dressmaker. 4th inst., Mr. John Dixon Huntshieldford, to Miss Sarah Shield, Chapel.

4th April 1837 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Died
At Seathwaite, in Borrowdale, near Keswick, on Thursday last, at the great age of 83 years, Mr. William Dixon, who for nearly half a century was steward to the proprietors of the far-famed Black Lead Mine, in Borrowdale. Mr. Dixon was universally regarded as one of the noblest monuments of God's handy work—an honest man. The most unbounded confidence was placed in this gentleman the owners of the important work he long and faithfully superintended, and that confidence they have had abundant reason to know was not misplaced. He died as he had lived, high in the esteem of every person by whom he was known.

22nd April 1837 (Carlisle Journal)
An inquest was held before William Carrick, Esq., coroner, at Low Rodderhope, near Alston, on the 15th instant, on the body of Thomas Palmerly, aged 45. The deceased was killed in Rodderhope Fell Head Mine, by the fall of an immense quantity of earth upon him while working in the drift. The unfortunate man had a good character, and has left a wife and 12 children.
Thomas Palmerly baptised at Alston, 2nd January 1791, son of John Palmerly.
Thomas Parmely aged 47, of Low Rotherhope was buried at Garrigill 15th April 1837.
Thomas Parmely married Elizabeth Milbourn 29th June 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Elizabeth Parmely:
Edward, baptised 4th March 1812, 1st son of Thomas Parmely of High Rotherhope, by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Milburn.
John born about 1814, baptised 16th February 1829
Sarah, baptised 19th October 1817
Hannah baptised 7th October 1821
William baptised 7th October 1821
Jonathan baptised 7th October 1821
Thomas baptised 9th June 1824
Richard baptised 12th September 1824
Dorothy born 5th June 1826, baptised 13th July 1837, at Redwing, Alston
Robert about 1829
Milburn born 3rd July 1829, baptised 13th July 1837, at Redwing, Alston
James born 4th February 1832, baptised 13th July 1837, at Redwing, Alston

In 1841, at Low Rotherhope, Alston, Elizabeth Parmley, farmer, aged 45, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Richard, lead miner, aged 15, Dorothy 14, Robert 12, Milburn 11, and James 9.
Richard Parmely was buried 27th June 1845, aged 20, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Littlegill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 61, children, John, lead miner, aged 37, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Milburn, lead miner, aged 20, and James, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1861, at Low Rotherhope, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, farmer, aged 71, son Milburn, lead miner, aged 30, daughter in law, Hannah Milburn, aged 27, and grandson, Thomas Milburn 2 months.
In 1871, at Physichall Bankfoot, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, aged 83.

Elizabeth Parmley, was buried 2nd August 1871, aged 82, at St John's, Garrigill.

19th May 1837 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
The 14th inst., at Gretna Green, Mr John Greenwell, blacksmith, of Nenthall, to Miss Lisa *(sic. Leah)* Whitfield, daughter of Mr John Whitfield, West Allendale.
In 1841, at Nenthall, Alston, John Greenwell, blacksmith, aged 35, his wife Leah, 25, children, Margaret 8, Sarah 5, and Jonathan 3.
Leah Greenwell, died 1st quarter 1849, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Nenthall. John Greenwell, widower, blacksmith, aged 52, born Stanhope, children, Margaret 18, Sarah 14, Jonathan, blacksmiths apprentice, aged 13, and John 5.
John Greenwell, widow, married Hannah Kenleyside, 26th November 1857, at Stanhope. In 1861, at Nenthall, John Greenwell, blacksmith, aged 61, his wife Hannah 60, sons, Jonathan, blacksmith, aged 23, and John, blacksmith, aged 16. John Greenwell died 11th January 1869 at Nenthall.

8th July 1837 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Middleton. July 4th Mr. R. W T . Bainbridge, eldest son of Robert Bainbridge, Esq., of Loaning House, Alston, to Jane, daughter of Robert Stagg, Esq., of Middleton House, Teasdale.
See 10th September 1836, 20th October 1855, 5th April 1861, 4th January 1873, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

1st July 1837 (Carlisle Patriot)
PARISH or ALSTON, with GARRIGILL UNION.
I WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE, of ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, Gentleman, Superintendent Registrar of the above Union, Do hereby Give Notice, that JOHN WHITE, of Alston aforesaid, relieving Officer, has been appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths, in Pursuance of the Provisions of the Act of the 6th and 7th of Wm. the 4th, Cap. 86, intituled "An Act for Registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, in England" for the said Union.
Alston, June 24th, 1837. WM. BAINBRIDGE, Superintendent Registrar

22nd July 1837 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 11th inst., aged 24, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. J. Bates, butcher: on the 13th inst., aged 74, Elizabeth relict of the late Mr. Ralph Martindale.
At Nenthead, on the 16th inst., aged 82, Mrs. Mary Richardson. This women was the oldest servant in the London Lead Company's Works at Nenthead.

9th September 1837 (Carlisle Journal)
LEAD.—In the present depressed mining interest, it affords us much gratification to be able to announce any circumstance calculated to afford relief, or to enhance the value of any portion of our mineral produce. Our friends in the mining districts of the principality will, therefore be glad to hear that the Spanish Government has issued a decree to stop the working of the Spanish lead mines for one year certain, and for a further period, should the price of lead remain so

low as not to leave, after the expences are deducted, a reasonable profit. The importance of this measure to our mining interests may be estimated from the fact, that whilst Great Britain produces annually about 45,000 tons of lead the produce of the Spanish has latterly averaged about 25,000 tons per annum, and that, in consequence, of this decree, it is expected not more than 3000 ton will be brought to sale during the next twelve months. We may, therefore, congratulate the British Miner on the removal of a competitor in the foreign market which has so long depressed the value of his labour, and we trust no long time will elapse before the price of lead once more affords to the miner and smelter a fair profit.

21st October 1837 (Carlisle Patriot)

Bridge Master Report

The bridge over Nent-Water was next alluded to in the Bridge-masters report. It was stated to have been built in 1794, and the chairman said that from that fact, alone he had no doubt it was a county bridge. Mr. Milton stated that heretofore the trustees of the road had repaired it. Mr. Hasell remarked, that in 1803 an act had been passed to prevent bridges whether well or ill built, being adopted by the county, as previous to that time many abuses had occurred as to the manner in which bridges became chargeable to the county. The chairman remarked, that he had just met with a section of the act which seemed to provide for the case under consideration, from which it appeared that the county was liable; and as the inhabitants of the county are indicted, he supposed the order must be made. About £50 was stated by Mr. Milton as being requisite to be immediately applied. Something was said about referring the matter to a subsequent session, but on Mr. Milton stating that repairs to the extent he had named must be immediately made —Mr. Hasell observed, I can see no impropriety, if the county be liable, but rather should conceive it is our duty immediately to set about making the repairs.

4th November 1837 (Northern Liberator)

On Friday week, as John Charlton, lead miner, was clearing away an old level, in the Derwent Lead Mine, the side of it suddenly gave way, and killed him. He was 42 years of age, and has left a widow and six children.

John Charlton of Nookton, aged 42 was buried at Hunstanworth 23 October 1837

10th November 1837 (Newcastle Courant)

The son of Thomas Lee, clogger, Alston, who is only three years of age, on Saturday week, fell into the Mill-burn, which runs through the town. The burn is conveyed through a conduit, and furnishes waterpower in its course for three mills. The poor little fellow, who was playing with another child, fell into the water close to the mouth of the conduit, which was swollen by the rain. A young man, named Hownam, with great presence of mind, instantly ran down the street to the end of the conduit, where he arrived just in tune to catch the boy when he was washed out. Life appeared to be extinct, but proper remedies being instantly resorted to, animation was restored. The boy is much cut and bruised in his face head and body, but is now recovered. The conduit through which the child was carried by the force of the stream has a very rapid descent, and is about 300 yards long.

2nd December 1837 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 25th ult., Mr. George Rutherford, ore dresser, Brownley Hill, to Mrs. Jane Vickers of Nenthead**.**
George Rutherford married Rachel Edgar, at Alston on 4th January 1815.
Rachel Rutherford of Nenthead, was buried at Alston, 2nd August 1836, aged 43 years. Jane Fawcett, married Jonathan Vickers, at Alston, 2nd June 1827, Jonathan was buried at Alston 2nd October 1834, aged 35.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 50, Jane Rutherford 40, children Elizabeth Rutherford, aged 20, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 20, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 18, (Elizabeth, William, and George were all baptised at Caldbeck) Ann Rutherford, 16, Jane Rutherford, 14, Isaac Rutherford, 12, Thomas Rutherford, 10, Jonathan, Rutherford, 8, Joseph Rutherford, 4, and Hannah Rutherford, 2.
In 1851, at Welgill, Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, washer, aged 60, his wife Jane aged 50, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 12, James 9, step daughter Jane Vickers 27, and step son Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 20.
Jane Rutherford was buried at Nenthead, 14th June 1859, aged 59.
See 22nd May 1857, 17th June 1859, 5th April 1884, and 29th August 1891
Deaths
At Alston Shot factory, on the 27th inst., of water in the brain Edward, youngest son of Wm. Little.
Baptised at Alston, 10th May 1835, son of William and Frances Little.
In 1841, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, William Little, lead mine agent aged 40 (Son of John Little and Sarah Walton, married at Alston, 17th October 1795) Frances (Crawhall, married at Alston 4th August 1816, she was the daughter of John and Dorothy Crawhall, born 18th December Allendale, baptised 29th December 1794 at St Peter and Allenheads) aged 43, John, lead mine agent, aged 23, Albany 15, William 13, Mary 11, Thomas 8 years, and Dorothy Crawhall, 45.

John Crawhall Little married Esther Walton (Daughter of Anthony Walton and Hannah Little), at Alston, 27th August 1846, Esther died 18th July 1850.

In 1851, William Little, lead mine agent, aged 55, born Alston, his wife Frances 56, born Allendale, John Crawhall Little, widower, clerk, aged 32, Albany, lead miner, aged 25, Mary Ann, aged 21, granddaughter Hannah Little, 2, and lodgers John Crawhall, landed proprietor, unmarried, aged 47, and Dorothy Crawhall, unmarried, annuitant, aged 45, both born Allendale.
Both William and Frances died before the next census, William died 31st December 1851.
John Crawhall Little and Esther also had a daughter Jane who died in infancy.
The family epitaph is at Redwing Chapel, Garrigill.
John Crawhall Little, died at Tower Hill Alston 14th April 1860, aged 41.
In 1861, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, Innkeeper, aged 75, son in law Albany Little, labourer, aged 35, his wife Jane Little, dress maker, aged 35, children of Albany & Jane, Thomas W Little 5, and John Little 3: granddaughter Hannah White, servant, aged 13, boarders John Crawhall, annuitant, aged 57, his sister Dorothy Crawhall, aged 55.

In 1861, at Alston Railway Station, William Little, unmarried aged 34, Railway Station Master, and his niece, Hannah aged 12, also Elizabeth Atkinson, house servant aged 23.

In 1861, at Rye Hill, Newcastle, Elizabeth T Little, unmarried aged 46 (daughter of John Little and Sarah Walton, born 23rd October 1815), Railway shareholder, nephew Thomas Little aged 28, Railway clerk, and servant Hannah Spottswood, aged 25, all born Alston.
In 1871, Jane Patterson, widow, annuitant, aged 53, sister Hannah Hetherington, widow, annuitant, aged 51, and niece Hannah Little, aged 22.
In 1881, at 258, Westgate Road, Mary Wardle, widow, aged 77, born Newcastle, visitor Jane Patterson, widow, aged 58, born Alston, visitor Margaret A. Little, married, aged 38, born London, visitor Hannah Little 32, born Alston, visitor William J. Little 5 months, born Alston, and domestic servant Elizabeth Robson aged 28.

EAST SIDE
IN MEMORY OF HANNAH THE BELOVED WIFE OF ANTHONY WALTON OF ALSTON, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON 14TH NOVEMBER 1865, AGED 84 YEARS; THE ABOVE ANTHONY, WHO DIED ON 21ST MAY 1871, AGED 59 YEARS; MICHAEL THEIR SON, DIED 4TH APRIL 1875, AGED 60; JAMES THEIR SON, DIED AT NEWCASTLE, 22ND OCTOBER 1877, AGED 84, AND WAS INTERRED IN JESMOND OLD CEMETERY; JANE THEIR DAUGHTER, AND WIFE OF JOHN PATTERSON, DIED 27TH JULY 1889, AGED 77.

WEST SIDE
ALSO OF MICHAEL MOWBRAY WALTON, DIED 16TH AUGUST 1899, AGED 29; HANNAH HETHERINGTON, DAUGHTER OF ANTHONY AND HANNAH WALTON WHO DIED AT ALSTON 7TH JUNE 1902, AGED 82.

NORTH SIDE
ALSO OF NORTH SIDE: ALSO OF JONATHAN ROBINSON, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE 20TH AUGUST 1838, AGED 64.

SOUTH SIDE
ALSO OF ESTHER, THE BELOVED WIFE OF JOHN CRAWHALL LITTLE AND DAUGHTER OF ANTHONY AND HANNAH WALTON WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE 18TH JULY 1850, AGED 27 YEARS; JOHN CRAWHALL LITTLE, WHO DIED AT TOWER HILL, ALSTON, 14TH APRIL 1860, AGED 41; JANE, DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED IN INFANCY; HANNAH HIS DAUGHTER, DIED 14TH FEBRUARY 1890, AGED 42; JANE HANNAH LITTLE, BORN 16TH AUGUST 1878, DIED 13TH MARCH 1880; MARGARET ANN, WIFE OF W. H. LITTLE, DIED 15TH JULY 1856, AGED 52;

Redwing Epitaphs transcription courtesy of Jeremy Godwin

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, William R Little, wholesale wine & spirit dealer, aged 44, his wife Margaret A 45, stepson Michael M Walton, wholesale wine & spirit dealer, 21, stepdaughter Esther R Walton 19, stepson Richard Walton bank clerk aged 17, son Francis Little 13, son William J. 10, daughter Emily J. Little 7, daughter Margaret H. 5, and domestic servant Sarah Walton aged 26.
See 29th August 1846, 19th July 1850, 2nd January 1852, 25th September 1869, and 20th December 1890.

6th January 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., in child bed, Mary *(sic)* the wife of Mr. Cuthbert Peart.
The above record is incorrect, Cuthbert Peart married Catherine Hetherington (daughter of Joseph and Margaret Hetherington), on 23rd May 1821.
Catherine Peart, aged 35 was buried at Alston 21st December 1837.
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston Cuthbert Peart, miller, aged 40, children Ann aged 15 (baptised at Alston 28th November 1830), Margaret aged 14 (baptised at Alston 28th November 1830), George aged 10 (baptised at Alston 14th August 1831), and Thomas aged 3 (Thomas William was baptised at Alston 21st December 1837).
Joseph Peart son of Cuthbert and Catherine Peart was (born 27th January 1822) baptised at Alston, 28th November 1830. In 1851, at Easton Court, Gateshead, Joseph Peart, Timber Merchants clerk, aged 29, born Alston, his wife Ann aged 27, born Reeth, and son Cuthbert George aged 1, born Gateshead.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, Cuthbert Peart, widow, Mine Agent, aged 52, born Alston, children Ann, milliner aged 36, Margaret, Bonnet maker, aged 24, George, Pupil teacher, aged 19, and T W aged 13.
Cuthbert Peart married Jane Pattinson 2nd quarter 1852, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Main St., Alston, Cuthbert Peart, Land Agent and Wesleyan Preacher, aged 62, his wife Jane 49, and son George, teacher and local Wesleyan preacher, aged 29.
Cuthbert Peart died 2nd quarter of 1862, at Alston.
See 2nd May 1851

20th January 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Park, near Alston, on the 17th instant, Mr. John Little, aged 78 years.

17th February 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 2nd instant, Mr. Robert Walton, innkeeper and furniture broker, aged 44 years, much respected.

St Augustine's Alston, Church yard
Jane Walton
of Nenthead who died 21st May
1831 Aged 72 years
Sarah Wife of Robert Walton
Merchant Alston
Who died 5th July 1831 aged 32 years
During her affliction she suffered much
pain, but the end was joy and peace
Robert Walton
died Feb 2nd 1838 aged 44 years

17th February 1838 (The Northern Liberator)
On Monday, the 5th inst., an inquest was held at Cornhill, Weardale, on the body of Thomas Dickinson, of Haydon Bridge, Auctioneer and Smelter, who appears to have lost his way while crossing the moors between Allendale and Rookhope, on Friday, the 26th of January, and to have died from cold and exhaustion. Notwithstanding a diligent search, the body was not found until Sunday, the 4th inst. The deceased was in the 48th year of his age. Verdict— "Died from the inclemency of the weather, having lost his way."

24th February 1838 (Northern Liberator)
FATAL ACCIDENT. —On Saturday night, the 17th inst., Abraham Hounam, cart driver, to Mr. Wm, Watson, the Newcastle and Alston carrier, was crossing the fell between Whitfield and Alston with his masters horses and carts, it is supposed that he had laid down to sleep in one the carts, and at a part of the road, which was covered with ice, the cart in which he had been sleeping had slid off the road and overturned, overwhelming him under its contents, consisting of cast iron and com bags to the, amount of sixteen cwt. He was found on Sunday morning quite dead. On Monday a Coroners jury sat on the body, and a verdict of accidental death was recorded, with a deodand of 1s. on the horse and cart. The deceased was 30 years of age, has left a widow and three young children to lament his loss. He was a man well respected by a numerous circle of acquaintances.
Abraham Hounam married Susanna Elias, on the 21st November 1833, at Alston.
In 1841, At Alston, Market Place, Susanna Hounam, washerwoman, aged 25, George 7, Ann5, and David 3 years.
In 1851, at Alston, Kates Lane, Wm Richardson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Susanna, aged 40, wifes son George Hounam, lead miner, aged 16, wifes daughter Ann Hounam, domestic duties, aged 17, wifes son David Hounam,

cart man, aged 14, children Harry Richardson 7, Sarah Richardson 5, Wm Richardson 2, and Jane Richardson 2 years.
In 1861, at Ramseys Buildings, Alston, Susannah Richardson, lead miners widow, aged 50, children David Hounam, labourer aged 20, Henry Richardson, lead miner, aged 17, Sarah Richardson, worsted spinner, aged 15, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 12, Jane Richardson 12, Elizabeth Richardson 10, grand daughter Susannah Hounam 7, grandsons David Hounam 5, and Abraham Hounam 5.

24th March 1838 (Newcastle Journal)

INTEREST IN PROPERTY AT ALSTON

The Interest of Mr. John Little, under his fathers will, in certain LEASEHOLD TENEMENTS and LEAD MINES, at or near Alston, in the County of Cumberland, will be disposed of by private contract.
Particulars of the property may be had on application to Messrs R. and W. Bainbridge, solicitors, Alston, or to Mr. Henry Ingledew, solicitor, Newcastle upon Tyne.
Proposals for purchase must be addressed under cover to Mr. Henry Ingledew, Newcastle upon Tyne, on or before Saturday the 31st Day of March Instant.
Gateshead, March 15th 1838

24th March 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
At Alston, Margaret, wife of Mr. Jonathan Walton, aged 76.

27th April 1838 (Newcastle Courant)

CRUSHING MILL

WANTED, a CRUSHING MILL, with Water Wheel, in good order, for a Lead Mine, situated near to Middleton, Teesdale. —Particulars of Size, Price, &c. to be sent to WM. DUNLOP. Newcastle, 26th April 1838

28th April 1838 (Northern Liberator)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr. Jos. Featherstone of Hollinghill, Weardale, to Miss Hannah Burn, of the former place.
At Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, on the 21st inst., Mr. Francis Elliott, of West Blackdean, to Miss Jane Peart, of Kilhope.
At Chapel, Weardale, on the 21st inst., Mr. Joseph Gardiner to Miss Elizabeth Elliott.

5th May 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 19th ult., Mr. Joseph Featherstone, Pry Hill, to Hannah, eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Burn, inn keeper, Alston.
At Alston, on the 26th, Thomas, fourth son of Mr. Wm. Walton of Blaygill, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mrs. Margaret Armstrong, of the Brown Cow Inn, Alston.

12th May 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
The new Black Lead Mining Company commenced operations in Borrowdale on Monday week, no great distance from the mines of the old firm, but within the manor of Gen. Wyndham.

9th June 1838 (Carlisle Journal)

SHARES IN LEAD MINES FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by AUCTION on Thursday the 14 of June, 1838, at the House of EDWARD CHAMNEY, Innkeeper, PENRITH, at Six o'clock in the Evening, (by order of the Assignees of Mr. Thomas Brockbank,) all those 3—64th Shares in the valuable Lead and Copper MINE, called RAUGHTON GILL, near Caldbeck, Cumberland, now producing rich Veins of Ore, and in a most promising working condition. For Particulars apply to Mr. Hogarth, Solicitor, Penrith.

12TH June 1838 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

LEAD and COPPER MINES, near KESWICK, CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE,

TO BE SOLD.—THIRTY 64th SHARES in NEW BRANDLEHOW LEAD MINE, near Derwent Lake, including the Water Wheel and other Machinery connected therewith. During the last Three Years that this Mine has been worked, there have been nearly 400 Tons of excellent Ore raised, with every prospect of its continuance.

Also, LET, for the remaining Term of the Lease, upwards of Nine Years of which is unexpired, several MINES and VEINS of LEAD and COPPER situate in Portinscale, Newlands, Braithwaite, and Thornthwaite, in the Manor of Braithwaite and Coledale. Applications, (if by Letter, post-paid,) addressed Mr. JOHN TEBAY, King Street, Whitehaven, will be promptly attended to.

30th June 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 16th instant, Mr. John Stephenson, of Thurstones, Tynehead, to Miss Ann Gill of Garrigill.

17th July 1838 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

SHARES IN THE BLACK-LEAD MINE, IN BORROWDALE.

TO be SOLD, pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, made in Two several (Causes of BALL versus BARBOR, and BONE versus BARBOR, with the Approbation of HENRY MARTIN, Esq., one of the Musters of the said Court, by Messrs. BARNES and THORNTON, at the Auction Mart, facing the Bank of England, on WEDNESDAY the 25th Day of July, 1838, Twelve (for One o'clock, precisely) in One Lot.

AII the Share, or Interest, of ROBERT BARBOR, deceased, of certain Shares in a Moiety of BLACK LEAD MINE, situate in BORROWDALE, in the Parish of Crosthwaite, in the County of Cumberland, held under a Lease, and which Shares have produced a net Profit of £56 9s. per Annum, upon an Average of the last Six Years.

Printed Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be had gratis at the said Master's Chambers, in Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane; of Messrs.

Fry and Loxley, Solicitors, No. 80, Cheapside; Mr. H. Bull, Ely Place, Holborn; of Messrs. Barnes and Thornton, Auctioneers, 33, Fenchurch Street; and of the Publisher of the Cumberland Pacquet, at Whitehaven.

23rd July 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest: On the 21st, at Alston, on the body of Joseph Bowman, aged 51 years. Deceased was a miner, and on the 2nd instant, was working in Dryburn Level with another man, when an immense weight of stone and clay fell upon him, and produced extensive injuries on the spine, which caused his death. Verdict accordingly.
Joseph Bowman, son of John Bowman, baptised at Alston 10th June 1787.
Joseph Bowman aged 51 was buried at Alston 23rd June 1838.

28th July 1838 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
On the 18th inst. aged 33, Hannah, wife of Mr Thomas Brown, of Ivy-house, Garrigill-gate, much respected. *See 21st November 1835.*
At Weardale, on the 22nd inst. aged 36, Mr Emerson of Hott's Cottage, at West-gate, on the 19th inst. aged 29, Nicholas, son of Mr William Atkinson, tailor.

31st July 1838 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
THE BLACK-LEAD MINE in BORROWDALE
We this day fortnight announced the sale of certain shares in the far-famed Black Lead Mine, Borrowdale, near Keswick, late the property Charles Bill, Esq., Sydenham, Kent, and latterly of Robert Barbor, Esq to whom they were bequeathed by the first-named gentleman in the year 1809. The sale was under order the Court of Chancery, and took place at the auction mart, London, on Wednesday last. The mine in Borrowdale being the only one of the kind the kingdom, and this being the first instance, we believe, of any shares it having been brought to the hammer, a very lively interest was excited, and a smart competition took place. At the close of a spirited bidding numerous intending purchasers, the shares were knocked down to Mr. Cranch, solicitor, for Messrs. Banks, Foster, and Co., black-lead pencil manufacturers, Keswick, who along with the interest in the mine obtain their proportion of the stock on hand of this valuable mineral. —Even our own immediate neighbourhood comparatively little, we believe, is known of the Black-lead Mine in Borrowdale; the following particulars, therefore, which we extract from Mr. Otley's interesting account of will not perhaps be considered devoid of interest:—

> The mineral substance from which black lead is manufactured has successively been known by the several names of wad, black-cawke, black-lead, plumbago, and graphite. The names of plumbago and black-lead, although still retained in common use, tend to convey an erroneous idea of the subject, lead forms no part of its composition, which is found to be principally carbon combined with a small portion of iron: and graphite, perhaps the least objectionable term, has scarcely yet obtained currency. This mineral occurs in various parts of the world, and in rocks of different formation; but in no place has it been met with equal in purity to that produced from Borrowdale, in Cumberland, where it lies in a rock of intermediate formation.

We have no account of the first discovery, or opening of this mine, but from a conveyance made in the beginning of the seventeenth century, it appears have been known before that time. The manor of Borrowdale said to have belonged to the Abbey Furness and having at the dissolution of that monastery, in the reign of Henry the Eighth, fallen to the Crown, it was granted by James the First to William Whitmore and Jonas Verdon, including and particularising among other things, the "*wad-holes* and *wad*, commonly called black-cawke, within the commons of Seatoller, or elsewhere within any of the wastes or commons of the said manor, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Roger Robinson, or his assigns, by the particulars thereof mentioned to be of the yearly rent or value of fifteen shillings and fourpence" By a deed bearing date the twenty-eighth day November, 1614, the said William Whitmore and Jonas Verdon, sold and conveyed unto Sir Wilfred Lawson, of Isel, Knight, and several others therein named to the number of thirty-six, chiefly inhabitants of Borrowdale, "all the said manor of Borrowdale, with the appurtenances of what nature or kind soever, excepted and reserved unto the said William Whitmore and Jonas Verdon, their heirs and assigns, all those wad-holes, and wad, commonly called black-cawke, within the commons of Seatoller, or elsewhere within the commons and wastes of the manor Borrowdale aforesaid, with liberty to dig, work, and carry the same, and other their appurtenances whatsoever. In consequence of which reservation the wad or black-lead has been ever since held distinct from other royalties of the said manor, one moiety thereof belonging to Henry Banks, Esq. the other half being sub-divided into several shares.

This mine is situated about nine miles from Keswick, near the head the valley of Borrowdale, in the steep side of a mountain, facing towards the south-east, and has been opened at different places were the wad probably appeared on the surface.

Formerly this mine was worked only at intervals, and when sufficient quantity had been procured to supply the demand for a few years, it was strongly closed up until the stock was reduced; but of late, it has been obtained less plentifully, and the demand being greater, the working has been continued for several years successively.

An old level which was re-opened in 1769. was found to have been cut through this very hard rock, without the help of gunpowder; and a kind of pipe-vein which had produced a great quantity of wad, having been pursued to the depth one hundred yards or more, much inconvenience was experienced in working it: obviate which, in 1798, an adit or level was begun in the side of the hill, which the length of 220 yards communicates with the bottom of the former sinking; since which time the works have been carried internally through various ramifications; a survey of which was made few years since by the late Mr. Farey. Through this principal level the water now passes off, and the produce and rubbish are brought out upon railway in a small waggon; and over its mouth a house is built, where the workmen are undressed and examined as they pass through it on leaving their work.

Owing to the great value of this mineral, and the facilities afforded for disposing of it in an unmanufactured state, the greatest precaution has sometimes been found scarcely sufficient to keep the workmen from

pilfering, and those appointed overlook them have not always escaped suspicion; yet, it is but justice to the present manager to state, that for upwards of fifty years that he has been employed, he has always sustained an unimpeachable character —[Mr. Otley here alludes to the late Mr. Dixon, and never was compliment, we believe, more justly merited. His son succeeded him as superintendent of the mine, and deservedly enjoys the full confidence of the company, who regard him as faithful servant, and as trust-worthy as his late esteemed father.]

To prevent the depredations of intruders, it has sometimes been necessary to keep a strong guard upon the place; and for its better protection an act of parliament was passed 25th Geo 2d. cap. 10th, which an unlawful entering any mine, or wad-hole of wad. or black-cawke. commonly called black-lead, or unlawfully taking or carrying away any wad, &c. therefrom, as also the buying, receiving the same, knowing it to be unlawfully taken, is made felony.

Black-lead is used for various purposes, but its principal use is in the manufacture pencils, for which Keswick has long been famed. It was formerly used without any previous preparation; being only cut with a saw to the scantlings required, and thus enclosed in a suitable casing of cedar wood: but generally being too soft for some purposes, a method of hardening it had long been a desideratum and a process has at length been discovered, by which it may rendered capable of bearing finer and more durable point.

The specific gravity of the best wad, or black lead, is, to that of water, as two to one nearly; the coarser kind is heavier in proportion, as it contains more stony matter. It comes from the mine in pieces of irregular shape, and of various sizes, requiring no process to prepare it for the market, further than freeing the pieces from any stony or extraneous matter, which may adhere to them. It then assorted according to the different degrees of purity and size, and thus packed in casks to be sent off to the warehouse in London, where it is exposed to sale only on the first Monday in every month.

In the year 1803, alter tedious search, one of the largest bellies was fallen in with, which produced five hundred casks, weighing about one hundred and 3 quarter each, and worth thirty shillings a pound and upwards; besides a greater quantity inferior sorts; and since then several smaller sops have been met with in the year 1829, a sop produced about half dozen casks; the best part of which was eagerly bought up at thirty-five shillings pound. For three or four years the quantity raised was trifling but in 1833, they succeeded in filling a few casks, the best part of which has sold at forty-five shillings a pound.

By an account published in 1804 the stock then on hand was valued at £54,000, and the annual consumption stated to be about £3,500. This afforded a clue the assessors of the property tax. which soon after came into operation and this mine—which 200 years ago hadl been valued at fifteen shillings and fourpence—was accordingly rated at £2,700.

Such are a few of the interesting particulars given by Mr. Otley, relative to this productive mine, which, for ages past, appears to have attracted so much attention as even to induce the legislature to pass an act for its especial protection. It appears that Messrs. Banks, Foster, and Co., exclusive of Mr.

Banks's share, have purchased an eighth of the mine, and they are the only persons connected with the pencil trade who hold shares, it will doubtless be the means of enabling them to extend the high reputation their goods have enjoyed in London, Birmingham, Sheffield, Manchester, Liverpool, and different parts of Yorkshire; as well as in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and indeed throughout the whole of Scotland, almost from the moment they commenced business. We congratulate the firm on the purchase they have effected, and as it was no doubt chiefly, if not altogether, made with a view of enabling them to prosecute their business with greater advantage, there can be no fear, we think, but their most sanguine hopes will be realised.

18th August 1838 (Newcastle Journal)

THE BISHOPELEY AND DRYBURN CONSOLIDATED LEAD MINING COMPANY. Capital £10,000, in 1,000 Shares of £10 each.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.

W. GREENWELL, Esq„ Greenwell Ford, Lanchester.
Mr. TAYLERSON. South Shields.
NICHOLAS GREENWELL, Esq., Lanchester.

Perhaps no Period ever presented so great encouragement as the present, for the Profitable Working of lead Mines: the steady Rise in the Price of that Metal, coupled with the facilities offered by its ready Transit on the Stanhope and Tyne Railway, which passes the vicinity of those Mines, and which have hitherto been almost shut out from any Place of Shipment.

And by the said Railway, Coals can now he obtained at a most reasonable Cost for the Working of any Steam Engine that may be required for Pumping Water, lifting the lead Ores, &C., form together a Chain of fortuitous Circumstances almost unparalleled.

The Bishopley and Dryburn Consolidated Lead Mines are situate in the Rich Mineral District of Weardale, near Frosterley, in the Parish of Stanhope, in the County of Durham, and with the above Advantages, are not for Local Situation and Intrinsic Worth, surpassed by any Mines in the Kingdom.

The Berks Mine being one of the Bishopley Mines, is on the South Side of the River Wear, at Frosterley, and is held under a Lease for 18 Years; it adjoins the Mill House Estate, consisting of 150 Acres, the Royalty of which is also Leased to this Company for 31 Years, at a very moderate Rate. On this Estate the Directors purpose Opening Two more Mines.

East Dryburn Mines are situate on the North Side of the River Wear, and adjoining the Mill House Estate. Two Veins may there be Worked by a Level, which is now driving, and will Cut the said Veins in the short Distance of 110 Fathoms.

It would be superfluous to here enter more fully into Detail of the many Advantages and great Veins of these Mines, as Mr. Sopwith, of Newcastle, an experienced Mining Surveyor, who is well acquainted with the District in which he has made numerous and vary extensive Mining Surveys, and whose Report hereto annexed, fully embraces every Particular.

REPORT ON MINERAL VEINS IN BISHOPLEY AND MILLHOUSES ESTATES, NEAR FROSTERLEY, IN THE COUNTY OF DURHAM.

Royal Arcade, Newcastle-upon-Tyne,
14th August 1838.

SIR, —Agreeably to your request that I would furnish you with, an Account of the Mineral Veins in the Estates of Bishopley and Millhouses, I beg to hand you the following particulars which have been derived from a general view of the Property, and from an inspection of the subterranean works, so far as the same can be explored at the present

The annexed Plan shows the direction and relative position of the Mineral Veins in Bishopley Estate, and the section, in like manner, exhibits the various Strata. Both as regards the general productiveness of Veins in this District and the produce of the Veins traversing this Property, where they have been worked in other Places, there Is every reason to consider this Property as a very eligible field for Mining Adventure, and as such I consider it well deserving of the confidence of the Parties interested.

The Birk's Vein has a bearing nearly East and West, being S. 85 W. It hades to the South at the bottom about one foot in ten while passing through the Limestones and Hazels, but in the Slate Beds its hade is more than doubled. It throws up the north cheek about nine feet—its matrix is a brown rider and fluor spar, and it stretches through the longest direction of the Bishopley and Millhouses Properties. For about 500 yards in length this Vein appears to have been worked in the Great Limestone, and there is every appearance of its having yielded a large quantity of lead. It appears to have been drained by a small Water level under the Great Limestone, but a Level at a deeper random, or Machinery, is essential to its being worked with profit. There have apparently been some trials made by means of Shafts, which have been abandoned on account of the quantity of Water, but no effectual trial has been attempted on an extensive scale.

From the same cause, a Shaft sunk in this Vein in Millhouses Estate was abandoned, the Parties not having capital sufficient to prosecute a proper Level for Drainage—the appearances were such as to afford the most reasonable expectations of the Vein being productive. A Level was commenced near the side of the River Wear, at the East Boundary of Millhouses Estate, and continued upwards of 170 Fathoms, at a cost of nearly £1,000, when want of Capital compelled the Parties to abandon it.

There is strong reason for believing that it would lie a highly desirable and profitable undertaking to continue this Level, as it would prove all the East and Went Veins, and effectually drain the Birks Vein, where it has been so productive in the Great Limestone taking off the water from the Quarry Hazle—Four Fathom Limestone-Nattrass Gill Hazle, and Three Yards Limestone, making in ail Fifteen Fathoms of Sill likely to carry Ore. This Vein has been found very productive in the adjacent District.

The Markeel Vein does not appear to have been tried in this Property, but as it has been very productive in Bollihope, and traverses the best Sills, it seems a very desirable trial. It could be worked by means of the Low level already mentioned.

The Harehope Gill Vein has been productive for many Miles in the neighbouring District—there is an abundant supply of Water at hand, which might be of material use for working this Vein.

There is also a tract of Mining Ground at East Dryburn, on the North side of the River Wear, near Frosterley. A level has been commenced which will cut Dryburn Vein at the bottom of the Great Limestone, and this will probably also

be found a fair Mining speculation, inasmuch as large quantities of Ore have been raised from it in the immediate Neighbourhood.
From the circumstances here detailed, it may, I think, be fairly inferred that a due amount of Capital is alone required to effect a complete trial of these Veins, and though Mining at the very best is attended with much uncertainty, yet in the present instance the Expenditure of a considerable Sum is fully warranted by the nature, extent, and relative position of the several Veins. The Ore produced by them and other Veins in the immediate District is certainly a strong motive to encourage adventure, and the frequent failures which occur from insufficient Capital being employed, points out the necessity of making a full and persevering search of this Mining Property.

I remain, Sir. your very obedient Servant,

Robert Taylerson, Esq. THOMAS SOPWITH.

Above 300 Shares have already been taken, and as soon as Two-thirds are filled up, a MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be called, to appoint the necessary Officers, and to frame the Rules and Regulations upon which the Company shall be conducted.
As soon as Two-thirds of the Shares are taken, a Copy of the Rules or Regulations, intended to be submitted to the Meeting of Shareholders, will be sent to each Subscriber for Consideration.
Application for Shares to be made to Mr. Walker, at the Company's Office, two Doors below the Turk's Head; Grey-Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where Attendance will be given daily from Eleven till Three, and Plans of the Mines and other Information can be obtained.
Mr. Sopwith has consented to take the Engineering Department of the Mines, if approved of by the shareholders.

8th September 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 2nd instant, aged 24 years, Miss Diana Bland, daughter of Mrs. Bland, of the Crown Inn.

15th September 1838 (Carlisle Journal)
An old silver coin was found last week, by Mr. Emanuel Nattress, the ore-washer for the London Lead Company, at White Syke lead mine, in Alston Moor, it is about the breadth of a halfpenny of the present day, and has been coined in the year 1575, in the reign of Queen Elizabeth; and although it must have lain amongst the mineral and rubbish of that old-wrought mine for a great number of years, it is in good preservation, and before E. Nattress discovered it in his washing operations it had passed twice through the crushing mill, and yet, strange to say, it came out at the last uninjured by the process.
In 1841, at Jolly Board Lane, Alston, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 40. In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Jane, aged 40, and daughter Anne 2 years. Emanuel Nattrass died 2nd quarter of 1851.

5th October 1838 (Newcastle Courant)
Mr Thomas Bell, of Hexham, and Mr Robert Hutchinson, have opened a lead mine at High Green, in this county. The ore is nine feet in breadth.

27th November 1838 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
At Crosthwaite Church, Keswick, on Thursday last, Mr Henry Dawson, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. Dixon, steward of the Black-lead mine at Borrowdale.

26th January 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Park, near Alston, on the 18th instant, aged 63, Mr. Edward Parmerly.

5th February 1839 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
At Crosthwaite Church, Keswick, on Thursday last, Mr John Dixon, son of Mr John Dixon, steward of the Black-lead mines in Borrowdale, to Miss. A. Staveley, both of Borrowdale.

9th February 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
The Duke of Cleveland, with a liberality which does him infinite credit, has directed his agent, Mr William Barnes, of Eggleston, to purchase Wheat Meal, at his expence, and to furnish all his workmen in the mining and smelting district of Teesdale, with bread at the rate of 1s. 6d. per stone, being about half the present price only. The London Lead Company have resorted to a similar act of charity as respects their workmen in Teesdale.

16th February 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 1st Instant, aged 19 Betsy, eldest daughter of Mr. John Pattinson, Cross Keys Inn.

2nd March 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 21st ult., very suddenly, Mr. John Walton, miner, much respected, aged 32. *See 4th May 1860*
At Alston, lately, aged 32, Ann, wife of Mr. Jonathan Walton.

9th March 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 26th ult., after a protracted illness, which supported with great fortitude, Mr. Joseph Lowes, many years grave digger at Alston, and assistant attendant at most the funerals, aged 45, leaving a family to lament his loss

23rd March 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest Before Mr. Carrick
At Nenthead, Alston, on the body of Thomas Irwin, a miner, who was killed by the fall of a large stone from the roof of Smallcleugh Mine.
Verdict accidental death.
Buried at Alston 19th March 1839, aged 44 years.

25th May 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on Sunday, the 12th inst., Mrs. Isabella Thompson, relict of Mr. John Thompson, chemist and druggist, after a short illness; much and deservedly esteemed by a large circle of friends.

22nd June 1839 (Northern Liberator)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 15th inst. Mr Isaac Walton, of Nenthead Field, to Miss Ann Thompson, of Moor-cock Hall.
See 24th March 1877.
At Bowes, on the 12th inst., Mr. Cuthbert Bainbridge, of Howl John, Weardale, to Miss Mary Laidman, of Gilmonby, Yorkshire.
Cuthbert Bainbridge born 16th August 1804, baptised at Stanhope, 26th December 1804, son of Cuthbert Bainbridge (died at Redgate House, Weardale 13th September 1850, aged 77) and Mary Muschamp (died at Redgate House, Weardale 19th December 1850, aged 76).
In 1841, at Bishop Wearmouth, Cuthbert Bainbridge, independent, aged 35, Mary aged 32, and daughter Mary H. aged 12 (daughter of Cuthbert and Ann Bainbridge, baptised 28th June 1829, Cuthbert married Nanny Bell, 31st October 1826 at Hunstanworth).
In 1851, at Redgate, Cuthbert Bainbridge, farmer of 195 acres, aged 46, his wife Mary aged 42, and daughter Mary H. aged 22.

29th June 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
An Inquest was held before Mr. Carrick, on the body of John Dickinson, at Alston, on Monday last. Deceased was a butcher and had been attending at his stall in the market all day, until seven o'clock when he went into Mr. Charlton's with another person to settle an account, and while engaged in conversation he fell from his seat, and died instantaneously. Verdict, "Natural death."

27th July 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
INQUEST —An inquest was held at Alston on Saturday last, before Mr. Carrick, coroner, on view of the body of Thomas Walton, aged 22 years *(of Mill House, buried at Garrigill, 22nd July 1839)*. Deceased was a lead miner, and on the 19th instant, was employed along with a fellow-workman, named Vipond, in digging and leading away rubbish out of the level in Rodderhope Fell Lead Mine. In removing the earth from what is called the rise (a shaft about five feet in diameter, down which the earth is thrown from the workings into the level for removal out of the mine) it was discovered, after the lower part had been cleared, that the remainder of the earth had become firmly wedged in the upper part of the shaft, so as to prevent its descending. Deceased, against the, advice of his companion, crept up the inside of the rise, and whilst attempting to dislodge the mass above him, the whole came away, and buried him underneath. He continued to talk for about a quarter of an hour to Vipond, who in the meantime was busily engaged in endeavouring to extricate him, when another rush of earth succeeded—after which his moans only were for a short time audible. The body of the unfortunate man was got out in about an hour

and a half after the accident occurred. When found, he was completely covered with earth, and life totally extinct Verdict, "accidental death from suffocation."

6th August 1839 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

A youth 12 years of age, son of Mr Joseph Fearon, miner, lost his life at the lead-mine, in Loweswater, yesterday week. The ill-fated boy was employed near the water wheel, and accidentally coming in contact with it whilst in motion, dashed his head against a post with so much violence as to occasion death. An inquest was held next day, on view of his remains, before Wm. Bragg, Esq , coroner, when the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

31st August 1839 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 25th inst, Mr. James Shaw, surgeon, aged 35 years.

21st September 1839 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest. — At Alston, on the 7th, on the body of John Jackson, carrier, who committed suicide the preceding day, by hanging himself in his hay loft. Verdict, “Insanity.”

28th September 1839 (Carlisle Journal)

VALUABLE LEAD AND COAL MINES.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mr. John Hope, Blue Bell Inn, HEXHAM, on Monday, the 7th day of October, 1839, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon, by Messrs. STAINTHORPE and LORAINE, Auctioneers, subject to such Conditions as shall be then and there produced:—

Lot 1. Seventeen Thirty-Second PARTS or SHARES of and in all that valuable current-going LEAD MINE, called HIGH GREEN, in the Manor Wark, in the Pariah of Bellingham, and County of Northumberland, held by an Agreement for 21 Years, from the 19th day of April, 1838, under MORTON JOHN DAVISON, Esq., at the Rent of one-seventh part of the Lead Ore produced.

Also. Seventeen Thirty-Second Parts or SHARES of and in all MACHINERY, &c, consisting of a 26 feet Water Wheel, and 12 fathoms of nine-inch Pump, Crushing Mill, and Washing Apparatus complete. Hand Crane, Wheelbarrows, Work Tools, &c. &c., the whole of which are in most excellent condition, being nearly new. And also Seventeen Thirty-second Parts or Shares of and in all the LEAD ORE, lying at Bank, both washed and unwashed, and of and in all the Mining and other TIMBERS in and upon the said Premises.

Lot 2. Also Fourteen Thirty-second Parts or Shares of and in all that Lead Mine called EAST DONKS, in Alston Moor, in the County of Cumberland.

Lot 3. Also One Thirty-second Part or Share of and in all that Lead Mine called WEST DONKS, in Alston Moor aforesaid.

Lot 4 Also, all those current-going Seams of COAL, lying within and under the Manor or Royalty of Gunnerton, the County of Northumberland, and called or known the name of GUNNERTON COLLIERY, held by an Agreed under the Rev. CHRISTOPHER BIRD, for Twelve Years, from the 12th day

of May, 1838, at the certain Rent of £40 per annum, with privilege to work and carry away 1600 Fothers of Coal, each Fother to consist of 216 Gallons, Winchester Dry Measure, and Sixpence per Fother to be paid for all Coal sold over and above that quantity.
The Trams, Tram Plates, and other Work Gear upon the Premises, and used working the said Colliery, will be Sold along with this Lot.
Lot 5. Also, One Eleventh and One Tenth Part of One Eleventh Part or Share of and in all those current-going Seams of Coal, lying at and under that part of the Barony Langley, called HONEY CROOK COLLIERY, near Haydon Bridge, in the said County of Northumberland. Further Particulars may bad on application to Mr. DONKIN, or Mr. STAINTHORPE, Solicitors, Hexham; and on applying at the Premises the respective Lots may be viewed at any time prior to the day of Sale.

28th September 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 26th inst. Wm. Bainbridge, Esq. solicitor, to Miss Elizabeth Emerson, of Brewery House.
In 1841, at Temple Croft, Alston, William Bainbridge, solicitor, aged 55, and his wife Elizabeth aged 45, also at Temple Croft, Ann Grey, family servant, aged 40, and Jane Crawhall, aged 15.
In 1851, at Temple Croft, Alston, Elizabeth Bainbridge, widow, annuitant, aged 56, house servants, Ann Gray aged 53, and Elizabeth Moffatt aged 16.
In 1861, at North Bailey, Durham, Margaret Crawhall, widow, landed proprietor (Widow of Joseph Crawhall, merchant), aged 65, son George Edward Crawhall, rope manufacturer, aged 28, daughters Fanny 33, Margaret 29, Mary Elizabeth 25, sister Elizabeth Bainbridge, widow, landed proprietor, aged 66, granddaughter Elizabeth Darnell Crawhall 2, waiting maid Martha Harris aged 27, cook Ann Kearney aged 21, and kitchen maid Phillis Jane Stephenson aged19.
In 1871, at Temple Croft, Alston, Elizabeth Bainbridge, widow, annuitant, aged 76, domestic servants Phillis Craig 25, and Sarah Vipond 28.
William died 26th March 1846, aged 60, and Elizabeth died 22nd October 1877, aged 83. See 4th April 1846, and 27th October 1877.

19th October 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Loveladyshield, near Alston, on the 10th instant, Mary eldest daughter of Joseph Dickinson Esq., aged 26 years.

9th November 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nattress Gill Toll Gate, near Alston, on the 30th ult. in his 55th year Mr. Isaac Rutherford, many years a lead-ore washer at Hudgill Burn Lead mine.
Isaac married Mary Maugham, at Caldbeck on 1st March 1817.
Children: —Elizabeth, baptised 8th February 1818, at Caldbeck, Thomas, baptised 4th June 1820, Isaac, baptised, 25th August 1822, Isaac, baptised 8th May 1825, buried 14th July 1826, aged 1 year, George, baptised, 2nd March 1829, buried, 30th March 1829, aged 8 weeks, Mary baptism, 30th May 1830,

buried 1st April 1832, aged 2 rears, William, baptised 28th March 1833, buried 28th April 1833, aged 10 months, all at Alston.
In 1841, at Physic Hall, Alston, Mary Rutherford, widow, aged 50, daughter, Elizabeth aged 20, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Mary Rutherford, widow, washerwoman, aged 54, her son Thomas, lead miner, aged 30.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Thomas Rutherford, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret (Forster, married 3rd quarter of 1856) aged 27, children Isaac 5, Tom 3, and Joseph 1 year. Thomas snr. died the 4th quarter of 1867.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Margaret Rutherford, widow, provisions dealer, aged 37, children Isaac, apprentice to wool weaver, aged 15, Thomas 13, Sarah A. 8, and Margaret 4 years.
In 1881, at Alston, Front Street, Thomas Ramsay, lead miner, aged 41, his wife, Margaret, grocer, aged 45, step son, Thomas Rutherford, tailor, 23, step daughter Sarah Rutherford, domestic servant, aged 18, step daughter Margaret Rutherford, aged 14, son John Jos. Ramsay, aged 14, and daughter Annie Mary Ramsay, aged 10. Isaac Rutherford is a boarder, at Deleval Terrace, Benwell, in Newcastle, William Richardson, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Frances aged 28, both born Alston, and Isaac Rutherford, Boarder, Coal miner aged 25.
The family of Joseph Haldon aged 35, coal miner, his wife Jane, aged 28, and children James Wm. 5, Lizzie J. 3, and Margaret aged 1 year, of Alston, are living next door.
See 25th November 1864

29th October 1839 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
In our last week's brief and somewhat hurried notice of the lead-mine near Great Braithwaite, we stated that Mr. J. Walker, jun., had been engaged to superintend the concern. The name of the gentleman thus engaged is Mr. Walton, jun., late of Greenends, near Alston, under whose superintendence we are glad to learn the work is still going on most prosperously.

16th November 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Gretna Green, on the 3rd inst. Mr Wm. Watson, of the Bridge Inn, Garrigill Gate, to Mrs Ann Smith, of Hill, near Tyne Head.

30th November 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
LEAD MINE.
TO be SOLD, by PRIVATE CONTRACT, all that Valuable LEAD MINE, called GALLIGILL SIKE, held under Lease from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, in the Manor of Alston Moor, in the County of Cumberland, together with the Crushing Mill, and all Washing and other Apparatus and Materials belonging thereto.
Mr. JOHN CAIN, of Galligill, will shew the Mine, and further particulars may be known on application to Mr. ROBERT WALTON, and Mr. JOHN DRYDEN, of Alston; or Mr. JOSEPH DICKINSON, jun.. Solicitor.
Alston, Nov. 19, 1339.

28th December 1839 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At the registry office, Alston, on the 19th inst. Mr. Thomas Sanders, miner to Miss Sarah Settree *(Seatree?),* of Kates-lane, Alston.
In 1841, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Sanders, aged 34, his wife Sarah, aged 20, and son William, aged 9 months.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Sarah 34 (Sarah born Whitehaven), wife's son Joseph Seatree 11, sons Wm Sanders 10, and Thomas Sanders 4 years.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Sarah 45 (Sarah born Whitehaven), sons William Sanders, lead miner, aged 20, and Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 14 years.

28th December 1839 (Carlisle Journal)
A miner of the name of James Dickinson, aged fifty four years, lost his life on the 18th inst., in Rodderhope Fell Lead Mine, near Alston, by the fall of a large quantity of earth from the roof of the drift. His fellow workman very narrowly escaped the same fate. An inquest was held at Alston on the following day, on view of the body, before Mr. Carrick, coroner, when the jury returned a verdict of "accidental death."
Rotherhope Fell mine, owned by John & Jacob Wilson, their agent being Thomas Wilson.
At the inquest, James Kearton of Rice, Alston, informed the court that they were sinking into the vein with a bunnion, shield above their heads to prevent the roof from falling. One of the supports for the shield gave way and let the shield down, and the rubbish above fell upon the deceased. "About six feet thick, he was under the rubbish 3 hours, all his body buried. He spoke once and said "oh dear". … He was dead when he was taken out. … I saw the danger and told deceased this was immediately before it fell. … He had not time to get out after I told him. He has left a wife and children." (Carlisle Archives TCR 2/2)

James Kirton married Mary Mason, 26th February 1801, at St Augustine's, Alston, witnesess, Thomas Walton and John Mason.

Possible children of James and Mary Kearton:
1. Margaret born 25th December 1801, baptised at St John's, Garrigill, 1st daughter of James Kirton, Craig, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of John Mayson.
2. Mary born 27th March 1804, baptised at St John's, Garrigill, 2nd daughter of James Kearton, of Middle Craig, by his wife Mary daughter of John Mayson.
3. John born 27th March 1807, baptised at St John's, Garrigill, 1st son of James Kearton, Middle Craig, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of John Mayson. John was buried at St John's, Garrigill 5th March 1808, aged 1 yr.
4. Ann born 30th January 1809, baptised at St John's, Garrigill, 3rd daughter of James Kearton, Middle Craig, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of John Mason.
5. Esther baptised 1st February 1821, at St Augustine's, Alston
6. Hannah baptised 19th December 1813, at St Augustine's, Alston
7. James baptised 19th December 1813, at St Augustine's, Alston
8. Jane baptised 3rd November 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston

9. James Kearton, baptised 23rd November 1817, at at St Augustine's, Alston
10. Thomas baptised 14th September 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston
11. Elizabeth baptised 17th July 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston

Possible death of James Kirton of Rice, 15th March 1832.

In 1841, at Rice View, Alston, Mary Kirton, aged 60, children, Jane 25, James, lead miner, aged 20, Esther 20, Thomas 18, and John 1.
In 1851, at Flat, Garrigill, James Kirton, aged 32, lead miner and farmer, aged 32, his brother Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, sister Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 24, half cousin, John, lead miner, aged 11, and nephew, Robert Hymar aged 3.
In 1851, at Low Craig, Garrigill, John Lee, lead ore miner & farmer, aged 42, his wife Jane aged 36, children, Mary 9, Ann 7, William 6, James 4, and Isabella 2.

The death of a James Kearton was registered at Alston, 1st quarter 1861.

In 1861, at Hermitage, Garrigill, Jane Lee, widow, aged 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Isabella 11, Emmerson 9, William 6, and boarder, William Lee, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1871, at Shield Hill, Jane Lee, widow, formerly dairy maid, aged 57, sons, William, lead ore miner, aged 26, Emerson, lead ore miner, aged 19, and John lead ore dresser, aged 16.
See 26th June 1841, and 29th September 1877.

18th January 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 4th inst. Mr Richard Hetherington, aged 49; many years a noted hand amongst the Garrigill shooters, and much respected.
Richard Hetherington, of Garrigill Gate was buried 9th January 1840, aged 49, at St John's, Garrigill.

18th January 1840 (Northern Liberator)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, on the 2nd inst. Mr George Millican, of Tyne Head, to Miss Mary Hall, of Craig Shield.
See 18th October 1861, and 25th January 1890

25th January 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At High Skides, in the parish of Alston, on the 14th Instant, after a short illness, Mr. Thomas Watson, sheep dealer, aged 54 years, much and deservedly respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

1st February 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
POOR RATES IN CUMBERLAND.— Expenditure for the maintenance and relief of the poor in the undermentioned Unions in the county of Cumberland, during the year ended the 25th March 1839, as compared with the parochial expenditure on the averages of the three years preceding the formation of unions.

Name of Unions	Average expenditure for the three years previous to the formation of the Union	Expenditure for the year ended 25th March 1839	Decrease per cent. compared with the averages
Alston with Garrigill	£1912	£1413	26
Brampton	£2348	£2340	2
Longtown	£2848	£2527	11
Penrith	£6199	£4915	21
Wigton	£5182	£4220	19
Totals	£18,525	£15,415	17
Total decrease in the above named five Unions £3,110			

22nd February 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Greenside Lodge, Patterdale, on the 12th inst., Mr E. V. Little, mine agent.
See 8th October 1836

7th March 1840 (Carlisle Patriot)

PARISH OF ALSTON WITH GARRIGILL.

THE CHURCHWARDENS and OVERSEERS of the Parish of ALSTON with GARRIGILL, will in pursuance of the Order of the Poor Law Commissioners for England and Wales, proceed on the 26th day of March now instant, to the ELECTION of Thirteen GUARDIANS of the POOR for the year ending March 25, 1841.

Any Person entitled to vote in the Parish may propose as Guardian or Guardians, any number (not exceeding the number to be elected) of persons who are severally rated to the Poor-rate of the Parish, in respect of property of the annual value or rental of Twenty pounds.

The Proposal must be Written, and must state the Names, Residences, and Callings of the Persons proposed, and the Name of the proposer, and must be delivered to one of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish on or before the 18th day of March now instant.

Owners of rateable property in such Parish, as well as rate-payers, are entitled to vote, provided their Names are on the Register of Owners, or if they send in to the Churchwardens and Overseers before the day of Election their claims to vote, with a statement of their Names and Address, and a description of their Property.

Owners may also vote by Proxy; but Proxies must make the statements the originals or attested Copies of their Appointments.

In case of a contest for the Office of Guardian in the said Parish, the votes will be given in papers to be left by the Churchwarden and Overseers, two days at least before the day fixed for the Election, at the house of those residents of Perish who are entitled to vote. All residents out of the Parish, and all persons who become entitled after that day, must apply to one of the Churchwardens and Overseers for voting papers on the day of Election.

The Form of Nomination Papers, Statements of Owners, and appointment of Proxy, may be seen and copied by voters at the Board Room in Alston. WM. BAINBRIDGE Clerk to the Board of Guardians. Alston, March 3, 1840.

13th March 1840 (Newcastle Courant)
Died
The 6th inst., at Allenshields, near Blanchland, aged 64, Mr William Price, many years Smelt Mill agent to the Derwent Mining Co.
See the Will of William Price of Allenshields
William Price, aged 17, of Jeffries Rake is listed on the Blanchland Bounder Roll of 1793. The property of William Price, at Allenshields, was registered as a Nonconformist Meeting House 31st August 1818. Allenshield Farm was owned by the Derwent Mining Company (formerly owned by Easterby Hall) until 1835, and used it as their Company Office.
In 1841, at Allenshields, Durham, William Price, aged 25, his wife Hannah (Nee Green, married at Blanchland, 23rd May 1839) aged 25, daughter Isabella 1, brother Roger aged 30, and Aunt Sarah Butt aged 70.
Hannah Price wife of William was buried at Hunstanworth 28th February 1847, aged 31.
In 1851, at Hunstanworth, Rodger Price, Farmer, aged 43, born Reeth, brother William, widower, smelt mill agent, aged 38, born Hunstanworth, niece, Isabella 11, niece, Hannah 9, nephew William 7, and niece Jane 5.
Roger Price of Allenshields died 5th November 1860, aged 53
In 1861, at Allenshield, Hunstanworth, William Price, widower, Lead ore smelting agent, aged 48, born Hunstanworth, children, Hannah 29, William, agriculture, aged 27, and Jane aged 14 (Jane died 27th March 1866, aged 19)
In 1871, at Hunstanworth, William Price, widower, Lead ore smelting agent, aged 58, born Hunstanworth, children, Isabella 31, Hannah 29, and William, lead ore smelter, aged 27.
In 1881, at Hunstanworth, William Price, widower, retired Lead ore smelting agent, aged 68, children, Isabella 41, Hannah 39, and William, Farmer of 120 acres employing 1 man & boy, aged 37.
William Price died 7th May 1881, aged 68.
See 5th March 1847, 4th April 1866, and 7th May 1881

4th April 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
Alston, on the 17th ult. Mr. Edward Vipond, of Turning Garrigill, to Miss Isabella Whalton eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Whalton, game dealer, Alston.
In 1841, at Bales, Alston, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Isabella, aged 20, and daughter Elizabeth, 9 months.
In 1851, at Low Park, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella 32, children Elizabeth 10, Sarah 8, John 3, and Edward 1.
In 1861, at Low Park, Alston, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella, aged 43, children Sarah 19, John, lead miner, aged 13, Edward 11, William 8, Isabella 6, and Mary A. 3.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Top, Edward Vipond, stone waller, aged 58, his wife, Isabella 50, children John, coke drawer, aged 23, Edward, coke drawer,

aged 21, Isabella, house maid, aged 15, Mary A. 13, grand son Walton F Vipond 6, and Boarder, Thomas Walton, labourer, aged 40.
In 1881, at No. 3, Physic Hall, Edward Vipond, stone mason, aged 68, his wife Isabella 64, children John, general labourer, aged 33, Mary A., dressmaker, aged 23, Walton F., lead miner, aged 15, Albert 1, and boarder Thomas Walton, millers labourer, aged 50.
See 9th December 1871, 16th July 1881, & 7th July 1888.

16th May 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
Magistrates office Penrith
On Tuesday last John Robinson of Nenthall was fined the sum of £1 5s. for an assault committed on the person of Anthony Percival, of Nenthall, in the Parish of Alston, on the morning of Sunday last, and in default of payment to be committed to the gaol at Carlisle for one calendar month. The fine was immediately paid.
Marriages
At the Friends Meeting-House, Portland Street, Glasgow, on the 7th instant, Andrew Henderson, plasterer, to Hannah, daughter of the late James Mulcaster, of Garrigill, in this county

13th June 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Penrith on the 8th instant, Mr John (sic) Roddam, of Alston, to Miss Susannah Indian, of Penrith.
Susan Indian, born 25th May 1818, at Nenthead, baptised 8th October 1822 (registered at Paternoster Row, London), Wesleyan, parents, Thomas Indian and Susan Havelock.
In 1841, Holmfoot, Nenthead, William Roddam, (son of William Roddam and Mary Spark, married 2nd July 1808) lead miner, aged 25 (baptised 20th May 1815, Alston), his wife Susanna 23, and Mary Roddam, widow, aged 57.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, William Roddam, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Susanna, aged 32, children, Thomas 9, Mary Ann 7, Margaret 6, and Susanna 6 months.
William Roddam, was buried at Nenthead, 23rd June 1852, aged 37.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Susanna Roddam, lead miners widow, aged 42, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Margaret, household work, aged 16, Susanna 10, and William 8.
In 1871, at Overwater, Susannah Roddam, widow, housekeeper, aged 54, daughter, Mary Ann 27, son, William, lead miner, aged 18, granddaughter, Elizabeth Roddam 2, and lodger, Anthony Robson, wood cutter, aged 39.
Susannah Roddam married Richard Marr, widower, coal miner, 4th January 1879, at Auckland, Durham. Susannah Marr died at Auckland, 4th quarter 1879.
Susannah Roddam junior, married Elliott Archer, 4th quarter 1870, they emigrated to Canada, arriving at Quebec 25th June 1883.

13th June 1840 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 10th instant, aged 17 months, Diana, youngest daughter of Mr. John Dryden.

At Greenend, near Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 63, Mr. Jacob Walton.
See 14th May 1836, and 23rd November 1864

26th June 1840 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY PROPOSAL
(For Ready Money)

Two thirty-second shares of a lead mine known by the name of Peat Stack Hill, near Nenthead, in the parish of Alston, in the county of Cumberland.
Mr. Robert Weddell, of Parkend, will attend at the house of Mrs. Jane Errington, Blue Bell Inn, Alston, on Saturday the 18th July next, to receive proposals for the same; and any further particulars respecting the mine, may be known on application to Mr. Joseph Catton, Blagill Burn Head, near Alston. Parkend, June 25th 1840

26th June 1840 (Durham County Advertiser)

TO BE LET

For the term of Six Years from April last, (being the remainder of an unexpired term of 21 years)
ALL that modern-built LEAD SMELTING MILL, situate at Newbiggin, in the Parish of Middleton-in-Teesdale, In the County of Durham, with
LEAD REFINING AND REDUCING FURNACES and all other Implements and Convenience requisite for carrying on upon an extensive scale the Lead Smelting Business.
For particulars apply to Mr SHERLOCK, Middleton-in-Teesdale; Mr STAGG, Stockton-on-Tees; or to Mr L. ADDISON, Standard Office, Liverpool. Middleton-in-Teesdale. 24th June, 1840.

26th June 1840 (Newcastle Courant)

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(FOR READY MONEY),

TWO THIRTY-SECOND SHARES of a Lead Mine, known by the name of Peat Stack Hill, near Nenthead, in the parish of Alston, in the county of Cumberland.
Mr Robert Weddell, of Parkend, will attend at the house of Mrs Jane Errington, Blue Bell Inn, Alston, on Saturday the 18th of July next, to receive proposals for the same; and any further particulars respecting the Mine, may be known on application to Mr Joseph Catten, Blagill Burn Head, near Alston.
Parkend, June 25th, 1840.

27th June 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Gretna Green on the 16th *(sic., 18th)* inst., Mr Wm. Kindred of Foul Loaning, to Miss Wallace, of Pryhead, near Alston.
See 29th January 1842

10th July 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Craig House, Allenheads, on the 7th inst., deeply regretted, aged 67 years, Ann relict of the late Mr. John Bownas.

18th July 1840 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquests—before Mason Stephenson, Esq., coroner,
An inquest was held before the same gentleman on the 14th inst., on view of the body of Thomas Parkin, of Knock, near Appleby. It appeared from the evidence that the deceased, who was a miner, aged 72 years, on Saturday, the 4th instant, was employed at Dufton Fell mines, along with his son, pushing a loaded waggon down an inclined plane, and having run before the waggon for the purpose of taking out the burr, he was struck across the face by a stick, which had been carelessly thrown aside, and knocked down in front of the waggon; on being taken up it was found that he had received a severe crush on his side; he was taken home, where he lingered on until Monday morning, the 13th, when he died. Verdict, “accidental death.”

4th September 1840 (Newcastle Courant)
As Robert Ellerly *(Ellerington),* **and John Rowell,** miners, were descending the shaft of the lead mine at Fallowfield, Near Hexham, on the 28th ult., they got entangled in the ascending rope, when Ellerly was precipitated to the bottom and killed on the spot; Rowell caught hold of the ascending rope and was drawn up unhurt.

11th September 1840 (Newcastle Courant)
CLINTS HALL AND DEMESNE.
(THE BIJOU OF THE NORTH RIDING OF YORKSHIRE),
WITH THE MANORS OF CLINTS AND SKELTON, AND THE LEAD MINES THEREIN,
Situate in the Parish of Marske, near, Richmond,
EXTENDING TO 1883 ACRES or THEREABOUTS, ALL WITHIN A RING FENCE, EXCEPT 20 ACRES
TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,

THE WHOLE of this singularly Picturesque and desirable ESTATE is Freehold, and the MANSION, called Clints Hall, was formerly the Residence of the noted Sir Charles Turuer, Bart., who there, trained some of the most famous Racers of the Day. Recently it has been for a few years the sporting Residence of Charles Attwood, Esq.

600 Acres or thereabout are principally Heath, and being contiguous to extensive Moors, and otherwise advantageously situated, the Quantity of Grouse bred thereon is usually very considerable, affording good sport for two Guns.

The Estate is divided chiefly into Six convenient Farms, each having a Farm House and suitable Outbuildings attached, and the actual net Rent, exclusive of the Mansion, Gardens, Hothouse, Greenhouse, Lead Mines, Game, and six Cottages Rents, is £821 a Year, which, from recent Valuations, is considered very low.

The lands, both in Clints and Skelton, are free from Hay-Tithe, on Payment of Moduses, amounting together to £1 15s. 3d. a Year The Owners of this Estate seem always to have had an unaccountable dread of Mining Adventures, for the Mining Ground has recently been examined, and it has been pronounced that there in great reason to suppose that very valuable and extensive Veins of Lead pass through the Estate.

Productive Lead Mines are now working at a short Distance, and the Duty reserved on some petty Workings in this Estate, has, during the last three years, produced about £250.
The Parish Church of Marske is less than Half-a Mile from the Hall, and the Owner of this Estate and its Tenants have the Enjoyment of a large Family Pew and of Nine smaller ones.
The Woods mid Plantations comprise about 100 Acres, and are beautifully scattered over the Estate and the Wood has lately been valued at £3,133.
The Limits of an Advertisement are much too small for an Attempt to be made to describe the Scenery of this Romantic District; the Hills Mills, the Vales, the Crags the Rocks, the Hanging Woods and Waterfalls, must be actually seen, (either from the Mansion, the Lawn, or some other favoured Spot on the Estate) before any adequate Impression can be made, by such a rare Combination of terrestrial Beauty and Sublimity.
CLINTS is five Miles from Richmond, eight from Leyburn, and five from Reeth, all Market Towns.
Plans of the Estate, and further Particulars will shortly be ready for Distribution; and in the Meantime the Price and further information may be obtained at my Offices, in Richmond.
G. T. FIELDING.
N.B. Mr Wm. Scaife, at Clints Hall, will send a Person to shew the Estate.
Richmond, 31st August. 1840.

10th October 1840 (Durham Chronicle)
On Thursday last, an inquest was held at Stanhope, on the body of Joseph, son of Joseph Bainbridge, aged 10 years, who was killed by getting entangled among the machinery at Harehope Gill Crushing Mill, whilst he was feeding the grinder. —Verdict, accidental death.

31st October 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 29th inst., Mr. Jacob Blacklock, miner, Nenthead, to Miss Ady Graham, Pry House, near Nenthead.
Ann Armstrong married Jacob Blacklock 6th December 1795, they had three children, Jacob, Matthew and Rachel, Jacob snr. died aged 56, 10th February 1830
In 1841, at Wellgill, Dyke Heads, Ann Blacklock, widow aged 65, and her daughter Rachel aged 27.
In 1841, at Pry House, Nenthead, Jacob Blacklock, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Addah aged 25, and daughter Ann aged 1 month.
In 1851, at Wellgill Dykeheads, Ann Blacklock, lead miners widow, aged 74, her unmarried son Matthew, lead miner aged 33.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Jacob Blacklock, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres & 20 common, aged 37, his wife Addah aged 39, children, Ann 9, Thomas 7, Mathew 5, Margaret 3.
Ann Blacklock,of Wellgill, was buried at Nenthead, 13th November 1857, aged 81. Addah Blacklock died 1st quarter 1854 and Jacob Blacklock was buried at Nenthead 13th January 1861, aged 49.

In 1861, at Wellgill, Nenthead Matthew Blacklock, unmarried, lead miner, aged 43, nephews, Thomas Blacklock, lead miner, 17, Matthew Blacklock, lead miner, 15, and niece Margaret Blacklock 13.
Thomas Blacklock married Jane Hornsby, 4th quarter of 1869.
In 1871, at Providence cottages, Seghill, Thomas Blacklock, coalminer hewer, aged 27, his wife 26, daughter Sarah 5 Months, and sister in law Sarah A Hornsby 9 years.
In 1871, at Holmfoot, Nenthead, Matthew Blacklock, lead miner, aged 52, children Rachel 5, and Matthew 2.
Matthew died 4th May 1877, aged 59. See 12th May 1877.
Margaret Blacklock married William Spark 27th November 1871, at Alston. See 3rd October 1871.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Spark, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Margaret 32, step daughter Ady Blacklock, general servant, 16, children John J. 11, Thomas W. 10, Mary 7, Annie 5, George 3, and Margaret J. 1.
In 1891, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, William Spark, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Margaret 43, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas William, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 18, Annie 15, George, lead ore washer, aged 13, Margaret Jane 11, Matthew 10, Jacob 8, Thomas Wm Varty, son in law, cartman, aged 26, his wife Ada Varty (Nee Blacklock, married 1st quarter of 1891) aged 25.
In 1901, at Joan Street, Benwell, William Spark, retired Hewer, aged 66, his wife Margaret 53, children, Thomas, drilling machinist, aged 30, Annie, dressmaker, aged 25, George, machine oiler, aged 23, Matthew, drilling machinist, aged 19, and Jacob, grocers assistant, aged 18.
William Spark died 2nd quarter 1909, aged 74, registered at Newcastle.
In 1911, at 105 Clara Street, Benwell, Margaret Spark, widow, aged 63, children, Thomas William, milling machine worker, aged 40, Mary 38, Annie 35, and Jacob, grocer & general dealer, aged 28.
Margaret Spark died 15th September 1923, aged 75, at Ethel Street, Newcastle upon Tyne.

In 1881, at Dudley Colliery, school buildings, Thomas Blacklock, School B. officer, and Caretaker, aged 37, his wife Jane 36, daughters Sarah 10, and Frances A. aged 8, and boarder Catherine Walsh, pupil teacher, aged 23.
In 1891, at Vulcan Place, Bedlington, Thomas Blacklock, photographer, aged 47, his wife Jane 46, daughters Sarah, photographers assistant, aged 20, and Frances A. photographers assistant, aged 18.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 12th inst., in her 80th year, Sarah, relict of the late Mr Joseph Lattimer, much respected.

31st October 1840 (Carlisle Patriot)

SHARE IN A VALUABLE LEAD MINE
FOR SALE

To be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the House of Mr. Joseph Glenton, Innkeeper, DOCKRAY HALL, PENRITH, on the Evening of SATURDAY, the 7th day of November next, (by Order of the Assignees of the late THOMAS HARRISON, of Penrith, deceased,)

ONE SIXTY-FOURTH SHARE in the flourishing MINE, called EAGLECRAG, in the Manor of Patterdale, in the County of Westmorland.

For further Particulars apply to Mr. CASTLEHOW, of Watermillock, or Mr. Smith, Accountant, the Assignees; or to Mr. PRESTON, Solicitor, Penrith.
A. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Penrith, 28th October, 1840.

28th November 1840 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., aged 71, Mr. William Archer.
See the Will of William Archer.

28th November 1840 (Kendal Mercury)
Lead Mine at Threlkeld, near Keswick. —The productiveness of a mine for lead ore, which has been worked the above place scarcely twelve months, has been such that it has paid 20 per cent, to the shareholders, and the ore procured - of the very best sort. The mine is under the management of Mr Chamley, of Penrith, who is also agent, and it is bidding fair for improving considerably. Many of the shareholders sold out a short time after the opening of this mine, thinking it would prove a losing concern, for which no doubt, they will now feel regret.

11th December 1840 (Newcastle Courant)
VALUABLE STOCK FARMS.
TO BE LET,
And entered upon at May-day next,
UNTHANK FARM, containing by Ad-measurement 230 Acres, of which about 32 Acres is in Tillage, the Whole of the Remainder in Grass; a great Portion is old Sward, of first-rate Quality. This Farm enjoys a largo Number of Stints upon Bollihope Common, with a good Farm House, Garden, Orchard, and all necessary Out-buildings, pleasantly situated near Stanhope, in Weardale.
Also, will be LET, along with the above, HORSLEY FARM, containing 202A. 1R. 16P., distant from Un-thank about two miles; this Farm is all in Grass, and well calculated for Moor Stock, having a largo Proportion of Stints, either separate or together, with the other Tenants upon Westernhope Moor; both Farms are now in the Occupation of Mr. Joseph Currah, as Tenant.
ALSO, TO BE LET,
And entered upon at May-day next,
HOWL JOHN FARM, situate in the Parish of Stanhope, and laying contiguous to the Turnpike Road between the Town of Stanhope and East Gate, containing 132 Acres of Arable, Meadow, and Pasture Land, with a Right of Pasturage upon Stanhope Common; a fair proportion of the Land is in old Grass, the Arable is a rich Turnip and Barley Soil, with Limestone and Draw Kiln upon the Promises. The House and Out-buildings are large and commodious, now in the Occupation of Mr. Cuthbert Bainbridge, Jun., as Tenant.
Further Particulars may be known on Application to Mr. Jos, Roddam, Land Agent, of Newton, Stanhope, who will send a Person to show the Farms. Proposals in Writing will be received by J. P. Sowerby, Esq., Solicitor, Stokesley; or by the said Jos. Roddam, until Wednesday the 30th December 1840, not binding themselves to accept the highest offer. Newtown, 9th Dec., 1840.

19th December 1840 (Newcastle Journal)

LEAD MINE

A rich Lead Mine has been opened in the manor of William Ord, Esq. M.P., of Whitfield, near Haydon Bridge. After a perseverance of some years duration, and an expenditure of about £1,700, the Directors of the mine, William Lee and Thomas Clemenston, Esqrs., of West Allendale, have succeeded in their object, and are now raising lead ore abundantly, through a judicious system of encouragement to the workmen employed by the company. The speculation, it is now believed, will amply remunerate the shareholders.

Deaths

At Hudgill, on the 14th inst., Mr. Jonathan Clementson

See 20th July 1860, 24th August 1860, 29th March 1890, 28th July 1894, and 5th April 1902

9th January 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston in this county, on the 25th ult., in his 51st year, Mr. John Snowdon, stone mason, a celebrated musician, being able to play in a superior manner upon most every instrument, he was much respected in Alston and its vicinity, and his death is greatly regretted by a numerous circle of friends.

23rd January 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

An accident occurred at Rattenrow, near Caldbeck, early on Friday morning last, the particulars of which are as follows: —A person of the name of Hodgson, a miner, previous to his starting for the lead mine, was engaged in filling a bag with gunpowder for blasting, and had about five pounds of it on a table beside him, near which his wife and child were also sitting, when, by some mischance, the whole exploded violently, and blew out the windows of the house, shifted the rafters from their position, the partition walls, and injured the building so much that it is feared it will be necessary to take it down. The parties in the room escaped with fewer injuries than might have been expected; their hands and faces have been severely burned; but they are in a fair way of recovery. It is usual for most of the miners to buy a cask (containing 25lb) of gunpowder at one time, which they generally keep in their cottages; and in the present instance, the cask, about half filled and open, was in the bed-room above that in which the explosion occurred. How much better it would be for the proprietors of the mines to have a powder magazine near their works, where their men might be supplied at the same rate as at the shops, rather than allow the lives of the miners and their families to be kept in continual danger by having such great quantities of gunpowder exposed in their small dwellings.

13th February 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on Monday, the 8th instant, aged 70 years, Mr. John Fultan, innkeeper, Miners Arms, and barber. He has left a numerous family to lament his decease, and was deservedly esteemed by a large circle of friends. He afforded pleasure, as long as he could attend to business, to be surrounded by his select party of villagers, who nightly congregated at his shop to hear him read the news of the day, and listen with surprise and pleasure at the lengthy and shrewd comments, which he invariably gave. He bore a trying and

distressing illness in an exemplary and patient manner for nearly two years, the complaint in the end assuming a dropsical turn.

27th February 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 25th ult., Mr. Vipond Clementson, of Garrigill, to Miss Sarah Walton, of High Rodderup.
In 1841, at Bayles, Alston, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Sarah aged 25.
In 1851, at Bayles, Alston, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah 37, and illegitimate child, Mary Ann Dawson 2.
In 1861, at Ropery Cottages, Alston, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 46, and boarder Mary A Dowson 12.
Vipond Clementson died 22nd November 1865, aged 49.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Sarah Clementson, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 57, and sister in law, Margaret Clementson, unmarried, formerly domestic servant, aged 67. See 5th December 1865, & 29th March 1890
Deaths
At Alston, on Friday, the 18th instant, Mr. Isaac Proud, aged 58 years.
At Hudgill, near Alston, on the 18th instant, Mr. Joseph Clementson, aged 31.
At Garrigill, on the 23rd instant, Mrs Mary Hodgson, aged 90 years.

6th March 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on Thursday last, the 4th instant, Mr. Robert Nicholson, of Hudgill Rigg, to Miss Frances Stephenson, of Wellgill Dyke Head.
See 11th January 1868
At Alston, on Thursday last, the 4th instant, Mr. Joseph Hind, of Alston, to Miss Susan Armstrong, of Fairhill.
In 1841, at Town Head, Joseph Hind, lead Miner, aged 25, his wife Susan 20, and daughter Mary 4 months.
See 8th April 1871

13th March 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 8th instant, Mrs. Ann Redshaw, widow, aged 87 years.

20th March 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 11th instant, Mr. Thomas Richardson, senior, joiner, aged 76.
At Garrigill, on the 14th instant, Mr. John Archer, aged 65 years.

3rd April 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on Friday, the 26th ult., Mrs. Mary Little, aged 85 years.
At Skelgill Plains, near Alston, Ruth, wife of Mr. Peter Maughan, aged 29 years.
At Low Farnberry, near Alston, on Thursday, the 25th ult., Mr. Matthew Robson, aged 69 years.

10th April 1841 (Newcastle Journal)
Death in a mine.
A serious accident happened at Gallegill Syke Mine, near Alston, on Monday last, by which Mr. Joseph Hornsby, a miner lost his life. The deceased and his partners were employed in blasting; they had ignited the fusee and retired to a considerable distance for safety, but notwithstanding the precaution taken a piece of the rock was driven with great force against the head of Hornsby, and fractured his skull so dreadfully, that he died very shortly afterwards. *(Aged 26)*
Marriages
At Alston, on the 5th instant, Mr. Joseph Wood, to Miss Mary Hebson.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th inst., aged 74, Mr. John Bell, the celebrated bone setter: the deceased had practised in that capacity for upwards of forty years with great success, and such was his reputation that his house on a market day had more the resemblance of a hospital than a private dwelling.

17th April 1841 (Carlisle Patriot)
Lord Lovatt has leased out to an English gentleman, Mr. Thomas Dodd, the lead mine lately opened on his Lordship's property in Strathglass. The mine consists of lead ore and barytes, is five miles in length, by two and a half in width, The object of Mr. Dodd is to form a company for working the above mine, by raising a capital of £4,000 in shares of £4 each.

1st May 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 24th ult., Mr. Thomas Hannam, tailor, aged 68 years.
At Cocklake, near Alston, on the 26th ult., Mr. Matthew Hind, aged 46 years.
See 6th April 1845
At Tyne Head, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Miss Elizabeth Slack aged 22 years.

22nd May 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 15th instant, Sarah, widow of the late Mr. Thomas Lee, grocer, aged 58 years.
At Nenthead, on Monday, the 17th instant, Mrs. Elizabeth Bell, aged 74 years.

5th June 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Coalcleugh, in Allendale, on the 29th ult., Mr. George Whitfield, aged 85 years.

12th June 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Gretna, on the 5th inst., Mr. Joseph Craig, to Miss Maria Walton, both of Alston.
Joseph Craig, born 7th July 1822, baptised 10th March 1823, at Redwing Chapel, parents Thomas and Elizabeth Craig.
In 1841, at Temple Croft, Alston, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 20, and Maria Craig aged 20.In 1851, at Town Foot, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 28, and his wife Maria aged 31, children, Elizabeth 9, Jane 5, and Joseph 2.

In 1861, at Hill HJouse, Alston, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Maria 41, children, Joseph 12, Sarah 9, William 6, Maria 3 and Mary 10 months.
Elizabeth Craig married William Evans 19th January 1871, at the Independent Chapel, Alston.
Elizabeth died 22nd December 1871, at 58 Bond Street, New York.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Maria 51, children, Jane 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Sarah 19, William, waggoner, aged 16, Maria 13, Mary 10, and Margaret 7.
In 1881, at Flatt, Garrigill, Joseph Craig, farmer of 40 acres, aged 58, his wife Maria 61, children, Jane 35, Maria 23, Mary 20, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Evans aged 9, born New York, America.
In 1891, at Flatt, Garrigill, Joseph Craig, farmer, aged 68, his wife Maria 71, children, Jane 45, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Evans aged 19.
Maria Craig, died 2nd quarter 1894, aged 74.
Probate 1897: Joseph Craig of Alston, Cumberland, retired farmer, died 17th November 1896 Administration Carlisle, 19 November to Jane Craig, spinster. Effects £75. See 28th April 1888

Deaths

At Ayle, near Alston, on the 7th inst., Mr. John Robson, aged 55 years.
In 1841, at Low Field, near Ayle, John Robson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 55, children, John, mason, aged 20, Edward, mason, aged 15, William 15, and Lee 13. In 1855, at Low Field, near Ayle, Mary Robson, widow, farmer, aged 65, children, Elizabeth 35, Edward, stone mason, aged 27, and Lee, ag. Lab. aged 23.

19th June 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

The Census taken on the 7th instant
ALSTON AND GARRIGILL
Population of the Parish of Alston with the Chapelry of Garrigill

Males		3,078
Females		2,985
Total		6,063
Inhabited Houses	1,195	
Uninhabited Houses	100	

Marriages

At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr. Joseph Robson to Miss Isabella Elliott both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Joseph Robson, post messenger, aged 33, his wife Isabella, aged 30, children Margaret 7, Tom 5, and Ridley 2 years.
At Alston on the 13th Mr. Jonathan Walton to Miss Margaret Hounam, both of Alston.
In 1851, at Netherend, Penrith, Jonathan Walton, post rider, aged 37, his wife Margaret, aged 35, children Michael aged 7, Mary Ann aged 4; all born Alston, and son David aged 2, born Haydon Bridge, Northumberland.
At Alston on the 17th, Mr. James Atkinson, to Miss Hannah Carr, both of Nenthead. *Hannah died 4th quarter of 1842.*
In 1841, at Nenthall, Nenthead, Sarah Carr, aged 65, Ralph Carr, lead miner aged 30, Anthony Carr aged 25, Elizabeth Carr aged 23, Joseph Carr aged 20, and Hannah Carr, aged 18.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Nanny Atkinson, carrier, aged 50, John Atkinson, lead miner, aged 25, James Atkinson, lead miner aged 20, and Elizh Pearson, independent, aged 40. James married Jane Winskill, 6th September 1845, at Garrigill. Ann (Nanny) Atkinson died 19th December 1842 aged 54 years. See 24th December 1842.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, lead ore, washing foreman, aged 33, his wife Jane aged 27, children William 9, John James 4, Alfred 1 month, brother John Atkinson, lead miner, aged 38, and house servant, Sarah Carr, aged 18.
In 1861, at Overwater, James Atkinson, lead ore, washing foreman, aged 43, his wife Jane 36, children John J. lead ore washer, aged 14, Alfred 10, Hannah 8, Ralph Winskill, 6, brother John Atkinson, cartman, aged 48, and house servant, Jane Coats, aged 16.
In 1871, at Overwater, James Atkinson, lead ore, washing foreman, aged 53, his wife Jane 46, children John J. lead ore washer, aged 24, Hannah 18, Ralph W. lead ore washer, aged 16, Pearson aged 2, and brother John Atkinson, blacksmiths labourer, and landowner, aged 58. Alfred is a lodger at Cowshill, Stanhope, schoolmaster, aged 20, and William is a lodger at Glousester Street, Elswick, Newcastle, draper aged 29.
Ralph Winskill Atkinson, married Mary Ann Stout, 2nd quarter of 1878, at Alston.
In 1881, at Overwater, James Atkinson, manager of lead ore washing, aged 63, his wife Jane 57, children John James, foreman of lead ore washing, aged 34, Hannah 28, Pearson 12, grandson, John James Atkinson, aged 2, and brother John Atkinson, formerly lead miner, aged 68. Also living at Overwater, Ralph Atkinson, millwright, aged 26, his wife Mary Ann, aged 22, and son William aged 1 year.
In 1881, at Westgate Hill Terrace, Newcastle, William Atkinson, draper, aged 39, his wife Ann Kirsop (Nee Sheel?), aged 42, children, Hannah Maud, 8, and Ernest Jas. 7 months.
In 1881, at Chollerton Park School, Chollerton, Alfred Atkinson, elementary teacher, his wife Isabella (Prudhoe, 2nd quarter of 1877), aged 35, children, Jane 2, and William 1 year.
In 1891, at Overwater, James Atkinson, retired lead ore washer, aged 73, his wife Jane 67, children John James, millwright, aged 44, Pearson, student (Masters training college) age 22, and grandson, John James Atkinson, aged 12. Also living at Overwater, Ralph Winskill Atkinson, millwright, aged 36, his wife Mary Ann, aged 32, children William aged 11, Jane 9, Stephen 7, Hartley 4, and Hannah 2.
In 1901, at Overwater, Jane Atkinson, widow, aged 77, son John J., millwright, aged 54.
Also, Ralph W Atkinson, cartwright, aged 46, his wife Mary A., aged 42, children William, fitter, aged 21, Jane 19, Stephen, lead ore dresser, aged 17, Hartley, errand boy, post, aged 14, Hannah 12, Ann 9, Margaret 6, Mary 3, and Elizabeth 2 months.
In 1911, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Ralph Winskill Atkinson, millwright, lead industry, aged 56, his wife Mary Ann aged 52, children William, fitter, lead mining, aged 31, Jane 29, Stephen, Wesleyan minister, aged 27, Hartley, cooperative stores manager, aged 24, Hannah, teacher, aged 22, Mary 13, and Elizabeth 10.

Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Jane Walton, widow of the late Mr. Robert Walton, formerly of Castle Nook, aged 84 years.

26th June 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 24th inst., Mr. John Lee, of How Hill, to Miss Jane Kearton, of Rice View. *See 28th December 1839*
Deaths
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr. John Peart, of Loaning Head, Garrigill, aged 22.
John Peart married Elizabeth Shield 9th July 1840, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Peart, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Elizabeth 20. See 7th January 1843
On the 21st, Mrs. Mary Stephenson, of Noonstones, Garrigill, aged 65.
Jason Stephenson married Mary Smith, 26th August 1792, At St John's, Garrigill.
Children of Jason and Mary Stephenson, baptised at Garrigill:
Isabella baptised 5th January 1793
Mary baptised 22nd January 1797, married Hugh Readshaw, 12th July 1821, See 23rd April 1892.
Hannah baptised 23rd July 1799,3rd daughter of Jason Stephenson of Hole, miner, Edmondbyers, by his wife Mary Smith; buried at St John's, Garrigill, 2nd July 1834, aged 34.
Robert baptised 24th November 1802, 1st son of Jason Stephenson of Hole, miner, Edmondbyers, by his wife Mary, daughter of John Smith.
John born 11th July 1805, 2nd son of Jason Stephenson of Hole, Smelter, by his wife Mary, daughter of John Smith.
Jason born 15th July 1808, 3rd son of Jason Stephenson of Hole, Smelter, Edmondbyers, by his wife Mary, daughter of John Smith.
Nancy baptised 18th June 1813, married Joseph Ward, 7th December 1833, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 15th November 1879
Betty baptised 1st February 1816, married Thomas Watson, at St John's, Garrigill, 10th November 1836. See 12th September 1874.
Joseph baptised 19th December 1819
Jason Stephenson, was buried at Garrigill, 21st March 1829, aged 61.
In 1841, at Noonstones, Mary Stephenson, farmer, aged 60, and Joseph Stephenson, lead miner, aged 20.

In 1851, at Quarry Heads, Alston, Joseph Stephenson, hind & shepherd, aged 33, his wife Hannah (Parmely, married 2nd quarter 1842, registered at alston) aged 32, and daughter, Mary 4, (Mary married Edward Kirsopp, 6th November 1876).
In 1861, at Blackburn Banks, Alston, Joe Stephenson, shepherd, aged 42, his wife Hannah, 40, children, Jason 9, Thomas 8, Joseph 6, and Margaret 2 (buried at Garrigill, 10th February 1862, aged 3 yrs 5 months).
In 1871, at Hartside Toll Bar, Joe Stephenson, formerly lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah 52, children, Jason, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and John 9.
Joe Stephenson, buried, 16th October 1874, aged 57, at St John's, Garrigill.

In 1881, at Blackburn Mill, Alston, Joseph Stephenson, draper, aged 26, and his mother, Hannah, widow, aged 63.
Hannah Stephenson died 2nd quarter 1891, aged 72, registered, at Cockermouth. See 25th July 1874

In 1841, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Jason Stephenson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary Lowes, married 7th August 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, daughter Isabella 10, and Sarah Vipond, independent, aged 70.
In 1851, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Jason Stephenson, lead miner, aged 42, and his wife Mary aged 43.
Jason Stephenson of High Windy Hall was buried, at St John's, Garrigill, 7th February 1859, aged 50.
Mary Stephenson of High Windy Hall was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 15th May 1860, aged 52.

In 1841, at High Plains, Garrigill, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ann (Gill, married 16th June 1838, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, children, Mary 8, Sarah 2, and Jason 11 months.
In 1851, at Hard Struggle, Garrigill, John Stephenson, formerly a miner, on parish relief, aged 45, his wife Ann 42, children, Sarah 12, Jason 10, John _,, lodgers, John Gill, lead miner, aged 32, and William Blades, coal miner, aged 52.
John Stephenson, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 1st December 1857, aged 52.
In 1861, at Hardstruggle, Ann Stephenson, lead miners widow, aged 53, children, Jason, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, and Jane 7.
In 1871, at White Syke Cottage, Garrigill, Ann Stephenson, widow, aged 63, children, Jason, lead miner, aged 30, and daughter Jane, seamstress, aged 17. Ann Stephenson, of Whitesyke, was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 24th July 1878, aged 71.

3rd July 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 1st instant, Mr. John Robson, of Blagill, to Miss Mary Atkinson, of Middle Farm.
John Robson, baptised at Alston, 17th October 1819, son of Thomas and Mary Robson.
Children of John and Mary Robson:
Mary Ann born 2nd quarter 1845, registered at Alston.
Thomas Robson born 1st quarter 1849, registered at Alston.
*Thomas died in December 1849, at Illinois.**
John about 1849
Sarah about 1853
Caroline about 1856
Elizabeth about 1858
John and Mary emigrated to America on the Guy Mannering in 1849, listed by the name "Robinson".
In 1850, at Vinegar Hill, Jo Daviess, Illinois, John Robinson, miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 28, children Mary A 6, and John 8 months, born in Illinois.
*The names of Robson, and Robinson were used by the family.**

Galena Daily Advertiser 19th August 1859.
On Thursday last, as John Robson, aged about 40 years, and John Buckley were working in I.P. Stevens' diggings in Apple River a large stone fell in the excavation upon them, inflicting so severe a wound on Robson as to cause his death in about four hours. Buckley had his collar-bone broken and shoulder badly brusied. Robson leaves a wife and four children.

**Source: Linda and Larry Brown, Ancestry.co.uk*

In 1860, at Courtland Township, Jo Daviess, Illinois, Mary Robinson aged 33, children, Mary A 15, John 9, Sarah 7, Caroline 4, and Elizabeth 2.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 27th ult., Mrs. Ann Green, aged 77 years.

24th July 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 17th instant, Mr William Hilton, of Blagill Hill Top, to Mrs Jane Brown, of Loaning Head.

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 13th instant, Mr. Jonathan Erwin, aged 72 years.

In 1841, at Nenthead Hill Top, Jonathan Erwin, lead miner, aged 70.

At Nenthead Toll Bar, near Alston, on the 12th inst., Ralph, son of Mr. Jacob Wilson, aged 23 years.

In 1841, at Newshield Toll Gate, Jacob Wilson, miner, aged 50, Hannah aged 40, Ralph, Shoe M, aged 20, Mary aged 1.

At Littlegill, in Garrigill, on the 9th instant, Mr. John Martin, aged 31 years.

James Martin married Polly Craig, 16th September 1808, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Little Ashgill, Garrigill, Polly Martin, aged 60, John Martin lead miner, aged 25, Nancy Martin aged 20, and John Martin, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1851, at Grow Gill, Garrigill, Polly Martin, widow aged 73, born Garrigill, daughter Nancy, aged 29, born Garrigill and servant, Mary Martin, aged 17, born West Allendale. Also at Grow Gill, Henry Craig, labourer, unmarried, aged 68, and his nephew, John Martin, lead miner, aged 23, born West Allendale.

At Redwing, in Garrigill, on the 13th inst., Frances daughter of Mr. Thomas Vickers aged 13 years, and on the 20th Joseph son of the said Thomas Vickers aged 20 years.

Redwing Chapel records give the occupation of Thomas Vickers, as Lead miner.
In 1841, at Low Redwing, Thomas Vickers, farmer aged 60, Jane aged 50, Thomas lead miner aged 20, John lead miner aged 20, Joseph lead miner, aged 15, Ann aged 15, Frances 13, Sarah 10, and Samuel aged 6 years.
Jane Vickers was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 2nd July 1845, aged 54.
John Vickers, was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 2nd May 1847, aged 27.
In 1851, at Redwing, Thomas Vickers, widower, farmer of 48 acres, aged 71, born Allendale, and daughter Sarah aged 18. Thomas Vickers snr., was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 11th June 1854, aged 74.
In 1861, Sarah Vickers, aged 28, was working as a housemaid, at Washington, Durham.
Thomas Vickers and his brother Samual, emigrated to the USA.

In 1860, at Elk Grove, Wisconsin,Thomas Vickers, farmer aged 40, his wife Eliza (Birkitt, married 27th October 1859, at Wisconsin) aged 30, son John 9, brother Samuel, farm labourer, aged 25, and farm labourer, James Smith 16. In 1870, at Elk Grove Wisconsin, Samuel Vickers, farmer, aged 34, his wife Mary (Lee married 19th June 1865, at Darlington, Lafayette, Wisconsin) aged 35, children, Thomas 5, John J 3, and Mary J 1.

7th August 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 1st instant, Mr. William Haldon, joiner, aged 59 years.
At Alston, on the 2nd instant, Ann, daughter, of Mr. Samuel White, aged 18 years.
At Alston, on the 3rd instant, Mr. Thomas Gill, mason.

13th August 1841 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Newcastle, in Brunswick place Chapel, on the 5th inst., Mr. Joseph Peart, of Alston, to Miss Ann Blenkiron, of Reeth.
In 1851, at Easton Court, Gateshead, Joseph Peart, aged 29, Timber Merchant's clerk, born Alston, Ann his wife aged 27, born Reeth, and son Cuthbert George, aged 1 year, born Gateshead.

20th August 1841 (Newcastle Courant)
A serious accident happened on the 6th inst., to Adam Ayre, Shildon, aged 15. Whilst at work in the North vein, lead mine, near Blanchland, a stone fell upon him, and so much injured him as to occasion his death on the day following.
In 1841, at Shildon, Blanchland, (came under the parish of Shotley and registration district of Hexham) Margaret (Hiaiynthe Dulieu, born in France, married Adam Ayre, 10th January 1819, it is probable that Adam snr., died 1st quarter of 1841) Ayre 45, Richard lead miner, aged 20, Lucy (probably son, Luey) 15, Elizabeth 15, Adam, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, and Edward 7 years.
In 1851, at Shildon, Margaret Ayre, widow, aged 54, sons Lewis, lead ore miner, aged 30, and Edward, lead ore miner, aged 17, also lodger Adam Ayre, lead ore, miner, aged 22, (probably the son of Edward and Sarah Ayre (Nee Eddy, married 19th December 1818, at Blanchland)

21st August 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 15th instant, Mr. John Spark, to Miss Mary Dawson, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Walton Spark, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary aged 50 (Thompson, married 17th February 1817, Alston), children John, lead miner, aged 20, Walton, lead miner, aged 18, Wren, lead miner, aged 15, Hugh, labourer, aged 15, William 10, Thomas 7, and Thompson 4. Walton Spark died 4th quarter 1849, aged 58.
In 1851, at Front Street, Mary Spark, widow, housekeeper, aged 60, children Walton, lead miner, aged 28, Hugh, carpenter lead mines, aged 24, Mary 23, William, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Thompson, assistant at Grammar school, aged 14, and nephew, Walton Spark 4.

In 1861, at Main Street, Mary Spark, lead miners widow, aged 72, son, Walton, gamekeeper for Mr Lawson M.P., aged 38, granddaughter, Margaret Spark, house servant, aged 14, and grandson, Walton Spark, scholar, aged 15.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Spark, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary 29, Mary 8, and Margaret 4.
Mary Spark wife of John, died fourth quarter of 1857, or first quarter of 1858.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Spark, widow, lead miner, aged 41, children, Mary, house servant, aged 19, John aged 7, Hugh 5, and Sarah 3.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Mary Spark, widow, formerly dressmaker, aged 82, and son Walton, gamekeeper, aged 48.
Mary Spark, wife of Walton, died 3rd quarter 1872, aged 82.
In 1871, at Haydon Bridge, John Spark, lead miner, aged 51, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Hugh, lead miner, aged 15, Sarah 13, and servant Isabella Spark 18.
In 1881, at Haydon Bridge, John Spark, widow, lead miner, aged 62, sons John, lead miner, aged 27, Hugh, lead miner, aged 25, domestic servant, Isabella Lee 28, boarder, William Lee 6, and Walton Spar, lead miner, aged 60.
In 1891, at North Side, Haydon Bridge John Spark, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Margaret aged 33, children, Mary Lizzie 8, Gertrude June 7, Florence M 2, and father John Spark, widow, retired lead miner, aged 71.
John Spark died 1st quarter 1893, registered at Hexham.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 10th instant, Mrs. Eunice Law, aged 78 years.

William Low, married Eunice Thompson, 21st May 1789, at St Augustine's, Alston, witnesses, Joseph Low and John Thompson.
William Lowe, buried, 6th June 1823, aged 62, at St Augustine's Alston.
1. Ann Low baptised 6th February 1789, daughter of William Low of Aimsaugh
2. Eunice baptised 22nd December 1792, at St Augustine's Alston.
3. Joseph baptised 18th April 1795, at St Augustine's Alston.
4. Teasdale born 4th December 1797, baptised 10th December 1797, son of William and Eunice of Littlegill, at St Augustine's Alston. Teasdale Lowe married Margaret Walton, 23rd September 1832, at St Augustine's, Alston.
5. Mary baptised 7th April 1790, at St John's, Garrigill.
6. Susannah born 14th November 1801, 4th daughter, of William Lowe, of Littlegill, miner, by his wife Eunice daughter, of Jonathan Thompson, baptised at St Augustine's Alston. Married Adam Richardson, 19th August 1827, at St Augustine's, Alston.
7. Phebe born 20th March 1804, babtised at St John's, Garrigill, 5th daughter of William Lowe, of Littlegill, miner, by his wife Eunice daughter, of Jonathan Thompson.
8. John Thompson Lowe, born 8th August 1807, 3rd son of William Lowe, Roderhope miner, by his wife Eunice daughter, of Jonathan Thompson, baptised at St Augustine's Alston. John Thompson Lowe married Hannbah Clint, 26th January 1837, at St Augustine's, Alston.

John Low baptised 15th April 1821, mother Eunice Low, at St Augustine's Alston.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Eunice Lowe, widow, aged 79, Phebe 30,

John 9, and Thomas 3.
In 1851, at Town Head, Phoebe Lowe, aged 46, son John, lead miner, aged 18, nephew, Thomas Lowe, lead miner, aged 42, and nephew, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 29.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Phebe Lowe, aged 57, and boarder, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 29.
In 1861, Eunice Lowe aged 68, was working as a house keeper for John Bird retired farmer, aged 67, at Glassonby, Cumberland.
Phoebe Lowe died 4th quarter 1870, aged 66 , at Alston.
See 4th June 1852, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 12th instant, Mr. William Keenliside, aged 46 years.
In 1841, at Nenthall, William Keenleyside, Innkeeper, aged 40, his wife Mary (Harrison, married 16th May 1822, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, children, Ann 19, Agnes 15, Jane 14, Thomas 10, William 5, and John 3.
Mary Keenliside died 8th April 1848, aged 51.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, Jane Keenleyside, aged 24, brothers, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, son Henry 11 months,
In 1861, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Robert Parmley, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Jane (Keenleyside) aged 34, children, Mary 7, Margaret 5, Thomas Wm 3, John 8 months, and stepson, Henry Keenleyside, lead miner, aged 10.
At Annatwalls, near Alston, on the 13th instant, Mr. Joseph Todd, aged 45 years.
Hannah Hornsby married Joseph Todd 6th December 1821, at Alston.
In 1841, at Lowbyer, Joseph Todd, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 45, children, Anne 11, Joseph 9, Elizabeth 6, and William 3.
At Loaninghead, in Garrigill, on the 13th instant, Mrs. Margaret Watson, aged 87 years.
At Eshgill, in Garrigill, on the 15th instant, Mr. John Currah, aged 56 years.
In 1841, at Garrigill, John Currah, lead miner, aged 56.

28th August 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Low Leehouse, in Garrigill, on the 20th instant, Mrs. Sarah Craig, aged 83 years.
In 1841, at Low Leehouse, Isaac Craig, blacksmith, aged 50, his wife Mary (Davidson, married 19th June 1819, at St Augustines, Alston) aged 45, children, Isaac, blacksmith, aged 25, Nancy 20, Elizabeth 19, Phillis 15, William 5, John 5, and Sarah Craig aged 83.
In 1851, at Far Turnings, Isaac Craig, blacksmith, aged 61, his wife Mary 56, children, Sarah 25, William, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, son in law, Arthur Hutchinson, widower, draper, aged 32, Silas Hutchinson 6, and nephew, Thomas Davidson. Lead miner, aged 21.
Isaac Craig was buried at Garrigill, 3rd May 1859, aged 69.
Mary Craig was buried at Garrigill, 19th July 1859, aged 65.
At Crops Hall, in Garrigill, on the 22nd inst., Ann, wife of Mr. Joshua Bell, aged 39 years.
In 1841, at Cropshall, Garrigill, Joshua Bell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann

(Oliver, married 7th June 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, children, Hannah 15, Mary 14, Ann 12, Barbary 5, and Margaret 3.
In 1851, at Crps Hall, Garrigill, Joshua Bell, widower, lead miner and farmer, daughters, Ann 21, Barbara 15, and Margaret 12.
In 1861, at Crops Hall, Joshua Bell, widower, lead miner, aged 63, and his daughter Margaret aged 21.
Joshua Bell died 30th November 1867, buried at Garrigill, 4th December 1867, aged 70.
At Alston, on the 21st instant, Mr. William Mawson, aged 19 years.
In 1841, William Mawson, aged 15, was working as a servant for Jacob Wilson, at Alston House.

4th September 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthall, Alston, on the 28th ult., William, son of the late John Wilson, Esq., of Shotley Hall, in the county of Northumberland, aged 37 years.
At Skelgill Plains, Alston, on the 28th ult., Mr. Thomas Robinson, miner, aged 57 years.
Thomas Robinson, married Mary Thompson at Alston, 26th February 1807.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary aged 55, children Thomas, lead miner aged 20, Mary 15, Watson 13, and John 7. In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Mary Robinson, lead miners widow, aged 63, sons, Watson, labourer on roads, aged 23, and John, Lead miner, aged 16. See 31st December 1842, and 6th January 1859

11th September 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr. John McAllum, aged 46 years.
John McHalam, son of James and Margaret McHalum, born 18th January 1796, baptised at Redwing, 21st February 1796.
In 1841, at Welgill, Nenthead, John McHallum, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Agnes, aged 45, and son William 10.
In 1851, at Welgill, Agnes McHallum, lead miners widow, aged 55, and son William, lead miner, aged 20.
At Nenthead on the 7th inst., Mr. William Kirkpatrick, aged 45 years.
At Hundy Bridge, in Garrigill, on the 5th inst., Mr. Edward Dodd, aged 64 years.
Edward Dodd, son of Thomas Dodd, baptised at Garrigill, 14th July 1776.
Edward Dodd married Sarah Modling (Modeland?), 20th December 1800.
Children of Edward and Sarah Dodd:
Mally baptised 16th September 1801, Garrigill
Sarah baptised 13th January 1803, Garrigill, buried at Garrigill, 23rd June 1806, aged 3 years
Sarah baptised 4th March 1810, Garrigill
Betty baptised 3rd January 1806, Garrigill
John baptised 27th December 1807, Garrigill
Edward baptised 6th September 1812, Garrigill
Sarah, Edwards 1st wife was buried at Garrigill, 24th March 1814, aged 33.
Edward Dodd married Mary Brown 17th July 1815, at Alston.
In 1841, at Hundy Bridge, Edward Dodd, lead miner, aged 60, and Mary, aged 70.

18th September 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr. William Davidson, of Craig, in Garrigill, to Sarah, daughter of the late Mr. Jonathan Clementson, of Hudgill.
See 15th June 1850, 22nd June 1860 and 8th March 1890.
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 12th inst., Mrs. Hannah Dodd, aged 71 years.
George Dodd married Hannah Thompson, 5th March 1791, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of George and Hannah Dodd, all born at Crook, near Snapersgill, Garrigill, all baptised at Redwing, Alston:
Jane, born 26th April 1791, baptised 15th May 1791.
Nancy, born 25th May 1793, baptised 23rd June 1793.
Mally born 26th March 1795, baptised 30th April 1795.
Hannah born 16th May 1797, baptised 12th December 1797.
John born 14th June 1799, baptised 21st July 1799.
Elizabeth, born 21st August 1804, baptised 27th March 1804.

George Dodd of Crook, Garrigill, was buried at Garrigill, 27th April 1813, aged 46; his occupation in baptismal records is miner.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Dodd, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Bradwell, married, 23rd August 1821, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 35, children, George, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, William 10, Mary 7, Hannah 5 (buried at Garrigill, 13th December 1847, aged 11), Jane 1, and Hannah Dodd, widow, aged 70.
In 1851, at Garrigill Gate, John Dodd, widower, lead miner, aged 50, children, George, lead miner, aged 26, Mary Jane 16, Jane 11, and Elizabeth 2.
John Dodd was buried, 24th September 1854, aged 53, at Garrigill.
See 14th November 1868
At Brownside, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Henry, son of Mr. George Yeats, aged 21 years.
In 1841, at Brownside, George Yeates, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 20th July 1823) aged 40, children Henry, Sh Ap, 20, George 10, Mary 10, John 8, Utrick 5, and Nancy 4.
George Yeats, died 1st qtr of 1846, Elizabeth his wife died 15th March 1845.
In 1851, at Low Brownside, Thompson Yeats, lead miner and farmer, aged 29, his wife Isabella (Kindred, married 18th June 1846, Alston) 28, children George 3, Thomas 2, Joseph 9 months, lodgers, George Yeats, lead miner aged 23, John Yeats, lead miner, aged 19, Utrick Yeats, lead miner, aged 16, and Ann Yeats, house servant, aged 13.
See 22nd March 1845, 22nd January 1864, 13th January 1877, 1st May 1886, 10th April 1886

2nd October 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Lowbyer, Alston, on the 28th ult., Mr. J. D. *(John Dixon)* Lazonby, aged 74 years.
At Alston, on the 27th ult., Miss Hannah Dickinson, aged 16 years.

16th October 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Alston, on the 5th inst., at the house of her uncle, (Mr. Thomas Harrison) Mrs. Elizabeth Lonsdale, wife of the Rev. Wm. Lonsdale, and second daughter of the late David Baty, Nunclose, aged 29 years, much respected.
At Rice, near Alston, on the 14th inst., Mr. Wm. Hutchinson, aged 51 years.
William Hutchinson, married Isabella Lowes, 9th June 1814, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at High Plains, Alston, William Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabela 45, children, John 15, Mary 13, Joseph 11, Isabella 7, and Sarah aged 4.
In 1851, at Annatwalls, Alston, Isabela Hutchinson, lead miners widow, aged 53, children, John, lead miner, aged 29, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 17, and Sarah 14.

In Garrigill Church Yard:

Erected to the memory of
William Hutchinson of High Plains
who died October 12th 1841, aged
51 years
Also of Isabella his wife who died
March 9th 1860, aged 64 years
Elizabeth the daughter
of William and Isabella Hutchinson of
High Galygill
who died Novr 7th 1824, aged 9 years
and William their son
Jany 21st 1822 aged 9 months.

Source: Newcastle City Library, "Garrigill Transcripts"

13th November 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 7th instant, Mr. Joseph Walton, butcher, to Miss Barbara English. *See 21st June 1856*
Deaths
At Blagill Head, near Alston, on the 6th instant, Jacob, son of Mr. Joseph Catton, aged 27 years. *See 30th July 1881, 17th July 1886 and 28th April 1794*
At Cocklake, near Alston, on the 7th inst., Mary, daughter of the late Matthew Hind, aged 15 years.
Matthew Hind married Alice Walton (daughter of Nicholas Walton & Mary Elliot), 4th June 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Matthew and Alice Hind:
Joseph baptised 13th June 1824, at Alston
Mary born 14th June 1826, baptised 30th July 1826, Wesleyan, Alston.
Thomas baptised 10th December 1828, Wesleyan, Alston.
Elizabeth baptised 22nd April 1832, at Alston
John baptised 26th April 1835, at Alston
Matthew about 1837
Jonathan about 1840

Matthew Hind died 26th April 1841, aged 46, atr Cocklake, Alston.
In 1841, at Cocklake, Alston, Alice Hind, farmer, aged 35, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 14, Thomas 12, Elizabeth 9, John 6, Matthew 4, and Jonathan 1.
In 1851, at Nentsbury, Nenthead, Alice Hind, lead miners, widow, aged 47, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth, at home, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 16, Matthew, lead mines labourer, aged 14, and Jonathan aged 11.
Jonathan Hind married Ann Walton, 4th quarter 1860, at Alston.
In 1861, at Nentsbury, Alice Hind, lead miners widow, aged 56, sons John, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, and general servant, Margret Carr aged 15.
In 1871, at Nentsbury, Nentheads, Matthew Hind, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth, 28, children, Helena 3, Dora 1, and mother Alice, Hind, widow, aged 67.
In 1871, at Grey St, Elswick, Jonathan, Hind, storekeeper, aged 31, his wife Ann 32, children, Ann Alice 9, Charles Edward 5, and Frederick Haylewood 1 month, all born at Alston.
In 1881, at Elswick, Newcastle, Jonathan Hind, storekeeper, aged 41, his wife Ann, 42, children, Ann A 19, Charles E, draughtsman, 15, Fred H 10, Ernerst A 8, Lizzie 6, Edith W 3, and Mother, Alice Hind, widow, aged 76.
Alice Hind died 4th quarter 1885, aged 80, registered, at Tynemouth.
In 1891, at 66 Malvern St., Elswick, Jonathan Hind, storekeeper, aged 51, his wife Ann 52, children, Frederick, clerk, aged 20, Ernest, draughtsman, 18, Lizzie 16, Edith 13, and Aunt, Frances Walton, dressmaker, aged 60.
Jonathan Hind died 4th quarter 1900, aged 61, registered at Newcastle.
In 1871, at Hesket St, Elswick, John Hind, porter at --- warehouse, aged 36, his wife Sarah (Smith, married 2nd quarter 1862, at Alston) aged 27, daughter Mary A 6, Matthew W 4, John 1, and visitor, Frances Hornsby, lead miners daughter, aged 17.
In 1881, at Askew Rd, Gateshead, John Hind, married, Warehouseman paint & oil, aged 45, and son, Matthew, clerk in provisions shop, aged 14.
See 1st May 1841, 6th April 1845, 1st July 1893

20th November 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Gretna, on the 14th instant, Mr. William Woodmass, to Miss Mary Kirkpatrick, both of Alston.
At Alston, on the 13th instant, Mr. John Armstrong, to Miss Elizabeth Smith, both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Regent Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, John Armstrong, labourer, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 30, and son Joseph 7, all born Nenthead.
Joseph Armstrong, born, Nenthead, aged 24, father John Armstrong, mother Elizabeth Smith, married Frances Santilla, aged 24, at St Phillips, Collingwood, Victoria, 2nd June 1868.
At Alston, on the 14th instant, Mr. Matthew Summers, of Moscow, to Miss Elizabeth Richardson.
Matthew Summers married Isabella Birket, 4th February 1826, at Kirkhaugh. Isabella died?

In 1841, at Moscow, Alston, Matthew Summers, farmer, aged 45, children, Elizabeth 14, Jane 10, and Thomas 1.
Elizabeth Summers married John Armstrong, Clogger, 2nd quarter 1850, registered, at Alston
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Alston, Matthew Summers, farmer, aged 56, born, Whitfield, his wife Elizabeth 43, children, Jane, dairy maid, aged 19, Thomas 11, and Hannah 7.
In 1861, at Fair Hill, Alston, Matthew Summers, farmer of 140 acres, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 54, children, Jane, 29, Thomas 21, and Hannah 16.
Matthew Summers, died 22nd March 1862, aged 66, and Elizabeth died 27th August 1869, aged 62.

In 1871, at Fairhill, Alston, Thomas Summers, farmer of 170 acres, aged 31, his wife Dorothy (Walton, married 10th July 1866, at Alston) aged 25, Children Elizabeth 4, and Hannah 3. Thomas Summers, farmer of Rice Head, died 12th July 1921.

Hannah Summers married John Armstrong, 2nd quarter 1864, registered, at Newcastle upon Tyne.
In 1871, at Blenheim Street, Newcastle, Hannah Armstrong, aged 27, and daughter Louise 1 year 10 months. In 1881, at Mansfield Street, Gateshead,

John Armstrong, aged 40, born Alston, his wife Hannah 36, children, Matthew 15, Joseph 6, Thomas 2, and servant, Isabella Green 20. In 1891, at Hereford St. Gateshead, John Armstrong, jobbing joiner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 46, and son Joseph, saddlers apprentice, aged 16. In 1901, at St Albans St. Gateshead, John Armstrong, retired dairyman, aged 61, his wife Hannah 56, and son Joseph, leather grinding merchant, 26.
John Armstrong died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 62, at South Shields.
In 1911, at South Shields, Hannah Armstrong, widow, aged 66, and son Joseph, leather dealer, aged 36. Hannah Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1919, aged 75, at South Shields.

Jane Summers married John Place 2nd quarter 1861, at Alston (John Place, son of Walton Place and Hannah Moffat, born 2nd August 1830, baptised 13th August 1830, at Alston, Redwing).
In 1871, at Matterdale, John Place, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 39, children, Esther 9, Hannah E 7, Matthew 4, Isabella 3, Jane 8 months, and mother Hannah Place, widow, aged 63.
Jane Place died 4th quarter 1874, aged 43, registered, at Penrith.
In 1881, at 3 Row Head, Glenridding, Patterdale, John Place, widower, lead mine agent, aged 50, children, Esther 19, Matthew 14, Isabella 12, and Jane 10.
John Place married Mary Ann Dewey, 1st quarter 1882, registered, at Carlisle.
In 1891, at Row Head, Glenridding, John Place, lead mine agent, aged 60, his wife Mary (Dewey, 51, children, Matthew, clerk, aged 24, Hannah E, cook, aged 27, and John Dewey aged 7.
Probate 4 November 1891, The Will of John Place late of Raw Head Glenridding Patterdale in the County. of Westmoreland Mining Agent who died 11 September 1891 at Raw Head was proved at Carlisle by Mary Ann Place of Raw Head Widow the Relict the sole Executrix. Personal Estate £129 15s 6d.
In 1901, at Islington, London, Mary A Place, widow, aged 61, and son, Joihn D, solicitors clerk, aged 17.
John Place was buried at St Patrick's, Patterdale 14th September 1891.

Deaths

At Skellgill, Alston, on the 12th instant, Mary, wife of Mr. William Gibson, aged 58 years.

In 1841, at High Skelgill, William Gibson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary (Dickinson, married 10th September 1808, at Alston) aged 55, children, Thomas 20, Hannah 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Rachel 10 and William Bell 2.
William Gibson, died, 15th August 1845, aged 67, at Skelgill..
In 1851, at Skelgill, Alston, Thomas Gibson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Margaret, 26, daughter, Mary 6, brother Robert, lead miner, aged 24, nephew, William Bell 11, and servant, Mary Hetherington 14. See 23rd August 1845

27th November 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 25th inst., Mr. Jonathan Harrison, of High Physic Hall, to Miss Ann Wilkinson, of Nenthead.

In 1851, at Low Farnbury, Jonathan Harrison, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann, aged 32, children Agnes 8, Mary 6, Jane 4, and Thomas 2.
Ann Harrison died 2nd January 1852, at Low Farnbury.

In 1861, at Physic Hall, Jonathan Harrison, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah, aged 47, daughter, Jane 14, son, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, and step son, Thomas Martindale, lead miner, aged 20.
See 9th January 1852, 28th January 1893

Deaths

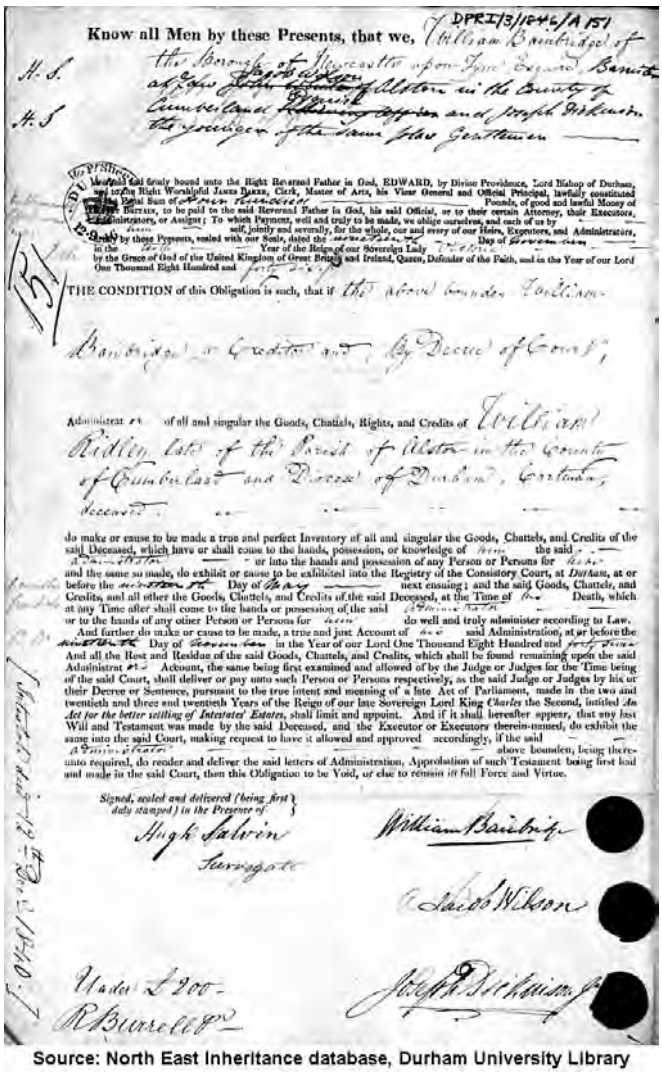
At Alston, on Friday, the 19th instant, Mr. John Roe, aged 93 years.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Thomas Roe, grocer aged 45, his wife Jane (Ramsay, married 8th June 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, son Thomas 10, and John Roe 93.

At Wanwood, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr. Abraham English, butcher, aged 57 years.

4th December 1841 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Skelgill Plains, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Ann, daughter of the late Mr. W. Ridley, aged 20 years.
William Ridley married Isabella Armstrong, 27th February 1817, at Knaresdale.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Isabella Ridley, widow, farmer, aged 45, children, Ann 15, William 15, Isabella 15, John 11, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 6, Thomas 3, and Walton 7 months. William Ridley, cartman died 12th December 1840
Isabella Ridley died 15th March 1845, aged 48, at Clitheroe, Alston.
See 22nd March 1845



Know all Men by these Presents, that we, William Bainbridge of the Borough of Newcastle upon Tyne Esquire Banker and John Foster Gentleman of Alston in the County of Cumberland Attorney at Law and Joseph Dickinson the younger of the same place Gentleman

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are held and firmly bound unto the Right Reverend Father in God, EDWARD, by Divine Providence, Lord Bishop of Durham, and to the Right Worshipful James Baker, Clerk, Master of Arts, his Vicar General and Official Principal, lawfully constituted in the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, of good and lawful Money of England, to be paid to the said Reverend Father in God, his said Official, or to their certain Attorney, their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns; To which Payment, well and truly to be made, we oblige ourselves, and each of us by himself, jointly and severally, for the whole, our and every of our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, firmly by these Presents, sealed with our Seals, dated the twenty-first Day of December in the Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Victoria by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and forty-one.

THE CONDITION of this Obligation is such, that if the above bounden William Bainbridge the Creditor and by Decree of Court,

Administrator of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, Rights, and Credits of William Ridley late of the Parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland and Diocese of Durham, Gentleman deceased,

do make or cause to be made a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the said Deceased, which have or shall come to the hands, possession, or knowledge of him the said Administrator or into the hands and possession of any Person or Persons for him and the same so made, do exhibit or cause to be exhibited into the Registry of the Consistory Court, at Durham, at or before the seventeenth Day of May next ensuing; and the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits, and all other the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the said Deceased, at the Time of her Death, which at any Time after shall come to the hands or possession of the said Administrator or to the hands of any other Person or Persons for him do well and truly administer according to Law.

And further do make or cause to be made, a true and just Account of his said Administration, at or before the twenty-first Day of December in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and forty-two. And all the Rest and Residue of the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said Administrator's Account, the same being first examined and allowed of by the Judge or Judges for the Time being of the said Court, shall deliver or pay unto such Person or Persons respectively, as the said Judge or Judges by his or their Decree or Sentence, pursuant to the true intent and meaning of a late Act of Parliament, made in the two and twentieth and three and twentieth Years of the Reign of our late Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second, intitled *An Act for the better settling of Intestates' Estates*, shall limit and appoint. And if it shall hereafter appear, that any last Will and Testament was made by the said Deceased, and the Executor or Executors therein-named, do exhibit the same into the said Court, making request to have it allowed and approved accordingly, if the said Administrator above bounden, being thereunto required, do render and deliver the said letters of Administration, Approbation of such Testament being first had and made in the said Court, then this Obligation to be Void, or else to remain in full Force and Virtue.

Signed, sealed and delivered (being first duly stamped) in the Presence of
Hugh Salvin
Surrogate

William Bainbridge

David Wilson

Joseph Dickinson jr

Under £200
R Burrell & Co

Source: North East Inheritance database, Durham University Library

18th December 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Craig, near Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr. Thomas Holmes, aged 66 years.
Thomas Holmes, born 7th October 1775, baptised 20th October 1791, at Redwing Chapel, Alston, parents Zacheus and Elizabeth Holmes.
Thomas Holmes married Elizabeth Walton, 16th May 1795, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Childrern of Thomas and Elizabeth Holmes:
Zaccheus, baptised 25th February 1796
John born 19th March 1798, baptised at St John's, Garrigill
Thomas born 30th July 1803, baptised 31st July 1803, at Redwing Chapel
William baptised 25th September 1800, at St John's, Garrigill
Elizabeth Holmes of Middle Craig, was buried, 24th March 1840, aged 68, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 60, William Holmes, lead miner aged 41, and Mary Holmes, servant, aged 15.
William Holmes, was buried 23rd July 1849, aged 48, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Sebergham, near Caldbeck, Cumberland, Zacheus Holmes, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Isabella (Midcalf, married 24th May 1828, at St Augudstine's, Alston) aged 30, children, Thomas 12, Zaccheus 9, William 7, George 5, john 3, Elizabeth 2, and Isabella 6 months.
The death of Zacchias Holmes was registered at Wigton, Cumberland 2nd quarter 1843. See 24th June 1843, for the inquest &c.
Thomas Holmes married Tamar Coulthard, 12th February 1824, at Alston.
Tamar was buried at Garrigill, 31st January 1835, aged 28.
In 1841, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (married?) aged 25, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, Daniel, lead miner, aged 11(See 13th December 1870 & 2 September 1871), Benjamin 9, Nancy 2, and Tamar 1 month.
In 1851, at Middle House, Garrigill, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Hannah, aged 35, children, Benjamin, lead miner, aged 19, Nancy 11, and Tamar 9 (See 13th December 1870), John 6, and Elizabeth 4.
In 1861, at Nether Hearth, Dufton, Westmorland, Thomas Holmes, foreman 'lead ore dressing', aged 58, his wife Hannah aged 46, children, John, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and Isabella 9.
Hannah Holmes, died at Netherhearth, Westmorland, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 14th July 1866, aged 51.
In 1871, at Crooks, Garrigill, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Isabella (Holmes, married 2nd quarter 1868, at Alston) aged 19, Adamson 8 months, father in law, Thomas Holmes, widower, formerly lead miner, aged 67, and nephew Walton Holmes, aged 2.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Wallas married 12th November 1821, at St Augustines, Alston) aged 40, children, Thomas 15, Elizabeth 14 (buried at Garrigill, 17th April 1850, aged 23), John 12, Isaac 9, George 5, Isabella 4, and William 2. In 1851, at Doddberry, Garrigill, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 52, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 16, Isabella 14 (buried at Garrigill, 23rd September 1852, aged 15), William, lead miner, aged 12, and Ann 8.

John Holmes, was buried at Garrigill, 24th January 1853, aged 54.
In 1861, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Elizabeth Holmes, widow, farmer of 28 acres, aged 62, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 29 (See 30th May 1868), George, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary Craig, domestic servant, aged 36, granddaughter Hannah Holmes, aged 14 (buried at Garrigill, 24th May 1866, aged 19), and grandson, William Craig, aged 11. Also at Dodberry, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Sarah 34, children, Jane 6 (buried at Garrigill, 19th May 1865, aged 10), and Thomas 3 (buried at Garrigill, 10th October 1865, aged 8). See 15th May 1897.
Mary Holmes daughter of John & Elizabeth christened at St John Garrigill, 6th February 1825; married William Craig 21st June 1849, at St John Garrigill. William Craig was buried at Garrigill 9th May 1852, aged 29. In 1871,at Low Nest, Mary Craig, widow, seamstress, aged 44.
In 1871, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Elizabeth Holmes, formerly a farmer, aged 72, children George, lead miner, aged 36, William, lead miner, aged 32 (See 7th February 1891), and Hannah, general servant, aged 19.
In 1881, at Garrigill, Gate, Elizabeth Holmes, lead miners widow, aged 82, children, George boot & clog maker, aged 45, William, lead miner, aged 41, Isabella, domestic servant, aged 20.
Elizabeth Holmes was buried at Garrigill, 29th October 1885, aged 87, See 31st October 1885 and 7th February 1891

25th December 1841 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Middle Rigg, in Allendale, on the 15th inst., Jane, widow of the late Mr. Christopher Walton, aged 61 years.
Christopher Walton married Jane Currah, 30th April 1803, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Christopher and Jane Walton:
Mary born 1st Januarey 1804, at St John's, Garrigill, 1st daughter of Christopher Walton, Crosgill, miner, by his wife Jane daughter of William Currah.
Jane born 2nd January 1807 at St John's, Garrigill, 2nd daughter of Christopher Walton, Eshgill, miner, by his wife Jane daughter of William Currah.
John born 5th February 1809, baptised at St John's, Garrigill, 1st son of Christopher Walton, Eshgill, miner, by his wife Jane daughter of William Currah, native of Stanhope.
William born 18th June 1811, 2nd son of Christopher Wallton, Aimshaugh, miner, by his wife Jane daughter of William Currah, baptised at St Augustine's, Alston.
Christopher baptised 24th July 1814, died 3rd quarter 1849, or 3rd quarter 1850.
Elizabeth, baptised 2nd July 1820
Thomas baptised 15th July 1821
Susan baptised 14th December 1823
Joseph about 1829
Mary Ann baptised 11th November 1839, died 2nd quarter 1840.
Christopher Walton died 4th quarter 1840, registered, at Hexham.
In 1841, at Middle Ridge, West Allen, Jane Walton, farmer, aged 61, sons Christopher 25, Thomas 20, and Joseph 12.
In 1851, at Appletree, West Allen, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 22, born,

Alston, his wife Mary Ann(Bell, married 2nd quarter 1849, registered at Hexham) aged 20, born Allendale, and son William 9 months. In 1861, at New Town, Haltwhistle, Joseph Walton, labourer, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann 30, children, William 10, Hannah 8, Mary J 6, and Joseph 2.
At Fairhill, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Jane, wife of Mr. John Summers, aged 48 years.
In 1841, at High Fairhill, Alston, John Summers, farmer, aged 50, and his wife Jane 45. In 1851, at Low Annatwalls, Alston, John Summers, widower, farmer, aged 58, born Whitfield. John Summers died 3rd quarter 1855, registered at Alston.
At Nenthead, on the 19th inst., Mary, daughter of Mr. John Harrison, innkeeper, aged five years.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Harrison, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Moffit, married 29th May 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 45, children, William, smelter, aged 20, Elizabeth 18, John, labourer, aged 15, Sarah 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Jane 10, Ann 7, Margaret 7, and Mary 4.
In 1851, at Harraton, Durham, John Harrison, labourer, aged 53, his wife Sarah 55, children, Thomas, labourer, 22, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 23, and Margaret, dressmaker, aged 17.

1st January 1842 (Newcastle Journal)
As a man named George Alsop, was engaged on Thursday week in breaking the ice from a water wheel at Healey Field lead mine, one of the stays gave way and he fell to the bottom, and was so much hurt that he died on the following day.

8th January 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 5th inst., the Rev. T. J. Steele, of Brancepeth, Durham, to Miss Agnes Rowell Wright, second daughter of the late Anthony Wright, Esq., of Alston Brewery.
Deaths
At Haggs, near Alston, on the 31st ult., Mr. John Shield, aged 45 years.
John Shield married Mary Holmes, 25th December 1816, at Alston.
In 1841, at Haggs Foot, John Shield, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 45, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Richard 13, Joseph 10, William 7, and Henry 4. In 1851, at Haggs Foot, Mary Shield, lead miners widow, aged 55, born Chapel, Durham, Children, Richard, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner aged 16, and Henry aged 15, children all born at Alston.

29th January 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
At Pry Head, near Alston, on the 21st instant, Mr. Thomas Wallace, aged 70 years.
See the Will of Thomas Wallace 1842
Joseph Wallace married Jane Wells (Wailes) 20th June 1805, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Joseph and Jane Wallace:
1. John born 1st September 1805, 1st son of Joseph Wallis of Nentsbury,

miner, native of Knaresdale by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wales.
2. Joseph born 16th February 1807, 2nd son of Joseph Wallis of Nentsbury, miner, native of Knaresdale by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wales. buried 27th April 1807, Robert born 29th May 1808
3. Thomas born 29th May 1808, 3rd son of Joseph Wallis of Nentsbury, miner, native of Knaresdale by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wailes.
4. Mary born 3rd September 1810, 1st daughter of Joseph Wallis of Nentsbury, miner, native of Knaresdale by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wailes.
5. Elizabeth, born 30th September 1812, baptised 22nd November 1812, at Redwing, Alston. Elizabeth married William Kindred 18th June 1840, at Gretna Green. See 27th June 1840
6. Jane baptised 20th May 1815
7. Isaac baptised 6th July 1817
8. Joseph born 17th October 1819
9. Richard baptised 6th January 1822
10. William baptised 13th February 1824
11. Hannah baptised 14th May 1826
Joseph Wallace of Pry Head, was buried 7th December 1831, aged 52, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Pry Head, Jane Wallace, widow, farmer, aged 55, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Richard, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 14, Ann 4, and Thomas Wallace, independent, aged 65.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Jane Wallace, widow, annuitant, aged 68, and granddaughter, Ann Wallace, aged 16.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, William Fawcett, widower, lead miner, aged 79, son John, lead miner, aged 53, son in law, Thomas Wallace, lead miner, aged 43, and daughter, Elizabeth Wallace 42.
In 1861, at Brownside, Alston, Jane Wallace, lead miners widow, aged 78, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 35. Also at Brownside in 1861, Thomas Wallas, lead miner, aged 50, and his wife Elizabeth aged 48.
Jane Wallace died 2nd quarter 1863, registered, at Alston.

In 1841, at Pry Head, Alston, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann (Kirton married 20th May 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, children, Jane 10, Mary 7, Joseph 4, and Ann 2.
In 1851, at Pry Head, Alston, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 40, children, Joseph 13, Hannah 7, John 3, and Margaret 10 months.
In 1861, at Pry Head, Alston, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Ann 49, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 13, and Margaret 10.
John Wallace, died 2nd quarter 1868, aged 62, registered at Alston.

In 1841, at Foul Loaning, Alston, William Kindred, farmer, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 25, children, Swinburn, 20, Henry, shoe makers apprentice, aged 15, John 13, Thomas 8, Joseph 4, and Mary 6 months.
In 1851, at Foul Loaning, William Kindred, proprietor of Houses and land, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 38, children, Swinburn, proprietor of land, aged 30, Thomas, farmers son, 18, Joseph 13, and Mary 10.
See 29th October 1870, 14th March 1874, 23rd July 1887

In 1871, at Blackburn Bank, Alston, lodger, Joseph Wallace, lead mine

labourer, aged 48. Joseph Wallace bachelor, lead miner, died 5th October 1877, at Alston.

In 1871, at Leadgate, Thomas Wallace, widower, (Elizabeth died 3rd quarter 1869, aged 60) lead miner, aged 62, and boarder, Samuel Walton, married, landowner, aged 58. Thomas Wallace died 2nd quarter 1874, aged 66.

In 1851, at Hudgill, Alston, Richard Wallace, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Ann (Archer?) aged 26, children, Elizabeth 2, Jane 1, and lodger, Joseph Archer, lead miner, aged 24.
Richard Wallace emigrated to Canada
In 1861, at Pickering, Ontario, Richard Wallace, labourer, aged 39, his wife Ann 36, children, Elizabeth 13, Jane 11, Joseph 5, and John 1.
In 1870, at Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, Richard Wallace, coal digger, aged 48, his wife Ann 46, children Elizabeth 22, Jane 20, Joseph 14, John 10, and Anna 8.24
In 1880, at Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, Richard Wallace, farmer, aged 59, his wife Ann 55, children Joseph 24, John 19, and Annie 17.
In 1900, at Baker, York, Nebraska, Joseph Wallace, farmer, aged 44, date of immigration given as 1857, his wife Ida 30, children, Lizzie 7, Eva 5, Willie 4, Mary 2, Mabel 1, and brother John, farmer, aged 39.
At Nenthead, on the 23rd inst., Ann Hornsby, aged 20 years.
At Alston, on the 25th inst., Mr. Joseph Ritson, aged 71 years.
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 26th instant, Rachael Armstrong.
At Alston, on the 27th instant, Mrs. Esther Watson, aged 71 years.

5th February 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill, on the 27th ult., Mr. Thomas Little, of Redwing, to Miss Margaret Vipond, of Dryburn.
In 1861, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Margaret 38, children, John, lead miner, aged 17, Mary, house servant, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, William 8, Isaac 7, Joseph 5, Henry 3, and Hannah 6 months.
Thomas Little was buried at Garrigill, 6th March 1866, aged 41.
See 9th March 1866
In 1871, at Wheat Bottom, Helmington Row, Crook, Margaret Little, widow, aged 48, children, John, coal miner, aged 28, Mary 26, Thomas, coal miner, aged 23, William, coal miner, aged 18, Isaac, coal miner, aged 17, Joseph, coal miner, aged 15, Hannah 10, Margaret 8, and Elizabeth 6.
In 1881, at Victoria Street, Crook & Billy Row, Margaret Little, widow, aged 58, children, Joseph, insurance agent, aged 25, Hannah 20, and Margaret 10.
At Garrigill, on the 27th ult., Mr. Thomas *(sic, John)* Vipond, to Miss Hannah Waugh, of Tynehead.
In 1841, at Dryburn, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 40, Thomas Vipond, lead miner, aged 25, Isaac Vipond, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret Vipond 15, and Thomas Vipond 5.
In 1851, at Dryburn, John Vipond, landed proprietor, aged 50, his wife Hannah aged 43, children, James, lead miner, aged 21 (son of John Vipond & Eleanor Moffatt, Slaggyburn, Garrigill miner, illegitimate, born November 15, 1830, baptised 29th November 1830, at Redwing Chapel, Alston), John 8, Mary 8,

Hannah 6, Peter 3, Isaac 2, and relative, Isaac Vipond, lead miner, aged 31.
In 1861, at Dryburn, John Vipond, landed proprietor, aged 60, his wife Hannah aged 53, children, John, lead miner, aged 18, Mary 18, Hannah 16, Peter 13, Isaac 13, and Joseph 9.
In 1861, at Dorthgill Foot, Garrigill, James Vipond, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann (Bell, married, 17th July 1854, at Alston) aged 29, Children, John 6, Margaret A 4, William 2, and Eleanor 9 months.
John Vipond was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 13th February 1867, aged 66.
In 1871, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Hannah Vipond, widow, farmer of 95 acres, children, Mary 28, Hannah 24, Peter, farmers son (sharing farm) aged 23, and grandson, James aged 6. See 6th May 1876.
Hannah Vipond was buried at St John's, Garrigill 22nd January 1881.

Mary Ann Vipond and her children emigrated to Victoria, Australia, on the Great Britain in April 1863. I have not yet found James Vipond's passage, but there is a James Moffatt aged 32, who travelled on the Commodore Perry , December 1861.
James Albert born 1870, in Victoria, Australia, parents James Vipond and Mary Bell, James Albert Vipond died in 1898, in Victoria.
James Vipond son of Ellen Moffat died 1892, in Victoria, Australia.

The Argus (Melbourne) 19th May 1893
Probate granted on the will of James Vipond £1,746
Mary Ann Vipond died at Victoria in 1904.

Bairnsdale Advertiser and Tambo and Omeo Chronicle 12th August 1882
MARRIAGE.
VIPOND—FITZGERALD.—On the 24th July, by the Rev. W. P. Wells, at the Wesleyan Church, Lonsdale-street, Melbourne, John, eldest son of James Vipond, of Dorgell Bank, Swan Reach, North Gippsland, to Margaret Fitzgerald, of Melbourne.

Bairnsdale Advertiser and Tambo and Omeo Chronicle 21st June 1884
J. R. PEARSON, Undertaker. Funeral Notice.
THE friends of the late JOHN VIPOND are respectfully invited to follow his remains to their last resting place, the Bumberrah Cemetery. The Funeral will move from his late residence, Swan Reach, TO-MORROW (Sunday) at 1 o'clock. W. B. GILES, Undertaker. Bairnsdale, June 21, 1884.

Bairnsdale Advertiser and Tambo and Omeo Chronicle 15th September 1898
Mr James A. Vipond succumbed to a severe attack of measles at Swan Reach last Tuesday. He was much respected by the residents generally, who deeply deplore his death. The funeral takes place this afternoon at the Bomberrah cemetery.

5th February 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages (cont'd)
At Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. Joseph Gill, of High Park, to Miss Mary Bramwell, of Foreshield.
See 27th March 1866, 28th Sept 1866, 20th May 1871, 31st October 1871 & 7th November 1874

At Alston on the 30th ult., Mr. William Setree, to Miss Sarah Waugh, both of Alston.
In 1851, at Winlaton, Durham, William Setrey, coal miner, aged 40, born, Durham, his wife Sarah 34, children Mary 9, John 7, William 3, and Joseph 1. William Cittry, died 4th quarter 1852, registered at Gateshead.
In 1861, at Winlaton, Sarah Settrey, widow, aged 41, children, John, coal miner, aged 17, Joseph, coal miner, aged 11, George 8, and Hannah 5.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr. Alexander Pattinson blacksmith, aged 40 years.
At Greenends, near Alston, on the 1st inst., Friend, son of the late Mr. Jacob Walton, aged 20 years.

12th February 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 8th instant, Mrs. Ann Hetherington, aged 70 years.
At Leadgate, near Alston, on the 5th instant, Mr. John Armstrong, aged 60 years.

19th February 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 17th instant, Mr. John Walton, aged 31 years.

26th February 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 17th instant, Mrs. Jane Pattinson, aged 70 years.
At Alston, on the 20th, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd, aged 90 years.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Elizabeth Todd, independent, born Scotland, aged 89, and Jane Todd, aged 60.
At Nenthead, on the 21st instant, Mr. Hugh Hutchinson, aged 62 years.
Hugh Hutchinson, married Hannah Wilson, 11th October 1806, Alston.
In 1841 at Hill Top, Nenthead, Hugh Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 61, and his wife Hannah, aged 61. See 24th August 1844
At Nenthead, on the 24th, Mr. Nicholas Maughan, aged 68 years.
In 1841, at Kates Lane, Alston, Nicholas Maughan, Maltster, aged 75.

5th March 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston Brewery, on the 24th ult., Mr. Joseph Gibson, brewer, aged 66 years.
At Alston, on the 26th ult., Mary, wife of Mr. William Martin, weaver, aged 81 years.
At High Nentsbury, near Alston, on the 25th ult., Barbara, wife of Mr. Robert Shield, aged 27 years.
Jonathan Shield married Thamar Hetherington?
Possible burial of Jonathan Shield 25th May 1797, at Alston. Possible burial of Tamar Shield of Nenthall, at Alston, 12th August 1838, aged 85.
Robert Shield son of Jonathan and Tamar Shield baptised 5th June 1779, at Allendale.
Robert Shield, married Ann Hind, 26th December 1799, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Children of Robert and Ann Shield:
Jonathan born 14th February 1802, 1st son of Robert Shield of Galligill, miner, native of Allendale, by his wife Nancy daughter of John Hind; buried 7th August 1820, aged 19, at Alston
Mally born 16th March 1803, 1st daughter of Robert Shield of Low Galligill, miner, native of Whitfield, by his wife Nancy daughter of John Hind, of Teasdale.
Isabella born 26th July 1805, 2nd daughter of Robert Shield of Galligill, miner, native of Allendale, by his wife Nancy daughter of John Hind. Isabella married Joseph Lee 19th November 1825, at St Augustines, Alston.
John born 30th December 1807, 2nd son of Robert Shield of Galligill, miner, native of Allendale, by his wife Nancy daughter of John Hind.
Tamar born September 1810, baptised 7th January 1811, daughter of Robert and Nancy Shield of Galligill.
Robert born 1st August 1813, baptised 27th June 1814, son of Robert and Ann Shield of Low Galligill.
Joseph born 27th November 1815, baptised 30th January 1816, son of Robert and Ann Shield of Nenthall.
Tamar baptised 12th April 1818, daughter of Robert & Ann Shield of Nenthall.
Matthew baptised 1st July 1820, son of Robert and Ann Shield of Nenthall; buried 17th July 1820, at Alston.
Tamar baptised 18th August 1822
Ann baptised 16th February 1823

In 1841, at Park St., Gateshead, Robert Shield, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Barbara (Chester, married 20th February 1837, at St John's, Newcastle) aged 25, daughters, Sarah 3, and Ann 3 months.
In 1851, at Westgate, Newcastle, Ann Shield, widow, laundress, aged 71, sons, Robert, widower, workman, aged 37, and Joseph, agent, aged 34.
At Newshield Gate, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Mr. Jacob Wilson, toll-bar keeper, aged 53 years.
In 1861, at Elswick West Terrace, Westgate, Newcastle, Ann Shield, widow, aged 80, son Robert, widower, artisan in lead manufactury, son, Joseph, clerk in a lead manufactury, aged 44, granddaughters, Sarah Shield, 22, and Annie Lee 23.
Ann Shield, died 3rd quarter 1861, registered at Newcastle.
In 1871, at Marinople St, St Andrews, Newcastle, Richard Mack, shopman, aged 36, born Scotland, his wife Sarah (Shield, married 3rd quarter 1868, at Newcasrtle) aged 32, children, Annie A 2, Barbara 1, and lodger Robert Shield, widower, Hatter, aged 57.

In 1881, at 41 Holly Avenue, Jesmond, Newcastle, Richard Mack, iron hardware merchant, aged 47, his wife Sarah 42, children, Annie 12, Florence 11, Katye 9, Richard 5, Robert 3, and father in law, Robert Shield, widower, Hatter, aged 67.
Probate 1881, 16 July, Administration of the Personal Estate of Robert Shield late of 41 Holly-avenue in the Borough and County of Newcastle-upon-Tyne Hatter a Widower who died 20 June 1881 at 41 Holly-avenue was granted at Newcastle-upon-Tyne to Sarah Mack (Wife of Richard Mack) of 41 Holly-avenue the Daughter, and only Next of Kin. Personal Estate £157 13s 1d.

In 1891, at 24 Falconer Street, Newcastle, Richard Mack, Iron Merchant, aged 57, his wife Sarah 52, children, Barbara 21, Catherine, hairdressers assistant, aged 19, Richard 15, and Robert S 13.
Richard Mack of 24 Falconer Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, Hatter, died 23rd October 1894, Probate Newcastle upon Tyne 26th November to Sarah Mack widow, effects £93.
Sarah Mack died 21st April 1911, Probate to Robert Shield Mack, clerk; effects £877 4s 3d.

In 1871, at Cawbridge St, Elswick, Newcastle, Joseph Shield, clerk at lead works, aged 54, and niece Ann Lee, housekeeper, aged 33.
In 1881, at Newton Le Willows, Yorkshire, Joseph Shield, landed proprietor, aged 64, and niece, Ann Lee, landed proprietor, aged 43.
In 1891, at 26 Hedley St, Coxlodge, Gosforth, Ann Lee, living on her own means, aged 53, uncle, Joseph Shield, living on his own means, aged 74, and nephew George W Lee, watch maker, aged 19.
Joseph Shield, died 2nd quarter 1891, aged 74, registered, at Castle Ward, Northumberland.

In 1841, at Gill House, Alston, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella (Shield) aged 35, children John 15, William 10, Elizabeth 8, Ann 4, and Sarah 1.
Joseph Lee died 25th July 1850, registered, at Alston.
In 1851, at Gill House, Alston, Isabella Lee, widow, farmer, aged 45, children, John, farmers son & _____, aged 26, William, farmers son & _____, aged 20, Elizabeth 18, Ann 13, Sarah 11, Isabella 9, Joseph 6, and Robert 3.
In 1861, at Gill House, Alston, Isabella Lee, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 55, children, John, farmers son, aged 34, William, farmers son, aged 30, Elizabeth 28, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 19, Joseph, farmers son, aged 16, Robert 13, and grandson, Joseph Lee 1.

In 1871, at Gill House, Alston,John Lee, lead miner & farmer of 11 acres, his wife Sarah (Woodmass, married 8th April 1868, at St Augustine's) aged 41, and son John Joseph aged 2; also Isabella Lee, widow, farmer of 34 acres, aged 65, children, William, farmers son, aged 30, Elizabeth 38, Joseph, mason, aged 26, and grandson, Joseph Lee 11.
In 1881, at Bayles, Alston, Isabella Lee, widow, aged 75, son, William, ag. Lab., aged 50, daughter, Elizabeth 46, domestic servant, aged 46, and grandson, Thomas Wm. Lee, lead ore washer, aged 15.
Isabella Lee died 3rd quarter 1886, aged 81, registered at Alston.
See 11th April 1868, 31st July 1886

12th March 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mrs. Jane Pattinson, aged 79 years.
At Foreshield, Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr. John Bell, aged 30 years.
Richard Bell married Sarah Clementson, 31st October 1805, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Richard and Sarah Bell, baptised at Redwing Chapel, Alston:
Thomas born 5th February 1806, baptised 27th February 1806, father Richard a miner of Nenthall, buried 5th April 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.
William born 12th March 1807, baptised 7th May 1807, father Richard a miner,

living at Nentsbury Greens.
Mary born 15th November 1809, baptised 16th January 1810, of Nentsbury Greens.
John born 24th February 1812, baptised 7th April 1812, of Greenends.
Hannah born 7th September 1814, baptised 18th October 1814, of Nenthall.
Ann born 18th December 1816, baptised 7th January 1817, of Nenthall.
Sarah born 27th November 1819, baptised 30th November 1819, of Foreshield.
Jane born 15th March 1822, baptised 25th April 1822, of Foreshield.

Richard Bell of Foreshield, was buried, 26th May 1827, aged 49, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Foreshield, Alston, Sarah Bell, farmer, aged 60, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, and Jane 15.
In 1851, at Foreshield, Nenthead, Sarah Bell, widow, aged 70, and daughter, Jane, house maid, aged 25.
Sarah Bell died 8th March 1855, aged 75, at Foreshield, Alston.
See 16th March 1855

In 1841, at High Hudgill, William Bell, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane aged 30, children, Sarah 15, Mary 8, John 4, and William 2.
In 1851, at Foreshield, Nenthead, William Bell, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Jane aged 44, children, Mary 18, John 15, William 11, Jane 9, Hannah 7, Ann 4, and Margaret 6 months.
William Bell died 2nd quarter 1859, registered, at Alston.
Jane Bell died 1860-61

In 1861, at Mill Houses, Newbiggin, Middleton, Durham, William Bell, lead ore washing master & farmer, aged 21, sisters Jane 19, and Margaret 10.
In 1871, at Westgate, Stanhiope, William Bell, cartman, aged 31, his wife Jane 22, children, Isaac 10, John 6, and Thomas 1.
In 1881, at Low House, Stanhope, William Bell, labourer, aged 46, his wife Jane 33, children, John, ore washer, aged 16, Thomas 11, Mary Jane 9, Annie 7, Elizabeth 5, and Isaac 3.
In 1891, at Kitty Cragg, William Bell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane 47, children, Thomas, limestone quarryman, Mary J 19, and Isaac 13.

19th March 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 17th instant, Mr. John Walton, of Millhouse, to Miss Hannah Nixon, of Leadgate.
In 1841, at Leadgate, Susan Nixon, aged 70, Thomas Nixon, lead miner, aged 45, Robert Nixon, lead miner, aged 40, John Nixon, lead miner, aged 30, Hannah Nixon 25, and James Nixon, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Walton, house carpenter, employing 3 journeymen & 1 apprentice, aged 24, his wife Hannah, 26, and daughter, Isabella 1 month.
At Alston, Mr. Thomas Kindred of Bails, to Miss Elizabeth Green, of Nenthead.
See 27th April 1878, and 17th September 1887
Deaths
At Alston, on the 16th instant, Mr. Jonathan Woodmass, jun., of the Greyhound Inn, aged 35 years.
Jonathan Woodmas married Mary Dixon at Alston 14th June 1766"

Children of Jonathan and Mary Woodmas:
John baptised 25th September 1767, (married Sarah Waugh 12th August 1792?),
Mary baptised 9th April 1769, married Thomas Thompson 29th August 1793,
Jonathan baptised 31st March 1771,
Jane baptised 31st October 1773, married John Smith 19th October 1809. See Canada emigration.
Mary wife of Jonathan Woodmass miner, was buried at Alston, 27th February 1805, aged 57. Jonathan Woodmass was buried at Alston, 27th April 1822, aged 80.

Jonathan Woodmass married Elizabeth Fairlamb, 28th January 1796, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
Children of Jonathan and Elizabeth Woodmass:
Ann baptised 16th March 1797
Thomas born 21st February 1802
Betty born 27th June 1804, buried 28th August 1808, aged 4
Jonathan born 18th November 1806
John born 4th August 1811
Frederick Hall baptised 27th September 1818, See Carlisle Wills
William baptised 27th September 1818
**Elizabeth Woodmass died in 1840*

Jonathan Woodmass married Isabella Edger, 15th May 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass, Beer Seller, aged 70, Jonathan Woodmass, lead miner, aged 30, Isabella Woodmasas, silk hat maker, aged 30, William Woodmass, mining agent, aged 25, Frederick Woodmass, lead miner, aged 20, Ann Woodmass 5, Jonathan Woodmass 2, and Elizabeth Woodmass 1 month.
Jonathan Woodmass Snr., died 4th quarter 1844.
See 27th May 1871, 13th May 1882, 29th October 1887
At Knaresdale, near Alston, on Tuesday, the 15th inst., Mr. Jacob Bell, aged 84 years—much respected.

25th March 1842 (Newcastle Courant)
The St. John's Miner's Lodge of Odd Fellows, Westgate, in Weardale, recently presented their patron, G. Crawhall, Esq., with an elegant silver snuff box, bearing a suitable inscription. The chair was occupied on the occasion by P. G. Martin Bell. Mr. Crawhall, after acknowledging the gift, presented £2 to the funds of the lodge, and a like sum was at the same time given by Mr. Joseph Walton.

2nd April 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 26th ult., Mr. Wallace Lee, in the 74th year of his age.
Wallas Lee married Catherine Holdon, 3rd July 1794, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Wallace and Catherine Lee:
John baptised 20th March 1800
William born 1st April 1804
Joseph Wallace born 1st June 1806, Joseph Lee of Physic Hall, fell down a

shaft aged 13, buried 25th July 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Catherine Lee, aged 30, was buried at Alston, 21st March 1807.
In 1841, at Physic Hall, Alston, Wallas Lee, lead miner, aged 70, Mary Lee 30, Thomas Lee, lead miner, aged 15, Wallas Lee 10, William Lee 9, Mary Lee 6, and John Lee 12.
In 1851, at Physic Hall, William Lee, declined miner, aged 46, his wife Mary (Bramwell, married 12th August 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 43, children, Henry, lead miner, aged 24, Wallace, lead miner, aged 21, William, lead mine cartman, aged 21, Mary, dairy maid, aged 16, John 12, Joseph 9, and Catherine 4.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Henry Lee, brewery labourer, aged 34. Also at Physic Hall, William Lee, farmer of 21 acres, aged 57, his wife Mary 54, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Catherine 14, and Isabella 8.
William Lee died 2nd quarter 1862, registered, at alston.
Mary Lee died 3rd quarter 1864, registered, at Alston.
At Lowhouses, Nenthead, on the 28th ult., Mrs. Ann Walton, aged 30 years.

16th April 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 7th instant, Mr. Thomas Robson, aged 47 years.
See 27th January 1872, 13th January 1877, 22nd October 1881, and 9th November 1895
At Alston, on the 8th instant, Jane, daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Bowman, Mining Agent, aged 20.

30th April 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 27th instant, by the Rev. Hugh SALVIN, Mr. Robert McAdam, to Ann, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Milburn, merchant, Alston.

21st May 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr. John Bainbridge, of Nest, to Miss Mary Gill, of Park,
Ruth Walton married Thomas Cant 22nd August 1793. Thomas Cant innkeeper was buried at Alston, 22nd February 1802, aged 38.
Peter Bainbridge married Ruth Cant 1st December 1805, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Nest, Peter Bainbridge, farmer, aged 60, his wife Ruth aged 65, Children, Ann, 30, Joseph 30, John 20, and Mary 14. In 1851, at Low Nest, Peter Bainbridge, farmer, annuitant, aged 69, his wife Ruth 77, son Joseph, butcher, aged 42, and granddaughter Mary Bainbridge, aged 24.
Ruth Bainbridge, was buried 23rd June 1854, at Alston.
In 1851, at Physic Hall, John Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 34, and his wife Mary aged 32.

Probate 1859, 16th March of Peter Bainbridge late of Nest in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Yeoman, deceased who died 9th November 1858 at Nest aforesaid was proved at Carlisle by the oaths of Joseph Bainbridge of Newberryside in the said parish Lead Miner, and John Bainbridge of Park in the said parish Lead Miner the sons and Executors.

Effects under £800, re-sworn December 1877, £1500.
In 1861, at Nether Park, Alston, John Bainbridge, farmer of 23 acres, aged 44, his wife Mary 42.
John Bainbridge, died 21st November 1867, aged 51, at Alston.
In 1871, at Raise, Mary Bainbridge, widow, annuitant, aged 52.
In 1881, at Raise, Alston, Mary Bainbridge, widow, annuitant, aged 62.
Mary Bainbridge died 1st quarter 1900, aged 82, registered, at Alston.
See 6th May 1843, 29th November 1867, 23rd March 1895

28th May 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Cowgap, near Alston, on the 22nd instant, Mrs. Sarah Smith, aged 64 years.
George Smith married Sarah Wallace, 21st June 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of George and Sarah Smith:
John born 2nd October 1806, 1st son of George Smith, Flatt, miner, by his wife Sarah daughter of Thomas Wallis, baptised at St Augustines, Alston
George born 10th March 1809, of Bleagate, baptised St John's, Garrigill.
Jacob baptised 28th June 1818
Thomas baptised 28th June 1818
Joseph baptised 29th October 1820
George Smith died?
In 1841, at Cowgap, Alston, Sarah Smith, farmer, aged 60, children, Mary Smith 30, Thomas Smith 20, Jacob Smith 20, Joseph Smith 20, Wallace Smith 16, and Hannah Smith 4.
In 1851, at Hutton Moor End, Mungrisedale, Thomas Smith, lead Miner,aged 40, his wife Ann 34, children, Thomas 13, Sarah 8, John 4, Mary 1, and visitor Wallace Smith, lead miner, aged 21.

In 1861, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Ann Smith, widow, farmer of 12 acres, aged 45, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah, house maid, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 11, Ann 9, Joseph 6, and Hannah 4. In 1871, at Dorthgill House, Garrigill, Ann Smith, widow, farmer of 60 acres, aged 55, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 54, Mary 21, Joseph, shepherd, aged 16, and boarder, Simon Elliot, shepherd, aged 64.

In 1851, at Leadgate, Alston, Jacob Smith, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Varty, married 4th December 1845, at Alston) aged 32, children, Joseph 7, Sarah 5, Mary Ann 2, Hannah 8 months, and lodger Nancy Varty, widow, on parish relief, aged 74.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Jacob Smith, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Hannah 41, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Mary Ann 12, Hannah 10, Elizabeth 7, Jacob 4, and Esther 1.
Jacob Smith died 4th quarter 1866, aged 50.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Hannah Smith, widow, farmer of 6 acres, aged 49, children, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18, Jacob, lead ore washer, aged 14, George 9, and granddaughter, Esther 8 months.
In 1881, at Leadgate, Hannah Smith, widow, farmer of 6 acres with a small shop, children, Joseph, railway porter, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 28, Jacob,

blacksmith, aged 24, George, grocers assistant, aged 19, and granddaughter, Margaret Smith 3.
In 1891, at Beaconsfield St., Westgate, Newcastle, Hannah Smith, widow, aged 71, children, Hannah 35, Jacob, foreman steam engine fitter, aged 34, George, grocers assistant, aged 29, and Margaret 13. In 1901, at Beaconsfield St., Westgate, Newcastle, Hannah Smith, widow, aged 82, children, Hannah 46, Jacob, _____ engineer, aged 42, and Margt, milliners assistant, aged 23. Hannah Smith died 3rd quarter 1903, aged 84, registered at Newcastle.

In 1851, at Fourdargue, Joseph Smith, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth (Millican) aged 25, children, John 4, and Sarah Ann 1.
In 1861, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, lead miner & farmer, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth 36, children, Sarah A 11, Thomas 9, Joseph M, 6, George A 3, and Jacob 8 months, of Middle Craig, buried 20th July 1863, aged 2 yrs 11 months, at St John's, Garrigill.
Elizabeth Smith of Middle Craig, was buried 15th April 1863, at St John's, Garrigill. Joseph Millican Smith, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 4th October 1864, a ged 10.
Joseph Smith was buried at Garrigill, 30th October 1866, aged 46.
In 1871, at Lee House, Garrigill, John Millican, land owner & farmer of 47 acres, aged 77, his wife Ann 76, son John, widower, landowner, aged 48, daughter Martha 41, grandchildren, Jane Millican 13, Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 19, and George A 13. See 16th October 1857.

In 1871, at Dewthwaite Head, Matterdale, Wallace Smith, farmer of 39 acres, aged 44, his wife Jane (Slee, married 4th quarter 1856, registered, at Penrith) aged 42, children, Joseph 13, Thomas 11, Wallace 9, William 7, and George 8 months. In 1881, at Sunniside, Matterdale, Wallace Smith, farmer of 28 acres, aged 54, his wife Jane 52, sons, William 16, and George 10.
In 1891, at Green Row, Watermillock, Wallace Smith, farmer, aged 64, his wife Jane, 62, sons, Thomas, farmers assistant, aged 31, William, labourer, and visitor John Slee, living on his own means, aged 71.
Wallace Smith died, 1st quarter 1894, aged 67, registered, at Penrith.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 22nd instant, Mr. John Thompson, miner, sited 81 years.
In 1841, at Holmsfoot, Nenthead, John Thompson, lead miner, and Amelia Thompson aged 78. John Thompson married Amelia Brown 13th May 1784, at Alston.

3rd June 1842 (Durham County Advertiser)
A Coroner's inquest was held at Noah's Ark, in the parish of Stanhope, on Monday last, on the body of Joseph Vipond. The deceased was a miner, and was engaged, in his usual employment, at the Stanhope Burn Lead Mine, on the previous Wednesday. While sitting in a part of the mine, a large portion of hard clay fell from the roof upon his back, and from the severe injuries he received he only survived until the following Saturday. No blame could be attributed to the agents of the mine, as no apprehension of danger was entertained. Verdict, "Accidental death." The deceased was 43 years of age.
In 1841, at Noah's Ark, Joseph Vipond, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 40, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, and Isaac

aged 10. In 1851, at Crawleyside, Mary Vipond, widow, aged 53, sons, Joseph, formerly schoolmaster (blind), aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 24, and Isaac, masons apprentice, aged 19.
Mary Vipond died 5th December, 1861, aged 64, at Noah's Ark, Stanhope.

4th June 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. David Hannam, currier to Miss Mary Watson.
Deaths
At Blagill, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. John Craig, miner, aged 45 years.
John Craig, married Elizabeth Ann Walton, 29th May 1828, at Alston.
In 1841, at Blagill, John Craig, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth aged 30, and son John aged 12.

11th June 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mr. Edward Wailes, of Gallegill, to Miss Ann Stephenson, of Welgill. *See 8th June 1844, 12th April 1845, 6th December 1884, & 29th November 1890*
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mr. Rowland Walton, to Miss Martha Stephenson, both of Welgill.
Rowland Walton married Nancy Keenliside 21st June 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Rowland and Ann Walton, baptised at St Augustine's Alston:
John born 30th January 1807, 1st son of Rowland Walton, Skellgill miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of William Keenliside.
William born 16th February 1810, 2nd son of Rowland Walton, Skellgill miner, by his wife Nancy, daughter of William Keenliside.
Nanny born 19th August 1812, 1st daughter of Rowland Walton, Newshield, miner, by his wife Ann, daughter of William Keenleyside. Nanny was buried at St Augustine's, Alston 22nd April 1813, aged 6 months.
Rowland baptised 22nd May 1814
Jane baptised 21st September 1817
John baptised 28th May 1820
Matthew born about 1820
Joseph baptised 1st June 1822
Ann baptised 24th July 1825
Rowland Walton snr., of High Galligill, was buried 19th May 1832, aged 61, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Alston, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew Walton, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 17, and Ann Walton aged 15.
In 1851, at Welgill Dykeheads, Nenthead, Rowland Walton, lead miner and farmer of 16 acres, aged 36, his wife Martha 28, children, John 8, Ann 6, and Joseph 4. See 16th August 1873

24th June 1842 (Newcastle Courant)
COLLIERIES OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM,
A few weeks ago, we gave some rather long extracts from the newly-issued report of the Children's Employment Commission, illustrative of the state of

collieries considered with reference to the country generally. —These were accompanied by the conclusions at which the commissioners had arrived. It may now be useful to notice the report of Mr Leifchild, the sub-commissioner, whose labours were confined to this county and the North of Durham. …
"By the returns from Mr Beaumont's lead-mines at Allenheads, in the county of Durham (which I believe to have been filled up with considerable care), where 252 males under 18 years age are employed, it would appear that very nearly the whole of them can read an easy book, and attend public worship, and that a very large proportion can write their names, and attend Sunday-schools. Yet, even in this very favourable case, a most competent witness, on whom I could place full reliance, observed, "The people with very few exceptions, do not seem to have a wish for much education at least they do not embrace the opportunities afforded them for their improvement. When once children leave school to go to work they seem to have no more inclination for instruction, even where they might attend school without the least inconvenience; but the error of course rests more with the parents than the children."
"The returns from Mr Beaumont's mines in the neighbouring parish of Stanhope, where 180 males under 18 years of age are engaged, do not exhibit these particulars in so favourable a light. …"

2nd July 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Dodberry, Garrigill, on the 29th ult., Mr. Benjamin Wallace, aged 71 years.
Benjamin Wallis married Hannah Watson 30th December 1798, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Benjamin and Hannah Wallace:
John born 10th April 1801, 1st son of Benjamin Wallis, Leehouse miner by his wife Hannah daughter of William Watson, Weardale, baptised at St John's, Garrigill
William born 5th July 1803 2nd son of Benjamin Wallace, Leehouse miner by his wife Hannah daughter of William Watson, baptised at St John's, Garrigill
Joseph born 27th October 1805 3rd son of Benjamin Wallace, Leehouse miner by his wife Hannah daughter of William Watson, baptised at St John's, Garrigill
Benjamin born 15th September 1808, 4th son of Benjamin Wallis, Leadgate miner by his wife Hannah daughter of William Watson, baptised at St Augustine's, Alston
Betty baptised 4th July 1813, at St Augustine's, Alston
Hannah born 22nd February 1815, baptised 19th May 1816, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.
Thomas born 22nd June 1818, baptised 5th September 1818, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.

Hannah Wallace, of Dodberry, Garrigill, was buried 2nd April 1839, aged 59, at St John's, Garrigill.

In 1841, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Benjamin Wallace, lead miner, aged 70, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth 25, and William Watson, lead miner, aged 25.
At Cowgreen Mine, Teasdale, on the 29th ult., Mr. Utrick Walton, of Farnberry, Alston. Deceased left his house in apparent good health, the same morning, for the purpose of inspecting the Mine, and on his arrival there was suddenly

taken ill, and died in a very short time; he was 52 years of age, and highly esteemed.
In 1841, at Farnberry House, Utrick Walton, independent, aged 50, his wife Isabella aged 45, children John, Ag. Labourer, aged 20, Sarah 11, Joseph 10, and Isabella 8.

16th July 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 14th instant, Mr. Andrew Walton, of Galligill, to Miss Sarah Liddle, of Hay Ring.
John Walton married Ann Elliot, 4th November 1800, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of John and Ann Walton:
Mary born 21st September 1801
Nancy born 17th August 1804
Hannah born 2nd June 1806
Rebecca born 12th February 1808, died 5th September 1808, aged 6 months.
Joseph, born 11th August 1809
Andrew born 26th March 1812
Rebecca born about 1816 or 1826
John about 1820
Robert about 1825
Thomas born Kirkhaugh about 1825
In 1841, at High Galligill, Ann Walton, widow, farmer, aged 55, children, Andrew, lead miner, aged 29, John, lead miner, aged 20, Rebecca 25, Robert, shoe maker, aged 15, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Back Simpson St, Westgate, Newcastle, John Walton, labourer at lead works, aged 32, and his wife Frances aged 28. Also Thomas Walton, widower, labourer at lead works aged 26, his mother Ann, widow, aged 68, sister in law Mary Crozier aged 26, and nepher Thomas Harrison 3.
Sarah Walton died 27th April 1849, at Nenthall.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Andrew Walton, widow, lead miner, aged 39, children John 5, Ann 3, and house servant Hannah Graham, aged 20.
In 1861, at Slaggyford Village, Andrew Walton, grocer & local Wesleyan Preacher, aged 49, his wife Margaret (Maughan, married 26th April 1855, at Kirkhaugh) aged 42, born Kirkhaugh, and daughter Ann aged 13.
Andrew Walton died 8th June 1869, aged 57, registered at Alston.
In 1871, Ann Walton, nurse, aged 23, was working as a servant for John G Millican, solicitor, at The Grove, Alston.
In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Margaret Walton, widow, grocer, aged 52, and her niece, Margaret A Watson, aged 13.
See 4th May 1849, 19th June 1869, and 15th January 1876
Deaths
At Alston Workhouse, on the 8th inst., Mrs. Sarah Moore, aged 84 years.
At Nenthead, on the 8th instant, Mrs. Hannah Patterson, aged 91 years.
At Nenthead, on the 6th instant, Mr. John Teasdale, aged 33 years.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Teasdale, stone mason, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Liddle, married 28th March 1833, at Alston), aged 30, and children, Thomas 7, Ann 3, and Joseph 1 year.
In 1851, Foulard, at Nenthead, William Dixon, lead miner aged 25, his wife Hannah (married at Nenthead 18th August 1850) aged 39, Step son Thomas

Teasdale, lead ore dresser, aged 17, step daughter Ann Teasdale, aged 13, step sons, Joseph Teasdale aged 11, and John Teasdale aged 8 years.
See 6th April 1833, and 2nd September 1876

22nd July 1842 (Newcastle Courant)
At Winlaton, on the 20th inst., a pocket communion service of plate, together with a surplus in cash amounting to £23. 2s. 6d., was presented to the Rev. Blyth Hurst, by his friends and neighbours, on his leaving his native village of Winlaton to enter upon his ministerial duties at Garrigill. Mr Hurst was a blacksmith, and has lately been ordained a minister of the Church of England by the Bishop of Durham on account of his great learning.

23rd July 1842 (Westmorland Gazette)
APPLEBY.
EXTRAORDINARY OCCURRENCE—TWO MEN SHUT UP IN A MINE FOR THREE DAYS. —On Friday last, the 15th inst., Robert Slee and John Hutchinson, two of the workmen employed in the lead mines, belonging to the London Company, at Murton, near Appleby, were about leaving their work, when they were unfortunately shut up in the mines, owing to the falling in of a large portion of the works. As soon as the circumstance was made known, their fellow workmen were indefatigable in their exertions to save, if possible, the lives of the two men, who were doomed, as they thought, to be either dead amongst the ruins, or if otherwise, would meet a lingering death. Fortunately they were successful. After most laborious and dangerous working, from Friday evening to Monday morning, at half past four o'clock, they accomplished the object of their search; the two men were once again permitted to see the light of day, though greatly weakened through want of food and the fear of being buried in the earth. Much praise is due to Mr. Mark Armstrong, the eminent surveyor of the mines, who, on the melancholy occasion taking place, was sent for to his residency at Middleton, in Teasdale. From the plans in his possession, he formed the scheme of digging downward, to where the workings of an old shaft came in contact with the one in question. Had Mr. Armstrong's plan been resorted to at first, the men would acquired their liberty some hours sooner. Mr. Dinwoodie, surgeon, of Appleby, the medical gentleman employed by the London Company, was in close attendance from Sunday till half past four o'clock on Monday morning. The men's appearance at first was weakly, and they complained much of hunger. The surgeon's orders were, that they were to be supplied with gruel, and that only in small quantities for sometime. They were enabled to walk with assistance to their residence, and it is hoped that a little time will enable them to resume their occupation. One of the men, whilst in his dismal abode, had-eaten three candles, of which there were several pounds left in the mine. The other had not partaken of anything. On Sunday evening the prayers of the congregation assembled in St. Lawrence Church, Appleby, were requested by the Rev. Joseph Milner, vicar, for the safety of the two unfortunate men, at that time immersed within the bowels of the earth.
In 1841, at Murton, Elizabeth Hall, farmer aged 60, Thomas Hall, lead miner aged 30, Mark Hall aged 25, and John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Murton, Mark Hall, lead miner and farmer, aged 37, mother Elizabeth Hutchinson, widow, aged 70, and brother John Hutchinson, lead miner aged 27.

Mark Hall married Mary Blenkinship, 29th October 1853, at St Michael's, Appleby.
In 1861, at Murton Village, Mark Hall, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 36, daughters, Mary Ann 6, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1871, at Murton Village, Mark Hall, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Mary 45, daughters, Mary Ann 16, and Elizabeth 12.
In 1881, at Murton, Mark Hall, farmer of 11 acres, aged 68, his wife Mary 55, and daughter Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 22.
Mark Hall died 3rd quarter of 1881, aged 69, registered at East Ward, Westmorland.
In 1891, at Murton, Joseph Earl, farmer, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 32, children, Mark 8, Margaret 6, Mary Elizabeth 1, father, Joseph Earl, widower, farm labourer, aged 77, mother in law, Mary Hall, widow, retired farmer, aged 65. Mary Hall died 3rd quarter 1899, aged 74, at East Ward, Westmorland.

In 1841, at Hilton, Thomas Slee, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Ann (Bellas, married 12th November 1814, at St Michael's, Appleby) 50, William, carter aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 14, and Elizabeth 8 years.
Thomas Slee was buried 17th May 1844.
In 1851, at Murton, John Slee, lead miner, aged 24, mother Ann Slee widow, aged 62, brother, William, deformed, aged 30, sister Margaret, grocer aged 33, niece, sisters daughter, Ann Slee, aged 2, and Aunt Jane Bellas, unmarried, retired servant, aged 65.
John Slee married Jane Readshaw, 29th October 1857, at St Michael's, Appleby.
In 1861, at Hilton Village, John Slee, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane 24, daughters, Mary Ann 3, and Mary Jane 1.
In 1871, at Hilton Village Murton, John Slee, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Jane 34, and daughter Mary Jane 11.
In 1881, at Brough, John Slee, lead miner, out of employment, aged 54, his wife Jane, bread baker, aged 44, daughter, Ada 13, Fred 10, Florence 6, and Minnie 3.
John Slee died 3rd quarter 1827, aged 55, registered at East Ward, Westmorland
Jane Slee married John Tuer 4th quarter 1884, at East Ward, Westmorland.
In 1891, at Warcop, Appleby, John Tuer, railway plate layer, aged 57, his wife Jane, 54, and daughter Florence Slee 16.
In 1901, at Rock Cottage, Bondgate, Appleby, John Tuer, railway plate layer, aged 66, and his wife Jane, aged 63.
In 1911, at Scattergate, Appleby, John Tuer, old age pension, aged 77, his wife Jane, 74, and grandson, Harry Slee aged 8.
John Tuer died 4th quarter 1911, at East Ward Westmorland.
Probate 1918: Jane Tuer of Scattergate, Appleby, Westmorland widow died 4 July 1918. Administration Carlisle 12 August to Mary Ann Atkinson, widow. Effects £82 16s 6d.

13th August 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 7th inst., Mrs. Ann Salkeld, aged 88 years.

20th August 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr. Anthony Dodd Brown, to Miss Elizabeth Hetherington, both of Nenthead. *See 15th February 1873.*

26th August 1842 (Newcastle Courant)
A dreadful thunder-storm passed over Alston-moor on Wednesday week last. Nineteen, men, women and children sought refuge from, the storm in the Smithy belonging, to the Bloomsbury lead-mine, when the agent entered the smithy with a horse, and the electric fluid struck the building, burst beneath the animal's belly, and instantly killed it on the spot, while the agent had his arm much injured. Four or five women and boys were more or less hurt, but none of them fatally.

3rd September 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 31st ult., Miss Mary Liddle, aged 21 years.
In 1841, at Town Head Alston. Ann Todd, independent aged 60, and Mary Liddle, independent, aged 20.

10th September 1842 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 6th inst. aged 69, Mr. Thomas Harrison *(grocer)*.

17th September 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 8th instant, Mr. John Swindle, to Miss Jane Greenwell, both of Nenthead.
See 10th September 1942

17 September 1842 (Derbyshire Courier)
Wirksworth.—Joseph Wass, Esq., has become a large shareholder in the London Lead Company, whose possessions have for more than a century been so well known in this district. We heartily congratulate our southern friends upon the acquisition of so talented and enterprising a miner as their much respected partner.
Joseph Wass Lead Merchant of Ashover Will dated 1st November 1852
A smelting works near the Cromford Moor Mine near Wirksworth was operated by Joseph Wass until 1880. He also owned the last smelter plant in Derbyshire at Lea which continued well into the 20th century. (Metal Extraction and Refining C. A. Russell and S. A. H. Wilmot in "Chemistry, Society and Environment: A New History of the British Chemical Industry edited by Colin A. Russell, 2000")

24th September 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Mr. Whitfield Dawson, clogger, aged 63 years; and on the 19th instant, Mr. John Stephenson, butcher, aged 58 years.

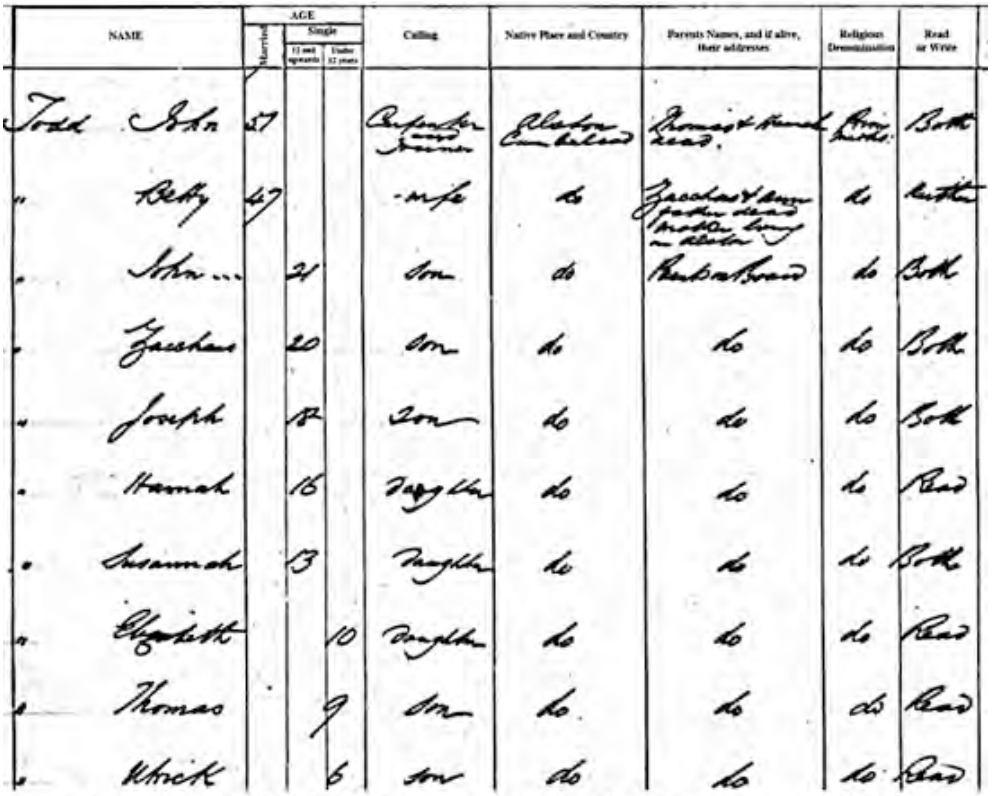
1st October 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Tynehead, Alston, on the 25th ult., Mr. William Slack, aged 84 years.
In 1841, at Haugill Sike, Garrigill, William Slack, Independent aged 80, and Elizabeth Slack aged 75.

8th October 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Tynehead, Alston, on the 30th ult., Ann, wife of Mr. John Bell, aged 45 years.
In 1841, at Dorgill House, Garrigill, John Bell, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Ann (Slack, widow, married 4th June 1829, at St John's, Garrigill) aged 40, children, Margaret 11, Mary 9, William 5, Job 3, Elizabeth 3 months, and John Slack 15.
John Bell of Tynehead was buried at Garrigill, 18th August 1848, aged 53.

14th October 1842 (Newcastle Courant)
Last week, Thomas Todd, 10 years old, son of Mr. John Todd, of Garrigill Gate, while in the act of emptying a wagon into the hopper of the crushing mill, belonging to Bentyfield lead mine, near Alston, lost his balance and fell down amongst the machinery. Assistance was immediately rendered, but before he could be extracted, life was extinct.
John Todd born 24th March 1806, baptised at St Augustine's, Alston, 3rd son of Thomas Todd, of Nattrass (of Kirkhaugh) by his wife Hannah daughter of Thomas Walton.
John Todd married Elizabeth Holmes 11th December 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston. Betty Holmes baptised 16th June 1810, at St John's, Garrigill, 1st daughter of Zaccheus Holmes, Crossgill, miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of John Currah.
In 1841, at Garrigill, John Todd, woodman, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 31, children, Thomas 9, Ann 7, John 5, Zaccheus 3, and Joseph 2.
In 1851, at Clarkhall, Garrigill, John Todd, joiner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth, 40, children, John, joiners apprentice, aged 15, Zaccheus, lead miner, aged 13, Joseph, lead miner, aged 11, Hannah 9, Susanna 7, Elizabeth 5, and Thomas 2.

Leader (Melbourne) 4th July 1874
Deaths
On the 22nd June, after a long and painful illness, Elizabeth Todd, the beloved wife of John Todd, of 92 Leicester Street, Carlton, late of Cumberland, England, aged sixty four years, Her end was peace.

Leader (Melbourne) 4th December 1886
Deaths
On the 28th November, at his residence 92 Leicester Street, Carlton, John Todd, late of Cumberland, England, aged 80 years.
New South Wales, Assisted Passenger lists, show that the family emigrated and arrived 18th August 1857, on the Ship Monica



NAME	AGE			Calling	Native Place and Country	Parents Names, and if alive, their addresses	Religious Denomination	Read or Write
	Married	Single 15 and upwards	Single Under 15 years					
Todd John	37			Carpenter and Joiner	Alston Cumberland	Thomas & Hannah dead	Presbyterian	Both
" Betty	47			wife	do	Jacob & Ann father dead mother living in Alston	do	Neither
" John		21		Son	do	Robert & Hannah	do	Both
" Jacobus		20		Son	do	do	do	Both
" Joseph		18		Son	do	do	do	Both
" Hannah		16		Daughter	do	do	do	Read
" Susannah		13		Daughter	do	do	do	Both
" Elizabeth			10	Daughter	do	do	do	Read
" Thomas			9	Son	do	do	do	Read
" Ulrick			6	Son	do	do	do	Read

New South Wales, Assisted Passenger list

15th October 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr. Thomas Bell, clogger, to Miss Sarah Todd.
At Gateshead, on the 13th inst., Mr. Robert B. Bowman, of London, to Ellen, eldest daughter of H. L. Pattinson, Esq., Gateshead.

29th October 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 27th instant, Mr. Richard Hetherington, to Miss Barbara Swindle, both of Nenthead. *See 26th November 1887*
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 26th instant, Mrs. Mary Thompson, aged 37 years.

12th November 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquests
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 8th instant, on the body of Matthew HUNTER, miner. The unfortunate man had risen very early in the morning of Saturday ---- for the purpose of going upon the Moor to shoot grouse, and, as is supposed, had drawn the charging shot and part of the powder, after which he had rested the stock upon the floor and a lighted candle near the touch-hole; he had then blown down the barrel to ascertain if the charging was entirely removed, the powder then ignited and exploded, inflicting a most extensive injury in his throat and chest, which terminated his life in 24 hours. Verdict accordingly. *Aged 34. Matthew Hunter married Hannah Irwin, 1st quarter 1841, registered, at Alston. In 1841, at High Galligill, Matthew Hunter, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah aged 30, and son William aged 1 year.*

Thomas Crozier married Hannah Hunter, 28th February 1847, at St John's, Nenthead.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Thomas Crozier lead miner, aged 38, his wife Hannah aged 42, and son William Hunter aged 9.
Thomas Croser, died 2nd quarter 1855, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Chapel street, Alston, Hannah Crosier, widow, aged 50.
Hannah died 2nd quarter 1862.

Inquest At Alston, on the body of Robert Walton, aged 39 years, who was killed on Tuesday, by the explosion of gunpowder introduced into a rock, caused by the touch being ignited before he had time to withdraw to a place of safety. Verdict, "Accidental death."

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 6th instant, Mr. Joshua Percival, aged 48 years.
See 1st July 1876

17th November 1842 (Newcastle Courant)

The Committee and Shareholders of the New Gas Works just erected at Alston, lighted for the first time on Friday evening last, met to celebrate the event at Mrs. Errington's, the Blue Bell Inn, where upwards of 30 sat down to dinner. J. Wilson, Esq., of Alston House, presided; the vice-chair was filled by T. Dickinson, Esq., of Spency Croft. Among the company were the Rev. Mr. Salvin, Wm. Bainbridge, Esq., solicitor, J. Dickinson, jun., Esq., solicitor, J. Walton, Esq., C. Arnison, Esq., E. Emerson, Esq., T. Elliot, Esq., Mr. Jno. Cowper, Mr. Jno. Dryden, Mr. W. Grey, Mr. Robt. Walton, Mr. Utrick Vipond, Mr. Wm. Dickinson, Mr. Wm. Gill, Mr. Robt. Walton Jun., Mr. Jno. Thompson, Mr. Edwd. Campion, of the Hareshaw Iron Works, the engineer and sole contractor, &c, &c. After the usual loyal toasts were given, the health of Mr. Smith Stobart, of Hexham Abbey, was drunk, he being the originator of the works, and his spinning factory at Alston being lighted with gas. Praise was also given to Jno. Grey, Esq., of Dilston, through whose influence the ground was obtained of the Greenwich Hospital, on which the works are erected.

19th November 1842 (Carlisle Patriot)

William Vipond, Robert Rain, and David Smith, all of Alston, were fined 12s. and 8s. costs each, for poaching near that town, or in default one month's imprisonment.

17th December 1842 (Newcastle Journal)

ALSTON.—The Rev. Blyth Hurst, Curate of Garrigill-gate, in the parish of Alston has been presented by his hearers, residing in the village of Nenthead, with a handsome crimson velvet cushion for the pulpit, and the London Lead Company who have extensive mines in the district, have also furnished a new quarto bible and prayer book. It is worthy of notice as, evincing the zeal and talents of this respected clergyman, that at Nenthead where there is no church or chapel of the establishment, and where the services of the Church of England have only been introduced a few months, upwards of seven hundred persons frequently attend the service conducted by the Rev. Mr. Hurst in a school-room, and at Garrigill-gate also, the attendance at church has been increased more than tenfold.

24th December 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr. John Cain, of Gallegill, to Miss Ann Walton, of Alston.
In 1841, at Middle Galligill, John Cain, mine agent, aged 50, his wife Nancy aged 50, children, Thomas Mine agent, aged 25, John 20, Fanny 10, and Tamar 5.
John Cain snr died 15th March 1845, aged 55, at Alston.
Nancy Cain died 23rd August 1875, aged 86, at Low Galligill.
See 28th August 1875
In 1851, at Willington Quay, John Cain, labourer at lead works, aged 29, his wife Nancy 30, children Thomas 7, Elizabeth 5, and Sarah 5.
In 1861, at Keld Heads, Wensleydale, John Cain, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann 42, children Thomas 17, Elizabeth 15, and Sarah 15.
In 1871, at Darlington, John Cain, mine agent, aged 49, his wife Mary 52, daughters, Elizabeth 25, and Sarah 25.
In 1871, at Union Place, Gateshead, Thomas Cain, commercial traveller, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth G, aged 30, East Budleigh, Devon, and nephew, Ernest A Strickland, aged 9, born, East Budleigh, Devon.
In 1881, at Redmire, Leyburn, Yorkshire, John Cain, mine agent, aged 60, his wife Mary 63, daughters Elizabeth 35, and Sarah 35.
Mary Cain died 3rd quarter 1889, aged 71, registered at Leyburn.
John Cain, married Margaret Eleanor Heslop, 1st quarter 1891, at Leyburn.
In 1891, at Redmire, John Cain, living on own means, aged 69, his wife Margaret E 30, and daughter Sarah 45.
In 1901, at Redmire, John Cain, retired mine agent, aged 79, his wife Margaret E, aged 40, and daughter, Sarah 55.
Elizabeth Cain died 2nd quarter 1888, aged 42, registered at Leyburn.
Sarah Cain died 3rd quarter 1902, aged 56, registered at Leyburn.
John Cain died 1st quarter 1905, aged 83, registered at Leyburn.
In 1911, at Park Cottage, Redmire, Margaret Eleanor Cain, widow, aged 50, and niece, Ethel Mary Heslop, aged 14.

Probate records show, John Cain of Redmire, Yorkshire, gentleman, died 7th March 1905. Probate York, 25th July to Margaret Eleanor Cain, widow and William Morrison, gentleman, effects £872 15s 7d.
See 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 19th inst., aged 54, Mrs. Ann Atkinson, many years carrier between that place and Alston. *See 19th June 1842.*
At Raise, near Alston, on the 11th instant, Mr. Ralph Whitfield, aged 49 years.
See 14th October 1882, 23rd March 1895, and 22nd June 1878

31st December 1842 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 25th instant, Mr. William Wanlass, of Nattrass, to Miss Isabella Bell, of Alston.

Children of Luke Wanlass and Ann Jackson, married at Alston 21st May 1775:
Elizabeth baptised 25th February 1776, married Aaron Hardy 15th December 1798, at Alston.
1. Robert baptised 25th January 1778, buried at Alston, 13th October 1779.
2. Ralph baptised 24th March 1781, married Mary Walton 12th May 1812.
3. Mary baptised 31st December 1783
4. Ann baptised 15th July 1786
5. Jackson baptised 4th July 1789

***5. Jackson Wanlass** married Mary Russell, 12th May 1812.*
Mary Wanlass was buried at Alston 2nd June 1826, aged 39

Children of Jackson Wanlass and Mary Russell:
5a. Ann baptised 6th June 1813
5b Ralph baptised 10th September 1815, buried at Alston, 15th Sept 1816, aged 1 year.
5c. Isabella, born 8th March 1818, baptised 1st July 1827
5d. Jackson born 16th July 1823, baptised 1st July 1827
5e. William born 23rd April 1821, baptised 1st July 1827

***5. Jackson Wanlass snr**., married Ann White, 13th January 1827, at Alston.*
Children of Jackson Wanlass and Ann White:
5f. Mary baptised 1st July 1827, Mary died 27th October 1846, aged 19.

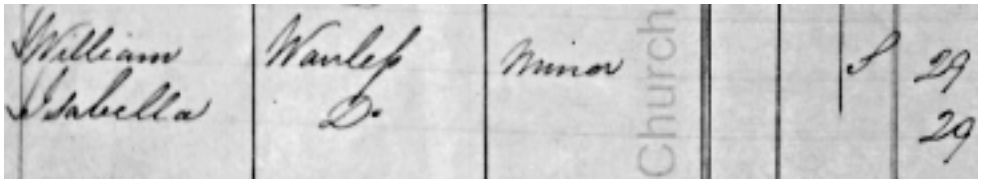
5g. Ellen, born 5th December 1828, baptised 1st February 1829, married Robert Sharp and emigrated to Canada, then to Ray County, Missouri and eventually to Lehi City, Utah.
5h. Margaret baptised 17th October 1830, married William Hudspith, of Ninebanks, Allendale, 10th June 1854
5i. Luke baptised 23rd June 1833, married Margaret Little, 4th quarter 1869, registered at Carlisle.
5j. Elizabeth baptised 24th April 1836, married William Richardson, of Clargill, 10th February 1860
5k. Fenwick birth registered 4th quarter 1838, death registerd at Alston, 1st quarter 1875, aged 36.
5l. Ralph birth registered 2nd quarter 1842, died 29th July 1862, aged 21 years.
In 1841, at West Nattrass, Jackson Wanlass, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann aged 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 20, Jackson, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Ellen 12, Margaret 10, Luke 8, Elizabeth 5, and Fenwick 2.
In 1851, at White House, Jackson Wanlass, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Ann 56, and sons, Luke, lead miner, aged 17, Fenwick, lead miner, aged 12, and Ralph 8.
Jackson Wanlass snr died 27th May 1859, at White House, Alston, aged 69.

5d. In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Jackson Wanlass, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Sarah (Bell, married 4th quarter 1846, at Alston), aged 24, daughter Mary aged 2, and visitor, Isabella Wanlass, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 32.
Jackson and Sarah had a Son William born 1st quarter 1850, but William died 1st quarter of 1851.
Jacksons wife Sarah died 2nd quarter 1851.
Jackson Wanlass married Jane Bell the sister of his former wife Sarah.

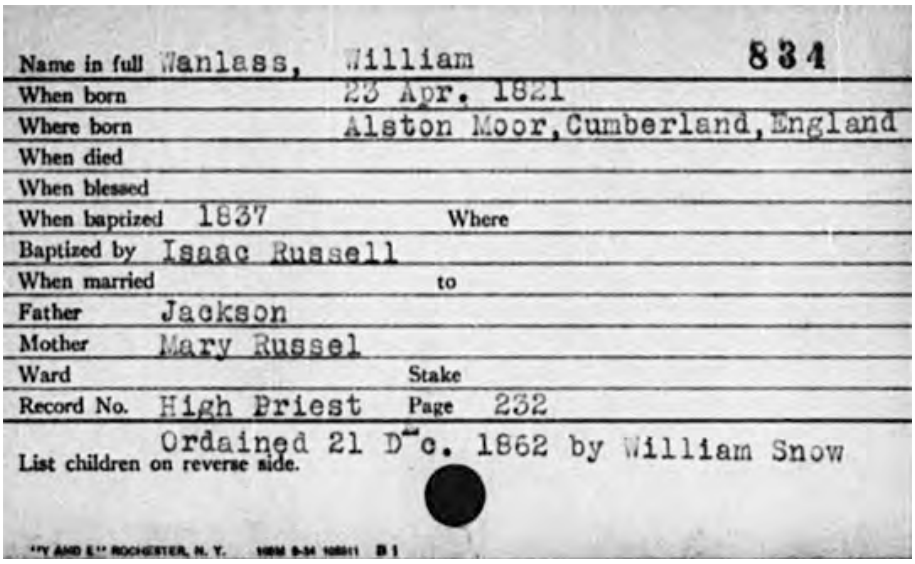
In 1861, at White House, Ann Wanlass, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 64, sons, Fenwick, agricultural labourer, aged 22, Ralph, farmers son, aged 18, and grandson Jackson Wanlass 7.
Ann Wanlass died 3rd quarter 1863, at Alston.

William Wanlass emigrated to the United States,

***Mormon migration records** show William Wanlass, miner, aged 29, and Isabella Wanlass, aged 29 (buried at Lehi Cemetery, Utah, 1st August 1889, aged 71), left Liverpool for New Orleans, on the ship "North Atlantic", left 4th September 1850, arrived 1st November 1850.*
He then moved to Richmond, Ray County, Missouri.



Passenger list of the North Atlantic, (Courtesy of Family Search)


Name in full Wanlass, William 834
When born 23 Apr. 1821
Where born Alston Moor, Cumberland, England
When died
When blessed
When baptized 1837 Where
Baptized by Isaac Russell
When married to
Father Jackson
Mother Mary Russel
Ward Stake
Record No. High Priest Page 232
Ordained 21 D^o. 1862 by William Snow
List children on reverse side.

Utah, FamilySearch, Early...formation File, 1830-1900
(Courtesy of Family Search)
William Wanless married Francis Dawson, 6th March 1852, at Ray County, Missouri.
William Wanless married Mary Odell, 23rd December 1858, near Richmond, Ray County, Missouri, 6th March 1852, at Ray County, Missouri.

The following information is from: All Utah, Our Pioneer Heritage, Volume 3
The Lonely Trail, The Independent Family, A Tribute
"Jackson Wanless, Sr. and William Bell were both miners by trade. They were honest, hard working, home loving people and it was in this peaceful environment the children grew to maturity. When William Wanless was twenty-two he married a beautiful girl by the name of Isabella Bell. They were blessed with four lovely children, but as each little spirit came into the world, it was only privileged to stay a little while. The eldest child, a boy, lived to be six. The

mother, stricken with grief at the loss of her children, passed away two years later; so William broke up his home and went back to live with his parents. By this time Jackson had married Sarah Bell, and they were blessed with two children, a boy and a girl. The boy, who was christened William after his uncle, passed away at eleven months, and a year later the mother died, leaving her husband with one little girl, Mary, age three."
"William had lost his family and had no dependents, he decided to go and try his luck in America. He sailed across the ocean and finally took up his abode in Richmond, Ray County, Missouri in the year 1850. A year or two after his arrival he helped finance the passage of his brother, Jackson, and family. Jackson, by this time, had married his wife's older sister, Jane Bell, and they had been blessed with two children, Jackson and Sarah. This little family, together with Mary, who was now eight years of age, decided to migrate to America *(in 1853)* and join William"

The following newspaper article gives further information about this family.

The Lehi Banner 19th March 1896
Lehi City, Utah
Funeral of Mrs. Ellen Sharp
The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Ellen Wanlass Sharp were held on Friday, March 18th; at the residence of William R. Sharp where a large number of relatives and friends gathered to pay their last respects to the departed. The speakers on the occasion were James Kirkham, A. R. Anderson and Bishop T. R. Cutler of Lehi and Francis Armstrong of Salt Lake
The following sketch of the life of the deceased was read
Ellen Wanlass Sharp, daughter of Jackson Wanlass and Ann White Wanlass, was born December 8, 1828 at Alston county, Cumberland, England.
Her father, mother, brothers and sisters, then old enough, were of the first fruits of the first mission to England in 1837 they receiving baptism under the hands of Elder Isaac Russell *(the Newcastle Journal of 28th October 1837, reported that "A crazy enthusiast, who calls himself Isaac Russell, and who pretends he has recently voyaged from Canada, has taken up his abode in Alston. …")*, of that mission. Sister Sharp received the gospel later, being baptised on the 25th of November by Elder David Candland.
With her husband, Robert Sharp and family she left England sailing from Liverpool on May 10, 1856 on board the "William Tapscott" for Canada. They remained in Canada for three years and from there, with her family, she came to Ray county, Missouri, in the fall of the year 1859, where her brothers William and Jackson Wanlass were living at that time. From Missouri with her husband, she came to Utah, arriving in Lehi, March 7,1889.
Sister Sharp died at Lehi, Thursday March 12,1896, leaving a husband, Robert Sharp, a son, William R. Sharp, a daughter, Mrs. Mary Ellen Long and eight grand children, all of Lehi.

Membership of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830-1848
(Courtesy of Ancestry uk)

William Wanlass

Gender:	*Male*
Relationship to Primary Person:	*Self (Head)*
Father:	*Jackson Wanlass*

Mother:	*Mary Russell*
Birth Date:	*23 Apr 1821*
Birth Place:	*Alston Moor, Cumberland, England*
Death Date:	*20 Mar 1891*
Death Place:	*Lehi, Utah, Utah, USA*
Burial Date:	*Mar 1891*
Burial Place:	*Lehi, Utah, Utah, USA*
Residences:	*Lehi, Utah, Utah, USA; 1870*
LDS Church Ordinance Data:	*Baptism Date: August 14, 1837 Officiator:*
Vocations:	*Store Clerk; 1870*
Comments:	*In 1870 William had a household of eight, with a real wealth of $300 and a personal wealth of $400.*

Household Members:

Name	*Relation*
William Wanlass	*Self (Head)*
Isabella Vipond	*Spouse*
Fanny Dawson	*Spouse*
Mary O'Dell	*Spouse*
Sarah Ellen Wanlass	*Child*
Lizzie Ann Wanlass	*Child*
William Preston Wanlass	*Child*
Susannah Wanlass	*Child*
James Calvin Wanlass	*Child*
Mary Emily Wanlass	*Child*
Samuel Russell Wanlass	*Child*
Frank Wanlass	*Child*
Andrew Fredrick Wanlass	*Child*

United States Federal Census 1870 (Courtesy of Family Search)

Name:	*William Wanlass*
Event Type:	*Census*
Event Year:	*1870*
Event Place:	*Utah, United States*
Gender:	*Male*
Age:	*49*
Birthplace:	*England*

Household	*Gender*	*Age*	*Birthplace*
William Wanlass	*M*	*49*	*England*
Mary Wanlass	*F*	*30*	*Missouri*
Jackson Wanlass	*M*	*16*	*England*
Sarah Wanlass	*F*	*11*	*Missouri*
Lizzie Wanlass	*F*	*9*	*Utah*
William Wanlass	*M*	*6*	*Utah*
Susannah Wanlass	*F*	*4*	*Utah*
James Wanlass	*M*	*2*	*Utah*

United States Federal Census 1880 (Courtesy of Family Search)

Name:	*William Wanlass*
Event Type:	*Census*
Event Year:	*1880*
Event Place:	*Lehi, Utah, Utah, United States*

Gender:	*Male*
Age:	*59*
Marital Status:	*Married*
Race:	*White*
Race (Original):	*W*
Occupation:	*Clerking In Store*
Birth Year (Estimated):	*1821*
Birthplace:	*England*
Father's Birthplace:	*England*
Mother's Birthplace:	*England*

Household	*Role*	*Gender*	*Age*	*Birthplace*
William Wanlass	*Self*	*M*	*59*	*England*
Mary Wanlass	*Wife*	*F*	*40*	*Missouri, United States*
Elizabeth Wanlass	*Daughter*	*F*	*19*	*Utah, United States*
William P Wanlass	*Son*	*M*	*16*	*Utah, United States*
Susanah Wanlass	*Daughter*	*F*	*14*	*Utah, United States*
James C Wanlass	*Son*	*M*	*11*	*Utah, United States*
Fredrick Wanlass	*Son*	*M*	*1*	*Utah, United States*
Emily M Wanlass	*Daughter*	*F*	*9*	*Utah, United States*
Sarah E Wanlass	*Daughter*	*F*	*20*	*Missouri, United States*
Samuel R Wanlass	*Son*	*M*	*7*	*Utah, United States*

The Dispatch 13th May 1891

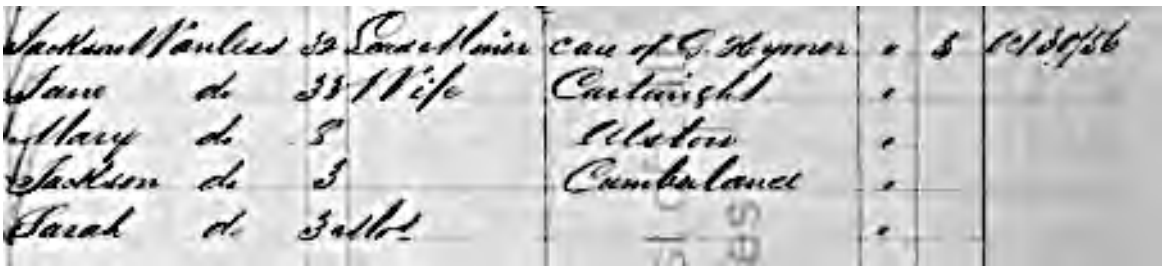
Notice to Creditors. —In the Probate Court in and for Utah County, Territory of Utah. In the matter of the estate of Wm. and Mary Wanlass, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of Wm. and Mary Wanlass, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator.

Thomas R. Cutler

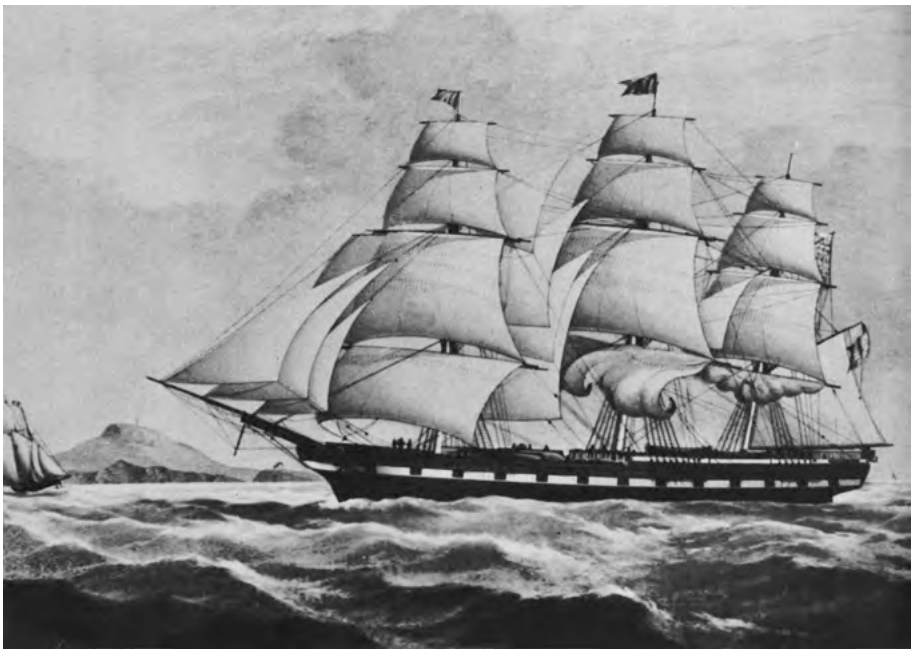
Administrator of the estate of Wm. and Mary Wanlass, deceased.

Lehi, Utah, May 13, 1891

Jackson Wanlass, married the elder sister of his deceased wife, Jane Bell, they emigrated to New York, via Liverpool, on the sailing ship Columbia, on 18th November 1856, arriving at New York 1st January 1857.



Passenger list of the Columbia, (Courtesy of Family Search)



The Columbia (Courtesy of Family Search)

In the US Federal Census of 1860, at Ray County, Richmond, Missouri, Jack Wanlass, coal digger, aged 36, his wife Jane 36, Mary 23 (age would have been 13), Jack 6, Sarah 5, Saml 2, and Jane 2.
Jane Wanlass, died 6th June 1862, and was buried in Richmond Cemetery.
Jackson Wanlass, died 16th July 1864 (Utah Our Pioneer Heritage, vol 3 gives his death as 31st Oct 1864) and was buried at Lehi Cemetery Utah.

Mary Wanlass, born, May 1848, Alston, married William Lawrence Hutchings in 1864.

United States Federal Census 1880 (Courtesy of Family Search)

Name:	*William L Hutchens*
Event Type:	*Census*
Event Year:	*1880*
Event Place:	*Lehi, Utah, Utah, United States*
Gender:	*Male*
Age:	*50*
Marital Status:	*Married*
Occupation:	*Clerk In Store*
Relationship to Head of Household:	*Self*
Birth Year (Estimated):	*1830*
Birthplace:	*England*
Father's Birthplace:	*England*
Mother's Birthplace:	*England*

Household	*Role*	*Gender*	*Age*	*Birthplace*
William L Hutchens	*Self*	*M*	*50*	*England*
Mary W Hutchens	*Wife*	*F*	*32*	*England*
Mary R Hutchens	*Wife*	*F*	*50*	*England*
William E Hutchens	*Son*	*M*	*9*	*Utah, United States*
Lawrence J Hutchens	*Son*	*M*	*7*	*Utah, United States*

Mary I Hutchens	*Daughter*	*F*	*2*	*Utah, United States*
Richard J Hutchens	*Son*	*M*	*5*	*Utah, United States*

31st December 1842 (Carlisle Journal)—cont'd
Marriages
At Alston, on the 29th instant, Mr. Thomas Glendenning, of Galligill, to Miss Susannah Liddle, of the Croft.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning, lead miner, aged 42 (born Knaresdale), his wife Susan, aged 42, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 13, William 5, Robert 3, and Margaret 2.
Susan Glendinning died 2nd quarter 1856, at Alston.
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendening, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 16, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Margret, house keeper, aged 12, Mary 9, and Sussanah 7.
In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Thomas Glendenning, widow, lead miner, aged 62, children William, lead miner, aged 25, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Margaret, servant, aged 22, and Susannah, servant, aged 17.
See 14th May 1870, 8th November 1873, 17th December 1881, 27th May 1882.
Deaths
At Bales, near Alston, on the 25th instant, aged 20 years, Miss Sarah Dowson.
Joshua Dowson, married Sarah Little, 22nd August 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Ruth baptised 27th August 1820, at Alston. Ruth buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 6th August 1822, aged 2 years.
Sarah baptised 15th September 1822, at Alston
Joshua Dowson of Bales, was buried at Alston 16th May 1825, aged 28.
Sarah Dawson, married Thomas Hetherington, 4th January 1832, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Sarah Hetherington, was buried at Alston, 10th April 1839, aged 38.
In 1841, at Market Place, Sarah Dowson, milliner, aged 15.
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 29th inst., aged 20 years, Elizabeth, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Robinson.
See 4th September 1841 & 6th January 1859

7th January 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr. John Peart, jun., aged 25 years.
In 1841, at Loanning Head, John Peart, lead miner, aged 20, and Elizabeth Peart, aged 20. See 26th June 1841.
At Wellgill, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Jane, relict of the late Mr. Thomas Havelock, aged 79 years.

14th January 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Wellgill Dyke-heads, near Alston, on the 7th instant, aged 30 years, Mr. Joseph Wales.
In 1841, at Welgill Dykeheads, Joseph Wailes, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Stephenson, married 22nd June 1837, at Alston) aged 25, son Joseph 2,

and Ann Blacklock, widow, aged 65.
Caleb Cousin married Mary Wailes, 1st quarter 1849, registered at Alston.
On 1851, at Welgill, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 39, mother Peggy Cousin, widow, aged 79 (died 27th May 1853), son in law, Joseph Wailes, lead ore washer, aged 12, and son in law, Thomas Wailes, 9.
In 1861, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 49, son, John 7, step son, Joseph Wailes, lead miner, aged 22, and step son, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 19.
Joseph Stephenson Wailes, miner, bachelor, died 15th December 1865, at Nenthead, and was buried 19th December 1865, aged 26, at Nenthead.
His will dated 4th December 1865, was proved at Carlisle 13th August 1866, names in the will: — Mother Mary Cousin formerly Mary Wailes, brother Thomas Wailes, and half brother John Dryden Cousin.
Mary Cousin died 27th May 1866, and was buried 30th May 1866, aged 54, at Nenthead.

In 1871, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, widow, retired miner, aged 61, son John D. joiner, aged 17, and domestic servant Mary Wailes 17.
Caleb Cousin, died 10th October 1871, aged 61.
See 22nd April 1853,1st June 1866, 14th October 1871, and 21st August 1897

IN
AFFECTIONATE REMEMBERANCE OF
JOSEPH STEPHENSON WAILES
OF HOLMFOOTS WHO DIED
DEC. 15TH 1865, AGED 26 YEARS
ALSO OF
MARY COUSIN
HIS MOTHER AND THE BELOVED WIFE OF
CALEB COUSIN
WHO DIED MAY 27TH 1866, AGED 54 YEARS

At Alston, on the 11th instant, Mr. William Steele, surgeon, aged 42 years.
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr. Thomas Vipond, game dealer.

21st January 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 17th instant, Mrs. Esther White, aged 66.
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr. Joseph Whitfield, of the Swan Inn, aged 57 years.
At Clargill Hall, on the 18th inst., very suddenly, Mrs. M. Watson, housekeeper to the Rev. O. James.

28th January 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
INQUESTS. —An inquest was held before Mr. Carrick, County Coroner, at Clargill Hall, near Aston, on the body of Margaret Watson, servant to the Rev. Mr. James, Curate. The deceased, on the 18th instant, was sitting upon the end of the bed sewing, when she, without any previous symptoms of illness fell back and died instantly. Verdict— “Natural death."
At Windy Hill, near Alston, on the 21st instant, on the body of Joseph Hall, aged twenty-three years. Hall was a lead ore miner in the service of the London Lead Company, and on the 17th instant, was proceeding up the drift upon the outside of one of the waggons, when his head and body, owing to the lowness or the roof, became jammed between it and the top of the waggon. He called out and the waggons were, stopped without a moment's delay, and the poor man was recovered from his dangerous situation and carried home, but on examination by a medical man it was discovered that his spine was very much injured, from which, and other internal injuries, be died on the following day, after enduring most excruciating pain. His fellow workmen deposed that the accident was entirely attributable to the rashness of the deceased, who exposed himself to almost certain death in despite of their expostulations. Verdict—Accidental death; deodand, one shilling. It was stated on the inquest that deceased was to have been married on the following Sunday. *In 1841 at Windy Hall, Ann Hall, aged 60, independent and Joseph Hall aged 20, lead miner.*

11th February 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
GREENSIDE MINES.—The Greenside mines, in Patterdale, are at present very rich in ore, the low level having exceeded the expectations of the shareholders. Should the projected railway between Penrith and Carlisle go forward, the company contemplate running a steamer on Ullswater Lake in order to expedite and economise the carriage of the lead; they having recently purchased pieces of ground at each extremity of the lake for that purpose.

18th February 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 16th instant, Mr. Joshua Walton to Miss Mary Dowson, both of Nenthead. *See 10th April 1880*
At Alston Church, on the 16th inst. Mr. George Hutchinson to Miss Catherine Barron.
In 1851, at Lane End, Nenthead, George Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 30 (son of George and Elizabeth Hutchinson, in 1841, living at Dykeheads Nenthead, with George Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 65, and Ann Hutchinson aged 20), his wife Catherine aged 34 (daughter of George and Isabella Barron, in 1841, Catherine was living in Alston Workhouse), children Isabella aged 10, and George aged 5.
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, George Hutchinson, lead ore miner, aged 43, his wife Catherine aged 45, George 15, Elizabeth 6, Sarah A., 3, and boarder, Jane Swindle, lead smelters, widow, aged 65.
George Hutchinson, was killed in an explosion, see 25th December 1867.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Catherine Hutchinson, widow, aged 54, formerly general servant, son George, no occupation, aged 25 (Decrepit), and nurse child Joseph W. Blacklock, aged 3 years.

In 1881, at Whitehall, Mary Baron, widow, aged 61, grand daughter, Mary Ann Barron, aged 5, boarder, and George Hutchinson, unable for any work, aged 38.
George Hutchinson, died 31st December 1887.
See 25th December 1867, 7th August 1880, and 31st December 1887.

24th February 1843 (Newcastle Courant)

ACCIDENT.

As two men, named Jonathan Bradwell, and William Collinson, were working at Lodgesike lead mine, near Middleton in Teesdale, on the 15th inst., part of the works gave way, and a large quantity of stones fell upon them. Several workmen came to their assistance, and extracted Collinson alive, though much hurt. Bradwell, a fine young man, was a lifeless corpse. An inquest has been held upon the body, verdict "Accidental death".
In 1841, Middleton in Teesdale, Jonathan Bradwell, lead miner, aged 50 Hannah 50, Mary 25, Jonathan 15, Jacob 15, Thomas 14, George 10, William 9, and John 6 months.
In 1851, Hannah Bradwell, widow, aged 52 (her husband had died 3rd quarter of 1849), Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead miner, aged 20, William, home, aged 17, and John, grandson, aged 10.
Hannah died in the 3rd quarter of 1851.

4th March 1843 (Newcastle Journal)

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, on the 26th ult. Mr Thomas Herdman, Shield Hill, to Miss Hannah Bell, of Crops Hall.
In 1851, at Middle Houses, Garrigill,Thomas Herdman, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 26, children, Ann 6, Isabella 4, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Garrigill,Thomas Herdman, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah 36, children, Mary 12, Friend 9, Thomas 7, Elizabeth 5, Lewis 2, and Margaret 1 month.
See 23rd July 1867, 8th July 1876, 19th April 1884, 17th October 1885, & 23rd January 1892.

Deaths

At Hudgill, near Alston, on the 24th ult., aged 45, Mr. Thomas Keenleysid.
In 1841, at High Hudgill, Thomas Keenliside, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Place, married 6th June 1824, Haltwhistle) aged 35, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 15, Ann 12, Hannah 11, Thomas, lead miner, aged 10, William 7, Elizabeth 4, Ellis 3, and Mary 1. In 1851, at Hudgill, Hannah Keenliside, lead miners widow, aged 47, born Haltwhistle, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 25, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 17, Elizabeth 14, Ellis, lead miner, aged 12, and Mary 10.
At Fourdargue, near Alston, on the 27th ult., aged 38, Mr. John Martindale.
In 1841, at Fourdargue, John Martindale, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah (Armstrong, married 23rd October 1828, Alston) aged 32, children Mary 10, Jane 3, Sarah 3, and Thomas 1.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Sarah Martindale, widow, laundress, aged 41, born Kirkhaugh, daughter Sarah, wool spinner, aged 13, and son Thomas 10.

17th March 1843 (Newcastle Courant)
The Workmen in the employment of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead, have presented Robert Stagg Esq., on his retirement from the superintendancy of the company's concerns in the north, Bagster's Comprehensive Bible and English Hexapla, *(contained the New Testament in six translations. John Wycliffe's translation from 1380, William Tyndale from 1534, the Great Bible from 1539, the Geneva version of William Whittingham from 1557, The Rheims from 1582 and the King James or Authorised from 1611)* inlaid with silver plate, as a token of their remembrance of his efforts for the promotion of their interests.
Accident.—A serious accident occurred on Tue 8th inst. at Skears' Lead Mines, near Middleton-in-Teesdale. As Mr Peter Wilkinson was conducting blasting operation, and in the act of setting fire to the match, ignition took place before he had time to remove from the spot. He was thrown violently on the ground, and cut and bruised in several parts of the body. Medical aid was obtained, and hopes are entertained of his recovery.
Peter Wilkinson, married Ann Bainbridge 12th May 1822, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton in Teesdale.
In 1841, at High Dyke, Middleton, Peter Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 38, children, Elizabeth 14, Thomas 10, John 6, Peter 4, William 3, Mary 2, Ann 3 months.
Peter Wilkinson, aged 55, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 23rd March 1849.
In 1851, at Snaisgill, Middleton, Ann Wilkinson, widow, aged 52, children, John, lead miner, aged 20, Peter, lead miner, aged 17, William, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 12, and Ann 9.

18th March 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 16th instant, Mr. Joseph Pattinson, blacksmith, Alston, to Miss Sarah Shield, of Silly Hall.
At Alston, on the 16th instant, Mr. Ridley Robson to Miss Catharine Irwin, both of Nenthead.
See 9th January 1869, and 8th May 1875

25th March 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Register Office, on Saturday last, Mr Thomas Walton, of Nenthead, to Miss Margaret Nicholson, of Eden Brow, Wetheral.
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr. William Richardson, miner, to Mrs. Susannah Hounam. *See 1st July 1876*
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 17th inst., Mr. Robert Percival, shoemaker, aged 27.
At Blagill, Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr. Robert Davidson, aged 28 years.
In 1841, at Blagill, Jonathan Davidson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 25, children, Ann 6, Margaret 4, and Hannah 1. Also, Robert Davidson, lead miner, aged 25, and Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 15.
See 24th October 1891
At Tynehead, Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr. Thomas Millican, agent for the manor of Tynehead.

15th April 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead on the 12th inst. Sarah, wife of Mr. Joseph Shield, aged 45 years.
Joseph Shield, married Sarah Bright, 30th August 1817, at Alston.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Joseph Shield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Sarah, aged 40, children Tamar 20, Sarah 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 10. Joseph Shield Snr., died 2nd quarter of 1850.
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Joseph Shield, lead miner, aged, 25, brother William, lead miner, aged 22, and Jane Trathan, general servant aged 19.

29th April 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., aged 42 years, Ann, wife of Mr. Christopher Little blacksmith; and on the 24th, Hannah, daughter of Mr. Joseph Jackson, clogger, aged 11 years.

29th April 1843 (Newcastle Journal)
The adventurers in Bruntlesheelhaugh Lead Ore Mine situate in Hexhamshire, have succeeded in cutting a vein upwards of fourteen feet wide, which will no doubt prove a source of great profit to the owners, Messrs. Smith, Welford, and Co. of Hexham, and afford employment for the mining population of the district.

6th May 1843 (Newcastle Journal)
LEAD MINE.—There was a slight error committed last week In a paragraph relating to the Bruntlesheelhaugh Lead Ore Mine, wherein the width of the newly cut vein was said to he upwards of fourteen feet wide, instead of forty-four feet, as it is in fact. It appears that since the month of December last levels and cuttings have been driven to the extent of forty fathoms, and it is now intended to cut to the old vein by a cross section, and discover the width and thickness of solid treasure left for the spirited mining adventurers at Bruntlesheelhaugh.

6th May 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 2nd instant, Mr. Joseph Bainbridge, aged 55 years.
Peter Bainbridge married Ann Lattimor, 4th February 1760, at St John's, Garrigill.
Children of Peter and Ann Bainbridge:
Hannah baptised 16th July 1769, John baptised 23rd August 1772
Betty baptised 1st January 1775
Mary baptised 26th April 1777
Peter baptised 26th December 1781
Joseph baptised 26th August 1787
Ann Bainbridge of Park was buried 12th March 1794, Peter Bainbridge, widower, of Park, was buried 17th December 1794, both at Alston.
In 1841, at Physic Hall Bank, Alston, Joseph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 50, and Hannah Bainbridge aged 70.
See 21st May 1842

In memory of
Peter Bainbridge of High Park
who died December 14th 1794
Aged 51 years
of Ann hie wife who died March 9th
1794
aged 50 years
Of Mary their daughter
who died July 16th 1813 Aged 36 years
And of Joseph their son
who died May 2nd 1843 aged 55 years
Also of Hannah their daughter
who died Dec 17th 1844 Aged 75 years
Also of John their son
who died May 30th 1847 Aged 75 years
And of Mary his wife
who died April 11th 1849 Aged 72 years
Also of Peter their son who died
Nov 9th 1858 Aged 77 years
And Ruth his wife who died June
23rd 1854 Aged 80 years

13th May 1843 (Carlisle Journal)

W. James, Esq., M.P. for East Cumberland, returned to his post in the House of Commons on the 4th inst., and on the following day presented petitions from Penrith, Alston, Nenthead, Garrigill and other places, against the obnoxious educational clauses of the Factory Bill; and on Wednesday night he presented petitions from Gretna Green and several other places against the Corn Laws.

Marriages

At Alston, on the 7th instant, Mr. John Wilkinson, to Miss Ruth Dawson.

See 7th December 1844

Deaths

At Nenthall, Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr. John Armstrong, aged 63 years.

John Armstrong son of William and Mary (Sanderson?) Armstrong, baptised at Ninebanks, 23rd April 1780.

John Armstrong married Hannah Elliot, 14th June 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Nenthall, John Armstrong, mine agent, aged 60, and his wife Hannah aged 55.

In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Hannah Armstrong, widow, annuitant, aged 66, and servant, Elizabeth Dawson, house servant, aged 13.

Hannah Armstrong widow of John Armstrong of Nenthall died at Garrigill 12th January 1857, aged 72.

See 16th January 1857

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

Sacred
to the Memory of
WILLIAM ARMSTRONG
of Nenthall who departed this
life May 3rd 1824 Aged 68 Years
Also of Mary his wife
who died May 2nd 1836
aged 75 years
Also of John their son
who died May 4th 1843
Aged 63 years
Also of Hannah his wife who departed
this life Jan 12th 1857, aged 72 years

20th May 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Mr. Thomas Harrison, of Greenends, to Miss Rebecca Walton, of Galligill.
Probable death for Rebecca registered at Alston 2nd quarter 1848.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr. John Wilson, aged 27.
In 1841, at Hartside Toll Bar, John Wilsoin, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Martha 23, children Elizabeth 4, Sarah 2, and Hannah Saint 7.

27th May 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd instant, Mr. Jonathan Walton, aged 84 years.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Jonathan Walton, Independent, aged 80.
At Silly Hall, near Alston, on the 23rd instant, Mrs. Ann Spark, aged 89 years.
Jonathan Spark married Ann Richardson, 7th June 1777, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Jonathan and Ann Spark, baptised at St John's, Garrigill
Hugh baptised 11th May 1778, buried 8th February 1779
Jonathan baptised 19th March 1780
John baptised 24th March 1782
John baptised 6th June 1784, buried 5th November 1788
Joseph baptised 18th May 1788
George Spark baptised 10th July 1790, at St John's, Garrigill.

Ann baptised 12th February 1797

Jonathan Spark, miner, of Gate foot was buried 3rd August 1811, aged 57.

George Spark married Ann Pearson 3rd July 1817 at Alston. Garrigill burials show the death of George Spark aged 44, 9th October 1834.

In 1841, at Beldy, Alston, Ann Spark, widow, aged 40, children, John, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas 15, Jane 13, George 10, Ruth 1, and Ann Spark, widow, aged 85.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Nanncy Spark, widow, domestic, aged 51, children, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Jane 23, George, lead miner, aged 20, and Ruth 11.
Ann Spark of Pasture House was buried 29th November 1860, aged 61, at St John's, Garrigill. In 1861, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Jonathan Spark, unmarried, lead miner, aged 38, sister Jane 33, brother George, lead miner, aged 30, and nephew William Spark 6.
See 5th December 1868

3rd June 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Lovelady Shield, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Mr. Wm. Walton, aged 48 years.
At Low Farnberry, near Alston, on the 28th ult., Mrs. Mary Lee, aged 72 years.
In 1841, at Low Farnberry, Mary Lee, widow, aged 70.
At Alston, on the 31st ult., Mrs. Sarah Pattinson, of the Angel Inn, aged 76 years.

10th June 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Eddy, aged 82 years.
In 1841, at the Potato Market, Alston, Elizabeth Eddy, Independent, aged 80, and Elizabeth Eddy, aged 40.

17th June 1843 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., aged 64, Mr. William Setree.
William Setree, married Sarah Craig, 15th April 1800, at Alston.
In 1841, at Kates Lane, Alston, William Seatree, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 60, children William, lead miner, aged 25, Ann 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, and Joseph Seatree 6.
See 1st July 1843

17th June 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Hudgill Rigg, near Alston, on the 10th instant, Mr. John Nicholson, aged 61 years.
In 1841, at Hudgill Rigg, John Nicholson, lead miner, aged 55 (John Nicholson married Nancy Bell, 14th May 1807), children Hannah 30, John, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph (Joshua?), lead miner, aged 20, Nancy 15, and Jacob Peart, lead miner, aged 15. See 20th October 1865

24th June 1843 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest Before Mr Carrick

Thursday week, at Dryburn, Garrigill, near Alston, on the body of John Rain, aged three years, whose death was occasioned by drinking boiling coffee, from the spout of the coffee pot. Verdict, “Died from inflammation of the chest”
On Friday, at Newlands, near Hesket-new-Market on the body of Zacchias Holmes. The unfortunate deceased was a miner in the flourishing mine called Roughten Gill, and on Wednesday was seated underneath a large block of stone in conversation with a fellow workman, when it detached itself from the roof of the workings and fell upon the deceased who was killed instantaneously. The stone weighed upwards of four tons, and occupied six or eight men two hours in its removal. When the body was extricated, it was found that the skull was broken in every part and the brains forced out, the ribs on his left side were also fractured. The deceased bore an excellent character, and has left a wife and numerous family of young children. The stone had been examined by the overlooker on the day before the melancholy accident occurred, and was then considered perfectly safe Verdict. " Accidental Death "
Baptism of Zaccheus Holmes 25th February 1796, at Alston, parents Thomas and Elizabeth Holmes.
Zaccheus Holmes married Isabella Midcalf, 24th May 1828, at St Augustine’s, Alston.
See 18th December 1841.
In 1841, at Newlands, Zaecheus Holmes, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Isabella aged 30, children Thomas 12, Zaecheus 9, William 7, George 5, John 3, Elizabeth 2, and Isabella 6 months.
In 1851, at Mickley, Northumberland, Joseph Robson, coal miner, aged 27, born Erdington, Cumberland, his wife Isabella, aged 36, born Workington, children, Thomas, coal miner, aged 20, Zaccheus, putter, aged 17, William, putter, aged 15, George, putter, aged 13, John, putter, aged 12, (previous children all born at Alston), Elizabeth 10, born Midgeholm, Cumberland, Isabella 8, born Escot, Cumberland, Isaac 7, born Escot, Cumberland, Mary Jane 4, born Shotley Bridge, and Joseph 2, born Midgeholm, Cumberland.
In 1861, at Great Lumley, Durham, Joseph Robson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella 45, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 28, George, coal miner, aged 22, Elizabeth Holmes20, Isaac, coal miner, aged 17, Mary J 13, Joseph, 12, and grandson George Holmes, 5 months.
In 1861, at Belmont Colliery, Pittington, Durham, Ezekias Holmes, coal miner, aged 26, his wife Sarah 24, children William 5, and Isabella 3.

1st July 1843 (Carlisle Journal)

APPEAL.

STANHOPE IN WEARDALE, APPEAL. — ALSTON RESPOND

This was an appeal against the order of removal of Jane Vipond, and her three children, from Alston to the parish of Stanhope in Weardale.
Mr. Bell appeared for the appellants, and Mr. Ramshay and Mr. Fawcett for the respondents. The case set up by the respondents was that Thomas Vipond had gained a settlement in Stanhope by service under an indenture of apprenticeship to Thomas Robinson of Windyside. The indenture, however, was not forthcoming although it was shown that the most diligent search had been made for it. Mr. Bell raised a number of objections to the answers given

by the respondents, —amongst others—that there had been no indenture, or, if there was, that it was not duly stamped. These objections were over turned; and Mr, Robinson, of Windyside, having proved that Vipond was bound to him, and that he served an apprenticeship of 5½ years, —the Court confirmed the order of removal, with cost.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 28th instant, Mr. Isaac Walton, of Brownside, to Miss Eleanor Richardson, of Hill House. *See 30th September 1893*

Deaths

At Alston, on the 29th instant, Sarah, widow of the late Mr. Wm. Seatree. *See 17th June 1843*

At High Nentsberry, near Alston, on the 29th inst., William, son of Mr. John Spark.

8th July 1843 (Newcastle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 1st inst., Mr. Stephen Stout to Miss Elizabeth Walton, both of Nenthead.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Stout, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 40, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, John 14, Margaret 14, Henry 9, and Elizabeth 7.

In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Stephen Stout, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth 27, sons Walton 3, and John 1 day.

Stephen died from injuries received in an accident at "Thirty Quarrie," Nenthead, died 2nd August 1859. See 12th August 1859.

In 1861, at Holme Foot, Elizabeth Stout, widow, aged 38, children Walter, lead ore dresser, aged 13, John 10, Richard 7, Ann 5, and William 3.

In 1871, at Holme Foots, Elizabeth Stout, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 47, children Walton, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Richard, lead miner aged 17, Ann, house maid, aged 15, and William, labourer in the lead mines, aged 13.

John died aged 24, 2nd May 1875; see 8th May 1875.

In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Elizabeth Stout, lead miners widow, aged 57, children Walton, lead miner, aged 33, Ann, domestic servant, aged 25, and William, lead miner, aged 23.

Elizabeth died at Holme Foot, 11th May 1886, aged 63. See 15th May 1886.

In 1891, William aged 33 is living at Oakley Terrace, West Auckland, working as a coal miner, with his wife Ann (married December 1890 at Wigton), aged 36, and son Thomas James Dowson aged 5 years.

In 1891, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, Walton Stout, cartman, aged 43, and his sister Ann aged 35.

Walton Stout died 25th December 1893, aged 45.

In 1901, at New Street, West Auckland, William Stout, coal miner hewer, aged 43, his wife Ann aged 39, sons, William 8, John 5 and Thomas, coal mine labourer, above bank, aged 15 years.

In 1911, at Hill Top, Nenthead, William Stout, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 47, sons Thomas James Dawson, lead miner, aged 25, William Henry, lead miner, aged 18, and John, lead ore dresser, aged 15.

15th July 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th instant, Mrs. Mary Hardy, advanced in years.
At Skelgill, on the 12th instant, Mr. Joseph Walton, aged 46 years.
In 1841, at High Mid Skelgill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 37, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 13, Mary 9, William 7, Sarah 5, Ann 2, and Joseph 1 month.
In 1851, at Skelgill High, Mary Walton, miners widow, aged 47, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 16, Sarah 14, Ann 12, Joseph 9, and John 7.

22nd July 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Hill House, near Alston, on the 18th instant, Miss Mary Richardson, aged 23 years.
Nicholas Richardson married Eleanor Charlton, 19th June 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Nicholas and Eleanor Richardson.
Joseph born 12th October 1808, 1st son of Nicholas Richardson, Hillhouse, yeoman, by his wife Eleanor daughter of John Charlton, Joseph died 20th June 1829, buried 23rd June 1829, aged 20, at St Augustines, Alston.
Elizabeth born 16th April 1811, 1st daughter of Nicholas Richardson, Hillhouse, yeoman, by his wife Eleanor daughter of John Charlton, Elizabeth died 20th November 1823, buried at St Augustine's, Alston 23rd November 1823.
Bridget baptised 4th August 1816
Mary baptised 25th April 1819
Hannah baptised 23rd May 1824

St Augustine's, Churc Yard, Alston

In Memory of
Elizabeth daughter of
Nicholas Richardson
Hill House
Who died Nov. 20. 1823
Aged 12 years
Also Eleanor his wife
Who died Aug 1 1832
Aged 48 years
Also of the above
Nicholas Richardson
Who died March 6 1836
Aged 57 years
Also Mary his daughter
Who died July 18 1843
Aged 24 years.

Eleanor Richardson, of Hill House, was buried 4th August 1832, aged 48, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Nicholas Richardson, of Hill House, was buried 9th March 1836, aged 57, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Hill House, Alston, Bridget Richardson , farmer, aged 25, Eleanor Richardson, 20, Mary Richardson 20, and Hannah Richardson 15.
Bridget Richardson, married John Millican, 28th April 1852, at Alston.
In 1851, at Bayles, Alston, Bridget, Richardson, landed proprietor, aged 33, and sister Hannah, landed proprietor, aged 25.
In 1861, at Nenthead, John Millican, smelting agent, aged 50, his wife Bridget 47, daughter Ellen 7, niece, Elizabeth S Walton 13, and servant, Margaret Graham, house servant aged 17.
See 19th March 1836, 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, 8th May 1897, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

28th July 1843 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Glasgow, at the Friend's Meeting House, on the 20th inst., Dr John Maxwell to Phoebe, youngest daughter of the late James Mulcaster of Alston, Cumberland.
James Mulcaster married Margaret Pickering, 28th December 1806, at St John's, Garrigill.
Children of James and Margaret Mulcaster, baptised at Redwing Congregational Chapel, Alston:
Ann born 26th September 1807, baptised 3rd October 1810
Sarah born 10th December 1808, baptised 3rd October 1810, Sarah was buried 21st May 1842, aged 33, at St John's, Garrigill
Eleanor born 30th March 1810, baptised 3rd October 1810
Mary born 18th December 1811, baptised 26th November 1815
Hannah born 6th October 1815, baptised 26th November 1815
Joshua Mulcaster born 20th June 1817, baptised 26th April 1818
Phebe born 29th August 1819, baptised 3rd October 1819,

James Mulcaster, cordwainer, of Garrigill Gate, was buried 26th August 1837, aged 68, at St John's, Garrigill
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Margaret Mulcaster, grocer, aged 65, children, Sarah 30, and Joshua, shoe maker, aged 20.
Margaret Mulcaster died 1st January 1864, registered, at Low Galligill, aged 88 years.
See 4th September 1858, 22nd January 1864

19th August 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr. Thomas Gill, schoolmaster, of Nenthall, to Miss Isabella Walton, of Greenend.
In 1841, at Greenend, William Walton, lead mine agent, aged 40, children Sarah 25, Margeret 20, Isabelle 20, and John 14.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Thomas Gill, schoolmaster, aged 31 (born Wetheral), his wife 31, children Mary Isabel 7, Sarah 5, Thomas Walton 2, and Margaret Ann 1 month. In 1861, at Nenthall, Thomas Gill, master of the Church of England,

school, aged 41, his wife Isabella 41, children Mary Isabella 17, Sarrah 15, Thomas Walton 12, Margaret Ann 10, Frances C 6, Isabella 4, and Susannah Jane 1.
See 30th July 1870

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 15th inst., Mr. Matthew Armstrong, aged 57 years.

25th August 1843 (Newcastle Courant)

On Saturday last, a piece of very handsome plate, manufactured by Messrs Reid and Sons, of Newcastle, was presented to Mr Thomas Teasdale, by the miners, workmen, and friends of the Silver Tongue Mine Adventure, at Greenhead, Derwent. The day was particularly fine, and about one o'clock a number of the miners and friends of Mr Teasdale, accompanied by an excellent band of music, met Mr and Mrs Teasdale at the mine, from whence they proceeded to the place of presentation at Greenhead, the band playing appropriate airs as they proceeded; previous to reaching Greenhead, the horse was taken from the phaeton, and Mr and Mrs Teasdale were drawn by the miners to a very pretty lawn in front of the Golden Lion Inn. The plate, which bore the following inscription, viz: — "This coffee pot, together with bason, jug, gold watch, &c., was presented to Thomas Teasdale Esq., by the miners, workmen, and friends of the Silver Tongue Mine Adventure, in testimony of their esteem for his abilities as a miner, and conduct as a man, August 10, 1843," was now shown to the assembled crowd. John Dolphin, Esq., of Hunter-house, chairman of the committee, in the name of the subscribers, presented the plate to Mr Teasdale in a long and eloquent speech, descriptive of mines and mining, and the worthiness of that gentleman to such a, mark of their esteem. Mr Teasdale, in reply, expressed his thanks for their kindness, and in a very neat and appropriate speech described his arduous undertaking at Silver Tongue Mine, and the many difficulties he had had to encounter and surmount. The ceremony of presentation being over, the committee with their friends retired to the inn, where Mr and Mrs Richardson had provided a most sumptuous dinner for the occasion, consisting of almost every delicacy of the season. Mr Dolphin took the chair, with Mr and Mrs Teasdale on his right; after dinner the usual, loyal and patriotic toasts were drunk with great enthusiasm.
See 15th November 1844

1st September 1843 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 30th ult. Mr. Thomas Walton, of Nenthead, lead owner, to Margaret, only daughter of Mr. Thomas Carr, teacher.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, schoolmaster, aged 56, his wife Susannah 55, children, Margaret 25, James, shoe maker, aged 25, Henry 14, and John 12.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY
OF JOHN CARR YOUNGEST SON
OF THOMAS & SUSANNA CARR
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DECEMBER 12TH 1845
AGED 16 YEARS

2nd September 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 25th ult., Mr. Joseph Smith, millwright, aged 71.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Smith, millwright, aged 60, and Elizabeth Smith, dressmaker, aged 15.
At Nenthead on the 29th ult., Miss Elizabeth Pearson, aged 42 years.
William Armstrong married Nanny Pearson, 2nd September 1809, at St Augustine's, Alston. See the Will of Billy Atkinson, and Will of John Pearson
In 1841, Nanny Atkinson, carrier, aged 50, John Atkinson, lead miner, aged 25, James Atkinson, lead miner, aged 20, and Elizabeth Pearson, Independent, aged 40. See 9th February 1884

16th September 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 10th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Whitfield, aged 62 years.
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Whitfield, widow, aged 60, Mary Whitfield 30, Thomas Whitfield, post rider, aged 20, George Whitfield, lead miner, aged 15, and Mary Pattinson 5.
In 1851, at Front St. Alston, Mary Whitfield, house keeper, aged 44, brothers, Thomas, mail contractor, aged 34, George, lead miner, aged 28, and visitor, Mary Pattinson, dressmaker, aged 15.

7th October 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Rodrup, near Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Isaac Watson, aged 38 years.
In 1841, at Low Rotherhope, Isaac Watson, farmer, aged 35, and servant, Margaret Parmley 20.

14th October 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 7th inst., Mr. Thomas Price to Miss Mary Tatters, both of Nenthead. *See 14th April 1865*
Deaths
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 6th instant, aged 60, Mrs. Ann Hymers.

28th October 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 25th instant, the Rev. Alfred Scales, Independent minister, Ipswich, Suffolk, to Sarah Angus, second daughter of Thomas Dickinson, Esq., Spency Croft, near Alston.
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 20th instant, Mr. John Stout, yeoman, aged 80 years.
At Wanwood Hill, on the 20th inst., Mr Edward Rain, farmer aged 48 years.

3rd November 1843 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope, on the 21st ult., Mr. Timothy Teasdale, Westgate, to Hannah daughter of Mr. Mark Proudfoot, Eastgate, Weardale.
In 1851, at Westgate Weardalem Tomothy Teasdale, common carrier, aged 39, his wife Hannah 32, children, Mary 5 and Isabella 3.

8th December 1843 (Newcastle Courant)
J. D. Stagg, Esq., of Middleton-in-Teesdale, manager of Smelter-works, has taken out a patent for a new and improved plan for collecting, condensing, and purifying the fumes of lead, copper, and other ores and metals; also the particles of such ores and metals arising or produced from the roasting, smelting, or manufacturing thereof; and also the noxious smoke, gases, salt, and acids, soluble and absorbable in water, generated in treating and working such ores and metals.

9th December 1843 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Middleton-in-Teesdale Church, on the 30th ult., Mr Joseph Marsden to Miss Allinson, eldest daughter of Mr John Allinson.
At Blanchland Church, on the 2nd inst., Mr William Routledge, of Shildon, to Miss Margaret Keenlyside, near Allenheads. Same day, Mr William Jemeson, of Shildon, to Miss Ann Stephenson, near Allenheads.
At Edmondbyers, 2nd inst, Mr. William Barron, Silvertongues Lead Mine, to Jane, youngest daughter of Mr. Joseph Steavenson, of Edmondbyers.
William Barron, baptised at Edmundbyers, 3rd September 1815, son of Robson and Mary Barron.
In 1841, at Acton Mill, Robson Barron, lead miner aged 60 (buried 27th September 1850, St Mary's Abbey, Blanchland), his wife Mary (nee Nixon, died 3rd quarter 1868, aged 81, registered Hexham)) aged 50, Children William 25, Matthew 20, Joseph 15, Jane 12, and Elizabeth 8.
In 1851, at Edmondbyers, William Barron, lead miner, aged 36, born Edmondbyers, his wife Jane aged 36, born Edmondbyers, children Jane 4, and William Stephenson, 11 months.

In 1851, Joseph Barron aged 6 years, son of William and Jane was staying with his grandmother at Cowbyers, Shotley High Quarter: Mary Barron aged 64, sons Mathew, lead ore miner, aged 32, Joseph, lead ore calciner, aged 24, daughters Jane, dressmaker aged 21, Elizabeth, dressmaker aged 17, and grandson Joseph aged 6.
In 1861, at Greenhowhill, Appletreewick, *Burnsall, Grassington, William Barron, miners agent, aged 45, his wife Jane aged 45, children, Joseph, apprentice, aged 17, Jane 14, Wm. Stephenson 10, Thomas Stephenson 6, and Robson aged 2 years.*
William Barron died 20th September 1869, aged 54, at Glenridding House, Patterdale. Probate records show his occupation Mining agent, his effects under £300 were awarded to his wife Jane.
In 1871, at Kindall Street, Leeds, Jane Barron, unmarried, aged 55, children Joseph, mechanics fitter, aged 27, Jane, pupil teacher, aged 24, Wm Stephinson, corn millwright, aged 20, Thos Stephinson, clerk railway, aged 16, and Robson, scholar, aged 12.
In 1881, at Addigton St., Leeds, Jane Barron, unmarried, certificated teacher aged 34, and her brother, Robson, unmarried, mechanics fitter, apprentice, aged 22.

Deaths

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 1st inst., aged 75, Dorothy, widow of Mr. Thomas Irwin, glazier, Alston.
At Wanwood Hill, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., aged 90 Mrs. Margaret Raine.
Edward Raine married Margaret Euart, 15th October 1791, at St John's, Garrigill. Edward Raine was buried at Garrigill, 28th March 1811.
In 1841 at Wanwood Hill, Alston, Edward Raine, farmer, ageds 45, his wife Isabella (Walton, married, 8th June 1820, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, children, Joseph 20, Elizabeth 20, Edward 15, Robert 14, John 12, Henry 9, William 6, Isabella 4, Matthew 9 months, and Margaret Raine, independent, aged 85.
Edward Raine died 20th October 1843.

St John's, Church Yard, Garrigill

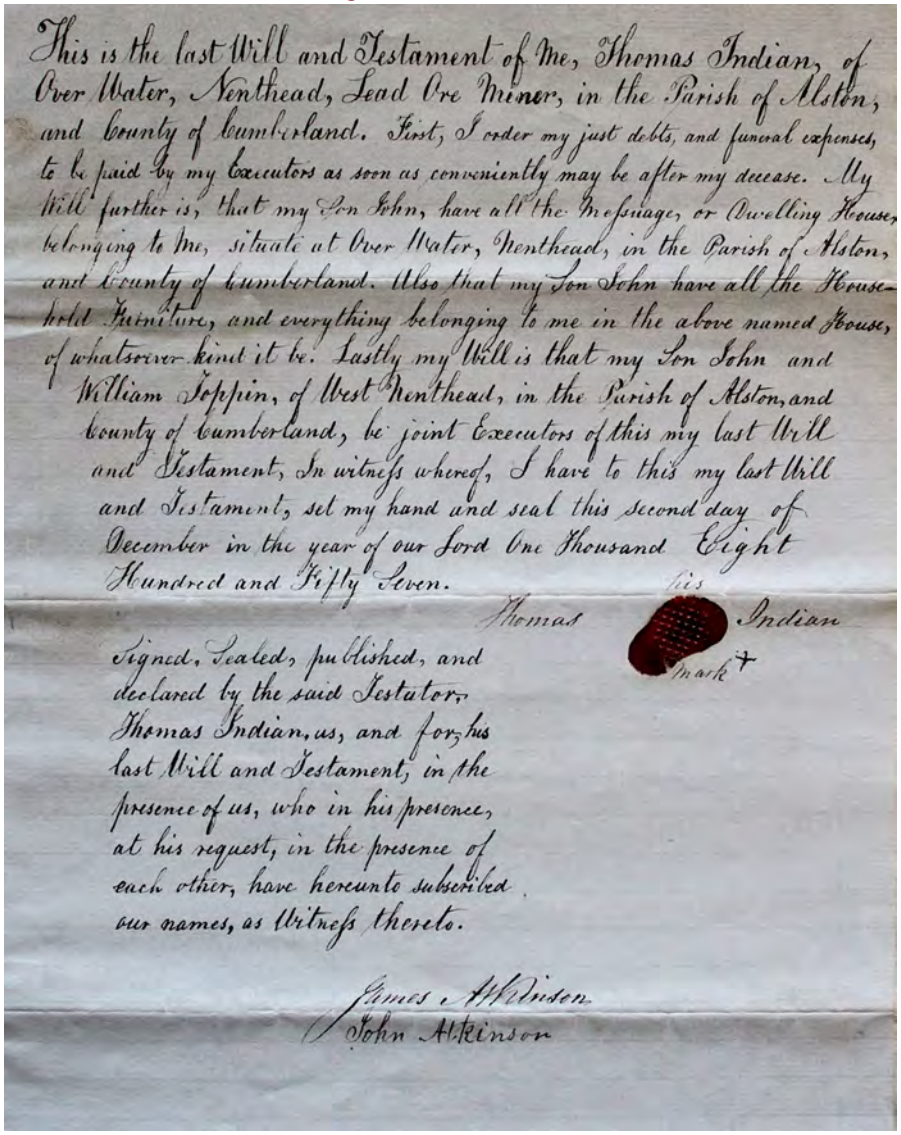
In Memory of
Edward Raine, of Wanwoodhill
who departed this life October 20th 1843,
aged 48 years.
And of Isabella his wife, who died
Aug. 14th 1853, aged 55.
Also of William, Son of the above, who
died October 26th 1847 aged 13 Years,
And of Joseph, who died at St. Louis.
U.S.N.America, May 8th 1849 aged 31.
Also of
Elizabeth, who died at Wanwoodhill
June 8 1851, aged 30.
And of Henry, who died Aug. 30th 1852,
Aged 20.
Also of Isabella, who died April 16th
1862, aged 25 Years.

In 1851, at Wanwood Hill, Isabella Raine, widow, farmer of 80 acres, aged 53, children, Elizabeth, dressmaker aged 30, Robert, farmers son, aged 25, John, farmers son, aged 22, Henry, farmers son, aged 19, Isabella 14, and Walton 10. Isabella Raine died 14th August 1853.

9th December 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 30th ult., Mr. Jacob Richardson, of Bailes, to Miss Jane Dickinson, of Bridge End.
In 1851, at Alston Brewery, Jacob Richardson, cartman, aged 35, his wife Jane aged 30, and son Joseph 2.
At Alston, on the 30th ult., Mr. Thomas Trathen, to Miss Mary Indian, both of Nenthead.
Thomas Indian was baptised at Ninebanks 1st Sept 1784 son of John Indian & Margaret Makepeace (married 24 Feb 1784 Alston).
Thomas married Susan (Susannah) Havelock 25th Feb 1808 at Alston Susan was buried at Alston, 17th April 1831, aged 42. Susan was the daughter of William Havelock and Elizabeth Hetherington.
Children of Thomas and Susan Indian:
John born 21st February 1809
Elizabeth born 19th May 1811
William baptised 9th July 1813
Margaret baptised 1st December 1815
Mary born 26th August 1820, baptised 17th October 1820
Mary baptised 8th October 1822
Susan baptised 8th October 1822
Thomas baptised 11th February 1823
Hetherington baptised 6th March 1825
Hannah born 28th September 1827, baptised 30th October 1827
Betsy born 10th April 1831, baptised 19th April 1831
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Indian, lead miner, aged 56, children John, lead miner, aged 30, Mary, housekeeper, aged 20, Hetherington, labourer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Betsy10, and Jane 1 month.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Thomas Indian, widow, lead miner, aged 66, born Allendale, children John, lead miner, aged 42, Thomas, tailor, aged 28, Hetherington, lead ore washer, aged 26, Hannah, lead ore washer, aged 23, Betsy 19, and granddaughter, Jane 9.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Indian, widow, lead miner, aged 77, son John, lead miner, aged 52, and housekeeper, Mary A Roddam 17.
Thomas Indian died, 1st July 1862, at Overwater, Nenthead.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Richard Trathen, lead miner, aged 75, his wife Martha (Tatters, married, 22nd November 1798) aged 60, children, William, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Jane 20, and Walter, lead miner, aged 15. In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Richard Trathan, lead ore washer, aged 84, born Cambourne, Cornwall, his wife Martha 74, son William, lead ore washer, aged 44, and daughter Jane 30. Richard Trathan died 2nd quarter 1854. In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Trathan, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 30, children Susanna 7, Richard 5, and John 2.In 1861, at Overwater, Thomas Trathan, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 41, children Richard, lead ore washer, aged 15, John, lead ore washer, aged 12,

Catherine 9, Martha 7, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, Martha Trathan, washing foreman's widow, aged 87, son William, unmarried, lead miner, aged 54, daughter, Jane, unmarried, aged 41, and granddaughter, Sarah J Trathan 8. Martha Trathan was buried 26th October 1865, aged 93, at St John's, Nenthead.



This is the last Will and Testament of Me, Thomas Indian, of Over Water, Nenthead, Lead Ore Miner, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland. First, I order my just debts, and funeral expenses, to be paid by my Executors as soon as conveniently may be after my decease. My Will further is, that my Son John, have all the Messuage, or Dwelling House, belonging to Me, situate at Over Water, Nenthead, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland. Also that my Son John have all the Household Furniture, and everything belonging to me in the above named House, of whatsoever kind it be. Lastly my Will is that my Son John and William Joppin, of West Nenthead, in the Parish of Alston, and County of Cumberland, be joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament, In witness whereof, I have to this my last Will and Testament, set my hand and seal this second day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Seven.

his
Thomas Indian
mark +

Signed, Sealed, published, and declared by the said Testator, Thomas Indian, as, and for his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who in his presence, at his request, in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names, as Witness thereto.

James Atkinson
John Atkinson

Will of Thomas Indian dated 2nd December 1857.
Held at Carlisle Record Office, Ref. Dx/1194/1

In 1871, at Butts, Stanhope, Thomas Trathan, quarryman, aged 58, his wife Mary 50, children Richard, quarryman, aged 25, John, quarryman, aged 22, Martha 16, Mary 11, and Catherine 5.
Thomas Trathan died 3rd quarter 1880, aged 64, registered at Auckland.
Martha Trathan married Matthew Aisbitt, at Auckland, 4th quarter 1873
Richard Trathan married Margaret Ann Atkinson 3rd quarter 1880, at Auckland.
In 1881, at Middlestone, Durham, Richard Trathan, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Margaret Ann 28, sister Catherine Trathan 15, sister in law, Martha Atkinson 14, mother Mary Trathan, widow, aged 58, visitors Mary Aisbit 7, and Thomas Aisbit 5.
Also at Middlestone, Durham, in 1881, John Trathan, coal miner, aged 32, his

wife Elizabeth Ellen, aged 28, children, Jane 12, Ellen 10, Mary Alice 7, Susannah 7 months, visitors, Matthew Aisbet, fireman chemical works, aged 29, born London, his wife, Martha Aisbet, aged 28, daughters, Ellen Aisbet 3, and Elizabeth Aisbet 7 months. See 12th July 1873.
At Alston, on the 7th instant, Mr. Thomas Gibson, of Alston Brewery, to Miss Elizabeth Dodd, of the Golden Lion Inn.
At Alston, on the 7th instant, Mr. John Hogg, of Allendale Town, to Miss Ann Elliott, of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, John Hogg, labourer on the roads, aged 29, born Coanwood, his wife Ann 26, children Sarah 6, and Thomas 4.
Deaths
At Nenthall, on the 6th instant, Miss Agnes Keenlyside, aged 20 years.
See 21st August 1841

30th December 1843 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Craig House, Allenheads, on the 28th inst. aged 24, Joseph, son of the late Mr John Crawhall, of that place, deeply regretted by his family and friends.
Son of John and Margaret Crawhall, baptised St Peter's, Allenheads, 25th September 1819. See 22nd September 1832

30th December 1843 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd instant, aged 29 years, Hannah, wife of Mr. Anthony Pattinson.
In 1841, at Nest, Alston, Jane Pattinson, widow, aged 60, and son Anthony, lead miner, aged 25. In 1851, at High Cow Gap, Garrigill, Jane Pattinson, widow, parish relief, aged 73, son Anthony, lead miner, aged 38, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Pattinson 4.

6th January 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 31st ult., Mr. Thomas Bell, of Natrass, to Miss Hannah Bell *(sic, Featherston)* of Clitheroe, Alston.
In 1841, at Nattrass, Garrigill, Mary Bell, farmer, aged 55, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 20. Thomas Bell of Natrass, was buried 10th August 1848, aged 35, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Bell, widow, confectioner, aged 28, children, Mary 5, and Thomas 3.

27th January 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
INQUESTS. —At Highlea House near Alston, before Mr. Lee Deputy Coroner, on view of the body of Mr. James Slack, aged 41 years. The deceased retired to rest in his usual health, and after reposing a few minutes took his child in his arms, embraced it, and said "bless thee," and immediately died. Verdict, "natural death." *James Slack, married Betty Lee, 17th March 1825, at Alston.*
In 1841, at High Lea House, James Slack, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Betty 35, children, Jonathan 14, Hannah 11, James 7, William 2, and John 2 months.

In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Betty Slack, lead miners widow, relief, aged 45, children James, lead mine labourer, aged 17, William, lead mine labourer, aged 11, J Joseph 9, Thomas 7, and Anny, nurse child 1.
In 1861, at Garrigill village, Elizabeth Slack, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons William, lead miner, aged 21, and John J, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1871, at High Lea House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Slack, widow, grocer and farmer of 6 acres, aged 66, and son William, lead ore miner, aged 31.
Elizabeth Slack died 30th December 1888, aged 82 years.
See 3rd April 1875, 12th February 1876, and 4th February 1888.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 23rd instant, Mr. Ralph Billany, of Newcastle, to Miss Mary Pattinson, of Alston.

At Alston Church, on the 25th, Mr. Thomas Dickinson, to Miss Ann Richardson, both of Alston.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann 28, children, Robert 6, Hannah 4, Margaret 2, and Phoebe 6 months.
In 1861, at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 38, children, Robert, joiners apprentice, aged 16, Hannah 14, Margaret 12, Phoebe 10, and Sarah Ann 8.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 56 (died 1st quarter of 1880, aged 66), his wife Ann 48, children Robert, joiner, aged 26, Hannah, domestic servant, aged 24, Margaret, domestic servant, aged 22, Sarah A, domestic servant, aged 18, and Thomas, joiners apprentice, aged aged 13.
In 1881, at Thirlwell Lane, Ann Dickinson, widow, aged 58, son Robert, joiner & millwright, aged 37, and daughter, Sarah Ann, domestic servant, aged 27.
In 1891, at Thirlwell Lane, Ann Dickinson, widow, aged 69, son Robert, joiner aged 44, and daughter, Sarah Ann, domestic servant, aged 38.
Ann Dickinson died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 80.
See 25th November 1871

At Alston Church, on the 25th, Mr. Robert Varty, of Sheep Riggs, to Miss Mary Johnson, of the Turks Head inn, Alston.

In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary 30, children, Elizabeth 8, Mary Ann 4, and Sarah 1.
In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 40, children, Mary Ann 14, Thomas 9, Isabella 6, Robert 4, and Samuel aged 1.
In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 50, children, Thomas, pupil teacher, aged 17, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 16, Robert 13, and Samuel aged 11.
Robert Varty died 1st quarter 1877, aged 56, registered at Alston.
In 1881, at 11 Nenthead Road, Mary Varty, lead miners widow, aged 60, and son Robert, butcher, aged 23.
Mary Varty died 16th September 1887, aged 65, at Alston.

10th February 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

At Nenthead, on the 7th inst., Mr. Thomas Hutchinson, miner, aged *65*? years.
See 23rd April 1870 and 16th February 1884.

17th February 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Alston. —The landowners in this neighbourhood have been very busy during the week, procuring signatures from their tenants and others dependant upon them, to a petition in favour of the existing Corn Laws.

Presentation. —The London Lead Company's workmen at Alston Moor, have recently presented to Mr. John Millican, sen., on his retirement from the agency of that district (which he has held for twenty seven years) a copy of Bagster's Bible and Heapla, accompanied with an appropriate address, expressive of their high respect for him. The bible is handsomely bound, and bears the following inscription on a plate of silver: -

"Presented to Mr. John Millican, on his retirement from the office of a district agent to the Lead Company in Alston Moor, by the Company's workmen therein, as a token of their affectionate regard and esteem, and of their grateful rememberance of his unvarying kindness, and of his services in the promotion of their best interests."

Mark of Respect. —On the 5th instant, the inhabitants of Allonby presented to Mr. Utrick Walton, custom-house officer, lately stationed there, but now of Oban, a very handsome and valuable writing desk, bearing the following inscription: —

"Presented to Utrick Walton by the inhabitants of Allonby, as a mark of respect and esteem for his gratuitous and unwearied services in the cause of education, morality, and religion."

See 27th December 1844 and 21st November 1885

Shocking Accident. —On Wednesday, the 7th inst., a melancholy and fatal accident occurred at Overheath Lead Mine, near Dufton, Westmorland, to a young man named John Ion, son of Joseph Ion, of Knock. It appears whilst working in the mine, a portion of the roof suddenly gave way, and a large stone, measuring about four yards in length and four feet in depth, fell upon him. Some other miners who were near immediately went to his assistance, and found a portion of the stone lying on his head, his body being protected by a wagon which the stone had partly fallen on—but it was not until four hours had elapsed that it could be removed. The young man exhibited signs of life for about half an hour after the accident. His head was much mangled, and there was also a severe wound on his breast. An inquest was held on the body on the Friday following, before G. Thompson, Esq., coroner, and a verdict of "accidental death" returned. Deceased was 20 years of age, and much respected.

Joseph Ion married Emma Willan 1st October 1821, at Long Marton.
In 1841, at Knock, Long Marton, Joseph Ion, publican, aged 40, his wife Emma 35, children, John 15, Joseph 14, Mary 12, Thomas 9, Ann 4, and William 1.

Mary Ion married Thomas Chambers 1st quarter 1846

In 1851, at Knock, Long Marton, Thomas Chambers, farmer of 40 acres, aged 31, his wife Mary 23, children, Emma 2, Joseph 1, brother in law, Thomas Ion, Ag Lab, aged 19, brother in law William Ion 10, and sister in law Anne Ion 14.

In 1861 at Knock, Long Marton, Thomas Chambers, farmer of 40 acres, aged 41, his wife Mary 32, children, Emma 13, Joseph 11, John Ion 9, William 7, Thomas 5, and Mary 1.

In 1861, at Knock, Long Marton, Thomas Ion, Inn keeper, aged 29, and sister Ann, house keeper aged 24.

In Memory of
Joseph Ion late of Knock
who died May 27 1844
Aged 42 years.
Emma his wife
who died May 7 1843
Aged 41 years
And of John their son
who died Feb^{y} 7 1844
Aged 20 years
And of Joseph their son
who died Nov 22 1846
Aged 20 years
And of Thomas their son
who died June 8 1875
Aged 43 years.

In 1871, at Knock, Long Marton, Thomas Chambers, farmer of 50 acres, aged 50, his wife Mary 42, children, Emma 23, Joseph, freestone quarryman, aged 21, John, joiner, aged 19, Mary 12, granddaughter Jane Chambers 4, and brother, Thomas Ion, land owner, aged 39.

Mary Chambers died 25th March 1876, aged 47.
In 1881, at Long Marton, Thomas Chambers, widower, farmer of 68 acres, aged 61, daughter Mary 20, and granddaughter Jane Chambers aged 14.
Thomas Chambers died 15th February 1896, aged 76 years.

In 1871 at Ardwick, Manchester, Richard Cole labourer, aged 48, born London, his wife Ann 49, born Long Marton, son William, warehouseman, aged 21, born Ardwick, father in law, William Dargue, aged 74, born Long Marton, mother in law, Mary Dargue, 72, born Long Marton, and Lodger William Ion, house joiner, aged 30, born Long Marton.

Inquest. —At Grass Field, near Alston, on the 10th inst., on the body of John Irwin, aged 40 years, whose death was occasioned by reason of an explosion of gunpowder in Fire Stone Lead Mine, belonging to the Governor and Company of Nenthead Mines. Verdict "Accidental death."

John Erwin, married Hannah Spark, 14th June 1827, at Alston.
In 1841, at Grassfield, John Erwin, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah aged 30, children Robert 12, Betsy 7, John 4, Ridley 2, and Mary 3 months.
Betsy died 4th quarter of 1843.

In 1851, Hannah Irwin, widow, occupier of land, aged 42, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 14, Ridley 12, Mary 10, and Hannah 8.
In 1861, at Nentsbury, John Irwin, unmarried, lead miner, aged 24, brother Ridley, lead miner, aged 22, and sister, Hannah, dress maker, aged 17.
See, 24th February 1844, 27th April 1866, and 1st June 1866.

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 11th instant, aged 68, Mr. George Hutchinson.
In 1841, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, George Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 65.
At Alston, on the 13th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Samuel White, aged 63 years.
Samuel White, married Mary Walton, 3rd January 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston.
They had a daughter Mary born 28th June 1802
Mary White was buried 19th July 1802, aged 24, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Samuel White married Elizabeth Dixon, 16th January 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Samuel and Elizabeth White:
Hannah born 15th November 1808, 2nd daughter of Samuel White, Alston, butcher by his wife Elizabeth daughter of John Dixon. Hannah was buried 5th December 1809, aged 1.
Fenwick born 15th October 1810, 1st son of Samuel White, Alston, butcher by his wife Elizabeth daughter of John Dixon, Allendale.
John baptised 17th January 1813
Samuel baptised 22nd May 1820
Elizabeth baptised 20th December 1821
Ann baptised 25th November 1832
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 60, and Ann White 15.
Samuel White died
See

24th February 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquests: —An inquest was held before Mr. Lee, the deputy coroner, on the 19th instant, at Roughside, in the parish of Alston, on the body of William Black, aged 14 years, who was found on the 8th instant at Roughside Plantation, about 200 yards distant from his father's dwelling house. He was suspended from a tree, with his feet resting upon the ground. He had been missing from about two o'clock on the previous day. When he was last seen he was making a box trap; he was as cheerful as usual, and talking about matters of business that he intended to do in the course of a few days. He had not had any previous quarrel with any one, nor evinced any depression of spirits. It appeared that he had a strong propensity for snaring and trapping wild rabbits and vermin. Shortly before his death he caught his brother by the neck in a snare suspended from the mine in which they worked. On another occasion he tried an experiment upon one of his playfellows, to ascertain, as he said, how long he could hang without being hurt. He placed his playfellow upon a stool, and hung him from a beam, — kicked the stool from under him, and allowed him to hang a short time before he released him. On another occasion he and the same boy were in a wood when deceased drew from his

pocket a rope and said he would let his companion see him hang himself. The boy ran off and left him. The jury, from the evidence, were led to conclude that the deceased had been accidentally hanged whilst trying an experiment upon himself, and returned a verdict accordingly.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR ALSTON.—On Friday morning week, a fatal accident befel a poor man named John Erwine, of Grassfield, while working in the Lead Companys mines at Nenthead. He had prepared what is technically called "a shot," with a train attached to it, for the purpose of blasting a portion of the mine, when by some accident it exploded while he was standing upon the spot, and he was instantly killed. The poor fellow was mutilated in a shocking manner. The left side of his face was taken off, one of his arms was shattered, and left hanging by a piece of skin, and his body was otherwise dreadfully injured, he was a sober, industrious, and pious man, much respected by his fellow workmen. He has left a wife and six children to lament his untimely end. *See, 17th February 1844, & 1st June 1866.*

Deaths

At Aimshaugh near Alston on the 16th inst., Mr. John White, aged 81 years.

At Radrup, near Alston, on the 19th instant, aged 57, Mr. Thomas Watson.

See 13th February 1875

At Alston, on the 17th inst., aged 66, Tamar, relict of the late Mr. William Walton.

William Walton married Tamer Hetherington, 21st July 1802, at Kirkhaugh.
Children of William and Tamar Walton:
Nancy born 10th December 1802, daughter of William Walton of Raise, yeoman, by his wife Tamar daughter of William Hetherington.
Elizabeth born 17th June 1805, 2nd daughter of William Walton, Raise, Yeoman by his wife Thamar daughter of William Hetherington.
Tamar, born 17th June 1808, 3rd daughter of William Walton of Raise, yeoman, by his wife Tamer, daughter of William Hetherington.
In 1841, Market Place, Alston, Tamar Walton, independent, aged 63, daughters, Ann, straw bonnet maker, aged 35, and Tamar, straw bonnet maker, aged 30.

2nd March 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. James Moffat, to Miss Elizabeth Dixon, both of Leadgate.

Peter Moffatt married Addah White, 12th May 1787, at Alston.
Peter Moffatt, buried 27th June 1822, aged 61, Redwing burials.
In 1841, at Leadgate, Adah Moffat, aged 75, and James Moffat, lead miner, aged 35. Addah Moffatt, buried 12th April aged 86, 1850, Redwing burials.
In 1851 at Sandhill, Alston, James Moffatt, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth aged 46, lodgers William Plan, hawker, aged 61, and John Manderson, tailor, aged 21.
In 1861, at Sand Hill, James Moffatt, Ag. Lab., aged 60, his wife Elizabeth, aged 57, lodgers, Ralph Bainbridge, tailor, aged 46, William Armstrong, Ag. Lab., aged 25, and Elizabeth Dixon, widow, aged 90.
James Moffatt, died 3rd quarter 1870, aged 69, registered at Alston.
Elizabeth Moffatt died 1st quarter 1887 aged 82, registered at Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 22nd ult., Mr. Thomas Hind, aged 31 years
At Alston, on the 28th ult., Mrs. Margaret Spark, aged 67 years.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Margaret Spark, widow, aged 64, Mary Spark 15, and John Spark 4.

8th March 1844 (Durham Chronicle)
Middleton in Teesdale.—Two men were drowned, near this place, last week, whilst pursuing their avocation of washing the lead ore; one of which has left a wife and large family.

9th March 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
The National School for girls, lately erected at Alston, was opened on the 4th inst., and placed under the management of Miss Lowthian, late of St. John's National School, Newcastle upon Tyne. Several of the respectable inhabitants were present, and an appropriate address was delivered by the Rev. H. Salvin, the vicar.

22nd March 1844 (Durham County Advertiser)
George Ritford *(Redfearn)* and John Nixon, were recently drowned in one of the Lead Company's mines at Middleton Teesdale, by the River Tees suddenly rushing in upon them, while at work. The former has left a wife and nine children; and the latter an aged mother, of whom he was the chief support, to lament their loss.
Thomas Redfearn married Margaret Tallintire 14th July 1816, at Middleton

In 1841, at Middleton in Teesdale, Thomas Redfearn, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Margaret, aged 46, children, George 21, John 17, Mary 18, Marg 14, Elizabeth 12, William 10, Robert 7 and Hannah 3.

George Redfearn buried 4th March 1844, aged 23, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton

In 1851, at Middle Side, Middleton, Thomas Readfern, retired Miner farmer, aged 61, his wife Margaret 56, children, Elizabeth 22, William, lead miner, aged 20, Robert, lead miner, aged 17, Hannah 13, and granddaughter Margaret Readfern, aged 9.
Thomas Redfearn was buried 23rd June 1854, aged 67, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton. Margaret Redfearn was buried 19th November 1857, aged 62, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton

Nanny Bainbridge married John Nixon 13th December 1823 at Middleton
In 1841, at Dirt Pitt, Middleton in Teesdale, John Nixon, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ann aged 35, children, Ann 14, Elizabeth 11, Thomas 8, John 6, Nancy 3, and Jacob 1.

John Nixon buried 4th March 1844, aged 43, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton

In 1851, at Middleton in Teesdale, Ann Nixon, miners widow, aged 48, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 15, Frances, 13, Jacob 10, and sister Elizabeth Hunt, miners widow, aged 68.
In 1861, at Middleton Town, Ann Nixon, widow, aged 59, son Jacob, lead miner, aged 20, and visitor, Ann Hutchinson 27.
In 1871, at Low Hill Middleton, Jacob B Nixon, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Mary (Longstaff, married 4th quarter 1861, at Middleton) aged 32,

children, Ann 8, John 3, Mary Jane 1, and mother, Nanny Nixon, widow, aged 68. Nanny Nixon was buried 3rd June 1879, aged 76, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton

23rd March 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Foulart, near Nenthead, on the 15th instant, Mr. George Thompson, aged 40 years.
In 1841, at Foulard Top, Nenthead, William Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, Margaret 27, Matthew 3, Joseph 1, Female servant, Anna Shield 14, George Thompson, lead miner, aged 35, born Scotland and Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 15.
At Silly Hall, on the 18th instant, Robert, son of Mr. Adam Elliott, aged 18 years.
In 1841, at Silly Hole, Adam Elliot, yeoman, aged 40, his wife Mary (Smith, married, 16th June 1821, at Alston) aged 40, children, Hannah 15, Mary 11, Rebecca 8, and John 5. Adam Elliot died 4th April 1849, at Alston.
In 1851, at Silly Hole, Garrigill, Mary Elliott, widow, farmer & land proprietor, aged 52, children, Hannah 29, John 25, Mary Ann 20, Rebecca, dressmaker, aged 17, Jane 15, and visitor, Robert Elliot Raine, aged 12.
In 1861, at High Plains, Garrigill, Mary Elliott, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 62, son in law, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 30 and daughter Jane aged 25.
In 1871, at High Silly Hole, Mary Elliott, widow, annuitant, aged 72.
Mary Elliot died 10th December 1874, aged 76.
At High Nentsbury, near Alston, on the 19th instant, Mrs. Mary Pattinson, aged 62 years.

5th April 1844 (Newcastle Courant)
Died
In Orchard Street, on the 29th ult., aged 67, Mr W Deans. He was 28 years engineer to the Derwent Mining Co., but latterly of this town.
See 9th October 1824

6th April 1844 (Newcastle Journal)
The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, Lords of the Manor of Alston Moor, with their usual liberality, have for the encouragement of mining speculation, reduced their dues on lead ore from the lessees of the mines from one-sixth to one-seventh of all the lead ore raised in the manor.

6th April 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Physic Hall, near Alston, on the 31st ult., Mr. John Richardson, aged 39 years.
Thomas Richardson married Ann Cooper (sic Cowper) 26th October 1788, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Ann Richardson:
1. Isaac baptised 27th September 1789, buried 22nd January 1793, at Alston.
2. Thomas baptised 9th January 1791
3. Isaac baptised 24th February 1793
4. Ann baptised 28th December 1794

5. John baptised 25th September 1796, buried 6th October 1801, at Alston.
6. Adam born 29th September 1798, 5th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac and Dorothy Cowper.
7. William born 17th October 1800, 6th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac Cowper.
8. Joseph born 17th August 1803, 7th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac Cowper.
9. John born 3rd August 1804, 8th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac Cowper.
10. James born 16th August 1806, 9th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac Cowper.
11.Anthony buried 28th May 1809, aged 1.
12. Michael born 24th October 1809, 11th son of Thomas Richardson, joiner of Alston by his wife Ann daughter of Isaac Cowper.Possible burial of Ann Richardson, 5th August 1821, aged 42, at Alston.
Thomas Richardson, joiner, died 11th March 1841, aged 76.
In 1841, at Physic Hall, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 35, and James Richardson, lead miner, aged 30.
In 1851, at Physic Hall, James Richardson, lead miner, aged 44, sister Ann (married John Graham 6th June 1820, at Alston) Graham, lead miners widow, aged 56, niece, Elizabeth Graham, twister at factory, aged 19, niece, Margaret, twister in factory, aged 17, and granddaughter, Jane Graham 2.
James Richardson died 1st quarter 1853, registered, at Alston.
At Alston, on the 31st ult., James, son of Mr. B. Hudson, Wesleyan Minister, aged 19 years.
At Alston, on the 1st instant, Mr. William Simpson, draper, aged 47.
At Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Wellington Walton, aged 30 years.
Wellington Walton, son of John and Jane (Lamb) Walton, baptised 21st November 1813.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Wellington Walton, lead miner, aged 27, and his wife, Isabella aged 24.

Matthew Walton, baptised 14th November 1841, son of Wellington and Isabella Walton.

In 1851, at Bank Foot, Alston, Robert Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Isabella, 34, step son, Matthew Walton 9, and daughter Mary 7 months.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Robert Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Isabella 44, children, Mary 10, and John 4.
In 1871, at Main Street, Alston, Robert Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Isabella, dressmaker, aged 54, children, Mary, milliner, aged 20, and John, tailors Appr, aged 14.

Robert Bainbridge died 1st quarter 1878, aged 61, at Newcastle.

In 1881, at Scotswood Rd, Elswick, Isabella Bainbridge, dressmaker, aged 64, children, Mary, milliner, aged 28, and John, tailors, aged 24.
In 1891, at 489 Scotswood Rd, Elswick, John Bainbridge, tailor & clothier, aged 34, mother Isabella Bainbridge, widow, aged 75, sister Mary Scott, widow, dressmaker, aged 39, and nephew William B Scott aged 7.
Isabella Bainbridge died 8th May 1894, aged 77, at 489 Scotswood Rd.

20th April 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

POOR LAW UNION

The election of the Guardians of the various Poor Law Unions throughout the country took place. … We subjoin lists of the Guardians for the present year …

ALSTON WITH GARRIGILL UNION,

J. Wilson, Alston House, Isaac Walton, Brownside, T. Dickinson, Spency Croft, William Armstrong, Alston, Thomas Wilson, Nenthal. John Cowper, Alston, Robert Bainbridge, Loaning, J. P. Slack, Lee House, T. Shaw, Hundy Head, R. Burn, Bruntley Syke, Jacob Walton, Greenends William Guy, Alston, T. Millican, Nenthead.

Deaths

At Skelgill, near Alston, on the 12th instant, Mr. Daniel Thompson, aged 47 years.

In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Anna (Harrison, married at Alston, 12th June 1824) aged 35, children William, carters labourer, aged 14, Agnes 13, Thomas 10, Anna 5, and Daniel 4 months.

In 1851, Skelgill Plains, Alston, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Anna 15, Daniel 10, Jonathan 7, and Henry 2.

See 1st July 1871.

At Brownside, near Alston, on the 16th inst., Ann, widow of the late Mr. Hugh Walton, of Nest, aged 86.

In 1841, at Brownside, Nancy Walton, independent, aged 82.

Hugh Walton, baptised 12th October 1755, father Thomas Walton.

Hugh Walton married Ann Thompson, 28th April 1783, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Children of Hugh and Ann Walton:

Mary baptised 10th December 1783

George baptised 3rd September 1785, buried 19th December 1786

Thomas baptised 3rd September 1785

Utrick baptised 23rd December 1787

Hannah baptised 29th December 1789

Joseph baptised 26th November 1791, buried 19th March 1804, aged 12.

Frances baptised 28th December 1793

Elizabeth baptised 24th August 1795

Ann of High Nest, baptised 25th May 1797

Hugh born 19th September 1799, 5th son of Hugh Walton, miner, by his wife Ann daughter of George and Mary Thompson; buried 26th September 1801

Hugh Walton of Nest was buried, 13th October 1818, aged 63, at St Augustine's, Alston.

26th April 1844 (Newcastle Courant)

At the last meeting of the Durham Diocesan Society, the following grants were made:—

£50 towards building a new church at Nenthead, in the parish of Alston; £40 towards building a new church at Forest, in the parish of Middleton in Teesdale. …

4th May 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

BORROWED TRIFLES,

AN EPITAPH. — A curious epitaph on a tombstone in Alston churchyard, in this county, to the memory of a Cobbler of the name of Jefferson:—

My cutting board's to pieces split,
My size-stick will no measures meet,
My rotten last's turned into holes,
My blunted knife cuts no more soles,
My hammer head's flown from the haft,
No more Saint Mondays with the craft,
My nippers, pinchers, stirrup, and rag,
And all my kit have got the bag;
My lapstone's broke, my colour's o'er,
My gum-glass froze, my paste's no more,
My heel's sewed on, my pegs are driven,
I hope I'm on the road to Heaven.

4th May 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest before J. Lee, Esq., Deputy Coroner

On the 20th ult., at Clog Hall, Alston, on the body of Mary Ann Hardy, aged eleven months. She was found dead in bed. Verdict, Natural Death.

11th May 1844 (Newcastle Journal)

VALUABLE FREEHOLD AND LEASEHOLD ESTATES & LEAD MINES FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, at the House of Mr. Jacob Crawhall, the Phoenix Inn, in Stanhope, in the County of Durham, on Friday the 31st Day of May, 1844, at Three o' Clock in the Afternoon, (by the Mortgagee under a Power of Sale.) either together or in the following Lots:—

Lot 1. STOTSFIELD BURN ESTATE and LEAD MINE, situate at Rook hope, in the Parish of Stanhope, containing a good Dwelling House, with suitable Outbuildings, and several Cottages, and 32a. 3r. 13p. or thereabouts, of Arable, Meadow, and Pasture LAND, as now occupied by Mr. Thompson, and others.

Lot 2. PASTURE HOUSE and THORNEY-BROW ESTATE and LEAD MINE, situate at Rookhope aforesaid, comprising a good Dwelling House, and suitable Outbuildings, and 33a. 1r. 31 p. or thereabouts, of Meadow and Pasture LAND, as now occupied by Mr. John Hogarth, and others.

The above Property has an unlimited Right of Pasturage upon Stanhope Common, is in the immediate Vicinity of Mr. Beaumont's extensive Lead Works, and is all well Watered and Fenced, and within a short Distance of Coal and Lime.

The Lead Mines have already been wrought to considerable Advantage, with every Prospect of Increase, and the Property abounds with Iron Stone.

The respective Tenants will show the Premises, and further Particulars, and a Plan of the Estates, may be seen on Application to Mr. HEAD, Solicitor, Hexham. Hexham, 8th May 1844.

25th May 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 19th instant, aged 64. Mrs. Sarah Tatters.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Sarah Tatters, aged 55, and Thomas Tatters, lead miner, aged 20.
At Clargill Head, near Alston, on the 17th inst., aged 60, Mr. Nicholas Smith.
Nicholas Smith married Ann Summers, 5th December 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Clargill Heads, Nicholas Smith, Ag. Lab, aged 50, his wife Ann 40, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 20, Jacob 18, Nicholas 16, Hannah 10, Matthew 5, and Jane 3.
Ann Smith died 2nd quarter 1847, registered at Alston.

8th June 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr. Isaac Wails, of Galligill, to Miss Margaret Glendinning, of Nentsbury.
Thomas Wailes married Isabella Milburn 13th May 1809, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth (?) aged 50, children, Edward, lead miner, aged 25, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 15, Margaret 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, and John 9. In 1851, at Low Galligill, Thomas Wales, lead miner, aged 66, born Bishop Auckland, his wife Isabella, aged 62, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, and daughter Isabella 29.
Isabella Wailes was buried at Nenthead 8th November 1854, aged 66.
Thomas Wailes of Low Galligill was buried at Nenthead, 4th December 1857, aged 72.
In 1851, at High Grassfield, Isaac Wales, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Margaret 32, born Knaresdale, children, Joseph 6, Margaret 4, Robert 2, and Isabella 10 months.
In 1861, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Isaac Wales, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Margaret 42, born Haltwhistle, children, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Robert, lead ore dresser, aged 12, Isabella 10, Mary Jane 8, and Thomas 5.
In 1871, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Isaac Wales, lead miner & farmer of 10 acres, aged 53, his wife Margaret 52, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 20, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
Isaac Wailes died 1st quarter 1873, aged 54, registered at Darlington.
In 1881, at Ormesby, Middlesbrough, Thomas Allsop, engineer, aged 30, his wife Mary Jane 28, and mother in law, Margaret Wailes, widow, aged 63.
Margaret Wailes died 3rd quarter 1888, aged 69, registered at Darlington
See 11th June 1842, 12th April 1845, 6th Dec. 1884, & 29th November 1890
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 3rd inst., Miss Hannah Stephenson aged 24 years.
Thomas Stephenson married Judith Liverick, 21st February 1796, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas & Judith Stephenson:
Judith baptised 22nd April 1796, buried 24th December 1801
Richard born? Buried 13th January 1801, aged 3 years.

Judith born 14th February 1802, 2nd daughter of Thomas Stephenson, Stonehall, miner, by his wife Judith, daughter of Thomas Liverick.
Sarah born 3rd November 1804, 3rd daughter of Thomas Stephenson, Nenthead, miner, native of Stanhope, by his wife Judith, daughter of Thomas Liverick.
John born 17th May 1807, 3rd son of Thomas Stephenson, Nenthead, miner, native of Stanhope, by his wife Judith, daughter of Thomas Liverick.
Nanny born 6th June 1810, 4th daughter of Thomas Stephenson, Nenthead, miner, native of Stanhope, by his wife Judith, daughter of Thomas Liverick.
Mary baptised 11th December 1813
Joseph baptised 5th December 1818
Hannah baptised 25th September 1819

Thomas Stephenson aged 51, was buried at Alston 7th April 1823.

In 1841, at Nenthead, Judith Stephenson, 60, John Stephnson, lead miner, aged 30, Hannah Stephenson 20, Thomas Stephenson 5, John Stephenson 3, and Joseph Stephenson 1.
Judith Stephenson died 2nd quarter 1846, registered at Alston.

21st June 1844 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At Allenheads, Northumberland, at St Peter's Church, yesterday, J. G. Nichol, Esq., M.D., to Jane, third daughter of the late J. Crawhall, Esq., of Craig House.

22nd June 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr Wm. Stephenson, of Nenthead, to Miss Ann White, of Alston.
In 1851, at Welgill, Dykeheads, Nenthead, William Stephenson, lead miner, aged 35, born Allendale, his wife Ann 29, born Alston, children John 6, Samuel 4, Hannah 2, and nurse child, Isaac Hornsby 10 months.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, William Stephenson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 37, children, John, lead miner, aged 16, Samuel, lead miner aged 14, Hannah 12, Ann 8, William 6, Thomas 3, Fenwick 3 months, and boarder, John Barron aged 2 years.

John Stephenson, died about February 1861.

In 1871, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Ann Stephenson, widow, aged 47, children, John, lead miner, aged 26, Samuel, lead miner, aged 24, William, labourer, aged 14, Thomas, labourer, aged 13, Fenwick 10, Matthew Edward 7, and grand daughter, Elizabeth Ann Stephenson, 2 months.
In 1881, at Low Prudhoe, Ann Stephenson, widow, aged 67, sons, Samuel, coal miner, aged 34, William, coal miner, aged 26, Fenwick, coal miner, aged 20, and Matthew Edward, coal miner, aged 17.
See 30th July 1870
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr John Holmes, to Mrs Elizabeth Craig, both of Blagill.
In 1861, at Blagill, John Holmes blacksmith, aged 48, and his wife Elizabeth 53.

At Alston, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. Hugh Salvin, Mr Ewart, of Wigton, surgeon, to Hannah, daughter of Robert Bainbridge, Esq., Alston.
In 1851, at Masterman Place, Middleton in Teesdale, William Ewart, general practitioner, MRCS Edin., aged 34, born Scotland, his wife Hanah 37, children John 4, Elizabeth B. 2, and Robert 1.
Elizabet Bainbridge Ewart died 5th August 1854, at Middleton.

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WORSHIP ONE
GOD IN TRINITY
AND TRINITY IN
UNITY

ELIZABETH BAINBRIDGE
EWART
DEPARTED THIS LIFE
AUGUST 5TH 1854
AGED 6 YEARS

In 1861, at Masterman Place, Middleton, William Ewart, licentiate of Royal College of Surgeons, Edin., General practictioner, aged 44, his wife Hannah aged 47, niece Louisa J. Stagg, aged 17, house maid Anne Furness, aged 30 And cook Mary Coltman, aged 20.
See 13th November 1863
In 1871, at George Street, Wigton, Mary Hewitson, widow, annuitant, aged 68, grandson, Daniel H Hewitson 11, general servant, Jane Pearson, aged 15, and lodger William Ewart, widow, doctor of medicine, aged 54.
In 1871, at Kensington, Edmund Terrace, Alfred Reynolds, clerk stock exchange, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 27, children Alfred 3, William Geo. 2, Gertrude G. 6 months, Sarah Shedder, general servant, aged 19, lodgers, Robert Ewart, clerk stock exchange, aged 21, and William E Smith, clerk stock exchange, aged 27.
In 1881, at 15 Gilmore Road, Lewisham, London, Alfred Reynolds, clerk stock broker, aged 42, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Alfred 13, William George 12, Gertrude Grace 10, Edith Mary 8, Florence 5, Susan Praill, general servant, aged 19, lodgers William Ewart, widow, general practitioner, not practising, aged 64, and Robert Ewart, Clerk To Stock Exchange Dealer, aged 31.
Robert Ewart died aged 37, at Lewisham, 4th quarter of 1887.

In 1881, at High Street, Wincanton, James B. Collins, widow, general practitioner, R.C.S.E., aged 41, John Ewart, Medical Assistant M.B.C.M., aged 34. In 1891 William Ewart, aged 74, doctor of medicine was lodging at

Douglas Terrace, Linwood, Dumfriesshire, his place of birth is listed as Half Morton, Dumfries.

HANNAH EWART
WIFE OF DR. EWART
DEPARTED
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Probate records, give, William Ewart, of Lockerbie, Dumfriesshire, MD., died 8th August 1897. Confirmation of John Ewart writer to the signet. Sealed London 8th September. See 5th December 1846.

29th June 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
At Allenheads, at St. Peter's Church, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. J. S. Nichol, of Hetton Hall, Durham, James Graham Nichol, Esq., M.D., to Jane, third daughter of the late John Crawhall, Esq., of Craig House, and niece of Wm. Crawhall, Esq., of Stagshawclose House, Northumberland.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 21st instant, Hannah, wife of Mr. Thomas Slack, aged 50 years.
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Slack, shoe maker, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Vipond, married 15th July 1816, at Alston) aged 45, and James Slack shoe maker & ironmonger, aged 20. See 20th June 1865

6th July 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
GARRIGILL FRIENDLY SOCIETY.—On Friday last, the 28th ult., the members of this society held their annual meeting at Garrigill, near Alston, in this county, when a large number of the members sat down to excellent dinner, provided by Mr. John Thomason, innkeeper. The general business of the day having been gone through, the members formed a procession, and, having walked through the village, accompanied by the Nenthead musical band, they

repaired to the Church, when the Rev. Blythe Hurst, Curate of Garrigill, delivered impressive discourse from Cor., ch. 8, v. 9, to a crowded audience, who showed, their deep attention, how much they were interested in the truths so beautifully illustrated and ably enforced by the reverend gentleman. The above society, although only recently established as November, 1832, in a small country village, has now upwards 480 members enrolled in its books, and a capital of £1,132. Such has been the prosperity of the society during the past year, notwithstanding the great mortality among a mining population, that the number members is 27 advance of the number contained in the last year's report; and although the sum of £148 has been paid to sick members and for funerals in the course of the past year, its funds have increased £102.

13th July 1844 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 8th inst., aged 48, Mr. James Teasdale, miner.
James Teasdale married Hannah Pearson, 16th July 1815, at Alston.
Hannah Teasdale died 30th October 1827, aged 30.
James Teasdale married Ann Bell also a widow, 11th July 1835.
In 1841, at Broomsberry Hall, James Teasdale, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann aged 35, children John 20, Hannah 15, Thomas 2, and James 1.
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Ann Teasdale, widow, pauper, formerly school mistress, aged 49, sons Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, and James, lead ore washer, aged 11.

IN
MEMORY
OF JAMES TEASDALE WHO
DIED JULY 8TH 1844
AGED 48 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED AT
ALSTON
ALSO ANN HIS WIFE
DIED OCT. ___ 1865
AGED 63

JOHN _____?
THOMAS_____?

In 1861, at Nenthead, Ann Teasdale, lead ore miners widow, aged 59, sons Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 22 (buried at Nenthead 28th January 1871 aged 32), James, lead ore miner, aged 21, and boarder John Hutchinson, lead ore miner, aged 28.
Ann Teasdale was buried at Nenthead, 1st November 1865, aged 63.
See 7th September 1866.

13th July 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 20th ult., by the Rev. Hugh SALVIN, George Henry Bowlby, Esq., R.N., to Caroline, youngest daughter of the late Henry Salvin, Esq., of Durham.
On the 2nd inst., at the Independent Chapel, Mr. Francis B. Fultan, to Miss Elizabeth Varty, of Alston. *In 1851, at Smittergill Head cottage, Ousby, Francis Burdett Fulton, watch and clock maker, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth, aged 29, and daughter Elizabeth aged 5.*
At the Independent Chapel, on the 4th inst., Mr. Caleb Armstrong, to Miss Mary McDowell, of Nenthead.
Caleb Armstron died 4th quarter 1848, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Mary Armstrong, widow, parish Relief, Mary Armstrong married George Ridley, 1st quarter 1861, at Weardale.
In 1861, at Whiteheaps, Hunstanworth, Durham, George Ridley, lead miner, aged 38, born, Allendale, his wife Mary, local Methodist preacher, aged 45, children, John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Elizabeth 9, daughter in law Ellen Clennell 13, son in law George Clennell, lead ore washer, aged 11, Mary Clennell 9, daughter in law, Jane Armstrong 15, son in law, Christopher Armstrong, lead ore washer, 14, and son in law, Caleb Armstrong, lead ore washer aged 12. In 1871, at Aspatria, Cumberland, Mary Ridley, married, local Methodist preacher, aged 55. In 1871, at Bolts Hope Park, Hunstanworth, George Ridley, married, lead miner, aged 48, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 19, and s on in law, George Clennell, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1881, at Bolts Hope Park, Hunstanworth, George Ridley, widower, farmer of 6 acres, aged 58.
George Ridley died 2nd quarter 1889, aged 65, registered at Weardale.
At Alston Church, on the 11th inst., Mr. Christopher Irving, joiner, to Miss Hannah Phillipson, both of Alston.
Deaths
At Harbut Lodge, near Alston, on the 5th inst., Hugh Watson, son of Mr. H. W. Friend, aged 14 years, —he was much esteemed for his kind and affectionate disposition.
At Blagill, near Alston, on the 11th instant, Mr. Isaac Scott, aged 37 years.
Isaac Scott, married Mary Robinson, 9th December 1830, at Alston.
In 1841, at Blagill, Isaac Scott, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children William 6, Mary 4, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1851, at Blagill, Mary Scott, lead miners widow, relief, aged 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 16, and Elizabeth, aged 12.

19 July 1844 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
At Egglestone, in Teesdale, 13th inst., William Barnes, Esq., aged 62, held the situation agent to Duke of Cleveland, for his Grace's Estate and lead mines at Middleton-in-Teesdale, during nearly the last 20 years, and was a man most highly respected by all who knew him.

John Barnes married Elizabeth Kipling 16th May 1772, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
Children of John and Elizabeth Barnes:

John, baptised 24 May 1773,
Richard, baptised 12 February 1775,
Jane, baptised 1 June1777, buried 14th August 1779 at Middleton
Jenny, baptised 2 January 1780, married James Horner 6th November 1820, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton
William baptised 5th January 1783
Betty, baptised 7 December 1788, buried 12th April 1791 at Middleton
James, baptised 30 June1785, buried 28th December 1787 at Middleton
Elizabeth, baptised 8 February 1793, buried 4th March 1793 at Middleton
Margaret, baptised 8 July 1795; Margaret was buried 18th December 1823, aged 28 years, at Egglestone

Elizabeth Barnes wife of John of Kipling, Egglestone, Agent at Lead Mines, aged 53 years, buried 21st February 1803.

John Barnes buried at Eggleston, 24th September 1826, aged 77

At Egglestone Old Church:

This Stone is inscribed to preserve the sacred memory of Elizabeth wife of John Barnes who died 18th February 1803 aged 53 years.
Also Jane their daughter who died 7th August 1779 aged 2 years.
James their son who died 26th December 1786 aged 1 year.
Elizabeth their daughter who died 6th April _____ aged _____
Elizabeth third daughter _____
Also Margaret _____ *died 1823 aged 28*

William Barnes married Elizabeth Stagg (daughter of Joshua Stagg, baptised 21st February 1780, at St John's, Garrigill), 11th August 1807, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton in Teesdale.
Children of William and Elizabeth Barnes:
John Stagg baptised 10th July 1808, at Egglestone
William baptised 30th October 1817, at Romaldkirk
Jane baptised 24th August 1815, at Romaldkirk
Joshua baptised 15th November 1821, at Romaldkirk
Susan Margaret baptised 18th November 1823, at Romaldkirk

In 1841, at Egglestone, Teesdale, William Barnes, Agent, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth aged 60, children, John, Agent, aged 30, Jane 25, Joshua 15, and Susan 15.
In 1851, at Eggleston, Elizabeth Barnes, widow, annuitant, aged 71, born, Garrigill, son in law, Joseph Holmes, surgeon, general practitioner, aged 36, born Romaldkirk, daughter Susan Margaret Holmes, aged 27, born Collingwood House, Yorkshire.
See 27th December 1823, 30th September 1826, and Stagg Family History

Sacred
To the Memory of
William Barnes of Eggles-
ton who died July 13th 1844
Aged 64 years
Also William his second
Son who died December 10th 1840
Aged 25 years
Also Joshua his third son
Who died May 12th 1845
Aged 23 years
John Stagg his eldest son
Who died at Mount Pelion in
Thessaly March 22nd 1856
Aged 47 years
Also of Elizabeth his wife who
Died April 24th 1860
Aged 80 years

27th July 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 25th inst., Mary, wife of Jonathan Walton, Esq., aged 63 years. *See 5th June 1857*

3rd August 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 29th ult., Mrs. Mary Taylor, aged 83 years.

9th August 1844 (Carlisle Patriot)
Edward Percival (aged 37) charged with assaulting George Martin, of Nenthead, constable, whilst in the execution of his duty.
Mr. Fawcett conducted the case for the prosecution.
George Martin—I am a constable at Alston. On the 4th of July last I had a warrant against the prisoner, issued by Mr, Hodgson, a magistrate. It was against him and his cousin Anthony. I and Joseph Millburne, another constable, went for him. The warrant was read to him (The warrant was then produced and read in court,) When the warrant was read, I took hold of him: and another constable had hold of Anthony, who sprang from him. Percival tried to get away, and struck me on the breast. He flung me backwards over, and got on the top of me. I rose and sought some other assistance. When we returned we found the prisoner standing with something in his hand that he said was a pistol, and he threatened that no one should take him that night. We went for him next day, but could not find him. On Sunday, the 7th of July

he gave himself up. The reason we did not apprehend him at first was on account of his violence.
Henry Robinson—I live at Alston I remember the prisoner being apprehended on the 4th July. I saw the prisoner strike the constable, who struggled with him and fell. The prisoner tried to get away from him.
The depositions before the magistrates were then handed in and read.
Utrick Bainbridge—I am clerk to the magistrates at Alston. The depositions produced are those taken during the examination of the prisoner.
His Lordship summed up, and the Jury returned a verdict of Guilty, with a recommendation to mercy.
The learned Judge said that from the circumstances of the case he could take no notice of the recommendation of the jury.
Sentence: To be imprisoned for one calendar month, with hard labour.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Hannah Percival, aged 70, children, Edward, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 30, Robert, apprentice shoe maker, aged 25, and granddaughter, Hannah Percival 9.

16th August 1844 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Newhouse, Weardale, on the 8th inst., aged 26, Margaret, daughter of the late, Mr. John Harrison.

17th August 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 19th instant, aged 39, Lucy wife of Mr. Tinniswood Millican, agent for the Governor & Co's Lead Mines at Nenthead.
Tinniswood Millican married Lucy Little 21st September 1831, at Alston.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, lead mine agent, aged 35, his wife Lucy aged 35, children Frances 8, Sarah 7, and John 3.
In 1851, at New House, Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, widow, lead mine agent, aged 47, children Frances 18, Sarah 17, Hannah Teasdale, house servant, aged 26, and Ann Cousin, house servant, aged 18.
In 1851, at Croft House School, Brampton, John Millican aged 13, pupil.
See 1st October 1831, 12th July 1865, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, and 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

24th August 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 19th instant, Mrs. Hannah Hutchinson, aged 65 years.
Hugh Hutchinson married Hannah Wilson, 11th October 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Hugh and Hannah Hutchinson:
Thomas born 21st June 1807, 1st son of Hugh Hutchinson, Nenthead miner, of Allendale, by his wife Hannah daughter of Robert Wilson.
Robert born 23rd January 1809, 2nd son of Hugh Hutchinson, Nenthead miner, of Allendale, by his wife Hannah daughter of Robert Wilson.buried 9th June 1816, aged 7.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Hugh Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 61, and his wife Hannah aged 61.
Hugh Hutchinson died 21st February 1842, See 26th February 1842.

21st September 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

MINING.—ALSTON.

A case, which has for many years been in dispute between the mining companies on Alston Moor, was brought before Mr. Armstrong, barrister-at-law, as arbitrator between the parties, at the Coffee House Inn, in this city, on Tuesday last. The matter in dispute is in respect to the working of certain lead-mines in Alston Moor: the plaintiffs are the Hudgill Burn Mining Company; the defendants the Galligill Syke North Vein Company.

Mr. WATSON, Q.C., appeared as counsel, and Mr. Chas. Head, of Hexham, solicitor for the plaintiffs; Mr. BAINES, counsel, and Mr. Harrison, of Kendal, solicitor for the defendants.

Mr. WATSON opened the case for the plaintiffs at some length. It appeared from his statement that the manor of Alston belongs to the Greenwich Hospital, the directors of which are owners of the mines, granting leases either of mines worked, mines discovered, or mines expected to be discovered, in 1813 the Hudgill Company were exploring a piece of ground which had since been called the Hudgill Burn General Grant; and about the same time the parties who became the Galligill Well Company were making explorations in the same district, and in January, 1844, they obtained a lease, from the Hospital, of the Galligill Syke North Vein, which was one of the matters in dispute. In the month of March 1814, the Hudgill Company obtained a "general grant." The leases granted by the Hospital were of three kinds. The first was called a "lease length" by which a vein is granted, by name, from a given point, for twelve hundred yards in length, and forty yards on each side of it. The second was like the lease which the Galligill Company obtained, where you have a vein from a certain point to a certain point— that is to say, a vein supposed to run east and west, of which a lease is granted with forty yards on each side, which defined exactly the territories upon which the lessees are entitled to work. Such was the nature of the ground to the defendants of Galligill Syke North vein, which extends from the middle of Galligill Syke-Runner to the east border of Thomas Walton's allotment. The third species of grant was called a "general grant," such as that which the plaintiffs obtained, —and in the following manner. The Governors of Greenwich Hospital appointed upon its estates several local agents called "receivers." On Alston Moor, there was a sub-agent who was termed "Moor Master," who overlooked the mining operations, and to whom application for all grants was made. A proposal was made to him, and signed by the applicant and if attested by the Moor Master it was forwarded to the receivers, and if they disapproved of it there was an end of the matter; if they approved of it it was sent to the Commissioners, who in almost every case granted a "lease" or a "grant," according to the proposal, and in accordance with the recommendation of the receivers. A general grant is a grant of the right to explore a certain piece of ground, and if a vein of ore was found within seven years the grantee could claim a lease for 21 years of the vein so discovered— that right, however, being forfeited in the event of application not being made within three months of the time of the discovery. On the 1st of March 1814. Mr. John Wilson, of Nent Hall, made application for a lease for 21 years, subject to certain specified conditions, of all the mines or veins of lead ore which he should cut or discover in seven years, within certain boundaries set out in his application, which, on the 28th of March, in the same year, the Commissioners were

recommended to grant. Proposal, acceptance, and possession, were all that was required in a grant of this kind: a deed was required only after the discovery of veins. An exploration was made, and as early as May,
1815 plaintiff cut a vein within the general grant, and obtained a lease of it, for 21 years, from the 15th of the month in which it was discovered. Two other veins— Hudgill Burn Sun Vein and the Sun Vein—were found, and similar leases granted. The general grant expired in 1822, and was, on application, renewed. It expired a second time, in 1829, and was a second time renewed. And here came the point in dispute. The Galligill Syke North Vein runs from point L to point C on the map produced—East and West. The plaintiffs cut a vein at E, under the general grant. At the same time, the defendants, professing to work under their lease, cut a vein at D. Now D, he (Mr. Watson) contended, was within the bounds of the plaintiffs' general grant. The defendants made their cutting at D before the plaintiffs cut E, and they asserted that E was a part of Galligill Syke North Vein, and that they had, consequently, a right to work it. They asserted also that D was part of the same vein, and that they had a right to work it also. The plaintiffs, on the other hand, contended that E was no Part of their grant, and that the defendants were wrong doers in cutting at D. Disputes arose between the parties. The Moor Master and the receivers were applied to, and (most strangely and unaccountably, as he contended) decided that both D and E were part of the Galligill North Syke Vein. The Moor Master gave that as an opinion without having explored the vein.

It had since been worked out by the defendants. It was now discovered that the lease under which it was claimed was a lease from point to point, and not a lease of length; and this being the case, he should show that the defendants had no right to work at D and E for it was quite clear that these two points were within the Hudgill Burn general grant. An examination of the vein had been made, and it was found that the vein at D and the vein at E were separate and distinct veins, and not, as was contended, one and the same. The next matter in dispute was the Hudgill Burn Fourth Sun vein, which the defendant cut during the existence of a grant to the plaintiff's, which entitled them (the plaintiffs) to it. A dispute arose, a meeting took place, and the receiver (Mr. Taylor) decided that defendants were not entitled to it; but they were suffered to remain in possession of it on certain conditions. After a good deal of correspondence, a bill was filed in the Court of Chancery; it was amended and re-amended; and finally an arbitration was agreed on. The points to be decided upon by Mr. Armstrong, the Arbitrator, being: —

1. Whether the Galligill Well Company are or are not, or ever were, according to the terms of the lease or grant of the Galligill Syke North Vein, or otherwise, entitled to work any veins or strings of lead ore within or under the plot of ground comprised in the Hudgill general grant of the 1st March, 1814, or of the 4th June, 1822.
2. Whether the vein cut at D and E, (the first cut by the defendants, the second by the plaintiffs) are or are not a continuation of and the same as the Galligill Syke North vein.
3. Whether the Galligill Syke Company are or are not, or ever were according to the terms of their lease or grant of the Galligill Syke North vein, or otherwise, entitled to work the said veins so cut, as aforesaid, D and E, or either of them.

4. Whether the same company are or are not, or ever were, entitled to Fourth Sun vein by the terms of the said lease, or otherwise.
5. Whether the Hudgill Bum Company, as between themselves and the Galligill Syke Company; have not been or are not entitled to all veins or strings of lead ore within or under the said plot of ground comprised in the said Hudgill Burn general grants of 1814 and the 4th June, 1822, respectively
6. Whether the Hudgill Burn Company have not been or are not entitled to the said veins cut as aforesaid, at points D and E, and also to the Hudgill Burn Sun vein.
7. That in case the Arbitrator shall determine that the Galligill Well Company are not entitled to all or any of the said points D and E, or to the said vein called Sunny Vein, or, to any string or veins worked within the limits of the Hudgill Burn general grant, to determine what sum of money ought to be paid on the part of the Galligill Well Company to the Hudgill Burn Company for any such veins.
8. And also to determine whether the Hudgill Bum Company have at any time heretofore been working any veins of lead or other minerals, which, by the custom of the manor, belong to the Galligill Well Company.
9. And also to determine such other questions as are raised in the pleadings, so far as such questions affect the conduct and proceedings of the Hudgill Bum and Galligill Well Companies.

Such were the points to be decided. The learned Counsel having stated his reasons for contending that the decision ought to be in favour of his clients, said the principle of compensation was the next point to be determined on, and that had been settled by the case of Powell v. Morgan, in which it was decided that the plaintiff, in such cases, was entitled to recover the value of the ore at the bottom of the pit. The ore at the pit mouth was worth a certain sum. To that sum, minus the cost of raising it from the mine, the plaintiffs would be entitled.

The learned Counsel then recapitulated his arguments. Witnesses were called, and the examination for the plaintiffs had not closed on Thursday night.

5th October 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. Robert Snowden to Miss Ann Bowman.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 29th ult., Ann Horseley, aged 58 years.

5th October 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

MINING MATERIALS, MACHINERY &c.

To be SOLD, by AUCTION, by Mr. Mossop, on WEDNESDAY the 23rd October, 1844, on the Premises at LOWESWATER LEAD MINE, near SCALE HILL, all the MINING MACHINERY and MATERIALS, now lying and being on the LOWESWATER LEAD MINE, SCALE HILL, near Keswick, Cumberland, comprising Two Water Wheels, One Twenty-seven Feet High by Four and a Half Feet Wide; the other Twenty-two Feet High by- Four and a Halt Feet Wide; Winding Machine, Iron Pump, Six inches and Ten Inches Diameter, Capstan and Rope, Whimsies and Ropes, Iron Flat Rods, Chains, Smith's Bellows and Tools, Iron, Brass, Miners' Tools, and sundry other Mining Materials, Catalogues of which may be had from the

Auctioneer, at Egremont, and at the different Inns at Whitehaven, Cockermouth, Keswick, Scale Hill, and Carlisle.
At the same Time and Place, the LEASE of the LORDSHIPS OF BRAITHWAITE and COLEDALE, for Twenty one Years from Lady Day, 1843, in which are situated the Mines of Barrow, Old and New Brandley, and several others held under General Wyndham, at a Royalty of One fifteenth, and a TACK NOTE of the KINNISIDE LEAD MINE, near Whitehaven, for One Year, with an Agreement for a Lease of Twenty-one Years, at the Option the Lessee. The Sale to commence precisely at One o'Clock in the Afternoon.

25th October 1844 (Carlisle Patriot

UNIVERSITY AND ECCLESIASTICAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital have given £200 in aid of the erection of a parsonage-house at Scremerston, near Berwick-upon-Tweed They have also promised a similar sum towards the building of a new church at Nenthead, in Cumberland. …

2nd November 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 31st ult., Mr. Joseph Graham to Miss Martha Erwin.
Martha Graham died 2nd quarter 1847, registered at Alston.
See 28th March 1846, 23rd Sept 1871, 13th July 1872, 11th Dec 1875, 27th April 1878, & 22nd April 1882
At Alston Church, on the 31st ult. Mr. Robert Whitfield, to Miss Mary Barron, all of Nenthead. *See 19th June 1869*

15th November 1844 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Gateshead. In the Barn Close, on the 12th inst., much respected, Mr Thomas Teasdale, managing partner of the Silver Tongue lead mine.
The Durham Chronicle and Newcastle Journal give his age as 60 years, and his address as Ellison Terrace. See 25th August 1843

23rd November 1844 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nenthead, near Alston, on Tuesday the 19th inst., Isabella Astlebrough, aged 83 years.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Isabella Axlebrough, aged 70, Mary Low aged 55, and Isaac Low, lead miner, aged 50. The only others I have found with this surname at Alston, that I have found are as follows. George Asselburgh, of Nenthead, was buried at Alston, 12th February 1833, aged 83, Alston marriages give 11 July 1778 George Asselbrough married Elizabeth Stoker 11th July 1778;
John Thompson married Sarah Asselbrough 15th February 1806; Christopher Assebrough married Thomasin Assebrough 9th October 1813. Alston baptism records show Mary daughter of Charles and Thomasin Alselburgh baptised 15th April 1815.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, George Axlebrough, smelter of lead ore, aged 30, his wife Nancy (Nall, married 10th October 1837 at St John Garrigill) aged 25,

and son Israel 2 weeks (Their son George Astlebrough was buried at Garrigill, 1st May 1840, aged 1 year).
In 1851, at High Shield Hill, Garrigill, George Axlebrugh, cartman aged 44, his wife Ann aged 36, children Israel 10, Mary Ann 3, and Hannah 9 months.
In 1861, at Briery Cottages, Briery, Cumberland (1½ miles east of Keswick), George Axelbrough, lead miner, aged 52, born Durham, his wife Nancy 46, born Alston, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth 10, Sarah J, 5, born Keswick, and boarder Thomas Richardson, lead miner, aged 23. Mary Ann aged 13, was working as a servant, for Isaac Cartmel at St John in the Vale, Keswick.
In 1871, at 6 Greenfield Terrace, Willington, George Axleborough, coal miner, out of employment, aged 69, his wife Nancy 60, and daughter Sarah J 15.
In 1881, at 3 Mill Street, Willington, Nancy Axleborough, widow, aged 62, son in law Stephen Lonsdale, labourer aged 28, born Norfolk, daughter Sarah Lonsdale 28, grandchildren Peter 5, and Charlotte 2.
Nancy Axleborough, died 2nd quarter 1896, aged 75

In 1871, at 6 Greenfield Terrace, Willington, Durham, Israel Axleborough, labourer, aged 30, born Nenthead, his wife Anne (Harrison, married 2nd quarter 1866) aged 26, born Keswick, children Jane A 3, Elizabeth Axleborough 1½, and Hannah 2 months. In 1881, at 16 Wear Street, Willington, Israel Axleborough, coal miner, aged 39, his wife Annie 39, children Jane A. 14, Elizabeth 13, Hannah 11, Margaret 8, and Israel 4.
In 1891, at Nelson Street, Willington, Israel Axelbrough, coal miner, aged 49, his wife Annie 49, children Elizabeth 21, Hannah 20, and Israel, labourer, aged 14. Israel Axelbough died 4th quarter 1895, aged 55.
In 1901, at Willington, Annie Axelborough, widow, aged 60, daughter Elizabeth Somes, widow, aged 31, grand children William Somes 6, Hannah Somes 3, and Frederick Somes 1
At Nenthead, near Alston, on Wednesday the 20th inst., Mr. Caleb Dryden.
See 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, 6th June 1885, and 20th June 1885

30th November 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriage
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr. Samuel Teasdale, of Nenthead, to Miss Frances Stobart, of Stubblick.
See 10th April 1875

7th December 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Bailes, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Ruth, wife of Mr. John Wilkinson, aged 20 years.
At Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr. Joseph Walton, of the Black Bull Inn, aged 62 years.

12th December 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr. Joseph Raisbeck, Nenthead, to Miss Mary Bell, Greenends. *Mary Raisbeck died 1st quarter 1850.*
See 15th March 1879, and 1st October 1881

21st December 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 17th inst., Mr. Jonathan Hayton, aged 67 years.
See 15th June 1850, and 30th June 1877
At Patterdale, on the 15th ult., Margaret, wife of Mr. John Archer, aged 53 years.
John Archer married Margaret Tinkler, 1st April 1810, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children, of John and Margaret Archer:
Ann born 22nd February 1811
George baptised 26th March 1815
Dorothy baptised 20th August 1820
In 1841, at Glencoin, Patterdale, John Archer, blacksmith, aged 60, his wife Margaret 50, George Archer 25, and Mary (Hooper, married 30th January 1841, at Matterdale) Archer 25.
In 1851, at Glencoin Cottage, Patterdale, George Archer, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 38, daughter, Ann 7, and father, John Archer, widower, blacksmith, aged 72. John Archer died 4th quarter 1854.
In 1861, at Glencoin Cottage, Patterdale, George Archer, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 48, daughter, Ann, dressmaker, aged 17.
In 1871, at Glencoin Cottage, Patterdale, George Archer, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 58.
George Archer died 3rd quarter 1873, aged 58.

27th December 1844 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Mr. Utrick Walton, of Her Majesty's Customs, Greenwich, to Elizabeth, only daughter of Joseph Dickinson, Esq., of Lovelady Shield, near Alston.
Utrick Walton, baptised at Alston Redwing, 28th May 1817, parents Utrick and Isabel Walton (Dickinson, married 18th September 1813, at Alston).
In 1841, at Farnberry House, Utrick Walton, independent, aged 50, wife Isabella 45, children John, Ag. labourer, aged 20, Sarah 11, Joseph 10, and Isabella 8.
In 1841, at Allonby, Cumberland, Utrick Walton, customs house officer, aged 25 years.
In 1851, at 18 Kelly Street, Greenock, Utrick Walton, clerk in the customs house, aged 34, wife Elizabeth 34, children Joseph 5, and John D. 3.
In 1861, at 48 Brougham Street, Greenock, Utrick Walton aged 44, wife Elizabeth 44, children John D 13, Thomas W 8, Mary 6, and Frances 3.
In 1881, at 65 Newton Street, Greenock West, Utrick Walton, clerk in H. M. Customs, aged 64, his wife Elizabeth 64, children John D. clerk in sugar house, aged 32, Mary 25, and Francis W. 22.
See 17th February 1844, and 21st November 1885.

28th December 1844 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 22nd inst., Mr. William Tatters, to Miss Margaret Walton, both of Alston.
See 28th September 1895
At Alston Church, on the 26th, Mr. Anthony Watson, of Garrigill Gate, to Miss Ann Grey, of Annatwalls. *See 19th June 1875*

Deaths
At Alston, on the 26th instant, Mrs. Mary Slack, aged 82 years.
At Four Dargue House, near Alston, on the 25th inst., Mr. Jonathan Woodmas, auctioneer, aged 73 years.

4th January 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Lonning Head, Alston, on the 30th ult., Jane, wife of Mr. William Hilton.
William Hilton married Margaret Stephenson, 3rd May 1832, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Margaret Hilton was buried 19th September 1838, aged 23.
In 1841, at Blagill, Alston, William Hilton, lead miner, aged 35, daughters, Ann 8, and Charlotte 6.
William Hilton married Jane Brown, 3rd quarter 1841, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Blagill, Alston, William Hilton, widower, lead miner, aged 45, daughters, Charlotte 16, and Jane 8.
In 1861, at Blagill, William Hilton, widower, lead miner, aged 55, daughters, Ann 28, and Jane 19.
In 1871, at Loatburn, Nenthead, Ann Snowden, widow, landowner of 31 acres, aged 38, children Thomas 9, George 7, John 5, and boarder, William Hilton, widower, retired lead miner, aged 65.
William Hilton died 1st quarter 1874, aged 68, registered at Alston.

11th January 1845 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Spencycroft, Alston, on the 2nd inst., aged 63, deeply lamented, Thomas Dickinson, Esq., moor-master for the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, in the Manor of Alston. *See 25th January 1867 and 19th July 1884*

24th January 1845 (Newcastle Courant)
VALUABLE LEAD MINE FOR SALE.
TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
On Saturday, the 1st of February, 1845, at the House of Mrs Isabella Hutchinson, Rose and Crown Inn, Middleton in Teesdale, in the County of Durham, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon,
(By Order of the Executors of the late Mr John Stagg, Stockton on Tees,)
TWO HUNDRED SHARES (or nearly Seven-eights) in the valuable MINE, called GRASSHILL, situate in the Parish of Middleton in Teesdale, in the County of Durham, with a CRUSHING MILL, lately erected, and other valuable MINING MATERIALS.
This Mine is held by Grant under his Grace the Duke of Cleveland,
Further Particulars may be obtained on applying to Mr J. S. Barnes, Egglestone, near Barnard Castle, or of Mr R. Rutter, Mine Agent, Middleton in Teesdale.
T. GOWLAND, Auctioneer. Middleton in Teesdale, Jan. 21, 1845.

25th January 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr. John Shield, of Haggsfoot, to Miss Mary Hutchinson, of Low Galligill.

John Shield died 3rd quarter 1848, at Alston.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Mary Shield, miners widow, Relief, aged 28, daughters Mary Ann 5, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Mary Robinson, married, seamstress, aged 39, her daughters Mary Ann Shield, woollen factory labourer, aged 15,and Anna Robinson, aged 3.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Ann Hutchinson, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 72, daughter, Mary Robinson, married, seamstress, aged 48, granddaughters, Elizabeth Shield, domestic servant, aged 22, Jane Robinson, domestic servant, aged 19, and Anna Robinson, aged 13.
In 1881, at Town Head, Mary Robinson, married, quilter, aged 58, daughters, Elizabeth Shield, domestic servant, aged 33, Jane Robinson, domestic servant, aged 28, and Anna Robinson, domestic servant, aged 25.
See 12th February 1864, 16th April 1870, and 22nd April 1871

Deaths

At Hill House, near Alston, on the 22nd inst., aged 51 years, Mr. John Leathart, mining agent.

John Leathart author of: "Practical Observations of The Mechanical Structure, Mode of Formation, The Repletion or Filling Up, and The Intersection and Relative Age of Mineral Veins," Published 1838. Also in The Annals of Electricity, Magnetism & Chemistry and Guardian of Experimental Science. Conducted by William Sturgeon; Vol. 2 —January to June 1838, Page 453, "On a new Theory of Stratification." By Mr. John Leathart, Mine Agent.

Children of John (Probable baptism 8th March 1724, at Haltwhistle, father Cuthbert) and Elizabeth Leathart of Haltwhistle with birth years:
Mary, 1755; Elizabeth, 1757; John, 1759; Cuthbert, 1760; Thomas, 1761; ***James, 1764 (baptised 4 November 1764, Alston)****; Frances, 1765; Anne, 1767; William, 1769; Joseph, 1771; George, 1772; Robert, 1774; Edward, 1776; and Margaret, 1777.*
James Leathart born Haltwhistle 1764, married Agnes Dickinson on1st July 1792 at Alston, daughter of John and Agnes Dickinson,
Children of James and Agnes Leathart:
John Leathart *baptised 3rd March 1793 at Alston*
Female?
Thomas born 29th Nov 1797, baptised 3rd Dec 1797
Agnes, born 5th April 1800, 2nd daughter of James Leathart of Foullonning, miner, nop, Haltwhistle, bhw Agnes daughter of John and Agnes Dickinson,
Mary, born 1st June 1805, 3rd daughter of James Leathart, Alston miner, nop, Haltwhistle, bhw Agnes daughter of John and Agnes Dickinson.

In 1841, at Hill House, Alston, John Leathart, mining agent, aged 45, his wife Margaret (Setree, married at Alston 4th May 1816) aged 45, children Agnes 15 (born 5th January 1825), Margaret Anne 11 (born 4th October 1829), John Dickinson 8 (born 9th July 1832), and William 6 (born 8th June 1835).
In 1841, James Leathart, clerk, aged 20, was at Gallowgate, Newcastle.
Other children of John and Margaret: —Mary, born 1st November 1817, baptised 3rd May 1818, James born 25th November 1820, baptised 14th June 1821, Isaac born 18th February 1823, buried 8th March 1824, aged 1 year, John, born 24th November 1828, buried 16th November 1831, aged 4 years.
See 20th August 1847, 8th August 1891, and 17th August 1895.

31st January 1845 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

At the House of Mrs Bland, the Crown Inn, Alston, Cumberland, on Friday, the 28th of February, 1845, A at Six o'clock in the Evening,

ALL that Old-established and Well-known COMMON BREWERY situate at Alston with the excellent Messuage or Dwelling House, Garden, Meadow Field, Pasture, Cottages. Malting Houses, Stables, and Buildings adjoining thereto; and the Plant, Vats, Casks, and all other Utensils and Materials belonging to the said Brewery.—The Stock in Trade to be taken by the Purchaser at a Valuation.

Also all those Three excellent and Well-accustomed INNS or PUBLIC HOUSES, situate in Alston, called by the names of the Royal Oak, the Greyhound, and the Dun Cow.

And also all that TENEMENT or FARMHOLD, called Clargill Head Farm, with the thriving and extensive Plantations thereon, situate near Alston, and containing altogether upwards of 170 Acres.

And also all those several COTTAGES or DWELLING HOUSES, situate in Alston, and now occupied by Thomas Nattrass, Thomas Ridley, Joseph Archer, Edward Scott, Mary Walton, and Thomas Bell.

And also TWO ALLOTMENTS or PARCELS of LAND, situate near Clargill, in the Parish of Alston, containing together 15 Acres or thereabouts.

And also an ALLOTMENT OF LAND, situate near Nenthead, in the said Parish of Alston, and containing 40 Acres or thereabouts.

The above Property will be put up in such Lots as may be agreed upon at the time of Sale; and further Particulars may in the meantime be had on application to Mr Emerson, at the Brewery; to Mr Dickinson, Solicitors, Alston; or at thee Office of Messrs. Bainbridge, solicitors, Alston. Alston January 30th, 1845.

VALUABLE LEAD MINE FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,

On Saturday, the 1st of February, 1845, at the House of Mrs Isabella Hutchinson, Rose and Crown Inn, Middleton in Teesdale, in the County of Durham, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, (By Order of the Executors of the late Mr John Stagg, Stockton on Tees,) TWO HUNDRED SHARES (or nearly Seven-eights) in the valuable MINE, called GRASSHILL, situate in the Parish of Middleton in Teesdale. in the County of Durham, with a CRUSHING MILL, lately erected, and other valuable MINING MATERIALS. This Mine is held by Grant under his Grace the Duke of Cleveland. Further Particulars may be obtained on applying to Mr J. S. Barnes. Egglestone, near Barnard Castle, or of Mr R. Rutter, Mine Agent, Middleton in Teesdale. T. GOWLAND, Auctioneer. Middleton in Teesdale, Jan. 21. 1845.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 28th inst., aged 23, Ann, wife of Mr R. Snowdon.

1st February 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 30th ult., Mr. John Havelock, of Nenthead, to Miss Hannah Wilson, of Lovelady Shield.

In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, John Havelock, lead miner, aged 36, his

wife Hannah aged 25, children George 5, and Jane 2.
See 22nd April 1882 30th October 1869 and 20th May 1893

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 26th ult., aged 21, Mr. John Lathern.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Latheren, lead miner, aged 15, and William Latheren, lead miner, aged 15. William son of Edward and Mary Lathern, was christened, 29th October 1827, at Wesleyan Chapel, Nenthead.
In 1851, at Front Street, Helen Auckland, Thomas Sumerson , sexton, aged 61, his wife Mary 66, son in law William Latheran, coal miner, aged 26, daughter Ann Smith 24, grandchildren Mary 4, John 2, and Thomas 2 months.
In 1861, at Coundon, Durham, William Latheran, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Ann 34, children, Mary 14, John, coal miner, aged 12, Richard W. 5, and Edward aged 2.

8th February 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 1st inst, Mr. John Armstrong, to Miss Jane Hewitson.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 32, and his wife Jane, dressmaker, aged 29.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane 40, and sister in law, Elizabeth Hewitson 43.
John Armstrong was buried at Nenthead, 15th July 1870, aged 51.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Jane Armstrong, widow, dressmaker, aged 49, sister Elizabeth Hewitson 53, and nurse child, Elizabeth a Stout 8 months.
In 1881, at Low Dyke heads, Nenthead, Jane Armstrong, widow, formerly dressmaker, aged 59, sister Elizabeth Hewitson 62.
Elizabeth Hewitson was buried at Nenthead, 23rd January 1882, aged 63.
In 1891, at Church Lane, Nenthead, Jane Armstrong, widow, aged 69.
Jane Armstrong was buried at Nenthead 18th September 1900, aged 79.

At Alston, on the 1st inst, Mr. Thomas Tatters, to Miss Jane Tatters, all of Nenthead. *See 24th January 1874*

At Alston, on the 1st inst, Mr. Joseph Atkinson, of Middle Farm, to Miss Mary Walton, of East Skelgill.

In 1841, at Middle Farm, Alston,Thomas Atkinson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Ann 40, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 18, William, lead miner, aged 14, John 11, Ann 7, Thomas 4, and Hannah 11 months.

In 1851, at Middle Farm, Alston,Thomas Atkinson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 54, children, John, lead miner, aged 20, Ann 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Hannah 9.
In 1851, at Middle Farm, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary 31, children, Thomas 5, William 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1861, at Middle Farm, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 41, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 13, John 9, Mary A 7, Walton 4, Sarah 2, and Joseph 10 months.
In 1871, at Middle Farm, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 51, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary A 17, Walton 14, Sarah 12, and Joseph 10.
In 1881, at Middle Farm, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, farmer of 30 acres, aged

63, his wife Mary 61, children, Thomas, coal miner, aged 35, William, coal miner, aged 33, John, lead miner, aged 29, Mary A, dairy maid, aged 27, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 22, and Joseph, farm servant, aged 20.
In 1891, at Middle Farm, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, farmer, aged 73, his wife Mary 71, children, Thomas, aged 45, William, lead miner, aged 43, John, lead miner, aged 39, and Mary A, aged 37.
Joseph Atkinson died 24th October 1892, aged 74.
Probate 1893, of Joseph Atkinson of Middle Farm Alston Cumberland Farmer died 24th October 1892 Probate Carlisle 25th April to John Walton Farmer and Thomas Atkinson and William Atkinson lead miners. Effects £718 3s 6d
Mary Atkinson died 24th September 1896, aged 76.
See 22nd June 1889

1st March 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston church on the 22nd ult., Mr. Albany Proud, to Miss Mary Liddle both of Nenthead;
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Proud, smelter, aged 55, his wife Margaret 50, children Albany P, smelter, aged 20, Fanny 17, and Thomas, smelter, aged 15.
In 1851, at Willington Quay, Albany Proud, smelter of lead, aged 30, born Lambley, his wife Mary 28, children Thomas 5, Catherine 3, and Margret A 1.
In 1861, at Middlesex, Poplar, house on the premises of Pontefer & Wood, Chemical works, Albany Proud, foreman lead worker, aged 40, his wife Mary 38, children, Thomas, _____ apprentice, aged 15, Catherine 13, Margrett A 11, Joseph L 9, and Garford L 6.
In 1871, at Poplar, West Ferry Road, Pontefer chemical works, Albany Proud, foreman Bleu works, aged 50, his wife Mary 48, sons Joseph L, labourer, aged 19, and Garford L, scholar aged 16.
Albany Proud died at 20 Belvedere Road, Lambeth, 14th July 1878, probate was granted to his widow Mary living at Hubbucks Wharf, Broad Street, Ratcliffe, Middlesex, on 20th October 1878, estate valued at under £100.
In 1881, at Manchester Road, Poplar, Thomas Proud, silver refiner, aged 35, his wife Louisa 38, children Thomas G. apprentice boat builder, aged 13, Albany 10, Louisa M. 13, Eleanor 11, Mary E. 8, and Margaret 6.
In 1891, at Poplar, Bromley, Brunswick Road, Louisa Proud, widow, aged 48, children, Thomas G. joiner, aged 23, Louisa M. waitress, aged 20, Albany, postman, aged 19, Margaret S, drapers assistant, aged 16, and Herbert H. 8.
At Alston church on the 23rd, Mr. Wren Spark, to Miss Elizabeth Dawson, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Walton Spark, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 50, children John, lead miner, aged 20, Walton, lead miner, aged 18, Wren, lead miner, aged 15, Hugh, labourer, aged 15, William 10, Thomas 7, and Thompson 4 years. In 1851, at Bulman's Lane, Alston, Wren Spark, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Eliz 25, children Walton 5, and Elizh 3.
In 1861, at Kirkcudbrightshire, Balmaghie, Braefoot, Wren Spark, gamekeeper, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 36, children, Walton 15, Elizabeth 13, Thomson 8, Mary 4, and Wren 1.
At Alston church on the 27th, Mr. John Richardson, of Welgill, to Miss Mary Black, of Ruffside.

In 1841, at Welgill, Dykeheads, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 23, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 20, Mary Richardson 15, John Richardson 8, Rachael Richardson 7, and George Richardson 6.
In 1851, at Welgill, Dykeheads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Mary aged 24, children, Elizabeth 4, and Agnes 1.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary 34, children Elizabeth 14, Agnes 11, Mary Ann 5, and John 2.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 45, children Elizabeth 24, John 12, Frances 8, and granddaughter Frances Mary Richardson 1 year.
In 1881, at Welgill, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Mary 54, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Frances, household work, aged 18.
Mary died 3rd quarter of 1885.
In 1891, at Holmefoots, John Richardson, widow, retired lead miner, aged 69.
John died 4th quarter of 1898.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 21st ult., Miss Elizabeth Fletcher, aged 22.
At Alston, on the 21st ult., Frances, daughter of Mr. Robert Horsley, Alston, aged 10.

8th March 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr. Jonathan Vickers, to Miss Ann Hind, both of Nenthead. *See 10th January 1880.*

8th March 1845 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Newhouse, Weardale, on the 4th inst. aged 63, after a long and painful illness, Ann the beloved wife of George Crawhall, Esq. deeply lamented.

15th March 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Cocklake, near Alston, on the 7th instant, Mrs Mary Walton, aged 81 years.
At Foreshield, near Alston, on the 6th inst., Mary, wife of Mr. Robert Bramwell, aged 61 years
In 1841, at Foreshield, Mary Brammer, farmer, aged 50, John Brammer, lead refiner aged 20, Ann Brammer 15, Margaret 14, Robert 12, and Dorothy 9.
In 1851, at Foreshield, Robert Bramwell, farmer of 100 acres, brother John, widow, lead miner, aged 35, sister Margaret, dressmaker, aged 24, sister, Dorothy, dairy maid, 19, and niece, Mary 2.

21st March 1845 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Galligill, near Alston, on the 15th inst., aged 55, Mr. John Cain, lead mine proprietor, and many years agent to the Galligill Fell and Holy Field Mining Companies.
In 1841, at Galligill, John Cain, lead mine agent, aged 50, his wife Nancy 50 (Cowper, married 20th February 1810), children, Thomas, mine agent, aged 25, John 20, Fanny 10, and Tamar 5.

Other children of John and Nancy Cain: — Betty born 21st November 1810, Mary baptised 2nd May 1819, Nancy baptised 13th February 1824, Cowper 30th June 1826.
In 1851, at Galligill, Nancy Cain, widow, annuitant, aged 62, and daughter Tamar, age 17. Also at Galligill in 1851, Joseph C. Cain, mine agent aged 35, his wife Hannah (Lee, married at Nenthead 1st July 1846) aged 33, children Elizabeth aged 4, and Ann aged 2.
In 1861 Joseph Cowper Cain aged 45, lead mine agent, his wife Hannah 43 children Elizabeth J. 13 (died 28th February 1868, see entry 7th March 1868), and Annie 11.
In 1871, at Weardale House, Stanhope, Joseph Cowper Cain, manager of lead mines, aged 55, his wife Hannah 53, daughter Annie 21, and Mary Barker, general servant aged 29. Annie married John Watson Roddam of Newton Stanhope.

Hannah died 5th July 1872, aged 54, buried St John's, Weardale.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN CAIN
MINING AGENT GALLIGILL WHO DIED 15TH MARCH 1845,
AGED 55 YEARS.
INTERRED IN THE CHURCHYARD.
AND OF NANCY HIS WIDOW WHO DIED 23RD AUGUST 1875
AGED 86 YEARS,
ALSO THOMAS THEIR ELDEST SON WHO DIED AT GATEHOUSE IN SCOTLAND
20TH NOVEMBER 1851, AGED 39 YEARS,
ALSO OF MARY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED AT HEXHAM 16TH NOVEMBER 1898,
AGED 80 YEARS.

In 1881, at Weardale House, Stanhope, Joseph C. Cain, manager of lead mines and smelt works, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth (Thompson, married 3rd quarter of 1874, registered at Auckland, Durham) aged 46, house keeper Hannah Lee, aged 69, and domestic servant Margaret Wearmouth aged 23.
In 1891, at 59 Grosvenor Place, Jesmond, Newcastle, Joseph C Cain, living on his own means, aged 75, his wife Elizabeth 57, cook Phillis Nelson aged 22, and housemaid Mary Gillon aged 22.

Probate records show, Joseph Cowper Cain, of Grosvenor Place, Newcastle, mining engineer, died 19th June 1897.
Probate Newcastle upon Tyne to Elizabeth Cain, widow, and John Watson Roddam, land agent. Effects £4712 17s.
See 24th December 1842, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

22nd March 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Brownside, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr. George Yeats, aged 50 years.
George Yeats married Elizabeth Walton, 20th July 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of George and Elizabeth Yeats:
Thomas born 3rd October 1823, baptised 22nd February 1824.
Hugh born 14th July 1825, baptised 13th April 1828
George born 17th July 1826, baptised 13th April 1828
Mary born 13th May 1829, baptised 11th October 1830
John born 28th April 1831, baptised 29th January 1833
Nathanial born 29th September 1832, baptised 29th January 1833, buried 7th August 1833, aged 10 months.
Utrick born 16th July 1834, baptised 3rd June 1837
Nancy born 16th May 1837, baptised 3rd June 1837
In 1841, at Rodderup Fell House, Thompson Yeats, lead miner aged 15, and Hugh Yeats, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1841, at Brownside, Alston, George Yeats, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, Henry Yeats, Sh Ap, 20, children, George 10, Mary 10,

John 8, Utrick 5, Nancy 4, and Nancy Walton, independent, aged 82.
In 1851, at Low Brownside, Thompson Yeats, lead miner and farmer, aged 29, his wife Isabella 28, children, George 3, Thomas 2, Joseph 9 months, and lodgers, George Yeats, lead miner, aged 23, John Yeats lead miner, aged 19, Utrick Yeats, lead miner, aged 16, and Ann Yeats, house servant, aged 13.
See 18th September 1841, 22nd January 1864, 13th January 1877, 10th April 1886, and 1st May 1886.
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Isabella, widow of the late Mr. William Ridley, aged 48 years. *See 4th December 1841*

29th March 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 27th inst., Mr. Paul Vickers, miner, Nenthead, to Miss Mary Woodmass, of Clitheroe, near Alston.
Paul Vickers, son of Jonathan and Mary Vickers, baptised 30th August 1822, at Alston. Possible deaths for Paul's parents are, Mary, buried at Alston, 5th April 1833, aged 54, and Jonathan, buried at Alston, 7th January 1825.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Paul Vickers, lead miner, aged 19 years.
In 1851, at Fidlers Street, Nenthead, Paul Vickers, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary 23, children Thomas 4, Mary Ann 2, and Sarah 1.
In 1861, at Haydon, Paul Vickers, lead ore miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 33, children Thomas 14, Mary Ann 12, Sarah 11, Jonathan 8, Elizabeth 3, Joseph 1, lodgers Jonathan Spark, lead miner, aged 41, John Walton, lead miner, aged 26, and Joseph Thompson, lead miner, aged 21. (All three lodgers listed as married)
In 1871, at West Mill Hills Cottage, Paul Vickers, lead miner aged 51, his wife, Mary 43, children Mary Ann 22, Sarah 21, Jonathan lead miner aged 18, Joseph lead ore washer aged 11, Paul 9, and Margaret J 3.
Paul Vickers death is registered at Durham, 1st quarter 1873, aged 53.
In 1881, at Eltringham, Mary Vickers, widow, aged 53, children Joseph, pipe maker, Earthen Manuf, aged 21, Paul, pipe maker, Earthen Manuf, aged 19, Margaret J. 13, and boarder Robert Corbit, unmarried brickmaker, born Newcastle, aged 24.
In 1901, at 68 Gerald Street, Benwell, Newcastle, William Hedley, joiner Carp, aged 40, his wife Margaret J, aged 33, and mother in law, Mary Vickers aged 73.
Mary Vickers died 1st quarter 1911, death registered at Newcastle.

4th April 1845 (Newcastle Courant)
VALUABLE LEAD MINE AND COLLIERY
FOR SALE
The Lease of the valuable LEAD MINE of FALLOWFIELD, near Hexham, with all the machinery now in full operation and raising a considerable quantity of Ore. The establishment is very complete with pumping, drawing and crushing engines, washing apparatus, smelt mill with two hearths and air furnace, and every other requisite for carrying on the Mine upon an extensive scale and situated within two miles of the Newcastle and Carlisle Railroad.
Also, the LEASE of the FALLOWFIELD COLLIERY, adjoining the Lead Mine. The winning is nearly new, with an excellent seam of very fine

coal, for which there is considerable Sale to Hexham and the neighbourhood.
For further particulars, apply to Mr. HENRY SMITH, at MR. WATSON's High Bridge, Newcastle upon Tyne; or to Mr. John Henderson, at the Mine.

5th April 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
GREENSIDE.—During the course of last week an accident occurred at the Greenside Lead Mines, by a portion of the roof in one of the grooves falling in, which might have been attended with serious consequences, there being four persons within a very little of the enormous mass of rock, which had fallen upwards of ten fathoms. Only two of the men were injured, —Peter Bainbridge and John Coulthard; the former had his foot severely mutilated, and the latter his hand. It appears by an account obtained from the Mines, that they were working in a place denominated a stoup, and the roof directly above had been considerably shaken from previous blasting. They had themselves a short time before fired a shot. It never had been suspected by any of the miners, that there was any defect. This is the second time poor Coulthard has had a misfortune. A few years ago, he had both his thighs broken, besides other serious bruises, at the Crushing Mill. It must be a long time before these two men will be able to work again; and having nothing but labour to depend upon, it is hoped that the directors will put forward a helping hand.

6th April 1845 Coroners Inquest (Carlisle Archive TCR 2)
Joseph Hind aged 21, of Nentsbury, Alston, accidental death by a fall of lead ore and stone.
See 1st May 1841 and 1st July 1893.

11th April 1845 (Newcastle Courant)
The Brownley Hill Company, consisting of Messrs Walton, Shaw, Whaley, Welford, and others, have within the last few days, cut one of the richest veins of lead in the old mine of Brownley Hill, situated on Alston Moor.

12th April 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriage
At Alston, on the 10th instant, Mr. William Armstrong, of Nenthead, to Miss Margaret Wailes, of Galligill.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret 25, daughter Isabella 1, and nurse child Jonathan Greenwell 4.
In 1861, at Barn, Coalcleugh, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret 35, daughter Isabella 11, son John N 11 (born Morpeth), and Jonathan Greenwell, lead ore dresser, aged 14, recognised as a son.
In 1871, at Peakside, Stanhope, William Armstrong, lead miner, local preacher, aged 48, and his wife Margaret, aged 45.
See 11th June 1842, 8th June 1844, 6th Dec. 1884, & 29th November 1890
Deaths
At Brownside, near Alston, on the 8th inst., Mary, daughter of Mr. Isaac Walton, aged 36 years. *See 30th September 1893*
At Alston, on the 9th, suddenly, aged 41 years, Martha, wife of Mr. William McGregor. *William McGregor, glass & china dealer.*

19th April 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 13th inst., Mary, daughter of Mr A. Hewitson, aged 17 years.
Anthony Hewitson married Elizabeth Hayton, 26th March 1808 at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Spring House, Nenthead, Anthony Hewitson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 53, children, Elizabeth 20, Jane 15, and Mary 14.
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Anthony Hewitson, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 63, daughter Elizabeth 33, and granddaughter Ann Hewitson aged 9.
Anthony Hewitson died 3rd qtr., 1852, registered at Alston.
Elizabeth Hewitson died 1st qtr., 1857, registered at Alston.
At Upper Nentsbury, near Alston, on the 12th inst., John, son of Mr. Isaac Harrison, aged 23 years.
In 1841, at High Nentsbury, Isaac Harrison (born Kirkhaugh), farmer, aged 40, his wife Margaret aged 40 (Pattinson, married 1st June 1822, Alston) children John 15, Mary 15, William 13, Isaac 9, and Ann 6. In 1851, at High Nentsbury, Isaac Harrison, farmer of 21 acres, common 150 acres, aged 50, his wife Margaret 55, children Mary 26, William, lead miner, aged 22, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, and Ann 15.

3rd May 1845 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Easington Lane, on the 23rd ult., aged 50, much respected, Hannah, wife of Mr William Gill, grocer and draper, formerly of Garrigill, Cumberland.

17th May 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 11th instant, Mr. Matthew Hindmarch, of Clitheroe, to Miss Margaret Spotswood, of Skelgill.
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, James Spotswood, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann aged 54, children, Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, James, lead miner, aged 15, and Nicholas, lead miner, aged 12.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Matthew Hindmarch, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret 30, children, Ann 5, Elizabeth 3, and William 1 month.
See 13th April 1861, 31st May 1873, 18th August 1883, 26th July 1884
Deaths
At Alston, on the 10th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, aged 82—much respected.
At Cowgap, near Alston, on the 12th instant, Mrs. Sarah Walton.

24th May 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 19th instant, Mrs. Lucy Pearson, aged 59 years
In 1841, at Blagill High House, Thomas Pearson, lead miner, aged 30, Jane Pearson 3, and Lucy Pearson aged 55.

30th May 1845 (Newcastle Courant)
To Be Let
The making of a RESERVOIR or WATER DAM, in the Lead Company's Priorsdale Estate, in the parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland.

The reservoir will be about 1000 yards in length and 30 yards in breadth, and the works have to be completed by the 30th September next.
For further particulars applications may be made at the Lead Company's offices at Middleton in Teesdale, near Barnard Castle, and at Nenthead, near Alston, where plans and specifications are lodged.
Tenders for the execution of the works will be received at the former office, up to the evening of Monday the 9th June, and at the latter office, up to the evening of the following day. Nenthead House, 29th May, 1845

31st May 1845 (Newcastle Journal)

NENTHEAD CHURCH.

THE Foundation Stone of the New Church at Nenthead, in the Parish of Alston, was laid on the 29th of April, in the presence of between Three and Four Hundred of the Parishioners. A suitable Form of Prayer was read by the Rev. H. Salvin, Vicar of Alston, and the foundation Stone was laid by R. Bainbridge, Esq. of Middleton in Teasdale, Agent of the London Lead Company, who have liberally contributed towards the Undertaking, and for the Benefit of whose numerous Workmen this Church is principally designed, Nenthead being an extensive Mining District, and Five Miles distant from the Parish Church of Alston. The Church is expected to be reedy for Consecration about the middle of August; the Style of Architecture is the Decorated English, after Plans furnished by Messrs. Bonomi and Cory, the Architects. The Building has been contracted for at £620, but numerous additional expenses will raise this Sum to upwards of £100 more. The Contributions, on Account of which is subjoined, have hitherto been most satisfactory for so remote a District and it is hoped, will not be allowed to fall short of the requisite Amount. The Church is to contain 301 Sittings. Two Houses adjoining each other, which were given by the London Lead Company by way of Endowment, have been, by the help of some Alterations, converted into a small Parsonage House, with a Garden and Field adjoining.

14th June 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 7th instant, Mr. Joseph Philipson, Teddam, in Allendale, to Miss Phillis Richardson, of Bailes, near Alston.
At Alston, on the 12th, Mr. John Barker, to Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, both of Nenthead.

20th June 1845 (Durham County Advertiser)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

THAT in pursuance of a Writ issuing out of the Petty Bag Office in the Court of Chancery, directed to the Chancellor of the County Palatine of Durham, whereby he is commanded and strictly injoined, "that by her Majesty's Writ, under her Seal of her said County Palatine of Durham, duly to be made, by the command of the Sheriff of her Majesty's said County of Durham, that, by the oath of honest and lawful men of his County, by whom the truth of the matter might be best known, he diligently enquire whether or no it will be to the damage or prejudice of her said Majesty, or any other, if her Majesty should grant to George Crawhall, of New-House, in the Parish of Stanhope, in the said County, Esquire, and Joseph Beck, of Cows Hill, in the same Parish and County, Miller, and their Heirs, licensed to hold, at the Chapelry of Saint John,

in the higher part of Weardale, in the Parish of Stanhope aforesaid, on Saturday in each and every week, a MARKET, and also on the third Wednesday in April and the second Wednesday in September, in each and every year for ever for the future, a FAIR for the buying and selling, both at the said Market and Fairs respectively, of all manner of living Cattle, Hardware, and all other Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes usually sold at Markets and Fairs, and if it will be to the damage or prejudice of her said Majesty, or of any other, or to the hurt of the neighbouring Markets or Fairs, then to what damage or prejudice of her said Majesty, or of any other, or to what hurt of the aforesaid Markets or Fairs, and of whom, and how, and in what manner," the Sheriff of the said County has appointed WEDNESDAY, the sixth day of August next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the Town-Hall in the Town of Wolsingham, for the execution of the said Writ, when and where a Jury will be summoned in pursuance of the said Writ; and all Persons interested in the grant of the said License for holding the said Market and Fairs will have an opportunity of attending.
Wolsingham, June 18th, 1845.
Letters patent were granted to hold a weekly market and a biannual fair at St. John's Chapel in the parish of Stanhope, 20th January 1846. See Ref: D/X 1321/1, Durham County Record Office.

21st June 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 16th inst., Mr. William Johnston *(Johnson)*, agent, aged 54 years. *See 23rd February 1856*

28th June 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest
On the 18th instant, at Alston, on the body of John Coulson, aged 60 years, who was found dead in bed on the previous morning. He had for some time laboured under asthma, and had been a casual pauper of Alston parish, and had several times been urged by the Board of Guardians to go to the workhouse, where he would have been much more comfortable than in the miserable hovel where he resided alone. On Saturday last, he was again urged to go to the workhouse; he however, as he had always done before, obstinately refused. The Relieving Officer then, in pursuance of the decision of the Union, gave him an order for one shilling a week in kind, which he accepted, but which he had not used. On examining the house it was ascertained that at the time of deceased's death he had a loaf of wheaten bread, five cakes of yeasted bread, a quantity of sugar and coffee, and four-pence-halfpenny in copper. The friends of deceased wished to impute blame to the parochial authorities. The jury, however, unanimously agreed in acquitting them of all blame, and returned a verdict of "natural death."
Marriages
At Alston, on the 26th inst., Mr. Thomas Lee, of Nenthall, to Miss Ann Spark, of Garrigill.
William Lee, married Elizabeth Emerson, 21st June 1798, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of William and Elizabeth Lee:
Joseph born 17th December 1798, 1st son of William Lee, Alston, miner, by his

wife Elizabeth daughter of Joseph and Hannah Emerson, native of Allendale.
William born 27th August 1801, 2nd son of William Lee, Alston, miner, by his wife Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Emerson, of Allendale; buried 23rd December 1801
William born 1st December 1803, 3rd son of William Lee, Alston, miner, by his wife Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Emerson.
John born 24th April 1806, 4th son of William Lee, Alston, miner, by his wife Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Emerson
Wallis born 22nd November 1809, 5th son of William Lee, Nenthall, miner, by his wife Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Emerson
Thomas born 29th June 1812
Emerson baptised 2nd July 1815
Hannah baptised 20th December 1817
William Lee of Nenthall was buried 1st October 1823, aged 51.
In 1841, at Nenthall, Elizabeth Lee, widow, farmer, aged 65, children, Wallace, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, and Hannah 20.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Elizabeth Lee, widow, grocer, aged 75, son Thomas Lee, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann (Spark, married 26th June 1845, Alston) aged 31, grand children, Elizabeth 5, Anne 3, and William 1.
Elizabeth Lee died 6th March 1856, aged 79, at Nenthall.
Thomas Lee died 3rd quarter 1856, registered at Brampton.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Ann Lee, widow, grocer, aged 41, children, William 11, George 9, and Wallace 6.
In 1871, at Nenthall, Ann Lee, lead miners widow, aged 51, children, William, lead miner, aged 21, George, lead miner, aged 19, Wallace, general servant, aged 16, and George Spark, lead miner, aged 40.
In 1881, at Nenthall, Wallace Lee, coal miner, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth (Carr, married 4th qtr 1876, at Alston) aged 23, children, Thomas 4, and Florence A 2. Also Ann Lee, lead miners widow, aged 62, and her brother George Spark, lead miner, aged 50.
In 1891, at Waterloo, Blenkinsopp, Haltwhistle, George Lee, coal miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah, aged 32, children, Thomas 9, Elizabeth 7, Ann 5, Mary Jane 3, Matthew 2 months, and mother, Ann Lee, widow, aged 71.
See 14th June 1873, 16th December 1882

4th July 1845 (Durham County Advertiser)
Marriages
At Middleton in Teesdale, 25th ult., Stewart Carson, Esq., M.D., Nenthead, to Miss—Sherlock, second daughter of Mark Sherlock, Esq., *(Lead Merchant)* of the former place.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Stewart Carson, general practitioner, surgeon, aged 42, born Scotland, his wife Margaret aged 31, children Mary Margaret 4, Mark Sherlock 3, and Jane Stewart 1.

19th July 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest before Mr. Carrick, County Coroner.
At Alston, on Thursday, on the body of a child, named Barbara Moody, aged 5 years, whose death was occasioned by drowning. It appeared from the evidence that the proprietors of the woollen manufactory had raised the dam conveying the water to their works, so as to bring it nearly level with a road running by the side of it; and that owing to the want of a

protecting wall, the public passing that way were exposed to much danger, particularly during floods and in dark nights; the deceased had been playing there along with other children about the same age, and was carried away against the breast of the dam. An alarm was raised in a very short time, the sluices were opened, and the body in passing through was caught by her father. The Coroner and Jury viewed the place, and agreed that it was, in its present state highly dangerous. The coroner at the request of the jury drew the attention of the foreman of the establishment, (in the absence of his masters) to the matter, and expressed a hope that no time would be lost in putting up a sufficient protecting wall, and cautioned him that in the event of a similar accident occurring from the same cause a serious responsibility would immediately fall on the culpable parties

9th August 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

WANTED, a NUMBER of able-bodied MEN, as EXCAVATORS, for the RESERVOIR at NENTHEAD, near Alston. Liberal Wages will be given to good Workmen. Apply at the Works. Nenthead, near Alston, August 2nd, 1845.

9th August 1845 (Newcastle Journal)

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND,

LATE BELONGING TO MR. ANTHONY WRIGHT, DECEASED, WHICH WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE IN TEN LOTS.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, at the House of Mrs. Errington, the Blue Bell Inn, Alston, in the County of Cumberland, on Tuesday the Ninth Day of September, 1845, at Six o'clock in the Evening precisely,

JOHN PATTINSON, Auctioneer,

Lot 1. ALL that TENEMENT, called Aimshaugh, situate near ALSTON, and containing upwards of Fifty Acres of Meadow and Pasture LAND, about One Acre and a Half of which is a thriving Plantation; and upwards of Three Hundred and Forty Acres of LAND, formerly Part of the Commons or Wastes in the Manor of Alston, now in the Occupation of Mr. Wm. Harrison, with DWELLING HOUSES and Outhouses and other Buildings thereon, at the Annual Rent of £70.

Lot 2. Also all that other TENEMENT, called Aimshaugh situate near ALSTON aforesaid, and containing upwards of Fifteen Acres of Meadow and Pasture LAND, and upwards of Thirty-seven Acres of Land, about Three Acres of which is a thriving Plantation, formerly Part of the said Commons or Wastes, now in the Occupation of Mr. John Walton, at the Annual Rent of £38.

Lot 3. Also all that other TENEMENT, called Leadgale, situate near ALSTON aforesaid, and containing upwards of Sixteen Acres of Meadow and Pasture LAND, and upwards of Thirty-six Acres of LAND, formerly Part of the said Commons or Wastes, now in the Occupation of Mr. Isaac Dixon, at the Annual Rent of £26.

Lot 4. Also ail that other TENEMENT, called White House, situate near CLARGILL, in the Parish of Alston aforesaid, and containing upwards of Thirty-one Acres of Meadow and Pasture LAND, being all formerly Part of the said Commons or Wastes, and now in the Occupation, of Mr.

Thomas Pattinson, at the Annual Rent of £12, and of Mrs. Elizabeth Archer, at the Animal Rent of £11.
Lot 5. Also all those TWO FIELDS or CLOSES, situate near ALSTON aforesaid, containing together Four Acres Two Roods Thirty-eight Perches or thereabouts, and now occupied by Mrs. Bland at the Annual Rent of £10.
Lot 6. Also all that excellent MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, situate in the Town of ALSTON aforesaid, and now occupied by Misses Ruth and Hannah Wright.
Lot 7. Also all that DWELLING HOUSE and SHOP, situate in ALSTON aforesaid, and now or lately occupied by Mr. Hugh Pattinson, at the Annual Kent of £6.
The above Premises are all of Leasehold Tenure, and held for Terms of One Thousand years, of which nearly Eight Hundred years are unexpired. They are subject to small nominal Annual Rents, and to a Fine of Twenty Times the Amount of the Rent payable at the End of every Twenty-one years. The Mines and Minerals are excepted in the Leases. They are free from Tithes.
Lot 8. Also a MORTGAGE DEBT of £400 and INTEREST, secured upon a Leasehold Messuage or Dwelling House of the same Tenure, in the Town of ALSTON aforesaid, belonging to Mrs. Hannah Bell. No Interest is in arrear.
Lot 9. Also a MORTGAGE DEBT of £743 and INTEREST, secured upon a Customary Freehold Tenement, called Frog Hall, in the Parish of Stanhope, in the County of Durham, formerly belonging to Mr. Joseph Watson, deceased. Part whereof is in the Occupation of Mr. Joseph Watson, at £10 per Annum, other Part thereof in the Occupation of Mr. Richard Wearmouth, at £22 per Annum, and the Residue thereof in the Occupation of Allison Brown and Beatty Lonsdale, at £2 each per Annum. There is a full Power of Sale.
Lot 10. ONE SIXTY-FOURTH SHARE of all that valuable and productive LEAD MINE in the Manor of Alston, called Rodderup Fell Lead Mine, now carried on under Articles of Partnership.
Further Particulars may be had, on Application to Mr. WILLIAM GUY or Mr. JOHN WHITE, both of Alston; or at the Office of Messrs BAINBR1DGE, Solicitors, Alston.
Alston, August 4, 1845.

23rd August 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Skelgill, near Alston, on the 15th inst., aged 67, Mr. Wm. Gibson.
See 20th November 1841

6th September 1845 (Newcastle Journal)
The new Church at Nenthead, in the parish of Alston, was lately consecrated by the Lord Bishop of Durham. The petition for consecration was presented to the Lordship by the Rev. Hugh Salvin, Vicar of Alston. The church, which is built in the style of decorated English, was crowded on this interesting occasion. Nenthead is five miles distant from the parish church of Alston, and divine service has been performed during the last two years in the schoolroom licensed for that purpose. Prayers were

offered by the Rev. H. Salvin, and an appropriate sermon preached by the bishop. The following clergymen were also present: Rev. H. Maltby, Chaplain to the Bishop; Rev. John Collinson, Rector of Boldon, who officiated as Chancellor, vice Rev. James Baker; Archdeacon Scott, Rector of Whitfield; Rev. John Blackett, Vicar of Heddon-on-the-Wall: Rev. Blythe Hurst and Rev. Joseph Hudson, Curates of Alston; Rev. Edward Bigland, Rector of Kirkhaugh; Rev Octavius James; Rev. Mr. Reed, of West Allen; and Rev. W. Walton, of Allenheads.

6th September 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest

At Alston, on the 3rd instant, on the body of John Halden, shoemaker, aged 47 years. On the Sunday preceding his death, deceased had been drinking, and about one o'clock on Monday morning was assisted to his house, which was approached by outside stone stairs. The person who assisted him home, left him on the landing of the stairs at his own door, deceased having declined further assistance. About half-past three o'clock of the same morning, he was found lying at the foot of the stairs with a severe wound upon his head and unable to speak. Deceased shortly afterwards became sensible, but could give no account how the accident happened. Medical assistance was procured, and on examination deceased was found to have likewise sustained severe spinal injury. The jury were of opinion that deceased had sat down upon the parapet of the stairs, fallen asleep, and tumbled over. Verdict — "Accidental death."

Marriages

At Alston, on the 31st ult., Mr. David Cunningham, of Shotley Bridge, to Miss Mary Richardson, of Nenthead.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 1st instant, Mr. John Halden, shoemaker, aged 57 years.

4th October 1845 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nenthead, on the 26th ult., Mrs Mary Walker, aged 73 years.

At Blagill, near Alston, on the 26th ult., Mr. William Walton, aged 24 years.

In 1841, at Blagill, William Walton, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth (Atkinson, married 8th March 1807, at Alston) aged 52, children, Atkinson, Ag. Lab., aged 33, John, lead miner, aged 31, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 19, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Elizabeth 15, and Jane 3.

In 1851, at Blagill, Elizabeth Walton, widow, landed proprietor, aged 62, children, Atkinson, lead miner, aged 42, Joseph, lead miner, aged 38, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 27, and granddaughter, Jane Walton 13.

In 1861, at Blagill, Atkinson Walton, proprietor and occupier of land, aged 53,brother, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 37, niece, Jane, house maid aged 23, nephew, William Walton, lead miner, aged 17.

Atkinson Walton, died 1st April 1864, aged 56.
See 7th April 1864.

11th October 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 19, John Daglish, son of the late Mr. William Daglish, cabinet maker, Newcastle.
At Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 17, Thomas, son of Mr. Thomas Little, blacksmith.

18th October 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Bridge Reports
The late floods have done some injury to the pinning, under, Nenthead Bridge, at Alston, but I understand to no great extent, and may be made good at a cost of £25.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 11th instant, aged 28, Mary, wife of Mr. Archibald Pears.
Archibald Pears ofAllendale, married Mary Reed 8th December 1836, at St Augustines, Alston.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, Archibald Pears, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, and son Thomas 2.
Archibald Pears married Elizabeth Armstrong, 18th July 1848, at Ninebanks, Northumberland.
Probate, 16th April 1863, Letters of Administration of the personal estate and effects of Archibald Pears, late of Coalcleugh in the parish of Allendale in the county of Northumberland Miner deceased who died 5th June 1850 at Coalcleugh aforesaid were granted at Newcastle upon Tyne to Elizabeth Pears of Coalcleugh aforesaid widow the Relict of the said deceased she having been first sworn. Effects under £200.
In 1851, at Coalcleugh, Elizabeth Pears, miners widow, aged 31, born Knaresdale, stepsons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, born Alston, and John aged 9, born Kirkhaugh.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Elizabeth Pears, miners widow, aged 42, sons in law, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, and John, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1871, at the Wesleyan Chapel, near Barney Craig workshops, Elizabeth Pears, widow, chapel keeper, aged 52. In 1871, at Furnace Row, Iveston, Durham, boarder, Thomas Pears, labourer _____, aged 31.

29th November 1845 (Newcastle Journal)
TESTIMONIAL TO GEORGE CRAWHALL, ESQ
OF NEWHOUSE, WEARDALE.
A chaste and handsome Silver Tureen, with an elegant Salver, of the value of one-hundred and fifteen sovereigns, were presented on Thursday in last week, by the miners and gentlemen of Weardale, to George Crawhall, Esq. in token of the high regard and deep respect they entertained towards him, during the long period he held the important and responsible situation of chief agent for the mines of Thomas Wentworth Beaumont, Esq., and his late father, Col. Beaumont, in the parishes of Stanhope and Wolsingham. The subscribers assembled on the lawn in the front of Newhouse, at three o'clock in the afternoon, and soon afterwards, Mr. Crawhall made his appearance, accompanied by his brother, Isaac Crawhall, Esq. his brother-in-law, the Rev. Mr. Long. Vicar of Lythe, George Sowerby, Esq., of Old Park, and a select party of

personal friends who had been specially invited to partake of an excellent and substantial dinner. The Tureen and Salver were placed upon a table, when the Rev. James Green, the officiating clergyman of the chapelry of Saint John, Weardale, stood forward and with much earnestness and feeling, said:

Mr. Crawhall, I have been requested to present to you in the name and on the behalf of the miners and other inhabitants of Weardale, on the resignation of the office which you so long so ably, and with unsullied integrity, filled, this testimonial of their respect and esteem. Very cheerfully do I comply with the request and become their spokesman on this occasion, for it affords me great pleasure to witness so good a feeling to subsist between master and workmen, In the relation in which I stand to both parties, I conceive it to be my duty to promote this good feeling to the utmost of my power, and I think when such demonstrations are not abused to mere display, they ought not to be altogether discountenanced; for, in a good understanding between employer and the employed their own comfort and the prosperity of the community greatly depend, and as this proof of respect was spontaneous on their part and unsolicited on yours, it must enhance the value of it in your estimation, and be highly grateful. But this pleasurable feeling is not unmingled with regret in which I believe all present participate. We have been long accustomed to identify Newhouse and George Crawhall. In our common conversation, they have been employed as synonymous and convertible term. And we regret that these long cherished associations are now to be broken up and dissolved. I shall lose an old, hospitable neighbour, the miners a master, whose professional judgment and experience while none, can dispute, the miners alone can appreciate. However, our cordial good wishes shall follow you into your retirement, and when released from the cares and anxieties of office, I do sincerely hope that you will find great comfort and increasing satisfaction in cultivating those habits and attending to those duties which age and retirement naturally suggest, and which no prudent man will neglect. I mean, Mr. Crawhall, those habits and duties by which you may not only approve yourself to men, but to the Being who tries; the hearts and weighs the actions of men, and by which you may secure to yourself at last when riches and the opinion of the world can avail you little, the reward of the wise and faithful steward who improved the talents intrusted to him. With these expressions of kind wishes for your welfare, allow me to conclude with one good wish for Weardale, where you and I have long laboured in our different avocations, and my wish for Weardale, is this. — May sobriety, industry, contentment, and good feeling always characterize its inhabitants—may honest labour always find employment, and employment meet an ample remuneration, so that virtuous habits and temporal prosperity may flourish together.

Mr. CRAWHALL, under deep emotion replied—Brother Miners and Gentlemen, I feel quite overpowered and unequal to the task of returning thanks in adequate terms for the splendid and unlooked for token of your kindly feeling and regard. Nearly half a century has elapsed since I became an agent in the Lead Mines of the late Col. Beaumont, and during the twenty eight years that I have been intrusted with the management or Mr. Beaumont's mines in Weardale, it has always been my most anxious

wish and endeavour, not only to secure the interest of my employer, but also, as far as lay in my power, to promote the comfort, prosperity, and welfare of the miners. That my endeavours (whether crowned with success or not) have been duly appreciated by you, brother miners, this handsome testimonial of your friendly feeling towards me, affords ample proof, and I beg to assure you now, on retiring into private life, that, wherever I may fix my future residence, the prosperity of the mines, and the comfort, and well-being of the miners will ever be to me an object of the deepest interest, and it will always afford me the most heartfelt satisfaction to know that you are doing well. Gentlemen and Brother Miners, for this elegant and noble token of your good will and esteem, I again offer you my most sincere thanks, and I assure you it will be regarded by me with pride, and preserved as one of my most valued treasures to the latest hour of my existence. With my heartfelt wishes for the prosperity of the mines, and the comfort of the miners, I sincerely pray that God may bless you all.
The miners and neighbours who had attended the presentation were afterwards plentifully regaled with refreshments and ale at Mr. Crawhall's expense and invitation, and they returned to their respective homes, highly gratified with the day's proceedings. The plate bears the following inscription neatly engraved upon it: — “Presented as a Testimonial of their respect by the Miners and other inhabitants of Weardale, to George Crawhall, Esq. of Newhouse, on his resignation of the office of Principal Mining Agent, which office he ably and honourably filled tor the period of twenty-eight years.”

20th December 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Skelgill, near Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr. James Spotswood, aged 44 years.
James Spotswood, born 25th February 1802, 3rd son of James Spotswood of Annetwalls, miner, native of West Allendale, by his wife Hannah daughter of John Lowes of Haltwhistle.
At Clargill, on the 16th instant, Isabella, relict of the late Mr. Joseph Lee, of Harbutlaw, advanced in years.
At Dryburn, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr. Thomas Whitfield, aged 68 years. *See 7th January 1853*

20th December 1845 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 12th inst., aged 16, John, the youngest son of Mr Thomas Carr, teacher.

27th December 1845 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 21st inst., Mr. Joseph Cousin, to Miss Hannah Thompson, both of Physic Hall, near Alston.
Joseph Cousin, son of Joseph Cousin, and Ann Thirlwell.
In 1851, at Bank Foot, Alston, Joseph Cousin, widow, lead miner, aged 28, born Allendale, children, Ann 3, and Therwill 2 months.

In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Joseph Cousin, widow, lead miner, aged 38, his mother, Ann Cousin, widow, housekeeper, aged 70, children Anne 13, and Thirlwall 10.
In 1871, at Herdly Terrace, Lambley, Joseph Cousin, widow, coal miner, aged 47, children, Thirwell, coal miner, aged 20, daughter Anne Glendining, married aged 23, granddaughter Hannah Glendining 1, and visitor, Margret Richardson, widow, aged 55.
The death of Thirwell Cousin aged 20, was registered at Haltwhistle 3rd quarter 1871.
In 1881, at Herdly Terrace, Lambley, Joseph Cousin, coal miner, aged 58, his wife Mary Ann 54, sons William, cm putter, aged 18, and Joseph, cm putter, aged 14.
In 1891, at Herdly Low Terrace, Lambly, Joseph Cousin, coal miner, aged 68, his wife Mary Ann 64,
At Alston, on the 25th, Mr. Thomas Bell, to Miss Esther Lightbrown, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Roger Lightbrown, Carrier, aged 45, his wife Mary, aged 40, children, Hannah, Bonnet maker, aged 15, Esther, dressmaker, aged 15, and James 8 months.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Esther 24, and son Thomas 2.
Esther Bell died 28th November 1854.
See 8th December 1854

2nd January 1846. (London Gazette)

PRESENT

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches have, in pursuance of the sixteenth section of ah Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intitled "An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes" duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the seventeenth day of December One thousand eight hundred and forty-five, in the Words following, viz.
"Your Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches, appointed by virtue of an Act, passed in the fifty-eighth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes" continued by an Act, passed in the seventh and eighth years of the reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled "An Act to amend the Acts for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and further continued by an Act, passed in the first year of your Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to prolong, for ten years, Her Majesty's Commission for building new churches, "beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, that, having taken into consideration all the circumstances of 'the parish of Alston otherwise Alstone moor, in the county of Cumberland, and within the diocese of Durham, it appears to them to be expedient, that a particular district should be assigned to the church recently erected and consecrated, and called Saint John's Church, situate at Nenthead, in the said parish of Alston otherwise Alstone moor, under the

provisions of the sixteenth section of an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for building, arid promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and that such district should be named, "The Chapelry District of Nenthead" and be bounded as follows, that is to say :
"The district is bounded on the north east by the county of Northumberland; on the east by the county of Durham; and on the remaining part by the said parish of Alston otherwise Alstone moor, from which it is divided by proceeding from Nagg's Head in a north westerly direction, along the ridge of Middle-fell, as far as a rivulet, called Hudgill-burn, and following the course of that rivulet, north easterly, till it falls into the river Nent; it then proceeds, north westerly, down that river, as far as a bridge across the river Nent', called Foresheel-bridge; and thence up the road leading by Foresheel-grains to Moap or Mohope-, in the parish of Allendale, in the county of Northumberland, as the same is more particularly delineated on the map or plan hereunto annexed and thereon coloured yellow:
"That baptisms, churching's, and burials should be solemnized and performed in the said church; and that the fees arising there from should be paid to and belong to the Minister thereof for the time being:
"That the consent of the Right Reverend Edward Bishop of Durham has been obtained thereto, as required by the above-mentioned section of the said Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George.

3rd January 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
FATAL ACCIDENT. —A fatal accident occurred on Monday last, at the Ironstone Works on Haltwhistle Common, by a fall of earth in one of the drifts. One man was killed, and another was very much hurt. They had been warned only an hour or two before by one of their fellow-workmen to put some timber into the drift, to support the roof, which, unfortunately they neglected to do, and this appears to have been the cause of the accident.

14th January 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Patterdale, on the 21st ult., Mr. John Errington mining agent, aged 62 years.
In 1841, at Eagle, Patterdale, John Errington, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Mary 55, sons, John, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, and Henry, lead miner, aged 15; the family originate from Grassington, Yorkshire.
At Alston, on the 5th inst., aged 44, Mr. Jon. Tatters.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, Jonathan Tatters, labourer, aged 26.
At Garrigill, on the 9th instant, Grace, wife of Mr Joseph Winskill, aged 36 years.

21st February 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
INQUESTS BEFORE MR. CARRICK, COUNTY CORONER.
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 12th instant before the same gentleman, on the body of Mrs. Grace Winskill, wife of Mr. George Winskill, lead ore miner, aged 36 years.

It appeared that deceased had been a delicate person for many months, but during the last three weeks she had been apparently improving, on Sunday night she retired to bed in her usual health; about six next morning she was seized with a violent pain in her head with sickness. She however, did not consider herself too severely held to prevent her going down stairs and prepare for breakfast. After she went down into the kitchen her, sickness increased, accompanied by violent vomiting. Her husband thereupon immediately rose and went to her, when he found her sitting in a chair, pressing her head between her hands, and suffering excruciating pain. She complained of being cold and shivery; the husband prepared her a cup of coffee, and she then returned to bed; shortly afterwards he gave her 1 tea-spoonful of tincture of ginger, which she said considerably relieved her. The hour having arrived when Winskill ought to go to work, he proposed that he should remain at home with her; she however objected, saying she was better, and that she had been visited with more severe attacks of a similar kind before. He then left her. In the course of the forenoon, a neighbour-woman went in and found her in bed very ill; others also came in during the forenoon, and gave deceased every attention, until she died at twelve o'clock at noon, after severe suffering in the way first stated.

The circumstances giving rise to the investigation were the severe illness and suddenness of the death, coupled with the fact that Winskill keeps a medicine chest, containing 50 or 60 different, kinds of drugs, which he disposes of as a matter of trade in his neighbourhood, and some of which, of a poisonous nature, it was believed he had administered to his wife, by mistake or wilfully; also, that he is looked upon by a few as a man of eccentric character.

The gossips of the district very readily availed themselves of these materials to make out a case of dark suspicion, and rumour, with her thousand tongues and magnifying powers, had, before it reached the town of Alston, exaggerated It into “a dreadful murder."

The husband having learnt the extent of the rumour expressed a wish to have an inquest, and Mr. White, the registrar, accordingly gave notice to the Coroner.

From the evidence of the husband and other witnesses, and a post mortem examination, made by Dr. Gill, and Mr. Routledge, surgeon, Alston, the Jury without hesitation returned a verdict that deceased had died from natural causes, — disease in her heart and bowels of long standing. The Coroner coincided in the verdict, and added that the husband had great cause to complain of the reports which had been circulated, for his neighbours had shown that he bore a most unexceptionable character; had always treated his wife with the greatest kindness and affection; and that the only eccentricity exhibited by him was a taste for reading and anxiety to acquire a knowledge of Chemistry and other sciences, which was highly creditable to a man in his situation.

Grace Winskill, was buried at Garrigill 12th February 1846, aged 36.

21st February 1846 (Mining Journal)

Alston Moor Works

Mr. J. Thompson, late manager of the Hodbarrow Iron Mines, Millom, died suddenly when about to commence his labours at the above works.

28th February 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 21st inst., Mr. John Nall, of Nenthead, to Miss Jane Forster of Alston.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, John Nall, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 28, children Hannah 4, and Sarah 6.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, John Nall, lead ore miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 38, children Hannah 14, Sarah 12, Matthew 8, Elizabeth 4, and Israel 10 months.
John Nall, died 2nd quarter 1863, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at North Side, Haydon Bridge, Jane Nall, widow, aged 48, sons, Mathew, lead miner, aged 18, and Israel 10.
In 1881, at Byers Green, Auckland, Jane Nall, widow, aged 58, son Israel, coal miner, aged 20, and boarder, John Stobbs, shoe maker, aged 35.
Jane Nall died 4th quarter 1896, at Auckland.

6th March 1846 (Newcastle Courant)
Durham Assizes
RAINE AND OTHERS V JOHNSTONE AND ANOTHER.
Mr Watson and Mr Unthank were counsel for the plaintiffs; Mr Knowles and Mr Otter appeared for the defendants, the plaintiffs in this case were lead miners, and the action was brought to recover for driving a shaft in the Coves lead mine in the county of Durham. The defendants are two solicitors at Newcastle, and it appeared that for some time they had acted as the solicitors for Mr Walker, the owner of the mine, and had advanced him sums of money to carry on the works. The manager, who had employed the plaintiffs to execute the work, was employed by the defendants, and it seemed that they had issued instructions as to the manner in which the works were to be carried on. The question at issue was whether the defendants or Mr Walker were the party liable. For the plaintiffs, a person who had formerly acted as manager of the lead works, was called, who deposed that he had been engaged by the defendants, and received his instructions from them. On the other hand, it was contended that the defendants merely acted as the solicitors of Mr Walker. — Mr Knowles, in addressing the jury for the defendants, said that this action was an experiment in which it was sought to fix this debt upon the defendants, and that if it succeeded they might depend that many others of a similar description would follow. Mr Walker was called by the defendants, but during his examination the learned judge stopped the case, and the jury found a verdict for the plaintiff for the amount sought.

14th March 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 7th, Mr. Edward Hudspith, aged 40.
In the Workhouse, Alston, on the 8th instant, Mr. William Hodgson, aged 63 years.

21st March 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 14th instant, aged 29 years, Mr James McGregor, earthenware dealer.

At Alston, on the 14th instant, aged 45 years, Mr John Beatty, innkeeper.
At Alston, on the 15th instant, aged 21 years, Miss Isabella Bowman.
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 14th inst., aged 44 years, Isabella, wife of Mr. Jonathan Hymers.
Jonathan Hymers married Isabella Scott, 19th October 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Nenthall, Jonathan Hymers, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 35, children, Sarah 14, John 12, William 10, Mary 7, and Hannah 5.
Jonathan Hymers died 3rd quarter 1848.
In 1851, at Nenthall, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 23, brother, William, lead miner, aged 20, sisters, Mary 17, and Hannah 15.

28th March 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 17th, Mr. Thomas Graham, aged 65.
Possible marriage of Thomas Graham to Margaret Sanderson 9th December 1805, at Allendale
Children of Thomas and Margaret Graham, all baptised at Allendale:
Ann born 2nd June 1806, baptised 5th July 1806
Mary baptised 22nd July 1810
William baptised 22nd July 1810
Thomas, baptised 27th July 1815
Adah baptised 27th July 1815,
Mary born 13th August 1818, baptised 6th May 1827
John born 3rd February 1821, baptised 6th May 1827
Joseph born 3rd August 1823, baptised 6th May 1827
Margaret baptised 6th May 1827
In 1841, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, wood cutter, aged 60, his wife Margrat 55, children John, smelter of lead ore, aged 20, and Margret 15.
In 1851, at Pry House, Margaret Graham, farmer of 12 acres, common 20, aged 66, born Allendale, sons John, unmarried, smelter of lead ore, aged 30, Joseph widow, wood cutter, aged 27, grandchildren, Addiah Stephenson 10, John Stephenson 21, and servant, Rebecca Walton 20.
Margaret Graham was buried at Nenthead 30th November 1858, aged 74.
See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 23rd September 1871, 13th July 1872, 11th December 1875, 27th April 1878, & 22nd April 1882.
At Hudgill, near Alston, on the 20th instant, Miss Hannah Spark, aged 18 years.

4th April 1846 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston on the 26th ult., aged 60, William Bainbridge Esq. universally and deeply lamented. *See 28th September 1839, and 27th October 1877.*

11th April 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Thomas Armstrong, mason, aged 82 years.
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Catherine, wife of Mr. John Nanson, aged 23 years.
At Sandhill, near Alston, on the 3rd instant, Mr. Thomas Teasdale, miner, aged 51 years.

At Annetwalls, near Alston, on the 8th instant, Mr. Thomas Kearton aged 74 years.
Thomas Kirton married Mary Shaw, 23rd January 1800, at St Augustines, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Mary Kearton:
James born 5th July 1800, baptised 10th August 1800, at Redwing Chapel, Alston.
Thamar born 20th July 1802, 1st daughter of Thomas Kirton, Shieldhill, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of Thos Shaw.
Thomas born 31st December 1804, 2nd son of Thomas Kirton, Shieldhill, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of Thos Shaw.
James born 9th October 1807, 2nd (sic) son of Thomas Kirton, Shieldhill, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of Thos Shaw.
Mary born 22nd May 1810, 2nd daughter of Thomas Kirton, Shieldhill, miner, by his wife Mary daughter of Thos Shaw.
Hugh baptised 19th December 1813
John baptised 3rd November 1816
Ruth baptised 22nd October 1820
Mary Kearton of Annatwalls, was buried 25th September 1839, aged 62, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Thomas Kearton married Tamar Coulthard, 25th August 1838, at St Augustines, Alston.
Tamar Kearton died 2nd quarter 1840, registered at Alston.
In 1841. At High Annatwalls, Thomas Kearton, farmer, aged 65, Thomas Kearton, lead miner, aged 35, and Thomas Kearton aged 6.
Thomas Kearton died 3rd quarter 1848, registered at Alston.
Alston Church Yard Transcripts:

In Memory of
Thomas Kearton of Annatwalls who
Died April 8th Aged 74 years
And of Mary his wife who died Sep 18th 1839
Aged 62
Also James their son who died Jan 9th 1802
Aged 1 year
And of Tamer their daughter who died June ___ 1819 aged 16
Also of Ruth, who died Dec 26th 1820 aged 1 year
Also of Tamer wife of Thos Kearton jun
Who died Aprill 11th 1840 aged 26 years

See 18th October 1884

18th April 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 10th instant, Mr. Joseph Pearson, aged 56 years.
Jonathan Pearson married Hannah Dodd 4th April 1789, at St John, Garrigill.
Joseph Pearson, born at Middle Houses, 11th April 1790, baptised 9th May 1790, at Redwing Chapel, son of Jonathan and Hannah Pearson.
At Alston, on the 13th inst., Mr. George Medcalf, aged 67.
In 1841, at Circus Lane, Alston, George Midcalf, Roaster at Mill, aged 60, his wife Eunice (Tatters, married 8th March 1800, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 60, and son George, lead miner, aged 25.

22nd May 1846 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope, on the 17th inst., Mr. Thomas Rodham, of Westgate, Newcastle and Weardale Carrier to Miss Mary Walton, daughter of Mr. Jos. Walton, of Westgate, farmer.
In 1851, at Westgate, Thomas Roddam, Carrier, aged 31, born, Bywell, his wife Mary aged 27, and daughter Ann aged 2.

13th June 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest
On the 8th instant, at Blaygill hilltop, near Alston, on view of the body of William Jackson, miner aged 21. It appeared that on the 6th instant, deceased and a companion, neither of whom could swim, were bathing in the pool below High Nentforce Waterfall, which is very deep and about ten yards wide. Deceased in attempting to throw himself across the pool, went too near the waterfall, and was drawn in by the whirlpool occasioned by the falling water, and drowned before his companion could render him any assistance. Verdict, “accidental death.”

20th June 1846 (Newcastle Journal)
THE ALSTON MINING CASE—FINAL DECISION. —
HUDGILL BURN COMPANY v. GALLIGILL WELL COMPANY—This long pending suit has just been brought to a close. The facts are as follows: —The Hudgill Burn Company, in January, 1833, filed a bill in Chancery, and a supplementary bill in 1834, against the defendants, the Galligill Well Company, claiming the Galligill Well Mine, and all the ore they had been getting since 1824, amounting in value to several thousand pounds sterling, and the Hudgill Company prayed the Lord Chancellor to grant an injunction, or prevent the Galligill Company from working their mine, and that a receiver might be appointed, &c &c.
To these bills the Galligill Company answered and denied altogether the claim set up by the Hudgill Company. After tedious proceedings in the Court of Chancery, it was perceived that in that court no result could ever be come to; therefore, with the view of obtaining a decision of the question, it was determined to submit the matter to reference, and Mr. Benjamin Johnson was chosen by the Hudgill Company; and Mr. Crossby by the Galligill Company; Mr. Johnson leaving the country, a new reference became necessary, and it was ultimately agreed to refer the matter to Robert B. Armstrong, Esq. Q. C. Recorder of Manchester. The learned arbitrator held his court at Carlisle, in September 1844, and sat upon the arbitration nine days hearing evidence, the Hudgill Company being represented by Mr. Watson, Q.C. and Mr. Bainbridge; and the Galligill Company by Mr. Baines, Q.C and Mr. Drinkwater. In December, 1845, the arbitrator made his award that the Galligill Company had a clear right to their mine—that the Hudgill Company's claim was quite unfounded (except for a portion of ore, amounting in value to £326, got by the Galligill Company in an adjoining vein, in the same way as the Hudgill Company had in 1827, got some ore belonging to the Galligill Company, which they had to pay for and return); and that the Hudgill Company were to pay all their own expenses, and all the law expenses of the Hospital incurred about the matter, and that they were to pay the Galligill Company £1100. The Hudgill

Company being dissatisfied, they obtained a rule in the Court of Queen's Bench in January last, to set aside the award, and it came on for argument on Thursday the 4th of June instant, when Lord Denman and the Court of Queen's Bench confirmed the award made by Mr. Armstrong, which decision, in favour of the Galligill Company, ends the proceedings in the Court of Chancery and Queen's Bench in this long pending suit.

27 June 1846 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

THE TYNESIDE MANUTFACTORIES—No. X

The Gallowgate LEAD-WORKS.

The proximity of Newcastle to several Lead-mines naturally gives facilities for the manufacture of that metal to the various useful purposes to which it can be applied. We have, consequently, sundry factories, in the town and neighbourhood, known as lead-works, in which the metal is refined, and made into both red and white leads. These processes, together with the making of small shot, for the sportsman, are conducted on a very extensive scale, at the Gallowgate Lead-works, the property of Messrs. Locke, Blackett, & Co.

To a stranger, the shot-factory not unfrequently proves the most interesting part of the works. Happily, however, the shot of the Gallowgate works is not for the warrior, but for the more agreeable occupation of the sportsman. The largest kinds are cast in a matrix, like printing types, by a very simple process; but the smaller size, named patent-shot, is made by what is called “granulation," and is an exceedingly ingenious and beautiful adaptation of art to utility. The metal is mixed with a slight proportion of arsenic, to give it sphericity, and, when in a liquid state, is poured, in small quantities, into a colander, the lower part of which is pierced with holes, like a sieve. Passing through this vessel, it falls down a shaft, two hundred feet in depth, and while thus! descending, in small globules in the air, it acquires| solidity and form, the holes in the colander having partially shaped the size of the shot. At the bottom of the shaft, the shot falls into water. From the water, it is taken to steam-heated iron plates, on which it is dried, it is then sifted, and the sizes separated. In order, however, to secure the perfectly spherical form of the shot, it is submitted to another test. An iron table, slightly elevated at one end, is erected, and the shot made to flow gradually along the table into a box below. The imperfectly-shaped, or oval globules, are separated by this means, the good alone being able to reach the box, which is placed a few inches apart from the table. The shot is next coloured by plumbago or black-lead, which is rubbed into it by the friction received while shaken together in a part of the machinery made for the purpose. After this, it is tied up in small canvas bags, containing two stones each, and, in that way, sent to market.

The process of manufacturing the red and white leads will be less easily understood by general readers, but it is a branch of very great importance, and one that, equally with any other, shows the value of practical chemistry. White-lead, which is chiefly used by painters and potters, is a carbonate of the metal; but the manner in which this carbonate is obtained, is rather curious. The metal is first melted in a large pot, then cast into sheets about twenty inches long, four or five broad, and about an eighth of an inch in thickness. These sheets are next weighed, and subjected to the following process:

In large commodious buildings, a series of strata are built up one over the other, to the height of twenty-five feet. At the bottom of all this, is a layer of

tanners' spent bark, two or three feet thick; then a layer of earthen pots, about five inches in diameter, and containing each a pint of weak vinegar; then a layer of leaden plates, six in depth or thickness, laid over the open mouths of the pots; then a covering of common deal boards; next, a second bed of spent tan, a second layer of pots with vinegar, a second layer of leaden plates, and so on, till a "stack," as it is called, is built up, to the height of more than twenty feet. There are about sixteen hundred pots ranged in each layer or heat; and four tons of lead in each heap laid on the pots. The door of each room, if we may call it a door, is as high as the room itself; and each layer of the materials form a floor on which the women stand and walk, either to empty or to fill the stack. After this has been done, the rooms are closed; up for six or eight weeks. During this time, the bark ferments, giving a sufficient quantity of heat to cause the evaporation of the vinegar in the pots. By this vapour, the surface of the lead is first converted into an oxide; this oxide is formed into an acetate by the vinegar; and this again changed into carbonate by carbonic acid gas yielded by the fermenting bark. The stack, after remaining the necessary time, is taken down piecemeal, by removing the uppermost sheets of lead, then the earthen pots (which have lost a good deal of their contents by evaporation), then a layer of bark, then a Layer of boards, then a second tier of lead and of pots, then the next lower layer of bark, until the stack is entirely removed and the room emptied. The thin pieces of lead, when thus removed, are perfectly white and earthly at the surface, but metallic in the centre, the acid gas not penetrating the entire mass. The two substances are next separated, the metallic being used for casting and again entering the stack, and the carbonate taken to a grinding mill and subjected to various processes. It is subsequently dried in a stove-room and sent into the market, either as a thick paste, ground with linseed oil, for painters, or, as a dry earthy substance, for potters.

The agency by which metallic lead is converted to red lead is another process of fully equal importance and interest. The pigs of lead (after the silver has been extracted from them) are put into furnaces not unlike bakers' ovens. A man stands at each furnace, stirring the metal to bring it freely in contact with the air which is admitted at the entrance. This continues for five or six hours uninterruptedly, by the lead loosing its fluidity and becomes a grey yellow powder. In order to remove the metallic lead which may still remain, another process is necessary. The contents of the furnace are put into a mill, and ground with water into a fine paste, after which the whole is diffused in water in a cistern. The water thus coloured of a bright yellow, (for the greenish tinge has been caused by the blue lead mixed with the yellow powder) flows through a series of tanks and troughs, till its sediment of yellow oxide is collected. That is again collected, heated again, and by obtaining a larger portion of oxygen in the furnace, becomes red lead, or minum, On being removed from the furnace a second time, it is ground to fine powder, and packed for sale. Thus, heat and air are the main elements for changing the metallic to the red lead.

The refinery is in a Separate part of the works. There the pig-lead, after coming from the ore, is melted, and the silver extracted. This is done by a patent process invented several years ago, by Mr Pattinson, of this town. The lead, containing silver, is melted in large pots, and then suffered to cool slowly, a workman, all the time, stirring it with an iron tool. On cooling, crystallization

takes place, and the solid particles of lead that fall to the bottom are withdrawn by a perforated ladle. These panicles are re-melted, and by several repetitions of these crystallizations, the silver is concentrated into one-tenth or one-twentieth of the original bulk of lead, while the remaining part is almost, entirely deprived of the precious metal. The rich metal being next heated to a high temperature, and exposed to a blast of air, oxidises; while the silver remains in solid cakes of great beauty. The oxide is called “litharge,” and Is used either in the making of flint-glass, or in preparing the salts of lead, which are much employed in dying and calico-printing, or when mixed with coal and heated in a furnace, it parts with the oxygen, and resumes the metallic form, and is called refined lead.
In these several processes, a great proportion of the hands employed are females; and, yet, though white lead is known to be highly poisonous, they seem to suffer little from their vocation, the proprietors wisely adopting every available precaution for the maintenance of their health. Above one hundred of both sexes are employed in these works.
*A gentleman in the neighbourhood is said to have discovered a method of making white lead, by which, if it can be carried out, an immense saving of time and money will be effected. Instead of six or seven weeks being occupied, as is the case by the present method, a fortnight will be sufficient for the new process. A committee of chemical gentlemen are investigating, we believe, the value of this new discovery.

4th July 1846 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Nenthead Church on the 1st inst., Mr. J. C. Cain, of Galligill, Mine Agent to Miss Lee, of Nenthall *(Hannah).*
See 21st March 1845, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

18 July 1846 (Newcastle Journal)
The most fearful mining calamity ever known in Cornwall occurred on Thursdays week, at East Wheal Rose lead mine, in the parish of Newlyn, near Truro; a thunder storm of unprecedented violence, attended with a flood which resembled rather the bursting of a waterspout than the heaviest rain, broke over the neighbourhood; the torrents collected towards the valley, where the mine is situated, and rushing in torrents down the shaft, quickly filled every level: forty-three were drowned in the mine.

25th July 1846 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Mr William March, to Miss Mary Ann Walton.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 21st inst., aged 66, Mr John Borrow.
John Borrow, baptised 16th July 1780, at St Augustine’s, Alston, son of Thomas and Mary Borrow.
John Borrow married Ann Scott, 18th May 1805, at Alston.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, John Borrow, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Ann 47, children, Elizabeth 13, and Francis 8.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Ann Borrow, widow, washerwoman, aged 57, born Allendale, daughters, Elizabeth, factory girl, aged 22, and Frances, factory girl aged 17.
Ann Borrow died 3rd qtr 1853, aged 60, registered at Alston.

8th August 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
PATTERDALE. —Metal of the value of more than £200 was washed away by the flood of Wednesday night last, from the Greenside Lead Mines, where other damage to a great extent was sustained.

22nd August 1845 (Carlisle Patriot)
Testimonial to Wm. Crawhall, **Esq**.—A splendid Silver Tureen and Salver, bearing the following inscription. have been presented to Wm. Crawhall, Esq., on his retiring from office as Mining Agent to Thomas Wentworth Beaumont. Esq., at Allenheads: —" Presented to William Crawhall, Esq. by the Lead Miners of East and West Allendale, as a token of the high estimation in which they had held him as a master, for a period of thirty-three years, and of their deep regret at his departure from Allenheads. August, 8th, 1845."—
Newcastle Journal
Newcastle. —Thomas Sopwith, Esq., civil-engineer (who has been recently elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London), has received the appointment of Mining Agent to Thos. Wentworth Beaumont, Esq., at East and West Allendale, vacant by Mr. Crawhall's retirement. — *Mercury.*
In 1841, at Allenheads, William Crawhall, lead mine agent, aged 55, and Ann Crawhall, independent, aged 55.
See 7th April 1849

29th August 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
On the 27th inst., John Crawhall Little, of Coalcleugh, agent, to Esther, youngest daughter of Anthony Walton, of Alston.
See 2nd December 1837, and 20th December 1890.
At Alston, on the 25th inst., Mr. Robert Walton to Mary, 2nd daughter of Mr. John Cowper, Alston.
Children of John and Sarah Cowper, Elizabeth born, 1st February 1817, Mary born 18th April 1818, Hannah, born 7th April 1820, Sarah, born 23rd March 1822, and Joseph, born 27th May 1824.
In 1841, at Alston, Potato Market, John Cowper (married Sarah Dickinson, 26th November 1816, at Alston), woollen draper, aged 45, Mary Cowper aged 20, and Hannah Cowper aged 20.
In 1851, at Rye Hill, Newcastle, Joseph Milburn, woollen and linen draper, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth (Cowper, married 34, children Sarah 10, Anne 8, Mary E 6 months, and father in law, John Cowper, retired draper, aged 58.
In 1861, at Raise, Alston, John Cowper, retired draper, aged 68.
See 1st June 1833, 6th March 1852, 19th June 1869
In 1851, at Rye Hill, Newcastle, Joseph Milburn, woollen and linen draper, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth (Cowper, married 34, children Sarah 10, Anne 8, Mary E 6 months, and father in law, John Cowper, retired draper, aged 58.
In 1861, at Raise, Alston, John Cowper, retired draper, aged 68.
See 1st June 1833, 6th March 1852, 19th June 1869.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
ROBERT WALTON OF ALSTON
WOOLLEN MANUFACTURER
SIXTH SON OF JACOB AND MARY WALTON
OF GREEN ENDS
WHO DIED MARCH 19TH 1849
AGED 35.
ALSO OF MARY HIS BELOVED WIFE, AND
DAUGHTER OF JOHN AND SARAH COWPER
OF ALSTON
WHO DIED OCTOBER 6TH 1847
AGED 29 YEARS.
ALSO OF MARY JANE THEIR INFANT
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED OCTOBER 11TH 1847
AGED 14 DAYS.

3rd October 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Whitehouse, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Mary, daughter of Mr. Jackson Wanless, aged 19 years.
See 31st December 1842
At Alston, on the 1st instant, John son of Mr. Edward Wilkinson, aged 21 years.
In 1841, at Town Head, Edward Wilkinson, linen weaver, aged 45, his wife Sarah 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, Edward, lead miner, aged 13, and Sarah 8.
In 1851, at Town Head, Edward Wilkinson, widower, hand loom weaver, aged 56, born Allendale, children, William, stone mason, aged 30, Edward, lead miner, aged 24, and Sarah aged 18, all born, Allendale.
Sarah Wilkinson died 3rd quarter 1843, registered at Alston.
Edward Wilkinson died 3rd quarter 1860, registered at Alston.
At Nenthead, on the 30th ult., Mary, wife of Mr. Francis Swindle, aged 37 years.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Francis Swindle, lead ore smelter, aged 35, his wife Mary 30 (Henderson, married at Ninebanks, 29th June 1828), children, Jos 12, Peggy 10, Jane 7, Francis 5, and Thomas 1 (children baptised at Redwing).

In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Francis Swindle, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 49 (born Allendale), children, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Margaret 20, Francis, lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas 11, and Mary 8. Death of Francis Swindle recorded 4th quarter of 1859 (28th November).
Francis Swindle married Jane Erwin, at Nenthead, 6th March 1853
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, George Hutchinson, lead ore miner, aged 43, his wife Catherine 45, children George 15, Elizabeth 6, Sarah A 3, and boarder Jane Swindle, lead smelters widow, aged 65.
In 1861, at Willington Quay, Joseph Swindle, lead smelter, aged 31, his wife Sarah A 23 (born Felton, Northumberland), children Mary 4, Robert 2, and Margt A 3 months.
In 1861, at Willington Quay, John Hutchinson, lead smelter, aged 27, born Allendale, his wife Margaret (Swindle, married 25th November 1854, at Alston) aged 30, born Nenthead, and boarder, Thomas Swindle, merchant tailor, aged 21.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Francis Swindle, smelter, aged 24, and his sister Mary, housekeeper aged 18.
See 5th July 1873

5th December 1846 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquests

Before W. Carrick, Esq., County Coroner.

On the 22nd ult., at Farnberry, near Alston, on the body of William Robson, lead ore miner, aged 19 years. Deceased incautiously descended into what is called the drift under-level of Whigelty Mine, for the purpose of procuring a spade, though warned of the impurity of the air within it, and was suffocated by the noxious gas. Verdict accordingly.
In 1841, at Low Farnberry, Mathew Robson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Pickering, married 29th April 1837, Alston) aged 25, daughters Mary 3, and Margret 1, also Elizabeth Robson 35, William Robson 13, and Margaret Robson 3 years.
In 1851, at Low Farnberry, Mathew Robson (born Lambley), lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 36, children Mary 12, Margret 10, Hannah 7, William 3, and Tamar 11 months.

> ***The Nature, Causes, and Means of Prevention of the Diseases incident to Lead Miners. By William Swart, Surgeon, Wigton. — 8vo., pp. 31. 1846.***
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> It is not our wont to dabble in medical literature, but when we meet with an essay like this of Mr. Ewart's in which technicalities are discarded and plain practical views are entertained, we have less hesitation in taking up the subject, for the purpose of pointing out what appears commendable or otherwise in the work before us. The title of Mr. Ewart's essay is one calculated to claim attention in this county, as every one knows that tho load mines of Cumberland are of great extent, and that a large body of artisans (having too often wives and families to support) are engaged in them. It is pretty well known, too, that longevity is not often met with amongst lead miners, and that causes exist in these "underground" occupations, which interfere materially with life. …

See 28th June 1844, and Appendix

5th December 1846 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
In Newgate Street, on the 30th ult., aged 34, much respected, Mrs. Hannah Hartree, eldest daughter of Mr. John Roddam, of Westgate, Weardale, and niece of Thomas Rodham, High Bridge.

19th December 1846 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead on the 15th inst., Mr. Joseph Blacklock, aged 75 years.
Robert Hayton, married Ann Hill at Stanhope 15th February 1771.
Joseph Blalock, married Elizabeth Bails, at St John, Garrigill, 29th December 1768.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Joseph Blacklock, lead miner aged 70 (son of Joseph and Elizabeth, baptised Alston, 3rd April 1771), his wife Mary (Hayton, married 16th December 1790, at Alston daughter of Robert and Ann Hayton) aged 70 (baptised at Stanhope 16th January 1771), and son Robert, lead miner aged 45.
Children of Joseph and Mary: —Joseph baptised 29th October 1791, Robert, baptised 26th April 1794, Jacob baptised 17th December 1794, died 7th June 1802, aged 7, and Ann, baptised 5th April 1797, Elizabeth baptised 17th February 1799, Jonathan baptised 9th May 1801, Jacob, born 3rd July 1803, Anna baptised 8th August 1805, died 21st December 1812, aged 7) and Mary baptised 11th December 1813.
In 1851, at Overwater, Mary Blacklock, lead miners widow, aged 80, born Stanhope, son, Robert, lead miner, aged 58, born Nenthead, daughter Ann Shield (married John Shield 25th April 1818, at Alston), lead miners widow, aged 54, born Nenthead, and grand daughter, Mary Shield aged 30.

29th January 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 21st instant, John Bird, miner, aged 36 years, much respected.
In 1841, at Dufton, John Bird, lead miner aged 25.

29th January 1847 (Durham Chronicle)
AT a MEETING of the REVELING LEAD MINING COMPANY, held this 5th day of December, 1846, at the house of Mrs Hutchinsons, Rose and Crown Inn, Middleton in Teesdale, (Mr MARK SHERLOCK, Chairman,) It was Resolved,—That in consequence of due Notice having been given to Mr William Walton Mr John Watson, Messrs. Christopher and John Burney, that unless the money due upon their respective shares was paid unto the said Reveling Lead Mining Company, or their Agent, John Coatsworth, within one calendar month from the date of serving the said Notices, that their respective shares would be forfeited to the remaining Partners who had paid up their loss; and they not having done so, it is now determined that the said shares are forfeited.
MARK SHERLOCK. GIBSON COLLINSON. JOHN COATSWORTH.
JOHN S. BARNES, on behalf of the Executors of the late Wm. Barnes.
EDWARD HUTCHINSON, for Isabella Hutchinson
JONATHAN COATSWORTH. THOMAS COATSWORTH.

HANNAH GIBSON, executrix to the late John Gibson.
Working East and West Reveling, Teesdale, lease from the Marquess of Cleveland dated 7th March 1835 for 14 years.

5th March 1847 (Newcastle Courant)
Died
At Allenshields, near Blanchland, on the 25th ult., aged 31, much lamented, Hannah, wife of Mr William Price, smelt mill agent to the Derwent Mining Company.
See 13th March 1840, 4th April 1866, 7th May 1881

10th April 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr John Kindred, of Sheeprigs, to Miss Sarah Readshaw, of Alston. *See 11th February 1870*
Deaths
At Nenthead on the 7th inst., suddenly, Mr John Walton, of Alston, Blacksmith.
At Ashgill, near Alston, on the 7th inst., Mr Christopher Armstrong, aged 50 years.
Christopher Armstrong married Addah Armstrong, on 9th December 1826, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Ashgill side, Alston, Christopher Armstrong, aged 40, his wife Addah 30, children, Mary 10, William 8, John 4, and Christopher 1.
Christopher Armstrong of Ashgillside, was buried 9th April 1847 aged 50, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Ashgill Side, Addy Armstrong, widow, occupier of small farm, aged 43, children, Mary 21, William, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 13, Christopher 11, Thomas 7, and Elizabeth 5.
In 1861, at Ashgill Side, Adeline Armstrong, miners widow, aged 54, children, John, lead miner, aged 23, Christopher, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, and Elizabeth 15.

Elizabeth was was buried 1st October 1864, aged 19, at St John's, Garrigill.

In 1871, at Ashgill Side, Adeline Armstrong, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 64, children, Christopher, lead miner, aged 31, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 27.

Ada Armstrong of Ashgillside, was buried 5th July 1873, aged 66, at St John's, Garrigill.

Christopher Armstron jnr., was buried 8th January 1879, aged 38, at St John's, Garrigill.

16th April 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
Before Mr. Lee, Deputy Coroner.
On the 9th instant, at Alston, on view of the body of John Walton, blacksmith, aged 63 years. On the 7th instant, whilst working at Nenthead, in his usual health he was suddenly taken ill, and died in the course of a few minutes. Verdict "Natural Death —apoplexy."

7th May 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 27th ult., Mr John Hetherington, aged 74 years, agent for the London Lead Company. *See 5th February 1876*

St Augustine's Church Yard, Alston

Created in memory of
JOHN GEORGE, SON of
JOHN & ALICE HETHERINGTON
of Nenthead
Who departed this life Jan 21st 1828
in the 7*“ year of his Age
Also of Mary, their daughter, who died
Aug 2nd 1820, aged 2 years
And of George their son, who died
April 24th 1819, aged 5 years
And of Elisabeth their daughter
who died July 31, 1817, in infancy.
Also of Christopher, their Son
who died April 16th
1843 aged 18 years

St Augustine's Church Yard, Alston

(on the back)
Sacred
to the
Memory of Alice, wife of
John Hetherington, of Nenthead,
who departed this Life December
27th 1845, aged 56 years.
Also of the above named
John Hetherington,
who departed this life April 27th
1847, aged 74 years

8th May 1847 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 3rd inst., Mrs Isabella Bramwell, of Physic Hall, near Alston, aged 76 years.

Joseph Bramwell married Isabella Walton, 22nd February 1798, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Joseph and Isabella Bramwell:
All baptised at St John's, Garrigill.
Henry born 3rd March 1799, 1st son of Joseph Bramwell, by his wife Isabella, daughter of Henry & Mary Walton.
Mary born 4th February 1805, 1st daughter of Joseph Bramwell, Middlehouses, miner, by his wife Isabella, daughter of Henry Walton. Mary was buried 3rd December 1805, an infant, at St John's, Garrigill.
Mary born 2nd May 1807, 2nd daughter of Joseph & Isabella Bramwell, of Middlehouses.
John son of Joseph and Isabella Bramwell of Middle Houses, was buried 12th January 1811, an infant, at St John's, Garrigill.
Isabella born 29th September 1812, 3rd daughter of Joseph Bramwell, Middlehouses, miner, by his wife Isabella, daughter of Henry Walton.
Joseph Bramwell was buried 12th March 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston, aged 59.

23rd April 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
Inquests
On the 27th instant *(sic)* at Nenthead, near Alston, on the body of James Fawcett, a miner aged 41. On the preceding day deceased was engaged in the sump of Dowgang mine, about 60 feet in depth, of which 12 feet at the bottom was filled with water. Deceased was standing on a cross beam, about 12 feet from the top, engaged in steadying a ladder, which was being raised by windlass at the top. He was heard to exclaim "oh!" and immediately afterwards to fall down the sump. Assistance was promptly rendered, and the body, after a short interval, was found in the water at the bottom of the shaft. The skull was frightfully fractured; the substance of the brain oozing out of the ears. In the descent the body had broken through a strong scaffolding, where no doubt the severe injury to the head had been received. It is supposed that he had been seized with a fit of giddiness, a complaint to which he was subject after smoking tobacco—and had fallen from the beam.—Verdict, "Accidental Death."
In 1841 at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 40, Sarah Richardson aged 30, and James Fawcett, lead miner, aged 30.
See 30th November 1864

31st July 1847 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 27th inst., Mrs Maria Millican, aged 55 years.
Joseph Millican married Maria Gill, widow, 12th May 1827, at Alston, daughter of Thomas & Margaret Walton.
In 1841, at Beldy Mill, Joseph Millican, Tailor, aged 35, his wife Maria 45, children, Mary 13, Phebe 11, Hannah 8, and Walton 4.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Joseph Millican, widower, Tailor, aged 45, born Great Corby, Cumberland, son in law, Thomas Gill, lead miner, aged 36, daughter Mary 22, and son Walton, lead miner, aged 14.
Joseph Millican of Gate Head, was buried at Garrigill, 17th March 1856, aged 49.

At Alston, on the 28th instant, Mr John Douglas, aged 75 years.
John Douglas (son of William and Ann) married Ann Walton, 23rd August 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, John Douglas, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Ann 55, children, John, lead miner aged 30, and Mary 15.
In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, Ann Douglas, widow, pauper, aged 68, and granddaughters, Ann Dickinson, woollen yarn spinner, aged 16, and Hannah Dickinson, woollen yarn spinner, aged 14.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Ann Douglas, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 80.
Ann Douglas died 3rd qtr 1868, aged 89, registered at Alston.

20th August 1847 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
In Elswick Row, on the 9th inst., aged 17, Miss Margaret Ann Leathart, late of Alston. *See 25th January 1845, 8th August 1891, and 17th August 1895.*

20th August 1847 (Carlisle Patriot)
SCHOOLMASTER IS WANTED against the 30th Day of SEPTEMBER, 1847, at the Village of GARRIGILL GATE, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland. He will be expected to be able sufficiently to Teach Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English Grammar, and Mensuration. The present Endowments to the School amount to of £20 per Annum, besides which there is a prospect of a considerable Quarter Pence, and also a good School Room. Such Persons as are desirous of proposing for the situation are requested to attend at the School Room, in Garrigill Gate aforesaid, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon of THURSDAY, the 23rd Day of September next, for the purpose of Examination, and at which time further particulars will be given, and the appointment of the Master take place. Garrigill Gate, 14th August, 1847.

11th September 1847 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr William Rodolpho McKenzie, tailor, to Miss Phillis Goodfellow.
Phillis Goodfellow, born 30th January 1818, baptised 20th July 1821, at Redwing Chapel, parents William Goodfellow, miner, and his wife Ann late Snowdon (married 18th October 1817, at Alston).
In 1841, at BakehouseLane, Alston, Ann Goodfellow, confectioner, aged 45, daughter, Phillis 20, sons, John, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Matthew, groom, aged 13, William, winder, aged 9, and James aged 1 year.
In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, Ann Goodfellow, widow, house keeper, aged 57, sons, John, lead miner, aged 30, Robert, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew, servant, aged 24, William, Tallow Chandler, aged 19, and married daughter, Phillis McKenzie, servant to mother, aged 33.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, William Goodfellow, tallow chandler, aged 30, his sister Phillis 43, and niece, Mary A. Goodfellow 13.

In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Phillis Goodfellow, widow, aged 52, and George T. Staindrop, nurse child, aged 10 months, lodgers, Joseph Walton, butcher, aged 60, and John Walton, lead miner, aged 16.
In 1891, at the Workhouse, Alston, Phillis McKenzie, widow, aged 72.
Phillis McKenzie, died 2nd qtr., 1892, aged 74, registered at Alston.

Deaths

At Redwing, Garrigill, on the 4th inst., Mrs Mary Teasdale, aged 81 years.
In 1841, at Pasture Houses, Garrigill, Mary Reasdale, school mistress, aged 75, and Elizabeth Teasdale aged 40.

12th November 1847 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Stagshaw, on the 9th inst., Ann, third daughter of the late Thomas Crawhall, Esq., of Allenheads.

26th November 1847 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Jarrow, on the 6th inst., Mr. Thomas J. Bewick, mining surveyor, Allenheads, to Mary Anne, only daughter of Isaac Burrell, Esq., of this town.

6th December 1847 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Allenheads, on the 2nd inst., aged 65, deeply regretted, Mr. Thomas Dawson, innkeeper.

7th January 1848 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest

On the 30th ult., at Nenthall, on the body of Isaac Vipond, of that place, joiner, aged 57. Deceased had been door keeper at the London Company's Pay office on the previous Tuesday, and after the duties of the day were over, he returned home, complained of being cold, and instantly fell down and expired. He had occasionally been troubled with palpitations of the heart. Verdict, "Natural death—heart disease."

At Garrigill St John. Headstone

Source: Garrigill Transcripts, Newcastle City Library

Sacred to the Memory of
Isaac Vipond of Nenthead
Who died December 28th 1847 aged 56 years
Also Mally his wife who died June 6th 1848 aged 56 years
And Thomas their son
Who died October 1st 1836 aged 6 years

8th January 1848 (Newcastle Journal)

Salubrity of Alston

It appears from the records of the Registrar of Births and Deaths for the Parish of Alston, the population of which is nearly seven thousand, that the births and deaths for the months of October, November, and December last were, births fifty-five, and deaths sixteen. Alston is one of the market towns in England

that is placed at the greatest height from the sea, and there are probably few districts where the mortality has been so light for the last three months, thus indicating the salubrity of the district.

14th January 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 10th inst., Mr John Dobson, aged 64 years.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Dobson, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Mary 47, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 13, Mary 11, Thomas 7, Arthur 4.
In 1851, at Clark Hall, Mary Dobson, miners widow, aged 57, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, and Arthur, lead miner, aged 14.
At Alston Workhouse, on the 12th instant, Mr Joseph Wren, aged 78 years.

28th January 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Blackhouse, Alston, on the 25th instant, Mrs Alice Stobart, aged 76 years.
At Upper Nentsberry, near Alston, on the 21st inst., John, son of Mr Robert Broadwood, mining agent, aged 17 years.
In 1841, at High Nenthall, Robert Broadwood, mining ageny, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 30, children, John 10, Hannah 9, Mary 7, Elizabeth 6, Jane 3, Thomas 2, and Robert 1 month.
See 14th November 1868, 21st June 1879, 2nd July 1881, 22nd June 1889
At Aimshaugh, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr William Hymers aged 48 years.
William Hymers married, Mary Kirton 27th December, 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of William and Mary Hymers, baptised at Redwing Chapel:
John born 24th November, 1824, baptised 3rd January 1825
Mary born 11th December 1826, baptised 6th February 1827.
Mary Hymers was buried aged 23, 11th May 1827, at Alston.
William Hymers married Hannah Kirton?
In 1841, at Aimshaugh, William Hymers, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Kirton) aged 29, children, John 15, Sarah 10, Hannah 8, Elizabeth 5, and William 3.
Hannah Hymers died 1st quarter 1848, registered, at Alston.
In 1851, at Aimshaugh, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Tamar aged 30, son William 8 months, orphans, brother, William 13, and sister Ann aged 9.
See 9th January 1852, 6th July 1878,

4th February 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Rotherhope-Side, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Mr John Walton, aged 38 years. *See 4th May 1849*
At High Nenthall, near Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr Joseph Roddam, aged 57 years.

Joseph Rodham, married Margaret Bell 18th June 1815, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 8th January 1858, 9th July 1870, 6th September 1873, & 25th November 1882.

25th February 1848 (Carlisle Journal)

Alston

The lead trade appears to be an exception to the condition of almost every other interest at this moment. The miners of Weardale and Alston Moor are in full employment and earning good wages and the price of lead is understood to be remunerative and satisfactory to the various proprietors in those districts. Several very rich mines are being worked at present in Weardale.

11th March 1848 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

Deaths

At Newlandside Hall, near Stanhope, on the 24th ult., aged 55, Mr Joseph Ord, *lead miner.*

Christopher Ord married Ann Sanderson, 27th December 1781, at Stanhope.
Children:
Hannah baptised 28th July 1782 at Stanhope. Possible marriage to Thomas Sanderson, 25th February 1808, Stanhope)
Ann baptised 21st March 1784 at Stanhope. (possible marriage to Lancelot Sanderson 11th September 1819, Stanhope)
John baptised 25th September 1785, at Stanhope
Elizabeth baptised 18th November 1787 at Stanhope
Jane baptised 23rd May 1790 at Stanhope
Joseph baptised 8th July 1792, Stanhope
Thomas baptised 10th July 1795 at Stanhope
Sarah born 13th January 1800, baptised 5th January 1802
In 1841 at Newland Side, Stanhope, John Ord 55, Joseph Ord 45, Elizabeth Ord 50, and Hannah Ord 15.
In 1851, at Newland Side, Stanhope, Alexander Clemison, farmer, aged 49, his wife Sarah (Ord married 24th May 1834, at Stanhope)aged 51, son Christopher, employed on farm, aged 15, daughter Elizabeth 13, Brother in law, John Ord, unmarried, retired lead miner, aged 66, and sister in law, Elizabeth Ord, unmarried, domestic labourer, aged 62.

21st April 1848 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquests Before Mr. Carrick, County Coroner

At Redwing, Garrigill, in the parish of Alston, in this county, on Friday, the 14th inst., on the body of Thomas Little, of that place, miner, aged 33, who was accidentally killed by a mass of rocks falling upon him whilst employed in forming what is called a "rise" from the working level to the surface, for the purpose of ventilation at Browngill Low Level Mine. Verdict "Accidental death."
In1841, at High Redwing, Hannah Little, farmer aged 50, William Little, lead miner, aged 40, John Little, lead miner, aged 30, Sarah Little 25, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph Littel, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 15, and Margret Little 13.

5th May 1848 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquest

At Penrith, on Tuesday, the 4th instant, the body of Joseph Wilson, aged 35 years. The deceased was a miner in Greenside lead-ore mine, in Patterdale, and on Wednesday was working a drift, between which and a lower drift other workmen were driving what is called “a rise"; the last charge of gunpowder had been applied to effect an opening, and deceased having received a warning withdraw, he and his fellow workmen retired out of danger. After waiting few seconds an explosion was heard, which deceased mistook for that which he was expecting; he therefore came out of the recess and went forward to see the result of the shot which he expected to have gone off. He had approached sufficiently near to discover his error the very moment when the explosion took place, which forced the rock upward, part of which struck him on the forehead, fracturing his skull so that great part of his brain protruded. He was removed from the mine with all speed, and having been carefully laid upon ladder and wrapped in bed-clothes, was carried to the public road, where he was placed in a carriage of Mr. Geldert, and brought towards Penrith; he however died while they were passing Glencoyn Park. The case was one of pure accident, and the jury returned a verdict to that effect.

20th May 1848 (Newcastle Journal)

LEAD AND SILVER MINES,
IN THE COUNTIES OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.
TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,

All those Valuable and Current-going LEAD and SILVER MINES, belonging to the Bulbeck lead Company, called Silver Tongue, in the County of Northumberland, and Hysop, in the County of Durham, with the Engines for pumping and for washing the Ores. Offices, Cottages, Mine Shops, Materials, and Utensils belonging to the same, situated upon the River Derwent, in the immediate vicinity of Shotley Bridge, about Sixteen Miles from Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and near the Wear Valley Railway.

Those Mines are divided from each other by the River Derwent, which here forms the Boundary between the Counties of Northumberland and Durham, but are connected by Levels of Communication for the Convenience of unwatering the Workings, and of washing the Produce at Central Washing Floors. The Silver Tongue Mines are held by Lease from the Lord of the Manor of Bulbeck, and the Hysop Mines from the Dean and Chapter of Durham. The Royalty Dues payable for the former are highly favourable, and for the latter are moderate. The Leases are renewable according to Custom. The Engines for unwatering the Mines, and for crushing and washing the Ores, are driven by Water, and in the best Order and Efficiency. The Right of Working extends over a Tract of Mining Ground through which many Veins of Lead are known to run. Four only have been partially worked, and yield large Quantities of Ore, rich in Silver, and are converging towards a Point of Intersection with other Veins, where a considerable Accumulation of Ore is expected. From the known Productiveness of the lower Strata in the very ancient Derwent Lead Mines, there can be no doubt but they will here be equally productive.

The Castle Side Smelting Mill, with Machinery, Horizontal Chimneys, and every Convenience for Smelting and Refining the Ores from this and other Mines, is situated in the immediate Vicinity.
Mr. WILLIAM WATSON, the Agent on the Premises, will shew the Mines, and further Particulars may be known and Plans seen, by applying to JOHN DOLPHIN, Hunter House, Riding Mill.

9th June 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr Zaccheus White, of the Rise, to Miss Isabella Dixon, of the Hermitage.
In 1841, at Fewsteads, Alston, Zaccheus White, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Margaret 50, children, William, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 20, Margaret 15, and Zaccheus 13.
In 1851, at Blackburn Banks, Alston, Zaccheus White, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Isabella 38, and daughter, Mary 1.
In 1861, at Blackburn Banks, Alston, Zaccheus White, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Isabella 48, children, Mary 11, Zaccheus 8, Eliza J. 5, and boarder, John Millican, lead miner, aged 24, born Scotland.
In 1871, at 10 Alexandra Street, Stockton, Zaccheus White, railway labourer, platelayer, aged 42, his wife Isabella 50, children, Zaccheus, farm servant, aged 18, Elizabeth J. 15, and Thomas W. 6.
In 1881, at Viol Moon Cottages, Kirkoswald, Zaccheus White, laborer (general), aged 58, his wife Isabella 68, and son, Zaccheus, police officer (railway), aged 28 (died 3rd qtr., 1887, aged 34, registered at Penrith).
Zaccheus White snr., died 3rd qtr., 1887, aged 60, registered at Penrith
Probable death of Isabella White 3rd qtr., 1900, aged 88, registered at Cockermouth.
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 25th ult., Miss Judith Liverick, aged 23 years.
Lancelot Liverick married Betsy Hewetson 1st February 1812, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Betsy Laverick of Nenthead died 21st March 1814, aged 24.
Ann Whitfield married John Stephenson 16th July 1808, at St Augustines, Alston.
Children of John and Ann Stephenson:
Hannah born 26th April 1809
Thomas baptised 9th July 1813
William born 25th April 1815, and baptised 21 November 1814, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.
John Stephenson aged 34, of Galligill, was buried 20th November 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Lancelot Liverick, widower, married Ann Stephenson, 26th November 1825.
Children of Lancelot and Ann Liverick:
Nancy baptised 8th April 1825
Lancelot baptised 8th April 1825
Betsy baptised 23rd December 1825
Judith Liverick baptised 8th April 1825
Tommy baptised 30th October 1827
Mary baptised 28th July 1837

(Lancelot Liverick died 3rd quarter of 1840),
In 1841, at Nenthead Village, ~~Nancy Stephenson~~, Thomas Stephenson, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Judy 15, and Thomas 14.
In 1841, at Nenthead Village, Lancelot Liverick, lead miner, aged 30, Mary Liverick aged 25, and Sarah Liverick 21. Also, Thomas Liverick, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane (Forest, married 18th February 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston), children, William 11, Thomas 9, Ann 6, Bella 4, Lancelot 2, and John 11 days.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Ann Liverick, widow aged 60, sons Thomas Stephenson, lead miner aged 37, Thomas Liverick, lead miner, aged 23, granddaughters Hannah Liverick 16, Ann Liverick 7, and lodger John Jones, book seller, aged 33.
In 1861, at Nenthead, Ann Liverick, miners widow, aged 71, son Thomas Stephenson, lead miner, aged 47, son Thomas Liverick, lead ore miner, aged 32 (died 26th June 1867, aged 39), granddaughter Ann Liverick, servant, aged 17.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Ann Stephenson, pensioner of Painless Starvers ,L.Co., blind, aged 80 was living with her son Thomas Stephenson, lead miner & farmer of 9 acres, aged 55, and granddaughter, Ann Stephenson, domestic servant, aged 18. See 31st January 1874

24th June 1848 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE.

On Thursday, a man named Thomas Horn, with his son, were working together at the Hudeshope Head Lead Mine, belonging to the London Lead Company, near Middleton in Teasdale. They had begun to work about two o'clock in the afternoon, when they found it necessary to blast the mine with gunpowder. Having done so, they waited at a distance about ten minutes on account of the smock. The son went back first, and the father followed, when the former heard something fall down the hopper or shaft, and a voice crying "oh dear."

He immediately went back, and not seeing his father, shouted for him, when the latter called on him to be quick and come down. He accordingly went down the ladder, and found his father lying at the bottom. Assistance being procured, he was taken out, and medical aid obtained, when his left arm was found to be broken, and also his two right ribs, and he complained much of his stomach. He only survived about nine hours after the fall, and was sensible to the last. The hopper is a compartment of the mine for the lead ore to be thrown down to the level drift, and the other compartment is a way-gate, for the men to go to and from work by means of ladders. The hopper was covered over with planks at the top, with the exception of a hole, which at the wide end is eighteen inches, at the small end seven inches, and two feet and a half in length. The deceased had fallen down this hole, and it was thought that from absence of mind he had slipped in. He would fall about forty-three feet. He had frequently gone over the same place before. An inquest was held at the Cross Keys, Middleton, before Wm. Trotter, Esq., on Saturday last, on view of the body, when the above facts were proved in evidence, and the jury returned a verdict of " Accidentally killed." The deceased was about 65 years of age.

7th July 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Presentation. —A splendid silver lever watch, with gold appendages, was presented, on the 16th ult., to Mr. Joseph Walton, mining agent, Garrigill, as a testimony of esteem for his efficient services in draining and watering the villages of Garrigill. Several gentlemen partook of tea on the occasion. Mr. W. Paul was called to the chair; and W. Gray, on behalf of the inhabitants, presented the testimonial. Appropriate speeches were delivered by the Rev. J. Harper, of Alston, and Messrs J. Walton, J. Irving, R. Dent, and W. Gill of Garrigill.

28th July 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill near Alston, on the 25th, Elizabeth, wife of Mr John Blacklock, shoemaker, aged 28 years.

14th August 1848
Death of Mark Noble
Although I have not as yet found a newspaper record relating to the death of Mark Noble, there is a Memorial Stone at St Mary's Abbey Church Yard, Blanchland.

St Mary's Abbey Church Blanchland

ERECTED IN MEMORY
OF
MARK NOBLE
OF SHILDON, WHO ACCIDENTALLY
FELL AND LOST HIS LIFE IN THE
NORTH
VEIN OF DEBORAH'S LEVEL, AUGUST
14TH
1848, AGED 18 YEARS
AND OF JOHN HIS BROTHER
WHO UNFORTUNATELY LOST HIS LIFE
WHILST BATHING JULY 4TH 1855
AGED 20 YEARS.
MARK THEIR FATHER DIED
JUNE 22ND 1860 AGED 65 YEARS

In 1841, at Red Gutter, Hunstanworth, Mark Noble, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Margaret (Thirlwell, married 25th November 1826, at Allendale) aged 45, children Thomas 14, Joshua 12, Mark 10, John 6, and Joseph 4.
In 1851, at Shildon, Blanchland, Mark Noble, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 55, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Joshua, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, Joseph 14, and house servant Margaret Noble 16, all born Allendale.

In 1861, at Shildon, Margaratt Noble, miners widow, aged 66, sons Joshua, lead miner, aged 31 (Joshua married Jane Eddy, 3rd quarter 1863, reg. Hexham), and Joseph, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1861, at Shildon, Thomas Noble, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ann aged 29, born Blanchland, and children, Mark 6, and Mary Jane 4. In 1871, at Shildon, Thomas Noble, book canvasser, aged 43, his wife Annie 39, children Mark 16, Mary J 14, and John 8.

Thomas Noble died 4th quarter 1874, aged 46.
In 1881, at Ledger Terrace, Blackhill, Consett, Annie Noble, widow, aged 49, son Mark, railway clerk & local Methodist preacher, aged 26, daughter, Mary J., milliner, aged 24, boarder Jabez Watson, carpenter aged 18, and niece Hannah Forster aged 10, born Sunderland. In 1891, at Castlegate, Berwick upon Tweed, Annie Noble, widow, drapers assistant, aged 59. In 1901, at Castlegate, Berwick upon Tweed, Annie Noble, widow, drapery saleswoman, aged 59.
Annie Noble died 1st quarter 1907, aged 74, at Berwick.

25th August 1848 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 20th inst., aged 85 years, Mrs Ann Pickering.
Thomas Pickering married Ann Rumney, 25th August 1787, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Quaker records give Children, born at High Redwing, Alston:
George born 3rd May 1794, Sarah born 22 November 1796, Joseph born 31st October 1801, Thomas born 29th December 1804, and John born 17th June 1807.
Probable burial of Thomas Pickering, 9th August 1830, aged 63, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Benfieldside, Lanchester, Durham, John Pickering, Ag. labourer, aged 33, Thomas Pickering 9, and Ann Pickering 75.

8th September 1848 (Newcastle Courant)
TO CAPITALISTS, PROFITABLE INVESTMENT
MESSRS. BELL AND WATSON
Are instructed to
SELL, BY AUCTION,
(without reserve,)
At the George Inn, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Tuesday, the 26th Sept. next, at One for Two o'clock in the afternoon
(By order of the mortgages, under an absolute power of sale, unless previously disposed of by private contract, of which due notice will be given)
The Whole of these rich and extensive Lead Mines, or Veins of Lead Ore, lying or being within or under a certain portion of ground, part of the manor of Alston Moor, commonly called The Galligill Syke Lead Mines, Held and subject to the terms of a lease under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, comprising the Mines under and above the ground, FIXTURES AND MATERIALS, CRUSHING-MILL, DRESSING OR WASHING MACHINE, TUBS, WAGGONS, WORKSHOPS, RAILWAY, and every other requisite for the produce and sale of lead ore.

These mines have been opened out during the last six years, and but partially worked, and the late proprietors have incurred very considerable expense in laying out the mines, and preparing them for the development of their valuable and exhaustless resources.

The supply of ore has, during the above period, been annually increasing; and, in the ordinary and profitable progress of working, will be for years to come capable of increased extension, during the last year producing a quantity only exceeded by three out of the numerous mines in this extensive and well-known mining district.

The quality of the ore of these mines ranks with the best, producing an unusually large portion of silver; and the mine has been, and is now, in profitable operation, and promising increased and large returns, by its further and more vigorous working.

Messrs. Bell and Watson are also authorised to Treat for the SALE of the said MINES by PRIVATE CONTRACT, and will receive any proposal or communication, with that view, until the 19th Sept. next, but not beyond that time, so as, in case of sale, to give sufficient notice to the public.

Messrs. Bell and Watson are further instructed to Sell, at the same time and place, those extensive Mines, known by the name of The Galligill Bents Mines, contiguous to the above, and subject to the same terms of lease. These mines have not been worked, and, from their extent, richness, and convenience of situation, afford a certain prospect of being profitably worked.

Further particulars may be had of, and all communications are requested to be addressed to, Messrs. Bell and Watson, auctioneers, Bank Buildings, Mosley Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The mines may be viewed on application to Mr. John Lathern, New Shield, near Alston.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, August 24, 1848.

See 20th July 1889

22nd September 1848 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At North Shields, 18th inst. aged 68, Sarah widow of Mr. Thomas Hetherington, miner, formerly of Alston Moor.

Sarah Bulman married Thomas Hetherington, 13th March 1817, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Thomas Hetherington, was buried 14th January 1831, aged 34, at St Augustine's, Alston.

24th November 1848 (Newcastle Courant)

A very fine testimonial was presented to T. Wilson, Esq., of Shotley Hall, on the 16th inst. by his partners in the Hudgill Burn Lead Mine, in acknowledgement of the valuable and gratuitous services which he has rendered to the company in the management of affairs, and as a token of their esteem and regard for him as an individual. It consisted of articles of plate, of great beauty, of the value of 200 guineas, which were manufactured by Messrs. Reid and Sons of this town.

Son of John Wilson (of Nenthall and Shotley Hall) and Mary (Bownas married 28th Oct 1790) baptised 16th February 1800, died 22nd April 1880, married Elizabeth Cunard, daughter of Sir Samuel Cunard.
See the will of John Wilson

8th December 1848 (Morning Chronicle)

OFFICE of the DERWENT MINES COMPANY,
34 Dowgate-hill, December 4, 1848

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Company is summoned to be held at the Office on Tuesday the 19th instant, at Twelve o'clock.

By order of the Directors, B. O'Connor, Clerk of the Company.

22nd December 1848 (London Gazette)

Office of the Derwent Mines Company,
34, Dowgate-Hill, December 18, 1848.

To the Shareholders of the Derwent Mines Company.

Notice of Call.

THE Directors of the Derwent Mines company hereby give notice, that they have made a call of £1 10s. per share on each and every share in the Company's capital stock, payable at the Offices of the Company, 34, Dowgate-hill, London, on the 1st of February next, 15 shillings per share; and, on the 1st of May following, 15 shillings per share..

By order of the Directors
B. O'Connor, Clerk to the Company.

N.B. Shareholders must bring in their scrip certificates to be marked.

26th January 1849 (Carlisle Journal)

At Alston, on the 18th instant, Mr. Thomas Shaw, aged 69 years. The deceased was through life an ardent and persevering mining adventurer. He was a shareholder in, and at one period manager, of several lead mines, and as such occupied a respectable position amongst the conductors of mining operations in Alston. Mr. Shaw, according to his limited means, did more, perhaps, in his day towards furnishing the labouring classes with employment than any other man in the neighbourhood in which be lived; and in this respect he has left an example well worthy the imitation of many of his more wealthy and surviving neighbours. He was, moreover, a kind and helply neighbour, a friend to the poor, and consequently died much regretted.
See Durham Wills, Thomas Shaw 1830 & 1850

7th April 1849 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

Funeral at Allendale. —The mortal remains of William Crawhall, Esq., of Staghaw House, near Hexham, (late of Allenheads,) were interred at the family burial-place, St. Peter's, Allendale, on Wednesday last. The workmen at Allenheads Lead Mines, to the number of more than five hundred, all the agents who had served under the late Mr C., and every respectable inhabitant of the neighbourhood within a distance of ten miles, joined the mournful procession, all anxious to pay the last tribute of respect and affection to the memory of one who, by his commanding talents and unblemished character, had endeared himself to all who knew him. Mr C. was for 33 years chief mining agent T. W. Beaumont, Esq.

William born 20th February 1784, son of Thomas & Ann (Bownas, [daughter of John Bownas, blacksmith, at Allenheads] married 21st November 1771, at Allendale) Crawhall. Thomas Crawhall was chief agent at the Allendale lead mines, William took over from him when he died in August 1812.

14th April 1849 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Shotley Bridge, at the Silver Tongue Lead Mine, on the 11th inst., aged 40, Mr. William Fairless, engineer.
William Fairless born 6th November 1807, baptised at Stanhope 14th November 1807, parents William & Mary Fairless.
William Fairless married Sarah Whaley, at Muggleswick 2nd November 1839.
In 1841, at Silver Tongues Mine, Shotley, William Fairless, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah aged 40, children, John 6, and William 9 months.
William Fairless was buried at Muggleswick, 13th April 1849, aged 41.
In 1851, at Silver Tongue, Shotley, Sarah Fairless, pauper (lead miners widow), aged 49, born Muggleswick, son William aged 10 and daughter Hannah aged 8.
In 1861, at Castleside, Muggleswick, Sarah Fairless, widow, aged 59, son William, labourer, aged 20, and daughter Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18.
Sarah Fairless was buried at Muggleswick, 13th October 1862, aged 61.
In 1871, at Castleside, William Fairless, labourer, aged 30, his wife Mary 25, daughter, Sarah Ann 1, and lodger, Thomas Smith, police constable, aged 24.
In 1881, at Castleside, William Fairless, labourer, aged 40, his wife Mary (born Bywell) aged 36, children, Sarah A 11, William H 6, and Margaret E 4.
In 1891, at Castleside, William Fairless, platelayer, railway, aged 50, his wife Mary aged 46, children, Sarah, domestic servant, aged 21, William, general labourer aged 16, Margaret 13, Mary 9 and Hannah 6.
In 1901, at 10 Front Street, Healeyfield, Castleside, William Fairless, platelayer, aged 60, his wife Mary 54, William, labourer in ironworks, aged 26, Margaret, general servant, aged 23, and Mary, general servant, aged 17.
In 1911, at 10 Front Street, Healeyfield, Castleside, William Fairless, platelayer, aged 70, his wife Mary 67, William H, engineman stationary ironworks, aged 38, Margaret E, aged 32, Polly, aged 28, and granddaughter May Fairless aged 8.

20th April 1849 (Durham Chronicle)
Marriages
At Allendale, 19th inst., by the Rev. W. Sandford, of Crook, in this County, to Maria, fourth daughter of the late John Crawhall, Esq., of Allenheads.

20th April 1849 (Newcastle Courant)
FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT
ONE THIRTY-SECOND PART or SHARE in the BURNHOPE LEAD MINE, situate in Derwent, near Blanchland, in the county of Durham, and contiguous to the rich and extensive Mining Fields of Derwent.
The Burnhope Lead Mines are a continuation of the same veins and strata to that of the Derwent Mines. This mine offers every facility to a Mine Adventurer. The above shares are the property of a Gentleman deceased.

Mr Wm. Robinson, the Agent, will show the Ground and give any information required, and for further particulars apply to Mr Wm. Craig, Mine Agent, Kettlewell, near Skipton, Yorkshire, who will treat with parties who wish to purchase.

27th April 1849 (Carlisle Journal)

AT a PUBLIC MEETING held in the Primitive Methodist Chapel at GARRIGILL, in the Parish ALSTON, Cumberland, on the 5th day of April, 1849. to take into consideration the contents of a Printed Circular representing the Inhabitants of Garrigill to be in an awful state of destitution as to Religious means, and soliciting Contributions for endowing the Episcopal Chapel in that Village, and erecting a Parsonage House:

Mr. JOSEPH WALTON in the Chair.

The Circular and the Notice concerning the Meeting having been read,
It was RESOLVED,—

1. That the Inhabitants of Garrigill feel themselves deeply aggrieved and wronged by the misrepresentations contained in a printed Circular Letter soliciting Contributions for a Parsonage House and Endowment in connexion with the Episcopal Chapel in the village, in which they are described as “rapidly sinking into stale of virtual Heathenism.— Moved by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Thos. Dobson.
2. That the Inhabitants of this District, although they are represented as having few of the comforts of this present world," cannot be in a very low condition in this respect, as in a population of 1500 persons, not 2000 as stated in the Circular, they will have little short of £4000 deposited in the Savings’ Bank, and they have the principal share of at least £1500 belonging to Friendly Society, which by their own prudence and management has been brought its present state of usefulness and prosperity—Moved by Mr. DENT ; seconded by Mr. GEO. ROBINSON.
3. That the state of morals in this District will bear a comparison with most others in the kingdom, as there has not been a case of committal to prison for any offence within the memory of the oldest inhabitant—Moved by the Rev. J. HARPER; seconded Mr. WM. THOMASON.
4. That the means of mental culture are enjoyed to a considerable extent, as besides Three good Day Schools there a Library containing upwards 300 volumes, and also access to the Governor and Company's Library at Nenthead, containing upwards of 600 volumes, of which the people diligently avail themselves.—Moved by the Rev. JOHN ROBERTS; seconded by Mr. GEO. EMERSON.
5. That in the Village and Chapelry of Garrigill, being about five miles in extent, and one and a half in the populated part of it, there are three Wesleyan Methodist Chapels, one Primitive Methodist, and one Independent Chapel, the average attendance at which for public worship out of a population of 1500, is 620 persons, besides 293 Sunday School Scholars, making total of 913, and the expense and labour supporting these means of religious instruction are voluntarily and cheerfully borne by the people themselves, without any aid from the Established Church or Government Grants Moved by Mr. WM. TURNER; seconded by Mr. THOS. BOWMAN.
6. That the people of this neighbourhood are well satisfied with their Spiritual Instructors, and deem it a privilege to contribute to their support; although in

the estimation of Puseyite intolerance they may not be duly qualified to administer the Holy Sacrament or preach the Gospel. Moved by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERWICK; seconded by Mr THOS. BAILY.
7. That the people of Garrigill prefer the Religion of the Holy Scriptures, which is one of power and vitality, before the lifeless and empty forms of Puseyism which are now prevalent in the Anglican Church, though clothed with the pompous garb of Apostolic succession and Sacramental efficacy.— Moved by the Rev. HENRY DEAN; seconded by MR. JOS. WARD.
8. That while, according to the statements of the circular in question, the established Church at Garrigill has failed to supply the spiritual wants of the people, though it has existed since the time of King John—upwards of 600 years—this Meeting is thankful in being able to declare that those wants for long period have been abundantly supplied by the Ministers of Dissenting Churches.—Moved by the Rev. Mr. ALDERSON; seconded by Mr. THOS. ARMSTRONG.
It was unanimously resolved that these Resolutions should be published in one more of the Public Papers. The Meeting was numerously attended, and all the resolutions cordially and unanimously passed, under the deep conviction that a document so unfounded should not be permitted to go forth to the world uncontradicted.

4th May 1849 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Sarah wife of Mr Andrew Walton, aged 33.
See 16th July 1842 19th June 1869 and 15th January 1876
At Rotherhope-Side, near Alston, on the 1st Instant, Mary widow of the late John Walton, aged 39 years.
John Walton, of Ninebanks, married Mary Kearton, 28th May 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Flowedge, Garrigill, John Walton, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary aged 30, children, Tamer 5, Jane 4, Christopher 2, Thomas 5 months, servant Mary Whitfield 14, and Hugh Kearton, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Roderupside, Garrigill, Hugh Kearton, farmer and carrier, aged 37, his wife Jane aged 37, daughter Mary 1 month, nephews, Thomas Walton 10, William Walton 7, John Walton 5, and wifes daughter Mary Vipond 6.
In 1861, at Rotherhope Side, Hugh Kearton, farmer, aged 47, his wife Jane 47, children, Mary 11, Thomas 8, Hugh 8, Jane 3, Nephews, William Walton, stone fence waller, aged 17, and John Walton, lead miner, aged 15.
See 4th February 1848

1st June 1849 (Carlisle Journal)
ALSTON, CUMBERLAND
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY FOR SALE.
TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mrs Bland, *Crown Inn*, in ALSTON, on Friday the 15th day of June, 1849, at Six o'clock in the Evening, (by virtue of powers sale contained in Mortgage Deed), Mr. JOHN WOODMASS Auctioneer, either together or in such Lots may be agreed Upon at the time a Sale, and subject to the conditions to be then read, all those FIVE excellent MESSUAGES, COTTAGES, or DWELLING HOUSES,

and PREMISES, (one of which contains a Grocer's Shop) situate at GARRIGILL GATE, (adjoining the Bridge-end), in the parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, with the Out-offices respectively belonging thereto, and now in the several occupations of Thomas Archer, Benjamin Wallace, Joseph Ward, Jane Parmley, and John Currah, as Tenants thereof.

The above Property is part of a Tenement called Loaninghead, in the Manor Alston, which is held by Lease for a Term of 1000 Years, commencing in the year 1621, under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital. The proportion of Annual Rent to which the above Property is subject is only 2d., and 20 times that amount, or 3s. 4d. every 21 years.

This will be found a safe and desirable investment. Garrigill Gate is the immediate vicinity of the Lead Ore Mines, the Houses are well built, in a good situation for business, and will readily command good Tenants at remunerative rents.

The respective Tenants will shew the Premises, and further information may be obtained on application to Mr WOODMASS. Auctioneer; or Mr. DICKINSON, Solicitor, Alston; or to Mr. HENRY W. ORNSBY, solicitor, Darlington. Darlington, May 28th. 1849.

12th June 1849 (London Gazette)

Office of the Derwent Mines Company
34, Dowgate-Hill, June 7, 1849.
To the Shareholders of the Derwent Mines Company.
Notice of Call.

THE directors of the Derwent Mines Company hereby give notice, that they have made a call of £1 10s. per share, on each and every share in the Company's capital stock, payable at the offices of the Company, No. 34, Dowgate-hill, London, on the 14 of July .

By order of the Directors,
B. O'Connor, Clerk to the Company.

N.B. Shareholders must bring in their scrip certificates to be marked.

29th June 1849 (Durham County Advertiser)

LEAD AND SILVER MINES,
IN THE COUNTIES OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

On Tuesday the 3rd day of July, 1849, at the and Thistle Inn, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, at one for two o' clock.

MR. CHARLES BROUGH, AUCTIONEER

1st. ALL those Valuable and Current-going LEAD and SILVER MINES belonging to the Bulbeck Lead Company, called SILVER TONGUE, in the County of Northumberland; and HYSOP in the County of Durham; with the ENGINES tor Pumping and Washing the Ores; OFFICES, COTTAGES, MINE SHOPS, MATERIALS AND UTENSILS belonging to the same, situated upon the River Derwent, in immediate vicinity of Shotley Bridge, about Sixteen Miles from Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and near the Wear Valley Railway. Those Mines are divided from each other by the River Derwent, which here forms the boundary between the Counties of Northumberland and Durham, but are connected by Levels of Communication for the

convenience of unwatering the Workings and of Washing the Produce at Central Washing Flours.
The Silver Tongue Mines are held by Lease from the Lord of the Manor of Bulbeck, and the Hysop Mines from the Dean and Chapter of Durham. The Royalty Dues payable for the former are highly favourable, and for the latter are moderate. The Leases are renewable according to Custom. The Engines for unwatering the Mines, and for Crushing and Washing the Ores are driven by Water, and are in the best Order and Efficiency. The Right of Working extends over a Tract of Mining Ground through which many Veins of Lead are known to run. Four only have been partially worked, and yield large Quantities of Ore, rich in Silver, and are converging towards a Point of Intersection with other Veins, where a considerable Accumulation of Ore is expected. From the known Productiveness of the lower Strata in the very ancient Derwent Lead Mines, there can be no doubt but they will here be equally productive.
2nd. All that Valuable SMELTING MILL, situate at CASTLE SIDE in the immediate vicinity of the above, and also other Mines, and known as CASTLE SIDE Smelting Mill with ail the necessary Machinery, Horizontal Chimneys, and every Convenience for smelting Lead Ore; together with 2A. 3R. 2P. or thereabouts of Freehold LAND; and 2A. 2R. 7p. or thereabouts of Copyhold LAND.
Mr. WM. WATSON, the Agent on the Premises, will show the Mines, and further Particulars may be known and Plans seen, by applying to Mr. JOHN DOLPHIN, Mine Surveyor, Hunter House, Riding Mill, Gateshead; or Mr. JOHN DOUGLAS, NO. 12, Westgate Street, Newcastle upon Tyne.

7th August 1849 (London Gazette)

Derwent Mines' Office, 34, Dowgate-Hill.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Directors of the Derwent Mines Company will be ready, on Thursday the 30th day of August instant, at twelve o'clock at noon precisely, to receive at this Office tenders for the 1830 undermentioned shares in the said Company, the call of 30s. per share on which, due on the 14th July 1849, has not been paid.
No tender can be received for less than the amount of the call so due. — Dated this 2nd August 1849.
No. 55 to No. 58, No. 243 to No. 248, No. 407 and No. 408, No. 605 to No. 616, No. 633 to No. 676, No. 849 to No. 858, No. 913 to No. 945, No. 950 to No. 988, No. 1001 and No. 1002, No. 1032 to No. 1200, No. 1346, No. 1358 to No, 1367, No. 1377 to No. 1379, No. 1400 to No. 1430.

B. O'Connor, Secretary.

1st September 1849 (Newcastle Journal)

Lead in the Northern Counties

The following is the return of the quantity of lead ore and lead produced in this part of the country during the year 1848, as published in the *Mining Journal*: —

Yorkshire	Ore Tons	Lead Tons
Swaledale and Arkendale	4053	3040
Cononly	699	437
Grassington including Garnbury & Coalgrove Beck	1159	707
Pateley District	937	609
	6848	**4793**

Cumberland and Alston Moor	Ore Tons	Lead Tons
Rampgill	424	282
Scaleburn	238	156
Carrs and Hanging Shaw	146	97
Capel Cleugh	130	92
Small Cleugh	31	21
Middle Cleugh	30	20
Guddamgill	50	33
Long Cleugh	1664	1142
Browngill	663	400
Bent fields Veins	35	21
Cowperdyke Head	14	9
Brigalburn Veins	244	162
Brownley Hill Veins	227	143
Bentfield Sun. V.E. Bog.	119	80
Blagill Veins	76	51
Carrs West of Nent Vein	39	26
Grass Fields Veins	31	20
Galligill Syke Veins	176	117
Galligill Burn	24	16
Hudgill Burn	188	120
Holyfields Veins	58	38
Wellgill Cross Vein	98	66
Rodderrup Cleugh West End	1470	980
Tyne Bottom Veins	80	54
Park Grove Sun Vein	21	14
Low Birchy Bank	19	12
Dowkeburn West End	95	63
Sundry mines under ten tons	44	29
Roughtengill	-	-
Driggeth Beck Waste	30	15
Dry Mill Mine	40	27
Cumberland	-	-
Greensides	1560	1200
Woodend	36	24
Force Cragg	43	32
Keswick Mine	20	14
Tynehead Mines.	**Ore Tons**	**Lead Tons**
Slaty Syke	47	35
Calvert	11	6
Dozey	13	9
Slow Craig	25	16
Crossfell Mines	44	30
Sundry, under ten tons	20	12
	8323	**5684**

Durham and Northumberland		
East and West Allendale and Weardale	13230	9080
Teesdale Mines	3327	2490
Farnberry	100	75
Silver Tongue	139	95
Derwent Mines	1480	1046
Stanhope burn	220	160
Holly-well Lane	67	48
Head Aller Gill	24	17
Bollihope	12	8

Fallowfield	13	9
Whitfield	61	45
	142	105
	18815	13178

Westmorland		
Dufton and Silverband	246	184
Hilton and Murton	273	388
	519	572

The total produced in the United Kingdom during the past year amounted to—

	LEAD ORE.	LEAD.
Tons	78,964	54,853

It will thus be seen that this and the neighbouring counties produce nearly one-half of the lead supplied by English mines. The following are the quantities of lead ore and lead imported and exported during 1848: —
IMPORTED—1298 tons of lead ore; pig and sheet lead, 3788 tons; retained for home consumption, 2157 tons.
EXPORTED—135 tons of lead ore; pig and rolled lead, 4977 tons; shot, 1151; litharge, red and white lead, 2292; foreign lead in sheet and pig, 3747 tons.
The Welsh sales include also the following lead ores: —
Australian, 69 tons; Belgian, 85 tons; German, 44; Portugal, 79;
Prussian, 112; and Sardinian, 112 tons.

9th November 1849 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Appleby, in St Michael's, on the 1st inst., Thomas, son of Jacob Wilson, Esq., of Alston House, Cumberland, to Margaret, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Bowstead, Esq., of Beck Bank, in the same county.

17th November 1849 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Patterdale, on the 2nd inst., Mr Francis Shields, smelter, aged 40.

25th January 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Nenthead, on the 24th inst., Mr James Robinson, to Mrs Margaret Thompson.
In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Margaret 25, daughter, Hannah 9 months.
See 18th July 1874, 26th February 1876, 23rd December 1876, 26th April 1879
Deaths
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Miss Ann Pattinson, draper, aged 63—much respected.
In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, Ann Pattinson, Milliner, aged 50, Mary Pattinson, Milliner, aged 40, Mary Welsh 13, Jane Welsh 35, Jane Summerset, servant, aged 24, and Elizabeth Summerset, servant, aged 25.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Mary Pattinson, draper, woollen, aged 50, and niece, Mary Welsh, dress maker, aged 23.

26th January 1850 (Newcastle Journal)

RELIGIOUS AND CHARITY NOTICES

The Rev Blythe Hurst has been preferred by Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq. of Bywell Hall from country the Curacy of Nenthead, to the Incumbency of Slaley, in this county.

1st February 1850 (Durham County Advertiser)

Deaths

At Stanhope, on the 17th ult., aged 51 John Hutchinson, Esq. He was agent for the London Lead Mining Company from the time he left school to his death, and besides his agency over the company's different works here, he was chief accountant and cashier at their various workings in Durham, Cumberland, Westmorland and Yorkshire.

In 1841, at Stanhope, John Hutchinson, mining agent aged 40, his wife Jane 35, children, John 15, Richard 14, William 12, James 10, George 8, Isabella 6, and Robert 2.

15th March 1850 (Durham Chronicle)

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT

AND IF NOT SOLD, THEN TO BE LET

With entry at May-day, 1850.

STANHOPE HOUSE, situate in the beautiful and healthy Vale of the Wear, with the Cottage, Stables, Coach-house, and Garden, and about Ten Acres of excellent Old Grass Land, all belonging to the Lead Company.

The Property s situate within two Miles of the Terminus of the Wear Valley Railway at Frosterley, immediately adjoining the Stanhope Rectory House and Grounds; commands a fine and open view of the surrounding Country, and is well adapted for the residence of a private Family.

MR PARMLEY, the Company's Agent at Stanhope, will shew the Premises; and for further particulars apply to Messrs BAINBRIDGE, Solicitors, Alston, by Penrith, who are authorised to treat for the Sale thereof.

29th March 1850 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 27th inst., Mr. John Litell, blacksmith, aged 78 years. The deceased was a man of great corporeal powers, having weighed at some periods of his life seventeen stones —and for upwards of forty consecutive years he weighed sixteen stones without variation, and without at the same time manifesting any appearance of inconvenient corpulency. Nor were these great physical powers bestowed on him in vain; for to great strength of body were united in him throughout his long life such fixed and regular habits of industry as are rarely exceeded. He died much respected by a large circle of acquaintances in his own neighbourhood, and was well known and highly esteemed by many of the Society of Friends living at a distance of which Society he has been for these last forty-eight years a zealous and consistent member.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, John Little, blacksmith, aged 65, and his wife Mary aged 65.

5th April 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 1st inst., Mrs Isabella Coulthard, aged 80 years.

St John's Churchyard, Garrigill

Sacred
to the memory of
Thomas Coulthard
of Flatt who died 3rd April 1837
aged 74 years
Also of Isabella his wife
who died at Garrigill April
1st 1850 aged 80

Thomas Coulthard married Tamar Little 24th June 1887, at St John's, Garrigill.
1. John baptised 8th June 1788, son of Thomas Coulthard of Flatt.1788
2. Mally baptised 19th March 1790, daughter of Thomas Coulthard of Flatt
Tamar Coulthard was buried at Garrigill 9th January 1793

Thomas Coulthard, married Sarah Elliott 8th December 1793, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children:
3. Tamar born 24th August 1794, baptised 1st January 1794, buried 14th November 1800, at St Augustine's, Alston, aged 6, of Hillhouse, daughter of Thomas Coulthard, Mason, widower.
4. Sarah baptised 16th July 1796, daughter of Thomas & Sarah Coulthard of Scalebank, Alston.
5. Thomas born 18th May 1798, 2nd son of Thomas Coulthard, Flatt, miner, by his wife Sarah daughter of John & Mary Elliott1798

Sarah Coulthard was buried 7th May 1800, aged 29, at St John's, Garrigill.

Thomas Coulthard married Isabella Watson, 20th March 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children:

6. Joseph born 6th September 1802, 3rd son of Thomas Coulthard, Garrigill, Mason, by his wife Isabella daughter of Joseph Watson of Garrigill.
7. Hannah born 18th June 1804 4th daughter of Thomas Coulthard, Cowgap, Mason, by his wife Isabella daughter of Joseph Watson.
8. Thamar born 12th December 1806, 5th daughter of Thomas Coulthard of Flatt, Mason, by his wife Isabella daughter of Joseph Watson
9. Isabella born 4th December 1808, daughter of Thomas & Isabella Coulthard of Flatt.
10. Thomas born 14th June 1812, 4th son of Thomas & Isabella Coulthard, mason, of Flatt.

Isabella Coulthard, of Garrigill Gate, buried 4th April 1850, aged 80, at St John's, Garrigill.

At Dufton, on the 31st ult., Elizabeth, infant daughter of John Fleming, miner; same place, on the 1st instant, Margaret Waller, aged 85 years; also, same place and day, George Nicholson, aged 76 years.

20th April 1850 (Newcastle Journal)

REJOICINGS IN HONOUR OF WENTWORTH BLACKETT BEAUMONT, ESQ.

The eldest son and heir of the late Thos. Wentworth Beaumont, Esq., who was for many years one of our representatives in parliament, Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq., of Bywell Hall, in Northumberland, and Bretton Hall, in the County of York, attained his majority on Thursday week, as briefly stated in our last, when great rejoicings took place in the vast mining districts belonging to that gentleman in this and the adjacent County. The extent of country over which the several mines and works are situated, and the number of workmen and boys employed approaching nearly to three thousand, prevented any dinner or other festivities being limited to one place, and arrangements were, therefore, made by the chief mining agent, Thomas Sopwith, Esq., by which the celebration of the happy event was held in the three principal mining districts on three separate days, commencing in East Allendale, on Thursday week, and being continued in West Allendale and Weardale on the two following days. Excellent dinners were provided in such parts of the several dales, as best suited the convenience of the workmen residing in them, while tea and other refreshments were provided for the younger boys. In East Allendale, eight hundred and seventy miners and smelters dined; in West Allendale, five hundred and six; and in Weardale, twelve hundred and fifty-five; being in all two thousand six hundred and thirty one workmen who dined. The number of younger boys employed in the works, and of other young persons who were entertained, amounted to three hundred and three; making in the aggregate two thousand nine hundred and thirty-four persons who partook of Mr. Beaumont's hospitality on this occasion. In addition to substantial joints of meat, pies, and abundance of rich plum pudding, all which were served hot and in a manner reflecting the greatest credit on the several parties who prepared the dinners, each guest had an ample allowance of ale and hot punch, which afforded the means of hearty rejoicing, without trenching on the borders of that dissipation and excess which sometimes mar the pleasure of festivities on similar occasions. It is gratifying to state, that while this numerous body of workmen displayed the greatest enthusiasm, and entered most heartily into the various rejoicings, the

utmost order prevailed, and the whole of the festivities passed off in a manner, which afforded satisfaction to all. Each of these three districts possesses an excellent band of music, formed entirely of miners, and their able and willing services added much to the liveliness of the proceedings. In each dale, also, a battery of twenty-one guns sent forth repeated salutes; a great number of flags and other decorations also imparted gaiety to the scene, and the weather fortunately proved highly favourable during the three days on which the rejoicings took place.

EAST ALLENDALE. At sunrise on Thursday week, a royal salute was fired from the battery at Allenheads. The band having breakfasted at the residence of Mr. Sopwith, proceeded to the new school, founded by the late T. W. Beaumont, Esq. and maintained by his son the present lord of the manor, who has presented a field adjoining the school, as a play ground for the use of the children, to whom, after the usual morning prayers followed by the national anthem, formal possession of this generous gift was given, and the children made hill and dale resound with hearty cheers in honour of the liberal donor. The foundation of a new building intended to receive part of the hydraulic machinery, now in course of erection by Messrs. W. G. Armstrong and Co. of this town, was laid by Mrs. Sopwith, amidst a large concourse of miners and other spectators, the music and the firing of cannons during this and other proceedings of the day being accompanied by the most enthusiastic cheering. At each of the dinners, after a due observance of the accustomed loyal toasts, "Good health, long life, and happiness to Mr. Beaumont," was responded to with almost deafening cheers, as was also the health of Mrs. Beaumont and family, and J. G. Atkinson, Esq., Mr. Sopwith, and the local agents. At Allendale Town, the workmen employed in the smelt mills walked in procession, and partook of a hearty dinner. At night the whole town was brilliantly illuminated, the band paraded the streets, and bonfires blazed from the neighbouring hills. The new school at Allenheads was also illuminated, and dancing and other festivities were kept up to a late hour.

WEST ALLENDALE. In West Allendale on Friday morning, the local agents, with the resident clergymen and other friends, headed a procession of nearly six hundred persons, consisting of the entire body of workmen, who met Mr. Sopwith on the road from East Allendale, and accompanied him to the residence of Mr. Nevin. Where, having been drawn up in a body, Mr. Sopwith addressed them at considerable length, and thanked them for the respectable compliment they had paid to their employer, in the person of his representative. The orderly and respectable appearance of the workmen in this procession who walked three abreast, and stretched nearly a quarter of a mile in length, headed by a band of music and flags, &c., presented a scene of no ordinary interest, and will, doubtless, long be remembered with the other festivities of the occasion. Morning prayers at Carr Shield Chapel were attended by a large number of the miners, and the local choir, who possess great ability in chanting, sung the national anthem, "God save the Queen." Dinners were given at Carr Shield, Coalcleugh, and Ninebanks, and the utmost attachment and enthusiasm were evinced by all present. Dancing, bonfires, illuminations, and other rejoicings continued during the whole of the evening.

WEARDALE. Similar hospitalities and rejoicings were resumed in Weardale, on Saturday; dinners were given at Newhouse, Short Thorns, Cornhill, St.

John's Chapel, Westgate, and Rookhope; the firing; of cannons, music, and a procession of workmen, with various other manifestations of enthusiastic rejoicing afforded the numerous body of workmen employed by Mr. Beaumont, an opportunity of showing their attachment; and it is only just to say of the entire body of miners, throughout the whole of the proceeding, that they appreciated the high character and generous disposition of the excellent young gentleman, whose majority they were met to celebrate, and to whom no greater compliment could have been paid, than by the good order, respectable appearance, and highly creditable proceedings of this large number of workmen.
We understand that the celebration of Mr. Beaumont's majority by the tenantry of his large landed estates in Northumberland will take place on a future occasion, in the course of the summer, when it is expected he will himself be present. At present Mr. Beaumont is a Fellow Commoner of Trinity College, Cambridge, and by his conduct, disposition, and attainments, affords every promise of being at once an accomplished and useful country gentleman as well as a kind and considerate landlord.

3rd May 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Patterdale, on the 24th inst., Joseph Banks, smelter, aged 34 years.

4th May 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
A subscription is now being made for making several improvements in the church at Nenthead. The appeal to the public both of Nenthead and Alston in furtherance of these objects has been handsomely responded to.

31st May 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 23rd instant, Mr. Thomas Dowson, of West Allen, to Miss Mary Moffat of Low Sillyhall.
In 1851, at Whiteley Shield Green, West Allendale, Thomas Dawson, lead ore washer and farmer of 17 acres, aged 32, his wife Mary 23, and mother, Elizabeth Dawson, aged 73. In 1861, at Whitley Shield, Thomas Dawson, lead ore dresser, aged 42, his wife Mary 33, children, Elizabeth 9, Mary 8, Hannah 6, Thomas 3, Margaret 1, and house servant, Ellen Moffatt aged 22.

Thomas Dawson died 4th quarter 1864, registered at Hexham

In 1871, at Hart Street, Horton, Great Horton, Yorkshire, Mary Dawson, widow, aged 43, children, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 19, Mary, pupil teacher (elementary school) aged 18, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 16, Thomas, clerk in worsted spinners offices, aged 13, Margaret A 11, and Hugh 9.
Mary Dawson died 1st November 1911, at Great Horton.
At Alston Church, on the 25th instant, Mr. Robert William Johnstone, to Mrs. Jane Spark, both of Alston.
In 1851, at Town Foot, R W Johnstone, coachman and gardener, aged 23, born Workington, and his wife Jane, aged 30, born H N Market.

15th June 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At St John's Chapel, Weardale, on the 8th inst., Mr. John Maddison to Miss Jane Richardson. On the 8th inst., Mr. John Lowes, of Prize, to Miss Hannah Brown of Middlehope.
At Nenthead, on the 1st inst., Mr. Joseph Hayton to Miss Elizabeth Hutchinson.
In 1841, at Middle Skydes, Alston, Joseph Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ann (Hodgson, married 7th May 1829, Alston) aged 30, children, Elizabeth 11, Jacob 9, Mary 8, Joseph 5, Isabella 3 and John aged 1 year. In 1851, at Forge, Keswick, Joseph Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Ann 40, children Jacob, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Isabella 13, John 11, Jane 8, Hannah 6, and James 1 year.
Jonathan Hayton married Mary Teasdale, 13th April 1805, at Alston.
Mary was buried at Alston, 25th January 1824, aged 37.
Children Joseph born14th March 1806, William baptised 5th January 1813, Ann baptised 5th January 1813, Hannah baptised 10th September 1817, Mary baptised 30th August 1822.
In 1841, at High Nentsbury, Jonathan Hayton, lead miner, aged 63
Joseph Hayton, lead miner aged 35, Ann Hayton 32, and Mary Hayton 31.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, William Hayton, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Elizabeth (Percival, married 10th October 1840, at Alston) aged 20.
In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Joseph Hayton, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth (Hutchinson) aged 22, and son Jonathan aged 7 months.
Joseph Hayton, died 23rd June 1851.
Elizabeth Hayton married Thomas Goodfellow (son of William and Sarah Goodfellow); in 1861 they are at Whitehall, Thomas Goodfellow, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 32, Jonathan 10, Sarah J 6, William 5, Elizabeth 3, and Hannah 1.
In 1871, at Thompson Street, Bishop Auckland, Thomas Goodfellow, miner, aged 42, his wife Eliz 44, stepson, Jonathon Hayton, miner, aged 20, children Sarah 16, Wm 15, Eliz 12, John 9, Thomas 7, Mary A 5, George 3, and Matt 2, all but Matthew were born at Nenthead, Matthew being born at Bishop Auckland.
In 1851, at Overwater, William Hayton, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, aged 31, children, Jonathan 9, Teasdale 7, Joseph 5, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at Whitehall, Nenthead, William Hayton, lead ore miner, aged 50 Elizabeth 41, children Jonathan, lead ore miner, aged 19, Teasdale, lead ore miner, aged 17, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 15, Mary 11, Frances 9, Jane 6, and William 3. William Hayton snr., died 12th October 1865.
In 1871, at White Hall, Elizabeth Hayton, widow, aged 50, children Jonathan, lead miner, unemployed, aged 29, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 27, Jane 16, and William, lead ore washer, aged 14.
Elizabeth Hayton died 10th July 1877, aged 59.
See 21st December 1844, 20th October 1865, 5th July 1873, 30th June 1877, & 14th July 187
At Nenthead, on the 1st inst., Mr. Joseph Proud to Miss Margaret Stephenson.
In 1841, at White Hall, Martha Proud (husband John), widow, aged 42, and sons Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and Thomas 12.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Joseph Proud, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Margaret, aged 20, and daughter Martha, aged 6 months.

In 1861, at Pry House, Nenthead, Joseph Proud, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret 30, children Ann 9, Hannah 8, and Margaret 3.
In 1871, at Hill End, Stanhope, Joseph Proud, quarryman, aged 45, his wife Margaret 40, Hannah 18, Margaret 13, Martha E 8, and Sarah J 4.
Joseph Proud snr., died 4th quarter of 1879.
In 1881, at Crossgate Moor, Durham, Margaret Proud, widow, laundress, aged 50, daughters Margaret, general servant, aged 23, Sarah J. 13, visitor John Armstrong, coal miner, aged 28, boarder John Stephenson, coal miner, aged 28, and boarder William Dodd, coal miner aged 22.
At Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr. Joseph Davidson, of Craig to Miss Ann Black of Nenthead.
Jonathan Davidson and Sarah Cowing were married at Alston 2nd June 1811.
Jonathan Davidson was buried at Garrigill 11th February 1840, aged 49.
In 1841, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Sarah Davidson, farmer, aged 50
Joseph Davidson, lead miner, aged 25, William Davidson, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan Davidson, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah Davidson 15, John Davidson 14, Matthew Davidson 12, and Hannah Davidson 10.
In 1851, at Nether Craig, Elizabeth? Davidson, widow, farmer & proprietor, aged 63, children, Jonathan butcher aged 28, Sarah 26, Matthew, lead miner aged 23, Hannah 21, and grand daughter, Mary Ann aged 9 months.
In 1861, at Nether Craig, Sarah Davidson, lead miners widow, son Jonathan, farmer & butcher, aged 40, daughter Hannah aged 31, and grandson William aged 3 years. In 1861, at Hermitage, Garrigill, Joseph Davidson, lead miner aged 39, his wife Ann aged 47, children, Sarah J 9, Agnes A 5, and Hannah 2.
In 1871, at Flat, Garrigill, Joseph Davidson, farmer of 119 acres, aged 59, his wife Ann 57, children Sarah J 18, Agnes A 15, and Hannah 12.
See 18th September 1841,22nd June 1860 and 8th March 1890.

21st June 1850 (Carlisle Journal)

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the house of Mrs. Dodd, Golden Lion Inn, ALSTON, on Friday, the 28th of JUNE instant, at Six o'clock in the evening, the following valuable LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.—

Lot 1st.—SKELGILL ESTATE, situate in the parish of Alston aforesaid, consisting of a good Dwelling House, Barn, Byre, and other conveniences; also Two Closes of Meadow and Pasture Land, laying within a ring fence, and adjoining the road leading from Alston to Nenthead, containing together 11a. 2r. 35p. or thereabouts, and now in the occupation of Mr Joseph Walton, as tenant thereof.

Lot 2nd.—All those TWO DWELLING HOUSES, SHOP, and GARDEN, situate at the Townhead, Alston now in the occupation of Mr. John Horsley and Joseph Hinde, as tenants.

The above is well adapted for business, and in good repair.

The respective Tenants will show the Premises and further particulars may be known on application to Mr. JOSEPH HETHERINGTON, the Owner, Ainstable, near Armathwaite. J. WOODMASS, Auctioneer.

Marriages

At Alston, on the 13th inst., Mr. John Hetherington, to Miss Mary Hodgson, both of Corby Gates.
In 1851, at Corby Gates, John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary 31, and son Robert 11 months.

John Hetherington of High Flatt, was buried at Garrigill, 9th February 1859, aged 39 years.
In 1861, at High Flatt, Garrigill, Mary Hetherington, widow, landed proprietor, aged 41, children Robert 10, Matthew 8, Elizabeth 7, and John 5.
Mary Hetherington of Flatt was buried at Garrigill, 8th November 1861, aged 41. See 7th April 1864

Deaths

At Clargill, near Alston, on the 13th inst., Mr. Wm. Wilson, aged 60.
In 1841, at Clargill, William Wilson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane (Bell, married 29th June 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 50, children, George, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 15, Thomas 13, John 10, Henry 7, and Walton 5.
In 1851, at Clargill, Jane Wilson, widow, farmer of 50 acres, aged 59, born Allendale, children, Jane 26, Mary 25, Henry 17, and Walton 15.
See 11th September 1886

At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mrs. Jane Philipson, aged 88.
In 1841, at Circus Lane, Alston, Jane Phillipson, widow, aged 74, and Ann Phillipson 19.

At Garrigill, on the 17th, inst., aged 58, Mrs. Mary Elliot.
Robert Elliot married Mary Cowper, 24th January 1818, at St John's, Garrigill.
Robert Elliot, aged 40, was buried 27th October 1830, aged 40, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Beldy, Garrigill, Mary Elliot age 45, sons, John, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, and William, lead miner, aged 12.
Robert Elliot of Beldy, was buried at Garrigill 29th September 1846, aged 22.
In 1851, at Beldy, John Elliot, lead miner, aged 29, his brother William, land proprietor, aged 23, and servant, Tamar Peart, house servant, aged 26.

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

In Memory of
ROBERT ELLIOTT
of Beldy, who
died October 15th
1830
aged 40 years.

Also
of Mary his wife,
who died June 17th
1850
aged 57 years.

Also In memory of
Robert their son
who died
October 26th 1846
Aged 22 Years.

Also
of William their
son, who died
May 27th 1873
aged 45 years.

Also
In Memory of
John their son,
who died
August 24th 1884,
Aged 62 years.

28th June 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 19th inst., Mr Robert Hind, aged 67 years.
See 8th February 1873
At Nenthead, on the 24th inst., Mr Thomas Liverick, aged 42 years.
See 19th July 1861
At Nenthead, on the 25th inst., Mr Jonathan Shield, aged 26 years.
John Shield married Ann Blacklock, 25th April 1818, at St Augustine's Alston.
Jonathan Shield baptised 30th June 1824, at Nenthead, Wesleyan Chapel, son of John (miner) & Ann Shield.
In 1841, at Holmsfoot, Nenthead, Ann Shield, widow, aged 40, Jonathan Shield, lead miner aged 16, and Ann Shield 12.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Blacklock, lead miners widow, aged 80, son Robert, lead miner, aged 58, daughter, Ann Shield, lead miners, widow, aged 54, and grand daughter, Mary Shield aged 30.
See 19th December 1846.
At Alston, on the 21st inst., Mr Jacob Todd, aged 47 years.
Jacob Todd born 28th August 1803, 7th son of William Todd, Factory worker, by his wife Sarah daughter of Thomas Friend. (William Todd married Sarah Friend, 29th December 1781, at St Augustine's, Alston.)
At Wanwood, near Alston, on the 24th inst., Mr Isaac Dixon, aged 41 years.

6th July 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
THE ALLENDALE BAND. —The West Allendale Band were on Saturday last most generously entertained at a dinner given by Thos. Sopwith, Esq. chief mining agent to Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq. in the new and spacious building erected at Carrshield for the convenience and accommodation of the miners. After the cloth had been drawn and grace said, the customary loyal toasts were drank to the Queen, the Royal Family, the Lord of the Manor, the Bishop and the Clergy, &c. which were responded to in the most enthusiastic manner. It was truly gratifying to see the cordial feeling, which prevailed betwixt the operatives and the agents. Mr. Sopwith addressed them in most appropriate terms on the relative duties and responsibilities that exist between master and workmen, and concluded by recommending to all engaged in these important works habits of industry and economy, which necessarily embraced their own interests as well as those of Mr. Beaumont. The address was well received. The band has existed only ten months, and the proficiency it has made in the science of music is truly surprising; it consists of eighteen members, who are a body of remarkably fine young men. Messrs. Thomas Heron Scurr, and Joseph Jaques were present from Newcastle.

19th July 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston on the 16th, inst., Mr. Jacob Peart, Leadgate, miner, aged 57.
The inquest determined death was an accident caused by a fall from a cart.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, Jacob Peart, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Bell, married 9th January 1823, at At Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, children John 15, Robert 12, Thomas 10, Hannah 8, George 6, Nancy 4, and William 4 months. In 1851, at Leadgate, Hannah Peart, widow, aged 50, children John, lead miner, aged 36, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged

20, Hannah 18, George, lead miner, aged 16, Nancy 14, James 12, William 10, and Joseph 4.
At Alston on the 16th, inst., Mr. Thomas Bell, clogger, aged 47.
At Alston on the 17th, inst., Esther, wife of Mr. John Little, agent at Coalcleugh, aged 27. *See 2nd December 1837*

6th July 1850 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
FESTIVITIES AT ALLENDALE. —On Saturday last, the West Allendale band were most generously entertained at a dinner, given by T. Sopwith, Esq., chief mining agent to Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq., in the new and spacious building erected at Carrshield for the convenience and accommodation of the miners' It was truly gratifying to see the cordial feeling which prevailed between the operatives and the agents. Mr. Sopwith addressed them in most appropriate terms, on the relative duties and responsibilities that exist between master and workman; and concluded by recommending to all engaged in these important works, habits of industry and economy. The address was well received. This band has existed only ten months, and the proficiency it has made in the science of music is truly surprising. It consists of eighteen members, who are a body of remarkably fine young men. —Correspondent.

20th July 1850 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE.
On Friday, the 12th inst., an inquest was held at the Black Bull Inn, St. John's Chapel, in Weardale, before Mr. Thornton, deputy coroner, on view of the body of Wm. Bee, aged 49. The deceased worked at the Elmford Lead Mine, and on the previous morning, he had gone to his work as usual. In the afternoon, the other men not having seen him come out began to have fears about him, and therefore set out in search of him to the place where he had been working. Not finding him there, they went down the waygate, where there was a wooden partition, and supposing he might have fallen down the other side, they knocked at the partition as they went, to see how far the metal reached. On getting to the top of it, they broke through the partition, and found the deceased lying on the metal rather sideways. He was alive but quite insensible. There was a large wound on the back part of his head, and other smaller ones on the right temple. He was immediately removed, but on getting to bank, he was found to be dead. He had been working alone with a javelin letting out the ore and metal, which would fall down a shaft, across which a plank was laid, and it is supposed he had slipped his hold and thus fallen down into it. No blame was imputed to any one connected with the mine. The deceased had frequently worked there before, as well as others. He was a very industrious and intelligent man, and highly respected. Verdict, —" Accidentally killed."
In 1841, at Lane Hill, St John's, William Bee, lead miner, aged 40, Jane Bee aged 30, Mary Bee aged 9, Hannah Bee 6, and William Bee 4 years.
In 1851, at Lane Hill, St John's, Jane Bee, widow, aged 41, children Mary 18, Hannah, dress maker, aged 15, William, lead ore miner, 13, and Joseph 5.

23rd August 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
Remarkable Shot. — On Wednesday last, Thomas Lee, of Nenthall, on Alston Moor, whilst shooting on Greengill Moss, rose a covey of fifteen grouse,

about thirty yards off; six fell to the first barrel and four to the second, seven of which were shot dead, and three lamed. The day before he shot twelve brace in succession, without even missing a barrel.

Deaths

At Garrigill, on the 15th instant, Mr. William Coates, aged 77 years.

At Bleagate, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Mr. John Smith aged 77 years.

In 1841, at Bleagate, John Smith, yeoman, aged 65, and Elizabeth Smith 65.

30th August 1850 (Carlisle Journal)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT AT CONISTON.

A fatal and most painful accident occurred on Wednesday morning week, to a much-respected old man, named Thomas Millican, about sixty years of age, while attendant upon the large water-wheel that serves to pump and draw the work from the deepest part of the Coniston copper mines. The unfortunate man met with his death by his falling into the wheel case, or rather into the inside of the wheel itself, during the time it was revolving at a most rapid rate, owing to which his body was literally torn to pieces by the arms of the wheel and the hundreds of screw-bolts that project some inches through the casing, like so many iron teeth, in the midst and upon which he was hurled for some time. The wheel is placed high upon the mountain side above the works, and was tended by the deceased alone; therefore it is not known how he got precipitated into the wheel. The deceased not attending to repeated signals from a person employed down the shaft, gave rise to a suspicion that something had befallen him, and on the party ascending, he was horror-struck at finding the mangled remains of the old man. —Preston Guardian.

31st August 1850 (Kendal Mercury)

Fatal Accident At The Conistone Mines.— An inquest was held at Coniston, by Wm. Blendall, Esq., on the 22nd, over Thomas Millican, aged 61. It appears he had charge of the water-wheel at the copper mines, and some of the men finding the signal for turning the water off the wheel not attended to, went to see the cause, when Millican was found inside the wheel, with his head severed from the body, besides other injuries. —Verdict, “accidental death.”

Thomas Millican married Mary Bradwell 11th November 1786, at St Augustine’s, Alston. Thomas Millican son of Thomas Millican of Gate and Mary Bradwell baptised at St John Garrigill 26th April 1789.

Mary Millican of Skydes, wife of Thomas was buried 30th September 1789, at St Augustine’s, Alston.

Thomas Millican snr married Elizabeth Wallace (daughter of John Wallace) 3rd January 1793, at St John’s, Garrigill.

Thomas Millican jnr married Mary Gill 9th September 1809, at St Augustine’s, Alston, witnesses, John Calvert and Guy Walton.

Children of Thomas and Mary Millican:

Thomas infant, buried at Garrigill 17th June 1812, son of Thomas & Mary Millican of Tynehead.

Hannah baptised 18th June 1813, at Garrigill

John, baptised 12th February 1815 at Long Marton

Joseph baptised 9th November 1817 at Caldbeck

Thomas, baptised 7th May 1820, at Caldbeck

Mark, born 29th June 1824 Tynehead

Wesley born 19th October 1828, baptised 25th October 1828, Wesleyan Chapel (Alston or Garrigill) son of Thomas Millican & Mary Gile

In 1841, at Old Office, Church Coniston, Thomas Millican, copper miner, aged 50, his wife Mary aged 50, children, John, copper miner, aged, Thomas, copper miner, aged 20, Mark, copper miner, aged 15 (born 29th June 1824 Tynehead), Wesley, copper miner, aged 12, and Martha Fisher aged 14.
In 1851, at Farrend, Church Conistone, Mary Millican, widow, annuitant, aged 63, sons, Mark, copper miner, aged 25, Wesley, copper miner, aged 22, all born Garrigill, and lodger, Martha Fisher, servant at mining offices, aged 24, born Isle of Man.
Mark Millican married Hannah Barker 13th November 1852, at Hawkshead.
Hannah Millican died 3rd quarter 1858, aged about 32.
In 1851, at Carrshields, Wallace Millican, mining platelayer & blacksmith, aged 27, his wife Elizabeth 30, children, Thomas 4, Elizabeth 1, Francis 1 month, and cousin, Thomas Millican, miner, aged 30, born Hesket Newmarket.
In 1861, at High Blue Row, Ninebanks, Allendale, Thomas Millican, lead ore dressing agent, aged 40, born Hesket Newmarket, his wife Elizabeth 28, born Alston, children, Mary A 7, William G 5, Charles W 4, Thomas A 2, Caroline E 1, and brother Mark Millican, widower, lead miner, aged 34.
In 1871, at Fawside House, (next to Allenheads School) Allendale, Thomas Millican, lead ore dressing agent, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 38, children, William G. lead ore washer, aged 15, Charles W. lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas A M12, Caroline E 10, Emily H 8, and George A 5.
In 1881, at 32 Ennerdale Road, Egremont, Thomas Millican, coal agent, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 48, children, Caroline 20, Emily H. millinery apprentice, aged 18, George A. grocers apprentice, aged 15, and lodger, Henrietta C. Cairn, schoolmistress, aged 26.
Thomas Millican died 19th April 1881, aged 60.

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Administration with the Will of the Personal Estate of **Thomas Millican** formerly of Allenheads but late of 32 Ennerdale Road Cleator Moor both ib the County of Cumberland Coal Weighman who died 19 April 1881 at 32 Ennerdale Road was granted at Carlisle to Elizabeth Millican of 32 Ennerdale Road Widow the Relict the Universal Legatee in Trust.
Personal Estate £356 9s 9d Resworn 1881 £361 0s 9d.

In 1871, at Eagle House, Glenridding, Patterdale, lodger, Mark Millican, widower, lead miner, aged 47.
Mark Millican died 3rd quarter 1887, aged 64, registered West Ward, Westmorland.

John Millican married Ann Grigg, 4th quarter 1841, registered at Ulverston.
In 1851, at Forge, Church Coniston, John Millican, copper miner, aged 36, his wife Ann 31, children Martha 9, Thomas 7, Mary Ann 5, and Adam 2.
In 1861, at 2 Glenridding Cottages, Patterdale, John Millican, lead miner, aged 46, born Long Marton, his wife Ann 41, born Coniston, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Adam, lead miner, aged 12, Paul 9, Eve 8, Sarah 5, Benjeman M 2, and boarder, John Fowlston, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1871, at Glenridding Cottages, John Millican, lead miner, aged 56, born Long Marton, his wife Ann 51, born Coniston, children, Mary Ann 25, Adam,

lead miner, aged 22, Paul, lead miner, aged 19, Benjamin M 12, and John Henry 6.
In 1881, at 1 Glenridding Cottage, John Millican, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Ann aged 61, and son John Henry, blacksmith, aged 16.
John Millican died 1st quarter 1888, aged 73, registered at West Ward, Westmorland.

In 1891, at Glenridding, Ann Millican, widow, aged 71, and her son John H., blacksmith, aged 26.

Joseph Millican married Elizabeth Robinson 2nd quarter 1841, registered at Ulverston, probable marriage 29th May 1841, at Coniston.
In 1841, at Hawkshead, Monk Coniston, Joseph Millican, copper miner, aged 23, and his wife Elizabeth aged 21.
In 1851, at Silver Bank, Church Coniston, Joseph Millican, copper miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth 30, children, James 9, William 7, Hannah 5, and Joseph aged 1.
In 1861, at 3 Glenridding Cottage, Patterdale, Joseph Millican, lead miner, aged 43, born Hesket Newmarket, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, born Coniston, children, James, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged17, Hannah 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 11, Frances 9, Edwin 7, Eliza 4, and Robinson 11 months.

31st August 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
It is stated that William Bell Walton, a poor but respectable miner, living near Alston, has fallen heir to the estate of the late William Bell, Esq., of High Shields, near Hexham, estimated to be worth about £100,000. Mr. Walton has a large family, and has been for some years a consistent member of the Wesleyan Methodist Society in Nenthead.
See 25th April 1856.

7th September 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
FLORAL AND HORTICULTRAL SOCIETY of NENTHEAD AND GARRIGILL
The first exhibition of this society took place in the Lead Company's School Room, at Nenthead, on Friday, the 6th inst. Most of the flowers, fruits and vegetables exhibited were in a high state of cultivation, and would have been very creditable to localities much more favourably situated for their production. They formed a remarkable contrast with the surrounding heather-clad hills, and their exhibition was a triumph of horticultural skill over a climate very unfavourable to their growth. Prizes were awarded by the judges—Messrs. Brown and Gardener, of Teesdale—to the best specimens in each class. The day was fine and the attendance numerous, not less than eight hundred people were present, who were admitted into the room by tickets. The room was beautifully decorated with festoons, &c., of evergreens and flowers. The brass band belonging to the place was also in attendance, and enlivened the proceedings by the performance of a number of popular pieces. The whole passed off favourably and must give an increased impetus to horticultural pursuits, as a recreation favourable, not only to the morals but also to the health and longevity of the lead miners.

20th September 1850 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Para, *(State in Brazil, main City Belem)* on the 15th inst., of July, of Yellow fever, on his way from Pernambuco *(State in Brazil main city Recife)* to the United State, aged 19, Thomas second son of Hugh Lee Pattinson, Esq., of Scots House, near Gateshead.
See 12th November 1858, 12th November 1858, 19th November 1858, 28th November 1868, and 29th October 1898

21st September 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
ALSTON FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.
The annual exhibition of this society took place yesterday week. The show of fruits, flowers, and vegetables, was small but respectable in quality, and pleasing enough to those who are not fond of drawing odious comparisons. The vegetables, more especially, indicated no lack of horticultural skill in the Alston cottagers; and the tasteful decorations, together with the performances of a quartet, such as is not often found in a secluded district, contributed not a little towards making the exhibition a treat to the numerous visitors, and an encouragement to future exertions. A similar society has been formed by the two villages still further away up these remote dales, namely, Nenthead and Garrigill; and their first exhibition, of a most promising character, was held a fortnight ago, at Nenthead, a place where twenty years ago, an old inhabitant was of opinion that “ne tree u'd grew but a kest un." The friendly rivalry which has sprung up between this society and the one at Alston, bids fair to draw forth the utmost skill and exertion of the garden-loving folks of the district.

28th September 1850 (Carlisle Patriot)
TO BE LET, for the term of 15 years, from the 12th May 1851, all that Well Established and Commodious INN, with Stables, Coach House, and other conveniences, at LOW BYER, ALSTON, together with 41A. 3R. 33P. of excellent LAND. The Inn is situated in the immediate vicinity of the Terminus of the Alston Branch Railway, which will be shortly opened.
And also, the adjoining DWELLING HOUSE and GARDEN, now in the occupation of Mr STEPHENS, for which offers will be received together with the Inn, or separately.
Further particulars may be known on application to Mr. Paull, Low Byer, Alston, and offers in writing will be received by Mr Grey, at the Greenwich Hospital Office, Dilston, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, up to Monday the 4th day of November, 1850. Dilston, September 24th 1850

18th October 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, the Freehold FARM, called the HOLE, containing 103 Acres or thereabouts of anciently enclosed Lands, and 222 Acres or thereabouts of more recently enclosed Pasture and an undivided moiety of an outer adjoining pasture containing 838 acres or thereabouts, situated in PRIORSDALE, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland.

The Minerals under the anciently enclosed lands belong to the proprietor of the soil, and those under the two pastures belong to him jointly with the Commissioners of the Greenwich Hospital.
The Estate is intersected by numerous veins of Lead Ore mostly unexplored, but in strata favourable to the production of lead ores, being the same as in the adjoining manor of Alston Moor where extensive Lead Mines are worked.
The time and place of Sale will be announced in a future advertisement. Reference to Messrs. J. & R. GIBSON, Solicitors, Hexham, Northumberland.

1st November 1850 (Durham County Advertiser)
An inquest was holden at the Phoenix Inn, Stanhope on the 30th ult., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on view of the body of George Bainbridge, aged 65. The deceased was a miner, and worked at Hollow Gill Lead Mine. On the 29th ult., he with his two nephews were sitting by the fireside in the shed connected with the mine, when his lips began to quiver and his colour change, and before the lapse of ten minutes he was a lifeless corpse. He had been suffering from dropsy for about a year, but had been somewhat better the last three months, and able to follow his employment. He had been a miner all his life, and also suffered from shortness of breath, incident to all who have followed that occupation. Verdict, “Died from natural causes.”
In 1841, at Stanhope, George Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Barbara age 45, Elizabeth 20, and Elizabeth 3 months.
In 1851, at Stanhope, Barbara Bainbridge, pauper, lead miners widow, aged 60, daughter Elizabeth, unmarried aged 33, grandchildren, Elizabeth 10, Barbara 6, and George 3.
In 1861 at Stanhope, Wilson Hoggarth, iron miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 42, children Mary H 7, Sarah 5, Ann 2, Barbara under 1 month, step children Elizabeth Bainbridge 20, George Bainbridge, labourer, aged 13, and mother in law, Barbara Bainbridge, widow, aged 70.

15th November 1850 (Carlisle Journal)
INQUESTS BEFORE MR. Lee, DEPUTY CORONER—On the 11th instant, at Garrigill Gate, on view of the body of Whitfield Hodgson, shoemaker and clogger, aged 59. On the 9th instant deceased was at Alston hiring; on his return home he was accompanied by Jas. Hutchinson, who rode behind him, until within a short distance of home. They then dismounted, and drove the horse before them until they arrived at Hutchinson’s house, where they separated. This was about 8 o’clock at night. Deceased proceeded towards home.
The horse having arrived without him, his wife went out in search of him and on ascertaining the facts from Hutchinson she became alarmed, as the road from Hutchinson's house is extremely dangerous. The river Tyne runs at a considerable depth by the side of it for nearly two hundred yards; and bank is also very precipitous in several places without any protecting wall. On making search, deceased was found lying in the river quite dead. He was near the side, at a depth of about nine inches. He had a wound upon his left temple. This was about an hour after he parted from Hutchinson.

All the money he was expected to have was found in his pockets. Verdict—" Found dead." The Jury remarked strongly upon the impropriety of allowing the road to remain in its present state. The coroner made arrangements for communicating such opinion to the surveyors of the highways, and giving them notice that unless they took immediate steps to protect the road they would be held responsible for the consequence.

23rd November 1850 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Allenheads, on the 11th inst., aged 57, Mr John Dixon, much respected.

26th November 1850. (London Gazette)
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between us the undersigned, as Lead Miners, at Crossfell, near Alston, in the county of Cumberland, under the name or firm of the South and West Crossfell Lead Mines Company, was this day dissolved, so far as regards the undersigned, Alfred Hall. —As witness our hands this 30th day of September 1850.
Alfred Hall, James Morrison, Wm. Bell, Elizabeth Fenwick.

2nd December 1850. (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Allenheads, on the 2nd inst., aged 65, deeply regretted, Mr Thomas Dawson, Innkeeper.

THOMAS DAWSON
WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS DEC 2ND
1850, AGED 65 YEARS.
AND OF MARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS JAN 14TH
1883, AGED 80 YEARS.
ALSO OF THOMAS HUNTER
THEIR SON WHO DIED AT
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St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

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Memorial inscriptions

IN LOVING MEMORY, OF, THOMAS DAWSON, WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS, DEC. 2ND, 1850, AGED 66 YEARS.
AND OF MARY HIS WIFE, WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS JAN 14TH, 1883, AGED 80 YEARS.
ALSO OF THOMAS HUNTER, THEIR SON WHO DIED AT ALLENDALE TOWN AUG 24TH 1896, AGED 59 YEARS.
MARY BOWNAS DAWSON THEIR DAUGHTER, WHO DIED AT ALLENDALE TOWN, FEBRUARY 20TH 1915, AGED 84 YEARS.
JANE DAWSON THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED AT ALLENDALE TOWN, APRIL 23RD 1920, AGED 80 YEARS.

IN MEMORY OF JOHN BOWNAS OF ALLENHEADS WHO DIED APRIL 10TH 1781, AGED 66 YEARS; MARY HIS WIFE DIED FEB 27TH 1790, AGED 68 YEARS. GEORGE THEIR SON DIED AUG 8TH 1832 AGED 75 YEARS. JOHN BOWNAS THEIR SON WHO DIED AT CRAIGHOUSE FEB 19TH 1831, AGED 78 YEARS. ANN WIFE OF THE ABOVE DIED JULY 7TH 1840 AGED 62 YEARS.
JOHN SON OF THE ABOVE JOHN AND ANN BOWNAS DIED MAY 15TH 1835, AGED 31 YEARS; MARY HIS WIFE DIED JULY 12TH 1831, AGED 25 YEARS. WILLIAM BOWNAS THEIR SON DIED AT ROOKHOPE OCT 16, 1840 AGED 10 YEARS. GEORGE ANOTHER SON DIED MARCH 6TH 1855, AGED _____ YEARS; ELLEN WIFE OF GEORGE BOWNAS DIED FEB 24TH 1855 AGED _____. THOMAS ANOTHER SON _____ 22ND 18___ AGED 52 YEARS. THE _____LAST _____ DIED AT NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE AND WERE INTERRED AT JESMOND CEMETERY. ALSO OF MARY THEIR DAUGHTER, WIFE OF THOMAS DAWSON WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS 14TH JAN. 1883, AGED 80 YEARS. ALSO OF DOROTHY BOND WHO DIED AT NEWCASTLE SEPT 16TH 1885 AGED _____ YEARS. ALSO OF JOSEPH_____.
BOWNAS WHO DIED AT _____ 17TH MARCH _____.

In 1841, at Allenheads, Thomas Dawson, publican, aged 50, his wife Mary (Bownas, married 15th July 1824, Allendale) aged 40, children Ann 15, Margaret 13, Mary 10, Dorothy 8, Thomas 4, and Jane 1.
In 1851, at Allenheads, Mary Dawson, widow, innkeeper, aged 50, children Jacob, drugist, aged 26, Ann 24, Margaret 23, Mary Bownas 20, Dorothy 18, Thomas Hunter 14, Jane 11, and Joseph 6.
In 1861, at Allenheads, Mary Dawson, widow, innkeeper, aged 60, and daughter Jane, shopkeeper (grocer) aged 21.
In 1871, at Allenheads, Mary Dawson, widow, innkeeper, aged 67, children Mary B 40, Thomas H 34, and Jane 31.
In 1881, at the Allenheads Inn, Mary Dawson, widow, aged 78, son Thomas H. innkeeper, aged 43, and daughter Jane 40.
See 15th November 1851.

10th January 1851 (Carlisle Journal)

WANTED, a SCHOOL MISTRESS for the GARRIGILL GATE BRITISH and FOREIGN GIRLS' SCHOOL. For further Particulars apply to Mr. JOSEPH WALTON, Garrigill, Alston.
Testimonials to be forwarded on or before the 20th January, 1851.
Garrigill, 3rd Jan., 1851.

11th January 1851 (Westmorland Gazette)

THE LATE FLOOD.

The Greenside mines, in Patterdale, the effects of the storm and flood appear to have been more serious. In the course of Wednesday night the water,

which poured into a large reservoir connected with the mining operations at that place, was so immensely overpowering, that the embankment gave way, and damage to considerable amount was occasioned to the works by the water in its progress towards the lake. We have heard the injury variously estimated at from two or three thousand pounds, and that if the occurrence had taken place during the day-time, instead of at night, the probability is that several lives would have been sacrificed.

25th January 1851 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr. John Walton, town, to Frances, daughter of Mr. Jonathan Walton, Spencycroft, Alston.
In 1851, at Back Simpson street, Newcastle upon Tyne, John Walton, labourer at lead works, aged 32, and his wife Frances, aged 28.

8th February 1851 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate on the 1st inst. by the Rev Mr Holmes of Nenthead, Matthew youngest son of Mr Matthew Watson of Ashgillside, mine agent, to Jane eldest daughter of Mr Thos. Bell, miner, Allenheads.
Thomas Bell married Eleanor Spark 10th May 1823 at St Peters, Allendale.
In 1841, at Rise Green, Allendale, Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 40, Jane Bell 15, Thomas Bell, lead ore miner, aged 14, Ann Bell 10, Robert Bell 8, Mary Bell 5, and Hugh Bell aged 3 years. Eleanor died 4th quarter of 1840.
In 1851, Thomas Bell, widow, lead ore miner, aged 51, children Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 23, Ann 21, Robert, lead ore miner, aged 18, Mary 16, Hugh 13, William 10 (William Spark Watson baptised 21st November 1840).
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, farmer of 639 acres, part of which is common land, aged 61, his wife Isabella 68, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, son, Matthew, lead miner, aged 23, Matthews wife Jane Watson, aged 26, Mary Coats, orphan, servant, aged 13, and grandson Robert Watson 9 years.
In 1861, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, yeoman, aged 33, his wife Jane aged 36, children, Ellen 9, Isabella 8, Thomas 4, Jane 2, and mother, Isabella Watson, widow, annuitant, aged 75.
Deaths
At Flatt, near Alston, on the 31st ult., aged 76, Mrs Margaret Pickering.
In 1841, at Nest, Margaret Pickering, farmer aged 60, Joseph, lead miner aged 30, John Pickering, lead miner, aged 25, Mary aged 25, Ruth 10, Thomas 5, Joshua 2, and William 4 months.
In 1851, at Clargill Toll Bar, John Pickering, lead miner & Toll keeper, aged 42, his weife Mary 42, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Joshua, lead miner, aged 12, Hannah 8, John 5, and Margaret 1.
Margaret Pickering of High Nest, was buried at Garrigill, 4th February 1851, aged 76. See 31st October 1871

7th February 1851 (North & South Shields Gazette and Northumberland and Durham Advertiser)
A LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA SHELLBURG, Dec. I, 1850.
DEAR MOTHER, I write these few lines to you, hoping to find you and all my brothers and sisters well, as this leaves us at present. Myself and family are all

well. Since I wrote to you, I have travelled many thousands of miles. I left this country on the 5th of April, 1849, bound for California gold mines, a distance of 2500 miles by land, through an Indian country, with oxen and Waggons loaded with provisions; others with pack horses, and some on foot. Such a sight as my eyes never saw, and hope will never see again—there was nothing to see but the wild savage Indians, and the grizly bears, and thousands of buffalos, &c. Such scenes of privation and distress as you would scarce believe. The cholera was raging amongst the emigrants; hundreds died. There is a desert on the route to California from 25 miles to 70 miles, without any water except hot springs which no man can drink. I was once 20 hours without anything to drink. I was taken very sick with the bloody flux on the way, and after I got to the end of my journey, I, with **Jonathan Hoopes,** from **Nenthead**, **Thomas Swinbank**, from **Middleton**, and hundreds more, were taken with the black scurvy, and worst of all could get nothing to cure us till we got some potatoes for which had to pay 3 dollars per pound. You will think this a great price for potatoes, but we were glad get them any price; we could get nothing of provision kind under 1 dol. 50 cents, per lb., which is six shillings in English money. We arrived on the 27th of September; worked there four months, and then was taken sick again; the doctors thought I had best return to the States again, so I started with man belonging to Jarrow, named Robert Wear. We met with one man from Australia, who was transported from Jarrow; his name was John Steward, he told me he knew **John Eels** from **Nenthead**, but he is dead. We took ship at California for Panama, which was distance of 3500 miles, and then we crossed the Isthmus of Darien, from whence we shipped for Jamaica and thence to New York. When I was at New York I saw a man whose name was Thomas Hedley, from Newcastle; his father is a viewer at Callerton Colliery. If my brother Leonard could see him, would tell him about me. And then I returned home, where I landed on the 19th of July. I found my family all well. I was very sick at first, but now I have got well again. Mother, I am satisfied with travelling; California is not what it is reported to be, —yet thousands have made a small fortune, but tens of thousands have made nothing. But I have done well for the time that I was able to work, and intend you to have a little of it. If I do not come England soon, I will send you some money the first opportunity I have, which I consider no more than my duty, as your son. I have some property in this place that I must sell before I come home. Property is not worth so much now, as it was three years ago by fifty per cent, and times are very dull at present; and I think it will remain so as there are so many people here. Elizabeth, my wife, wrote to you last, but got no answer. Mother, have talked enough about this world of grief and sin; let us live to God, that we may be with him eternally shut in at last. He has promised to be a husband to the widow and a father to the fatherless if trust in him. God bless you, my dear mother.—Amen. My son Leonard wants say something to his grandmother, so I must quit.

My Dear Grandmother, —I would like to see you. If my father and mother should come to England, then I would see you. I have got my picture, with my father and mother; the first opportunity I will send it you. My father would advise all friends to stay at home. So no more at present from your grandson, LEONARD CURRY.

There is a piece of all our hair: the two red is Joseph's and mine, the light Leonard's, and the blue our little Elizabeth Jane's. You must write as soon as

you receive this. So no more at present, from your affectionate son and daughter, JOSEPH AND ELIZABETH CURRY.

8th February 1851 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, on the 1st inst., Matthew, youngest son of Mr Matthew Watson, Ashgildside, mine agent, to Jane, Eldest daughter of Mr Thomas Bell, Allenheads, miner.
In 1841, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, farmer, aged 50, his wife Isabella 55, children, joseph, labourer, aged 20, Jane 15, Matthew, shepherd, aged 13, and Frances 4.
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Matthew Walton, farming 639 acres, part of which is common land, aged 62, his wife Isabella 68, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Matthew, lead miner, aged 23, sons wife Jane 26, grandson, Robert Watson 9, and Orphan, Mary Coats, aged 13.
Matthew Watson, of Ashgillside, was buried 5th June 1851, aged 61, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1861, at Ashgillside, Matthew Watson, yeoman, aged 33, his wife Jane 36, children, Ellen 8, Isabella 8, Thomas 4, Jane 2, and mother, Isabella Watson, widow, annuitant, aged 75.
Isabella Watson was buried 3rd September 1867, at St John's, Garrigill.

15th February 1851 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
On the 8th inst., Mr Thomas Dodds, of this town, to Miss Margaret Currie, of Allenheads.
In 1851, at Back Argyle St., Newcastle, Thomas Dodds, foreman of engineering, aged 35, his wife Margaret 30, and son in law, William Cowan, engineer apprentice aged 19.

21st February 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
THE EXHIBITION OF INDUSTRY.—Nenthead, Alston Moor, will send to the Exhibition a package five feet long, three broad, and two deep, filled with mineral specimens from the lead mines of the four northern counties, all of which will be catalogued.
Marriages
At Garrigill Gate, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. J. Burton, Robert, eldest son of Mr George Little, bootmaker of this city, to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late Mr John Gill, High Bank Hill, near Kirkoswald.

8th March 1851 (Newc Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 28th ult., Mr John Walton of Nent Hall, mining agent, to Miss Emma Collins, of the Crown Inn, Alston.
In 1851, at the Crown Inn, Alston, Thomas Kirkley, innkeeper, aged 50, born Brompton, Yorkshire, his wife Ann aged 52, son Thomas aged 17, visitors John Walton, mining agent, aged 28, born Scotland, and his wife Emma Walton aged 24, born St Saviours, Surrey.

14th March 1851 (Carlisle Journal)

TO LEAD SMELTERS

WANTED, TWO good FURNACE MEN. — Apply at the Roughtengill Mine Smelt Works, near Caldbeck.

25th March 1851 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

On Wednesday last an elderly man, named Joseph Shaw, met with a horrible death at the Greenside Mines. It appears that the Smelting Mill had not been in use since Christmas at which period it sustained considerable damage by the heavy floods which then prevailed and the washing away of the reservoir, &c.; and it would seem that, on the day named, Shaw was engaged in putting the machinery forward again, but finding that it did not work properly, he commenced an examination intro the cause. While doing so he unfortunately approached too near the small wheels, and his clothes became entangled in them, he was drawn into the machinery, and literally torn to pieces in less than a minute. He has left a widow and seven children to lament his melancholy death, the latter, however, are mostly grown up, and consequently able to provide for themselves.

In 1841, at Glencoin, Hartsop, Glenriding, Patterdale, Joseph Shaw, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Dent, married 6th December 1824, at Shap) aged 35, children, George 15, Mary 12, John 9, Isabella 6, Agnes 3, and Joseph 6 months.

In 1851, at Hartsop, Patterdale, Mary Shaw, widow, aged 47, born Shap, Westmorland, children, George, lead ore miner, aged 28, John, lead ore miner, aged 9, Agnes 13, and Joseph 10.

Joseph Shaw buried at Patterdale, 22nd March 1851, aged about 50.

28th March 1851 (Carlisle Journal)

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the house of Mr GEORGE DODD, *Ewe Lamb Inn*, ALSTON on Friday, the 11th of April, 1851, at Six o'clock in the Evening, (J. WOODMASS, Auctioneer), all that valuable Leasehold ESTATE, called FLATT, in the Parish of Alston, Cumberland, within Two Miles of Alston, and adjoining the Road leading to Garrigill Gate, consisting of Two Dwelling Houses, Barn, Byre, and other Out-offices, with 34a. 0r. 30p. of Meadow and Pasture Land.

There is an abundance of Coal and Lime in the immediate neighbourhood of the Estate The Tenant Mr. James Kearton, will show the Premises; and further particulars may be known on application to Messrs. JOHN and JOSEPH COULTHARD, or of the Auctioneer, Alston.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, At the Queen's Head Inn, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Saturday the Twelfth day of April, 1851, at One o'clock in the Afternoon, (Mr. THOMAS BLANDFORD, Auctioneer) the Freehold and Tithe-free ESTATE of The HOLE, consisting of 103 Acres or thereabouts, of more recently Enclosed Lands, and 222 Acres or thereabouts, of more recently enclosed Pasture, and undivided Moiety of an adjoining Moor, containing 838 Acres or thereabouts, and an Undivided Fourth of a Parcel of Land, containing 23 Acres or thereabouts, and situated at PRIORSDALE, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, Six Miles distant from the Town of Alston, on the Line of Turnpike Road from Alston to Middleton,

which Road passes through the Heart of the Property, connecting it with the Branch Railway from Haltwhistle to Alston, which is expected to be completed in the course of 1851.

The Minerals under the anciently Enclosed Lands belong to the Proprietor of the Soil, and those under the above-mentioned Pasture and Moor, and also under adjoining Pasture, containing 204 Acres or thereabouts, (the Property of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital,) belong to him jointly with the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, and those under the Parcel of Land containing 23 Acres, belong to the Proprietors of the Soil.

The Estate abounds in Lead, Iron, Coal, Lime, &c. the Strata, and most of the Mineral Veins which intersect the Property, and are almost unexplored, being the same as those in which the Rich Mines of Alston Moor, Weardale, Teesdale, Allendale, Nenthead, &c. have been Worked with the greatest success in the immediate Neighbourhood. Formerly a large quantity of Lead was obtained on the Property and one Vein which has been, and still continues to be worked with considerable success, is standing whole for more than mile in length, and produces from 60 to 90 Ounces of Silver to the Fother of Lead, (21 cwt.).

The Property is well Fenced, and has an abundance of Water and Water-power, and is sheltered to the North by the Plantations of the London Company. The land has been extensively Drained, Limed, and Planted, but is still capable of great improvement, if those operations are continued, and this can be done at a very trifling expense, as the stones for draining, together with limestone and coal well adapted for burning it, and a Kiln for that Purpose, are all conveniently situated about the middle of the property.

Being surrounded by the extensive Preserves of the Duke Cleveland, and the London Company, the Estate abounds with Grouse and other Game, and from the nature of part of the ground, is peculiarly well adapted for Shooting in the latter part of the season, when the birds are wild, and unapproachable on open ground. The Tees, one of the finest Fishing Streams in the North of England, is within an hour's walk.

The House, which is well adapted for a Shooting Box, is pleasantly situated on the Banks of the South Tyne. and there are Cottages and other Outbuildings, affording all that is necessary for an extensive Grazing Farm.

JOHN FENWICK, the Shepherd, on the Premises will shew the property, and Plans and Conditions of Sale may be had at the *Blue Bell Inn*, Alston; the *Queen's Head Inn*, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; the Journal *Office* Carlisle; of Mr JAMES BURNETT Jun. Ovington near Gateshead. . Messrs. CHISHOLME and Co. Lincoln's Inn London; Messrs. J. and R. GIBSON, Solicitors,. Hexham; and Mr. THOMAS BLANDFORD, Corbridge, near Hexham.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

On Friday last, at Patterdale, an inquest was held on the body of Joseph Shaw, aged 50, who met with his death in the following dreadful manner: — Deceased was a "washer" at the Greenside Lead Mines, and on Wednesday afternoon, the water-wheel having got deranged, it was stopped for the purpose of being set right. Whilst this was being done portion of water was let on, and the deceased's coat-lap, who was watching the operation, was accidentally caught by the cogs of the wheel, and was drawn in underneath it and crushed to death. The water was immediately stopped, but the deceased,

when taken out, was quite dead. He had received a fatal injury on his left side, from which his bowels protruded in a shocking manner. No doubt whatever was entertained but that the death was purely accidental, and a verdict to that effect was returned.
Joseph Shaw married Mary Dent, 6th December 1824, at Shap, Westmorland.
In 1841, at Glencoin, Hartsop, Joseph Shaw, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 35, children, George 15, Mary 12, John 9, Isabella 6, Agnes 3, and Joseph 6 months.
In 1851, at Hartsop, Mary Shaw, widow, aged 47, children, George, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 19, Agnes 13, and Joseph 10.
Mary Shaw died 2nd qtr., 1853, at Patterdale.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 21st inst., Dorothy, wife of Mr Joseph Atkinson, aged 28 years.
Joseph Atkinson married Dorothy Fawcett, 23rd December 1843, at Kirkland.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Joseph Atkinson, widower, Ag. Labourer, aged 25, children, Mary 5, John 3, Margaret 2, Joseph 1 month, and mother in law, Mary Metcalf, married, aged 52.
Joseph Atkinson, married Hannah Hymers, 27th May 1854, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1861, at Jacksons Yard, Keswick, Joseph Atkinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Hannah, 44, children, James, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 15, John, lead miner, aged 13, and Thomas 4.
At Alston, on the 26th inst., Wm. Parker, aged 20.
At Alston Workhouse, on the 23rd inst., Mrs Elizabeth Teasdale, aged 58 years.

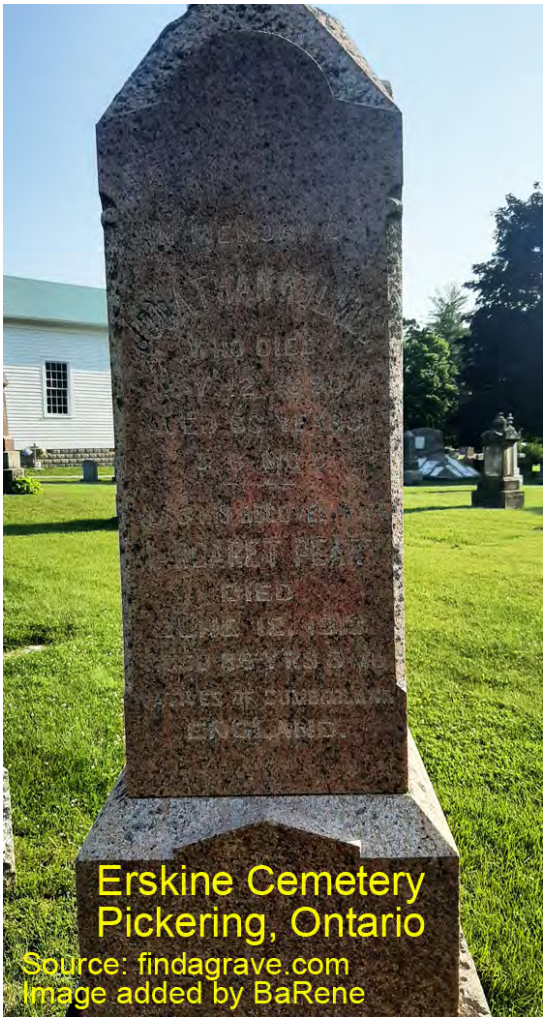
2nd May 1851 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 22nd ult.,, Mr Jonathan Holmes, of Tanfield, Durham, Teacher, to Miss Margaret Peart of Alston.
In 1841, at Grassfield, Alston, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Walton, married 27th May 1826, at Alston) 35, children, Jonathan, carter labourer, aged 14, Elizabeth 12, Richard 10, Jane 7, Ann 5, and Walton 2.
Thomas Holmes, Yeoman, of Grassfield, Alston, died 15th June 1871.
Jane Holmes died 3rd qtr., 1874, aged 69, at Alston.
See 12th April 1861

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Cuthbert Peart, miller, aged 40, children, Ann 15, Margaret 14, George 10, and Thomas 3.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, Cuthbert Peart, widower, mine agent, aged 59, children, Ann, milliner, aged 26, Margaret, Bonnet maker, aged 24, George, pupil teacher 19, and T W 13.
See 6th January 1838
In 1851, at Tanfield, Durham, Jonathan Holmes, schoolmaster, aged 24, born Alston, and his sister Ann, schoolmistress, aged 14.
Jonathan and Margaret Holmes emigrated to Canada.

Jonathan Holmes died 12th May 1890, at Pickering, Durham, Ontario.
Margaret Holmes died 18th June 1913, at Pickering, Durham, Ontario.



In memory of
Jonathan Holmes
who died May 12, 1890
aged 63 years
& 6 mo
also his beloved wife
Margaret Peart
died
June 18, 1913
aged 86 y'rs 3 mo
Natives of Cumberland
England

2nd May 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
CENSUS 1851

Parish of Alston	**Males**	**Females**	**Total**
March 31, 1851	3433	3383	6816
June 7, 1841	3078	2985	6063
Increase	355	398	753

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	Males	**Females**	**Total**
Town of Alston	1012	963	2005
Other Parts of Alston	693	711	1404
Alston Total	1705	1704	3409
Garrigill Chapelry	747	706	1443
Nenthead Chapelry	991	973	1964
	3443	3383	6816

9th May 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
ALSTON: LEADGATE. —The spacious and handsome school-buildings erected by the Rodderup Fell Mining Company, at Leadgate, in the parish of Alston, were opened on Thursday, the 1st instant, with great éclat. The children were assembled at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, and

partook of a very substantial tea. At half-past six, the room was again well filled by a large number of the parents and others, when addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. Burton, curate of Alston; Jacob Wilson, Esq., of Alston House; and Mr. Silversides, the master. The school-buildings consist of a very commodious school-room, capable of accommodating from 100 to 120 children, and an exceedingly convenient house for the master—built at the sole cost of the Rodderup Fell Company.

10th May 1851 (Newcastle Journal)
A new infant school is to be erected at Alston, by the Rev. Hugh Salvin, who purposes making a present of it to the parish. The worthy incumbent has already built a national school, and a handsome church at Nenthead, principally at his own cost. It is his intention to convert the present infant school at Alston into a residence for the mistress.
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, lately aged 74, John Millican Esq, for upwards of thirty years principle agent to the London Mining Co**.**
In 1841, at Low Hill Top, Nenthead, John Millican, lead mining agent, aged 60, son John Millican, lead smelting agent, aged 30, son John's wife Sarah Millican aged 30, and Mary Little, independent, aged 40.
In 1851, at West Nenthead, John Millican, widow, retired mining agent, aged 74, born Alston, and grandson, John T. Little, landowner & mortgagee, aged 22, born Stanhope.
See 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878 and 5th April 1879.

16th May 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
Keswick Pencil Works.—Messrs. Foster and Son, black lead pencil manufacturers, Keswick having just completed fitting their mill with entire new machinery of the most approved principle, introducing several improvements hitherto unattained, invited their numerous workmen to a supper, at the Kings, Head Inn, in commemoration of the occasion The supper was served up in Mrs. Younghusbund's best style and we need not say that ample justice was done to the good things set before them.
Lead Mines. —The lead mine of Hewthwait, Newlands, which has for some time been unpropitious, is now, we are glad to state, in a very prosperous condition. An extensive vein of excellent ore has recently been discovered, and additional workmen have been engaged during the past week.

17th May 1851 (Newcastle Journal)
ALSTON INFANT SCHOOL.—A mistake having occurred in some of the particulars coincident on the mention made last week on the intended erection by the vicar of a new Infant School at Alston, he is anxious to rectify it. It is correct that he purposes to build the one in question at his own expense, but it was stated in addition, (no doubt by a well-intentioned correspondent) that a national school and church at Nenthead had lately been erected almost entirely at his own expense. On the contrary, they were built by public subscription, and it is gratifying to have the opportunity of bearing testimony to the readiness and hearty goodwill with which his parishioners co-operate with their vicar and contribute their share in these public improvements. Within the

last few years the following buildings have been erected in the parish of Alston by public subscription, aided by grants from different societies.
A national school, to accommodate 100 children; an infant school, now too small, with three comfortable rooms above for one of the teachers, A church at Nenthead; and a parsonage-house is now in course of erection

23rd May 1851 (London Gazette)

Derwent Mines Company.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors of the Derwent Mines Company will be holden at their Offices, No. 6, Queen-street-place, Upper Thames- street, on Thursday the 5th day of June now next ensuing, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely; and notice is hereby also given, that immediately after such General Meeting an Extraordinary Meeting of the said Proprietors will be held at the said Offices to consider the expediency of raising additional capital for the purposes of the said Company, and with that view to authorize the Directors to create and issue further shares, such shares to be offered in the first instance to the present Shareholders of the said Company, in proportion to their respective shares, and to give all the necessary powers to the said Directors for carrying out the said measure; also to consider the propriety of consolidating the shares in the said Company, as well those now existing as the shares proposed to be created, and to give all necessary authority to the Directors in that behalf; also to consider the propriety of altering the scale of voting and qualification of Directors; and upon other special business.—Dated this 22nd day of May 1851.

B. O'Connor, Secretary.

24th May 1851 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE.

An inquest was held at St. John's Chapel, in Weardale, on the 19th inst., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on view of the body of Henry Richardson. On the 8th inst., the deceased was loading a cart with ironstone at the Rowntree Syke quarry. While bearing a piece of stone to the cart, a mass of stone of about a ton weight fell from the facing. A man who was near, shouted to him to get out of the way, and he went close to the cart, when the metal rolled against him, and crushed him in the abdomen against the cart.
He was immediately removed to his lodgings, and Mr Bateman, surgeon, attended him until his death, which happened on the 16th inst. It appeared that mortification of the lungs had ensued, which ultimately caused his death. —Verdict accordingly.

24th May 1851 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON.—Within the last few years the following buildings have been erected in the parish of Alston by public subscriptions, aided by grants from different societies: —A national school, to accommodate 100 children; an infant school, now too small, with three comfortable rooms above for one of the teachers; a church at Nenthead; and a parsonage-house is now in coarse of erection at Garrigill. It is also pleasing to state that the above-mentioned schools are liberally supported by the parishioners; the annual subscriptions, Independent of the children's pence, amounting to about £50; thus, enabling

the managers to secure the services of the most efficient teachers. The vicar of Alston is about to erect another building, an infant school, at his own expense.

8th July 1851 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Last week there were some celebrations in connection with the Keswick mines, which are worthy of record. The festivities took place in commemoration of the putting in motion of a new steam-engine, which has been erected at the Brandley mine, (at the head Derwentwater lake) one of the mines now worked by the Keswick Mining Company. The auspicious occasion was celebrated at the mine by a luncheon given by the manager to a party of gentry, and afterwards by a dinner given to the miners and other workmen employed on the premises, to the number of about fifty. These mines are now being worked by a London company who have expended a large sum of money in the adventure. The returns as yet have not been sufficient to pay the costs, but the prospects, we rejoice to find, are such as to warrant the erection of the steam-engine in question. This mine has unfortunately been closed for nearly twenty years in consequence of want of water power to drain it, and to crush and dress the ore. The engine is horizontal and condensing one, on the Cornish principle, and built by Messrs Nichols and Williams, of Tavistock, Devon. It is calculated to lift 50,000,000 lbs. one foot high the consumption of one cwt. Of coal. After an excellent dinner a sum of money was raised and wrestled for by the men and boys. The wrestling was excellent, and the principal prize carried off by Mr. William Parkin, of Thornthwaite. The amusements were brought to a close by the company cordially wishing success and prosperity to the undertaking on account of which they had met.

19th July 1851 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
At Allendale, St Peter's, on the 17th inst., Mr George Percival, tea dealer, Allenheads, to Mary, eldest daughter of the late Mr Joseph Graham, Huntland, Allendale.

8th August 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 3rd inst., Mr William Watson, aged 36 years.
William Watson, married Elizabeth Wallace, 22nd February 1844, at St John, Garrigill.
Elizabeth (Betty) Watson was buried 9th June 1847, aged 33, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond, widow, farmer, aged 45, lodger, William Watson, widower, lead miner, aged 35, born, Weardale and daughter, Elizabeth Watson aged 3, born Alston.
In 1861, at High Windy Hall, Garrigill, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 30, children, John 12, Thomas 8, Mary 3, William 2 months, and visitor Elizabeth Watson, aged 13.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond, lead miners widow, aged 64, and Boarder, Elizabeth Watson, _____ and washerwoman, aged 23.

9th August 1851 (Kendal Mercury)

KESWICK, &c.

Brandley Lead Mine.—This mine, at which recently noticed the erection of new steam engine, is at present offering the most promising prospects of remuneration the enterprising company by which it is now conducted, two large veins of ore of the finest quality having been cut into during the past week.

16th August 1851 (Kendal Mercury)

KESWICK, &c.

Brandley Lead Mine.—Accident.—On Friday, the 8th instant, as two of the workmen at the above mine had ascended the shaft, loaded with some tools, for repair, one of them lost his footing and fell down the shaft about twenty feet, fortunately stopping at one of the landings of the ladder. We are happy to state that he did not receive any injury beyond being stunned by the fall.

24th October 1851 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
At the House of Mr Kirkley, Crown Inn, Alston, on
Monday the 17th November, at 12 o'clock,

ALL that valuable LEASEHOLD ESTATE, called BALES, within One Mile of Alston, adjoining: the High Road to Penrith, and now in the Occupation of Mr William Dowson and John Woodmas, containing 112A. 0R. 12P. of enclosed Ground, of which 31A. 3R, 4P. are Meadow Lands, together with Two Allotments of 80A. 1R. 8P. with unlimited Right on Grildergill Moor.

The House and Outbuildings have been rebuilt within the last few Years, and are in excellent Repair; and owing to its Contiguity to the Market Town of Alston, and the Branch Line of Railway, makes it a most desirable investment.

Further Particulars may be known on Application to Mr Tinniswood Millican, of Nenthead; Mr Frederick Fenwick, of Stanhope; and Mr Joseph Little, Middleton. Mr William Dowson, the Tenant, will show the Premises.

31st October 1851 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Ann Coulson, aged 66 years.

In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, Thomas Coulson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 50, and daughter, Mary 15.

Thomas Coulson died 10th March 1860, aged 71.

See 16th March 1860.

At Alston, on the 24th inst., Ann Kearton, aged 51 years.

Joseph Kirton, married Ann Nattrass 24th January 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Jolly Beard House, Alston, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 40, Joseph Kirton, lead miner aged 35, Emanuel Kirton 10, Jane Kirton 7, and William Todd, lead miner, aged 20.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Kerton, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Ann 50, children, Emanuel, shoe maker, aged 20, and Jane, aged 17.

Emanuel Kirton emigrated to Australia about 1854.

Possible death of Joseph Kirton/Kearton, 2nd qtr 1851, registered at Alston.

31st October 1851 (Durham Chronicle)

STOCKTON

Prize Medal—Lead ORE, &c. —The contributions to the Exhibition of Works of Industry, for which a prize medal was awarded to Mr Joshua Byers, of Stockton, as producer end manufacturer, were the following: —1. Lead ore from Grasshill mine, Teesdale. —2. Pig of refined lead. —Pig of common lead. —4. Pig of slag lead. —5. Silver extracted from the lead. —6. Litharge made from the lead. —7. Sheet lead, 5 oz. per foot, and made to any weight per foot required. —8. Pipe lead, made from a quarter of an inch to 4 inches diameter.

1st November 1851 (Newcastle Journal)

An Inquest was held at Allenheads, on Saturday last, before Mr Reed Coroner, on the body of John Philipson, who was killed at Allenheads Mine by falling down the shaft. It is supposed that he had been seized with vertigo or giddiness, to which he was subject. The inquest was adjourned to the 17th November.

In 1851, at White Hill, Allendale High Forest, John Philipson, lead miner, aged 57, born Allendale, his wife Mary Ann 25, born Stanhope, children, Ester 6, John 4, Henry 2, William 4 months and daughter Jane aged 16.
In 1861, at Ireshopeburn, Stanhope, Mary Ann Phillipson, widow, aged 37, children, John 14, Henry 12, William 10, Joseph 2, and niece, Ann Peart 3.

15th November 1851 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

Marriages

At Allendale Town, on the 10th inst., Mr John Fairless, engineer, to Margaret, second daughter of the late Thomas Dawson, Esq., both of Allenheads.
See 2nd December 1850

21st November 1851 (Carlisle Journal)

INQUEST

On the 17th instant, at Nenthead, on view the body of Isaac Robson, aged 10 years, son of Emma Robson, widow. On the preceding Thursday, deceased left home to go to school, but instead he and other boys followed a wedding party to the King's Head public house, and there twice attempted to get up stairs to them, but were prevented by the landlady. Deceased and Woodmas Thompson, aged 13, then entered the house by a back window, and went into the room. Immediately on entering, Thompson seized a glass of rum punch, and drank it. Some of the party then gave Thompson and deceased some more punch and raw rum, and turned them out of the room. Shortly afterwards they returned, and had some punch and rum, and were again turned out. They then went down stairs, had some ale, and immediately afterwards fell asleep. They were taken home in that state. Thompson rallied in the course of the night, but deceased laid in a state of stupor until he died the following afternoon. Medical aid was called after the lapse of twelve hours, but without effect. Verdict, "That deceased died from taking an excessive quantity of rum, administered to, and voluntarily swallowed by him, he and the parties administering it being ignorant of the effects which were likely to be thereby produced." —The Coroner hoped the case would operate as a caution to the parties, and deter them and others from giving spirits to children so young.

William Robson married Emma Hornsby, 28th January 1830 (Williams death is recorded as 4th quarter of 1841).
Other children found, Margaret, born 7th July 1833, buried at Alston, 18th December 1837, aged 4 years, and Ridley, born 7th December 1835, buried 19th December 17837, aged 2 years.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, William Robson, lead miner, aged 35, Emma Robson, aged 32, and Mary Robson, aged 10 (born 11th November 1830).
In 1851, at Overwater, Emma Robson, widow, aged 42, sons, Isaac Robson 9, and William aged 6 years.
In 1861, at Overwater, Emma Robson, lead ore miners widow, aged 54, and son William, lead miner aged 15. Emma's death is recorded as the 1st quarter of 1866, and I believe William died 3rd quarter of 1865?

Deaths

At Brownside, near Alston, on the 14th inst., Miss Mary Lee, aged 73.

25th November 1851 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

On Friday last, a serious accident occurred at Greenside mines, near Keswick. Whilst two of the men, Thos. Williams, a Cornish-man, and Thomas Hilton, from Caldbeck, were in the act of boring out a hole they had made ready for a blast, and thinking the powder had got wet, they were in the act of taking it out again, when the blast took place by which Williams has lost one of his eyes, and at present is nearly blind of the other, and also very much cut and bruised in both hands, arms, and other parts of his body. Hilton fortunately was not so much injured as his companion, who is a married man with a wife and family, and has been for some time resident at Great Braithwaite, near Keswick.

James Hilton married Elizabeth Armstrong, 24th March 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Newlands, parish of Sebergham, James Hilton, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth, aged 40, children, Thomas, 20, John15, Robert15, Hannah 13, and James 7.
In 1851, at Hatcliff, Caldbeck, James Hilton, lead miner, aged 65, born, Alston, his wife Elizabeth, aged 55, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 32, John, lead miner, aged 20, Robert, lead miner, aged 27 all born Alston.
In 1851, James Hilton, aged 17, was an apprentice grocer, to Thomas Wilson, grocer, Low Caldbeck.
James Hilton senior, died 2nd quarter 1861, registered at Wigton.
In 1861, at Heskett New Market, Joseph Scott, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Hannah aged 34, born, Alston, children, Jane 8, born, Caldbeck, Hannah 6 born, Caldbeck, Elizabeth 4, born, Alston, Mary A 1, born, Caldbeck, Elizabeth Hilton, widow, confectioner, aged 64, born Alston, and brother in law, Thomas Hilton, lead miner, aged 40, born, Alston.
In 1871, at Fellside, Caldbeck High, Hannah Scott, miners wife, aged 42, children, Elizabeth 14, Esther 9, James 7, and George 4. In 1871, Joseph Scott, iron miner, aged 42, was a boarder at Kelton and Lamplugh, Whitehaven.
In 1871, at Fellside, Caldbeck High, Elizabeth Hilton, widow, aged 76, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 50, John, lead miner, aged 48, Robert, lead miner, aged 46, granddaughters, Jane Scott 18, and Mary Anne Scott 11.
Hannah Scott died 4th quarter 1880, aged 55, registered at Whitehaven.

Elizabeth Hilton, died 2nd quarter 1876, aged 79, registered at Whitehaven.
In 1881, at Arlecdon, Cumberland, Joseph Scott, widower, iron miner, aged 54, children, Mary Ann, dressmaker, aged 22, Esther, 19, George 14, granddaughter Annie Hutchings 6, and boarder Ruth Scott, dressmaker, aged 16.
In 1891, at Arlecdon, Cumberland, Joseph Scott, iron ore miner, aged 62, his wife Mary 47, grandson, Joseph M Watson, 8, brother Robert Mossop, quarryman, 38,and nephew, James Mossop 11.

25th November 1851 (London Daily News)
At the Keswick mines a fine vein of ore has been cut in the bottom level at Brandley. The 20-fathom, north at this mine is worth 25 cwt., Kelley's rise, 20 cwt., and Hewetson's stope 30 cwt. of lead ore per fathom. The Salt Sump stope is yielding 30 cwt., and the Salt level rise 8 cwt., and the Salt level stope 10 cwt. of ore per fathom.

3rd December 1851. (London Gazette)
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between us the undersigned, as Lead Miners, at Crossfell, near Alston, in the county of Cumberland, under the name or firm of the South and West Crossfell Lead Mines Company, was this day dissolved, so far as regards the undersigned, Alfred Hall. —As witness our hands this 30th day of September 1850.
Alfred Hall, Henry Jefferson, Wm, Bell, Anne Fenwick, James Morrison, Elizabeth Fenwick.

12th December 1851 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 3rd instant, Ann, wife of Mr Thomas Moffatt, aged 40.
See 5th January 1878
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Ann Fairweather, aged 17 years.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Ann Bell, widow, pauper, aged 78, and granddaughter, Nancy Fairweather, garden lab, aged 18.
At Alston on the 7th inst, Frances, widow of the late Mr. Isaac Richardson, joiner, aged 59.
In 1841, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Isaac Richardson, joiner, aged 45, his wife Fanny aged 45, children Thomas, joiner, aged 20, Hugh, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 15, Elizabeth 15, Charlotte 14, Ruth 12, Walton 9, and William 5.
Isaac Richardson died 2nd quarter 1847.
In 1851, at Bulman's Lane, Alston, Frances Richardson, widow, aged 57, sons Walton, joiner, aged 19, William, blacksmiths apprentice, aged 17, and grandson John Richardson 6.
See 19th June 1869.

2nd January 1852 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
Alston, on the 31st ult., Mr. William Little, aged 55 years.
See 2nd December 1837.

9th January 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

OPENING OF THE BRANCH RAILWAY TO ALSTON

It having been made known that the partial opening of this line would take place on Monday, Jan. 5th, the great bulk of the inhabitants of Alston Moor, and many from the adjoining mining vales, as well as great numbers from Knaresdale, &c., met together at the Alston station, on that morning, for the purpose or giving a hearty reception to the first locomotive ever seen in thisis neighbourhood, and to participate in the rejoicings of the day. The Alston band left Alston at 7 in the morning, and proceeded to about 3 miles below Alston where an engine was awaiting their coming, and took them down to Lambley, ten miles from Alston. The engine, which was splendidly decorated, and to which were attached three carriages, occupied by gentlemen connected with the railway, and others, and a number or coal waggons, then returned and proceeded on her way to the Alston station, where she arrived about half-past ten in the forenoon, amidst the deafening cheers of me crowd, the ringing of bells, and the roar of cannon. Every available place on either side of the line near the station from which a view could be obtained, was clad with wonder-gazing spectators— hundreds of whom never before beheld a locomotive "fire horse," or heard its shrill whistle. The stupendous limestone rock or scar, near the terminus at Alston which stands at a great height above the rail way, which runs along its base was literally crammed with spectators. This beautiful rock, which was cut, as with a chisel, and at great expence, will ever be an object of curiosity to the passenger. On the arrival at the station the coals were disloaded and then reloaded into a number of carts, which were drawn into the town of Alston by horses with bridles hung with rosettes and ribbons, and preceded by a band of music. These coals, consisting of about 70 Cartloads, were purchased from the proceeds of the church collections, and from other sources, and were distributed to the poor. As a matter of coarse, there was not wanting on this occasion a plentiful supply of “barley bree," several half barrels of which were given to the navvies and natives at the expense of the railway authorities, and of gentlemen belonging to the town; nor did the effects of this beverage fail to operate on its recipients, for the day's proceedings were wound up by half a dozen friendly pugilistic encounters, which were, however, not attended with any damage to person or property, for there were broken in the several combats neither chairs nor tables, pots nor glasses—the combatants having for their floor the sods and hard stones, and for their roof the canopy of heaven. Notwithstanding these fights, the common results of intoxication, it is but justice to the navvies to say that, during their residence at Alston and its vicinity, they have, with few exceptions conducted themselves in a peaceable, orderly, and becoming manner.

It is much to be regretted, however, that the proceedings of the day were greatly marred by a lamentable casualty, which happened to a boy of the name of Teasdale, belonging to Slaggyford, who fell from a waggon, the wheels of which literally cut off both his legs, and caused his death the following morning.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE OPENING OF THE ALSTON BRANCH RAILWAY.

A certain portion of the line of railway between Haltwhistle and Alston was opened for goods traffic on Monday last. The length is about nine miles, and extends between Lambley and Alston, opening a communication with the

collieries of Lord Carlisle. The first train proceeded from Lambley in the morning, and landed its cargo safely at the terminus at Low Byer. The engine was then taken back to Lambley to receive a fresh supply of water. On its return some coal waggons and trucks, without sides, were attached; two of these trucks were loaded with goods, one of them with slates, and the other with a puncheon of rum. This train stopped at Slaggyford Station, and the crowd were allowed indiscriminately to mount the trucks and other carriages. Amongst others, four boys—one of them named Joseph Teasdale, aged 15 years, living with his mother and step-father in Slaggyford —seated themselves at the hind end of the last truck but one of the train. When the train came within a few hundred yards of the station, the engine-man found it necessary to bring it to a standstill to avoid the immense crowd. The engine, on being put in motion again, gave the carriages a sudden jerk. The boy Teasdale was at this moment standing up; he was thrown back, and fell in between the two trucks. In the fall he caught hold of his companions, and was carrying him down when another boy saved him by catching hold of his legs. The fourth boy also fell to the ground. The wheels of the first truck were found to have passed over both the legs of Teasdale, and nearly separated them from the body.

He was removed to Mr Cranston's inn, it Low Byer, and immediately attended by the medical man of the town. He lingered till one o'clock next morning, when he died. The other boy, named Smith, had a narrow escape from death the wheel passed along his arm separating the skin and flesh from the bone. He is under the charge of Mr Thomas Bell, bonesetter, and is going on favourably. An inquest on the body of Teasdale was held before Mr Carrick on Tuesday, when a verdict of “Accidental Death" was returned, after some discussion on the want of proper care and precision on the part of the officials of the railway, in having no persons in charge of the train, and not preventing the crowd from sitting upon the carriages.

Deaths

At Low Farnberry, near Alston, on the 2nd instant, the wife of Jonathan Harrison, aged 34. *See 27th November 1841*

At Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mary, wife of Thomas Dryden, aged 39 years.

In 1851, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Thomas Dryden, joiner & cabinet maker, aged 40, his wife Mary (Forster, married 3rd quarter 1838, registered at Penrith) aged 38, born Penrith, children, Elizabeth 9, Jane 7, Harriett 5, and Mary 3. Thomas Dryden died 1st quarter 1860, registered, at Penrith.

At Aimshaugh, near Alston, on the 5th inst. Miss *(Sarah)* Hymers, aged 21 years. *See 28th January 1848*

13th February 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

The Alston Moor Mining Company.— This company held a public meeting on the night of the last of January, in the large Assembly Room, Crown Inn, Alston for the purpose of allotting shares, reading over the rules, and explaining the system (cost book system) by which the company is to be governed. Mr. Richardson, the secretary, read and explained the rules, and convinced the half-frightened portion of the assembly that it was not a “joint stock company," but a company where every individual was individually responsible. At the close of this very interesting meeting, the crowd followed the secretary into an adjoining room where shares to a very large amount

were taken. We understand that Mr. Isaac Walton, of Brownside, near Alston and Mr. Richardson were the means of establishing this company; and we wish them every success. Alston has now a railroad, extensive tileries, splendid buildings, and its enterprising inhabitants seem to be making a great effort for improvement.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 3rd inst, Anthony Foster, aged 51 years.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Hannah Foster, aged 25, sons Jacob 11 and William 1. Hannah died 4th quarter 1843.

In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Anthony Foster, widow, lead miner, aged 50, sons Jacob 21, William 11, and domestic servant Margaret Clemitson 48.

See 11th February 1853

6th March 1852 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

At Alston, on the 4th inst., John, youngest son of the late Joseph Dickinson, Esq., of Lovelady Shield, to Miss Hannah, daughter of John Cowper Esq., of Raise House, Alston.

In 1861, at Raise, Alston, John Cowper, retired draper, aged 68.

John Dickinson, draper, aged 41, his wife Hannah 41, children Mary 7, Sarah E 6, Frances H 4, visitor Phillis Errington, widow, annuitant, aged 38, and house servants, Hannah Greenwell 19, and Margaret Herdman 17.

See 29th August 1846, and 19th June 1869.

12th March 1852 (Newcastle Courant)

ALSTON TURNPIKE ROADS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the TOLLS arising at the several Toll Gates, erected upon that Part of the Alston Turnpike Roads leading from Hexham to Alston, and called or known by the Names of SUMMERRODS, NUBBOCK. WHITFIELD, CLARGILL, NEWSHIELD BANK, and LANGLEY CASTLE TOLL GATES, and the PONTAGE or TOLL arising at the WEST BOAT BRIDGE, will be

LET BY AUCTION,

To the best Bidders, at the New Court House, in Hexham, on Tuesday, the 20th Day of April next, at twelve o'clock at Noon, in the Manner directed by an Act passed in the third Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, "For regulating Turnpike Roads," which Tolls produced the last Year the Sums following, namely, the Tolls the Sum of £900, and the Pontage the Sum of £205, above the Expenses of collecting them, and will severally be put up at these Sums, or such other Sum or Sums as the Trustees may think fit.

Whoever happens to be the best Bidder must, at the same Time, pay one Month, in advance (if required) of the Rent at which such Tolls and Pontage may be respectively let, and give Security, with sufficient Sureties, to the Satisfaction of the Trustees of the said Turnpike Roads, for Payment of the rest of the Money Monthly; and such Sureties are expected to be present to sign the Securities.

J. RUDDOCK, ROBT. BAINBRIDGE Clerks to the Trustees of the said Turnpike Roads. Hexham, 9th March, 1852.

2nd April 1852 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Toronto, Canada, on the 29th of February last, aged 49, much respected, Mr Thomas Walton, formerly of Alston Moor, Cumberland.

9th April 1852 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th instant, Thomas Scaif, aged 81 years—a remarkable instance of longevity in a lead miner, a class of men whose lives are of proverbially short duration. Deceased worked seventy years in and at lead mines at Coalcleugh, in West Allendale, the property of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., who granted him a pension, which however, he was only privileged to enjoy during the last months of his life. He continued to work in a "partnership" till within two years of his death; and was more-over, for upwards of fifty years the occupant of the same house in which he drew his last breath.
Thomas Scaife married Elizabeth Williamson, at Alston, 5th October 1797.
Children: —
Ann born, 2nd November 1797,
Isaac born, 9th November 1799,
Thomas born 2nd April 1802,
John born 14th January 1804,
Thomas born 2nd June 1807,
James born 5th October 1809.
Elizabeth Scaif was buried 28th March 1826, aged 62.
In 1841, at Town Head, Thomas Scaif, lead miner, aged 65, Ann Scaife 40, and Thomas Scaife lead miner, aged 30.
In 1851, at Front Street, Thomas Scaife, widow, lead miner, aged 80, born Allendale, and his daughter Ann, aged 53, born Alston.
In 1851, at Bruntley Syke, Thomas Scafe,, lead miner aged 44, his wife Ann aged 33, and daughters, Elizabeth 8, Mary 5, and Sarah 1 year.

9th April 1852 (Durham County Advertiser)
An inquest was held on Tuesday last, at the High Force Inn, in the parish of Middleton in Teesdale, before Wm. Trotter, Esq., on view of the body of John Allinson, a miner at the Ashgill Head Lead Mine. On the previous Thursday the deceased was riding up the level in the mine on a wagon laden with stones. The level was about 6 feet in height and 3 ½ wide. Henry Walton, another miner was lying on the same waggon, when the deceased fell backwards over upon him shouting "oh dear." The horse was immediately stopped, and he was at once removed to the mining shop and medical attendance procured. There were no wounds about him but he had lost the use of his limbs, and was quite prostrate. He died on the following day. The deceased was a tall man, and it appeared that he had been caught on his jacket by something from the roof and knocked over, thus getting a twist in the neck which injured the spine. There was a written order at the mine forbidding the men from riding on laden waggons. Verdict, "Accidently killed."
John Allinson, aged 32, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton in Teesdale, 6th April 1852

23rd April 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

CAUTION!!!

TO MINE AGENTS AND OTHERS.

THE following Men have been DISCHARGED from the KESWICK MINES, for wilfully breaking one of the Rules, and for combining together to resist the enforcement of the Penalty: —

Henry Kirkby	Henry Hewetson
John Kirkby	James Barnes
Matthew Lee	Joseph Coulson
Edward Lee	Joseph Graves
Fleming Postlethwaite	John Robinson
Thomas Williams	William Brunskell
Robert Atkinson	Jos. Martin
Thomas Jones	Thos. Martin
John Lancaster	William Barnes
J. Davidson	James Barnes
Jos. Robinson	Thomas Coulson

(Signed) RD. BRIGHAM SHEPHERD.
Portinscale, April 15th, 1852

23rd April 1852 (Newcastle Courant)

Upwards of 250 men, women and children left Penrith, last week, for Liverpool. The men who are mostly natives of Alston and its neighbourhood are engaged by Mr Thompson of Hexham, formerly mine agent at Greenside, as workmen in the Government goldmines of Bathurst, Australia. Married men have the voyage expenses defrayed for themselves, their wives and two children each. When landed the men will receive a monthly wage of six pounds. The Alston band accompanied the emigrants from Alston to Penrith.

14th May 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

Inquests before MR. LEE, Deputy CORONER. —On the 7th inst., on view of the body of William Craig, miner, aged 20. On the 5th instant, deceased was working in the Rodderup Fell Mine, and whilst preparing to remove from the side of the low level a large stone, weighing about two cwt., it suddenly fell upon the back of his neck and forced the front of his neck upon apiece of timber which he was in the act of lifting, whereby he received several severe injuries from which he died in the course of the following day. Verdict—" Accidental death."

William Craig, baptised 15th August 1822, at St John's, Garrigill, son of William and Thamer Craig.

In 1841, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Tamar Craig, widow, aged 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 15, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Jane 13, and Elizabeth 7.

In 1851, at Red Brow, Garrigill, Tamar Craig, widow, aged 56, born, Garrigill, children, Isaac lead miner, aged 26, and Jane 23.

Tamar Craig, was buried at Garrigill, 17th March 1861.

William Craig married Mary Holmes, 2nd quarter 1849, at Alston.

In 1851, at Ewe Hill, Alston, William Craig, lead miner aged 28, his wife Mary 26, and children Hannah 3, and William 1.

*In 1861, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Alston, Elizabeth Holmes, farmer of 28 Acres, aged 62, sons, Isaac, lead miner, aged 29, George, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 22, daughter Mary Craig, domestic servant, aged 36, grandchildren, Hannah 14, and William 11.**
Miss Mary Craig married John Morrow, at Alston Church on the 26th August 1861, both of Garrigill. See 30th August 1861

In 1841, at Snappergill, Garrigill, Jane Parmley, farmer aged 60, John Morrah, lead miner, aged 30, Nancy Morrah aged 20, and Jane Parmely 1.
In 1851, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Morrow, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Nancy (married 3rd quarter 1840) aged 31, children, Jane 11, William 5 months, and mother in law Jane Parmley, widow, aged 74. Jane Parmely was buried 17th January 1853, aged 76.

William Morrow, of Beldy, aged 9 months, was buried 26th June 1851, Nancy Morrow of Beldy, was buried 9th August 1852 both at St John's, Garrigill.

In 1861, at Beldy, John Morrow, widower, lead miner, aged 51.
In 1871, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Morrow, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary aged 46, children, John 9, and George 5.
John Morrow, aged 66, was buried 30th May 1877, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1881, at High Beldy, Mary Morrow, widow, grocer, aged 56, sons, John, lead miner, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 15, and boarder, Robert Morrow, lead miner, aged 67.
**William Craig married Tamar Holmes, 4th quarter 1870, registered at Alston.*
In 1871, at Snappersgill, Garrigill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 38, son William 12, Boarders, William Craig, lead miner, aged 21, and his wife Tamar aged 18.
In 1891, at School St, Gateshead, William Craig, fitter, aged 41, his wife Tamar, aged 38, children, Elsie 16, born Benwell, and Thomas 6, born, Garrigill. In 1901, at Holly Terrace, Gateshead, William Craig, Machine Minder "Iron", aged 51, his wife Tamar 48, and son Thomas W, drapers assistant, aged 16. In 1911, at 229 St Cuthbert's Road, Gateshead, William Craig, dairyman, aged 61, his wife Tamar 58, and son Thomas, Hosier assistant, aged 26.
Probate
Tamar Craig, wife of William Craig, died 7th August 1919, at 229 St Cuthbert's Road, Gateshead, administration to William Craig, dairyman, effects £233 17s 7d.
William Craig, died 12th December 1919, at 229 St Cuthbert's Road, Gateshead, administration to Thomas William Craig, draper, effects £262 1s 7d.

21st May 1852 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Thomas Brown aged 60.
In 1841, at Potato Market, Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 45, and Mary Brown aged 50. In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Brown,widower, lead miner, aged 58, and his sister Mary Brown, aged 55.
At Alston, on the 17th inst., Joseph Parker, aged 39.
In 1841, at Skelgill Rigg, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth aged 25, children Mary 2, and John 1.

In 1851, at Bank Foot, Alston, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth (Parker, married 10th June 1837, Alston) aged 35, children Mary 12, John 11, Joseph 8, Elizth 6, Jane 2, and nurse child William Dalton 1.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Elizabeth Parker, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 45, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth, spinner at woollen mill, aged 15, Jane, spinner at woollen mill, aged 12, Robert 9, and James 2.

4th June 1852 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 30th ult. suddenly, Mr. J. Thompson Low, aged 45 years.
John Thompson Low, married Hannah Clint, 26th January 1837, at Alston.
Hannah Low was buried at Alston, 18th November 1837, aged 31.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Ann Robson, widow, aged 62, son William, road labourer, aged 19, lodger Thompson Low, widow, lead miner, aged 43, and lodgers son Thomas 13 (baptised 10th September 1837).
See 21st August 1841, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896.

12th June 1852 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
CORONERS' INQUESTS. —On the 4th instant, S. Reed, Esq., held an inquest at Coldcleugh, Allenheads, on T. Hutchinson, aged 11, who was drawn in amongst the wheels of a crushing mill, and received such injuries as to cause his death in a short time. Verdict "Accidental death."
In 1851, at Coalcleugh, John Hutchinson, Lead ore washer, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 41, children, Jane 12, Thomas 10, Margaret 8, William 6, John Liddle 5, and mother Elizabeth Hutchinson, lead smelters widow, aged 74 (buried at Carrshield 20th April 1853, aged 76).

Source: Findagrave.com
Added by:Lost Ancestors

Jane Hutchinson of Coalcleugh was buried at Carshield 3rd May 1859, aged 20.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, John Hutchinson, Lead ore washer, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 51, children, Margaret 18, William, lead ore dresser, aged 16, John L., lead ore dresser, aged 15, and Henry J 9.
In 1871, at Holling Close, Allendale, John Hutchinson, widower, farmer of 75 acres, aged 60, children, Margaret 28, John L, Ag. labourer, aged 23, Henry J, farmers son, aged 19.
Probate 8th January 1874
The Will of John Hutchinson late of Hollin Close, in the parish of Allendale in the county of Northumberland, yeoman, who died 25th March 1873 at Hollin Close was proved at Newcastle upon Tyne by John Liddle Hutchinson of Hollin Close, lead ore miner, and Henry James Hutchinson of Hollin Close, farmer the sons and Margaret Forster (Wife of John Forster, Farmer) of Nine Dargue, Allendale the daughter the executors. Effects under £200.

25th June 1852 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Clayton Street West, on the 17th inst., Mr Matthew Batey, engineer, son of the late Mr Batey of Alston, to Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr Jonathan Walton, of this town, formerly of Alston.
In 1861, at William Street, Westgate, Newcastle, Matthew Batey, engine fitter, aged 33, born Alston, his wife Sarah, aged 30, born Alston, children, John W 6, Marg A 4, Thomas H 2, and Jacob 1 month.

10th July 1852 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Weardale, at White House, on the 6th inst., at an advanced age, George Crawhall, Esq.

16th July 1852 (Newcastle Courant)
During the great storm on Monday the 15th inst., a boy, 11 years of age, named Thomas Redshaw, son of Mr Whitfield Redshaw, of High House, Weardale; was returning home about two o'clock, when he was struck by the electric fluid and killed on the spot. His skin was much scorched, his trousers were torn down and one of his boots had the same appearance as if it had been fired at with a gun loaded with small shot. An inquest was held the following day, and a verdict according to the above circumstances returned.
In 1841, at High Houses, William Redshaw, lead miner aged 45, William aged 12, Jane 8, Whitfield, lead miner, aged 20, and Sarah 20.
In 1851, at West Highhouse, William Redshaw, widow, farmer of 22 acres, aged 58, daughter Jane aged 17, son Whitfield, lead miner, aged 35, daughter in law Sarah, aged 27, grandsons, Thomas 10, and Paul 7.
In 1861, at High Houses, William Readshaw, widow, formerly lead miner, aged 68, son Whitfield, lead miner, aged 41, daughter in law, Sarah 38, grand children Paul, iron miner, aged 17, Thomas W 4, Elizabeth 1, and house servant, Sarah A Low 21.

23rd July 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

VALUABLE LEAD MINES TO BE SOLD,

On Tuesday, July 27.

To be SOLD, by PUBLIC AUCTION, by order of the Executors of the late Isabella Penman, at Mrs. Errington's, Blue Bell Inn, ALSTON, on Tuesday, July 27th, 1852, at Six o'clock in the Evening, all those well-known LEAD MINES, called the "GALLIGILL SYKE and BENTS," situated about Three Miles East of Alston, Cumberland, held by square grant under Greenwich Hospital. They have, of late years, although only partially opened out, been very productive, having raised, in some single years, upwards of 300 Tons of Ore.

The Lead is of the very best quality, and yields upwards of 20 Ounces of Silver in the Ton.

Mr. JOSEPH CAIN, who lives upon the Premises, will show the Mines; and further Particulars may be had by applying to Mr. JOHN MIDDLETON, Brough, Westmoreland, or Mr. THOMAS PENMAN, Bridge Street, Newcastle.

6th August 1852 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 28th ult., aged 44, Tamar, youngest daughter of the late Mr William Walton, formerly of Raise, near that place.

In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, Tamar Walton, independent, aged 68, Ann Walton, straw bonnet maker, aged 35, and Tamar Walton, straw bonnet maker, aged 30.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Ann Walton, straw bonnet maker, aged 48, and her sister Tamar, straw bonnet maker, aged 42.

3rd September 1852 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope, on the 28th ult., Mr Cowper Cain, draper, St John's Chapel, Weardale, to Miss Isabella Currah, Shittlehope Burn, near Stanhope.

Isabella died 4th quarter of 1854, at Weardale.

See 4th April 1856, and 7th September 1895.

3rd September 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD AND GARRIGILL FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The third exhibition of this society was held in the Lead Company's Schoolroom, at Nenthead, on Friday last. The room was beautifully decorated with festoons of evergreens and flowers. The judges (Messrs. Tindale, Mason, and Pinkney) were met by the brass band belonging to the place, and received a hearty cheer as they passed the show-room. At half-past ten o'clock the judges entered the show-room, and proceeded to award the prizes. On the conclusion of their labours great satisfaction was expressed at the manner in which their duties had been discharged. The day was fine, and the attendance numerous, not less than seven hundred persons being present. Refreshment was provided by the society at cheap rate. The show of fruits and vegetables did great credit to the cottagers. The flowers exhibited were in a high state of cultivation, particularly the fuchsias, which would have done credit to any grower. The best light specimen shown was a fine large graceful plant

of Delicata, covered with large clusters of beautiful blossoms, and which gained a high eulogium from the judges. Myles' Purity stood a good second. The best dark variety was large and well-grown plant of Exoniensus, the second best was a splendid plant of Dr. Smith. Four beautiful Lilium Lancifoliums were exhibited by the cottagers. In connection with the flowers, &c. four beautiful cases of minerals were exhibited. One of the cases, which was got up Mr. Isaac Robinson, was valued at thirty guineas. Mr. Robinson was an exhibitor at the great Industrial Exhibition of 1851. The excellent performance of the band which was in attendance during the day contributed much to the gratification of the numerous visitors to the exhibition. The show altogether was decidedly the best ever held at Nenthead. The whole proceedings passed off favourably, and much credit is due to all parties concerned.

Marriages

At Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr William Green, joiner, to Miss Margaret Armstrong, of the Dunn Cow Inn, Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 29th ult., John, son of Mr John Vevers, aged 13 years.

At Wanwood Hill, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Henry, son of Mrs Rain, widow, aged 20 years.

See 9th December 1843

1st October 1852 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Alston vicarage, on the 28th ult., aged 80, the Rev Hugh Salvin, vicar of Alston.

2nd October 1852 (Newcastle Journal)

THE LATE VICAR OF ALSTON.

The Rev. Hugh Salvin, Vicar of Alston was the youngest child of his parents, Anthony Salvin, Esq. of Sunderland Bridge, and Anne his wife, daughter of George Smith, Esq. of Burn Hall. The Salvins of Sunderland Bridge were descended from a younger son of the House of Croxdale, one of the most ancient families in the County of Durham.

Jeffrey and Hugh Salvin, twin brothers, were baptised at Croxdale June 6, 1773. Hugh (with whom we are at present concerned) became a member of St. John's College, Cambridge; and, being intended for the medical profession, took the degree of M.B. in the year 1795. Owing, however, to an extreme sensitiveness, which he felt would prove an effectual hindrance to the proper discharge of his professional duties, he abandoned medicine, and, turning his mind to Divinity, subsequently entered into Holy Orders.

About the year 1808 he succeeded the Rev. John Hodgson (the late lamented Historian of Northumberland) in the Curacy of Gateshead, and continued to act in that capacity under the Rev. Dr. Phillpotts, now Bishop of Exeter, and the Rev. John Collinson, now Rector of Boldon, for many years making himself generally acceptable to the parishioners by the amiability of his disposition and the agreeableness of his manners. In 1814, he preached at St. Mary's, Gateshead, a thanksgiving sermon on the overthrow of Napoleon Bonaparte, which was afterwards printed. In 1824, he was appointed chaplain to H.M.S. Cambridge (Captain Maling), in which vessel sailed as one of the

midshipmen the son of his Rector, Capt. Rich. Collinson, C.B. who has since so honourably distinguished himself, and is now engaged in the Arctic Seas in, the chivalrous search for Sir John Franklin and his brave companions. The Cambridge was stationed off the coasts of Peru and Chili during the eventful period of the struggle between Spain and her Colonies in South America. After his return to England, Mr. Salvin printed at Newcastle in 1829 his very intelligent and interesting Journal written on board H.M.S. Cambridge from Jan. 1824 to May 1827. Appended to this was an Epistle to Prospero (or under the title Bolivar), translated into blank verse from the original Spanish of Jose Maria de Paudo.

On a subsequent voyage in H.M.S. Iris, Mr. Salvin also kept a journal (not, however, printed), which, describing as it did what came within his observation in coasting along the classic shores of Italy and Greece, could not fail to possess much interest. In1841, Mr. Salvin was presented by the Governors of Greenwich Hospital to the Vicarage of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, though in the Diocese of Durham. Here in this remote and. until lately, almost inaccessible locality, he has endeared himself to the inhabitants by the constant attention he has paid to their best interests, and the uniform zeal which he has displayed in the promotion good works and useful undertakings.

During his Incumbency, through his exertions and by his munificent aid, National and Infant Schools, together with accommodation for a mistress, have been erected. An additional Church has also been built at Nenthead, the first minister of which was the Rev. Blythe Hurst, the self-taught blacksmith of Winlaton, who, upon his ordination by the Bishop of Durham in 1842 commenced his clerical duties under Mr. Salvin's auspices as Curate of Garrigill, in the parish of Alston. Mr. Salvia died on the 28th of Sept. 1852. being in his eightieth year. He had been married at St. Mary's Church, Gateshead, in 1841 to Julia Alice, eldest surviving daughter of the late Anthony Surtees, Esq. of Hamsterly Hall, in whom he found a lady who has zealously co-operated with him in all his labours of love. During the earlier part of his life, Mr. Salvin was engaged in tuition and surely, no one could have been more happily fitted for such a task. He was not only a ripe scholar and good classic, but a keen and intelligent observer of all that was passing in the world. He had an insatiable thirst for knowledge and Information on every subject, and possessed the rare faculty of being able to communicate to others, and to the young especially in the most lucid and agreeable manner, the treasures of a well-stored mind. He was also an Oriental Scholar, conversant with Hebrew and Arabic, whilst with most of the modern languages of Europe he was quite familiar, and ready at all times to turn his talents as a linguist to good account, and make himself useful where-ever he had an opportunity. Thus, we find him employed on several occasions as interpreter between the officers of the Cambridge and the Spanish authorities. Then we find him in 1839 most humanely volunteering to attend Ehlert, a Prussian Convict in Durham Gaul, condemned to death for the murder of his captain in Sunderland Harbour.

2 October 1852 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

ZINC PAINT.

THE VIEILLE MONTAGNE ZINC MINING COMPANY beg to inform Manufacturers and Dealers in Paints generally, that they have established

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8th Oct 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON ROYALTIES

MINING IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND.—

For some time past there has existed a desire among a number of parties in this neighbourhood to open out fresh mines on Alston Moor. The high royalties, or dues however, still demanded by the trustees of Greenwich Hospital have offered an almost insuperable harrier to such an undertaking. The following letter addressed to the Mining Journal, and bearing on the question is deserving of attention: —

Mining in The North of England. —High Dues “Sir, — I have recently had occasion to visit some of the most extensive mineral districts in the north of England and in Scotland, including a portion of the coal formation, &c, in the neighbourhood of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and was also solicited to inspect the district of Alston Moor, in Northumberland, so renowned in former days for its great production of lead ore; but in latter years the hand of industry may be said to be paralyzed, which, from the information afforded me, is attributable to the high terms demanded by the trustees of the Greenwich Hospital estates for leasing their mines.

High royalties or dues might have done very well a couple of centuries ago, when large quantities of minerals, particularly lead ore, were found near the surface, in the shape of floors or channels of ground; but as these great deposits appear to be exhausted, and capital combined with mining skill is required to discover and develop the mineral resources of this district, I see very little prospect of any good being done in the shape of promoting the prosperity and general welfare of the same, unless the royalty is considerably reduced —and as great bodies are said to move slowly, much valuable time, no doubt, must be sacrificed ere they see their error. I also found that the Duke of Cleveland was equally high in letting his mineral estates, although thousands of acres of land lay almost, if not entirely, useless, for want of cultivation and inhabitants.

“The mountain range of limestone traversing a great portion of Northumberland and Cumberland doubtless contains vast deposits of mineral, particularly that of lead ores, and it appears to me to be of the same character of limestone (carboniferous) as the productive mineral district of North Wales. I have no doubt that the manor of Knaresdale, which comprises some 10,000 or 12,000 acres of land adjoining the Alston Moor estates, contain immense quantities of coal and lead ores, and if leased on liberal terms would, in a few years, yield large and profitable returns. The geological features of this property, so far as I was able to judge from my inspection, led me to the conclusion that mineral existed there in large quantities, and that proper management, combined with capital, would open out the district, and cause the traffic of this barren portion of the north of England to become of great importance, and increase the value of property very considerably, particularly as there is now a branch of the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway recently made through this district to Alston. The prosperity of Cornwall depending almost entirely upon the success of its mines, the advantage arising from liberal dues may be considered of equal importance in this country as in Northumberland and Cumberland. In California and Australia mineral is found on the surface, and in great quantities, a few feet below the surface, imbedded in the alluvial soil resting on the fast or solid strata; so it was in Cornwall in the days of the Phoenicians, and to a certain extent exists at the present period; but as time passed on other deposits were d covered in veins, or lodes, requiring skill and science to develop them; hence the landed proprietors have found out, by degrees, that they must put their shoulders to the wheel, and reduce the dues—the result of which is that Cornwall may be considered to stand pre-eminent as a mining county; and the great prosperity at the present time may be shown by the fact, that a single acre of land in many districts is returning to the owner of the estate several hundreds a year, in dues or royalty, which, under a less liberal system, would not pay 10s. an acre annually. The dues or royalty in Cornwall now vary from 1-8th to 1-24th of its produce.

“ABSALOM BENNETT.

“Moorgate-street, London, Sept. 28.

12th November 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

NOTICE is hereby given, that a separate Building named **REDWING MEETING-HOUSE**, situated at REDWING, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, the District of Alston and Garrigill, being a Building certified according to law as a Place of Religious Worship, was on the Eighth day of NOVEMBER, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Two, duly REGISTERED for SOLEMNIZING MARRIAGES therein, pursuant to the Act 6th and 7th Wm. IV., c. 85. Witness my hand this 10th day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Two. WILLIAM GUY, Superintendent Registrar.

19th November 1852 (Carlisle Journal)

Births

At Torquay, Devonshire, on the 13th inst., the wife of Mr William Errington, draper of Alston, Cumberland of a son, twelve hours before the death of the father.

Birth of William Errington, registered at Newton Abot, Devon, his death was registered at Alston 2nd qtr 1853 or 2nd qtr 1855

Deaths
At Torquay, Devonshire, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health, on the 13th instant, Mr William Errington, of Alston, Cumberland, draper aged 30 years.
William Errington, born 14th August 1822, baptised 22nd September 1822, at Whickham, parents William and Jane Errington.
In 1841 William Errington aged 15, was an apprentice to John Cowper, woollen draper, of Alston.
William Errington married Phillis Watson 1st qtr 1850, at Alston.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Errington, draper & grocer, aged 28, and his wife Phillis 28.
In 1861, at Raise, Alston, Phillis Errington, widow, aged 38, was visiting John Dickinson, draper, aged 41, and his family.
In 1871, at Edmund's Lane, Alston, Phillis Errington, widow, Post Mistress, aged 48, and her brother William L Watson, joiner, aged 35.
Phillis Errington died 28th January 1883, at Alston.
See 27th May 1853

Alston Municipal Cemetery

In memory of
William Errington who
died May 1st 1835 aged 46 years and was buried in the Church Yard
Also
of Jane his beloved widow who died Jany 9th 1862 Aged 75 Years
Also of William their son who died at Torquay Novr 13th
1852 Aged 30 Yaers
Also of John their second son who died Sepr 17th 1860
Aged 32 Years
Also of Margaret their daughter who died Octr 26th 1871 Aged 46 Years
also of Mary Cochrane their daughter who died May 2nd 1882 aged 68 years
Also Jane Harper their daughter who died
May 7th 1694 aged 70 years & was interred in the congregational Chapel Yard
also of Sarah their daughter
who died May 30th 1900 aged 85 years

19th November 1852 (Carlisle Journal)
Lead Mine, Newlands.—The recently discovered lead mine at Goldscope continues very auspicious. An additional number of workmen have been engaged during the past week, and it is confidently expected that a further supply will be added in the course of a week or two.

3rd December 1852 (Newcastle Courant)
The Tees Side mining company, have recently cut a rich vein of lead ore, in the extensive mining grant held by them at Tyne Head, near Alston. It is stated that the vein is about 9 feet wide."

19th December 1852 (Reynold's Weekly Newspaper)

LIFE IN AUSTRALIA.

We have been favoured by the following letter from the brother of a young man named Hudspeth, who emigrated to Australia from Carshield, West Allendale, Northumberland, last May, with a party of seven other young men:

"Melbourne, Australia, August 29th, 1852.

"My dear Brothers and Sisters, —I take the opportunity of sending you these few lines to let you know of my safe arrival at this place on the 28th, after a splendid passage of eighty-three days; we crossed the line on the 4th of July, and passed the Cape of Good Hope on the 27th, and cast anchor in the Bay of Port Philip the 25th instant. We never saw land after leaving the coast of Ireland until the morning of the above date; we had no deaths on board, or very little sickness, and one birth. I cannot describe to you every particular on our passage at present, time not permitting; all is anxiety and bustle in this place at present; there has been two months of very rainy weather in Australia, consequently there has not been much doing at some of the diggings. The town is quite full of people; lodgings can scarcely be had for either love or money, the roads to the diggings being nearly impassable for any sort of conveyance or travelling on foot. Many persons have been drowned, the bridges been swept away, and rivers overflooded; also great holes with bullock drays sticking fast, and having them to dig out, the holes filling up with water. Some drays have now been ten weeks on the road, about one hundred miles, and not arrived there yet. You have no idea of Melbourne at present—you cannot know the rich from the poor. I think there cannot be any of the latter, if they only have health. If there are two persons walking in Melbourne, the one finely dressed, the other in fustian clothes and blue shirt or blouse, if either is attacked by robbers it will be the latter, as they will suspect him to be a digger, therefore he will have plenty of gold or cash about him; there are robberies of this sort happening frequently when the party is only one or two; or if people get drunk in Melbourne, they will be watched and eased of their cash. Hence the necessity of always carrying a loaded pistol or two with you, which I assure you are exorbitant prices, Colt's revolvers as much as 30l. each, common single barrelled pistols, 4l. each; guns not being in such great demand as the former, being so much heavier for taking up to the diggings. The best plan I believe, at present, is to have as little luggage as possible with you, as there are places where people are up to their middle in mud and water, and sometimes, to pull out, stuck quite fast. We have engaged the time we stay in Melbourne to pay 1s. 6d. a meal for our victuals and to find our own beds and bedding, and a place to lay them free of charge, and we think ourselves fortunate in finding such a place. We have mutton or beef to every meal, which is very plentiful here, I assure you.

"I have not had much time to look around it yet. Wages of all kinds are extremely high at present. Joiners and stonemasons, mostly wanted, can get very near as much as they have a mind to ask, owing to so many getting rich at the diggings and buying ground in the town and building houses and shops. Any person that can work may earn four times the wages he can have in England. Should any of my friends or acquaintances think of coming out this next year, I should recommend them to start about the same time we started from England; but before ever they think of coming out here they most make up their minds to undergo privations and hardships, the same as I expected

and have found. But there are hundreds braving it and making their fortunes who never wrought a day's work in their life—the diggings being quite as good now as ever they have been, is the report at this place. Very near every shop in Melbourne has a notice up that they buy gold and give the best price for it; the value here is about 3l. 4s. per ounce, and a man that hires to dig has an ounce of gold per day; but very few, I believe, will hire, nearly all preferring to pay the license, which is 80s. per mouth still, and there is a talk of intending to raise the license to 3l. a month.
"At present, our party all enjoy good health, and in good spirits; none of us have rued the day we left England, but quite the contrary, and we are all anxiety to be at the diggings and commence operations as soon as possible. I very near forgot to notice what a good trade begging is in Melbourne; there is a blind man making as far as 5l. per week, I hear. I have not seen copper used here for change the blind man I saw myself was receiving his alms in sixpenny and shilling pieces of silver, but he is the only one I have met here yet. The Allendale people would be quite astonished if any of them were here only one day."

24th December 1852 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Gateshead, on the 14th inst., Mr William Sparke, surveyor, of Sparty Lee, eldest son of the late Mr James Sparke, of Lillswood, to Miss Dawson, of Allenheads.

7th January 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. Daniel Ace, Mr Thomas Snowden, stone mason, to Miss Sarah Johnson, of the Turks Head Inn.
Deaths
At Dryburn, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Mr Francis Whitfield, aged 84.
In 1841, at Far Dryburn, Francis Whitfield, independent, aged 70, and Thomas Whitfield, independent, aged 60.
In 1851, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Elizabeth Watson, widow, farmer, aged 45, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 16, Jane 7, mother in law, Elizabeth Watson, widow, annuitant, aged 87, and Brother in law, Francis Whitfield, widower, annuitant, aged 84.
See 20th December 1845
At Whigglety, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Elizabeth, widow, of Joseph Hall, aged 41.
Joseph Hall married Elizabeth Hymers 9th October 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston. In 1841, at Foreshield, Alston, Elizabeth Hall, farmer, aged 25, children, John 6, and Ann 5 months.
In 1851, at Hudgill, Elizabeth Hall, lead miners widow, aged 40, children, John, lead miner, aged 16, Ann 10, Eliza 7, and Hannah 2.

21st January 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
WANTED an unmarried FRENCH TEACHER, for the GARRIGILL GATE GIRLS SCHOOL. The Committee guarantee a Salary of not less than £30 a

year.—Further particulars may be known by application to Mr. THOMAS DOBSON, of Garrigill Gate, near Alston, until the 21st Feb., 1853.

29th January 1853 (Kendal Mercury)

KESWICK, &c.

Accident.—At about two o'clock Wednesday morning last, a shocking accident befel Mr James Kelly, who, in company with some other workmen, was engaged in sinking a new shaft at the Brandley lead mine, near Keswick. A barrel, which is used for the purpose of drawing the superfluous water, by some unaccountable means became detached from the rope which it was suspended, and was precipitated down the shaft, distance of 9 fathoms, and falling against the head of Mr K., bruised it in a shocking manner. He remains quite insensible, and has not spoken to any one since; indeed, very little hopes are entertained of his recovery.

4th February 1853 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Low Bailes, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Mr. John Woodmass, aged 55 years

In 1841, at Bales, John Woodmass, innkeeper, aged 40, his wife Ann (Clementson, married, 18th October 1827, at Alston) aged 40, children Margaret 13, Sarah 12, John 10, Ann 8, Jonathan 6, Mary 5, and Jane 1.
In 1851, at Low Bayles, John Woodmess, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 54, children John, lead miner, aged 20,Ann, domestic duties, aged 18, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, John 10, Elizabeth 6, and Margaret , dressmaker, aged 23.
In 1861, at Low Bailes, Ann Woodmass, widow, innkeeper, aged 65, Mary, dressmaker, aged 24, Elizabeth, innkeepers daughter, aged 17, and grandson, John Hodgson, aged 6.
Ann Woodmass died 2nd quarter 1870, aged 73. See 16th February 1866

4th February 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Newcastle, at St Andrew's Church, on the 26th ult., Mr Alexander Walton, blacksmith, Allenheads, Allendale, to Miss Rebecca Wabbs, of this town.

11th February 1853 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

Alston, on the 5th inst., Jacob, son of the late Anthony Forster aged 22.
See 13th February 1852

11th March 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

TO PARISH CLERKS AND OTHERS.—WANTED, the BAPTISMAL REGISTER or REGISTER of BIRTH of ISAAC CRAWHALL, who was born at Whittlee Shield in West Allen, Northumberland, on or about the 19th April 1795. A reward of Five Shillings will be paid on a correct certified copy of the same being forwarded to Joseph Crawhall, Jun., St. Ann's Ropery Office, Newcastle upon Tyne, March 10th, 1853.

2nd April 1853 (Carlisle Patriot)

LEAD MINING IN THE KESWICK DISTRICT, CUMBERLAND.

(From the Mining Journal, March 26)

Sir You remarks in the Journal of 12th having drawn great attention to the Keswick mines, I think it may not be uninteresting to the mining world if I give a slight sketch of the present state and prospects of these and other mines now working the immediate neighbourhood of Keswick. In the Keswick Mining Company's sett, Brandley, there is a new shaft being sunk to cut the vein at depth of 50 fms. from surface and is now down 20 fms.; this will open out 30 fms. of whole ground directly under a run of orey ground, from which run of ore alone nearly 300 tons of ore have been taken since August, 1851. It is contemplated cross-cutting at 30 fms., where large returns of ore can be made at once. In the old engine-shaft there are two pitches now working, which are nearly paying the whole expenses of the mine. A 30 fm. level is being driven north on the vein to communicate with the one that will be driven south from the cross-cut in the 30 at the new shaft; this will open out nearly 800 fms. of whole ground. The 20 fm. north is being driven to out some pipes of ore to the north of the new engine-shaft. For some time the lode has been poor in this end; but it is now much improved, and will yield present about 6 or 7 cwts. to the fathom. This level will open about 17 fms. of backs below the adit, and beyond this adit level a very great quantity of virgin ground, it is being driven obliquely into a high mountain on the same lode as Old Brandley, from which large quantities of ore have been taken by the ancients. The engine and washing machinery will be removed to the new shaft, where it is down 30 fms.

BARROW MINE. —There are six men working tribute here, and are making a profit of about £20 per month. More active operations are now contemplated, no work having been done below the adit for want of power. Very large quantities of ore have been raised from this mine, but latterly it has principally been worked on tribute, that the mine has been left in a very impoverished state.

THORNTHWAITE MINE. —The 37 fm. level is nearly driven home to the run of ore passed over in the 27 fm. level, and from which very good ore was raised in places, worth 2 tons to the fathom, and also to prove the rich gossan so highly extolled by all those who have inspected this mine. The level is being driven by the side of the vein for ease, and small string of ore running into the vein, worth about 2 to 4 cwts. per fathom, has just been cut. It is contemplated cutting into the vein about 2 or 3 fms., when ore will again be raised.

GOLDSCOPE MINE, in the adjoining sett, is still yielding a large quantity of ore—one end being now worth fully 5 tons per fm. There is now lying at surface about 100 tons of ore, which has been principally taken from the level alone—the work of four men: 20 tons of solid ore have been taken to pile from the grate, and only about a fourth part of the work gone through. This is the most splendid discovery that has been made in this district, and is likely to reward richly the spirited proprietors, as there are 60 fms. of backs above the adit; and about more may obtained by driving up level about 70 fms. from the Old Copper Mine shaft.

YEWTHWAITE MINE is still paying good profit, and there is now a large quantity of ore on the mine dressed and undressed.

SKIDDAW AND BLENCATHERA MINES. —These mines, which are being worked by a local company, and are in a very promising state. The stopes in

the Blencathera vein are yielding upwards of a ton of ore per fm. in very easy ground. The lode is large, and is one of the richest mineralised veins in the district. The lode in the north drift has been cross-cut upwards of 9 feet; and the footwall has not yet been reached. It is composed of a beautiful gossan, quartz, galena, carbonate of lead, phosphate of lead, sulphate of barytes, sulpheret of iron (iron pyrites), and carbonate and sulphur of copper. There is a cross-cut being driven from the shaft to the Skiddaw lode, and is within few fathoms being accomplished. A rich string of ore has just been cut, which has very much elated the shareholders. About £800 has been spent on these mines, principally machinery and in sinking the shaft and cross-cutting; 4 tons of ore have been sold, obtained from the lead; and about 10 tons more is in the course of dressing. The shares, which were originally 75, have been subdivided into 1500, and 10s. per share have been paid upon the 1500; and they have lately sold the rate of £2 per share. These mines are situated in the basin between Skiddaw and Saddleback on the junction of the granite and killas, or clay-slate. Two fine copper veins run through this sett, but have not been worked upon. One is about 15 ft. wide, composed of gossan, and carbonate and sulphuret copper; the other is the same nature, but smaller, both are considered to be fine trials.

WOOD END MINE is yielding sufficient ore to pay its way.

FORCE CRAGG MINE. —A low adit being driven to cut a pipe of ore, which yielded considerable quantity of ore in the level about. The ore is the richest in district, and will average about 49 ozs. to the ton for silver.

A company has been formed to work the GREAT SADDLEBACK MINE: but nothing of consequence has yet been done. There are other mines springing up in the neighbourhood; and I trust ere long we shall see this one of the best districts in the kingdom. All we want is capital and energy; for, wherever it has been applied, it has led to successful results—the Keswick Company's and the Goldscope setts alone being capable of being, divided into fifty setts, and would have; been so if in Cornwall or Devon.

RICHARD B. SHEPHERD. Portinscale, March 22.

[We are informed by Mr. Shepherd that, subsequently to the date of his letter, a rich- run of ore has been discovered in the Brandley mine].

8th April 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Nenthead, on the 6th inst., Mr John Walton, of Brother Lee, Weardale, to Miss Elizabeth Cain, of Galligill, near Alston.

In 1851, at Brother Lee, Alice Walton, widow, aged 60, sons, John, lead miner, aged 34, Joseph, Iron stone miner, aged 33, Thomas, Iron stone miner, aged 22, and William, day labourer, aged 20.

In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, Elizabeth Cowper, 75, Tamer Cowper, Silk mercer, aged 45, and Elizabeth Cain, servant, aged 30.

In 1851, at St John's Chapel, Cowper Cain, draper and grocer, aged 25, and his sister Elizabeth Cain, assistant, aged 39, both unmarried.

In 1861, at Ropehaugh, Allendale, John Walton, born Weardale, provisions dealer, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 50, and mother Alice Walton, farmers widow aged 70.

In 1871, at Ropehaugh cottages, Allendale, John Walton, retired provisions dealer, aged 54 and his wife Elizabeth 60.

Deaths
At White Heaps, near Blanchland, on the 24th ult., aged 47, Mr Thomas Farbridge.
See 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

15th April 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

FOR PRIVATE SALE
TWO SHARES in CASHWELL LEAD MINE,

New engines have been recently erected in this mine, with every prospect of it being highly productive and lucrative.
For further particulars apply to Mr James Pentland, auctioneer, St John's Lane, Newcastle.

16th April 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Mark Close, near Alston, on the 11th inst., suddenly, Elizabeth, wife of Mr Lancelot Hall, aged 43.
Lancelot Hall married Elizabeth Armstrong, 27th January 1831, at Alston.
In 1851, at Skelgill High, Alston, Lancelot Hall, farmer, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, grocer, aged 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 19, Diana, 15, Ann 14, Lancelot 11, John 8, Isa 5, Mary 3, and Thomas 1.
In 1861, at Hill House, William Hall, farmer & grocer, aged 30, sister, Anne, house keeper, aged 23, brother, John, blacksmith apprentice, aged 18, Eliza, house maid, 16, brother Thomas 10, visitor, Dorothy Armstrong, house servant, aged 16.

Probate for Lancelot Hall 1873
26 April. Administration of the effects of Lancelot Hall late of Marks Close, in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland, Yeoman a widower who died 18th November 1854 at Mark Close was granted at Carlisle to William Hall of Alston, Groceer the son and one of the next of kin. Effects under £450.

22nd April 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 18th inst., Mrs Margaret Cousin, aged 80 years.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 39, mother, Peggy Cousin, widow, annuitant, aged 79, son in law, Joseph Wales, lead ore washer, aged 12, and son in law, Thomas Wales 9.
See 14th January 1843 1st June 1866, 14th October 1871, and 21st August 1897

22nd April 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

A funny story, but one very true,
Read this story, and you'll not rue.

IT gives me great pleasure that I am, by the blessing of God, enabled to let my many kind friends know that I have succeeded in getting the £150 Debt off the Wesleyan Chapel, in Allendale Town, since March the 18th, 1848. There has been given: —

1546 Donations	£81	14	7½
Weekly subscriptions, anniversaries, &c.	68	5	4½
Total	£150	0	0

I have begg'd in the East, I have begg'd in the West,
I begg'd in the places where I thought would be best;
I begg'd in the North, I have begg'd in the South,
I begg'd all the country nearly all round about.
I begg'd a penny, and several times more;
I begg'd a shilling near the sea-shore,
I begg'd of the poor, I begg'd of the rich;
I begg'd that the Trustees would not be kept in the twitch.
Some said I was funny, others said I was strange,
To come to their country a begging to range,
I found that the people were loving and kind,
The Lord made their hearts to giving inclined.
I begg'd in the wind, I begg'd in the wet,
I begg'd till I got one hundred and fifty pounds of the debt,
It has sometimes been wet, but oftentimes fair,
It may be as well if Isaac will say na mair.
In a short time, I intend publishing my begging speech and this little poem, and giving the profits to some good cause. If any is wishful to have a copy, at twopence each, I shall feel happy to supply them.

ISAAC HOLDEN.
Allendale Town, April 19th, 1853.

See 23rd November 1855, & 24th August 1872.

Marriages

At Stanhope, lately, Mr William Longmire, only son of John Parmley Esq., of Stanhope House, to Jane, eldest daughter of Mr George Thompson, builder, of the same place.

John Parmley son of Joseph and Lydia (Redfearn, married 18th April 1789, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton) Parmley, 1795, at Middleton in Teesdale.
Children of Joseph and Lydia Parmley:
1. Joseph baptised 20th February 1791, buried 20th August 1837, aged 46. See the Will of Joseph Parmley, probate dated 1845.
2. Samuel baptised 3rd February 1793,
3. John born 1795
4. Henry baptised 22nd April 1797, emigrated to the USA
5. Thomas baptised 28th February 1799, buried 2nd July 1809, aged 10, at Middleton.
6. Sarah baptised 21st March 1803, married John Robinson 9th May 1822 at Middleton
7. Maria baptised 1st January 1804, married John Warwick 27th December 1836, at Middleton, John and Maria Warwick with their daughters, Ann 2, & Lydia 9 months, emigrated to New York on the Splendid, arriving 16th July 1841. In 1860, Lidy Warwick, aged 22, was a servant at Schuylkill, Pennsylvania.
8. George baptised 30th December 1804,
9. Dorothy baptised 18th January 1807, buried at Stanhope, 2nd August 1892, aged 85.
10. James baptised 19th March 1809

11. Thomas baptised 21st April 1811
12. William baptised 22nd Aug 1813, emigrated to the USA

Joseph Parmley of Hood, was buried, 25th March 1816, aged 51, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
Lydia Parmley was buried 12th October 1831, aged 62, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.

2. Samuel Parmley married Elizabeth Allason (daughter of Thomas and Jane Allson) 14th March 1819, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, witnesses, John Parmley and Jonathan Horn
Children of Samuel and Elizabeth Parmley:
2a. Joseph baptised 26th November 1820, St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, son of Samuel Parmley a Miner.
2b. Thomas born 21st February 1823, baptised 6th April 1823, Wesleyan, at his parents house.
2c. Samuel baptised 14th August 1824, St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, son of Samuel Parmley a grocer, emigrated to Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth Parmley was buried 16th August 1824, aged 38, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.

In 1841, at Market Place, Middleton, Samuel Parmley, lead miner, aged 45, children, Joseph 20, Thomas 15, Samuel 15, and servant Mary Bainbridge aged 25.

2. Samuel Parmley senior, emigrated, the 1850 census of the USA gives, at Tamaqua, South Ward, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Samuel Parmley, shopkeeper, aged 58. Samuel Parmley, confectioner, born Durham England, died 16th December 1852, at Tamaqua, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania.

George Pinkney married Phebe Thompson, 6th November 1813, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
George Pinkney of New Town, miner, aged 47, was buried 8th March 1837, at St Mary's, Middleton.
In 1841, at New Town, Middleton, Phoebe Pinkney, aged 40, children, Mary 20, Ann 15, George, Miner, aged 15, John, Miner, aged 15, William 8, and Phebe 3.

2a. Joseph Parmley married Ann Pinkney (daughter of George) 16th March 1843, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
In 1851, at Masterman Place, New Town, Middleton, John Pinkney, lead miner, aged 25, brother William, lead ore washer, aged 17, sister Pheby 13, lodgers, Joseph Parmley, blacksmiths labourer, aged 30, his wife Ann, straw bonnet maker, aged 30, children, Elizabeth P 6, Dorothy Ann 4, and George P aged 2.
In 1861, at Masterman Place, Middleton, Joseph Parmley, infirm, formerly miner, aged 40, his wife Ann aged 41, children, Dorothy 14, George Pinkney 12, Mary Redfearn 9, Samuel Joseph 3, and Boarder William Pinkney aged 27. In 1871, at High Dyke, Middleton, Ann Parmley, widow, formerly straw bonnet maker, aged 51, children, George, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 19, and Joseph 13.

In 1881, at East Butterknowle, Evenwood, Bishop Auckland, Ann Parmley, widow, formerly straw bonnet maker, aged 62, daughter Mary aged 29, and son Joseph, coal miner, aged 23.

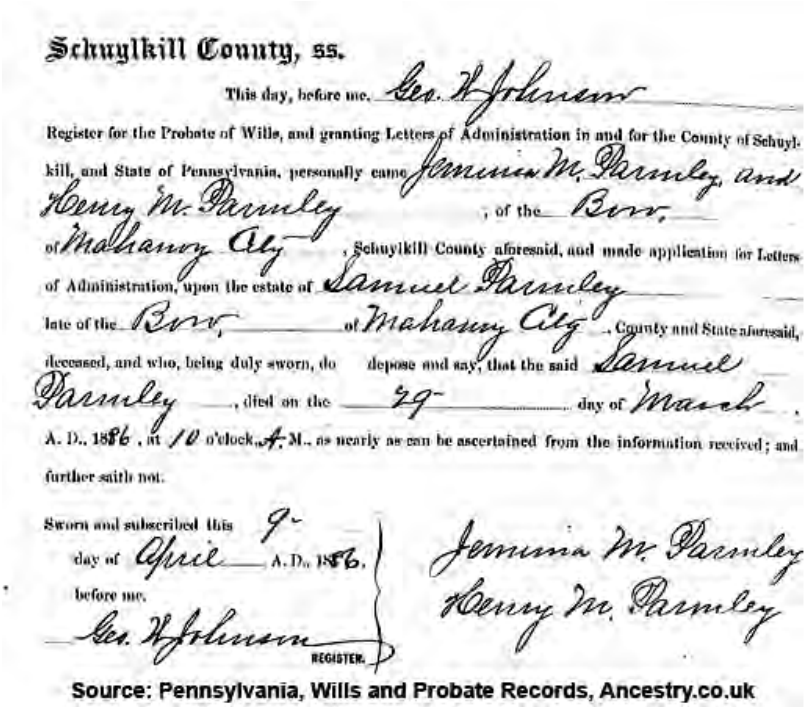
Ann Parmley died 4th quarter 1889, aged 70, registered at Auckland, Durham.

2b. In 1851, at Middlerton, Thomas Parmley, shoe maker, aged 28.
Thomas Parmley married Mary Ann Dunn, 2nd quarter 1851, registered at Richmond.
In 1861, at Frenchgate, Richmond, Yorkshire, Thomas Parmley, shoemaker, aged 38, his wife Mary, aged 29, children, Jan, 8, Randolph 6, George 3, and Elizabeth 8 months.
In 1871, at Frenchgate, Richmond, Yorkshire, Thomas Parmley, shoemaker, aged 48, his wife Mary, laundress, aged 38, children, Jane, 18, Randolph, Joiner apprentice, aged 16, George 13, Elizabeth 10, Samuel 6, and Mary R aged 2.
In 1881, at Frenchgate, Richmond, Yorkshire, Thomas Parmley, aged 59, his wife Mary A, aged 48, children, Randolph, cabinet maker, aged 25,George, joiner, aged 24, Elizabeth 20, Samuel, cabinet makers apprentice, aged 16, and Mary R 12.

Thomas Parmley died 4th quarter 1890, aged 68, registered at Richmond.
In 1891, at Frenchgate, Richmond, Yorkshire, Mary Ann Parmley, widow, cow keeper, aged 58. Mary Ann Parmley died 1st quarter 1893, aged 62, registered at Richmond.

2c. In 1851, at Horse Market, Barnard Castle, Jane Walton, widow, confectioner, aged 59, born, Yorkshire, son in law, Samuel Parmley, master tailor, aged 26, born Middleton, his wife Jane (Sweeten/Walton, married 3rd quarter 1846, at Teesdale) aged 31, born, Pickle, Yorkshire, daughter Elizabeth 3, born Barnard Castle, son Henry M aged 1, born Barnard Castle, and niece Ellen Wilson, aged 17, born Snape, Yorkshire.

Jane Parmley wife of Samuel died?



Schuylkill County, ss.

This day, before me, Geo. W. Johnson

Register for the Probate of Wills, and granting Letters of Administration in and for the County of Schuylkill, and State of Pennsylvania, personally came Jemima M. Parmley, and Henry M. Parmley, of the Boro. of Mahanoy City, Schuylkill County aforesaid, and made application for Letters of Administration, upon the estate of Samuel Parmley late of the Boro. of Mahanoy City, County and State aforesaid, deceased, and who, being duly sworn, do depose and say, that the said Samuel Parmley, died on the 29 day of March A. D., 1886, at 10 o'clock, A. M., as nearly as can be ascertained from the information received; and further saith not.

Sworn and subscribed this 9 day of April A. D., 1886, before me.

Geo. W. Johnson REGISTER.

Jemima M. Parmley
Henry M. Parmley

Source: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, Ancestry.co.uk

Samuel Parmley married Jemima Matilda?
New York Passenger lists show: Matilda Parmley aged 38, Charles Parmley 4, George Parmley 2 and James Parmley 1, arriving at New York 10th May 1860 on the ship Liverpool, port of departure London.
In 1860, at Tamaqua, North Ward, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Samuel Parmley, merchant Tailor, aged 37, his wife Matilda 38, children, Charles 4, George 2 and James 9 months?

In 1870, at Mahanoy, West Ward Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Samuel Parmley, dry goods & groceries, aged 40, Jemima 43, Charles S 14, George 12, Thomas J 10, Mary A 8.
In 1880, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Samuel Parmley, retired grocer, aged 53, his wife Matilda 56, son Thomas, bank clerk, aged 18, and daughter, Mary 17.
Samuel Parmley died 29th March 1886
In 1901, Matilda Parmley, widow of Samuel, was living at 126 E Church, Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

J. Matilda Parmley, widow, born 16th February 1820 at London, died at Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, 28th January 1906, aged 85, buried at Tamaqua 31st January 1906.

Mary E Parmley married Llwellyn James 3rd June 1890, at Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.
George W Parmley married Lavinia F Douty 4th September 1890, at Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth Ellen Parmley born 2nd July 1847 at Durham, England, parents Samuel Parmley and Jane Walton, died 7th January 1834, aged 86 years. She was the wife of Dallas Lor Van Horn, living at Spruce Street, county of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dallas L Van Horn married Mrs Elizabeth E Minto 8th August 1906, at Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania.

In 1870, at Mahanoy West Ward, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Henry Parmley, clerk in store aged 21, his wife Jane (Coombe) 19, and son Charles S 9 months.
In 1880, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, H. M. Parmley, grocer, aged 31, his wife Jane 29, children, Charles 10, and Sarah 9.
Henry Mark Parmley died about 1894, probate granted 24th May 1894.

In 1900, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, widow, aged 49, son Charles, grocer aged 30, son Harry 18, daughter Ursula 14, and lodger E Ellen Minto, widow, milliner, aged 52, emigrated 1852.

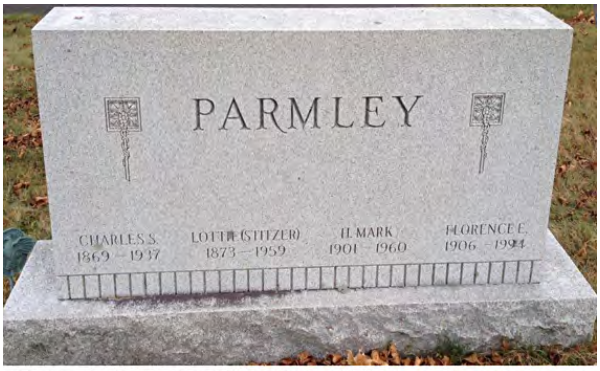
In 1910, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Charles Parmley, grocer, aged 40, his wife Lottie aged 36, son Harry Mark 9, and daughter Florence 4.
In 1910, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, widow, grocer, aged 59, and daughter, Ursula, school teacher, aged 24, son in law Charles Hendricks, engineer, aged 37, daughter Sara Hendricks 37, grandchildren, Grace Hendricks 11, and Harry Hendricks 9.

In 1920, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Charles Parmley, manager grocery store, aged 50, his wife Lottie 46, children, Mark 18, and Florence 13

In 1920, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, widow, aged 68, son in law Charles Hendricks, engineer, aged 46, daughter Sallie Hendricks 47, grandchildren, Grace Hendricks, stenographer aged 20, and Harry Hendricks, clerk aged 19.

In 1930, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Charles Parmley, insurance agent, aged 60, and his wife Lottie 56.

In 1930, at Mahanoy City, Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, widow, aged 79, son in law Charles Hendricks, electrician, aged 57, daughter Sarah Hendricks 57, grandchildren, Grace Hendricks, stenographer aged 31, and Harry Hendricks, clerk aged 29.
Jane Parmley widow of Henry, daughter of James Coombe, born 15th March 1851, died 23rd July 1935, aged 84, at Mahanoy City.



German Protestant Cemetery, Mahanoy, Pennsylvania
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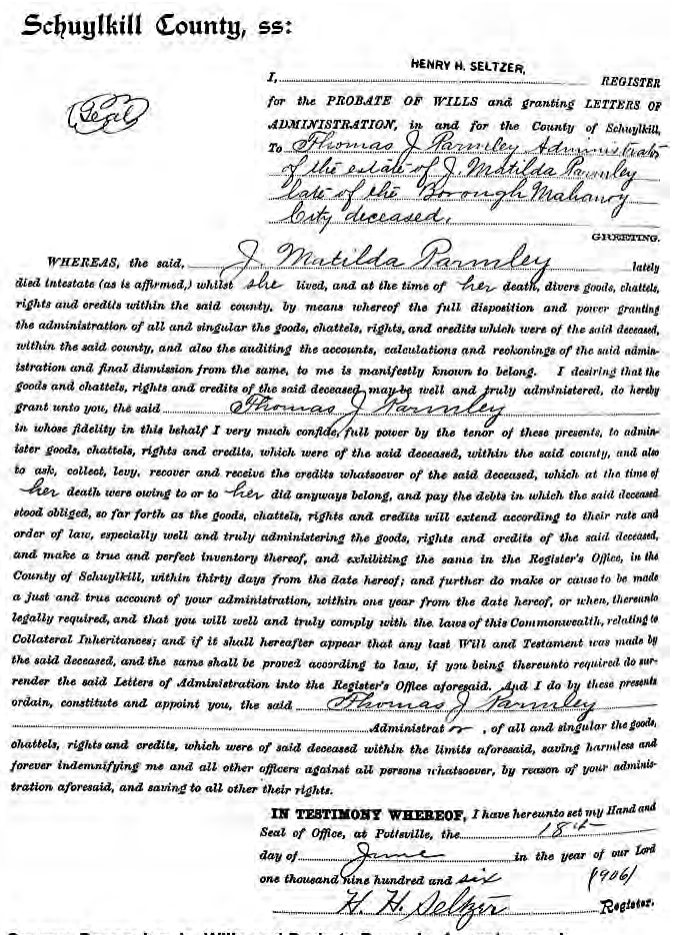

Schuylkill County, ss:

I, HENRY H. SELTZER, REGISTER for the PROBATE OF WILLS and granting LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION, in and for the County of Schuylkill,
To Thomas J Parmley Administrator of the estate of J. Matilda Parmley late of the Borough Mahanoy City deceased. GREETING.

WHEREAS, the said J. Matilda Parmley lately died intestate (as is affirmed,) whilst she lived, and at the time of her death, divers goods, chattels, rights and credits within the said county, by means whereof the full disposition and power granting the administration of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights, and credits which were of the said deceased, within the said county, and also the auditing the accounts, calculations and reckonings of the said administration and final dismission from the same, to me is manifestly known to belong. I desiring that the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said deceased may be well and truly administered, do hereby grant unto you, the said Thomas J Parmley in whose fidelity in this behalf I very much confide, full power by the tenor of these presents, to administer goods, chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said deceased, within the said county, and also to ask, collect, levy, recover and receive the credits whatsoever of the said deceased, which at the time of her death were owing to or to her did anyways belong, and pay the debts in which the said deceased stood obliged, so far forth as the goods, chattels, rights and credits will extend according to their rate and order of law, especially well and truly administering the goods, rights and credits of the said deceased, and make a true and perfect inventory thereof, and exhibiting the same in the Register's Office, in the County of Schuylkill, within thirty days from the date hereof; and further do make or cause to be made a just and true account of your administration, within one year from the date hereof, or when, thereunto legally required, and that you will well and truly comply with the laws of this Commonwealth, relating to Collateral Inheritances; and if it shall hereafter appear that any last Will and Testament was made by the said deceased, and the same shall be proved according to law, if you being thereunto required do surrender the said Letters of Administration into the Register's Office aforesaid. And I do by these presents ordain, constitute and appoint you, the said Thomas J Parmley Administrator, of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights and credits, which were of said deceased within the limits aforesaid, saving harmless and forever indemnifying me and all other officers against all persons whatsoever, by reason of your administration aforesaid, and saving to all other their rights.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office, at Pottsville, the 18th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six (1906)

H. H. Seltzer Register.

Source: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, Ancestry.co.uk

Schuylkill County, ss:

I, Chas. C. Matten REGISTER for the PROBATE OF WILLS and granting LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION, in and for the County of Schuylkill.

To Chas. S. Parmley, Administrator, of the Estate of H. M. Parmley, late of the Borough of Mahanoy City, deceased.

GREETING.

WHEREAS, the said, H. M. Parmley lately died intestate (as is affirmed), whilst he lived, and at the time of his death, divers goods, chattels, rights and credits within the said county, by means whereof the full disposition and power granting the administration of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said deceased, within the said county, and also the auditing the accounts, calculations and reckonings of the said administration and final dismission from the same, to me is manifestly known to belong. I desiring that the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said deceased may be well and truly administered, do hereby grant unto you, the said Chas. S. Parmley in whose fidelity in this behalf I very much confide, full power by the tenor of these presents, to administer goods, chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said deceased, within the said county; and also to ask, collect, levy, recover and receive the credits whatsoever of the said deceased, which at the time of his death were owing to or to him did anyways belong, and pay the debts in which the said deceased stood obliged, so far forth as the goods, chattels, rights and credits will extend according to their rate and order of law, especially well and truly administering the goods, rights and credits of the said deceased, and make a true and perfect inventory thereof, and exhibiting the same in the Register's Office, in the County of Schuylkill, within thirty days from the date hereof; and further do make or cause to be made, a just and true account of your administration, within one year from the date hereof, or when, thereunto legally required, and that you will well and truly comply with the laws of this Commonwealth, relating to Collateral Inheritances; and if it shall hereafter appear that any last Will and Testament was made by the said deceased, and the same shall be proved according to law, if you being thereunto required, do surrender the said Letters of Administration into the Register's Office aforesaid. And I do by these presents ordain, constitute and appoint you, the said Chas. S. Parmley Administrator, of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights and credits, which were of said deceased within the limits aforesaid, saving harmless and forever indemnifying me and all other officers against all persons whatsoever, by reason of your administration aforesaid, and saving to all other their rights.

Renunciation of Widow filed.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office, at Pottsville, the 24th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

Chas. C. Matten REGISTER.

Source: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, Ancestry.co.uk

3. John Parmley married Mary Longmire, at Middleton in Teasdale, 22nd June 1823. Mary Parmley was buried at Middleton, 19th May 1826, aged 25 years. In1841, at Stanhope, John Parmley, Mining Agent, aged 45, his sister Dorothy aged 30, and son William aged 15. In 1851, at Stanhope, John Parmley, widow, lead mine agent, aged 56, born Middleton, his son William L., draper & grocers assistant, aged 25, sister Dorothy, single, housekeeper, aged 44, visiting brother James, married, farmer and grocer, aged 42, and house servant Barbara Prest aged 19.
John Parmley married Ann Waggot, 13th July 1854, at Stanhope.
John died 28th January 1860, aged 65, and Ann died 17th July 1875, aged 63.

In 1861, at Stanhope, George Thompson, widow, mason, aged 57, son in law, William L. Parmley, grocer & draper, aged 35, daughter Jane, wife of William, aged 32, grandsons, John 5, and George 3 (buried at Stanhope 30th June 1862, aged 4).
In 1871, at Leadgate, Allendale William L. Parmley, married, draper & grocers assistant, was boarding with Robert Fairlamb & family.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Jane Parmley, married, milliner, aged 43, sons, John, pupil teacher, aged 15, and James 9.

Probate 18th March 1861. *The will with a codicil of John Parmley, late of Butts House in the Parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham, Mining Agent deceased, who died 28th January 1860, at Butts House, aforesaid was proved at Durham by the oaths of John Walton of Stanhope House in the said Parish Mining Agent, Thomas Dobson Bolton of Stanhope aforesaid Agent, and Ann Parmley of Butts House aforesaid widow the relict the executors. Effects under £600.*

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In 1871, at Stanhope, Jane Parmley, married, milliner, aged 43, son John, pupil teacher, aged 15 (buried 24th November 1872, aged 16 at Stanhope), and son James aged 9 years.
Jane Parmley was buried at Stanhope 29th June 1879, aged 50.
In 1881, at Paragon Street, Stanhope, James Parmley, clerk, aged 19 is boarding with Mary Raine and family.
James Parmley married Jane Phoebe Earl, 14th November 1889, at Stanhope.
Jane Phoebe Parmley was buried 7th November 1890, aged 29.
In 1891, at High Street, Stanhope, James Parmley, widow, quarry clerk, aged 29, his daughter Grace E., 6 months, and servant Annie Golightly, housekeeper aged 28.

James Parmley, widower, married Jane Bellerby, 29th April 1896, at West Rainton.

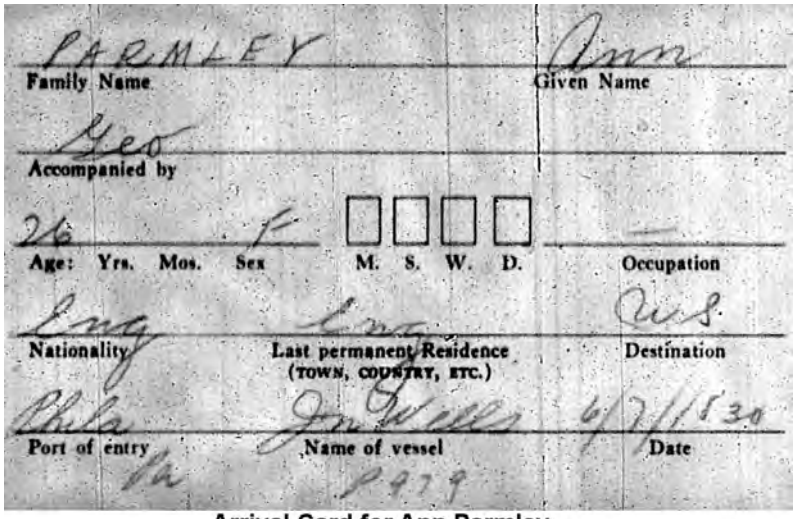
In 1901, at High Street, Stanhope, James Parmley, limestone quarry inspector, aged 39, his wife Jane aged 39, children Grace Earl 10, Jennie 4, and Frederick William 1.

In 1911, at High Street, Stanhope, James, quarry manager (Limestone) aged 49, his wife Jane 48, children Grace Earl 20, Jennie 14, and Frederick William 11.

IN MEMORY OF
THE LATE
JOHN PARMLEY,
OF STANHOPE HOUSE,
WHO FOR UPWARDS OF FORTY ONE YEARS WAS
AGENT FOR THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY
AND UPWARDS OF FIFTY ONE YEARS
A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST.
HE DEPARTED THIS LIFE JAN 28TH 1860
AGED 65 YEARS.
His end was peace.
THIS LANGUISHING HEART AT REST
ITS THINKING AND ACHING ARE O'ER
THIS QUIET IMMOVEABLE BREAST
IS HEAVED BY AFFLICTION NO MORE
ALSO OF ANN RELICT OF THE ABOVE
JOHN PARMLEY WHO DIED
JULY 17TH 1875 AGED 63 YEARS.
ALSO JAMES PARMLEY,
GRAND-SON OF THE ABOVE
DIED JUNE 23RD 1929 AGED 67 YEARS.
AND JANE HIS BELOVED WIFE,
DIED OCT 29TH 1952 AGED 90 YEARS.
(on reverse)
ALSO OF GRACE DAUGHTER OF
JAMES PARMLEY
DIED 18TH DEC 1970
AGED 80 YEARS

4. Henry Parmley married Mary Watson 15th March 1827, at Middleton.
In 1841, at Middleton, Henry Parmley, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 45, and daughter Dorothy 14.
USA Naturalisation of Henry Parmley 16th April 1855, at Lafayette, Wisconsin.
In 1860, at New Diggings, Lafayette, Wisconsin, Henry Parmley, Miner, aged 62, and his wife Mary aged 64.

8. George Parmley married Ann Watson 19th November 1827, at Middleton; emigrated to USA 6/7/1830, arrival, at Philadelphia, accompanied by his wife Ann, on the ship John Wells.


PARMLEY — Family Name
Ann — Given Name
Geo — Accompanied by
26 — Age: Yrs.
F — Sex
M. S. W. D.
Occupation
Eng — Nationality
Eng — Last permanent Residence (TOWN, COUNTRY, ETC.)
U.S. — Destination
Phila — Port of entry
John Wells — Name of vessel
6/7/1830 — Date
979

Arrival Card for Ann Parmley

10. James Parmley married Mary Hardy, 24th November 1840, at Middleton.
In 1841, at Middleton, James Parmley, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 20, and Joseph 15.
In 1851, at Middleton, James Parmley, grocer, aged 42, and his wife Mary 35.
In 1861, at Market Place, Middleton, James Parmley, grocer, aged 52, his wife Mary 44, and boarder Mary J Burdon, aged 6, born Newcastle.
In 1871, at Market Place, Middleton, James Parmley, grocer, aged 62, his wife Mary 54, niece, Mary J Burdon, 16, nephew Nicholas Burdon 12, niece, Sarah Weatherel 10, and nephew, Thomas Weatherel 8.

St Mary the Virgin Churchyard.
In affectionate memory of James Parmley of Middleton who died January 29th 1880 aged 70 years. Also of Mary wife of the above who died January 31st 1893 aged 76 years. Also of Nicholas Burdon who died March 29 1875, aged 17 years. Also Sarah Weatherel who died June 12 1878 aged 17 years. Also of Thomas Harry Weatherel born March 19 1863, died December 29th 1888.

11. Thomas Parmley married Mary Race 6th March 1834 at Middleton.
In 1851, at Thatch Lee, Middleton, Thomas Parmley, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 38, and son George, labourer, aged 16.
In 1861, at Spring Hill, Middleton, Thomas Parmley, lead miner & farmer, aged 50, his wife Mary 48, son George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, and sister Dorothy Parmley, retired housekeeper, aged 54.

In 1871, at Thatch Lee, Middleton, Thomas Parmley, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary 58, son George , smelter of lead ore, aged 34, his wife Mary 34, grandchildren, Dinah 11, Maria 9, Ann 6, and Thomas 2.

Thomas Parmley was buried 18th April 1877, aged 66, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.

12. The United States Census of 1850, at Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, William Parmley, miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 22, and daughter Lydia aged 1.
In 1860, at Henrico, Virginia, William Parmley, coal mine manager, aged 46, his wife Jane 33, children, Lydia 11, William 8,and Martha 4.
In 1870, at Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, aged 41, children William W, clerk in store, aged 18, Martha B 14, Grace 10, and John 7.
In 1880, at Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, Jane Parmley, makes boxes for squibs, aged 50, daughter Grace R, assists her mother, aged 18.

See 3rd February 1860,and 6th April 1866, the Will of Joseph Parmley of Middleton in Teesdale, probate 1845

27th May 1853 (Carlisle Journal)

WANTED immediately, a steady, active, young MAN, as ASSISTANT to the DRAPERY and GROCERY BUSINESS. None need apply but those that can give a satisfactory Reference.—Apply to DICKINSON and ERRINGTON, Alston

See 19th November 1852

4th June 1853 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Allenheads, on the 27th ult., aged 32, Elizabeth, wife of Mr Albany Charlton.

2nd July 1853 (Kendal Mercury)

KESWICK &c.

THE KESWICK MINES.—Little has of late been done in some of the above mines, owing to the extreme drought. At Thornthwaite and Stonycroft, the workings are nearly full of water, as a sufficient amount of water-power cannot be collected to work the pumps; and at Brandley enough of water cannot be obtained from all the adjacent land to supply the steam engine. The workings in this mine are the most extensive in the neighbourhood of Keswick, and belong to the Keswick Mining Company. The quantity of ore obtained here is moderate, but a larger return is in prospect. A new engine-shaft has for some time been in progress, and has attained the depth of 29 fathoms; it is intended to continue it to the depth of 50 fathoms, but a cross-cut will be made at 30 fathoms to the vein, which is some six or eight fathoms distant, and known to contain a pipe or rick ore in this place, as has been proved by some higher levels. The ceremony of laying the foundation of new engine house took place on the 23rd ult. When it is completed, the engine (a 20-inch horizontal one, erected two years ago,) with all her attachments will be removed to it, when the ore can be raised to a much greater advantage. —The Barrow mine is making a fair return, though very few men are at present employed. —Stony Croft has but recently been opened, but the prospects are most encouraging, the ore containing more silver than any in the neighbourhood. —Hewthwaite and Goldscope are both in a profitable position.—The Skiddaw and Blencathra

mines are being worked to considerable advantage, though a large extent of "dead" ground has had to be cut through. A vein containing black lead has recently been discovered near Keswick by some mining gentlemen, who have secured the sett and intend commencing immediately. We have seen some samples, which, when purified, we not doubt will make excellent "composition." Some which we saw tested leave a brilliant polish on iron.

Deaths

At Penrith, on the 25th inst., very suddenly, aged 55 Mr James Thompson, managing director of Mr Marshall's Greenside Lead Mines, in Patterdale, and formerly gunsmith, Penrith.

19th August 1853 (Newcastle Courant)

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,
On Saturday, the 27th instant, at Water House Inn,
two miles west of Haydon Bridge,

SIX THIRTY-SECOND SHARES of WHINETLEY LEAD MINE, held under lease of the Greenwich Hospital, situated two miles North West of Haydon Bridge, and the Second Lease Length from SALTLING- STONE LEAD MINE, which is one of the most productive Mines of Lead Ore at present in the North of England. Whinetley Mine was commenced in the year 1846 by a number of practical miners under the employment of the late W. B. Beaumont, Esq., at Barney Craig, in West Allendale, in connection with Jacob Walton, Esq., Green Ends, and has been persevered with in the most practicable and economical manner. They have driven nearly 300 fathoms of level, and expect to be now within 30 fathoms of one of Settlingstones veins. The reason why the above Shares are to be sold, is on account of the decease of Shareholders and others not being able to carry them on. Whinetley Mine is considered by most practical miners to be one of the best trials in the mining districts, in either Northumberland, Cumberland, or Durham.

Offers will be received and information given, on application to Thomas Martin, Agent, Church Lands, Allendale; or to Jacob Walton, Esq., Green Ends, Alston, Cumberland.

THOMAS MARTIN, AGENT, Church Lands. August 9, 1853.

20th August 1853 (Newcastle Journal)

LEAD MINES OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

“The principal portion of the mining districts in this part of the kingdom (says Mr. Sopwith), may be considered as extending about twenty miles from north to south, and the same distance from east to west. The square of 400 miles thus formed, and lying equally about the junction of the counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmorland, Durham, and Yorkshire, comprises the manor of Alston Moor, the mountain ridge of Crossfell, and the dales of the Tees, Wear, East and West Allen, and the Derwent.” Situated on the sides of the "Pennine Chain," or "backbone of England” and at a great elevation, —adds Fordyce, in his able work, "The History of Durham,"—the alternations of temperature are considerable, and the features of the country are of a decidedly moorland character. In the numerous valleys, which occur amongst the lofty elevations of these “English Apennines," the cropping or

basset of the strata is very obvious, and affords peculiar facilities for geological research. The mines in Weardale have been extensively worked for a very long period by the ancestors of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., M.P.; and those in Teesdale are chiefly occupied, under the Duke of Cleveland, M. Hutchinson, Esq. and others, by the London Lead Company, which was chartered by Queen Elizabeth “for smelting down lead with pit coal and sea coal.” "As there is no regular publication of the lead sales (says Mr. Hunt, Keeper of Mining Records, London), and as the ores are sold in large and small parcels, sometimes publicly, but often by private contract, there has been much difficulty in obtaining accurate information of the entire produce of the United Kingdom.” Mr. Tremenheere says that Mr. Beaumont's Mines in East Allendale, West Allendale, and Weardale, in the counties of Durham and Northumberland, give employment to upwards of 2000 men and boys, who are said to raise about one-fourth of the quantity raised in England, one-sixth of the produce of Great Britain, and one-tenth of the total quantity of lead produced in Europe, including the British Isles. The following quantities, in tons, were produced in the specified years: —

	In 1845.	**In 1846.**
Mr. Beaumont's Mines.	12,200 ore 8,180 lead	12,000 ore 8,100 lead.
Teesdale Mines	2,572 “ 1,688 “	2,850 “ 1,870 “
Weardale	560 “ 372 “	560 “ 372 “
Sharnberry	88 “ 58 “	64 “ 42 “
Derwent Mines	1,916 “ 988 “	1,470 “ 997 “

In 1847, the returns were: —

East and West Allendale and Weardale —	13,600 ore	9,300 lead.
Teesdale Mines	8,850 “	2,588 “
Sharnberry	64 “	42 “
Derwent Mines	1,674 “	1,033 “

Out of 93,046¾ tons of lead ore raised and sold in Great Britain during 1850, 21,010 tons were raised in the counties of Durham and Northumberland. Most of the ores of lead contain a small proportion of silver, which may be obtained by cupellation; but the cost of fuel, labour, and loss of lead by this method was so great, that it could only be applied economically when the lead contained at least 20 ozs. of silver to the ton. By a process invented by Mr. H. L. Pattinson, of Scots House, however, lead containing only 3 ozs. of silver to the ton may be cupelled with profit; and it appears that from 7 to 8 ozs. of silver is the average quantity at present obtained from a ton.

10th September 1853 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. Mr Harper, Independent minister, Mr Geo. Bell to Miss Elizabeth Wallace, both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William Wallace, lead mining agent, aged 34, sister Elizabeth 32, and brother Thomas, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1861, at New Town, Middleton in Teesdale, George Bell, foreman at lead mine works, aged 30, born Middleton, his wife Elizabeth aged 42, born

Garrigill, children, Mary Phillis 6, Elizabeth Letitia 4, and Ann Louisa 11 months.
In 1871, at Town End, Middleton in Teesdale, George Bell, foreman lead mine ore washers, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 52, children, Mary Phillis 16, Elizabeth Leatitia 14, and Annie Louisa 10.
Possible death of Elizabeth Bell, 4th quarter 1875, at Darlington, aged 55.
In 1881,at North Road, Cockerton, Darlington, George Bell, widower, Railway engine drilling machinist, aged 50, and daughter, Anne Louisa 20.

23rd September 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 24th inst., By the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr Adam Walton, late of Nenthead, to Lydia, eldest daughter of Mr James Stephens, of Lowbyer. *See 19th March 1887*
At Alston Church, on the 26th inst., By the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr William Wilson, miller, to Miss Elizabeth Stewart.
Deaths
At Cowgap, near Alston, on the 14th inst., Mr John Smith, aged 46 years.
John Smith married Tamar Shield (born 11th March 1818, daughter of Robert and Nancy Shield)17th June 1843 at Alston.
In 1851, at Cow Gap, Garrigill, John Smith, miner and farmer, aged 45, his wife Tamar 43, children, Martha 14, Sarah 7, Ann 5, Ester 3, and Elizabeth 1.
Possible burial of John Smith 19th July 1859, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1861, at High Nest, Garrigill, Tamar Smith, miners widow, aged 44, children, Elizabeth 11, and Anna 8
In 1871, at Bruntley Syke, Alston, Tamar Smith, widow, laundress, aged 54, and daughter Anna, dressmaker aged 18.
In 1881, at Bruntley Syke, Alston, Tamar Smith, widow, assisting her daughter with dressmaking, aged 62, and daughter Anna, dressmaker aged 27.
Tamar Smith died 4th qtr., 1890, aged 72, registered at Alston.
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr Joseph Dickinson, land surveyor, aged 58 years.
See 2nd August 1831

23rd September 1853 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)
LEAD ORES
Ticketings for 12 tons of Lead Ore at Tees Side Mine, Sept. 12

Shield, Turnbull, and Co. (purchasers)	£12 6s 3d
Locke, Blackett, and Co	£12 3s 9d
W. J. Cookson and Co	£11 17s 6d
The Washington Chemical Co	£10 18s 9d

11th November 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 10th inst., Mr William Lee, of How Hill, to Miss Elizabeth Simpson, of the Hermitage.
In 1861, at Howe Hill, Garrigill, Ann Lee, widow, farmer of 36 acres, aged 79, son, William, lead miner, aged 45, daughter in law Elizabeth aged 37, grand children, John 6, Mary A. 4, Margaret 3, William 1, and domestic servant, Elizabeth Simpson 17, and lodger William Blades, coal miner, aged 66.

Ann Lee died 5th April 1864, aged 82, at Garrigill.

In 1871, at Howe Hill, Garrigill, William Lee, lead miner & farmer of 36 acres, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth, 47, children, John, lead miner, aged 16, Margaret 13, William 11, Isabella 9, and Nancy 5.

William Lee was buried 26th May 1880, aged 64, at Garrigill.

In 1881, at How Hill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Lee, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 57, son John, labourer at Colliery, aged 26, daughter Nancy 15, and visitor Nancy Little, game keepers daughter, aged 18.
In 1891, at Byers Green, Bishop Auckland, Joseph Percival, labourer at Colliery, aged 27, born Nenthead, his wife Nancy 25, children, Frances E. 4, Isabella 3, John W. 1, and Mother in law, Elizabeth Lee, widow, aged 67.
Possible burial of Elizabeth Lee 2nd qtr., 1896, aged 73, registered at Houghton le Spring, Durham.
See 7th April 1864.

Deaths

At Physic Hall, near Alston, on the 6th inst., Ruth, daughter of the late Mr George Spotswood, aged 16. *Burial records give the age as 14 years.*
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, George Spotswood, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane (Pearson, married 30th June 1822, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 35, Children, Mary 15, Hugh, lead miner, aged 13, George, lead miner, aged 11, Elizabeth 8, Thomas 5, and Ruth 2.

George Spottiswood, died 10th July, 1846, at Alston.
Jane Spottiswood died 25th September 1846, aged 46, at Alston.

In 1851, at Annatwalls, Alston, Mary Spottiswood, house keeper, aged 25, brothers, George, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, sisters, Ruth 12, and Catherine, 9.
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mary, widow of Mr James White, aged 71.
See 28th August 1875
At Garrigill, Alston Moor, on the 30th ult., Jos. Hart, eldest son of the late Mr J. H. Pridham, inland revenue officer, Carlisle.
Joseph Hart Pridham, of Garrigill Gate, aged 18 years, was buried at Garrigill 3rd November 1853.

12th November 1853 (Carlisle Patriot)

A WOMAN ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY HER HUSBAND. — An inquest was held before Mr. Carrick, coroner, on the 7th instant, at Nenthead in the parish of Alston, on view of the body of Hannah Jackson, wife of William Jackson, shoemaker, aged 38 From the statement of her husband, it appeared that early on Friday morning, the 4th instant, he took down his gun and loaded it near the bed-side, and put a cap on. Deceased was lying in bed, with her back to him. He then proceeded to take the barrel from the stock, and was in the act of shaking it to get the barrel out of the stock, when the hammer fell on the cap without his touching the trigger, the muzzle at the moment being pointed towards the bed, the gun went off, and deceased sprang up and cried out "Oh William you have shot me!" He ran out immediately for Dr. Carson, who on arriving and examining deceased, found a gun-shot wound about two inches from the back bone, on the right side, about an inch from the haunch bone; it went downwards and forwards, about an inch, over the haunch bone,

and into the abdomen. The medical gentleman attended her till she died, at ten o'clock on Saturday night last, of inflammation of the bowels. She suffered great pain from the time of the lamentable occurrence up to her death. The deceased and her husband lived together on most affectionate terms. She stated in the presence of the medical gentleman and several of her neighbours, that it was pure accident, and that her Willie had always been good and kind to her. Jackson was much distressed while giving his evidence. He was preparing to go to the adjoining moors to shoot grouse.

25th November 1853 (Carlisle Journal)

DUFTON WATER WORKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CARLISLE JOURNAL.

Sir,—The age in which we live is one of great improvement great enterprise, and great discovery. In every part of our country, genius, wealth, talent, and benevolence are brought to bear on the melioration and advancement of the people in knowledge, skill in their several departments of labour, and in all the social comforts of human life. Mighty geniuses have arisen over the last half century, and have put forth their powers of intellect and rich resources of mind if not to plan and rear their Memphises, Ninevehs, Palmyras, Persepolises, and Elephantes, at least they have done enough to call forth the wonder of the learned, benefit incalculably the commerce of the world, promote the intercourse of nations, and erect monuments which shall stand in the pathway of time, as magnificent memorials of the worth, enterprise, benevolence, and mechanical skill of the designers.

Mechanics' Institutes have been built and fitted up with libraries, for the diffusion of knowledge, varied apparatus for experiments, and eloquent lectures on the whole circle of science; Schools have been erected and provided with funds for the education of the labouring classes; Hospitals for the support of the poor, and Dispensaries for the reception and relief of the sick have been established, and adequate provision made for the admission of the unfortunate, and the application of all that human skill can accomplish for the recovery of the diseases to which our race is subject; and Churches have been dedicated by man, and consecrated by the Divine Present, for the recovery of cases which no human nor medical skill is found profound enough to reach.

In your excellent paper, a week or two ago, you gave a magnificent account of the repairs of our Parish Church, the names of parties employed in those repairs, together with the names of a few of the liberal contributors of the funds so benevolently furnished for carrying into effect the necessary improvements.

A full list of contributors, both major and minor, has been published, and the creditor side of the account, which is looked for, will doubtless follow with all convenient haste, so soon as the auditor shall have examined the bills and discharged all outstanding claims upon the repairs.

The church was Opened last Sabbath by the Rev. Dr. Jackson, Chancellor of the diocese of Carlisle, and the venerable rector of the parish. The congregations were respectable.

Notwithstanding the meritorious amount of embellishment and painstaking bestowed upon the edifice, the old Lady, it must be confessed, is still considerably wrinkled, and shows unmistakeable symptoms of age and

infirmity outside, but the visitor must pass within, where, contrary to the established order of things, he will find her dressed in her “beautiful garments,” fair and stately to look upon, waiting for the bridegroom, and doing the *amende honorable* for her dilapidated state of former years.

Simultaneously with the opening of one fountain for the supply of living waters, there were opened four fountains in the village for the supply of that compound of hydrogen and oxygen so essential to animal life, and in a state of greater salubrity and freedom from injurious ingredients than had been supplied previously for domestic use.

Dufton is a small but picturesque village situate at the base of the pike of that name, and immediately in front of the rough, yet bold, romantic, and deeply interesting escarpment of limestone rock, ever and anon inviting the attention of the geologist, and where mineral veins traverse it, found productive of lead ore in former years to some amount, and doubtless worked from the time the Romans were masters of this part of the county.

The village had long been badly supplied with pure good water for domestic purposes. The “syke” which runs through the village supplied that essential article to cattle, pigs, poultry, and the inhabitants in common. All had access to it, all had common right and privilege thereto, and were supplied from the one source; hence the insalubrity of the water and its unfitness for human use.

The people resolved to repair the evil and error of former years. A meeting of the ratepayers of the village was legally and duly convened. The object for which the meeting was called was laid before it, and the project was duly sanctioned and unanimously agreed to. The proprietors of the land in the line of water course were waited upon for their leave and sanction, which was generously, kindly, and freely given. The people, with a zeal, energy, and perseverance worthy so commendable and meritorious a project, set to work with spirit—but one feeling animating the whole.

The London Lead Company, with their usual liberality, contributed handsomely to the undertaking; Captain Eliott, of Appleby Castle, generously supplied the tiles free of charge at the tile works; and the inhabitants taxed themselves, by agreeing to levy a rate on all tenements in the village, taking the fixed rateable value of each tenement as the basis of the assessment.

Some slight opposition appeared to disturb the harmony and good feeling which prevailed, but the work has been accomplished, the four fountains were opened with a good supply of the best and purest water on Saturday, the 12th inst., and ‘tis now hoped that good neighbourly feeling will again prevail, and the past opposition be “writ in water.”

Where all parties have done so handsomely, and shewn so much zeal and heartiness in carrying out the undertaking to a happy and successful termination, it may appear almost invidious to name any one in particular, but justice demands that honourable mention should be made of the gentlemanly bearing, generous support afforded, and countenance and assistance benevolently bestowed by Captain Eliott, of the Castle, without whose aid and concurrence the salutary and beneficial improvement could not manifestly have been carried into execution.

X.Y.Z.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the house of Mrs Dodd, *Golden Lion Inn*, ALSTON, on Friday December 9th, 1853, at Six o'clock in the Evening, all that valuable LEAD ORE MINE, known by the name of CALVERT, situate in

TYNE HEAD, and held under Lease of S. R. FYDELL, Esq., with all Ore, Mineral, and Material thereunto belonging. Mr. John Wilkinson, of Shield Hill, Garrigill, will shew the Mine, and further particulars may be known on application to Mr. John Woodmass, Auctioneer.

3rd December 1853 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Eshgillside, Garrigill, near Alston, aged 34, David, eldest son of Mr Jos. Renwick, yeoman.
Joseph Renwick married Nanny Bell, 21st August 1813, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Garrigill, Joseph Renwick, retired lead miner, aged 61, his wife Nanney 59, sons, David, labourer, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 22.
See 17th August 1855

9th December 1853 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 5th inst., Mary, wife of Mr John Hutchinson, aged 25 years.
At Dufton, on the 1st inst., William son of John Bowman, labourer, aged 7 months.
At Dufton, on the 4th inst., Mr Michael Faint, miner, aged 61 years.

17th December 1853 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead on the 5th inst. aged 25 Mary wife of Mr John Hutchinson, mining agent.
John Hutchinson, married Mary Bright, 23rd November 1851. In 1851, at Fair Hill Top, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, clerk to the lead company, aged 25, born Penrith, his brother George aged 10, born Stanhope and Mary Bright, servant, aged 22 born Alston.

IN MEMORY OF
MARY WIFE OF JOHN HUTCHINSON
OF NENTHEAD WHO
DEPARTED THIS LIFE DEC. 5TH 1853
AGED 25
ALSO OF ISABELLA THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED APRIL 12TH 1854

21st January 1854 (Newcastle Journal)

THE CLEVELAND ESTATES—TESTIMONIAL TO T. F. SCARTH, ESQ.

A public dinner was given a few days ago to this much respected gentleman by the Durham Tenantry of His Grace the Duke of Cleveland (this being the fiftieth year of Mr. Scarth's connection with the noble duke's estates), at which a splendid assortment of plate, value £230, was presented to him, bearing the following inscription :—"This salver was presented, together with a soup-tureen, two cover-dishes, and a kettle and stand, to Thomas Freshfield Scarth, Esq. of Keverston, head-agent and auditor of the estates of his Grace the Duke of Cleveland, by the tenantry in the county of Durham, as a testimony of their high esteem for his character in the impartial discharge of his several duties—1854." About eighty of the principal tenantry of the Duke of Cleveland assembled on the occasion, at the Queen's Head Inn, Staindrop, Mr. Wm. Hawdon, of Wackerfield, in the chair—Mr. Robt. Graham, of Burton House, in the vice-chair. After the usual loyal toasts had been given from the chair, and the Duke of Cleveland's health duly honoured, The Chairman, in presenting the testimonial, addressed Mr. Scarth as follows :—

I hare the honour to be chosen by the tenantry on the Raby Estate to present you with this plate, as a testimony of the high esteem they entertain for you, as agent to his Grace tho Duke of Cleveland—for the courtesy and prompt attention with which you at at all times meet any business application they may have to bring before you— and, as far as is compatible with his Grace's interests, in assisting and advising any improvements that time and circumstances may require. Though this testimonial has been confined to the tenantry alone, we may feel highly gratified in haring a gentleman connected with us who, we feel assured, possesses the goodwill of the whole neighbourhood by the universal desire evinced to be allowed to join in this tribute of respect. I do not wish to eulogize, but this I may say— never was a call more heartily responded to than the suggestion of making known the high regard we entertain towards you. On behalf of the tenantry, I beg your acceptance of this plate. Long. Sir, may you be spared to meet us and enjoy the society of your family and friends. Mr. Hawdon concluded by proposing Mr. Scarth's health, which was most enthusiastically received.

After the long-continued applause had subsided, Mr. Scarth rose, and with much emotion responded as follows:— I rise under feelings of no ordinary difficulty to return you my thanks for the testimonial presented to me by the tenantry and lessees of mines on the Duke of Cleveland's Durham Estate, whose good opinion, good wishes, and kind feelings, towards myself, combined with the confidence reposed in me, have been so feelingly expressed by the gentleman you have selected to convey them. Gentlemen, splendid as is this testimonial, its real and intrinsic value to my feelings is the testimony it conveys of the friendship, esteem, and confidence, you repose in me, and that they are the remits of our close and intimate acquaintance for a long series of years. It has ever been my wish and endeavour through life, so to blend the interest of landlord and tenant, that in promoting the one I was at the same time advancing the other, to effect that object, I have had the good fortune to enjoy facilities that do not fall to the lot of all agents, having acted for, and possessing the confidence of, two noblemen who were ever ready to sanction and promote measures of real utility to their tenantry —who in times of difficulty were prompt to afford relief where relief was necessary, or to aid

the endeavours of those tenants whose means enabled them to contend with their difficulties and counteract them by the improved cultivation of their farms. Such was the late Duke of Cleveland, and such Is the present, and I shall ever feel that my lot has been fortunately cast in having had to act for two such noblemen, in having enjoyed their confidence, and held in trust that delicate but most important relation which exists between landlord and tenant. Gentlemen, I have touched upon the difficulties farmers have had to contend with, difficulties now past, and I hope never to return—but strange as it may appear to you, these times of difficulty have been to me a source of proud satisfaction. Yes, I repeat it. if proud satisfaction. During those times, not a tenant on the Duke of Cleveland's Estate in this county of Durham, and I may add in Shropshire, Staffordshire, or Northamptonshire, ever appeared in arrears on his Grace's rent-roll. Whatever were your difficulties, you fulfilled your obligations to your landlord, and I further say, with increased satisfaction, that at this time there is not an arrear in this county, or those I have named, in the Duke of Cleveland's Estates. That, gentlemen, is what an agent has just right to be proud of in the tenantry over whom he presides. My acquaintance with the mining interest of Teesdale is of more recent date; but it has been a great satisfaction to me that since that acquaintance commenced, though the scale of duty paid to the lessor has been reduced, the returns from the mines have been increased and are likely to further improve, to the mutual advantage of lessor and lessee. In conclusion, gentlemen, I again thank you for this handsome testimonial of your friendship and confidence—infinitely to me more valuable from that feeling, than its value in money, whatever may be its amount—a testimonial I will hand down as an heir-loom to my family and a memorial to my children, of that good feeling that existed between their father and the tenantry and lessees of mines on the Duke of Cleveland's Estates. Before I sit down, I beg to drink in a bumper the health's of the donors of this splendid testimonial—"The tenantry and lessees of mines on the Duke of Cleveland's Estates," accompanied with my warmest thanks.

Mr. Heslop briefly responded.

Mr. Graham, from the vice-chair, in proposing the health of Wm. T. Scarth, Esq. said :—

It is with very great pleasure I rise to propose the next toast it is one that ere this has fallen to my lot, and every time I do it with greater zest, it being tho health of a gentleman whom, the more he is known the higher he is appreciated. In talking about the present testimonial (in my official capacity) many of the tenants in the west country, over whom Mr. W. T. Scarth is agent, said they thought he also should have a testimonial. I told them I would be very glad to assist them, and give them my mite, but I thought we must wait a little, though I trust it will not be so long deferred as the present tribute of respect (Mr. Scarth having been fifty years connected with the Raby Estates.) In the course of time, very probably, Mr. Wm. Scarth will take a higher position than he now holds; and when he does, I hope, nay I am sure, he will not forget the good adage of "Live and let live." I have now, therefore, gentlemen, to ask you to drink, with bumpers, the health of Mr. W. T. Scarth.

Wm. T. Scarth, Esq. acknowledged the toast in the following terms.—

Mr. Chairman, Mr. Vice-chairman, and Gentlemen.— I have to thank you many times for the kind manner in which you responded to the last toast. I feel great difficulty in finding words sufficient to express myself, as much more

than I deserve has been said by my friend the vice chairman. It is a source of great happiness to me to think, in carrying out the arrangements of my father for the management or the estates, I have succeeded in establishing so good a feeling between myself and the tenantry.
When I began some thirteen years ago to take an active part with my father, more particularly in the inspection of the estates, I took for my guide the motto—"What was conducive to the tenant's interest was also for the landlord's." In following which I have imitated the excellent example of him who this day receiving such a token of the regard and esteem of, I will unhesitatingly say, 'One of the most respectable bodies of tenantry in England.' When you are connected with such a body of men, the task is easy and the pleasure great. I can only say, gentlemen. I hope the same good feeling and confidence may always exist between us. There is not one in whom, as well as in his family, I do not feel the deepest interest. I take it as the greatest compliment possible to have had my health proposed in such a manner, and drank with such good feeling. Before sitting down, gentlemen, I have a most pleasing duty to perform—one which I assure you gives me infinite pleasure; that is. proposing the health of our worthy chairman, Mr. Hawdon, whom I have known for many years, and there is no man for whom I entertain a higher and better opinion. What a satisfaction, then, it must be to me to see him the chairman on the present occasion. I wish, gentlemen, the toast of our chairman had devolved on one more able, though there is none who could speak with greater sincerity, knowing, as I do, the sterling worth of my friend. I propose, therefore, gentlemen, the health of our chairman, Mr. Hawdon.
Mr. Hawdon responded in suitable terms.
Edward Scarth, Esq. then rose and said :—
I have very great pleasure in proposing the next toast, which is the health of our esteemed and worthy Vice-Chairman and Secretary. To me it is a great gratification doing so, as I am certain all those who know him must appreciate his good qualities. I am proud to say I have for many years enjoyed his friendship, having both been at the same school and now occupying adjoining farms, and I feel most happy in being a neighbour and friend of Mr. Graham's, as a more honourable and upright man there does not exist; therefore, gentlemen, I hope you will join with me in drinking a bumper to the health of our Vice-Chairman and Secretary.
Mr. Graham briefly acknowledged the compliment.
Mr. Brown proposed the health of Mr. Barnes, highly eulogizing his services as Treasurer to the fund, to which Mr. Barnes made a suitable reply.
The Rev. J. E. Jones proposed the Committee and Collectors, which was replied to by Mr. Geo. Raw.
Henry Lipscomb, Esq. proposed success to the Lead Mining Companies of Teesdale, in connection with Wm. T. Scarth, Esq. as agent.
Wm. T. Scarth. Esq. replied as follows:—
My name having been coupled with the last toast, "the Mining Interests of Teesdale," I return you my thanks, regretting much the absence of Mr. Bainbridge, the Lead Company's head agent and superintendent, (on account of the snow,) whose intention it was to have been here this day. The London Lead Company is the principal one in the Teesdale district, and was established years ago by benevolent persons (of the Society of Friends, I

believe) for the employment of the residents in the dales of the Tees and Alston Moor. This great company has long been prominent for the good it has done. I should decidedly say there is no company in England can surpass its management, doing everything for the benefit of those who are dependent upon it. There are other companies in Teesdale, but of more recent date, whom I feel great pleasure in alluding to, whose object is the comfort of their operatives both under and above ground, as well as the development of the mineral wealth. With Teesdale I am well acquainted, that estate being particularly under my management, and it affords me much pleasure in speaking of those for whom I entertain so good an opinion. It is true we have little tiffs, I dare say, but that over, and we are better friends than ever, as I have made it my rule to show favour or affection to none particularly, all being the same to me, and my only object is to do what is right between man and man. We know where there is a large population and small holdings party jealousies occasionally creep in, particularly amongst relations; however, we get on comfortably together, and I feel happy in returning thanks for those in whom I have much interest and regard. The climate of Teesdale is far different from this part of the country, and the holdings generally so small that you might suppose agricultural progress would stand still, but I have great satisfaction in saying I have marked with pleasure the improvement that has taken place, and the general wish to follow any good example.
Mr. Nelson, after alluding to the great pleasure the proceedings of the day had afforded him, gave the healths of Mrs. Scarth and the ladies, and observed if to visit the poor and needy and to attend to the wants of the afflicted meet with our approbation, then indeed did the members of the Keverstone family deserve the highest regard, and well would it be if all other ladies and gentlemen followed their example, for there was nothing adds so much to the lustre of female character as that best and choicest of gifts, charity.
Mr. Scarth responded in suitable terms.
The dinner was served by Mrs. Nichols, of the Queen's Head, Staindrop, in her usual good style, and the room was most taste fully decorated.

27th January 1854 (Carlisle Journal)
A MAN FOUND DEAD.—An inquest was held before Mr Carrick, coroner, on the 19th instant, on view of the body of a man whose name was unknown, who was found dead on the day previous, on the road leading from Nenthead into the county of Durham, about three-quarters of a mile from Nenthead. Deceased had been in a public house at Coalcleugh on the Tuesday evening previous, vending tracts. He was known in the neighbourhood of Alston, was a very infirm man, and walked upon crutches, having lost the use of one of his legs. The road upon which deceased was found is a very exposed one, leading over the Fells, and he had no doubt sunk from exhaustion and fatigue, and died—Verdict “found dead."

10th February 1854 (Newcastle Courant)
NOTICE
William Hedley
Is instructed To Sell by Auction
“At the Mine”

All the valuable PLANT, belonging to, and lately used in the working Donks Burn Mine, Garrigill.

The sale to commence at 1 o'clock on Tuesday, 14th instant.

11th February 1854 (Westmorland Gazette)

DEATH FROM INCLEMENCY OF THE WEATHER. — On Tuesday, the 30th ult., Mr. Carrick, coroner, held an inquest at Nenthead, Alston, on the body of Christopher Oliver, stonemason, aged eighteen years. The deceased was a native of Bewcastle, but for some time past resided at Westgate, in the county of Durham. In the beginning of last month he had been on a visit to his sister, who lives at Coathill, and on the 9th ult., he left to return home. He proceeded by the evening train to Alston, and then continued his journey on foot. He fell in with three young men, who accompanied him to the village of Nenthead. He told them that he intended to cross the fells that night. They strongly urged him to abandon the attempt, and stay with them all night. He, however, persisted, and proceeded on his way, having a riding pad over his shoulders and stirrup leathers knotted about his neck. His non-arrival caused his brother, who also lived at Westgate, to write to their sister. Her answer at once raised his fears; and, after making fruitless inquiries west of Alston, he employed Teasdale, the Alston police officer, who obtained information of his having taken the road over Killhope. A large number of men were raised on Monday, who shortly found his lifeless corpse lying in the snow, about a quarter of a mile from the turnpike and a mile and a quarter from Nenthead. The storm was very severe on the night in question — there being a heavy fall of snow, accompanied by a piercing east wind, and the roads being previously impassable for carts. It was remarked by the jury that that the road was at all times dangerous for travellers after dark. There being no fences by the sides, nor a guide post to mark the road in the darkness or the storm, the jury considered the road trustees and their surveyor blameable in not having provided these protections, and expressed a hope that no time would be lost in attending to the matter. Verdict—"Death from the inclemency of the weather."

6th March 1854 (Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser)

At the Tees Side Mining Company monthly meeting the accounts showed balance against the mine £30 9d.

10th March 1854 (Carlisle Journal)

THE "TURBULENT DISTRICT" OF ALSTON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CARLISLE JOURNAL

Sir, —Having just seen the second report of the Select Committee on Police, I have read with some surprise the examination of John Fawcett, Esq., on the 16th June 1853, wherein he states as follows: —"I am not at all acquainted with the lead mining districts of Cumberland but the coal mini9ng district I am acquainted with, though not very extensively. *I never was at Alston*. We have found it rather a *turbulent district.* We have occasionally had to *send troops to quell disturbances* there, but this is some years ago. The occupation of that part of the district by the rural police would enter into my view. I do not anticipate any impediment to the authority of the police from the nature of the occupation of the people.. I do not see that there would be any more difficulty

in controlling them than in controlling coal miners, or weavers, or iron workers, or any other persons. They have only the advantage of being able to run to earth quicker than others."

As Mr Fawcett admits he was never at Alston, and knows nothing about the "turbulent district," I may be excused for enlightening him on the subject by the following statement of facts: —

The population of the parish consists mostly of "turbulent" miners, and numbers little short of 7,000 inhabitants. The magistrates hold a petty session at Alston once a month, and it appears that during the last eight years the average number of informations (exclusive of bastardy informations and matters connected with the parish) amounts to the large number of *thirteen each year* (being just one in a month) as the following table will show.

Statement of informations, convictions, and committals for trial by the Justices at Alston from January 1846 *to January* 1854, viz. —

	Informations	Convictions	Committals
Housebreaking	2		2
Petty thefts	14	3	4
Assaults	44	23	
Trespasses in pursuit of game	20	14	
Malicious injuries and trespasses	16	11	
Drunkenness &c.	26	20	
Vagrants	21	16	
Total	143	87	6

I may further add that 37 of the above informations were against wandering vagrants and strangers to the place.

Mr Fawcett says "we have occasionally had to send troops to quell disturbances there, but this is some time ago." Now. The only occasion on which troops were ever sent to quell disturbances was in or about 1818, when about twenty country lads took it into their heads to *disturb* a few *grouse* which the officials of Greenwich Hospital, the Lords of the Manor, had just then determined upon possessing for their own special amusement. The keepers being unable to take those "Garrigill Lads," a troop of soldiers was thought necessary to be sent upon the Tom-fool errand, and I believe that, at the time parties who most outrageously sent them upon such a shooting excursion got a deserved rap over the knuckles from head-quarters. *See 23rd January 1819*

I beg to tell Mr Fawcett that the paid constable of the parish can now accomplish more than the troop of soldiers were able to do 36 years ago, and can at the same time afford protection against tramps and vagabonds who are daily living upon the charity of the slandered inhabitants.

I would invite Mr Fawcett to visit Alston before he again volunteers his evidence against the inhabitants, and I am much mistaken if he does not find that the "turbulent" miners of Alston Moor require less controlling, are more free from rioting and turbulence, more peaceably disposed, more kind hearted and better educated, both morally and religiously, than any other like class of men in the kingdom.

I am Sir, your obedient servant,

Alston, March 1, 1853. D

24th March 1854 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)

Biddings for 6 tons of Lead Ore, sold by the Tees Side Mining Co., 14th March.

	Metal Band Ore	Tees Side Ore
Locke, Blackett, & Co	£15 12s 6d	£15 6s 3d

31st March 1854 (Durham County Advertiser)

Death From Burning

An inquest was held at Middleton in Teesdale, on the 24th inst., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on the body of Ann Todd, aged 2 years, daughter of Thomas Todd, lead miner. The mother of the child was employed every morning in cleaning the Lead Mining Company's offices, and on the previous morning she had gone out as usual, leaving the children in bed. During her absence they had got up, and by some means the poor child had got its clothes set on fire, and was severely burnt, and died in consequence about three hours afterwards. Verdict — "Accidentally burnt."

7th April 1854 (Carlisle Journal)

Nenthead.—The London Lead Mining Company have, with their usual liberality, very kindly given a donation of six shillings per month to all their workmen, and three shillings per month to all their working boys, during the present high prices of their necessaries of life. As on former instances of their wonted liberality, it has been productive of the best feelings and wishes of the company's numerous body of workmen towards their employers.

15th April 1854 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

Deaths

At North Terrace, on the 14th inst., aged 29, deservedly respected, Mr William Crawhall, son of the late John Crawhall, Esq., of Allenheads.

21st April 1854 (Carlisle Journal)

> **TO LEAD MINE AGENTS.** WANTED, at STONECROFT LEAD MINE, near Hexham, a PERSON capable of Letting, Superintending, and Measuring Work; also, of Surveying and Keeping up Mining Plans and Accounts. Application to be made to Mr. Wm. Benson, Fourstones.

2nd June 1854 (Newcastle Courant)

On Wednesday, an inquest was held at Rope Burn, near Blanchland, before Mr Favell, coroner, on the body of John Atkinson Beck, aged 17. He was employed at the Derwent Mines, Washing, and, on the Tuesday preceding, he was greasing the machinery of the grinding-wheel, when he was caught (apparently by his waistcoat, which was loose) and drawn in by the shafts of the rollers, which were whirling round with great rapidity. He was immediately extricated, but was quite dead.

In 1851, at Shotley High Quarter, John Atkinson Beck, labourer, aged 47, born Blanchland, his wife Elizabeth, aged 40, born Bywell, children John, washer of lead ore, aged 16, Ann 11, and Hannah 8.

In 1861, at Blanchland, John Atkinson Beck, road labourer, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth aged 53, daughter Ann Scott, married, aged 21, and son in law James Scott, farm servant, aged 29, born Sebergham, Cumberland.
Father John A Beck, died 8th March 1863, aged 59, mother Elizabeth died 7th March 1890, aged 83, buried at St Mary, Blanchland

Source: Find a Grave
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7th July 1854 (Carlisle Journal)
Bursting of a Reservoir at Garrigill
Friday last a reservoir belonging to the Bentyfield Lead Mining Company burst, in consequence of the recent heavy rains, and the water rushing out washed down the machinery in a building where the ore is dressed, and destroyed a large quantity of ore.

7th July 1854 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Jeffries Rake, near Blanchland, on the 29th ult., aged 57, Mr Richard Eddy, washer agent to the Derwent Mining Company.
Richard Eddy baptised 3rd April 1796, Father Thomas Mitchel, mother Susannah Eddy.
Richard Eddy married Jane Forster, 28th May 1820, at Blanchland.

In 1841, at Jeffry's Rake, Hunstanworth, Weardale, Richard Eddy, lead ore washer, aged 45, his wife Jane aged 35, children, Joseph 15, Jonathan 13, William 10, Mary 8, Jane 5, Ann 5, and John 3.
In 1851, at Jeffray's Rake, Hunstanworth, Weardale, Richard Eddy, lead ore dresser, aged 54, born Blanchland, his wife Jane aged 51, born Middleton, children, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 28, Jonathan, lead ore dresser, aged 22, William, agricultural servant, aged 19, Mary 17, Jane 14, Ann 14, and John 12. Jane Eddy aged 59, died at Jeffrey's Rake 31st December 1859.

5th August 1854 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
An inquest was held at Boltsburn, in Weardale, on the 31st ult., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on the body of Smith Clemenson *(Clemitson)*, aged 42 years. The deceased lived at Allendale Town, but worked as a labourer in Rookhope. On Monday, the 24th of July, after being away two or three days, he returned to Rookhope, having apparently been drinking to excess, to which he was unhappily addicted. He complained of a pain in his chest, to which he was subject, and was unable to go to work. He continued all the week very poorly, and laid in bed much, but would not have a doctor. On the Saturday morning he became worse, and Mr Arnison, of Stanhope, was sent for, but he died before his arrival. Verdict, "Died from natural causes." The deceased was a noted violin player, and frequenting public-houses got into dissipated habits. He was cousin to John Lough, the famed sculptor.
Smith Clemitson, married Mary Longstaff, at Allendale, 21st September 1835.
In 1841, at Allendale Town, Smith Clemetson, lead ore washer, aged 25, Mary Clemetson aged 30, Robert Clemetson 5, Hannah Clemetson 3, and Robecca Clemetson 1. Mary his wife died 2nd quarter of 1847.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, Smith Clemitson, widow, profession of music, aged 38, children Robert, lead ore washer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Rebecca 11, William 9, and Mary Jane 6.

2nd September 1854 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
RAILWAY EXCURSION.—On Saturday last, by the liberality of the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway Company, between and persons arrived in this town, from the west country. The train, which consisted of about fifteen carriages, brought visitors from Alston, Nenthead, Allendale Town, and Haydon Bridge, many of whom experienced for the first time in their lives the enjoyment of ride upon the rail. The excursionists were accompanied by an excellent band of music from Alston Moor, and the superior manner in which they performed several pieces of music, tended very much to enhance the pleasure of the whole company. The sea-side being invariably the principal attraction for country people, Tynemouth was, of course, the chief place of resort, where they enjoyed for the short time they had to stay, the full benefit of the invigorating sea breeze, and on Monday afternoon returned home by the half-past four o'clock train from the Central Station, in this town, highly delighted with their excursion

6th October 1854 (Carlisle Journal)
Accidental Death
An inquest was held before Mr Lee, deputy coroner, on the 3rd instant, at Nenthead, on view of the body of Ridley Havelock son of William Havelock, miner, aged 3 years, who was found up to his shoulders between the wheels

of a crushing mill, belonging to the Dowgang Mining Company. Deceased was seen upon the gangway leading to the mill, an alarm was immediately given, but before any party could reach him he had fallen into the hopper. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," and accompanied their verdict by a recommendation to the company to erect a protection around the mill to prevent similar accidents.

Ridley Havelock, son of William and Anna Havelock, baptised 1st December 1851, at Nenthead.

In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Anna (Trathan, married 25th June 1836) 34, children Nicholas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Martha 11, Isabella 10, William 7, Richard 5, and John 3.

In 1861, at Overwater, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Anna 44, children Nicholas, lead miner, aged 24, Isabella 20, William, lead ore washer, aged 17, Richard, lead ore washer, 15, John 13, Susannah 4, and grandson, Thomas Havelock 5 months.

In 1871, at Overwater, William Havelock, widow, lead miner, aged 58, children Isabella, house keeper, aged 29, John, lead miner, aged 23, Susannah 14, and Mary Ann 9.

See 3rd December 1870, 3rd August 1872, 22nd April 1882, and 8th December 1894

20th October 1854 (Newcastle Courant)

Durham Michaelmas Sessions

Robert Whitfield, labourer was charged with stealing, on the 26th September, at Middleton in Teesdale, seven rugs and other articles the property of the Governor and Company for Smelting down lead, in Middleton in Teesdale. Mr Davidson stated the case. The prisoner was in the service of the Company, who allowed their workmen the use of three rugs each for bedding while they remain on the premises. The stock was found to be deficient, search was made, and seven of them were found in the prisoners possession, at his own house. Guilty. Two months imprisonment.

20th October 1854 (Durham County Advertiser)

FATAL ACCIDENT. —An inquest was held on the same day, at Low Houses, near Newbiggin, in the parish of Middleton in Teesdale, before Mr. Thornton, on the body of Thomas Beadle. The deceased was employed at the Eggleshope Lead Mine, to shovel out the work from the grinder. On the 11th inst., a laden waggon was coming down the railway to the stopper at a sharp rate, and knocking off the timber which was fixed to stop it, fell below and hit the deceased on the head while he was jumping out of the way. The waggon was in charge of another boy, who had left hold of it for a minute, and the rails being very wet with the rain, and slippery, it had gone beyond its usual speed, and he could not overtake it again. Deceased was removed home, and a surgeon obtained, when he was found to be suffering from concussion of the brain, and died the following morning.

Verdict —Accidentally killed by a blow on the head, producing concussion of the brain. *Widower Mason aged 63*

10th November 1854 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)

Biddings for about 16 tons of Lead Ore at Tees Side Mine,

Providence Ore

Locke, Blackett, and Co. (purchasers)	£13 12s 6d.
W. J. Cookson and Co.	£13 0s 0d

Metal Band Ore

Locke, Blackett, and Co. (purchasers)	£13 5s 0d.
W. J. Cookson and Co.	£13 5s 0d

1st December 1854 (Newcastle Courant)

Presentation on Monday last.

A very handsome gold chain, seal and key were presented to Parkin Lee, Esq., who is about to leave Ninebanks for Australia.

In 1841 Parkin Lee aged 14, was at school in Newcastle, Percy Street, in 1851, he is living at Ninebanks and is listed as a landed proprietor, aged 24, born North Allendale.

Parkin was the son of William and Phillis (Hodgson, married at Kirkhaugh 2nd June 1825) Lee of Ninebanks.

A memorial, at Ninebanks, records: —

To the memory of William Lee, who died at Ninebanks
on the 29th day of January 1844 aged 62 years.
Also of Phillis Lee his wife only daughter of John and Jane Parkin
of Appleby, of Westmorland, who died at Ninebanks 22nd October
1827, aged 42 years.
William Lee their son died 23rd June 1826 aged 16 weeks, and buried at Alston.
This tablet is placed to the memory of his affectionate parents
by their only son Parkin Lee A.D. 1854.

29th June 1863, The Star Ballarat

The Mechanics Institute

The secretary reported having received ten guineas from Mr Parkin Lee. It was resolved, "That Mr Lee's name be added to the list of life members, and that he be informed of the same with the best thanks of the committee.

Parkin Lee invested in the Gold mines and is listed as a shareholder of the EUREKA PROSPECTING, AMALGAMATED GOLD-MINING COMPANY, holding 50 shares. (Gippsland Saturday 8 February 1868)

The Argus(Melbourne) 6th July 1869, lists him as a director of the Clunes and Blackwood Quartz-mining Company.

8th December 1854 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 28th ult., Esther, wife of Mr Thomas Bell, miner.

In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Esther (Lightbourn, married 25th December 1845, at Alston) aged 24, and son Thomas 2 years. See 12th July 1884.

6th January 1855 (Westmorland Gazette)
Marriage
At St. Lawrence Church, Appleby, on the 30th ult., Mr John Hutchinson, mine agent, Alston, to Miss Ann Fearson, of Appleby. *(Ann Salkeld Teason (or Fearon) Atkinson). In 1861, at Chapel Row, Appleby, Ann Hutchinson, widow, aged 32, dressmaker, and daughter Anne, aged 5. See 19th December 1856*

12th January 1855 (Newcastle Chronicle)
THE NORTHERN LEAD MINES *(From the Mining Journal)*
… CUMBERLAND. In Cumberland there are many rich and profitable mines yielding large returns, but mostly in private hands. Of these, the Goldscope and Greensides are doing well and the latter has paid something enormous. The Keswick Mining Company are not yet working to profit, but have better prospects before them. The operations of the company would appear to have been too extended for limited capital, and, by bringing them into a smaller compass, better results may be obtained. At Brandley one of the mines belonging to the company, a very valuable discovery has lately been made. In 1853, the Cumberland returns of lead ore yielded 5,619 tons of lead, and 50,000 ounces of silver. …

12th January 1855 (Durham Chronicle)
THE LEAD MINES IN 1854. — Durham, Northumberland, and Westmoreland, (Says Mr J. Y. Watson, in his mining report of 1854, published in the Mining Journal), yielded ores which produced 15,434 tons of lead and 140.000 ounces of silver: —the largest mines, the East and West Allendale, and Weardale, yielding 11,916 tons of ores or 9,904 tons of lead, and 50,700 ounces of silver— the Derwent mines, 1,330 tons of ore, 1,000 tons of lead, and 16,000 ounces of silver. In Cumberland there are many rich and profitable mines, yielding large returns, mostly in private hands. Of these, Goldscope and Greenside are doing well, and the latter has paid something enormous. The Keswick Mining Company are not yet working to a profit, but have better prospects before them. The operations of the company appear to have been too extended for a limited capital, and, by bringing them into smaller compass, better results may be obtained. At Brandley, one of the mines belonging to the company, a very valuable discovery has lately been made. In 1853, the Cumberland returns of lead ore yielded 5,619 tons of lead and 50,000 ounces of silver.

20th January 1855 (Westmorland Gazette)
AWFULLY SUDDEN DEATH.—An inquest was held at Alston on Wednesday evening last, before Mr. Carrick, county coroner, on the body of Mr. Philip Aydon, aged 29 years. The deceased was a traveller for the firm of Sidney and Rae, wholesale tea dealers, in Newcastle. He left Newcastle on Wednesday morning, by the first train on his Alston journey, and arrived at that town at ten o'clock. He proceeded to Mrs. Errington's, the Blue Bell Inn, where he took a seat in the commercial room. He called Miss Errington and inquired if he could have a gig to Nenthead. He had scarcely uttered the words when Miss Errington observed him to change colour. She asked him if he felt ill, to which he made no reply. She immediately ran into the kitchen and called her mother and a commercial gentleman, who happened to be

present. On entering the room, they found him in a dying state, and he expired in a minute or so. It appeared from the evidence of his brother-in-law, that he had extensive heart disease, an attack of which had nearly proved fatal last summer. He was a young man of a most excellent character. The jury, composed of the principal tradesmen of the town, found a verdict of natural death. The corpse was removed the following morning to Newcastle. —*Carlisle Patriot*

9th February 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 4th ult., Mr Joseph Varty, innkeeper, aged 46 years.
See 20th September 1834, & 25th January 1856

2nd March 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Alston.—A company under the title of the Tynehead Mining Company, with 6,400 shares has just been established at Alston, with the view of extending the operations in the mine, with a spirit commensurate with its anticipated worth. The mine is situate on the north-east slope of Tynehead Fell, in the centre of the richest producing district in England, and the grant extends over 21 years, at dues of one seventh of the ore, including rental. The parish of Alston, in 1850 produced 17,775 bings of ore, and the average yield of the mines for the last one hundred years is rather over than under that quantity.

9th March 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr. Wilson Dickinson, aged 43 miner.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Wilson Dickinson, lead miner, aged 30.
In 1851, at Middle Gate, Penrith, Wilson Dickinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane aged 31, children Tom 4, John 2, and William 3 months. All children born at Penrith.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Jane Dickinson, widow, dressmaker, aged 41, sons Tom, lead miner, aged 14, John, tailor, aged 12, and William 10.

16th March 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Foreshield, on the 8th instant, Mrs Sarah Bell, aged 75 years.
See 12th March 1842
At Lowbyer near Alston, on the 14th inst., Mr William Paull agent to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, aged 58 years.
William Paul married Ann Michell, 26th July 1823, at Gwennap, Cornwall.
Children of William and Ann Paull:
Maria Ann Michell, baptised 18th July 1824, at Gwennap
Joseph Mitchell Paull baptised 1st July 1827, at St. Mewan
Emily Michell baptised 11th December 1828, at St. Mewan
John Henry baptised 3rd April 1830, at St. Mewan
William Davey baptised 3rd April 1830, at St. Mewan
Ann Paull was buried at St Austell, 20th June 1836.
In 1841, at St Austell, Cornwall, William Paull, mine agent, aged 45, Children, Maria 17, Joseph 14, Emily 13, William 11, and John 11.
In 1851, at Lowbyer, Alston, William Paull, widower, Moor Master, aged 55,

born Gwennap, Cornwall, his daughters, Maria Ann, aged 26, born St Austell, and Emily aged 22, born St Austell.
See 1st January 1858, 31st May 1861, 22nd April 1864, 18th July 1868, and 5th June 1875.

6th April 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

LEAD MINE, AND SHARES IN LEAD MINES, FOR SALE

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at Mr. John BIRKETT'S, Crown Inn, ALSTON, on SATURDAY, THE 21st DAY OF APRIL, 1855, AT 3 O'clock P.M., ALL that VALUABLE LEAD ORE MINE, known BY the NAME OF PASTURE FIELD MINE, SITUATE near GARRIGILL, with the Lead Ore now lying, and the Materials tor Working the Mine.

Also, 23-32nd SHARES in CRAIG GREEN NORTH VEIN MINE, and 2-32nd SHARES in NATTRASS RED GRAVES MINE.

For further particulars apply to Mr. JAMES WATSON, Spirit Merchant, Brampton; or to Mr. THOMAS LEE, of Alston.

Brampton, 5th April, 1855.

20th April 1855 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At St John's Church, Oxford Square, on the 18th inst., Thomas Wilson Crawhall Esq., of the Raise, Alston, Cumberland, eldest son of Isaac Crawhall Esq., of Bradley Hall, in this town to Fanny Portmore, youngest daughter of Francis F Fothergill, Esq., of Cambridge Street, Hyde Park.

20th April 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON.—About two hundred of the workmen of the Rodderup Fell Mining Company were plentifully regaled by Thos. W. Crawhall, Esq., the respected manager of the company's works, on the occasion of his marriage, on Wednesday, the 18th inst. After the health of 'the newly-married pair had been proposed by the resident agent and heartily responded to by the workmen, followed by cheers that made the village ring, the men and boys proceeded to spend the afternoon in those amusements for which Cumberland is noted, such as wrestling, a running leap over hurdles, and foot-racing, all of which were contested in a manner that would have done credit to the prize-ring. The sports being ended, the remainder of the evening was spent with appropriate toasts and song. Everything passed off with the greatest harmony, and all returned home highly delighted with the enjoyments of the day.

APPLEBY—COMMITTALS for TRIAL.— At the Magistrates' Office, Appleby, on Tuesday, George Hindmoor, a labouring man, was charged before Robt. Addison, Esq., with stealing a pair of boots, belonging to Richard Hetherington, Garrigill, miner, from a groove shop, at Hardshins Mine, where they were left by Hetherington on his entering the mine on the morning of the 11th instant. In the afternoon they were missing, and another pair of old ones left in their stead. There was snow on the ground at the time, and by the aid of the footprints and enquiries the prisoner was traced to Harewood, and thence to Shield Row, near Gateshead, where he was apprehended wearing the stolen boots. Committed for trial to the Appleby Midsummer Sessions.

Marriages
At Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr John Watson, of Garrigill, to Miss Hannah Watson, daughter of the late Emerson Watson, of Hudgill.
In 1861, at Aimshaugh, Alston, John Watson, farmer of 70 acres, his wife Hannah aged 36, sons, Joseph 5, and Thomas 2.

27th April 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
At Alston Church, on 25th inst, Mr William Thomason of Garrigill to Miss Frances Elliot of Alston.
In 1841, at Cropgill, Garrigill William Thomason, lead miner aged 26, and his wife Elizabeth aged 22.
In 1851, at Bridge End, Garrigill, William Thomason, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Slack married 31st January 1839; Elizabeth died 16th August 1852, aged 35) aged 32, and daughter Mary 9 months.
In 1861, at Bridge End, Garrigill, William Thomason, lead miner, and Methodist lay preacher, aged 46, his wife Frances 40 (daughter of Joseph and Mary Elliot, of Ashgill), and daughter Mary 10. In 1871, at Bridge End, William Thomason, grocer, aged 56, and wife Frances aged 49. Also at Bridge End, Mark Slack, widow, annuitant, aged 91, and servant, Mary Thomason, aged 20. William died 12th July 1879. Mary Thomason married Joseph Currah, 26th April 1877, at St John, Garrigill. Mary died 4th quarter of 1880.
In 1881, at Garrigill, Frances Thomason, widow, grocer, aged 59.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Currah, widow, lead miner, aged 28, and general servant, Margaret Robinson, widow, aged 55. Joseph Currah married Mary Raisbeck August 1883. In 1891, at Stone Cottages, Nenthead, George Raisbeck, unmarried, retired lead miner, aged 65, brother Robert Raisbeck, unmarried, lead miner, aged 46, visitors Joseph Currah, foreman lead ore washer, aged 38, and his wife Mary Currah 50.
In 1891, at Bridge End, Frances Thomason, widow, grocer, aged 69, and general servant, Mary Mitchell, aged 17. Frances died 24th January 1893, aged 72.

"NORTHERN PRIMITIVE METHODISM" by W.M. PATTERSON,
E. Dalton, London, 1909 - p171-183
The membership of the circuit is about 270. How many valuable members and officials have gone from it from time to time to more promising fields of labour at home or across the seas it would be impossible to tell. Like John Shipley, who was converted under Jane Ansdale in 1823, and who went to the Isle of Man in 1831, and rose to eminence in the island, many of the highland sons became a social and spiritual power in the localities in which they settled. Of those who remained at home, tributes to their strength of personality, depth of conviction, tenacity of purpose, warmth of devotion, and generosity and hospitality, are beyond count. The Latimers, the Harrisons, the Pearsons, the Waltons, the Hills, the Thompsons, the Doyles, the Shields, and the Hendersons; W. Thomason, of Garrigill; John Hall, John Holmes, John Davidson, John Wilkinson, Thomas Moffatt, Edward Greenwell, Isaac Watson, and multitudes more among the living and the dead have surrounded Alston, Nenthead, Nentshury, Lilaygill, Garrigill, and the country round with traditions (and nourished them), the recital of which can never cease to inspire generations to come. Nenthead

gave Robert Hind to the ministry. In his recent lamented death a prince has fallen in our Israel. In addition, there have gone into the itinerancy from the circuit G. T. Lovatt, Isaac Cousin, and W. Robson. M. H. Barron, who died at Fernando Po, was born at Wellgill, Nenthead, though his parents afterwards went to reside at Durham. See 5th May 1877, 2nd August 1879, 11th August 1883, 26th September 1891, and 18th April 1914.

Deaths

At Alston, John Readshaw, aged 47 years.

In 1841, at Water Greens, John Readshaw, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Isabella (Pearson, married 5th February 1831, Alston) aged 30, children Jane 9, Mary 4, and Joseph 2. In 1851, at Water Greens, John Readshaw, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children Mary 14, Joseph 12, and Isabella 8. In 1861, at Water Greens, Jane Pearson, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 70, grandchildren Joseph Readshaw, miner & farmer, aged 22, and Isabella Readshaw, dairymaid, aged 18.

28th April 1855 (Carlisle Patriot)

Deaths

At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 22nd inst., Margaret Furnace, aged 66.

Margaret Furnace, baptised 27th December 1788, daughter of Benjamin Furnace of Croft.

In 1841, at Kelloe, Durham, Ann Peart, widow aged 60, and Margaret Furnace, aged 50.

In 1851, at the Workhouse, Alston, Margaret Furnace, aged 62.

26th May 1855 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

COUNTY OF DURHAM INQUESTS.

An inquest was held at Westgate, in Weardale, on the 18th inst., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on the body of Wm. Armstrong, aged 20. The deceased was employed at the Height Ironstone Mine. On the 4th inst., he was boring holes for blasting stone. In trying a hole with a "dresser" to see if it was even, he found a "slough hole" which he intended to fill up with powder, and while drawing it out the powder exploded, and he was thrown four yards off and severely burnt. He died on the 17th. Verdict, "Accidentally killed."

15th June 1855 (Durham County Advertiser)

Death By A Blow. —An inquest was held at Westgate in Weardale, on the 8th inst., on the body of Featherstone Kidd, aged 10 years. The deceased worked with his father at Slit Lead Mine, near Westgate. On the 4th inst., he had been standing near the Whimsey at the mouth of the mine, when the rope got entangled by some means, and a piece of timber flew off and hit the poor boy on the forehead, causing a very deep wound. He was carried home and medical attendance obtained. He died on the morning of the 8th inst.

Verdict —Accidental death.

In 1851, at Kitty Cragg, Stanhope, Joseph Kidd, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Hannah (Featherston, married at St John's Chapel, 12th February 1831) aged 42, children Jane 15, Elizabeth 12, Featherston 6, and Mary Hannah 4.

In 1861, at Kitty Cragg, Joseph Kidd, lead ore washer, aged 53, his wife Hannah 52, daughters Elizabeth 22, Mary H 14, and granddaughter Sarah Kidd 2.

22nd June 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mr. EMERSON COWPER, Innkeeper, ALSTON, on FRIDAY, the 9th of JUNE 1855, at Six o'clock in the Evening, the Property of Mr. JOSEPH HETHERINGTON, consisting of Seven Sixty-fourth Parts or Shares of all that valuable LEAD ORE MINE, known by the name of LADY VEIN. Also 7 Sixty-fourth Parts or Shares in FAR TYNE GREEN Lead Ore Mine, with a like Share of all Ores, Minerals, and Materials belonging the same. The above Mines are situate in the Manor of TYNEHEAD, in the parish of Alston, and are at present producing large quantities of Lead Ore.

Mr. JOSEPH HETHERINGTON, of Garrigill (the Agent), will, on application, show the Mines, and give all further information.

JOHN WOODMASS, Auctioneer.

23rd June 1855 (Carlisle Patriot)

Deaths

At Alston on the 16th inst., Ann daughter of Francis Philipson aged 37.

In 1841, at Hermitage, Garrigill, Francis Philipson, lead miner, aged 60, his daughter Ann 20, and granddaughter, Elizabeth 4 months.

In 1851, at Garrigill, Francis Philipson, widower, lead miner, aged 70, born Northumberland, his daughter Ann 33, born Northumberland, and granddaughter Elizabeth aged 10, born Garrigill.

At Beldy, near Garrigill, on the 19th inst., Hannah daughter of the late Whitfield Dawson, clogger, Alston aged 27.

14th July 1855 (Carlisle Patriot)

Capt. William Jeffrey, of the Driggith Mines, Cumberland, is appointed superintendent of the Tees Side Mines, and commenced his duties a week ago. The long and varied experience of this gentleman in mining, and the erection and working of pumping machinery, is a guarantee that the machinery at these mines will speedily put in order. —*Mining Journal.*

The unfortunate Goldscope Mine (Cumberland), which for the last four months has been under the management and. receivership of Mr. John Taylor, jun., of Queen- street, has, we regret to find, fallen in to a serious extent during the absence of that gentleman in Spain. This catastrophe, added to the fact that the mine is in Chancery, has, at least for the present, destroyed those hopes of its prosperity which were once entertained. This event falls particularly hard upon A. R. Clarke, Esq., the proprietor of 7-9ths of the mine, inasmuch as during his management it was worked successfully. —*Mining Journal.*

18th July 1855 (Teesdale Mercury)

Alderson and others v. Leggett. —This case excited some interest. The plaintiffs are employed at a lead mine, at Spanham, near Bowes, and had contracted with the defendant to drive a "horse-drift," at £2 15s. per fathom. The amount of work to be done was 14½ fathoms. The defendant stated that the work had not been satisfactorily executed. On the pay-day he had retained in his hand a balance of £10, which he contended he had disbursed in making good the unsafe work of the plaintiffs. This balance the plaintiffs sought to

recover. After hearing the evidence. His Honour adjudged the plaintiffs £6. Mr. Coulthard for the plaintiffs, Mr. Barnes for the defendant.

21st July 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 17th inst., aged 26, Elizabeth, wife of Mr Thomas Watson.
Thomas Watson married Elizabeth Tinniswood, 18th December 1850, at Nenthead.
In 1841, at Nenthead Low Hill Top, Elizabeth Tinniswood aged 15, and her sister Ann 10, were working as servants too John Millican, lead mine agent.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Watson, lead mining overman, aged 29, born Middleton, and his wife Elizabeth, aged 21, born Burtreeford.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Thomas Watson, widower, lead mine agent, and local Methodist preacher, aged 40, children, Tinniswood 9, Margaret 7, and his unmarried sister, Hannah Watson, house keeper, aged 32.
Thomas Watson married Mary Bell, 8th September 1862, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Thomas Watson, lead mine agent, aged 50, his wife Mary 45, born Middleton, son Tinniswood, mining office clerk, aged 19, and daughter, Margaret 17.
In 1881, at Middleton Lane, Middleton St George, Thomas Watson, retired lead mine agent, aged 60, his wife Mary 55, and daughter Margaret 27.
Thomas Watson died?
In 1891, at 5 Arthur Street, Darlington, George Bell, widower, miller in north east railway works, aged 60, his sister Mary Watson, widow, aged 65, and niece, Margaret Watson 37.
At Alston, on the 18th inst., aged 65, Mr Thomas Richardson, joiner.
In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, Thomas Richardson, carpenter and joiner, aged 60, his wife Phebe (Armstrong, married 24th November 1821, at Alston) aged 57, sons, Thomas, carpenter & joiner, aged 24, William, carpenter and joiner, aged 18, and Christopher, carpenter and joiner, aged 15.

27th July 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Ayle, near Alston, on the 21st inst., Mr John Lee, aged 60 years.
In 1851, at Ayle, Kirkhaugh, John Lee, widower, farmer of 28 acres, aged 55, daughters, Frances 30, Mary 26, granddaughter, Jane Lee 7, mother, Frances Lee, widow, annuitant, aged 81, and brother, William Lee, landed proprietor, aged 45.
At Nenthead, on the 23rd inst., Mr Ridley Robson, aged 40.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Ridley Robson (son of Ridley & Mary Robson, Ridley snr. Buried 20th March 1836, aged 56), lead miner, aged 25, and James Robson, lead miner aged 15. See 8th May 1875

1st August 1855 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE
FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL
EXHIBITION
The 7th Annual Meeting of the Middleton in Teesdale Floral and Horticultural Society for the exhibition of Flowers, Fruits, and Vegetables, will be held in

the Lead Company's School Room, Middleton, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of AUGUST, 1855.
Doors open for the admission of Specimens for Exhibition at 6 o'clock in the morning.
Exhibitors are particularly requested to bring their specimens punctually at the times specified in the Rules, otherwise they will be excluded.
The Exhibition open to the public at 2 o'clock.
Admission to non-subscribers 6d each until half-past 3 0'clock, after which time 3d each.
The Middleton Amateur Band will be in attendance.

3rd August 1855 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Allendale, at St Peter's, on the 25th ult., Mr Henry T. Walton, of London, to Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr Walton, agent at Allenheads Smelt Mill.

7th August 1855 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS, July 27th.

Before the Rev. Octavius James, and H. W. Friend, Esq. on the 27th of July,

Thomas Bell, of Alston, bonesetter, summoned for unlawfully firing a gun and killing a pigeon, the property Mr. Thirlwall Storey, in Alston Market Place, on the 3rd of July, and breaking two squares of glass in Anthony Walton's window. *Case Compromised.*
Robert White, carter, charged by P.C. Teasdale, with being drunk, and furiously driving his horses and carts on the turnpike road, at Alston, on the 12th July. Fined 10s. 6d., costs included.
Jane Graham, innkeeper, Nenthall, charged by P. C. Teasdale, with keeping her house open, for the sale of spirituous liquors, on Sunday, July 8th. Fined £1 15s., costs included.

On the 4th of August,

Before the above-named gentlemen, ten different trades people, which comprised grocers, butchers, and millers, carrying on business at Alston, Nenthead, and Garrigill, were severally charged, by Mr. Superintendent Robinson, Inspector of Weights and Measures, with having in their shops and other places of business, light and unjust weights, all of which were convicted in penalties varying from 2s. 6d. to £3.

17th August 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Ashgillside, near Alston, on the 10th inst., Mr. Joseph Renwick, aged 65 lead miner.
In 1841, at Ashgillside, Garrigill, Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann aged 50, children Jane 20, David, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Joseph Renwick, retired lead miner, aged 61, his wife Nanney 59, sons David, labourer, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 22.
See 3rd December 1853

7th September 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

TESTIMONIAL OF REGARD. —On Wednesday, the 29th ult., a number of lessees of lead mines, and other friends of Mr. James Stephens, of Lowbyer, Alston, dined together at the Golden Lion Inn, on occasion of presenting him with a silver tea service and a gold watch and chain, as a testimonial of esteem for him during the thirty years he has held the office of Clerk of Ore Deliveries in Alston Moor. Jacob Wilson, Esq., presided, supported by Charles Arnison, Esq., as vice-chairman. After the removal of the cloth, the health of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Prince Albert, and the rest of the Royal family, Emperor and Empress of the French, and other appropriate toasts were drunk, when the president (Mr. Wilson), the oldest lessee of lead mines in the Manor of Alston, presented the testimonial to Mr. Stephens in a very feeling and affectionate manner, giving his testimony to the assiduity and faithfulness with which Mr. Stephens had discharged his onerous duties. The teapot bears the following inscription: —

Presented, together with a sugar basin, cream ewer, gold watch, and appendages, to Mr James Stephens, by the lessees of lead mines on Alston Moor, and other friends to record the esteem and respect entertained for him during the thirty years, he has discharged the duties of Clerk of Ore Deliveries in the Manor of Alston, 1855." Mr. Stephens acknowledged the valuable present in a very appropriate and interesting speech, expressive of his deep sense of the kindness shown him. The value of the testimonial is about £60— of the manufacture of Messrs. Reid and Son, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and it was accompanied with a guinea of the date of 1591, a significant expression of hearty good wishes for the health and prosperity of Mr Stephens and that of his family. The affability and kindness of the venerable chairman, now in his 85th year, the good feeling elicited, and the very agreeable and friendly manner, in which the whole was conducted, rendered the occasion highly pleasing and long to be remembered.

In 1841, at Lowbyer, Alston, James Stephens, clerk of deliveries, aged 40, his wife Lydia (Davis) aged 45, children all born Alston, Lydia 14, William 13, Mary 10, John 7, and Elizabeth 4. In 1851, at Lowbyer, James Stephens, clerk of deliveries, aged 52, born Wendron, Cornwall, Lydia 58, born Sithney, Cornwall, daughters Mary Ann 20, and Elizabeth 14.

In 1861, at Lowbyer, James Stephens, Greenwich Hospital pensioner, aged 62, born and his wife Lydia, aged 69. Lydia died at Alston, 1st quarter of 1863.

In 1861, at 5 George St., East, St Andrews, Newcastle, William Davis Stephens, ship owner, aged 33, and his wife Hannah 32, born Haltwhistle. In 1861, John Stephens, shipping agent, aged 27, was lodging at Westgate, Newcastle.

In 1871, he was lodging at 6 Picton Place, St Andrews, Newcastle, shipbroker, aged 37.

11th September 1855 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At Nenthead, on the 4th inst., Mr Henry James Dalton, of London, to Sarah, youngest daughter of T. Millican, Esq., of Nenthead House.

In 1841, at 24 Wanew Street, Clerkenwell, London, lodger, Henry J Dalton, aged 22, born Middleton Teesdale, was working as a clerk.

In 1861, at Row End, Warcop, Westmorland, Henry James Dalton, farmer of 45 acres, employing 3 labourers, aged 32, born Middleton Teesdale, his wife Sarah, 27, born Nenthead, son William 4, born London, Tinniswood M 2, born London, and Lucy Little Dalton, aged 1, born London.
In 1871, at 92 Bishopsgate, London, Henry J Dalton, carpet & linen warehouse, aged 42, his wife Sarah 37, daughter Lucy L. 11, son Henry 9, Nehew, Henry J Robson, carpet apprentice, aged 20, Nephew, William J Dalton, clerk, aged 16, and servant, Jane Thompson, 20.
Henry James Dalton died at 53 Sutherland Rd., West Croyden, 25th December 1904.
Sarah Dalton died at 17 Hartley Rd., West Croydon, 4th October 1920.

14th September 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 6th inst., Sarah, wife of Mr William Bird, aged 69 years.
See 21st November 1835.

21st September 1855 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At St Peter's Church, Newcastle upon Tyne, on the 19th inst., Mr Wm. Hewitson, of Allenheads, Northumberland, surgeon, to Martha Anne, second surviving daughter of Mr Robert Dees, of Newcastle.

6th October 1855 (Gateshead Observer)
Marriages
At Garrigill, near Alston, on Saturday, by the Rev. J. Harper, Mr Thomas Shield to Eleanor, daughter of Mr T. Millican of Eshgillside. This being the first marriage solemnised at Redwing Meeting House, the newly married couple were presented with a handsome family Bible.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Thomas Shield, lead miner, aged 30, Ellen his wife 31, and daughter Ann E. 7 months.

17th October 1855 (London Daily News)
From Tees Side Mine. "The water is out a little below the 20 fathom level; the appearance of the mine is good, and will work at a profit. The branch of ore in the bottom of the 20 is worth about 1½ ton per fathom. The stopes over the 20 will turn out half a ton per fathom; the ground will stope for £3 per fathom. It will take a little time in clearing the cistern, &c.; when we get the pumps down the water will be cleared In 24 hours. As far as the water is concerned, we can keep that with the greatest ease."

20th October 1855 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Loaning House, near Alston, on the 12th inst., aged 76 years, Robert Bainbridge, Esq. solicitor, universally respected lamented.
Robert Bainbridge married Elizabeth Walton, 17th June 1804, at Alston. Children, Robert Walton, baptised 14th May 1805, Elizabeth, born 19th January 1807, George born 27th January 1809, Hannah baptised 28th December 1813, and Utrick baptised 13th August 1818.

In 1841, at Loaning House, Robert Bainbridge, solicitor, aged 60, and daughter Hannah Bainbridge aged 25.
See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 5th April 1861, 4th January 1873, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

9th November 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

DECIDED BARGAIN, OWING TO THE SCARCITY OF LEAD.

To be SOLD, one 32nd PART or SHARE in that swift yielding LEAD MINE called WEST GREEN HURTH, in the Manor of Teesdale. —Apply to JOHN SALKELD, Junior., General Accountant and Commission Agent, Brunswick House, Penrith.

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.— Friday Nov 2.

(Before the Rev. Octavius James and the Rev. R. W. Friend)

Poachers. — John Nicholson, of Willey Hill, near Renwick, was charged with poaching on an allotment near Gilder Forest. This being the first offence, and the defendant having previously borne a good character, he was fined in the penalty of 13s., costs included. — George Walker, of White Wall, was charged with a similar offence on an allotment in the occupation of Mr Teasdale, of Nenthead, and was fined £2, costs included. — Geo. Lee and Cooper Barnes, miners, both of Clog Hall, were charged with the same offence on lands in the occupation of Mr Madgin. Fined 13s 6d. each, costs included.

Assaulting a Policeman Thomas Carr, of Nenthead, was charged with assaulting police constable Iredale, while in the discharge of his duty, at Alston. Fined 10s. – Hugh Yeates, of Dryburn, was charged with being drunk and disorderly in the streets of Aston on the night of the 2nd inst., and with having then and there assaulted and obstructed the police. Fined 6s.

Deaths

At Allenheads, on the 1st inst., Jane wife of Thomas Sopwith, Esq., aged 48 years, deeply lamented.

At Rice, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mr Joseph Craig, aged 28 years.

14 November 1855 (Teesdale Mercury)

Fatal Accident near Middleton-in-Teesdale. —On Tuesday, the 6th inst., a young man, named Robinson, employed at Colebury Lead Mine, met with his death under the following melancholy circumstances. It appears that he was engaged near some machinery used in bruising the lead ore, and his clothing becoming entangled, he was drawn in, and before he could be extricated, was so shockingly crushed that his death must have been almost instantaneous.

Henry Robinson, aged 19 was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton in Teesdale 9th November 1855
George Robinson married Margaret Bainbridge 15th May 1833, at Middleton in Teesdale.
In 1841, at Forest of Frith, Middleton, George Robinson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Margaret 36, children James 7, Henry 4, David 1, and Ann Bainbridge, servant, aged 18.
In 1851, at Bell House, Newbiggin, Teesdale, George Robinson, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Margaret 45, children James lead miner, aged 16, Henry lead miner, aged 14, and David 12
In 1861, at Bell House, Newbiggin, Teesdale, George Robinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 68, his wife Margaret 55, son, David, lead miner, aged 21,

Hannah Bell, house servant aged 17, son, James lead miner, aged 26, daughter in law Mary aged 24, grandson, Henry aged 2, and visitor Elizabeth Parkin, carters daughter, aged 18.
George Robinson died 2nd quarter 1867, aged 74.

In 1871 at Townend, Middleton, Ann Watson, miners widow, aged 40, children, George, lead miner, aged 19, Hanah 17, James, lead ore worker, aged 15, Mary 11, Henry 9, David 7, Margret Ann 5, and mother, Margaret Robinson, miners widow, aged 66.
Margaret Robinson died 1st quarter 1873, aged 67.

19th November 1855 (Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser)
At Tees Side Mining Company meeting the accounts showed a balance against mine, £435 3s. 6d; a call of 1s. 6d. per share was made. *Mining Journal*

23rd November 1855 (Newcastle Courant)
SINGULAR NOTION OF CHARITY.—It will no doubt be within the recollection of many of our readers that, some time ago, a person, calling himself Isaac Holden, of Allendale Town, visited most of the towns and villages in Northumberland and the adjoining counties, selling an engraved portrait of himself, which, he stated, was for a charitable purpose; he has now completed his object, and, on Tuesday last, the day appointed for making his intention known, handed the following resolution to the proper authorities, at Allendale Town, accompanied with some lines of poetry, which are not suitable for a newspaper; —"It is with feelings of gratitude I am enabled, by the blessing of God, to let my kind friends know that I have sold 658 portraits, with the profits of which I intend buying a hearse for the church at Ninebanks, West Allen, Northumberland. As there has never been one at that place before, and many of the dead are a good distance from the "house appointed for ail living," I have no doubt it will be a great benefit to that part of the country. —ISAAC HOLDEN, Allendale Town, November 20,1855
Isaac sold a Daguerreotype photograph of himself to raise the funds mentioned above.
In 1841, at Allendale Town, Isaac Holden, grocer, aged 30, his wife Ann (Teailford, married 13th December 1834) aged 25, children Maria 4, and Mary 2 years, Mary died 1st December 1846, aged 7 years.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, Isaac Holden, grocer and tea dealer, aged 47, his wife Ann aged 40, and daughter Maria aged 14, born Allendale.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, Ann Holden, widow of grocer, aged 48, and daughter Maria aged 24.
In 1871, at Allendale Town Ann Holden, widow, aged 60. In both 1861 and 1871 census Ann's place of birth is listed as Stanhope, Durham.
Ann Holden died 19th August 1872
Maria Holden, married John Forster, 3rd quarter of 1864; in 1871 at Allendale Town, John Forster, aged 32, bookseller, stationer and grocer, his wife Maria aged 34, and son Joseph J. aged 2 years. The epitaphs for Allendale, state that John and Maria had two sons who died in infancy, both named Isaac Holden Forster, the deaths are given as 26th December 1865, aged 9 months, and 23rd December 1866 aged 3 months. Maria died 21st November 1871, aged 55.

Isaac Holden www.bbc.co.uk/ahistoryoftheworld

Isaac grew up at Mohope in the West Allen he worked on the washing floor of the lead mine and at about 13 years of age, as a lead miner at the Hartleycleugh lead mine.
At St Cuthbert's Church, Allendale there is a memorial to Isaac (Obelisk) on which is said: —"In memory of Isaac Holden, a native of this parish who died November 12 1857 aged 51 years. He gained the esteem and respect of the public by his untiring diligence in originating works of charity and public usefulness. Upwards of 600 persons subscribed to erect this monument".
See 22nd April 1853, & 24th August 1872.

24th November 1855 (Carlisle Patriot)
THE LEAD MINES.—The following is the agent's report of the Keswick mines, dated the 10th inst.:—"At the Brandley Mine, the 48 fm. level south, I am happy to say, has improved during the week, and we have now a beautiful lode worth 15 cwts. of ore per fothom. In the 40 north there is but little change. Lode small, and worth 6 cwts. of ore per fathom. In the rise in the back of this level there is good lode, which will produce 20 cwts. of ore per fathom. In the 30 fathom level north we have intersected a string which has thrown the lode out of its course. The lode is worth from 5 to 6 cwts. per fathom, but the ground is hard and wet. The salt sump stopes south will yield from 12 to 15 cwt. per fathom, the north stopes 5 cwts. per fathom. In the 30 fathom south, No. 1 stope is worth from 6 to 8 cwts., and No, 12 stope, 2 cwts. of ore per fathom. In Lancaster rise we have a very strong lode, worth 8 cwts. per fathom. At Thornthwaite mine the lode in the drift is poorer, worth about 8 cwts. of ore per fathom."

7th December 1855 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Ballarat, Australia, on the 16th July Mr David Reilly of West Auckland Durham, to Hannah 2nd daughter of Mr John Pattinson agent for the Weardale Iron Company, Stanhope Burn Ironworks, Stanhope.

14th December 1855 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mr John Davidson to Mrs Elizabeth Gibson, both of Alston.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Gibson, innkeeper, aged 32, born Kirbythore, his wife Elizabeth 39, born Kirkoswald, niece, Sarah Westmorland 7, and servant, Elizabeth Varty 14.

At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr Jonathan Parmely, of Slaggyburn, to Miss Hannah Bell, of Alston.

Deaths

At Fourdargue near Alston, on the 12th inst., Ann wife of Joseph Kindred, aged 28 years. *See 8th February 1870*

15th December 1855 (Westmorland Gazette)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS, DECEMBER 7TH

(Before H. W. Friend, Esq., and the Rev. Octavius James)

John Kersopp, of Park, near Alston, miner, charged by John Spark, game watcher, with poaching on Gilerdale Forest, on the 5th of November last. Fined £2. including costs.

John Walton, also of Park, charged by Walter Spark, game keeper, with poaching ou Gilerdale Forest, on the 10th of November last.

Fined £2. including costs.

Elizabeth Thompson of Alston, alleged that Wm. Craig, of Alston was the father of her illegitimate child. This case had been adjourned from the previous petty Sessions in consequcnee of the very conflicting evidence given on that occasion for the defence. Craig alleged the probability of Thomas Lee, of Alston, draper, being the father of this child, and called a number of witnesses to prove that they had seen Mr. Lee in company with Elizabeth Thompson at late hours of the night, on several occasions. The evidence for the defence did not materially shake thei evidence of Miss Thompson, and her statement being sufficiently corroborated, the Magistrates made an order, upon Craig for 1s. 6d. per week and costs.

28th December 1855 (Durham County Advertiser)

Mining in the Alston Moor District.—In compliance with the wishes of many of the shareholders, the committee of management of the Nether Hearth Lead Mire have prepared an elaborate prospectus, Containing much interesting information on the history of that mine and district. The mines in Alston Moor, held under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, have been extremely productive; the Moor Master's book showing that, for the three triennial periods, ending 1768, 1827, and 1850, the produce was respectively, 24,732 tons, 30,973 tons, and 20,274 tons. In Forster's Strat, published in 1821, it is stated that the district does not possess that sublimity of soil which characterises many portions of the globe, but is rich in valuable deposits of lead, ore, and invariably astonishes mineralogists who have visited the rich mines of more celebrated countries; it has, however, been strangely neglected by scientific men. The Nether Hearth Mine is situate ten miles from Alston, Cumberland; is bounded on the north by the River Tees, at the point where the counties of Durham, Cumberland and Westmoreland, join and is near the mines, of Mr W. B. Beaumont and the Loudon Lead Company. The grant is

held for 21 years, from 1855 at 1-7th dues for the Tynebottom limestone, and 1-10 for the remainder, payable in ore at the mine, and no other rent; with abundance of water power, &c., free of charge. It has been worked for lead from time immemorial, and the surface at the western part of the sett has the appearance of an immense rabbit warren, caused by the heaps thrown up in the search for ore, large quantities of which have been raised by surface workings. The company who held the sett previous to the present one, were principally working men, and during the twenty years they worked it they obtained 1014 tons 15 cwt. of ore. The average number of pickmen employed was five; the ore was principally got at a depth of 6 or 7 fms, and nowhere deeper than 13 fms. The average price obtained for the ore was £9. 7s. 6d per ton; and the last ore sold by the present company realised £16 10s. per ton. The mine has been inspected and reported on by Messrs. John Hitchins, Capt. W. Jeffrey, and John Calvert, whose reports agree as to the value and durability of the mine, But 2s per share (£640) has been paid up; while one-half has always been returned in dividends, and another just approaching.

4th January 1856 (Durham County Advertiser)
MINING IN NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.—The *Mining Journal* in a review of mining in Northumberland and Durham in 1855 has the following: The mines here are chiefly private property: and among them East and West Allendale and Weardale sold lead ores in 1844 to the extent of 12,220 tons, yielding 9200 tons of lead and 49,000 oz. of silver, against 11,916 tons of ore, 9904 tone of lead, and 40,700 ozs. of silver in the previous year, from which it would appear the ores of 1853 were much the richest for lead as well as silver. Little Egglescope, 2861 tons of ore, and 2117 of lead; Wiregill, 2207 tons of ore, and 895 tons of, lead; the Derwent Mines, 1000 tons of ore, 800 of lead and 15,000 ozs. of silver. These mines show a falling off as compared with the previous return of 330 tons of ore, 200 tons of lead, and 1600 ozs. of silver. Total return of these counties, 22,329 tons of ore, 16,669 tons of lead, and 78,577 ozs. of silver.

18th January 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr John Woodmass, auctioneer and mining agent, aged 44.
See 20th June 1868
At Alston, on the 13th inst., Mrs Elizabeth Emerson, aged 103.
In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, Elizabeth Emerson, widow, pauper, aged 97, born, Williamswick, Northumberland, daughter, Sarah Brown, widow, pauper, aged 74, born Kirkhaugh, and lodger, William Lattimer, cartman, aged 45.
At Fourdargue, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Joseph, son of Mr Joseph Walton, relieving officer, aged 23.
See 25th February 1860, 4th November 1871, & 2nd September 1876.

25th January 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
GARRIGILL
The Independent Brass Band belonging to Garrigill, held their annual festival at the house of Mrs Varty, innkeeper, Dragon Inn, on Friday evening, the 18th inst., when a supper was provided for the occasion. At 6 o'clock the band

accompanied by the Nenthead band, paraded the village. The night was calm and serene, and the music performed comprised some of the most beautiful pieces of the day. At 7 o'clock the cloth was spread for supper, when upwards of eighty sat down, and did ample justice to the delicacies provided by the worthy hostess.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr Wm. Brown, aged 75 years.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Brown, pauper, retired mason, aged 70, and Ann Parker, housekeeper, aged 54.

2nd February 1856 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

Deaths

In Hindhaugh Street, on the 30th ult., aged 44, Mr John Liddle, lead miner.

6th February 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON.—On Monday, the 21st inst., a beautiful Time-piece and Gold Pencil-case (purchased of Messrs. Reid & Son, Newcastle upon Tyne) were presented to Mr John Hyslop, Master of the Lead Company's School, Middleton in Teesdale, by a few of his former pupils, as a testimonial of their esteem for the diligent discharge of his duties as a teacher, when under his tuition. *See the Probate of John Hyslop dated 1885*

8th February 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Corn Mill, on the 2nd inst., Mr John Keenlyside, carrier, of Buckshot, near Blanchland, to Ruth, youngest daughter of Mr John Liddle, washing master, Byrup, near Allenheads.

23rd February 1856 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Arkendale, near Reeth. On the 16th inst. very suddenly, aged 34, Mr Robert Barningham, lead miner.

James Barningham (son of John, baptised 16th January 1779) married Margaret Marr at Arkengarthdale, 15th December 1805.
Children of James and Margaret Barningham:
John baptised 30th November 1806
Hannah baptised 21st May 1809
James baptised 30th December 1810, buried 3rd July 1817
Thomas baptised 28th February 1813
George baptised 29th October 1815
James baptised 9th August 1818
Christopher baptised 15th April 1821
Robert baptised 4th April 1824
Anne baptised 4th November 1827
All at Akengarthdale.

Margaret Barningham wife of James was buried 5th September 1839, James was buried 28th September 1847, both at Arkengarthdale.
In 1841, at Old Yard, Arkengarthdale, James Barningham 61, Hannah 30, Christopher 20, Robert 16, Ann 14, and John 10 (son of Hannah

Barningham?). In 1851 at Arkengarthdale, Yorkshire, Robert Barningham, unmarried, lead miner, aged 26, and Ann Barningham, servant, aged 23.

23rd February 1856 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Allendale, in Wentworth Place, on the 16th inst. aged 71, much and deservedly respected, Margaret, widow of the late Mr William Johnson, many years agent at the Nenthead Smelting Works, Cumberland.
William Johnson married Margaret Lee, 12th October 1811, at Allendale.
In 1841, at Nenthead Market Place, William Johnson, smelting agent, aged 57, and his wife Margaret aged 57.
William Johnson died 16th June 1845, at Nenthead.
In 1851, at Wentworth Place, Allendale, Margaret Johnson, widow, annuitant, aged 66, born Allendale. See 21st June 1845.

29th February 1856 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Daddry Shield, Weardale, on the 26th inst., aged 46, much respected, Mr Joseph Featherston Martindale, provision dealer.

8th March 1856 (Newcastle Journal)
MARRIAGE OF W. B. BEAUMONT, ESQ. M.P
The marriage of Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq., M.P. for the Southern Division of the county of Northumberland, with the Lady Margaret-Anne De Burgh, fourth daughter of the Marques of Clanricarde, which took place in London, was celebrated over the vast estates of the hon. gentleman in Northumberland, and more especially in the towns and villages connected with them, with great rejoicing and unbounded joy on Thursday last. By daybreak, several guns at Hexham, Bywell, Allendale, and other places in the county, ushered in the festivities of the day, and these were followed by the display of banners, the ringing of bells, and the parading of bands playing festive music. At Newcastle-upon-Tyne also, as at other places in the Southern Division, the day was appropriately celebrated, and at intervals throughout the day, the ringers clammed the bells together in imitation of a *feu de joie*. The system of “firing" the bells is quite a novelty in this town, and created no little attention on account of the peculiar and joyous effect it produced.
CELEBRATION IN THE MINING DISTRICTS. In the several mining and smelting establishments in Allendale and Weardale, extensive arrangements were made for various festivities. At Allenheads, flags were hoisted at sunrise; one of them, of large dimensions, waving proudly on the summit of Kilhope, at the elevation of 2200 feet above the level of the sea. Gratuities to the amount of £200 were distributed amongst the necessitous and deserving poor in East and West Weardale, and at Newhouse, The children in the principal schools, supported by Mr. Beaumont, had breakfast, and in the evening the miners, smelters, and their families were invited to a dance and other entertainments, in which they heartily participated. In the library at Allenheads, a large number of poor persons were supplied with refreshments, as were also the school children; but a dinner and ball were deferred, in consequence of an accident, which rendered any extensive festivity incompatible with the public feeling in this particular district.

11th March 1856 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.

Before Thomas Wilson, Esq., H. W. Friend, Esq.,
and the Rev. Octavius James, March 8th

William Atkinson, of Lowbyer, coal agent, was summoned by Phoebe Davidson, as putative father of her child. Mr. Cant, of Penrith, appeared for complainant, and Mr. Beudle Moor for defendant. Case dismissed.

Joseph Lancaster, of Garrigill, miner, was summoned by Hannah Coulthard, as putative father of her child. Mr. Cant appeared for defendant. Case dismissed.

Isaac Todd, of Annewell, miner, was summoned br Elizabeth Bramwell, as putative father of her child. Mr. B. Moor for complainant, and Mr. Cant for defendant. Ordered to pay 1s 6d per week and costs.

Thomas Dickinson, of Alston, miner, a great, sturdy looking fellow, was summoned for assaulting John Stout, of Garrigill, innkeeper, on the 22nd of December last. It appeared that Stout and Dickinson met in the Royal Oak, Alston. Dickinson owed Stout some money for drink, and it being more than Dickinson thought, he struck Stout on the face. John Thompson, Alston, corroborated Stout's statement. Fined 20s and 13s 6d costs. In default committed two months.

Dickinson was also charged with having assaulted Matthew Harrison, of Alston, innkeeper, on the 22nd of December last. About ten o'clock at night, Dickinson went into Harrison's public house and committed an assault upon a man named Bramwell. Harrison and his wife, thinking that Dickinson was going to kill the man, took hold of him in order to make him desist, when he committed an onslaught upon all that came in his way. The landlord got two black eyes and a bloody nose; a man called White a black eye; Bramwell a black eye; and Harrison's wife had her breasts discoloured by blows from Dickinson. Also a Sergeant of the 63rd regiment of foot, billeted in the house, was violently assaulted. P.C. Teasdale was called in, when he found Dickinson with his clothes off, and kicking a man lying on the floor. He took hold of him in order to rescue the man, when he immediately seized him by the throat, and nearly strangled him. Mr. Cant appeared for Mr.Harrison. Fined £2, &. 19s 6d costs, or two months for the assault. Fined £5, and 10s 6d costs, for the assault on the police, or two months.

Joseph Todd, of Alston, miner, charged with rescuing Dickinson from the custody of the P.C. Teasdale, when bringing him out of Harrison's. Fined 20s. including costs.

12 March 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

FIRE AT ALLENHEADS MINES.

On Monday evening, the 3rd inst., the timber in one of the underground shafts of Allenhead lead mines was discovered to be on fire, and the shaft together with the adjacent workings and galleries of the mine became filled with dense smoke, from the effects of which, two boys, aged about 17, unfortunately perished. This part; of the mine continued, during the whole of Tuesday, to be unapproachable, and it was not until Wednesday morning that the bodies were found. The names of the sufferers were John Sanderson and Isaac Short; and

the melancholy event has caused much gloom amongst the inhabitants, accidents in the mine being of so rare occurrence that nothing of a serious character has occurred during the last five years.

14th March 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS. March 8.

(Before Thomas Wilson and H. W. Friend, Esqs. and Rev. O. James)

Thomas Dickinson, miner was convicted of committing an assault upon John Garrigill, innkeeper, and was fined 20s and 13s 6d costs, or, in default two months imprisonment. He was also convicted of assaulting Matthew Harrison, innkeeper, and fined £2, and 17s 6d costs. For assaulting a policeman he was fined £5, and 10s costs, or in default, two months imprisonment. Total for the three assaults, £10 3s 6d, or in default, six months imprisonment. Joseph Todd, miner, was fined 20s, costs included, for attempting to rescue Dickinson from the custody of the police.

21st March 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Red Hill, Surrey, on the 9th inst., aged 67, Thomas son of the late Mr Thomas Dodd, of Nenthead, Cumberland, many years mining agent to the London Lead Company.

Thomas married Nancy Teasdale on 10 October 1807, they had two children Simon and William both baptised on 10 June 1816.

In 1851, at Slaithwaite, Almondbury, Yorkshire, Thomas Dodd, married, aged 62, surveyor and Civil Engineer was lodging with John Briscoe and his family, John Briscoe born Cheshire, aged 36 is listed as a time keeper, his wife Mary Briscoe, born Alston, Cumberland, aged 33, children, Elizabeth Whitfield, born Alston, aged 7, Ann Briscoe, born Marsden, Yorkshire, aged 4, William Briscoe, born Marsden, Yorkshire, aged 3, Mary Briscoe, born Marsden, Yorkshire, aged 2, and Margaret Briscoe, born Marsden, Yorkshire, aged 1. See3rd December 1859, 14th October 1871, 4th May 1872, 15th February 1873, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882, 21st July 1888.

4th April 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

SUDDEN DEATH.—An inquest was held before Mr. Lee, deputy coroner, on the 29th ult., at Nenthead, on view of the body of Mary Wilkinson, wife of Matthew Wilkinson, smelter. On the morning of the preceding day, about one o'clock, deceased was found dead lying upon the floor close to her bed; her night clothes nearly burnt off. A box of lucifer matches were found lying upon the floor, and the remains of two matches which had been ignited lying close beside her. It is supposed that she had risen from bed, as she usually did, to ascertain the time for awakening her husband to go to his work, and had suddenly died from the effects of chronic heart disease, fallen upon the floor, and the fire had communicated itself to the bedclothes. Her husband was awoke from the suffocating effects of the smoke and found deceased as above stated. A grandchild slept with them, and lodgers were sleeping in the adjoining apartment. They heard no noise until the husband called to them for assistance. Deceased had a mark upon her forehead, apparently caused by a fall upon the floor. Neither the mark nor the burns upon the body were of that

serious character as to lead the jury to the conclusion that death was caused either by violence or from fire. Verdict, “natural death.”
See 29th April 1862 & 24th February 1872

4th April 1856 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At St. John’s, on the 3rd inst., Mr Cowper Cain, of Chapel, Weardale, to Miss Elizabeth Bottomley, of this town.
In 1861, at St. John’s, Stanhope, at Manchester House, Cowper Cain, Draper, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 34, daughter Elizabeth 2, and Lydia Teasdale, servant, aged 24.
In 1871, at Darlington, Northgate, Cowper Cain, draper, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, daughters Elizabeth Ann 12, Mary Cowper 7, and Charlotte Watson, general servant, aged 18.
In 1881, at Darlington, 87 Northgate, Cowper Cain, Draper etc. Employing 2 Milliners & 2 Assistants, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth Renwich, aged 55, daughter, Mary Cowper 17, and Jane Ann Shaw, general servant, aged 20.
See 3rd September 1852, and 7th September 1895.
For family connections (Cain) see 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

23rd April 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)
LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE.
The early history of Load Mining in Teesdale it wrapt in so much obscurity that our conclusions must, to a great extent, be drawn from conjecture. It has been surmised that the Romans wrought lead mines, and also procured iron in the district: whether this was actually the case or not, is more than we would venture to assert, but, at the same time, there are facts which conspire to give plausibility to the conjecture.
That the Romans procured lead ore and smelted it in Britain is fully established, for in the British Museum, two-piece of lead are preserved, bearing the Roman stamp. Derbyshire and Cornwall are pointed out as the localities from whence the Romans drew their supply of lead, but it does not follow that these were the only ones. Teesdale, and the adjacent dales, have proved the most productive fields of any in the kingdom, and we may conclude that a clever, energetic, and adventurous people like the Romans, would not be slow to avail them selves of the mineral wealth of this region. This surmise is strengthened from the fact that “Bale Hills,” composed of slags and other debris, the residue of smelting operations, are numerous in the district. Now, the identity of the form of smelting, evidenced by these slags, and other remains which are acknowledged to be Roman in their origin, urge, us to the conclusion that lead mining, and the smelting of lead ore in Teesdale, are as ancient in their date as in other parts of the kingdom. Wood was uniformly used for smelting, either in its native state, or in the form of charcoal and the abundant forests then existing in Teesdale, would form a powerful inducement to mining speculation.
About ten years ago, a successful effort to obtain lead from one of these bale hills, took place at the Gaunless Smelt Mill. Some workmen in the employ of Mr. Mark Sherlock had observed a large accumulation of ancient slags at

Penny-hill plantation, about a mile from the lead mill. They were at first uncertain as to whether the slags were the remains of lead or iron ore, but after assaying a portion, the fact that the slags were of lead was satisfactorily proved. The adventurers having made all necessary arrangements with the proper authorities set energetically to work. The whole of the slags were carted to the lead mill, and after undergoing the usual series of operations, produced upwards of 296 cwt. of lead.

Whilst these slags were being removed, unmistakable tokens were found that not only had lead ore been smelted on the spot, but also sheet lead manufactured. Numerous scraps of sheet lead were discovered, together with a considerable quantity of fine loamy sand, unlike any other in this locality, and probably brought from a distance. By means of this sand a small pit had been formed, into which the lead ore had been run, and at the bottom of this pit was found a piece of lead three or four stones in weight. Even if the process of smelting had not been here conducted by the Romans, we may hazard the conjecture that these primitive works date back to a period antecedent to the Norman conquest; and it is not unlikely that the sheet lead manufactured on this desolate height was used for covering the roofs of some of the earlier churches erected in Teesdale.

We may suppose that mining speculations would be but little followed in England, for a long period after the Conquest. The barons were warlike in their propensities, and, as they were of the dominant race, the pursuits of peaceful industry would meet with no encouragement. Even after the Normans and Saxons had begun to amalgamate, the wasting foreign wars in which the English monarchs were perpetually engaged, would have the effect of denuding the country both of its population and its treasure. The destructive and fearful contest, which, in the 15th century, raged between the rival houses of York and Lancaster, also contributed to prolong the era of ignorance and crime not unaptly known as the “dark ages." These and similar causes would prevent the commercial resources of the country from being developed, and it is likely that mining operations, if conducted at all, would be carried on to a very limited extent.

Mining would probably be resumed in Teesdale after the Tudor dynasty got firmly seated on the throne; and, if any records previously existed they have been irretrievably lost. It is authentically stated that, in the reign of Edward the Sixth, lead mines were worked in the parish of Eggleston. Tools and implements have, however, at various times been discovered, which bear the impress of a much earlier date. (To be continued)

25th April 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

A FORTUNATE MINER.— Died, at High Shields, near Hexham, on the 21st inst., Mr. Robert Walton Bell. Mr. Bell, who in 1850 was suddenly called from an obscure station in life, to succeed his relative at High Shield, and to inherit the wealth of the well known "Michael Bell, of Hexham,"—seemed to bear the sudden transition with a meek and quiet spirit. He had been a working miner at Nenthead, and came very unexpectedly to inherit the broad acres High Shield, and the pleasant fields on the southern margin of Hexham. He was speedily elected a guardian of the poor, and was a member of the board of health from its formation, which office he filled with satisfaction to the public. Mr Bell had

early been connected with the Wesleyan Methodists, and adhered to that body, by whom and by many others he was highly esteemed.

Robert Walton, born 6th February 1800, illegitimate child of Elizabeth Walton, of Nenthead.

In 1841, at Donk Hall, Nenthead, Robert Walton (Bell), lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth aged 42, born Alston, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, shepherd, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 11, Mary 9, Jacob 5, and William 4.

In 1851, at High Shield, Hexham, Robert Bell, landed proprietor, aged 51, born Hexham, his wife Elizabeth, 52, children, Robert 26, Elizabeth 23, Jonathan 21, Jacob 16, house servants, Barbara Walker 25, and Margaret Storey 20.

30th April 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

HISTORY OF LEAD MINING TEESDALE.

Continued from our last.

Having glanced at the ancient history of Mining in Teesdale, we now come to an era in which the mists that have enshrouded our past history clear away, and a new epoch dawns upon us, in which mining speculations hare been carried on with the spirit and enterprise which have raised Teesdale to its present eminence as a mining field, and bestowed upon the population those substantial blessings which render their lot an enviable one compared with that which their fathers experienced.

As we hare no records to shew that mining speculations, previous to this period, were conducted on scientific principles, and as it is essentially necessary for the uninitiated (if they would form-an idea how mining operations are conducted) to have an outline of the characteristics of our mineral veins, perhaps a slight digression on that head mat not be out of place.

Lead veins are divided by Mr. W. Foster, in his “Sections of the Strata," into various kinds. Those, which are productive, run nearly east and west, and are called rake veins. Some of these are called gash veins, from being widest at the top, and gradually contracting until they terminate in the lower sills. Others, which he denominates slip veins, shew more diversity in their form, and have the appearance of a number of irregular steps, from the sloping of the strata in different places. Pipe veins, again, are more circular in their form, and lie at every variety of inclination from the perpendicular; but they seldom if ever assume a horizontal direction. Then there is the flat or dilated vein, which opens out horizontally, not unfrequently to a considerable width. In addition to these varieties of veins, there are frequently lodes forming junctions with them, like branches of trees, leaving the main vein in every direction; and transverse or cross veins, which are never, so far as we know, productive—not only so, but they in general destroy the productiveness of the vein they intersect. These veins often make a great disruption in the strata through which they pass; a very remarkable instance of which was discovered a few years ago at Close House Mine, where some workmen employed by the Lead Company, in driving a level, came to a cross vein, and after getting through it, found that the strata on the opposite side was thrown up 90 fathoms.

The sides of a vein are called its cheeks, and, in Teesdale, the veins have an inclination, or, as miners call it, a hade, towards the north; and the strata, unless interrupted by the crossing of a vein, or some other cause, rises

towards the west. The interior of the vein presents a great diversity of forms. Sometimes the rock throughout is sparingly mixed or impregnated with ore; at other times there are ribs of pure galena, at certain distances from each other, varying in thickness; and at other times a single rib in the vein is 2 or 3 feet thick. Occasionally the veins open into irregular chasms, containing water, and mingled with the water are gravel, clay, detached fragments of rock, and pieces of galena in nearly a pure state. As a rule, wet veins are more productive than dry ones, and this goes to support the theory that they are formed through mineral springs. Another fact which strengthens this conclusion is that the ore procured nearest the surface runs more easily in smelting; and if that which is worse to work be exposed to the atmosphere, its porosity is increased, and it is more easily acted upon. From this we would infer that the ore at the bottom of the rein is first deposited, and the deposit is continued through an indefinite period, until the fissures are filled up.

According to recent experiments, it is highly probable that the wonderful agency of Electricity has been manifested in the beautiful processes carried on in Nature's subterranean laboratory. This is the more apparent from the fact that the cheeks of veins frequently bear evidence of having been subjected to the action of very powerful heat, such as electricity is calculated to produce, and the ores procured from these reins are generally blue or sulphate of lead, and white or carbonate of lead, which latter is produced in much smaller quantities than the former. On the top of the vein in what the miners call a rider, which sometimes runs out to the surface, and consists generally of different kinds of spar, impregnated with ore, and in some cases mixed with the ores of iron, copper, zinc, and other metals. This rider often bears down a considerable depth into the centre of the vein, and in other cases there is a post 2 or 3 feet thick on each side. The width of the veins in Teesdale varies from 2 or 3 feet to 30 feet and upwards. The best ores are those, of course, which contain the greatest percentage of lead, and are most free from an admixture with other metals. The best ores seldom contain less than 15 or 20 per cent of sulphur; but, while the inferior ores contain a less percentage of lead, they also contain a much larger amount of silver. This is accounted for on the ground that the other metals which are found in combination with the lead, while in the form of ore, cannot be separated, on account of their weight, in the process of washing; but, when the smelting takes place, the silver is released from its combination with the other metals, and having a strong affinity for lead, amalgamates with it The average amount of silver contained in the Teesdale ores is 10 oz. per fother of 21 cwt.; so that, if a mine will yield lead of a good quality, with this amount of silver, it is more profitable than if the percentage of silver was rather greater, and the lead of an inferior quality.

Having given this short outline of the character of our mineral veins and their productions, we resume the thread of our history. The London Lead Mining Company commenced their works in Teesdale more than 150 years ago, and the principal motive, which influenced them, was one of a philanthropic character. Several gentlemen belonging the society of Friends, travelling in Teesdale, had their attention arrested, and their sympathies aroused, by the signs of poverty and destitution which they beheld and, with the characteristic benevolence of the religious denomination they belonged, began to think of the best means of ameliorating the condition of the working people. The

conclusion they came to was, that the readiest method would be to try to develop the resources of the dale in a more efficient style than had hitherto been practised, by carrying on mining and smelting in an energetic manner. This, they contemplated, might be effected by the substitution of coal for wood in smelting. Whether coal had been in use previously in any part of England for smelting purposes, or to them belonged the discovery of its adaptation, we are not in a position to ascertain but certain it is, if it had not been discovered, mining speculations would long ago have been nearly if not completely suspended, and die principal part of the population of the upper district of Teesdale would have had to look elsewhere for the means of obtaining a livelihood. However, to the Lead Company belongs the honour of being the first incorporated association for Lead mining and smelting down lead ores with pit-coal and sea-coal—and though the Founders of that Company have long rested with their fathers, and their names are buried in the oblivion of the past, the work they commenced still lives, and to them the inhabitants of Teesdale owe a debt of lasting gratitude. The enterprise with which mining operations are still carried on by the Company, and the desire they manifest to preserve the health and lives, and to elevate the moral and social condition of their workmen, exhibit the same sagacity and benevolence which led their predecessors to open out the mines of Teesdale.

(To be continued)

3rd May 1856 (Carlisle Patriot)

Accident at Greenside Lead Mines. —An accident (a thing of rare occurrence) happened in the above mines on Friday last. It appears that large slab, forming part the roof of the mine, gave way, and in its descent alighted upon one of the workmen named Hindmoor. The unhappy sufferer escaped with broken thigh, but, like the Dutchman of old, thanked Providence that was not his head. The directors of the mines did all in their power to alleviate his sufferings, and in the evening the same day was quietly conveyed in an easy carriage to his residence at Keswick.

14th May 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

HISTORY OF LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE

Continued from No. 44.

Soon after the London Lead Mining Company commenced operations in Teesdale, they had difficulties of a formidable nature to contend with. The jealousy of local speculators, incompetent and self-seeking agents and the prejudices of an ignorant and semi-barbarous population, would conspire to discourage them in the course of their enterprise. The directors also, not being stationed in the district, and having to trust to local representatives could not so well cope with the difficulties of their position. One great drawback was the imperfect method of washing their ores, the whole being accomplished by hand-labour, till long after the establishment of the company. Another disadvantage was the obtaining competent workmen for the smelting department, and the distance the ores had to be conveyed to the smelters. The Teesdale ores procured by the company during the earlier stages of their history were carried to the Whitfield and Acton Smelt Mills, in Northumberland a distance of 20 or 30 miles, for the most part over bleak and pathless moors.

Whether what is called the “Scotch Hearth" was used for smelting operations, prior to the reign of William and Mary, is not distinctly known, but it is certain that the Governor and Company were the first to introduce the reverberating or smelting furnaces into their works at Whitfield.

About 80 yean ago, Henry second Earl of Darlington, with the vigour of intellect which distinguishes his race, foreseeing the benefits that would accrue to the population from a better development of the mineral wealth of the district, erected the first smelting furnaces in Teesdale, at Langdon Beck, about 8 miles west of Middleton. This establishment, which comprehended all that was then known of the art of smelting, was the precursor of those complete and well-organised smelt mills which have since arisen in the Dale, whore every resource of modem science has been brought into requisition, not only to free the lead from the impurities it naturally contains, but also to extract that more valuable product—silver—with which the metallic veins of this region are impregnated.

The beautiful process of refining, which had long been known in France, was brought into England at the close of the 17th century—not unlikely by some of those unfortunate refugees who were driven from their native land by the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes. Thus, while Spitalfields and Coventry trace from this date the rise of their silk manufactures, which enabled than to compete with the looms of Italy and France; so the northern part of our Island has gained advantages of as substantial a character, in the introduction of the process of refining, which, while it improved the quality of the lead, made the emoluments arising from it considerably greater.

It is probable that refining was first practised in the north at Whitfield Mill, which was generally afterwards termed cupola mill; and some of the earliest workmen were natives of France.

The first Agent employed by the Lead Company, of whom we have any account, was a Mr. Wm. Ainsley. Of his fitness for the office we are not able to speak, nor yet of several of his successors; but it is beyond doubt that the affairs of the Company were never superintended in that business-like manner calculated to ensure success, until the first Mr. Stagg was entrusted with the management of the Company’s works in Teesdale and the adjacent districts. From this period—upwards of 60 years ago—dates all the greatest improvements, which have taken, place in the various departments of the Governor and Company’s works. Mr. Robert Stagg, sen., and Mr. Joshua Stagg, sen., both held important offices under the Company, in Teesdale and at Alston Moor. The mines at Flake Bridge, Racket Gill, Parkin Groove, and Wire Gill, may be enumerated among timer earlier efforts, and although none of these were so productive as some of their later discoveries have subsequently proved, yet they were sufficiently so to make a small return for the capital expended, and to excite hopes of further success.

About this time, stamping and crashing machines were introduced. Previous to the invention of these powerful auxiliaries, the whole labour of washing the ore, and separating it from the refuse with which it is encumbered, was performed by hand; and whilst the men were engaged toiling in the bowels of the earth, in the most painful postures, with an insufficient supply of light and air, and their lives constantly jeopardized, —boys of tender age, and even women, were laboriously employed, with heavy iron implements, in pounding the rock containing ore, before it could be submitted to the manipulation of the

washers. Even the lever or brake sieve is comparatively but a modern invention, and superseded the hand sieve previously in use.
As many of our readers, doubtless, are unacquainted with the processes of dressing and washing the produce or the mines, we purpose here giving a brief account of the manner in which these operations are conducted—leaving a description of the more modem inventions to a future stage of our history.
The place where washing is carried on is generally selected from its proximity to the level month or opening of the mine, and if it be at a lower range it is better, at the water which flows freely out of the mine is then made available. The rock, &c., which is brought out of the workings first deposited in teams; here a grate is placed, through which a stream of water washes the clay and smaller particles, a boy being employed to place the work on the grate, and another to assist the operation of the water. Those pieces of the work which shew no indications of ore, are thrown aside as useless, and are called deads; and those, which are pure ore, are likewise laid aside to be conveyed to the smelt mill. The clayey or slimy particles are collected in pits or reservoirs, to be afterwards submitted to a different treatment, and the principal part of the work, as it is picked or separated, is taken to the crashing mill and there emptied into a large hopper. In some small mills there is a contrivance for supplying the mill with work, as it is wanted; generally, however, this forms employment for a boy.
The mill consists, first, of a large waterwheel, from 24 ft. to 32 ft. in diameter, impelled by a stream at or near the top. The supply of water for efficiently working a 24 ft. wheel should not fall far short of 200 cubic feet per minute. 22 cubic feet per minute, at the ordinary velocity of the stream, are considered equal to one-horse power, and the water-wheel of a crashing mill should not be less than eight or ten horse power. To both sides of the wheel machinery is attached; comprehending, on the principal (or rough) side, one pair of rough and two pairs of smooth rollers. The rough rollers are those, which first receive the work, and the teeth of these rollers, acting together, drew the work in as it is hauled on to them. The work then passes down troughs, placed at a proper inclination, between the smooth rollers, and thence into a box called the rough box. A stream of water is constantly flowing along with the work, and a boy is continually throwing the crushed matter out, while the slimy particles pass away with the water, and are deposited in pits, which furnish employment for the slime washer. An arrangement, very useful in preventing breaks, consists of two of the brasses belonging each pair of rollers being made to slide in a metal frame. A strong lever is attached to each, with a heavy weight at the end, and if any substance too hard to be crashed gets betwixt the rollers, the lever lifts, and suffers the roller to press backward, and thus relieve itself of the obstruction. (To be continued)

23rd May 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. Jas. Bowstead, curate, Mr Thomas Teasdale, of Garrigill, to Miss Martha Smith, of Nest; and on the same day, Mr John Johnson of Garrigill, to Miss Esther Smith, of Nest.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Thomas Teasdale, carter, aged 28, his wife Martha 24, children, Phebe 4, William 3, and Ann 1.

In 1861, at Physic Hall bank foot, Alston, John Johnson, stone mason, aged 31, his wife Esther, 25, children, Mary J. 4, and Thomas 2.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr Samuel White, aged 49 years.

In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Mary White, widow, domestic, aged 68, children, Samuel, lead miner, aged 43, James, railway labourer, aged 34, Isaac, railway labourer, aged 25, Pattinson, lead miner, and butcher, and Jane, domestic duties, aged 23. See 11th November 1853, 28th August 1875

At Alston, on the 18th, Mrs Margaret Hetherington, aged 83 years.

Joseph Hetherington married Peggy Richardson 17th November 1791, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Margaret Hetherington, grocer, aged 68, and Margaret Hetherington, bonnet maker, aged 35 (born 2nd June 1805, 4th daughter of Joseph Hetherington, Alston, by his wife Margaret, daughter of Thomas Richardson)

In 1851, Margaret Hetherington, widow, grocer, aged 78, daughter, Margaret Hetherington, grocer, aged 44, grandson, Joseph Hetherington, lead miner, aged 18, and granddaughter, Ann Hetherington, 11.

At Alston, on the 20th, Mrs Elizabeth Wilson, aged 55 years.

In 1851, at Ramsay Buildings, Alston, Elizabeth Wilson, widow, washer woman, parish relief, aged 49, born Kirkhaugh, daughters, Eleanor, woollen spinner, aged 14, Betsy, 6, lodgers, Thomas Turner, railway labourer, aged 20, and James Lankey, Rail labourer, aged 40.

At Alston, Turk's Head Inn, on the 21st inst., Mrs Lawson, aged 76 years.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Johnson, innkeeper, aged 58, born Castle Carrock, his wife Elizabeth, 54, born Castle Carrock, daughter Sarah 23, born Alston, sister in law, Mary Lawson, widow, annuitant, aged 71, and nephew Isaac Walton, carpenters apprentice, aged 17, born Farlam.

31st May 1856 (Newcastle Journal)

VALE OF WEST ALLEN, NORTHUMBERLAND.

TO BE PEREMPTORILY SOLD BY AUCTION, in the latter Part of the Month of July next.

By Mr. THOMAS BLANDFORD, Auctioneer,

THE ESTATE and entire VILLAGE of NINEBANKS, delightfully situated in the Vale of WEST ALLEN, in the County of Northumberland, with MANSION HOUSE, WALLED GARDEN and SHRUBBERIES, and suitable Stabling and Out-Offices attached; Farm House and Offices; Antique Tower; Temperance Hotel (late an Inn); Cottages; Joiners' and Blacksmiths' Shops; with Water Corn Mill, and improved Machinery, the Whole in complete Repair; with 380 ACRES, or thereabouts, of Arable TURNIP and BARLEY SOILS, Meadow and Hill Pasture Land, and ornamented and sheltered by young thriving Plantations, and full-grown Timber, fenced with Stone Walls and Thorn Hedges,, and bordering for a considerable Distance upon the River Allen, so rich in picturesque Scenery,— and in close proximity to the extensive Game Preserves and beautiful Seat of the Reverend John Blackett Ord, Whitfield Hall, and near to the famed Grouse preserves of W. B. Beaumont, Esq. M.P.; together with 69 STINTS, and THREE-FIFTHS of a STINT, in and upon Allendale Stinted Pasture.

Further Particulars, and Day and Place of sale, will be duly announced in a future Advertisement, meanwhile Particulars may be had of Mr. BLANDFORD, Corbridge; and of Mr. JOHN STOKOE, Solicitor, Hexham.
Hexham, 20th May, 1856.

11th June 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

HISTORY OF LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE

No. IV.

One of the great secrets of success in the mining speculations of the Lead Company has been their perseverance, and by this they have not unfrequently succeeded where others have failed. In some well-authenticated cases, local parties who occupied the ground before them, and gave up in despair, were within a few steps of acquiring a handsome fortune.

A case of this nature occurred at the Manorgill Mire, which had been commenced by a family named Walton. After trying for a considerable time, with only a limited amount of success, they resigned their right to the Company, preferring regular employment and a fixed salary to the uncertainty of speculating on their own account. A few days after they had concluded terms with the Company, they cut a rein of great value, which, if it had been their fortune to alight upon it when working for themselves, would have amply repaid them for their labours, and raised them to a state of comparative comfort and affluence. This happened upwards of 60 years ago. Some years later, mining speculations were decidedly on the ebb in Teesdale, and, with the exception of the Cross Fell Mining Company, the value of the metal produced was inadequate to the working expenses. The local adventurers were dispirited, and their exertions crippled by the want of capital when the Lead Company, at this time, obtained the lease of a tract of ground in which the Lodgesyke Mine was subsequently opened.
This ground had been held by four gentlemen resident in this neighbourhood of whom one was, the late Mr Collinson, of Woodside. After repeated trials they had abandoned their enterprise. The Company's agent Mr Joshua Stagg, Sen., after obtaining possession commenced immediate operations. Four men were employed, whose efforts for a while, were as unsuccessful as those of their predecessors; and Mr Stagg at length become so fully convinced of the futility of further proceedings, that he ordered the men to desist on the same day, Mr Collinson (the gentleman above alluded to) visited the place, and seeing the men depressed by the unwelcome order they had received, endeavoured to cheer them; and told them that, although they had hitherto been equally unsuccessful with his colleagues and himself, yet it was his belief the ground would eventually be found productive, and he then recommended them to make an attempt a short distance from where the previous works had been commenced. Thanking him for his disinterested advice, which they agreed to adopt, two of them waited upon Mr Stagg, and begged his permission to try for a few weeks longer. Mr Stagg answered that, as a faithful servant of the Company, he should not be justified in expending the funds entrusted to him, without reasonable hope of remuneration, and he therefore refused to comply with their request. He added that they were at liberty to prosecute their search, but it must be at their own expense; and he concluded by expressing an opinion that the prosperity of Teesdale, as a mining district, was approaching to a close.

The men returned to their companions in a desponding mood, and, finding Mr Collinson still there, asked how he would proceed under similar circumstances? He urged them to continue, and in the end they consented. By his suggestion, they prepared a small dam, and brought a “squirt hush" in a direction he pointed out. This was a work of some days, and on its completion they eagerly awaited the result. Fortune favoured them, and, after a few hushes, the “rider” or top of a vein was struck. We much question whether the discoverers of the golden treasures of Australia or California felt a greater thrill of pleasure than these men did, when they found their toil rewarded Their hopes had been derided, and they well knew that, upon their success depended whether they should be able to earn a livelihood in the locality of their birth, or be compelled to wander forth among strangers, in search of that employment which was most congenial to their tastes and early training.

They ceased operations till Mr Stagg should again visit them; and resolving to give him an agreeable surprise, they concealed the evidences of their discovery. On his arrival they shewed their preparations, and pleaded for his support; but he told them he had determined not to expend a penny more without the certainty of a return, and he thought that they, as working men, with their labour only to depend upon were blameable in prosecuting their unprofitable task. After listening to his remarks, they said they would prove that their labours had not been so utterly profitless as he imagined, —and they then exhibited the vein. As he gazed upon this palpable evidence of their success, a smile lit up his countenance. The important bearing of the present discovery on the future mining speculation of Teesdale, were fully apparent to him; and in joyous tones he congratulated them on their good fortune.

After the lapse of more than half a century this mine still furnishes employment to a number of workmen, who generally find their efforts well remunerated. It is said that from this mine, in one single year, 16,000 bings of ore were sent to the smelt-mill; and there is no doubt that the opening of Lodgesyke mine was an important event in the history of Lead Mining in Teesdale, and gave a powerful impetus to subsequent adventure. It is averred that the Company, after receiving a fair amount of interest for their outlay, invested the surplus as a provision for contingencies; and it is probable that this gave a degree of stability to their transactions, which enabled them to surmount many future difficulties.

These men who, by their energy and perseverance, in the midst of discouragement, made the trial which turned out so eminently successful, deserve to be held in grateful remembrance, and we gladly record the names we have heard, viz: — Messrs Richard and George Lee, Mr Isaac Raine, and Mr Mark Armstrong. The latter gentleman still survives, and has been long employed as an agent by the Governor and Company.

(To be Continued),

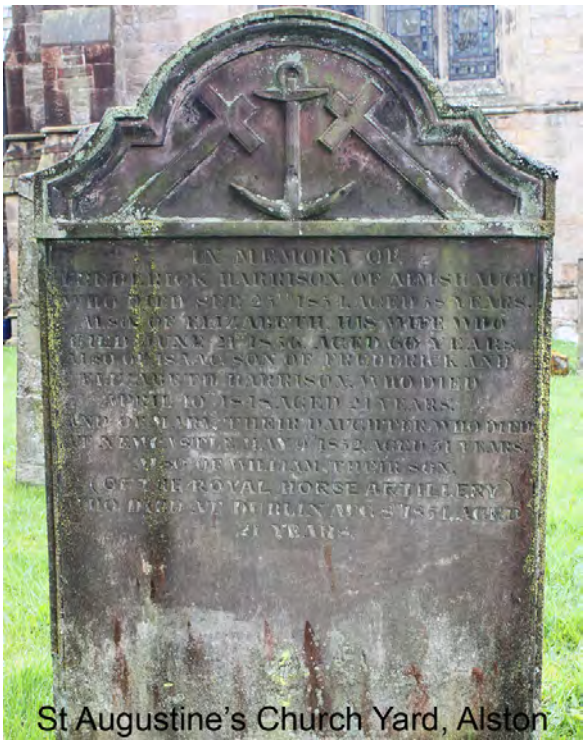
21st June 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nenthead, on Sunday, the 15th inst., Miss Hannah Baty, fifth daughter of the late David Baty, of Nunclose, aged 33.

Hannah Baty, baptised 12th November 1822, daughter of David & Hannah Baty, at Hesket in the Forest, Cumberland.

In 1841, at Nunclose, Hesket in the Forest, Kirkoswald, Ann Baty, dressmaker, aged 30, and Hannah Baty 15.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Harrison, widow, retired grocer, aged 69, born Alston, nephew, Harrison Lonsdale 11, born, Whitehaven, niece, Hannah Baty 25, born Hesket, and house servant, Nancy Cain, 23.
At Hill House, Alston, on the 21st inst., Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Mr Joseph Walton, butcher, aged 17 years.
Joseph Walton married Barbara English, 7th November 1841, at Alston.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, Joseph Walton, butcher, aged 45, his wife Barbara 32, children, Mary Ann 12, Mabel 10, Elizabeth 8, Sarah 5, Margaret 1, and house servant, Elizabeth Walton 22.
Barbara Walton died 4th qtr 1856, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Church Cross Terrace, Alston, Joseph Walton, widower, butcher, aged 50, children, Elizabeth 19, Margaret 12,Isabella 5, aand John 9.
See 13th November 1841,
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mrs Elizabeth Harrison, widow of Frederick Harrison, of Aimshaugh, aged 60 years.
In 1851, at Castle Nook, Kirkhaugh, Frederick Harrison, farmer of 50 acres, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 55, son Frederick 16, and daughter, Bessy 14.


St Augustine's Church Yard, Alston

25th June 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)

HISTORY OF LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE

Egleshope Banks, June 20, 1866.
Sir,—I beg leave to state, that the account given in the "History of Lead Mining in Teesdale," published in the Teesdale Mercury, respecting the conduct of my late grand-uncle, Mr Joshua Stagg, of Eggleston, is just the reverse of the truth, according to the accounts I repeatedly heard from Richard Lee and George Walton, two of the discoverers of Lodge-syke Mine.
The state of the case, as I learned it from them, was to the following effect.

Thomas Dodd, Esq., of Nenthead, then principal mining agent (superintendent, as we say now), without whose sanction no bargain of any kind could be let in the Governor and Company's concern, let a bargain for the discovery of the Lodge-syke vein to Richard Lee, George Watson, Isaac Raine, and I forget the name of the fourth man, on the condition that they were to receive £8 per fother for all the lead to be made from ore raised in the Lodge-syke Mine during the period of two years, dating from the time of setting the bargain, and in the meantime to have 30s per month advanced on account, to enable them to live.

Having wrought one year unsuccessfully, Mr Dodd (not Mr Slagg, who was only subordinate agent, and could not do so) endeavoured to stop the trial, on the pretence that be saw no probability of success, and therefore did not consider him- self justified in risking the Company's money over it.

This was a blank to the poor men and Mr Stagg, who were all sanguine of success, and who having found out so many places where the vein was not, considered they were so much nearer finding out where it was, but Mr Dodd obstinately persevered in refusing the "lent money," without which no belly timber could be obtained, and bellies, like mines, require propping inside, or they soon collapse, or in mining phraseology, the sides "run together." The upshot of the matter was, that Mr Dodd would not risk any more money, but at Mr Stagg's earnest request, graciously permitted him, at his own a risk, to furnish the men with provisions, as nearly all agents at the time were shopkeepers and provision-dealers; of which latter class Mr Slagg was one. The mine was won about half-a-year later, leaving the men only half- a-year to clear all off, but such was the excellence of the mine, they told me, after clearing themselves of all debts, they had £70 each left, for which they said they were "thankful to God and Mr Stagg, but not to Mr Dodd." You will observe that the names of the workmen are erroneously given in your account, but this might easily happen after a lapse of 60 or 60 years. I am only anxious to clear the name of my friend.

There is another error I will point out. In a former paper you say, the Devonshire furnace was first introduced in the north of England at Whitfield Mill. In this you are misinformed; it was first introduced at Eggleston Mill, and then at Whitfield Mill; in both cases by my grandfather, the late Robert Stagg, Esq., of Alston.

Your correspondent informs me he was led into the error by the misapplication of the term "learn."

In this dale the inhabitants, in speaking, often put the effect for the cause, and also speak elliptically, thus, if they were speaking of a person teaching another, they would say "He is learning him," and if a mistress were frying eggs, they would say "She is frying herself*

Now the fact was, that men were sent from Eggleston Mill to teach the Whitfield men furnace smelting, but your correspondent's informant told him they went to learn furnace smelting, meaning they went to teach them (the Whitfield smelters) the art of furnace smelting, but your correspondent being a vary grammatical sort of man, gave the dictionary construction of the terms instead of the provincial one, which is the more remarkable as he is a native of the dale.

I am. Sir, yours obedtly,

ROBT. RICHARDSON.

MR. EDITOR, —Since writing my last communication on the “History of Lead Mining,” I have become aware that, principally through defective information, I was led into errors, which have caused strictures on the subject, and, in addition to what other correspondents may communicate, I feel myself bound to give publicity to some further information I have received on the subject of the opening of Lodge-syke Mine, a which places the character of the late Mr Joshua String, sen before us in the most favourable light. It is but due to his memory, and an act of justice to surviving friends, to say that his conduct in reality was such as to render him worthy of the esteem of the present generation. It appears that he did not hold the responsible situation, which I at first supposed, but was merely a subordinate under Mr Thomas Dodd, sen., of Nenthead, who had the general superintendence of the whole of the Company’s mining operations in the Teesdale district, as well as at Alston Moor and the localities in the north.

Mr Dodd being of opinion that Teesdale was a worthless mining field, was opposed to expending money which he thought would never bring a return, but he consented to expend a certain sum, and if when that was exhausted nothing was discovered, to give it up as a hopeless case. Time wore on, and the prospect grew more gloomy instead of brighter. The last farthing was disbursed, and still they were the subjects of the “hope which long deferred makes the heart sick.” In the meantime, Mr Stagg, feeling a special local interest, and deeply sympathising with the men took upon himself the risk (on finding Mr Dodd inexorable) of advancing money on his own account, or, what was equivalent, provisions. In addition to the encouragement given by Mr Collinson to persevere, Mr John Richardson, sen, who was frequently engaged in the neighbourhood, told them he had sometime before discovered rider impregnated with ore in crossing a sheep track, but could not point out the exact locality. In reference to the statement made in my last communication, concerning the men ultimately making the trial on their own account, which resulted in the discovery, I have only the authority of my informant, whom I considered perfectly trustworthy.

In the interim, another local speculator was watching with eager expectation the result of the trials, and as the Company were so unsuccessful, for a while he indulged in sanguine hopes that they would abandon it as a profitless enterprise, as their predecessors had done. Upon their relinquishing the ground, he was prepared to commence upon it, as he had discovered unmistakable evidences of the treasures, which were concealed beneath the surface. In a future paper I shall give some particulars of the subsequent fortunate career of this gentleman as a mining speculator.

I hare also ascertained that the original partnership consisted of six instead of four partners. The names of the whole I am also enabled to state, on the authority of Mr Armstrong. They were Messrs Richard Lee, George Watson, John Bussey, Isaac Raine, Richard Raine, and John Raine.

Although it will be seen that Mr Armstrong was not one of the original partners, yet he formed one of the second partnership, who were more successful, I may perhaps say with safety, than any partnership ever formed in the district They commenced operations immediately after the others had discovered the vein, and being fully convinced from the hade or inclination of the vein northward, at the top, that the first set of men were too far south, they sunk a shaft more to the north. The result shewed the correctness of their

conclusions, for in six weeks they procured the astonishing quantity of 1212 bings of ore, and there is little doubt that the hade of the vein was what had led to so many failures. It could be traced some miles to the eastward and westward of where they were engaged, but having an inclination of 1 in 2 in the elevated ground where the mine was opened, the leaning northward was greater than had been anticipated.

In reference to the earlier communication about smelting operations, your readers will perhaps learn from another correspondent that Eggleston, not Whitfield, was the locality where the Derbyshire smelling furnace was first tried. The origin of the mistake will also be shewn. But I hare heard nothing to the contrary that, at Whitfield, both hearth smelting and refining were carried on at an early date. Prior to the erection of what is commonly called the Low Mill at Eggleston, the Company had the Stob-green Mill, situated in the same locality, but it was at the Low Mill that the Derbyshire furnace was first introduced by Mr B. Stagg, sen. The only question is whether the Company or the Earl of Darlington were the first to introduce this improvement in smelting operations, as, under that enterprising nobleman, it was introduced at Langdon before Gaunless Mill was commenced. Nevertheless, a workman who was engaged under the Earl of Darlington, but who is now in the employ of the Lead Company, and can recollect events, which transpired upwards of 60 years ago, is inclined to give priority of introduction to the Company.

I wish to act on the principle of giving honor to whom honor is due, and if I fail, it will not be intentionally. If any other correspondent with more time—better means of information—and more attractive style of communication, will continue the subject, I will gladly take my leave of the public; but until some other more competent writer will occupy my place, I feed it a duty I owe to the editor of the Teesdale Mercury, and the public generally, to communicate all the information I can on these matters of local interest.

I am. Sir, Yours, &c.,

In alluding to our correspondent's concluding paragraph, we beg him to feel assured that we are most grateful for the pains he has taken to enrich our columns with the fruits of his talents and research. We have the more pleasure in making this statement, as the “History of lead Mining in Teesdale," to which he has been the chief contributor, has met with the warm approbation of our readers, and has been commended by personages whose claims to literary excellence are allowed by the country at large. —ED. T. M.

27th June 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

Births

At Launceston, Tasmania, on the 12th March, the wife of J L Miller Esq., Surgeon Superintendent of the Hospital & Infirmary, formerly of Allendale town, of a son.

27th June 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON WRESTLING AND NORTHERN GAMES.

The first annual competition for the prizes given by the Wrestling Society of Alston took place on Thursday and Friday last, when the sum of £32 was given to contend for. The wrestling throughout was of a first-class character; and the decisions of the umpires and referee (Messrs. T. Wearmouth, J. Robley, and G. Robson,) gave universal satisfaction .

THURSDAY.

For the prize of £10, given to be contended for by 10½ stone men, there were 64 entries.

Second Round

Stood	Fell
Jonathan Emerson, Weardale	Joshua Peart, Weardale
Edward White, Alston	George Humble, Weardale
Joseph Nattrass, Weardale	William Varty, Garrigill
Joseph Gelding, Middleton	John Faulder, Low Hesket
Thomas Lonsdale, Weardale	John Elliott, Haltwhistle
Isaac Walton, Weardale	Thomas Sparks, Alston
James Scott, Carlisle	Thomas Phillips, Stapleton
Leonard Thompson, Nenthead	Joseph Graham, Nenthall
Joseph Peart, Weardale	Thomas Snowden, Keliah
Edward Hobson, Midgeholme	Joseph Spottiswood, Alston
Edward Waugh, Old Gate	Arthur Coddlegrass, Alston
Wm. Pattinson, Low Rigg	Jonathan Humble, Weardale
George Little, Green head	Thomas Richardson, Alston
James Pattinson. Weardale	L. Wearmouth, Weardale
Thomas Pearson, Weardale	M. Dickinson, Alston
William Black, Tarn House	John Hetherington, Weardale

Third Round

E. Waugh	J. Emerson
T. Lonsdale	W. Black
I. Walton	L. Thompson
J. Scott	W. Pattinson
J. Nattrass	G. Little
T. Pearson	E. White
J. Peart	J. Gelding
J. Pattinson	E. Robson

Fourth round.

J. Scott	T. Pearson
T. Lonsdale	E. Waugh
J. Nattrass	J. Peart
J, Pattinson	I. Walton

Fifth Round

J. Scott	T. Lonsdale
J. Pattinson	J. Nattrass

Final Falls

J. Scott	J. Pattinson
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The winner received £5; second, £2; and third and fourth, 10s. each. Those who fell in the fourth round received 5s. each ; and in the third, 2s. 6d each. The sum of £1. 10s., given to contend for by the sixteen last standers, was won by James Pattinson, of Weardale, Isaac Walton, of Weardale, being second. The winner received 15s., and the second man 10s. Jonathan Emerson and Joseph Nattrass, both of Weardale, were third and fourth, and received 2s. 6d. each.

FRIDAY.

There were 69 entries for the £11 prize, for men not exceeding 16 stones. Subjoined is a return from the

Third Round

Stood.	Fell.
William Wood, Carlisle	Thomas Ridley, Dryburn
Thomas Hobson, Weardale	John Hetherington
Wm. Hobson, Midgeholme	Robert Doyle, Nenthead
James Scott, Carlisle	John Nattrass, Weardale
Richard Wright, Longtown	Hugh Elliott, Haltwhistle
Jonathan Emerson, Weardale	Edward Waugh, Midgeholme
James Pattinson, Weardale	L. Wearmouth, Weardale
Jon. Whitehead, Workington	George Smith, West Allendale
Joseph Peart, Weardale	Ben Cooper, Carlisle

Fourth Round

R. Wright	J. Scott
Whitehead	
T. Robson	J. Emerson
W Wood	J. Pattinson
w! Robson	J. Peart
J. Whitehead, odd-man	

Fifth Round

R. Wright	J.
T. Robson	W. Robson

Sixth Round

W. Wood	T. Robson
R. Wright odd-man	

Final Falls

W. Wood threw R. Wright twice

The winner received £5; second, £2; third, £1; fourth and fifth, 10s. each; those who fell in the fourth round, 5s. each; and those who fell in the third round, 2s. 6d. each.
The prize for boys 6 ½ stones and under was won by Joseph Allison, of Weardale, John Story, of Harper Town, being second.

The prize of £1 10s for the 16 last heavy-weight standers was won by Richard Wright, who threw Thomas Robson twice in succession.

5th July 1856 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Marriages
At Nenthead, on the 26th ult., Mr Joseph Walton to Miss Ann Fawcett.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Pry Head, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 36, children Ann 13, Elizabeth 11, John 8, Joseph 5, William 3, and Mary 1.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph Walton, lead miner, and farmer, aged 41, his wife Ann 38, children John, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Robt Newton, lead miner, aged 13, Andrew, lead miner, aged 12, Jonathan10, Edward 9, Margaret 7, Mary Ann 6, Jane 4, Rebecca 2, and Mary Kirkpatric, house servant, aged 27.
In 1861, at High Galligill, Joseph Walton, widow, farmer, aged 51, children, Thomas, farmers son, aged 26, Robert N, farmers son, aged 24, Andrew, farmers son, aged 22, Jonathan, farmers son, aged 20, Edward, farmers son, aged 19, Margaret, farmers daughter, aged 17, Mary Ann, farmers daughter, aged 16, Jane, farmers daughter, aged 14, Rebekah 12, and Elisabeth 9.
See 9th February 1864

In 1861, at Nenthead, High Galligill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Ann 23, children William Edward 3, Margaret Ann 1, and Esther Smith, servant, aged 13.

SACRED
TO
THE MEMORY OF
JOSEPH WALTON
OF HIGH GALLIGILL
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
FEBRUARY 1ST 1864
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN WALTON HIS WIFE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
FEBRUARY 19TH 1861
AGED 48 YEARS

In 1871, at Clargill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, and farmer aged 37, his wife Ann 33, children William E 13, Margaret A 11, Elizabeth 9, Mary Jane 7, Joseph 5, and John 1. In 1881, at White House, Joseph Walton, farmer of 43 acres, aged 47, his wife Ann 43, children William E., labourer in lime works, aged 23, Margaret A. 21, Mary Jane 17, Joseph, labourer in lime works, aged 15, John 11, Rebecca 9, Thomas 5, Albert 3, and Herbert F. 1. In 1891, at White House, Joseph Walton, farmer, aged 57, his wife Ann aged 53, children William E., general labourer, Joseph, general labourer, aged 25, Rebecca, domestic servant, aged 19, Albert 13, and Herbert F. aged 11. In 1901, at Elswick, Newcastle, Ann Walton, widow, aged 63, sons William E., paviours cartman, aged 43, Thomas, grocers cartman, aged 25, Albert, electrical engineers clerk, aged 23, and Herbert F., confectioners clerk, aged 21.

Deaths

At Allenheads, on the 12th ult., aged 48, much lamented, Elizabeth, wife of Mr Christopher Rodham, miner.

In 1851, at Low Pry Christopher Rodham, lead ore miner, aged 38, and his wife Elizabeth (Lee, married 2nd quarter 1844) aged 36.

9th July 1856 (Bury and Norwich Post)

Lowestoft

On Tuesday, the Diving cutters, Ranger and Ann, of Whitstable, arrived at this port, the masters of which report having salved from the wreck of the schooner Darlington, sunk on the Newcombe sand, 59 pigs of lead belonging to the London Lead Company; also three tons of pig iron, salved from the Falconer schooner, sunk off Hasborough.

21st July 1856 (Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser)
At the Tees Side Mining Company meeting the accounts showed a balance against adventurers of £154 1s. 7d; a call of 1s. per share was made. *Mining Journal*

25th July 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
SCHOOL TREAT—On Thursday, the 17th instant, the Rodderup Fell Lead Mining Company, according to their annual custom and usual liberality, provided tea and cakes in profusion for the scholars of Leadgate School, Alston. There were 93 children present —a greater number than ever mustered on any previous occasion. This is a gratifying proof of the increasing popularity of the school, which has been more than doubled since the present master took charge of it. The clean, neat, and respectable appearance, together with the orderly behaviour of the children elicited the praise and admiration of the ladies and gentlemen who witnessed the proceedings. The company are very solicitous for the efficiency of the school, and spare neither labour nor expense to render it so. After the scholars had concluded, the; wives of the tenants belonging to the company sat down to tea, as usual, in the schoolroom.

26th July 1856 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
BAZAAR AND TEA AT NINEBANKS.
NEW SCHOOLS OF WEST ALLENDALE.
These schools in their newly finished state, standing on an abrupt and picturesque elevation of the river Allen, are a practical illustration of the great and lasting advantages that may result from a cordial union of feelings, sentiments, and exertions among the affluent and labouring population of any district. The necessity for a school or schools had been felt and acknowledged by all parties who had given the subject any degree of consideration, and the miners in the employ of W. B. Beaumont, Esq, M.P., in the lower part of the village were desirous of enjoying a like privilege with their friends at Carrshield where that gentleman had built and endowed a school, some time since. The matter was from less to more matured into a resolution to build the schools on their present sites, the ground being kindly given by Mr Jos, Lee, of Dilston. Mr Beaumont, with his usual munificence, kindly consented to subscribe £100 to the building funds, and endow the schools in part, each scholar having to pay three-half-pence per week. This offer was very thankfully received, but there was still a large sum of money to raise, considering the size of the village, and the want of really wealthy persons in it. But the want of superfluous riches was amply compensated for by the willingness with which every one contributed, and those of the working class who could not give money gave a number of days' work.
The mutual good feeling thus subsisting among all ranks and parties, together with a most active and intelligent committee of management, soon brought the matter to a successful and happy issue, —the foundation stone of the first school being only laid on the beginning of April and both completed by the middle of July. Without, in any manner, derogating from the usefulness of the other members of the committee, Mr Nevin, Mr Beaumont's agent in West Allendale, merits especial thanks for his exertions not only in this, but in every thing of a public nature, connected with the locality.

The bazaar which had been got up by Mrs Nevin, Mrs Scurr, Mrs Reed, Mrs M. Lee, Mrs Jos. Lee, Mrs H. Wilson, the two Miss Taylors, and a few others, and presided over by Mrs Nevin, reflected the greatest credit on these ladies, both as to their benevolent intentions and artistic skill. Articles of the most recherché and unique description, fit for a lady's boudoir or drawing-room might be seen, and by their sides things of a less showy but more substantial nature suited to the circumstances and habits of the rustic and mining population of Allendale. At the principal entrance to the schools, in which the Fancy Fair was held, there were erected four high poles, covered with evergreens, from the tops of which floated a number of beautiful and suitably inscribed banners or flags. The morning of the 18th inst. was extremely dull, with a continuous fall of drizzling rain till near noon, when the clouds broke away and gave us a good share of sunshine, and a fair breeze for our banners, all the afternoon. The opening of the bazaar was on the afternoon of this day, when the whole of our village aristocracy, with a great number of their gentlemen with Mr Sopwith, Mr Beaumont's chief agent in these districts, and his family at the head, were very cheerful and frequent purchasers. In the midst of the bustle of sight seeing and buying, who should arrive but our eccentric and kind friend, Mr Isaac Holdon, tea dealer, &c, of Allendale Town. His was a rather curious visit, and formed a very strange episode in the proceedings of the day. Above two years since this public spirited and singular person had a likeness of himself taken at Hexham and sent to London, from which a steel engraving was taken, and 1000 impressions or copies of his portrait were sent down. These he got framed and has since been selling at two shillings each, making it a profound secret how he intended to appropriate the money. This he divulged some time since, and getting all ready, he determined to come over on this public occasion to make us a present, yes, a present with the profit he had derived from his pictures of a very singular and sombre looking article, its black plumes nodding at every breeze. The present (gentle, but mortal reader) was a hearse. "Little Isaac" as he calls himself stood up on its boards and gave us one of his simple and homely speeches, telling the company that the schools they were met about that day were the beginning of making a man, while his gift was a help to the last scene. Mr Sopwith, on behalf of the inhabitants, made a suitable reply, thanking Mr Holdon for the present, and alluding to several other action* in Mr Holdon's laborious and useful life. The vehicle was removed, and the thoughts suggested by its appearance, were as soon removed from the minds and faces of all present. After tea there was an open air meeting presided over by the Rev. Mr Scurr, who gave an elaborate address on the subject of education, dwelling particularly on the religious element that ought to enter into all systems of education, and the great importance of good training at home. The schoolmaster, he observed, could rarely make anything beyond an automaton, but the life, the essence, the soul could be always communicated at home. Mr Sopwith followed, with one of his pithy and practical speeches, showing the advantages of an early training, in the more practical and social virtues, —all of which were expatiated on in an easy and affable manner peculiar to that gentleman. The second day came, and with it came the labouring population *en masse*, rushing in to see the bazaar and bargain for their two shilling's, three shilling's, and five shilling's, worth of goods, all of which our most beautiful and obliging ladies assured them was very good and

cheap, and our young men could not for their lives of them deny the assertion, seeing with what grace their purchases were folded up and handed over the tables, and the many kind and smiling thanks they got in at the bargain. The stalls were nearly all emptied by seven o'clock of the second day, but to have a little fun and competition, our respected auctioneer, Mr Forster, was called in, and kindly offered his services gratis, for a short time to sell the remaining goods. These were soon disposed of, and thus ended in a most successful and triumphant manner, this, our first bazaar, which some rather doubting and dull persons predicted would be a failure. A large tent was fitted up in a field belonging to Mr Taylor, with tables, &c, for the accommodation of those visitors who wished to have tea, and nearly one thousand persons partook of this “cup which cheers but not inebriates." Another spacious tent was erected at the sooth end of the schools, for the sale of lemonade and British wines, and had its scores of visitors each day. A very neat little elevated tent, decorated with evergreens, was erected for the West Allendale Band, who discoursed the sweetest of music in it at short intervals throughout both days, enlivening and cheering the gay throng. Thus we have had two days of mutual rejoicing; and now that they are over we have two very neat, healthy, and substantial schools, which being patronised and endowed by such a gentleman as W. B. Beaumont, Esq., MP, will no doubt prove a real blessing to our dale for many years to come.

1st August 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

SINGULAR ACCIDENT. —On Saturday afternoon, a fatal accident occurred at Blanchland, to a man named John Beck, of Shildon, under the following circumstances: — Deceased was mowing for his father, Mr G. Beck, of Blanchland, in a field, situated at that place, and was in the act of whetting his scythe above him, when, most unfortunately, he was observed to fall in a fainting fit and the scythe fell between his neck and left shoulder, which caused a mortal wound. His brother and another person were present, and other assistance was speedily procured, but, from the great extent of the wound, it was of no avail, as he died almost instantly. The body was afterwards removed to its home, where an inquest was held on Monday, before Mr Reed, coroner, and a verdict of accidental death was returned. Deceased was forty-two years of age, 6 feet 3 inches in height, and for many years a valuable and much esteemed workman to the Derwent Mining Company. He was a quiet and industrious man, was greatly respected, and his melancholy end is deeply regretted. He has left a widow and three helpless children to deplore his loss.

9th August 1856 (Kendal Mercury)

PETTY SESSIONS.

Alston, August 1.

(Before T. Wilson and H. Friend, Esqrs., and the Rev. Octavius James.)

ASSAULT.—Jas. Kearton, Garrigill Gate, was charged with assaulting Henry Wilkinson, of the same place, on the 17th ult. Complainant said that Kearton had frequently threatened to take his life by striking his head off. He threatened to do so when the assault was committed; and if he had lost his head, could not have come there to have got law on him, was determined to come while he

had his "heawd" on. Kearton admitted the assault, and was fined 28s., costs included.
NUISANCE.—The Clerk of the Alston Board of Guardians complained of a nuisance on Rodrop Fell, arising from 9 or 10 dead cattle, which were all lying near together, and were the property of Mr John Young. Mr Cant appeared for the defendant. Young was not aware that the cattle were unburied. His hind had sole charge of the farm. Had the circumstance been made known to Mr Young, he would have given orders for the immediate interment of the cattle. Dismissed.

9th August 1856 (Newcastle Journal)
The beautiful estate at Ninebanks, together with the village, mansion house, and farm buildings, in the Vale of West Allen, in this county, was purchased last week, by the Rev. John Blackett Ord, of Whitfield Hall, at the price, it is understood, of about £12,000.

5th September 1856 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
In Elswick Terrace, Newcastle, on the 29th ult., aged 72, deeply regretted, Mr Thomas Carr; deceased was for nearly 30 years teacher of the London Lead Company's School, at Nenthead, Cumberland.

17th September 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)
HISTORY OF LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE
No. VIII
About the year 1830, the Company extended their efforts to benefit the moral and social condition of their workpeople. Mr Stagg was deeply impressed with the importance of doing something in the way of educating the rising generation, as he recognised the fact which is acknowledged to be a statistical one, that "Ignorance is the mother of vice," and that unless the working classes were better educated, the most stringent rules would not be sufficient at all times to curb the turbulent passions of an ignorant population. His first request was for a school, and this led to the erection of the present spacious school room, where the children of the workmen obtain a very fair education, in the most useful branches of learning; and especially since they secured the services of the present efficient master, has the progress of the children been of the most Satisfactory character.
In the rear 1821, the Skears mine was commenced, which from its easy distance from Middleton (only about a mile), makes it very convenient for the workmen residing there. This mine, although not so productive as Lodgesyke and some of a more modern date, has yielded a large amount of ore, which has amply repaid the capital expended. The same year, the company engaged an experienced medical practitioner to attend upon the workmen and their families, thus relieving them from the burden inseparable from personal or domestic affliction, where there are bills of medical attendants to pay. About the same time, the Company commenced erecting those cottages for their workmen, commonly known as New Town, or, more properly, Masterman Place, so called as a mark of respect to the then governor of the Company; and these cottages each have a garden attached, which, while laid out in a very tasteful manner, and abounding in every variety of floral beauty, the more

substantial requisites are not forgotten; for their vegetable produce shows a care and skill in the management, highly creditable to the workmen. These beneficial alterations had not been many years in operation when a period of unprecedented depression ensued, which nearly terminated mining operations in Teesdale for a season. At all events it was fortunate that the members of the company were extensive capitalists, and had an active, energetic, and economical local superintendent, who, while faithful to his employers, deeply sympathised with the workmen. There area a combination of causes to produce this depression. Lead was selling at its minimum price, bring at from £11 to £13 per ton. The Lodgesyke mine was denuded of the richest portion of its mineral treasures, and no other at all approximated to it in richness; and the work procured from the mines entailed a proportionate increase in the expenditure in washing operations, as the yield became less; but, at this juncture, an event took place which relieved the Teesdale district from the pressure of its redundant population. The event we refer to was what is commonly called the first pitmen's strike, which took place about the year 1830, in connection with the moat important collieries of the North. Very opportunely for the coal owners, lead mining was in the depressed state mentioned above, and through that circumstance they ware able to secure a good supply of tolerably efficient workmen. Parties who had scarcely before ever left their native dale, migrated to a fresh sphere of labour, where, although strong pecuniary temptations were held out, they knew they would be regarded with feelings of bitter hostility by those workmen whore places they were intended to fill. The writer well remembers being the witness of affecting scenes, when manly bosoms heaved with emotion, and eyes glistened with tears as they looked on those scenes which were alike hallowed by the recollections of childhood and the pleasing reminiscences and tender associations of more mature years; and even after they had got fairly located in their fresh places of abode, the old homesteads were still dear to their hearts; and when the speculations of the Company were again crowned with so success, the majority of them gladly responded to the call to return, and cheerfully resumed those labours which were more congenial to their tastes and early habits.

26th September 1856 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Ireshopeburn, Weardale, on the 22nd inst., aged 53, much respected, Mr Ralph Watson. *Shoemaker*

29th September 1856 (Morning Chronicle)
THE DERWENT MINING COMPANY have declared their thirteenth dividend, of £2 per share.

10th October 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
Prince de Joinville. —We understand that this distinguished visitor and suite are at present Mr. E. Poole's family boarding house, Portinscale, near Keswick. On Monday the Prince and Princess, with their son and daughter, their chaplain and some members of their suite, arrived in Cockermouth, and drove up to the Globe Hotel, after which they attended morning service at the Roman Catholic Chapel, into the poor-box of which they dropped a five-pound note. After taking refreshments at the Globe, the noble guests returned to

Portinscale. On Monday, among other objects of interest, the Prince and Princess de Joinville and family paid a visit to the Greta Pencil Works, belonging to Messrs. Banks, Son, and Co., of Keswick. They have also repeatedly visited the shop of Mr. John Cowper, and purchased a collection of minerals, found in the North of England.

13th October 1856 (London Daily News)
A Special general meeting of the **Derwent Mines Company** is called for the 23rd inst., to decide whether the company shall be registered with limited or unlimited liability under the Act of last occasion, and to consider the propriety of "further consolidating the shares."

17th October 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Lee House, Garrigill, on the 11th inst., Mr Thomas Pearson, aged 97 years.
Thomas Pearson married Nancy Shield, 3rd May 1783, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Low Lee Houses, Thomas Pearson, independent, aged 81, Nancy Pearson 75, and Nancy Kidd 20.
Nancy Pearson was buried 27th June 1847, aged 82, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Low Lee Houses, Thomas Pearson, widower, landed proprietor, aged 91, daughter, Mary Watson, widow, aged 60, and grand daughter, Martha Watson 25.

18th October 1856 (Kendal Mercury)

WATER WHEELS
FOR SALE
BY PRIVATE TREATY

THREE Spare WATER WHEELS, belonging to the Keswick Mining Company, of the following dimensions, viz. —

One 40 Feet	diameter	3½ Feet	breast
One 21	"	3	"
One 20	"	2	"

Also, TWO HORSE WHIMS, a STAMP AXLE and FRAME.

Apply to Mr R. B. SHEPHERD, Portinscale, Keswick
Portinscale, 15th October 1856

29th October 1856 (The Cornish Telegraph)
At the Tees Side Mining Company general meeting, the accounts showed a balance of £126 2s. 3d. against the adventurers.

5 November 1856 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON. —On Friday afternoon, as a boy named Watson was working in a sump at Mr Allison's Skeers Lead Mine, some of the props slightly gave way, when the hole closed upon the boy's legs, and fastened him in. As there was very little air, fears were entertained that he would die before he could be released; but, though imprisoned till 3 o'clock next day—a period of 24 hours—when taken out he was found to be no worse.

1st November 1856 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Frances, daughter of Mr Joseph Hudspeth, aged 4 years.
See 1st March 1879
At Wigglety, near Alston, on the 27th inst., of consumption, Mr John Hall, aged 21.
Joseph Hall married Elizabeth Hymers 9th October 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John Hall born January 8th 1835, baptised at Redwing Chapel, 13th January 1835, son of Joseph Hall, lead ore miner, and Elizabeth his wife, of Foreshield, Alston.
Joseph Hall of Foreshield, was buried 26th November 1836, aged 35, at Alston.
In 1851, at Hudgill, Elizabeth Hall, lead miners widow, aged 40, children, John 16, Ann 10, Eliza 7, and Hannah 2.
Elizabeth Hall died 1st qtr 1853, registered at Alston.

7th November 1856 (Newcastle Courant)
Cashwell Lead Mine
To Be Sold
Several 60th shares of the above mine situate on **Crossfell**, Alston Moor, where a powerful crushing mill, hydraulic engine, and other conveniences have lately been erected, and at present raising 50 bings of lead ore per month, by 20 pickmen; which will increase as the mine is opened out. Apply to Thomas Hodgson, 26 Wellington Terrace, Newcastle.

8th November 1856 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nenthead, October 29, Joseph son of Mr Thos. Brown, aged 2 years.
At Alston, November 1, Mr Walton Salkeld, grocer and draper, aged 57.
At Nenthead, November 1, Mr Jonathan Thompson, miner aged 51.
See 8th January 1858
At Alston, November 2, Mr William Walton, joiner and builder, aged 60.

15th November 1856 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 13th inst., Mr Isaac Hornsby, of Nenthead, to Mrs Ann Glendinning, of Alston. *See 1st May 1869*
At Allenheads, Saturday the 8th inst., Mr Emerson Pears, of Greenends, Nenthead, to Mrs Percival, of Allenheads.
In 1841, at Allendale, High Forest, Emerson Pears, lead ore miner, aged 35, children, Jane 15, Isabella 14, Hillary 11, and George Green 15.
In 1851, at Greenends, Nenthead, Emerson Pears, widower, lead miner, aged 44, born Allendale, daughter, Mary, aged 26, born Allendale, and visitor, John Pears, retired lead miner, aged 55, born Allendale.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, Emerson Pears, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Hannah 45, step daughter, Ann Percival, aged 26, and son, John Curry Pears, aged 1 year.
In 1871 at Dirt Pot Shield, Allendale, Emerson Pears, retired lead ore miner, aged aged 70, his wife Hannah 55, and son John C. aged 11.

Emerson Pears died 4th qtr 1871, aged 71, registered at Hexham.
In 1881, at 31 Victoria St. Elswick, Hannah Pears, widow, aged 65, son John C., Insurance clerk, aged 21, and granddaughter, Frances H. Teasdale, general domestic servant, aged 19, born Alston.
Hannah Pears died 3rd qtr., 1891, aged 76, registered at Newcastle upon Tyne

5th December 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

Wolsingham Petty Sessions

Before W. L. Darnell Clerk, and G. P. Wilkinson, Esq., George Emmerson, of Westgate, Weardale, miner, was charged with cruelly beating and bruising his own child, It appeared from the evidence of seven respectable witnesses that since the death of Emmerson's wife he has been in the habit of beating the child, and bruising it in a frightful manner. Emmerson's neighbours being afraid that he might kill the child in his passion, they found it their duty to bring the case before the magistrates. The case being proved the bench committed Emmerson to the house of correction for three calendar months.

12th December 1856 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD.—The members and friends of the Nenthead Amateur Band, to the number of 150, celebrated their third anniversary, at the house of Mr. Joseph Blacklock, Miners Arms Inn, West. Nenthead, on Friday last. Ample justice was done to the plentiful repast which was provided by the worthy landlord and the spirits of the company were greatly enlivened by the band performing under the able leadership of Mr. Cousin, a selection of the most popular music of the day in a style and manner which reflected the greatest credit upon all engaged.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, John son of Mr James Dixon, tailor and draper, Alston, to Miss Bessy Harrison, of Alston, daughter of the late Mr Frederick Harrison, of Aimshaugh. *See 21st June 1856*

12th December 1856 (Newcastle Courant)

BLANCHLAND.—On Tuesday, the 2nd inst., a fatal accident occurred at Derwent Mines. A young man named Joseph Eddy, of Shildon, about 20 years of age, had that day made his first commencement of working in the mines; and was at the time "putting" the waggon, when he most unfortunately left his hold, and fell down a hopper to the depth of about 16 fathoms. He was immediately taken up and conveyed to his home, where medical attendance was procured; but having received a most serious fracture of the head, it was of no avail. He lingered until Thursday morning, when death put an end to his suffering.

In 1841, at Shotley, John Eddy aged 40, his wife Jane aged 40, children, Thomas 20, Jane 14, Edward 11, John 10, William 7, Joseph 4, and Richardson 2.
In 1851, at Blanchland, John Eddy, lead ore miner, aged 54, born Hunstanworth, his wife Jane aged 51, born Stanhope, children, Jane 23, born Stanhope, Edward, lead ore miner, aged 21, born Stanhope, John, lead ore miner, aged 19, born Stanhope, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, born Blanchland, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 14, born Blanchland, Richardson,

lead ore washer, aged 11, born Blanchland, Sarah 9, born Blanchland, Catherine 6, born Blanchland, and grand daughter Jane 5, born Hunstanworth.
In 1861, at Blanchland, John Eddy, lead ore miner, aged 64, his wife Jane 61, son Richardson, lead ore miner, aged 21, daughter Catherine 16, born Acomb, and granddaughter Jane aged 15.

19th December 1856 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Appleby, on the 13th, of pulmonary consumption, Mr John Hutchinson, late clerk to the lead mining company of Alston Moor, aged 31 years.
See 6th January 1855

20th December 1856 (Carlisle Patriot)
HAYDON BRIDGE.—SALE OF LEAD ORE.—Dec. 10th: From Nenthead receiving house, Messrs. Shield and Dinning, 150 bings at £5 4s. 6d.; Messrs. Cookson and Co., 100 bings at £5 5s., 110 bings at £5 8s.; From Lowbyer receiving house, Messrs. Shield and Dinning, 150 bings at £5 0s. 6d.; Messrs. Cookson and Co., 120 bings at £5.

ALSTON COUNTY COURT, Dec. 13
(Before T. H. Ingham, Esq.)
Lee v. Armstrong.—Armstrong had gone to Lee's to purchase cheese, and had taken half-a-sovereign instead of sixpence in change. Defendant not appearing, judgement was given against him.
Davidson and Others v. Craig.—Craig, a partner in Galligill Bents Mine, was summoned for non-payment of wages. Mr Paget, for defendant, pleaded that his client had not employed the plaintiffs. Craig, however, being proved to be a partner, consented to pay on the production of the mine accounts by the other partner, Mr T. Penman.
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on Thursday the 11th inst., Mr Joseph Lancaster, to Miss Jane Walton.
In 1861, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Jane Lancaster, married, aged 25, children, Elizabeth 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Joseph Lancaster, stone mason, aged 42, his wife Jane 35, children, Elizabeth 13, and Joseph 11.
Jane Lancaster was buried 2nd June 1878, aged 42, at Garrigill.
In 1881, at High Beldy, Garrigill, Joseph Lancaster, widower, stone mason in lead mine, aged 53, children, Elizabeth 23, Joseph, horse driver in lead mine, aged 21, Mary Ann 9, and Emily 6.
Joseph Lancaster, stone mason, of High Beldy died 7th September 1904.
Deaths
At Nenthead, on Monday the 15th inst., after a lingering illness, Mr John Wallace, aged 22.
John Wallace of Nenthead, was buried 17th December 1856, aged 23, at St John, Garrigill.
On Monday the 15th inst., Mr Joseph Pearson, of Skelgill, Alston, aged 74.
In 1841, at Water Greens, Alston, Joseph Pearson, lead miner, aged 55, and his wife Jane 50.

In 1851, at Water Greens, Alston, Joseph Pearson. lead ore washer, aged 66, and his wife Jane 63.
In 1861, at Water Greens, Alston, Jane Pearson, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 70, grandson, Joseph Readshaw, miner & farmer, aged 22, and grand daughter Isabella Readshaw, dairy maid, aged 18.
Jane Pearson died 4th qtr., 1869 aged 83.
At Appleby, on Saturday last, Mr John Hutchinson (late mining agent, Nenthead), of a lingering illness, aged 30.
In 1851, at Fair Hill Top, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, clerk to the lead company, aged 25, born Penrith, brother George Hutchinson aged 10, born Stanhope, and House servant, Mary Bright 22.
John Hutchinson, married Mary Bright, 23rd November 1851, at Nenthead.
Mary Hutchinson, married John Glendinning 7th May 1870, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Nenthead, John Glendinning, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 38, step children, Elizabeth Hutchinson 15, William Hutchinson, lead ore dresser, aged 12, John Hutchinson, 9, and daughter, Hannah Glendinning 8 months.

20th December 1856 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

CORRESPONDENCE

COUNTY CORONERS AND THEIR DUTIES

To the Editor of the Newcastle Guardian.

GENTLEMEN, —Are Coroners of any use, or are they not? If they are of no use why burden the county with their payments—but if they are of use, is it not expected they will do their duty? Their duty, I apprehend, is to inquire into the cause of the death of persons who are killed or otherwise meet their death in an accidental or suspicious manner. Questions have recently arisen as to the expenses attendant upon inquests, and some coroners have grumbled that inquests having to be held at great distances from their residences have not paid them. Is this question of expense an excuse for not holding an inquest upon a person killed? 1 should say not.

These remarks have been caused in consequence of the following case: —In the early part of last week a young man named J Eddy, who had been employed to work as a miner in the Derwent Company's Lead Mines, near Blanchland, went into the mines for the first time, and on going along a level he had, it appears, to cross the top of a shaft upon which was simply two or three loose planks for a footway. The shaft top either not having been sufficiently protected, or J Eddy not knowing of such a place, or from some other cause, he fell down the shaft to the bottom, a considerable distance (some people say 20 fathoms), and was severely injured. He was taken out and removed to his house at Blanchland, where he lingered until Thursday morning (the 4th inst.,) when he died. During the time the poor follow was suffering no medical assistance was called to his aid, (although a duly qualified medical practitioner lives in the village), with the exception of a gentleman who professes medicine and surgery, though not duly qualified. On the death of the young man, I understand the constable of the district was required to notify to the coroner the necessity of holding an inquest—that functionary objected, on the ground of expense, personally to go to the coroner, (whoso residence is at Newcastle), but wrote to him the particulars of the case. The letter, I believe, was posted in sufficient time on Thursday to

reach Newcastle the same evening, but no inquest has yet been held to ascertain the cause of the death of the young man, and the body was committed to the grave on Sunday. Now, whether the blame of no inquest being held rests with that high official, the constable, or that higher one, the coroner, remains to be settled, or whether, after all, it is not a question of expense—the coroner having on a previous occasion of holding an inquest at the same place grumbled respecting the distance, and the amount of mileage allowed him.
At present the public do not know whether the young man intentionally precipitated himself down the shaft—which is very unlikely—or whether the Derwent Mines Company have not been grossly culpable in allowing the shaft to be unprotected, and thus causing his death. Great numbers of men are employed in these mines, and would it not, therefore, be a satisfaction to them that accidents of this kind—for I take it to be an accident— should be inquired into, and if blame should attach to any one lot them be censured.
This is a case in which the coroner is bound to hold an Inquest, and I shall be glad to find that it is not the expense that has deterred him from doing so.
I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant, JEFFRIES RAKE.
Blanchland, Dec 10th, 1856.

10th January 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.

(Before Rev. O. James and H. W. Friend, Esq.)

John Clark summoned for arrears of payment for illegitimate children. Ordered to pay, but costs remitted.
John Teasdale summoned for payment to illegitimate child. Payment and costs ordered. Defendant expressed his determination to die in prison.

16th January 1857 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. Joseph Bowstead, curate, Mr Wm. Lee, to Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, both of Randalholm Hall.
In 1861, at Randalholme, Alston, William Lee, farmer of 200 acres, employing 3 labourers, aged 32, born Kirkhaugh, his Wife Elizabeth aged 30, born Kirkhaugh, children, Ann 3, Thomas 7 months, step son, Elliott Armstrong 10, John Lee, Husbandman, aged 24, and house servants, Jane Davidson 20 and Mary Scafe 15.

Deaths

At Tindal Fell near Brampton, on the 2nd inst., Ralph, son of Mr John Farrow, spelter works, aged 8 years.
At Nenthead on the 14th inst., Mr George Irwin, smelter, aged 63 years.
In 1841, Smelt Mill, Nenthead, George Irwin, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella (Hewatson) aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Catherine 15, George, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 10, Isabella 10, Anthony 8, Rachel 5, Betty 3, and Hannah 3 months.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella 53, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Anthony, lead miner, aged 18, Rachel 15, Betsy 13, and Hannah 10.
At Garrigill, on the 10th inst., Mr John Watson, aged 73.

In 1851, at Snappersgill, Garrigill, John Watson, retired lead miner, aged 67, his wife Jane 60, sons, John, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Christopher, lead miner, aged 17, servant Esther Armstrong, house servant, aged 17, and nephew, John Slack 7. See 2nd February 1866 & 4th Nov 1871
At Garrigill, on the 12th inst., Mrs Hannah Armstrong, widow of Mr John Armstrong, of Nenthall, aged 72.
See 13th May 1843

24th January 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
NENTHEAD.—The lead-miners' annual pays were held on Wednesday the 14th inst., when several thousands of pounds were paid over to the men in different sums, from one pound to fifty, as balances of their earnings for the twelve preceding months. The mode of paying the miners in this district is somewhat singular. In the course of a year, the men take three separate bargains, of the average length of four months each, during which they agree to cut through so much solid rock or earth at a given price; and they are paid a certain sum per month to enable them to meet to current expenses of their families; at present this sum is 44s. and is called "a month's pay," or "subsist money." At the end of the year a balance is struck between the total earnings and the monthly payments, and the difference is handed over to the men at these annual pays as they are called. During this season all mining operations are suspended, and the large number of visitors from the surrounding district, the tradesmen who seek their debtors, and the numerous hawkers, give to the village the appearance of a fair. The inhabitants on these occasions generally conduct themselves with great propriety. On Wednesday the only breach of law that came under the notice of the police was a robbery by a donkey. The owner of the animal had placed in the stable with him a bag containing half-a-crown 's worth of oranges, and it appears that Neddy had bitten his halter in two, opened the bag, sucked every orange, and then, having the fear of punishment before his eyes, he had chewed his master's whip thong in pieces, *Not such an ass after all!* Although the miner's life is generally short, and attended with much toil and danger, habit, and an ardent attachment to his native place, reconcile him to it, and a more industrious and kind-hearted man can seldom be found than the Nenthead miner.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Isabella, wife Mr Joseph Jackson, clogger, aged 60.
At New Shield Toll Bar, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr Anthony Martindale, aged 50. *See 13th December 1884*

30th January 1857 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)
At the Tees Side Mining Company general meeting, held at Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Tuesday, the accounts showed a balance against the mine of £247 5s. 9d. A call of 1s. 6d. per share was made.

31st January 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 18th inst., of diabetes, Thomas Hogg, son of Mr Thompson, lead mine agent, aged 11 years.
Thomas Hogg Thompson, baptised 25th January 1846, at Middleton in Teesdale, parents John and Anne Thompson.

3rd February 1857 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

A new Primitive Methodist Chapel was opened at Garrigill, in this county, on Friday week. The cost of the building was about £280, and at the time of opening, the subscriptions were announced as amounting to £140. The London Lead Company have contributed £50, and the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital £15.

21st February 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 18th inst., Mr Joseph Smith, of Bleagate, to Miss Hannah Hill, of High Craig.

In 1861 at Bleagate, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 29, children, John 4, and Margaret 2.

In 1871 at Bleagate, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, farmer of 48 acres, aged 40, his wife Hannah 39, children, John 14, Margaret 11, Jacob 6, and Matthew 4.

In 1881, at 141 Gloucester Road, Elswick, Joseph Clerk, retired farmer, aged 50, his wife Hannah 48, children, Johnny, labourer, aged 24, Margaret, domestic servant aged 22, Jacob, draper aged 17, and Matthew, post messenger, aged 14.

Deaths

At Garrigill, on the 10th inst., Rachel, wife of Mr Joseph Pickering, butcher, aged 58.

In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Joseph Pickering, grocer & butcher, aged 49, his wife Rachel aged 53 (Walton, married 25th November 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston), children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Adam, lead miner, aged 23, Ann 21, George 19, Rachel 13, Mary 12, and house servant, Eliz Hutchinson aged 20

At Nenthead, on the 11th inst., Mrs Jane Liverick, aged 46.

See 19th July 1861

At Crosslands, Alston, on the 12th inst., Mrs Ann Milburn, aged 74.

In 1841, at Leadgate, Ann Milburn aged 55, and Edward, lead minert, aged 15.

In 1851, at Crosslands, Alston, Ann Milburn, domestic duties, aged 68, born Wolsingham, and son Edward, lead miner, aged 27, born Wolsingham.

28th February 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)

On Tuesday, the 24th inst., a miner, named George Whitfield was crushed beneath a fall of earth, in a mine, at Nenthead. When extracted he was found to be seriously injured in the back, and one of his legs was broken; he has since been progressing favourably.

27th March 1857 (Carlisle Journal)

EXODUS OF LEAD MINERS FROM ALSTON.—The chief characteristic of the mining part of the population of Alston Moor at the present day appears to be their great inclination for emigration. Since the first discovery of gold in Australia, perhaps few countries, according to its small population, have sent out more adventurers to this flourishing colony than Alston Moor. Inured to pursue their somewhat dangerous and unhealthy occupation amid difficulties and always with the greatest uncertainty as to the finding the metal, the lead

miners of this and other countries are peculiarly adapted for the gold fields in Australia, the working of which require all the perseverance, patience, and skill which are necessary in the working of lead ore mines. In reference to the lead miners who have already emigrated from this locality, some of them have been unsuccessful, while very many of them have sent considerable remittances to their families at home, and have, after a few years of toil, returned to their native place with pockets pretty well lined; but very few if any, have realised fortunes.

On the10th instant ten of these miners left Alston for Liverpool, where they would embark for Australia they were all quite young men, and were from East Allendale, which is a neighbouring mining district to

Alston Moor: and on the morning of the16th instant a more than ordinary bustling and animating scene presented itself at the Alston Station, occasioned by the departure for the same destination of another company of miners. This company, together with those who left about the same time by a different route, were about twenty four in number, and are all young men belonging to the parish of Alston. It may here be observed as a fact, that, be their fortune what it may at the antipodes, the major part of these youthful adventurers have left good and comfortable homes. God speed them all well in the far famed land of El Dorado!

22nd April 1857 (Teesdale Mercury)

HISTORY OF LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE.

After a period of very severe depression, which caused many to seek in the coal fields employment that was more remunerative, the prospect, in connection with mining speculations, began to brighten, and especially after the Thornberry mine had turned out so prosperous, many of those involuntary exiles who, from stern necessity had left their native dale, gladly availed themselves of the opportunity now offered of returning to the sphere of labour that was more congenial to their tastes.

The Thornberry mine is situated in the manor of Eggleston, and was wrought with some degree of success many years before it again became productive in the year 1832; and it furnishes a very striking instance of the precarious character of mining speculations. The writer has heard it said, that for nearly 40 years, no amount of any moment of ore had been procured. Sometimes an old working would be discovered, which excited hopes in the expectant workmen that the “old man,” as they called the *genius loci*, would have left behind him some gleanings of mineral treasure; but it must have been very tantalising to find their hopes were something like the delusive mirage of the desert, which leads the thirsty traveller to imagine that the cooling waters of the transparent lake are before him, but the pleasing thought of speedy relief gives place to deep despondency, as the optical delusion is superseded by the painful reality that he is probably still far distant from the grateful element.

With something like the feelings of the disappointed traveller, would we suppose that the miner, when hopes of success had for a moment dawned upon him, only to end in mockery, again resumed his labour at the stubborn rock; but, at last, however, the unexpectedly, the mineral treasure which they had so long sought was laid open to their astonished gaze, and, with grateful hearts, a deputation carried a specimen of the ore sought to Mr Stagg, who shared in their joy on beholding this first fruit of the rich harvest which this

mine in a short time yielded, comparatively to the large amount expended in the research,—for no less a sum than £30,000 had been disbursed ere this first pledge of future success had been obtained.
Shortly after, a discovery made by Mr H. L. Pattison, in connection with smelting operations, conferred a great benefit on those engaged in the manufacture of lead. This process, known as the separating or crystallizing process, while it increased the number of operatives employed, effected a considerable saving to the employed, as the silver could be separated from the principal portion of the lead at such a low temperature that little waste took place. The lead which is now refined contains about 200 ounces of silver per fother, against 10 ounces as formerly.
But, while we are indebted to Mr Pattinson for this discovery, yet local parties have carried it out to a high state of perfection. For these improvements, in Teesdale, we are indebted to the late Mr. J. D. Stagg and his colleague, Mr. R. Richardson, (the present indefatigable agent of the lead Company at Eggleston), who, with untiring energy, seconded by the workmen under their orders, were not satisfied until they obtained the consummation of their wishes.

1st May 1857 (Coroners Inquest, Carlisle Archives TCR 2)
John Wilkinson, of Nenthead, accidentally killed by the falling in of part of the roof of a mine.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Betty Fawcett, widow, aged 49, sons, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 25, William Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Thomas Fawcett aged 4. See 30th November 1864.

8th May 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. Jos. Bowstead, curate, Mr John Kirsop, of High Park, to Miss Sarah Walton, of Howgill Rigg.
At Alston Church, on the 30th ult., Mr Joseph Smith, of Alston, to Miss Mary Scott, of Blagill.
John Scott married Elizabeth Cousin, 1st July 1826, at Alston.
In 1841, at Blagill, John Scott, lead smelter, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth aged 30, children, Ann 14, William 12, Joseph 11, John 10, Thomas 7, Mary 5, Isaac 2, and Matthew Lee aged 2.
In 1851, at Blagill, John Scott, lead ore smelter, aged 51, born Allendale, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, born Allendale, children Ann 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 15, Isaac, lead miner, aged 12, Matthew 9, Rodger 7, Robert 5, Elizabeth 3, Hannah 3, Isabella 10 months, and lodger Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 11.
John Scott, died, 1st quarter 1860, at Alston.
In 1861, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 55, children William, lead miner, aged 32, Elizabeth 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Rodger, lead miner, aged 17, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Walter 9, granddaughters, Hannah Scott 13, Isabella Scott 11, and boarder Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1871, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer, aged 66, sons, William, lead miner, aged 42, Walter, lead miner, aged 20, granddaughter, Elizabeth Scott

12, and Jane Spottswood, indoor, farm servant, aged 16.
Elizabeth Scott, died 4th quarter 1877, aged 71.

William Brown Smith (son of Joseph Smith and Tamar Brown, born 11th March 1808) married Margaret Dickinson, 27th November 1834, at Alston.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, William Smith, shoe maker, aged 30, his wife Margaret aged 25, children Joseph 5, Matthew 4, and Jane 4 months.
In 1851, at Ropery Walk, Margaret Smith, married, domestic duties, aged 38, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jane 10, (blind from birth), William 8, Tamar 6, (blind from birth), Hannah 4, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Margaret Smith, cordwainers wife, aged 49, children Matthew D., lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 18, Tamar 16 (blind from birth), Hannah, servant at woollen mill, aged 14, Mary 12, Margaret A 4, and Martin B 2 (blind from birth).
In 1861, William Smith, married shoe maker, aged 53, is lodging at Main Street, Alston, with the Snowdon, family.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Margaret Smith, married, lodging house keeper, aged 58, daughter, Jane, organist, aged 30 (blind from birth), and Martin Brown aged 12, (blind from birth).
Margaret Smith died at Alston 1st quarter 1879, aged 66.
The death of William Smith aged 71, is recorded at Alston 1st quarter 1880.
Martin Brown Smith died at Alston 3rd quarter 1880, aged 20.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston Jane Smith, unmarried, organist at Alston Church, aged 40.

In 1861, at Blagill, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary, aged 25, sons John 3, and Matthew 3 months.
John Smith, died 23rd February 1864, aged 5 years. See 26th February 1864.
Joseph Smith died 3rd quarter 1865, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Clinty Brow, Blagill, Mary Smith, widow, dressmaker, aged 35, son Matthew 10, daughter Margaret A 7, niece Isabella Scott 20, nephew Joseph Scott 2, and William Scott 2 months. In 1881, at Blagill, Mary Smith, widow, annuitant, aged 44, son Matthew, agricultural labourer, aged 20, and daughter Margaret A. dressmaker, aged 17.

The family emigrated to Canada, in 1883.

Canada Census of 1891

Name:	*Mathews Smith*
Gender:	*Male*
Age:	*28*
Birth Year (Estimated):	*1863*
Birthplace:	*England*
Marital Status:	*Single*
Religion:	*Methodist*
Province:	*Ontario*
District:	*Lambton East*
District Number:	*81*
Sub-District:	*Petrolia*

His mother Mary is listed as living with him, widow, aged 54

Rootsweb gives the marriage of Matthew Smith to Susan Ann Ball, as taking

place in St Clair Michigan USA, in 1864:
Spouse: Sarah Ann Ball
Date: 24 May 1894
Place: Port Huron
B/G: Groom
Residence: Petrolia
Age: 32
Born: England
Father: Joseph Smith
Mother: Mary Scott
Witness: Mr. Fred Nothcott & wife, of Petrolia
Officiant: Thos. A. Scott, Min.
Occupation: Oil Refiner
County and State: St. Clair Co. MI

Canada Census 1901

Name:	*Mathew Smith*
Event Place:	*G, Lambton (east/est), Ontario, Canada*
Gender:	*Male*
Marital Status:	*Married*
Ethnicity:	*English*
Nationality:	*Canadian*
Religion:	*Methodist*
Birthplace:	*England*
Birth Year (Estimated):	*1862*

Household	*Role*	*Gender*	*Age*	*Birthplace*
Mathew Smith	*Head*	*M*	*39*	*England*
Mary Smith	*Mother*	*F*	*65*	*England*
Susan A. Smith	*Wife*	*F*	*33*	*England*
John J. Smith	*Son*	*M*	*6*	*Ontario*
Violet M Smith	*Daughter*	*F*	*5*	*Ontario*
Clifford M Smith	*Son*	*M*	*2*	*Ontario*

This Census gives the date of emigration as 1882, and that he was a foreman in Oil Mill.

Canada Census 1911

Name:	*Matthew Smith*
Event Date:	*1911*
Event Place:	*Kingston (East), Ontario, Canada*
Gender:	*Male*
Marital Status:	*Married*
Birth Date:	*Jan 1861*
Birthplace:	*England*

Household	*Role*	*Gender*	*Age*	*Birthplace*
Matthew Smith	*Head*	*M*	*50*	*England*
Susan Smith	*Wife*	*F*	*44*	*England*
John J Smith	*Son*	*M*	*15*	*Ontario*
Violet Smith	*Daughter*	*F*	*14*	*Ontario*
Clifford Smith	*Son*	*M*	*12*	*Ontario*
Maiean Smith	*Daughter*	*F*	*8*	*Ontario*

Ida Smith	*Daughter*	*F*	*5*	*Ontario*
Beverly Smith	*Son*	*M*	*2*	*Ontario*
Mary Smith	*Mother*	*F*	*74*	*England*

This census gives 1883, as the date of emigration of Matthew and Mary, 1882 is the date given for Matthews wife Susan.
Mary Smith died 9th February 1916, at Petrolia, Ontario, cause of death apoplexy.

Margaret Ann Smith married Mark Tarn

Name:	*Mark Tarn*
Event Type:	*Marriage*
Event Date:	*29 Sep 1883*
Event Place:	*Sarnia, Ontario, Canada*
Age:	*23*
Birth Year (Estimated):	*1860*
Father's Name:	*Mark Tarn*
Mother's Name:	*Elizabeth Tarn*
Spouse's Name:	*Margaret Ann Smith*
Spouse's Age:	*21*
Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated):	*1862*
Spouse's Father's Name:	*Joseph Smith*
Spouse's Mother's Name:	*Mary Smith*

In 1891, at New Westminster, Vancouver City, Mark Tarn, carpenter, aged 29, born England, his wife Maggie 27, children Bertha 4, and Charles 6.

At Alston Church, on the 7th instant, Mr John Tinniswood, mining engineer, to Miss Ruth Dowson, Scale Bank.
Ruth Dowson, daughter of Joshua and Isabella Dowson, baptised at Alston 9th June 1833.
Joshua Dowson, was buried at Alston, 8th August 1838, aged 47 years.
In 1841, at Scale Bank, Isabella Dowson, aged 40, children Mary, 15, Edward aged 12, Ruth, 8, and Robert, 5. In 1851, at Scale Bank, Isabella Dowson , widow, farmer & proprietor of land, aged 51, children Mary, dress maker, aged 28, Edward, lead miner, aged 23, Ruth, dress maker, aged 17, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, and grandson John Dowson 2.
In 1861, at Scale Bank, Edward Dowson, unmarried, farmer of 22 acres, aged 32, sister Mary Dowson, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 38, nephew John Dowson 11, sister Ruth Tinniswood, widow, aged 28, nephews Joseph Tinniswood 6, and John Tinniswood 3 (died 4th quarter 1861, at Alston).
In 1871, at Scale Bank, Edward Dowson, unmarried, land owner and farmer of 25 acres, aged 43, sister Mary Dowson, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 47, sister Ruth Tinniswood, widow, house keeper, aged 38, and nephew Joseph Tinniswood, scholar, aged 17.
In 1881, at Scale Bank, Edward Dowson, unmarried, farmer of 26 acres, aged 43, sister Ruth Tinniswood, widow, house keeper, aged 48, nephew Joseph Tinniswood, newspaper reporter, aged 26, and niece Sarah Dowson, dressmaker, aged 22.
In 1891, at Scale Bank, Edward Dowson, unmarried, farmer and carter, aged 60, and his sister Ruth Tinniswood, widow, house keeper, aged 54. Joseph Tinniswood, Journalist was a boarder at Blyth, Northumberland, in 1891.
Edward Dowson, died 2nd quarter of 1895, aged 66.

In 1901, at Scale Bank, Ruth Tinniswood, widow, farmer, aged 67, and son Joseph D Tinniswood, ???, aged 44.
Ruth Tinniswood died 1st quarter 1903, at Alston, aged 68.
In 1911, Joseph Tinniswood, formerly a newspaper reporter, aged 56, was an inmate at the Alston Workhouse.
Joseph Tinniswood, died 3rd quarter of 1911, at Alston.

8th May 1857 (Carlisle Journal) cont'd
Marriage
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 3rd instant, Mr Edward Milburn of Crosslands, to Miss Hannah Peart, of Lead Gate.
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 30th ult., Mrs. Hannah Dickinson widow of Mr. James Dickinson, of Ashgillside, aged 84 years.
In 1851, at Ashgillside, Thomas Slack aged 51, farmer of 78 acres, his wife Jane aged 46, and mother in law, Hannah Dickinson, widow, annuitant, aged 78, born at Garrigill..

Redwing Independent Chapel, Garrigill

IN MEMORY OF
JAMES DICKINSON OF ASHGILL,
WHO DIED 17TH DECEMBER 1832, AGED
72 YEARS
AND OF HANNAH HIS WIFE, WHO
DIED MAY 3RD 1837 AGED 84 YEARS;
ALSO THOMAS THEIR SON, WHO
DIED_____ 1830,
AGED 35 YEARS;
AND OF JAMES THEIR SON, WHO
DIED JUNE 14TH 1832, AGED 18 YEARS.

22nd May 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Brownley Hill, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr George Rutherford, aged 66.
See 2nd December 1837, 5th April 1884, and 29th August 1891
At Nenthead, on the 20th inst., Mr William Hind, aged 64.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, William Hind, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Sarah (Thompson, married 18th December 1813, Alston) aged 47, children Esther 20, William 20, Hannah 15, James 15, Elizabeth 10, Mary 7, and John aged 3.
In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead, William Hind, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Sarah 57, children James, lead miner, aged 26, Elizabeth 20, and grandson

John Hind, lead ore washer, aged 13.
At Garrigill, on the 20th inst., Mr Abraham Watson, aged 26.
Abraham Watson married Mary Dobson, 25th July 1816, at Alston.
Children of Abraham and Mary: —Elizabeth born 30th May 1820, Mary born 24th December 1823, Thomas born 19th April 1825, and Abraham born 15th April 1827.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Watson, widow, aged 45, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Abraham, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Mary Watson, widow, aged 54, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Abraham, lead miner, aged 23, and granddaughter Hannah aged 5.

5th June 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 28th ult., Mrs Phoebe Errington, aged 66 years.
In 1841, at Haltcliff, Caldbeck, Thomas Errington, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Pheoby (Walton, married at St Augustine's, Alston 10th December 1815) aged 50, children Hannah 15, Thomas 13, Ann 10, Wm 4, and John Errington, aged 25.
Thomas Errington, died 1st quarter 1850, registerd at Penrith.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, Phoebe Errington, widow, aged 56, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, and William, blacksmith apprentice, aged 15.
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Jonathan Walton, Esq., aged 76 years, much respected.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Jonathan Walton, widower, treasurer of the turnpike trust, and landed proprietor, aged 70, and servant, Isabella Pattinson 24.
See 27th July 1844 and the Will of Jonathan Walton in Durham Wills; and Carlisle Probate Administration for Toward Walton 3rd June 1875.

20th June 1857 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Hanging Wells, Rookhope, on the 10th inst., aged 42, Isabella, wife of Mr George Featherston.
In 1861, at Hangingwells, Rookhope, George Featherston, widower, shepherd & farm labourer, aged 60, and house keeper Elizabeth Sears aged 20.

20th June 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. Charles Corelly, Mr Henry Millican, of Pasture Houses, Tynehouse to Miss Hannah Anderson, Tongue Meadow, Tynehead. *See 22nd December 1883*
Same time and place, Mr Thomas Vipond, of Tynehead House, to Miss Mary Anderson, also of Tongue Meadow.

20th June 1857 (Kendal Mercury)
STEERAGE, £14. CHIEF CABIN, £31 10s.
"MERSEY" LINE OF AUSTRALIAN PACKETS.
Sailing from Liverpool Melbourne on the 25th of every month, forwarding Passengers by Steamers at through rates to all parts of Australia.

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27th June 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths

On Monday, the 22nd inst., Mr Robert Hymers of High Galligill, aged 53.
See 27th June 1857, and 3rd January 1880

On Tuesday, the 23rd inst., Mr Joseph Pickering, of Nest, aged 52.
In 1851, at High Nest, Garrigill, Joseph Pickering, lead ore washer & farmer, aged 46, daughter Ruth 20, and nephew, William Pickering 10.

1st July 1857 (The Cornish Telegraph)

The Derwent Mining Company declared a dividend of £10 per share at their meeting on Thursday.

10th July 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages

At Alston, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, Mr Robert Robinson, of Alston, to Miss Hannah Coulson, of Harbut Lodge, near Alston.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Henry Robinson, shoe maker, aged 50, his wife Mary (Todd, married 6th September 1823, at Alston) aged 54, children Henry, shoe maker, aged 22, William, lead miner, aged 21, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, John, shoe maker appr, aged 15, Mary 14, James 10, Margaret 6, Joseph 4, and brother John Todd, shoe maker, aged 47.
In 1861, at Town Head, Robert Robinson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah 30, sons Henry 3, and George 1.
In 1871, at Goosebutts, Hensingham, Whitehaven, Robert Robinson, gardener, aged 37, his wife Hannah 38, children George 11, Robert 8, Thomas 5, and James 4.
In 1881, at Cleator, Hannah Cannon, unmarried, income from cottage & property, aged 55, lodgers, Robert Robinson, gardener, aged 48, his wife Hannah, servant to Hannah Cannon, aged 49, children George, joiner, aged 21, Robert, joiner, aged 18, Thomas, iron ore miners labourer, aged 15, James 14, and William 9.
In 1891, at Distington, Whitehaven, Robert Robinson, farmer, aged 59, his

wife Hannah 60, sons, George, joiner, aged 31, Thomas, coal miner, aged 25, James, coal miner, aged 24, and William H., farm labourer, aged 19.
At St John's Church, Newcastle upon Tyne, on the 29th ult., Anderson, youngest son of the late James Dykes, Esq., of Port Glasgow to Anne, eldest daughter of Mr Edward Routledge, surgeon, formerly of Alston.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 7th inst., Mrs Hannah Martin, aged 83.
At Garrigill, on the 3rd inst., Mr Thos. Greenwell, blacksmith, aged 66.

8th August 1857 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Hunstanworth, on the 26th ult., aged 83, John Robinson, Esq., for many years mining agent to the Derwent Mining Company.
In 1841, at Hunstanworth, John Robinson, lead mine agent, aged 60, his wife Ann (Hammerton, married 8th December 1810, at Hexham) 64, children, Caroline 25, Charlotte 20, William 20, Nicholas 20, Joseph 10, and Ann 5. Probable death of Ann Robinson 1st quarter 1841, registered at Weardale. In 1851, at Hunstanworth, John Robinson, widower, retired lead mine agent, aged 77, daughters, Caroline 35, Charlotte 33, Ann M 16, and nephew, Robert Robinson, aged 13, visiting.

21st August 1857 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 14th inst., in her 80th year, much respected, Sarah, relict of John Little, Esq., of Raise House, Alston, Cumberland.
John Little memorial below.

St John's Church, Garrigill

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ERECTED TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN LITTLE ESQ.
OF RAISE HOUSE IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON,
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
ON THE 6TH JUNE 1821,
AGED 47 YEARS,
LEAVING A WIDOW AND FIVE SONS AND
THREE DAUGHTERS, WHO
WITH AFFECTIONATE REGARD TO HIS MEMORY,
HAVE CAUSED THIS MONUMENT TO
BE ERECTED.

SARAH
RELICT OF THE ABOVE WHO
DIED AT ALSTON, 14TH AUGUST
1857, AGED 80.

5th September 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
CRICKET MATCH AT ALSTON.—The first ever played in this neighbourhood came off at Nenthead, on Saturday last between the newly-formed clubs of Alston and Nenthead. The playing was not first-rate on either side. Nenthead, however, scored 64, beating their opponents by 11. The chairing of the highest scorer, and a supper, ended the enjoyments of the day. It is hoped that this match will be followed by many others, as this noble game is a desirable one for the miners who have considerable: leisure time on their hands.

11th September 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Extraordinary Accident to Professor Day. —Dr. Day, Professor of Medicine at St. Andrews, ascended Helvellyn from Patterdale yesterday week, and was descending in the direction of the Greenside lead mines, when the earth gave way under his feet, and he fell into the tunnel made to carry off the sulphurous gases from the smelting works. Fortunately he was just able to regain the opening, and to keep his head in the fresh air above it, hanging by one arm, the other being broken and powerless. this distressing position he remained till nightfall, when his cries for help attracted three gentlemen to the spot, who relieved him. He was removed to Patterdale, and next day to Carlisle, for surgical assistance.

25th September 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
CRICKET—ALSTON v. NENTHEAD.—The return match between these two clubs was played on the 18th instant, on the ground of the former. After a well contested game, Alston came off victorious. The fielding of the Nenthead club was much improved, and the bowling the Alston club was everything that could be desired. In the Nenthead's 2nd innings six men were bowled out with a score of only three. The day was most propitious, and this being the first cricket match played at Alston a large concourse of people assembled to witness the proceedings, and were all highly satisfied.
Deaths
At High Plains, near Alston, on the 14th inst., Elizabeth, widow of John Smith, of Bleagate, aged 82. *See 23rd August 1850*
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 16th inst., Ann Stephenson, widow, aged 75.

3rd October 1857 (Westmorland Gazette)
WYTHBURN. —Helvellyn lead mine is now working with every prospect of remunerating the enterprise of its shareholders. Fine specimens of ore and its *adjuncts* are daily produced, and of finest quality. It is well worth the notice and enquiry of capitalists, and promises before long to become a *second Goldscope*, not to the lawyers but its shareholders.

9th October 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Low Park, near Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr Nixon Walton, aged 60 years.
In 1851, at Low Park, Alston, Nixon Walton, lead miner & farmer, aged 54, brother John, mason, aged 60, sister Mary 56, and Nephew, Thomas Walton, cartman aged 19.

10th October 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)

PETTY SESSIONS

ALSTON. October 3

(Before the Rev. Octavius James and H. W. Friend, Esq.)

NEIGHBOURS' QUARRELS at NENTHEAD.— Anthony Brown, summoned for assault on Mary Hill. Complainant stated that on the Saturday previous, on hearing her boy shrieking, she went out and found that Brown's daughter had felled him with a shovel, and that on remonstrating with Brown about it, he "took up his neif, and catched her in't sma' ot back and then clicked up a chair and threatened murder." Defendant, on the other hand, stated that he was called down stairs by his wife to see the quarrels of the children, and that when Hill's boy called him a liar, he struck him in his passion, whereupon Mrs. Hill fired a stick at him and hit him on the nose, followed him to his door, and "dared" him with a volley of abuse; and as she still pursued him he turned round and gave her a kick. Witnesses who were called did not reconcile the contradictory statements of the parties, and the Magistrates had some difficulty in keeping them quiet in the court, —Fined 1s. and costs.

PUBLIC HOUSE ROWS AT NENTHEAD.—William Foster, Thos. Renwick, Thos. Fairless. William Shield, and Joshua Liddell, summoned by P.C. Teasdale, Foster for assault, and the others for aiding and abetting and obstructing him in the execution of his duty. Teasdale stated that on Friday September 28th, the day of the Flower Show, he was called to the Miners' Arms, and in endeavouring to quell the disturbance there, he was repeatedly struck by Foster and shoved. about by the rest for nearly an hour. Joseph Renwick a witness, gave evidence as to the general row, but did not see Foster strike, and could not identify any of the defendants on oath. Joseph Moffitt, Landlord of the Inn, corroborated the policeman's statement in every respect, but could not swear to Shield.—Fined 40s., including costs.—Shield acquitted.

John Stout, Innkeeper, at Garrigill, was summoned by P.C. Teasdale for having his house open and selling drink during prohibited hours on Sunday the 20th. Defendant at once admitted the sale of two pints of ale. In consideration of evidence given by the policeman as to bis good character and the orderly management of the house, he was fined in a mitigated penalty of 20s., including costs.

The business of the Court was concluded by the hearing of sundry nuisance cases.

16th October 1857 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 15th inst., Mr Christopher Richardson, joiner, to Mary, daughter of the late Mr John Pattinson, all of Alston.

Deaths

At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 13th inst., Miss Hannah Armstrong, aged 78.

At Lee House near Garrigill, on the 8th inst., Jane, the wife of Mr. John Millican, aged 35 years.

In 1841, at Middle Lee House, John Millican, lead mine agent, 45, his wife Anne (nancy Ward, married 19th August 1818, Alston) aged 45, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner aged 18, Elizabeth 16, Ann 13, Martha 10, James 6, and Mary 1.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH YARD, GARRIGILL

JOHN MILLICAN OF
LEE HOUSE
WHO DIED 1ST JUNE 1880
AGED 86 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JUNE 18TH 1872,
AGED 77 YEARS
ALSO ELIZABETH
THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED APRIL 11TH 1863
AGED 38 YEARS

In 1851, at Middle Lee House, John Millican, lead ore mine agent, aged 57, his wife Anne 56, children, Thomas, game keeper, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 28, Ann 23, Martha 21, James, errand boy, aged 16, and Mary 11.

In 1861, at Lee House, Garrigill, John Millican farmer of 50 acres, aged 67, his wife Ann aged 66, daughters Martha 31, Mary 21, and grandson John Smith, lead miner aged 14. Also at Emly House, John Millican, widow, landed proprietor, and his daughter Jane aged 3 years (born 3rd quarter of 1857).
In 1871, at Lea House, Garrigill, John Millican, land owner, farmer of 47 acres, aged 77, his wife Ann 76, son John, widower, landowner, aged 48, daughter Martha 41, grand daughter Jane Millican 13, and grand sons, Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 19, and George A Smith 13.
In 1881, at High Farnberry, John Millican, widow, yeoman, 72 acres, aged 58. Husbandman, George A. Smith aged 20, and Domestic Servant Isabella Lee aged 19.
In 1891, at Farnberry, John Millican, widow, farmer, aged 68, farm servant, George A. Smith aged 35, and general servant Isabella Lee aged 28.
See 24th November 1877

JOHN MILLICAN OF FARNBERRY
WHO DIED 6TH FEBRUARY 1894
AGED 71 YEARS
AND OF HIS WIFE JANE
WHO DIED 11TH OCTOBER 1857
AGED 35 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED IN GARRIGILL CHURCHYARD
ALSO OF THEIR DAUGHTER JANE
WIFE OF THOMAS SPARK OF ALSTON
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24th October 1857 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Mrs Hannah Bell, aged 37.

4th November 1857 (Teesdale Mercury)
Eggleston.—On Friday week, through the courtesy of gentlemen connected with the works, we had the gratification of inspecting the hydraulic machine forming the motive power of the newly erected saw mills, at the Eggleston Smelting Establishment. This machine, technically called a turbine, is extraordinary from its simplicity, and, being the first erected in this neighbourhood, a brief description of it may not be unacceptable to our readers. The water is brought from the adjacent hills by means of an open cut to the vicinity of the works, when it empties itself into a reservoir, where it undergoes filtration, previous to being introduced to its important office of propelling the machine. The turbine, which is of iron, stands in a small chamber by itself, 18 or 20 feet below the mill floor, and in shape and size is not dissimilar to a common beehive, with three rows of small holes, made in a curved form, round its lower extremity. Through an opening at the top, passes an iron axle, which is firmly keyed, and rests in a brass footstep, formed on the cover of the interior part of the turbine. This portion of the machine, to use an ordinary comparison, is nearly the shape of a man's hat, with the flange or brim firmly secured by bolts to the turbine box, to which the supply pipes for water are attached. Round the circumference are a number of holes, corresponding with those in the exterior or moving portion of the machine, with this difference; that the curve of the holes is in the opposite direction. Inside

this is a valve, which admits the requisite quantity of water, or, when desirable, shuts it off altogether. At the top of the upright axle, is a mitre wheel, which moves another, attached to a horizontal shaft, on which are fixed the sheaves, whence belts pass to drive the saws. When we first saw the turbine, it was at rest, and we could scarcely comprehend that an apparatus, so apparently insignificant, could possibly exert an effective force equivalent to the power of 16 horses! But our doubts were speedily set at rest, for the valve was suddenly opened by the workmen above in the mill, and the turbine immediately gave us a specimen of its capabilities, by whirling at the rate of 400 or 500 revolutions per minute, and expelling the water from the orifices in its sides, with a vehemence sufficient to keep at a respectful distance the most devoted adherent of hydropathy. We now ascended to the upper floor, where the saws were at work, and here our admiration suffered no diminution. The benches are fitted on the most approved principles, and perform their work with extreme precision: not only did these benches bear the wood up to the revolving saws, but, after it was cut, returned, and repeated the process with the greatest regularity. The speed with which the timber was sawn, demonstrated, even to our non-professional ideas, the wonderful superiority of this system. The turbine is from the establishment of Messrs Macadam Brothers, Belfast, and is adapted to work with a supply of 60 to 220 cubic feet of water per minute; the saw benches were constructed by Mr Anderson, of Galashiels. The whole of the machinery has given the utmost satisfaction to the agents of the Lead Company, and has been highly commended by everyone conversant with mechanics. In the course of the day, we also had the opportunity of seeing a large and valuable plate of silver, extracted from the lead at the smelting works, and of hearing a lucid explanation of the process of refining; for all which our grateful acknowledgments are due.

20th November 1857 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 19th instant, by the Rev. Wm. Maltby, Mr Thomas Dobson of Garrigill Gate, draper, to Mrs Phoebe Maxwell, of Crossgill.
At Alston Church, on the 14th instant, Mr John Craig, of Coatly Hill, to Miss Elizabeth Bell, of Dunston.
At Alston Church, on the 19th, Mr Thomas Monks, stonemason, to Mrs Dorothy Walton, Alston.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr Joseph Lee, aged 55.
In 1851, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Frances aged 47, children Jane I., 23, George, lead miner, aged 19, Frances 13, Joseph, lead miner, aged 12, Isabella 9, Anna 6, and Elizabeth 5. In 1861, Anne Lee aged 17, was working as a domestic servant at Bleagate for John Watson and family. See 25th July 1874, 12th May 1877

1st January 1858 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston House on the 25th ult., in her 82nd year, Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Wilson, Esq.

John Wilson of Carrshield, married Mary Walton of Smallburns Farm (Carrshield) 23rd January 1785 at Alston.
Children of John Wilson and Sarah Walton: —
John born 1st October 1761, Jacob, born 10th July 1770, Henry, born 1768?, Joseph, Mary, & Elizabeth.
John and Jacob are noted for their success in working Rotherhope Fell, and Hudgill Burn, lead mines, from which they made their fortunes.
John Wilson married Mary Bownas, (born 13th March 1759) daughter of John and Mary Bownas of Allendale, on 28th October 1790. John died at Shotley Hall on 12th August 1838. Mary died at Cullercoats, 27th September 1842, both she and John were buried at Carrshield.
Children of John Wilson and Mary Bownas: —
John born 10th August 1791, baptised 13th January 1792, died 18th January 1792.
John Bownas, born 27th October 1792, died 19th October 1823.
Maria born 11th October 1794, married Thomas Walton, 9th July 1821. Her eldest son John Wilson Walton, assumed the additional name and arms of Wilson on succeeding to Shotley Hall, following the death of his Uncle Thomas Wilson, this being a requirement of Thomas Wilson's will.
Ann born 23rd November 1796, baptised 8th February 1797, married Isaac Crawhall, of Allenheads, 15th October 1823.
Joseph born 24th January 1799, died 11th February 1799.
Thomas born 16th February 1800, married Elizabeth Cunard, at Nun Monkton, 30th April 1868, daughter of Sir Samuel Cunard. Thomas died 22nd April 1880, and Elizabeth died 4th March 1889, at Shotley Hall. Buried at St John's Church, Snods Edge, Shotley.
Henry born 14th February 1802, died 8th April 1803.
George born 14th February 1802, married Grace Bowstead, Grace died at Penrith 13th June 1859. George remarried, Emily Michell Paull, daughter of William Paull, on 14th April 1864, at Alston. See 16th March 1855.
William born 9th August 1804, died 28th August 1841, buried at Carrshield, family crypt.
Jacob Wilson married Elizabeth (Betty) Vipond, the daughter of Thomas and Frances Vipond, of Grassfield, Alston, 17th July 1800.
Children of Jacob and Elizabeth: —
Joseph born 6th June 1801, married Ann daughter of Joseph Bowstead, 27th June 1832, at Great Salkeld, Joseph died at Woodhorn, 29th May 1876, Ann died at Woodhorn 1st July 1873.
Hannah born 25th June 1803, died 23rd May 1822, art Clarghyll.
Elizabeth born 27th August 1805, married Thomas Fair, of Frenchfield, Penrith, on 19th October 17831, at Alston; Thomas died 18th December 1848, aged 53, Elizabeth died 11th March 1883, aged 77, and John Henry their youngest son died 6th November 1854, aged 8 years.
John born 18th July 1807, died 21st November 1842, at Newcastle.
Frances born 5th August 1809, died 6th November 1810, at Alston.
Sarah born 21st July 1811, died 29th February 1896, at Riding Mill.
Thomas born 4th December 1813, married Margaret, daughter of Joseph Bowstead, on 1st November 1849, at Appleby, Thomas died 16th August 1899, at Riding Mill, Margaret died 14th April 1897.

Henry Vipond, born 23rd October 1817, died at Newcastle 21st December 1891.
In 1841, at Alston, Jacob Wilson, independent, aged 70, his wife Elizabeth 65, Sarah Wilson 25, domestic servant Mary Grey 35, servant William Mawson aged 15, grandson Jacob Wilson 4, and grand daughter Elizabeth Fair.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Jacob Wilson, landed proprietor and mines, aged 80, born Allendale, his wife Elizabeth aged 75, and domestic servants, Mary Grey 51, and Bessy Teasdale 21.

Alston Cemetery inscription: —

JACOB WILSON OF ALSTON HOUSE
BORN JULY 10TH 1770 DIED JULY 7TH 1858.
ELIZABETH, WIFE OF THE ABOVE
BORN 25TH NOVEMBER 1776, DIED DECr. 25TH 1857.
FRANCES, the DAUGHTER of
Jacob and Elizabeth Wilson
of
Alston House
who departed this life 6th day
of November 1810 aged 15 months.
Also of Hannah their Daughter
Who departed this life 23rd day
of May 1822 aged 19 years

See 24th November 1848, 9th November 1849, 9th July 1858, 17th July 1848, 22nd April 1864, 5th May 1868, 5th June 1875, 10th January 1880, 24th April 1880, 19th October 1880, 30th April 1892, 4th March 1896, and 28th October 1910. See the Probate of the Will of Jacob Wilson 1858,

1st January 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

ISAAC HORNSBY'S ASSIGNMENT.

NOTICE is Hereby Given, that ISAAC HORNSBY, of NENTHEAD, near Alston, in the County of Cumberland, Grocer and Draper, has by an Indenture, bearing date the 20th day of December instant, ASSIGNED all his ESTATE and EFFECTS to THOMAS BLACKLOCK, of the City of Carlisle, in the said County, Grocer, Upon Trust for the equal benefit of himself and such of the other Creditors of the said ISACC HORNSBY as shall execute the same Indenture, or assent thereto in writing, within Three Calendar Months from the date thereof, and the said Indenture was on the day of the date thereof executed by the said ISAAC HORNBY and the said THOMAS BLACKCOCK in the presence of, and attested by, JOHN REED DONALD, of No. 52, Castle Street, Carlisle aforesaid, Solicitor. And Notice is Hereby further Given that the said Indenture now lies at the Office of the said JOHN REED DONALD, in Carlisle aforesaid, for execution by the Creditors of the said ISACC HORNSBY. Dated the 30th day of December 1857.
J. R. DONALD, Solicitor to the Assignee.

THOMAS HUTCHINSON'S ASSIGNMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given, that THOMAS HUTCHINSON, of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, Grocer and Miner, has by an Indenture bearing date

the 29th day of December instant ASSIGNED all his ESTATE and EFFECTS to THOMAS BLACKLOCK of the City of Carlisle, in the said County, Grocer, upon Trust for the equal benefit of himself and such of the other Creditors of the said THOMAS HUTCHINSON as shall execute the said Indenture, or assent thereto in Writing, within Three Calendar Months from the date thereof; and the said Indenture was on the day of the date thereof executed by the said THOMAS HUTCHINSON and the said THOMAS BLACKLOCK, in the presence of, and attested by JOHN REED DONALD, of No, 52, Castle street, Carlisle aforesaid. Solicitor. And NOTICE is hereby further given, that the said Indenture now lies at the Office of the said JOHN REED DONALD, in Carlisle, aforesaid, for execution by the Creditors of the said THOMAS HUTCHINSON.
Dated the 30th day of December 1857.
J. R. DONALD, Solicitor to the Assignee.

RALPH SANDERSON'S ASSIGNMENT.

NOTICE is Hereby Given that RALPH SANDERSON, of Nenthead, near Alston, in the County of Cumberland, Grocer and Miner, has, by an Indenture, bearing date the 29th day of December instant, ASSIGNED all his ESTATE and EFFECTS to THOMAS BLACKLOCK of the City of Carlisle, in the said County, Grocer, upon Trust for the equal benefit of himself and such of the other Creditors of the said RALPH SANDERSON as shall execute the same Indenture, or assent thereto in writing, within three Calendar Months from the date thereof, and the said Indenture was on the day of the date thereof, executed by the said RALPH SANDERSON and the said THOMAS BLACKLOCK, in the presence of, and attested by JOHN REED DONALD, of No, 52, Castle street, Carlisle aforesaid. Solicitor. And NOTICE is hereby further given, that the said Indenture now lies at the Office of the said JOHN REED DONALD, in Carlisle, aforesaid, for execution by the Creditors of the said RALPH SANDERSON.
Dated the 30th day of December 1857.
J. R. DONALD, Solicitor to the Assignee.

8th January 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD MINERS INSTITUTE. —A public tea party in connection with the above institute was held in the Lead Company's Schoolroom, Nenthead on New Years Day, when upwards of 350 partook of the repast, principally parties from a distance.

A public meeting was held in the evening. Mr Hyslop fulfilled the duties of chairman in a most praiseworthy manner. Appropriate addresses were delivered to a crowded audience by the Rev. Thomas Holme and other gentlemen belonging to the institute.

Great praise is also due to the Nenthead Amateur Band, which was in attendance and enlivened the proceedings by playing at intervals a selection of popular airs, waltzes, polkas, &c., in an admirable and scientific style. The whole of the proceedings terminated in a most agreeable manner, and afforded great pleasure and satisfaction to those connected with it. The Nenthead Miners' Institute has existed for somewhere about eighteen years, and his never been known to be more abundantly furnished with newspapers, periodicals, and other Standard works, nor in a more prosperous state than at the present time, it being supported by 90 members, and the number

gradually increasing. In connection with the above is an excellent library, composed of 1,000 volumes or upwards, treating upon all the popular subjects of the age, and which is accessible to the public on the first Friday of every calendar month. —Cor.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 7th inst., Mr Thomas Stuart, draper, Liverpool, to Miss Christian Sarah Cranston, of the Lowbyer Inn.

Deaths

At Browngill, near Alston, on the 31st ult, Jane wife of Mr Joseph Roddam aged 40 years.

Joseph Roddam, married Jane Slack, 3rd quarter 1840, at Alston.
In 1841, at Grassfield, Alston, Joseph Roddam, lead miner, aged 24, and his wife Jane 25.
In 1851, at Brown Gill, Joseph Roddam, lead mine agent, and farming 9 acres, aged 34, his wife Jane aged 35, and son Joseph 5.
In 1861, at Brown Gill, Joseph Roddam, lead mine agent, aged 44, son Joseph 15, and general servant, Sarah Woodmass 31.
Joseph Roddam, Mining Agent, died 3rd July 1870, aged 54.
See 4th February 1848, 9th July 1870, & 25th November 1882.

At Nenthead, on the 1st inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr Jonathan Thompson, miner, aged 20 years.

In 1851, at Fiddler Street, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 46, Ann (Vickers, married at Alston, 22nd September 1827) aged 46, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 17, Jane 15, Ann 14, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, Elizabeth 10, Daniel 8, James 7, and Vickers 2.*

Jonathan Thompson married Elizabeth Teasdale, 22nd January 1857, at Nenthead, Jonathan aged 28, Elizabeth aged 19.*

Jonathan Thompson snr., miner, died 1st November 1856 aged 51, at Nenthead.
See 8th November 1856

In 1861, at Foulard, Nenthead, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 56, children, John, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth 20, Dan, lead miner, aged 18, and Vickers 12. See 14th May 1869
In 1871, at Holmesfoot, Nenthead, Ann Thompson, widow, game keeper, aged 66, and son Vickers, lead miner aged 22.
Ann Thompson of Holmefoots, was buried at Nenthead, 24th April 1881, aged 77.
Jonathan Thompson jnr., married Hannah Irwin, aged 22, at Nenthead, 7th June 1860. In 1861, at Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 33, and his wife Hannah, aged 22.
In 1871, at Overwater, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 42, children Hannah 31, John 9, Ruth A 7, Jonathan 4, and Tom 2.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah 41, children John, lead miner, aged 19, Ruth A., domestic servant, aged 17, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, Tom 12, Erwine 9, lodgers Margaret Purdon, assistant mistress of undenomination school, aged 21, born Alva, Scotland, and Elsie Knight, assistant mistress of undenomination school, aged 21, born Kent.

Jonathan Thompson of Hillersdon Terrace, was buried 6th June 1888, aged 60, at Nenthead.

In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Hannah Thompson, widow, aged 48, children Ruth Ann, dress maker, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 24, Tom, lead miner, aged 22, Erwin, out of employment, aged 19, and grand daughter, Sarah Ann Thompson 3 years.

22nd January 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 19th instant, Mrs Elizabeth Bright, aged 72 years.
In 1841, at Market Place, Nenthead, Elizabeth Bright, school mistress, aged 55. In 1851, at Nenthead, Elizabeth Bright, lead miners widow, aged 65.

29th January 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Hudgill, near Alston, on the 27th inst., Mrs Ann Walton.

2nd February 1858. (London Gazette)
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, Edward Holt and William Craig, as Proprietors of the Gallygill Syke Lead Mine, at Alston, in the county of Cumberland, has been determined by mutual consent, from the 31st day of December last; and that the said Edward Holt, as purchaser of the share of the said William Craig in the said mine, will receive and pay all outstanding accounts; and that the works of the said mine are now carried on by the said Edward Holt alone. —Dated this 25th day of January 1858. Edward Holt, William Craig.

23rd February 1858 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
MARRIAGE FESTIVITIES AT ALSTON.—On the occasion of the marriage of the Rev. Joseph Bowstead to Miss Friend, third daughter of Hugh W. Friend, Esq., J.P., of Harbut Lodge, on Wednesday the 10th inst., the inmates of the Workhouse were treated by Mr. Friend to a plentiful repast of roast beef, plum-padding and ale. The dining room was tastefully decorated with evergreens the for the occasion, and the poor people heartily enjoyed the charitable and considerate treat.
GARRIGILL.—On Saturday, the 13th inst., the Nenthead Band gave an entertainment of an interesting character, gratuitous at the residence of Mr Thos. Cain, agent, and Mr Joseph Lancaster, Garrigill. The Performers were Professor Raisbeck and Mr James Atkinson, violin; Mr James D. Armstrong, violincello; Mr James Falters, cornet; and Mr G. Falters, saxhorn. The music consisted of Quadrilles, Polkas, Waltzes, and Airs, including Handel's Hallelujah Chorus, &c., which were performed in a very masterly manner, and gave the greatest satisfaction to all present. This is not the first entertainment that this excellent band has favoured us with in Garrigill, and we hope it will not be the last.

12th March 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

NEWCASTLE COURT OF BANKRUPTCY.

Friday, March 5.

(Before Mr. Commissioner Ellison.)

RE. U. VIPOND, OF ALSTON, MILLER.

This was a sitting on last examination.—Mr. Watson appealed for the assignees.—The bankrupt surrendered. He had not filed his accounts, and on being asked the reason, said there had not been time to do so.

Mr. WATSON said there was a large number of debts of small amount, and he had no doubt the bankrupt had given all his attention to the preparation of his accounts.

The COURT —If further time is necessary the only question is, to what extent. What is the amount of debt ?

Mr. WATSON said the amount of debts proveable was £8,000.

His HONOUR inquired if those creditors holding securities were able to realize them, so as to come in and prove for the difference.

Mr. WATSON said Messrs. Head, of Carlisle, who held many shares, had agreed with the assignees to have one sale for the shares held by them, and for those held by the assignees, and the sale would take place in three weeks' time.

His HONOUR said he would fix a dividend and take an adjournment afterwards if necessary.

The BANKRUPT applied for an allowance of £3 per week.

Mr. WATSON said the sum appeared large, but when the distance was taken into account, perhaps it was not larger than it ought to be.

The COURT would not fix the amount at present.

The bankrupt was then examined by the Court relative to certain of the proofs which had been tendered. One was a promissory note for £250 held by Mr. Edward Emmerson, and which was signed by 16 persons, of whom bankrupt was one. Bankrupt said it was debt owing to Emmerson for money to carry on a mine, of which he (bankrupt) with the other 15 were owners.

The COURT —Were you all equally liable?

The BANKRUPT—Not equally; my share was about a fifth of the whole.

The COURT—Have any of these paid any part of the sum?

BANKRUPT—Not yet.

The COURT —He laid out this money for the benefit of you all?

BANKRUPT—Yes, he did.

The COURT —Then he can prove for the whole amount upon your estate.

The sitting was adjourned to the 13th of April.

19th March 1858 (Durham County Advertiser)

Death From Being Crushed

An inquest was held at St John's Chapel, in Weardale, on the 11th inst., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on the body of George Gardiner. Deceased was a lead miner at Ireshope Burn Mine. On the previous day he was at work sitting on a barrow, when a large quantity of stone fell in from the side and roof of the mine upon his body. On being taken out he was found to be quite dead. The stone was of the kind called "Plate," of a softish substance. The place had been examined the day before by a fellow workman, and was considered safe. The miners generally look after the

safety of the places where they work, and have plenty of props for use when required. Verdict, “Accidentally killed.” Deceased was about 21 years of age and was a remarkably fine stout healthy young man and much respected in the locality.

2nd April 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
ACCIDENTAL DEATH.—On the 24th March, a labouring man named Robert Chapman, was crushed by a mining waggon outside the mines at Patterdale, where he was found by a fellow labourer.
GARRIGILL EASTER SUNDAY.—At this village, near Alston, Palm Sunday is called Garrigill Easter Sunday, which name it has acquired, in times gone by, from the Vicars of Alston, when they had no curates, administering sacrament there every Palm Sunday. The custom of crowding the church is still kept up, but last Sunday the attendance was more than usually large; some 400 people got crammed into the little edifice, and numbers stood at the doors, unable to gain admission, long while before the service commenced. As in many country churches, psalmody has for many years been anything but congregational, the worthy clerk having hitherto had to sustain this part of the service solus. However, on Sunday last, an excellent harmonium, purchased through the exertions of the Rev. G. Monkhouse, curate of Garrigill, was first heard. The instrument was presided over by Mr. Wm. Howson, and the choir of the Alston Church attended, and went through the responses, chants, and psalms in a manner that reflected much credit upon themselves.

14th April 1858 (Teesdale Mercury)
Middleton-in-Teesdale.—The sale of Newspapers and Periodicals for the ensuing quarter, belonging to the Lead Company’s Workmen’s Reading Room, was held on Saturday night last, when the following prices were obtained, viz.;— The Times, 5s.; Leeds Mercury, 4s.; Durham Chronicle, 2s. 1d.; Illustrated London News, 2s 6d; Weekly Dispatch, 2s. 6d.; Chambers’ Journal, 9d; Leisure Hour, 9d.; National Magazine, 1s. 3d.; Sunday at Home, 1s.; British Controversialist, 6d.; British Messenger, 6d.

16th April 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Glenridding, Patterdale, Mr John Bell, aged 62 years, late underground steward the Greenside Mining Company.

7th May 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD.—On Friday, the 23rd ult., the Rev Young, of Newcastle, ex-president the Wesleyan Conference, pleached two sermons upon the re-opening of the Wesleyan Chapel, Nenthead. After the sermons, tea was served in the Lead Company's school-room, upwards of 500 being present.—On the Sunday following, the Rev. W. F. Slater, of Allendale Town, preached to a numerous congregation, when the sum of £26 10s. was collected.—On Monday, the 26th, the Rev. W. F. Slater delivered a lecture on "History and its Teachings" to a gratified audience in the schoolroom.

21st May 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

NEWCASTLE COURT OF BANKRUPTCY.

Tuesday, May 18. (Before Mr. Commissioner Ellison.)

RE. U. VIPOND, OF ALSTON, MILLER. &c.

This was a certificate meeting. Mr. WATSON appeared for the assignees. The bankrupt surrendered. No solicitor appeared for him.

Mr. WATSON said bankrupt's balance sheet extended over a period year and five months. commenced on the 9th September, 1856, with a surplus of £1,499. 16s. 6d. His profits amounted to £1,103, and his trade expenses to £2,679. That seemed large sum for expenses, amounting to 16 percent, on the amount of sales. The bankrupt's explanation was that in Alston they had to pay heavy expense, in carriage— £480 being the item on that head. Alston, as the Court was aware, was the centre a lead district; and a few years ago, large fortunes were made in mining speculations there. The result was that great many people indulged mining adventures, and the bankrupt became a mining agent for several parties. In 1856, at the commencement of his balance sheet, he held shares to the amount of £962. 10s., and since had purchased others amounting to £358. 5s., and he had also paid in calls £430. In consequence of his being engaged in these operations, the bankrupt became connected with Mr. J. H. Robinson, another mining agent, which had resulted in bill transactions between them to the extent of £3,600, so that a debt had become proveable on the bankrupt's estate, which ought not to have been proveable. This was a heavy amount of debt which was not legitimate; otherwise, so far as regard the bankrupt's conduct as a bankrupt, too much could not be said in his favour. He had always been ready to give the assignees every assistance in his power; and they left the case in his Honour's hands to deal with it as he thought right.

His HONOUR remarked that no case could more clearly illustrate the mischievous effects accommodation transactions and he should require some explanation of the accounts from the bankrupt before granting a certificate. The bankrupt endeavoured to explain that the bills passing between himself and Robinson were not strictly accommodation bills, but bills which ought to have been paid by their respective customers. He (the bankrupt) was trusting Robinson's customers to the amount of the bills he drew; and as a director of the lead mines, he thought it was his duty to assist Robinson getting the money to pay the mines. Robinson ought to have received money from the owners of mines sufficient to have paid these bills, but he could not get his calls regularly from them. The bankrupt added that he saw plainly he had acted inconsiderately and foolishly. He was sorry for it, and in future he would take care to avoid anything of the kind.

The COMMISSIONER drew the bankrupt's attention to the official assignees' report, which stated that the losses by mining speculations at Alston amounted, according to bankrupt's account, to £1374; though in his (Mr. Baker's) opinion these losses were understated. £2879 was taken credit for, represented by debts alleged to be due from several hundred miners. Of that sum only £540 had as yet been received, and any further dividend was likely to be very small. Then, with respect to the liabilities, irrespective of bona fide debts amounting to £7595, the bankrupt was liable on bills of exchange, many of which were accommodation bills, to the extent, of £7255, making a total

liability £14,850. The court required an explanation of these transactions from the bankrupt in writing.
The bankrupt prayed his Honour to grant an immediate certificate. would be great convenience to the district Alston to enable him to commence business immediately, as at present there was not a mill going in that district, he would be able to give the required explanation in a fortnight.
The court would give him protection for a mouth, and he might send his explanation to Mr. Baker, together with the letter which had been forwarded to Mr. Gibson.
The letter in question was signed by the bankrupt's principal creditors to the extent of about £4000, praying an immediate certificate on his behalf, on the ground bankrupt had himself stated.

28th May 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 15th inst., Isabella, wife of Mr James Hutchinson, aged 76 years.
In 1851, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, James Hutchinson, miller, aged 61, his wife Isabella (Coats, married 28th November 1811, at Allendale) aged 68, wifes sister Elizabeth Coats, annuitant, aged 75, and grand daughter, Mary Keenleyside 11.

28th May 1858 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Newbiggin, on the 11th inst., aged 51, Mr W. Bell, Lead Company's Agent.
In 1851, at Foreshield, Nenthead, William Bell, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Jane 44, children, Mary 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, William, lead miner aged 11, Jane 9, Hannah 7, Ann 4, and Margaret 6 months.
In 1861, atNewbiggin, Middleton, Durham, William Bell, lead ore washing master & farmer, aged 21, sister Jane 19, and sister Margaret 10.

28th May 1858 (Durham Chronicle)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES. —On Wednesday evening se'nnight, about ten o'clock, an accident occurred at White Heaps, Derwent Mines, by which a young man named Isaac Stephenson, of that place, lost his life. He was ascending the shaft, and instead of climbing to the top by the ladders, he incautiously got hold of the spears to facilitate his ascent. He had placed his foot on the end of the bolt which connects them, and which projects out about an inch and a half, from which he had fallen off, and was precipitated to the depth of 14 fathoms. He was immediately taken up by his fellow workmen, but his injuries were of such a fatal nature that he only survived a few minutes.
In 1841, at Boltshope Mill, Hunstanworth, John Stephenson, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Bell, married 17th October 1829, Hunstanworth) aged 25, children, Isaac 8, John 5, and Mary 4.
In 1851, at Hunstanworth, John Stephenson, lead ore miner, aged 46, born, Stanhope, his wife Hannah, aged 40, born Hunstanworth, children, Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 19, John, lead ore miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Hannah 7, and Jane 4.

In 1861, at Whiteheaps, Hunstanworth, John Stephenson, lead ore washer, aged 57, his wife Hannah, aged 51, and daughter Jane 14.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Hannah Stephenson, widow, aged 61, daughter Mary Clennel, married, visitor, aged 34, granddaughter Hannah Jane, aged 1, boarders Elizabeth Currey aged 5, and Matthew Currey, iron miner, aged 31, unmarried, born Allendale.
In 1881, at Front Street, Stanhope, Joseph Currey, grocer & beer dealer, aged 36, born Allenheads, his wife Jane, aged 34, Mother in law, Hannah Stephenson, widow, annuitant, aged 71, and niece Elizabeth Currey aged 16.
In 1891, at Front Street, Stanhope, Joseph Currey, alcohol porter merchant, aged 47, his wife Jane, aged 45, Mother in law, Hannah Stephenson, widow, annuitant, aged 82, nephew in law, Joseph Wearmouth, labourer cartman, aged 28, and niece Elizabeth Wearmouth aged 26.
Possible death for John Stephenson, 1863/64/67.
Hannah Stephenson died, Saturday, 4th July 1891,aged 83, at Front Street, Stanhope.

16th June 1858 (Teesdale Mercury)

BARNARD CASTLE COUNTY COURT.

Thursday, June 10th, before H. Stapylton, Esq., Judge.

BEADLE v. STODDART.—Mr Raine for plaintiff, and Mr Barnes for defendant. The action was brought to recover the sum of £39 10. Plaintiff is a contractor residing at Windy Fell, near Eggleston; defendant is a contractor and butcher, at Eggleston. Plaintiff and defendant had jointly contracted to build for the Lead Company a spacious chimney for their works at Eggleston, and also to make a tramway from a quarry to the works. Plaintiff said that defendant had received £224 on account of the contract, and paid £146, which left a balance of £76, half of which he now sued for. His Honour found that defendant had received £219 7s 7d, and paid £181 2s 6d, leaving a balance of £38 6s 1d, half of which, £19 2s 6d he awarded to plaintiff with costs. It appears that the contract is still going on.

25th June 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

Great Band Contest at Alston

On Friday last this musical event, which has caused for some time much excitement in the neighbourhood, came off at Alston. The idea of a band contest was no doubt taken from a similar affair of more pretending dimensions which took place at Newcastle a few weeks ago. The thing was originated and conducted by individuals resident in Alston and the neighbourhood, and this fact will sufficiently account for the selection of this the highest—we had almost said the remotest—town in England, for gathering together the musical power of the district around the junction of the four northern counties of Cumberland, Westmorland, Durham, and Northumberland. The principal matter, that of raising funds for prizes, being considered feasible, the various bands of the locality were invited to compete. Seven of them accepted the invitation, namely, the Allendale Town Sax-Horn Band, Weardale Band, the Haydon Bridge Band, the Dufton Band, the Warwick Bridge Band, the, Nenthead Band, and the Alston Band. All were at the appointed rendezvous in good time, in excellent spirits, and if not all equally sanguine of success, were at any rate resolved to do their best for the

credit of their respective districts. The Newcastle and Carlisle Railway Company gave tickets for one fare from the stations east and west of Haltwhistle, and along the Alston branch. The morning was fine and clear, the country wearing a fresh blooming appearance after the showers of the preceding three days. The passengers from the east and west having transferred themselves to the carriages awaiting them at Haltwhistle, the train began to wind its tortuous way, at a slow four-horse-coach pace, up the valleys between high hills on each side, with odd houses scattered here and there, suggesting the inquiry—Where were the dwellings of the hundreds who augmented, at the roadside stations every two or three miles, the already-crowded carriages? On arrival at Alston, guns were fired as a welcome to a host of visitors more numerous than had ever before, within living memory or tradition thronged its rugged and eccentric Streets. A spacious Marquee, decked with flags, was erected near the railway station tor the purpose of the contest, in which there assembled the principal inhabitants of the town, and a great portion of the visitors. The proceedings were expected to commence at one o'clock, but it was two before the first band ascended the platform. At that time, and for an hour afterwards, the rain was falling in torrents, as it only does fall in "high places" and then was revealed the faulty construction of the Marquee, bringing into requisition bevies of umbrellas, hitherto enveloped in shining black covers, a la mode, for the protection of fair companions and their resplendent millinery. Each band played one piece, and then followed in the same order and played its second, after which the whole seven united and played "Rule Britannia" and "God Save the Queen." The order of playing was cast by lot, which was as follows: —

1. WARWICK BRIDGE BAND. —Leader, Mr Caruthers—
Quick March, The German, Crozier; Polka, The Alliance, Marriott.

2. ALLENDALE TOWN BAND. —Leader, Mr James Holmes—
Valse, The Venetia, Jackson; March, Napoleon's Imperial, Anon.

3. NENTHEAD BAND. — Leader, Mr Francis Swindle—
March, The Papal State, Tadolini; Valse, The Pride of the North, Brandon.

4. HAYDON BRIDGE BAND. —Leader, Mr Thomas Stobbart—Cavatina, La Somnambular, Bellini; Pas Redouble, La Somnambular, Bellini.

5. ALSTON BAND. —Leader. Mr John Featherston—
Overture, Tancredi, Rossini; Fantasia on Scotch Airs, Childe.

6. DUFTON BAND. —Leader, Mr John Wilson—
Grand March, Le Tete de Bronze, Auber; Overture, Le Macon, Auber.

7. THE WEARDALE BAND. —Leader, Mr Thomas Pearson—
Overture, The Caliph of Bagdad, Boieldieu; Quadrille, The Wedding, D'Albert.

Bands Nos. 3 & 7 and 2 & 5 each played over, the judges being unable to decide their respective merits. Throughout the whole of the day the Warwick Bridge Band was the favourite, the public, from whatever district, looking upon their claim to the first prize as being undoubted; great, therefore, was the dissatisfaction and disappointment when the award was made, and it was not

even placed. Upon the whole each played its pieced with greater precision than might be expected from provincial amateurs; though a much better effect might have been produced by the selection, in some cases, of music more suited to the capabilities of the performers. Owing to the delay in commenting, the proceedings were not terminated when the train left in the evening, consequently a great many were deprived of hearing the grand feature of the day, the amalgamation of the performers into one monster band. The judges were Mr K. Smith, of Leeds, and Mr E. Jackson, of Hull, whose decision was as under: —
1 and 2. Alston Band and Allendale Town Band, equal— and divided the first prize (£25), and second prize (£14), between them.
3. Weardale Band (£7).
4. Nenthead Band (£4)

Deaths

At Bridge End House, near Alston, on the 24th inst., John, youngest son of Mr Timothy Welsh, miller, aged 20 years.

26th June 1858 (Kendal Mercury)

SUDDEN DEATH AT DUFTON.—An inquest was held at Dufton on Saturday last before Geo. Thompson, Esq., coroner on the body of Mary, wife of Mr Christopher Liddle, miner, who was found dead in bed that morning. It appeared that deceased had been subject to disease of the heart for many years, and often complained of palpitation and sickness. She had been worse than usual the previous day and about five o'clock on Saturday morning she was sick and got up, but afterwards laid down in bed again, and at eight o'clock one of her daughters who slept with her discovered that her mother was dead. She was 53 years of age. Verdict, "Natural Death."

Christopher Liddle baptised 15th January 1804, at Dufton, son of Joshua Liddle and Mary Nicholson.
Christopher Liddle married Mary Willan 4th October 1829, at Dufton.
In 1841, at Dufton, Christopher Liddle, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 35, sons Joshua 10, Christopher 3, brother William, lead miner, aged 25, and Thomas Blackett 5.
In 1851, at Dufton, Christopher Liddle, married, lead ore miner, aged 47, children, Joshua, lead ore miner, aged 21, Christopher 13, and brother William, lead ore miner, aged 42.
Mary Liddle died suddenly from heart disease.
In 1861, at Dufton Village, Christopher Liddle, widower, retired miner, aged 58, children, Joshua, lead ore miner, aged 30, Christopher, Ag Lab, aged 23, Tamar W, house keeper, aged 17, brother William, lead ore miner, aged 50, (deaf & dumb from birth) and lodger Thomas Blacket, lead ore miner, aged 24.
In 1871, at Dufton, Christopher Liddle, Ag Lab, aged 33, brother Joshua, lead miner, aged 39, sister Tamar W, hose keeper aged 27, uncle, William, retired lead ore miner, aged 60 (deaf & dumb from birth), and nephew William Liddle aged 1.
William Liddle died 1st quarter 1881, aged 70.
Tamar Willan Liddle married John Richardson, 10th June 1880, at Dufton.
In 1881, at Dufton, John Richardson, farmer of 300 acres, aged 32, his wife Tamar W aged 37, son John B 6, step son William aged 11, and mother Mary Richardson, widow, annuitant, aged 69.

At Dufton Churchyard: (Source Cumbria Family History Society)
In memory of Christopher Liddle who died Dec 23 1864 aged 60 years.
Also Mary his wife who died June 19 1858 aged 53 years.
Also George their son who died July 8 1833 aged 6 months.
Also Thomas their son who died July 12 1835 aged 2 months.
Also Joshua their son who died December 20 1878 aged 47 years.

29th June 1858 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
On the 20th inst., at Harrogate, Margaret wife of Jonathan Roddam., Esq., of New House, Weardale.
In 1841 at St John's Stanhope, Jonathan Roddam aged 20, (son of Joseph & Elizabeth bap 3rd August 1817) lead mine agent, & Margaret Roddam (Hornsby, father William, married at Carlisle, 21st July 1840) aged 20.
In 1851 at Cavendish Place, Rickergate, Carlisle, Samuel Blaylock aged 35, assistant cotton manufacturer, his wife Elizabeth aged 35, children, Sarah M. 8, Josiah 6, William H. 5, John H. 2, Agnes C. 8 months, Agnes Hornsby mother inlaw, widow, retired confectioner, aged 58, Joseph Roddam aged 9, nephew, and Agnes C. aged 7, niece.

St Thomas's Church Yard, Stanhope

ERECTED
BY THE INHABITANTS OF WEARDALE
AS A TRIBUTE OF RESPECT

TO THE MEMORY OF
MARGARET, WIFE OF
JONATHAN RODDAM,
OF NEWHOUSE,
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE,
AT HARROGATE ON THE
20TH JUNE 1858,
AGED 40YEARS.
AND WAS INTERRED AT THIS PLACE

ALSO OF THE ABOVE NAMED
JONATHAN RODDAM
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
JUNE 14TH 1861.
AGED 44 YEARS

In 1861, at 2 Bunswick Street, Rickergate, Carlisle, Jonathan Roddam, widow, lead mine agent, aged 44 born Stanhope and his daughter Agnes Campbell, aged 17, born Stanhope (married John Craster Mowbray 2nd April 1862, Weardale). In 1861 Joseph Roddam aged 19 was at 60 Elswick Road, a butchers clerk residing with John C Mowbray aged 24 commercial clerk, Iron Works. Jonathan Roddam died at Weardale/Carlisle (death registered in both places, Newcastle Daily Chronicle reported his death as taking place in Carlisle) 14th June 1861.
In 1871 Joseph Roddam Oil & colour merchant aged 29, his wife Jane aged 33 (Blackett born Newcastle married at St Andrew's Newcastle, 18 August 1868) and daughter Sarah aged 1 were at 24 Harrison place, Newcastle. In 1881 they were living at West Avenue Gosforth, Joseph listed as Iron & Oil merchant.
In 1891 at Heburn Terrace Jesmond, Jonathan Roddam, widow, oil merchant, sister in law Maria Blackett, and daughter Sarah; in 1901 all three were living at 28 Grosvenor Road, Jesmond.

Jonathan Roddam Probate Letters of Administration 13th January 1864, (with the Will annexed) of the Personal estate and effects of Jonathan Roddam formerly of New House in Weardale in the County of Durham but late of Carlisle in the county of Cumberland Mining Agent deceased who died 14 June 1861 at Carlisle aforesaid were granted at Carlisle to Joseph Roddam of Stanhope in the said County of Durham Accountant the Son one of the Residuary Legatees named in the said Will he having been first sworn. Propert value under £600. See 19th February 1864.

29th June 1858 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 12th inst., Elizabeth Crosby Dalton, relict of the late Mr Wm. Dalton, of Dufton, aged 67 years.

9th July 1858 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston House, on the 3rd inst., in his 88th year, Jacob Wilson Esq.
Probate records show:

> The Will of Jacob Wilson late of Alston House in the parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland, Esquire deceased who died 3rd July 1858 at Alston aforesaid was proved at Carlisle by the oaths of Joseph Wilson of Woodhorn near Morpeth in the county of Northumberland, Farmer, Thomas Wilson of the Borough of Newcastle upon Tyne, Woollen Draper and Henry Vipond Wilson of the same place Merchant, the sons and the Executors.

Effects under £4000
See 24th November 1848, 9th November 1849, 9th July 1858, 17th July 1848, 22nd April 1864, 5th May 1868, 5th June 1875, 10th January 1880, 24th April 1880, 19th October 1880, 30th April 1892, 4th March 1896, and 28th October 1910.

St Augustine's Church, Alston

9th July 1858 (Newcastle Courant)

FATAL, ACCIDENT—A fatal accident has occurred at the Derwent Mines. The unfortunate sufferer, Isaac Batey, of Smiddy Cleugh, with three other miners, were working on the vein which was filled with boss to the height of four fathoms from the level, when a portion of it in the centre gave way, precipitating him to the depth of about six feet. Another mass fell upon him from above, which covered him to the depth of four feet more, and although after that he was heard to cry for assistance, which was rendered as speedily as possible, yet some time necessarily elapsed before he could he extricated by his fellow workmen who had to use their best endeavours to prevent the impending masses from falling upon themselves, and when extricated life had nearly departed, as he breathed a few minutes only. The day preceding the accident, Batey and his partners had been engaged in removing the boss, and, it is supposed, had incautiously run it out to too great an extent. An inquest on the body was held at Hunstanworth, on Saturday, by Mr Favell, coroner, when a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned. Deceased was 51 years of age, and a native of Weardale, but for many years has resided in the neighbourhood of Blanchland. He has left a widow and six children.

In 1851, at Roughside, Edmondbyers, Isaac Baty, lead miner, aged 38, born Stanhope, his wife Mary 25, born Hunstanworth, children Mary Ann 5, born Newbrough, John 4, born Slaley, and Hannah 1, born Edmundbyers.

In 1861, at Boltshope, Hunstanworth, Mary Batey, miners widow, aged 36, children John 14, lead ore washer; Hannah11, Robert Isaac 9, and Elizabeth Esther 4 years.

In 1871, at Boltshope, Hunstanworth Mary Batey, widow, aged 46, son Robert Isaac Batey, lead miner, aged19, and grandson Isaac Ridley 1 year.

16th July 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. Joseph Hudson, curate, Mr Thomas Clark to Miss Jane Richardson.
In 1851, at Thirlwalls Lane, Joseph Clark, agricultural labourer, aged 49, born Chatham, Kent, his wife Frances 39, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Jenie, wool spinner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Sarah, wool spinner, aged 12, Frances 9, Mary A 6, Joseph 3, and William 1.
In 1861, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Tom Clarke, lead miner, aged 23, and his wife Jane aged 21.
In 1871, at Wardem, Cooperative store, Thomas Clark, shop manager, aged 33, his wife Jane, assistant, aged 31, and niece Mary Pearson, domestic servant, aged 14.
In 1881, at Farlam, Brampton, Thomas Clark, store manager, aged 43, his wife Jane aged 41, niece, Margaret Walton, aged 18, and visitor, Sarah Harding aged 16.
In 1891, at Lords Street, Barrow in Furness, Thomas Clark, store manager, aged 53, and his wife Jane aged 51.
At Alston Church, on the 15th inst., Mr Thomas White to Miss Mary Bowman both of Alston.
In 1861, at Ramsays Buildings, Alston, Thomas White, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary 22, children, Margaret J 2, and James 2 months.
In 1871, at Lambley & Asholme, Thomas White, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 32, children Margaret Jane 11, James 10, Mary Elizabeth 8, Ann Isabell 5, Hannah 5, Alice 3, Sarah 3 months, and lodger Thomas Armstrong, coal miner, aged 16.
In 1881, at Lane Head, Featherstone, John Tallintyre, coal miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 43, children, Robert J. Tallentire, coal miner, aged 17, Mary Eliz. White 17, Annie Isabella White 14, Hannah White 14, Sarah Tallentire 11, John W. White 7, and John Tallentire 1 year.
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. William Maltby, Mr Thomas Davidson of Middleton in Teesdale to Miss Annie Cain, of Red Brow, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Far Turnings, Garrigill, Isaac Craig, blacksmith, aged 61, his wife Mary 56, children Sarah 25, William, lead ore miner, aged 15, John, lead ore miner, aged 15, son in law Arthur Hutchinson, widow, draper, aged 32, son Silas Hutchinson 6, and nephew, Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Cain, lead mine agent. Aged 57, his wife Frances 52, daughters, Mary 22, Anne 17, and Fanny 14.
In 1861, at Townend, Middleton, Thomas Davidson, lead mine agent & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 31, his wife Annie 27, children Frances Mary 1, Thomas Cain 3 days, and house servant, Mary Parker, aged 17 years.
In 1871, at Beldy, Garrigill, Thomas Davidson, lead mine agent, aged 40, his wife Sarah 33, (born Middleham, Yorkshire), children Frances M 11, Thomas C 9, Elizabeth A 6, and general servant, domestic, Ester Hodgson, aged 22.
In 1881, at Whessoe Lane, Darlington, Thomas Davidson, grocer, aged 50, his wife Sarah, milliner, aged 44, daughters Frances M., milliner, aged 21, and Elizabeth A., milliner, aged 16. In 1881, at Brougham Street, Penrith, Isaac Craig, retired miner, aged 56, his wife Ann 49, sons William, drapers assistant, aged 23, John S., mason, aged 16, boarder, Thomas Cane Davidson, grocers

assistant 19, boarder William Goodfellow, drapers apprentice, aged 16, and domestic servant, Tamer Milburn, aged 17.

At Caldbeck, on Thursday, the 27th of May last, by the Rev. James Thwaites, Mr John Lancaster, miner, Greenrigg, to Miss Martha Wilson, of the same place.

17th July 1858 (Newcastle Journal)

The Late Jacob Wilson, Esq., of Alston.

The above named gentleman died at his residence, Alston House, on the 3rd of July, within a few days of the age of 88 Mr. Wilson is removed from the scene of his long life and useful labours. He was a man of great worth, strong judgment and upright mind, and will be long held in grateful memory by all who knew him. In all matters his counsel was ever sought, and his advice ever ready and ably given. Mr. Wilson outlived his wife only six months; she was a woman, admirable, overall, for singleness of intention in all her intercourse with others, and formed with her husband a true picture of English life in every relation. To their home and to their hearts none came too early, none returned too late.

See 24th November 1848, 9th November 1849, 9th July 1858, 17th July 1848, 22nd April 1864, 5th May 1868, 5th June 1875, 10th January 1880, 24th April 1880, 19th October 1880, 30th April 1892, 4th March 1896, and 28th October 1910.

24th July 1858 (Carlisle Patriot)

Valuable Discovery of Lead Ore.—A valuable vein of lead ore has been discovered traversing Wanthwaite Crag, in the royalty of R. Marshall, Esq., of Keswick. The vein was first observed to be productive of lead ore by Messrs. Bennett and Howe, and submitted to the examination of Mr. Henry Jones, of Alston, under whose direction a level has been commenced in the vein, which is now producing a considerable quantity of lead ore, a portion of which is rich in silver, technically termed argentiferous galena. The geological character of the rocks constituting the formation of Wanthwaite Crag are particularly favourable for the production of metalliferous substances, and the general characteristics of the vein already noticed in union with the valuable intersections, and the facilities afforded by the configuration of the mountain for working the veins effectually to an almost impenetrable depth without the assistance of elaborate machinery, altogether unite in the continuation of it becoming one of the greatest, mining localities in the Lake District.

Children of John and Hannah Jones baptised at St Augustine's, Alston:
Henry baptised 16th November 1823
John baptised 19th July 1825, buried 11th February 1826
John baptised 10th March 1828
John Jones senior was buried at Alston, 26th June 1836, aged 43.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Hannah Jones, dealer in boots, aged 47, Henry Jones, shoe maket, aged 18, and John Jones, lead miner, aged 12.
Hannah Jones died 3rd quarter 1849, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Borrow, mineral dealer, aged 60, lodgers Henry Jones, lead miner, aged 29, and John Jones, lead miner, aged 24. In 1861, at Butts, William Burrow, mineral dealer, aged 70, and boarder, John Jones, lead miner, aged 34. Also at at Butts, Elizabeth Goodfellow,

unmarried, worsted spinner, aged 32 and her daughter Annie aged 10.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston,Sarah Burn, widow, aged 90, and lodgers, Henry Jones, lead miner, aged 39, and William Latimer, cartman, aged 57.
Henry Jones married Elizabeth Goodfellow, 2nd quarter 1868, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Butts, William Burrow, mineral dealer, aged 80, and John Jones, assistant Mineral dealer, aged 44. (John Jones, unmarried, Mineral dealer died 4th quarter 1891, aged 65)
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Henry Jones, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44, and daughter Annie Goodfellow, domestic servant, aged 17.
In 1881, at Butts, Alston, Henry Jones, mining agent Barytes, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 55, and daughter in law, Annie Goodfellow, domestic servant, aged 29.
In 1891, at Butts, Alston, Henry Jones, Lead & Barytes miner, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 60, and step daughter, Annie Goodfellow, domestic servant, aged 38.
Henry Jones died 21st August 1893, aged 71, at the Butts, Alston.
In 1901, at Butts, Alston, Elizabeth Jones, widow, aged 73, and daughter, Annie, hosiery works labourer, aged 49.
Elizabeth Jones died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 74, at Alston.

24th July 1858 (Newcastle Journal)
SCHOOL TREAT.—At Leadgate-in Alston upwards of a hundred of the pupils of Leadgate-in-Alston National School! had their annual treat of cakes and tea from Rodderup Fell Mining Company yesterday week. This school, which is supported in a state of efficiency by the company, continued to maintain the popularity it soon acquired after the charge was conferred upon the present master, who receives on all occasions the liberal and hearty co-operation of the managers in everything that tends to the improvement of the school, no expense being spared to make it what a school ought to he. That it is duly appreciated, and stands pre-eminent in the general estimation of the neighbourhood. is abundantly manifested by the great numbers flocking to it from all parts;—many respectable tradespeople and other inhabitants of the town of Alston even, as well as places quite unconnected with the locality, sending their children to “An out-lying hamlet of the parish of Alston” to receive their education. As usual, after the children had finished tea, the wives of the neighbouring tenants and workmen of the company sat down to tables amply supplied with rich cakes and tea. The following ladies and gentlemen were present during the day to evince the great interest they take in all that pertains to the school and the “Hamlet,” viz. :—T. Wilson, Esq., Shotley Hall; Jas. Morrison, Esq., Newcastle; Captain George Wilson, Nent Hall; the Rev. Joseph and Mrs. Hudson, T. W. Crawhall, Esq., and Mrs. Crawhall, Raise, Alston; Mrs. Paull, Vicarage, Alston, &c., &c.

13th August 1858 (Durham Chronicle)
A LEADMINER KILLED.—An inquest was held at St. John’s Chapel in Weardale, on the 10th inst., before Mr Thornton, deputy coroner, on the body of Joseph Robinson, aged 46. Deceased was a lead miner at the Green Lowes mine. On the previous day, he had been putting up a scaffold to work upon, when a quantity of stone from the roof fell upon him. He was got out in

about five minutes, but was quite dead. It was an old working, and it was found that water had got in at the back which caused the roof to fall. No danger had previously been apprehended. Verdict—Accidentally killed.
Joseph Robinson married Phebe Race, 18th February 1837, at St John's Chapel, Weardale.
In 1841, at Stanhope, Joseph Robinson 25, his wife Phebe 20, children, George 4 and Phebe 2.
Phebe Robinson died 4th quarter 1846.
In 1851, at Stanhope Forest Quarter, Joseph Robinson, widower, lead miner, aged 37, children, George labourer, aged 14, Phoebe 11, Sarah 9, and Joseph 6.
In 1861, George Robinson, unmarried, lead miner, aged 24, sister Phebe 21, and brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 16.

25th August 1858 (The Derby Mercury)

A CALIFORNIAN LEAD MINE IN CUMBERLAND

Among the properties worked in the Teesdale district by the London Lead Company, is one called California, which is yielding immense profits. The vein for a considerable depth is 40 feet wide and so uniformly rich that every inch of the lode is broken down and brought to grass. The company, with but a small staff, raise between 5,000 and 6,000 bings of ore annually from this mine alone. In the same neighbourhood are the mines of Mr Beaumont, M.P., from which he obtains about 10,000 tons of lead and a large amount of silver annually, yielding princely revenue. *North Daily Express.*

27th August 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT ALSTON. —THREE PERSONS KILLED.

A most melancholy accident occurred at the Manor House Iron Mines, at Alston, on Monday last, in which three men were killed. Thomas *(23)* and William *(18)* Forster and Richard Bowman *(28)* were working for iron ore in the Manor House Vein, when the roof of the mine gave way, and it is stated about 15 tons of stone fell upon them. The stone had to be blasted before they could be got out. The Forsters were both dead, but Bowman survived some eight hours. An inquest was held on the bodies on Tuesday, the 24th, when the jury visited the mine, and an adjournment for a week took place.
In 1851, at Ramseys Buildings, Alston, Robert Bowman, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth aged 48, children Richard, lead miner, aged 20, Mary, woollen spinner, aged 16, Ann, woollen spinner aged 14, Joseph 11, Elizabeth 9, Jane 4, and Wallace 1 year.

Joseph Foster married Mary Hall 22nd January 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Potatoe Market, Alston, Joseph Foster, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary 25, children, Thomas 6, Elizabeth 4, Joseph 1, and Nancy Hall, widow, aged 60.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Foster, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary, straw bonnet maker, aged 37, children, Thomas 16, Elizabeth 13, Sarah 6, Anne 3, and mother in law, Ann Hall, widow, aged 70.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Joseph Foster, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 47, daughters, Sarah, hosemaid, aged 16, Anne 13, and Ruth 5.

In 1871 at Kates Lane, Mary Forster, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 57, daughters, Sarah domestic servant, aged 26, Anne, dressmaker, aged 23, and Ruth, twister at woollen factory, aged 15.

Alston Cemetery:

In Loving Memory
of
Joseph Forster
who died May 14th 1870
aged 59 years
also Mary his wife who died
May 18th 1880 aged 66 years
Thomas their son aged 23 years
William their nephew aged 18 years
who were accidentally killed
August 29th 1858
Joseph their son who died
June 21st 1841, aged 2 years
Mary Ann their daughter
who died June 17th 1844 aged 2 years
Mary Jane their daughter who
died November 9th 1856 aged 5 years
Also Elizabeth their daughter
and wife of Matthew Davidson
Alston who died Decr 14th 1896
aged 39 years
Also Sarah their daughter
and wife of Joseph Lancaster
who died Oct 23 *(or 25)* 1908
aged 64 years

Deaths

At Alston, on the 16th inst., the wife of Mr Thomas Lee, Newshield, near Alston.
In 1851, at Newshield, Alston, Thomas Lee, farmer of 64 acres, aged 43, his wife Mary Ann 39, born Haltwhistle, children, Thomas 13, John 11, Jane 9, Sarah 9, and Ellen 7.
In 1861, at Newshield, Alston, Thomas Lee, farmer of 45 acres, aged 53, children, John 22, Sarah 20, and Ellen 18.
Thomas Lee died 18th April 1868, at New Shield.
At Low Skelgill, near Alston, on the 19th inst., Miss Ann Walton.
At Nenthead, on the 23rd inst., Mary Harrison, aged 76 years.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Harrison, grocer, aged 65, his wife Mary aged 55, William Lonsdale, dissenting minister, aged 30, his wife Betsy (Elizabeth Baty, married 20th June 1837, Alston) aged 25, sons Harrison 2, and William 8 months.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Harrison, (nee Robson) widow, retired grocer, aged 69, nephew Harrison Lonsdale aged 11, born Whitehaven, niece Hannah Baty, unmarried, aged 25, born Hesket. Harrison Lonsdale, aged 21, bachelor, died at Nenthead 14th March 1860, probate was granted to William Lonsdale of Hornsea, dissenting minister, father of deceased, effects under £800.

Erected
In Memory Of
Harrison Lonsdale of
Nenthead
Who died March 11th
1860
Aged 20 Years

4th September 1858 (Westmorland Gazette)
Marriage
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, in the Alston Circuit, on the 26th ult., by the Rev. W. Maltby, Wesleyan Minister, Mr Joshua Mulcaster, Crossgill, to Miss Rebecca Elliot, third daughter of the late Adam Elliot, of Silly Hole.
Joshua Mulcaster, son of James Mulcaster, and Margaret Pickering, born 20th June 1817, baptised at Alston, Redwing, 26th April 1818, died 23rd December 1888, at Maryport.
In 1861, at High Crossgill, Joshua Mulcaster, farmer, aged 43, his wife Rebecca aged 22, children, Mary J 1, and James C 3 months.
Joshua Mulcaster died 23 December 1888, at Maryport.
See 28th July 1843, and 22nd June 1864

15th September 1858 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE
SCHOOL TRIP.—The London Lead Company with their wonted liberality, grave the teachers and Scholars attending the Schools — numbering upwards of 300—a trip to Redcar on Friday last They assembled at the School Room at an early hour, where between 20 and 30 covered carts and waggons were in readiness to convey them to Barnard Castle; where they arrived about half-past eight o'clock. The unfavourableness of the weather in the morning rather blighted the prospect of a fine day; but as they got out from amongst the hills, the day began to brighten, and gave every indication of affording pleasure and gratification to the eager and anxious travellers. They entered the train at Barnard Castle at Nine o'clock, arriving at Darlington at 9.40, where they were allowed three quarters of an hour's relaxation. The older portion of the scholars took the advantage of the time spent at the station in examining the first Locomotive Engine constructed, and now standing in front of the station. Whilst the older portion were thus gratifying their curiosity, the younger

classes had laid siege to the refreshment rooms, evidently intent upon first attending to the wants of the body before those of the mind. By the time they had all got satisfied, the signal was given for them to take their seats; and in a few more minutes they were again on their journey. They were all highly delighted with the interesting district between Darlington and Redcar—the country affording such a pleasant contrast with the part they had recently left. Arrived at their journey's end they were at once conducted to the expansive sands, and permitted to roam about at leisure for a couple of hours, after which an excellent Tea was provided by Mr Price in the National School; to which unmistakable justice was done. Having been satisfied once more, they proceeded to the railway station, and took their seats again for Barnard Castle, where they arrived at 5.15 pm. Their own conveyances were in waiting for them at the station, and having all got safely seated, they resumed their journey homewards, reaching Middleton about eight o'clock. They were highly favoured with fine weather during their stay at Redcar, and also on their return to Barnard Castle. It is gratifying to remark that no accident occurred to mar the enjoyment of the day, and the behaviour of the children was highly creditable to themselves and their superintendent Mr Hyslop. The arrangements of the railway company were all that could be desired.

29th October 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 25th inst., Hannah, wife of Mr Joseph Hind, butcher, aged 42 years. *See 15th August 1862, 26th September 1868*
At Dryburn, near Alston, on the 24th instant, Mr James Bell, aged 73 years.
See 18th July 1862, 1st July 1876, and 23rd March 1889

JAMES BELL OF DRYBURN
OCT: 24TH 1858 AGED 73 YEARS.
JOHN HIS SON DIED 24TH JUNE 1857,
AGED 21 YEARS.
JAMES HIS SON DIED AUG: 2[illegible] 1858,
AGED 10 YEARS.
MARY HIS DAUGHTER DIED NOV: 21D 1838,
AGED 3 MONTHS.
THOMAS HIS SON DIED SEP: 8TH 1842
AGED 28 YEARS.
HANNAH HIS DAUGHTER DIED AUG: 21ST 1865,
AGED 35 YEARS.
MARGARET HIS WIFE DIED JUNE 24TH 1876,
AGED 76 YEARS.
St John, Church Yard, Garrigill

5th November 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

KESWICK MINING COMPANY.

The general meeting shareholders was held at the offices the company, Austinfriars, on the 25th inst., Chas. Dear, Esq., in the chair.

Mr. CHARLES, the secretary, read the notice convening the meeting, and the minutes the last, which were confirmed.

A statement of accounts was exhibited, which showed: —Balance last audit, £5 14s. 9d.; ores sold, £1,847 18s 6d.; calls, £392 8s 2d.; spare materials, £44 2s. 3d.; loans, £250; amounting to £2,540 3s 8d. On the debit side—Mine cost, six months, £1,655 3s 2d.; merchant's bills, £700 18s. 8d.; sundry bills, £66 11s. 2d.; rents, £46 4s. 11d.; discount on calls, £11 33. 11d.; leaving balance in favour of mine, £50 1s. 10d. In the estimated account of assets and liabilities the balance against the mine was £336.

The report of Captain Postlethwaite was read, from which the following is condensed: —

"Oct. 22. In Lancaster's drift (over 20 level) we have driven 10 fathoms in orey ground, varying in value from 8 to 12 cwts. per fathom; we have also stoped over this drift (towards the adit level) 30 fathoms of ground, which has yielded 10 cwts, of ore per fathom; we are at present stoping this ground, at the low price of 25s. per fathom, by four men. The 30-fathom level north has been driven since the last general meeting 15 fathoms the course of the lode. When we took the lode down in the 30 we found it to have improved very much; we have now in the end a good lode, with 12 cwt of ore per fathom. In the 30 north have driven 8 fathoms on a strong, good looking lode, the first 4 fathoms of which will yield 12 to 14 cwts. per fathom. The levels are now further in advance of the slopes than they were six months ago, and nearly all the ore driven through during that time; we have yet to stope, so that should the ore driven through yield according its appearance, I may hope to be able to increase our returns. Oct. 23. The ore in the 30 end has further improved, and is now worth 15 cwts. of ore per fathom. There is also change in the 40 north since the lode has very much increased strength, and I am of opinion we shall have better ore very soon; the ground in the 40 is better, the 50 ends remain as last reported, also the stopes."

The Chairman stated that he had made advantageous arrangements with the railway company for the conveyance of the ore. He also read a lengthened report from Mr. Newby, a surveyor, who had examined the property with a view working water-power instead of steam, as they must go deeper at great expense.

Mr. Alderman CARTER said he had been shareholder for the last eight years, and some time back the water-wheel was removed because in summer it was dry and they could not work in the water; they were alarmed by being overwhelmed with water, and in the winter it was frozen up. It was now suggested to bring the water 2¾ miles; but he hoped they would not entertain such a proposition for a minute. It was an absurdity, and would be an endless task.

After some further discussion, at the request of the worthy alderman the question was dropped, and the report and accounts unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN said he had had two samples of ore assayed, both from the Goldscope and Keswick mines. No. 1, from Goldscope gave 79 per cent, of lead and 6 ozs. 5 dwts. 10 grains of silver per fodder of 21 cwts.; No. 2, 79 per

cent, lead and 5 ozs. 16 dwts. of silver per fodder. From Keswick No. 1, 80 per cent, of lead and 6 ozs. 5 dwts. 10 grs. Of silver per fodder. No. 2, 78 per cent, of lead and 6 ozs. of silver per fodder, proving that the Keswick ore was equal to any in the district.
Mr. Alderman CARTER said since he had been connected with the mine they had never been in such good position. He had every confidence in Mr. Charles, who presented a fair, concise, and honest balance-sheet; and was agreeably surprised to find the liabilities had dwindled down to £336 2s 6d., and he believed they had a large amount of ore in reserve.
Mr. CHARLES believed the ores in reserve, less the expenses of taking them away, were of more value than the amount of liabilities.
Alderman CARTER said he had spent a large sum of money in Keswick, which he considered at one time lost. He now hoped they would soon be in a dividend paying stale. A resolution was passed authorising the committee to surrender the present lease and take new one from General Wyndham, the lord, for 21 years from January next. Mr. Carter, in proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman, said it was the first meeting that had been held since he was connected with the mine (8 years) without making call.
The resolution carried, and the proceedings terminated.

12th November 1858 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Scots House, Durham, on the 11th inst., in his 62nd year, deservedly and sincerely regretted, Hugh Lee Pattinson, Esq., F.R.S. *See 5th September 1826, 20th September 1850, 12th November 1858, 28th November 1868, and 29th October 1898.*
Hugh Pattinson son of Thomas Pattinson and Margaret Lee, the Pattinson and Lee families were members of "The Society of Friends", Quakers. Thomas was a grocer and draper; he died at the age of 57 years, on 19th May 1812, leaving Margaret with two sons, Thomas and Hugh.
In the register of the Society of Friends, Thomas Pattinson is described of
> "Alston town, merchant, and of Allendale monthly meeting; " and his place of burial is further specified as "near the Meeting-house door."[1]

Thomas married Rachael Watson (born Allendale, 5th July 1790) at Allendale meetinghouse on the 16th September 1812, and subsequently lived at Allendale, Townhead. They had two children William Watson born 19th October 1813, (died 8th August 1894, buried at Jesmond Cemetery) and Margaret.
In 1841, at Felling Cottages, Heworth, Rachel Pattinson, aged 50, independent, and William Pattinson, agent, aged 25. Thomas married Ann Watson, 3rd May 1842, in 1851, at Low Felling, William W Pattinson, chemical manufacturer, employing 500 workmen, aged 39, his wife Ann 31, children Thomas Wm., 6, Margaret 5, Mary 3, and John W 1 year.
Hugh was born on the 25th December 1796, and he married Phoebe Walton at Alston, parish church, on 25th December 1815.
Phoebe was the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Walton, of "Nest," Alston, Phoebe was baptised 1st January 1797.
It is interesting to note that to enable the marriage to take place in a "Church of England", it was necessary for Hugh to be baptised into the church.

"… on December 23, 1815, the Rev. Benjamin Jackson, vicar of Alston, met Hugh and his friends at the Angel Inn-an appropriate signboard for the occasion of changing, as Cobbett would have said, an "unbaptized," if not " buttonless," fellow into an orthodox Christian-and there performed the ceremony. The novitiate entered the room as Hugh Pattinson; after baptism he stood forth Hugh Lee Pattinson, having adopted his mother's maiden name of "Lee" in her honour." [2]

Children of Hugh Lee Pattinson and Phoebe Walton: —
1. Ellen baptised, 5th July 1818, Alston, married Robert Benson Bowman, botanist on 13th October 1842; they had three sons, Henry, Hugh Torrington, and Walter.
2. Margaret, baptised, 16th December 1820, Alston, married Isaac Lowthian Bell 20th July 1842, they had two children Mary Katherine, and Thomas Hugh.
3. Thomas Walton Pattinson, baptised, 24th December 1817, Alston buried 21st March 1820, at Alston.
4. Thomas Hugh baptised 18th August 1822, at Alston, died 18th April 1824, aged 2 years, buried at the Friends burial ground, Newcastle 20th April 1824.
5. Hugh Lee, born 1824, baptised 25th December 1829, at Alston, married Isabella Shield (22nd March 1853, at St James, Westminster), they had five children, Hugh Lee, Mary, John Smeed, Katherine Phoebe, and Winifred.
6. Mary, baptised, 25th Nov 1827, at Alston, married Robert Stirling Newall on 14 February 1849; they had 5 sons and 1 daughter.
7. Thomas, baptised, 9th October 1831 at Alston, died at Para, (State in Brazil, main City Belem) on the 15th inst., of July, of Yellow fever, on his way from Pernambuco (State in Brazil main city Recife) to the United State, aged 19.
8. Walter, baptised, born 13th May 1841, baptised, 29th October 1841, at Hanover Square Chapel, Newcastle, he died 6th March 1847.

In 1841, at Bensham, Gateshead, Hugh Pattinson 40, his wife Phoebe 40, Ellen Pattinson 20, Margaret Pattinson 20, Walter Pattinson 1 month.
In 1851, at Scott's House, Boldon, Hugh L Pattinson, manufacturing chemist, aged 54, his wife Phoebe 54, and grandson Walter Bowman 4.
Around 1821 Hugh became clerk and assistant to Anthony Clapham, a soap-boiler in Newcastle. In 1825 he obtained the post of assay-master to the Greenwich Hospital Commissioners, and returned to Alston. In 1831 he was appointed manager to the lead works of Mr. Wentworth Beaumont; here, after further experiments, he perfected his process for desilverising lead, and patented it in 1833.
He resigned his position with the Beaumont company, and in 1834, joined John Lee (his uncle) and a George Burnett who had started the Felling Chemical Works in 1833. He opened his own Washington Chemical Works in 1837, which he sold to R.S. Newall in 1872, his son in law.
1. Newcastle University Library, Special Collections, Henry Lonsdale's "The Worthies of Cumberland"
2. Ibid

The Gateshead Observer gave the following Obituary:—

DEATH OF HUGH LEE PATTINSON, F.R.S.

Our obituary column records the death, at Scots House, West Boldon, Gateshead, of one of the "remarkable men" of the North—Hugh Lee Pattinson, Esq., a native of Alston, in Cumberland, where he was born on

Christmas-day, upwards of 60 years ago. The son of a respectable tradesman, Mr. Pattinson took part in his father's business till manhood, when, as a mineralogist, he entered upon a wider sphere, and the appointment was subsequently conferred upon him of Assayer to the Lords of the Manor of Alston, (the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital). He was afterwards engaged in the same capacity at Mr. Beaumont's lead-works in Blaydon: and here it was that he achieved his world-wide fame.

The desirableness of some more economical mode of extracting silver from lead, had been long obvious to those conversant with that branch of our national industry, and Mr. Pattinson was for some years engaged in occasional experiments on the subject. He attempted, in vain, to separate the lead from the silver by distillation and long-continued fusion. Various other experiments were tried, both in the dry way and by the application of liquid menstrua. All were alike unsuccessful. But his patient labours were not to go unrewarded. It happened, in the month of January, 1829, that in the prosecution of his object he required lead in a state of powder, and, to obtain it, adopted the mode of stirring a portion of melted lead in a crucible, until it cooled below its point of fusion, by which process the metal is reduced to a state of minute subdivision. He was now on the threshold of his great discovery.

One of those pregnant hints of Nature, offered to ordinary minds in vain, was presented to Mr. Pattinson's observant eye; and the secret of success was his. He saw -- and was struck with the fact -- that as the lead cooled down to nearly its fusing point, solid particles, like small crystals, made their appearance among the molten mass, gradually increasing in quantity as the temperature fell. Having watched the phenomenon twice or thrice, he began to conceive that possibly some difference might be found in the proportions of silver held by the part that crystallized and the part that remained liquid; and following up his conjecture by experiment, its truth was demonstrated -- the liquid lead yielding, on cupellation, much more silver than the crystals.

Three or four years passed away before Mr. Pattinson made his discovery practically available to the extent of his wishes; there were difficulties to be overcome in its profitable application; but all these gave way before his ingenuity and perseverance; and the result, as estimated twenty years ago, was equivalent to an addition of 54,000 ounces of silver to the wealth of England and Wales -- a considerable portion of which, it is pleasant to know, found its way into his own pockets. And while the lead was impoverished of its silver, it was improved in character by the abstraction -- an operation which the reflecting moralist may trace in the analogous experiences of humanity.

Prior to Mr. Pattinson's process (for which he took out a patent) the extraction of silver from lead could only be pursued with profit when the more precious metal was present in the proportion of 20 ounces to the ton.

The minimum was now reduced to 3 ounces; lead mines, before neglected, could be worked with advantage; and the new mode of working came into use far beyond the limits of our own island.

We have enlarged upon Mr. Pattinson's great act of alchemy, with which his name will for ever be associated: - among his other improvements in the industrial arts, there is but one more that we will mention -- his substitute

for white lead. With "sulphate of alumina," the "concentrated alum" of commerce (the manufacture of which was originated by the Felling Chemical Company), was exhibited in 1851, at the Crystal Palace in Hyde Park, "oxichloride of lead," prepared by decomposing native galena by the hydrochloride acid, which is produced in great excess in the manufacture of soda: - dissolving the chloride of lead thus formed in boiling water, and mixing the solution with the proper quantity of lime water to convert one half of the chloride into oxide. The old plan is to convert metallic lead into white lead: - the new to obtain the white lead direct from the ore. Specimens, with illustrations of its use in oil painting, were sent to the Exhibition from the Washington Chemical Works, by the son-in-law of the deceased, Mr. ISAAC LOWTHIAN BELL.

In 1838, when the British Association for the Advancement of Science met in Newcastle, Mr. Pattinson was one of the most potent wizards of "the wise week."

We have said it was in Blaydon the deceased discovered the secret, which led to his "patent process." We trace not his next immediate movements in life; but in or about the year 1834, in partnership with Mr. JOHN LEE (a relative), and Mr. GEORGE BURNETT, both of whom he survived, he commenced the Felling Chemical Works, which now cover a larger area than the Crystal Palace, and employ a thousand workmen. Ten years later - about 1843 – the deceased commenced, also, the works at Washington, in which are carried on, amongst other manufactures, that of magnesia, by a process discovered by himself, and patented -- the result being a much purer and cheaper article, and one which has driven almost every competitor out of the field.

In the neighbourhood of the Washington Works a populous and growing community now exists, which will make a respectable figure in the census of 1861, under the head of "Pattinsontown".

In 1850, the deceased was appointed, in Newcastle, to the office of a Local Commissioner in promotion of the Great Exhibition of 1851; and with other eminent chemists (M. DUMAS, the distinguished Frenchman, being Chairman), he served on the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Jury at the Crystal Palace.

He was a man of unbounded munificence. His public subscriptions were ever liberal, and his private charity extensive. Meeting, some years ago, one of his friends in the street, whom he knew to be interested in a charitable institution of recent date, he spontaneously introduced the subject, and asked, "What he must give? - how much to the building fund, and how much to the annual income?" The estimate was made. "Nay," said he, "you must double that." And such, in all things, was the lamented deceased. He was an ardent friend of education, and especially amongst his own people. We have frequently had occasion to mention the excellent schools and reading-rooms established in connection with the works in which he was a partner. No expense was ever spared, if he thought the workmen or their children could be improved in their education; and baths, savings banks, &c., also had his care. He invariably treated the humblest individual in his employ with consideration and kindness. He loved particularly the people of his native town. His tongue was racy of the soil that gave him birth, and his heart warmed to its inhabitants. He was ever

ready to aid them in their good works. He was one of the largest subscribers to their beautiful Town Hall, of which he laid the foundation stone, but the opening of which he must not behold. He will be there, however, in the thoughts of all when the ceremony takes place; for well they know that in him they have lost one of their best friends.

"The old master" was sorely missed at the Felling Chemical Works, when last the annual examination of the schools was held, and he, for the first time was absent. Many of the children were observed in tears - his best monument.

The deceased was a member of the Royal, the Royal Astronomical, and many other learned societies. He died a Vice-President of the Literary and Philosophical Society of Newcastle -- of which on the nomination of the Rev. ANTHONY HEDLEY, and others, he was elected a member on the 6th of March 1822.

Much earlier, however, (while yet at Alston), he had the use of its philosophical apparatus; and he was ever sensible of his obligations to the institution in his youth. From his boyhood the deceased was known for his "turn" for mechanics and chemistry; and he early became so proficient that he delivered lectures to his townsmen and the surrounding villagers with illustrative experiments. Nor, to the latest year of his life did he cease to be a student, but was ever careful to keep pace with the science of the day.

He was also a man of great general information -- had a rich fund of anecdote and a genial disposition -- and was an instructive and entertaining companion.

MRS. PATTINSON, who was born, we believe, on the same day with himself, survives her husband; and he also leaves a son and three daughters: - HUGH LEE PATTINSON, Esq., of Stote's Hall, Jesmond; MRS. R. B. BOWMAN, of Newcastle; MRS. ISAAC LOWTHIAN BELL, of Washington; and MRS. R. S. NEWALL, of Gateshead. The funeral of this eminent gentleman took place at the village of Washington on Saturday.

HUGH LEE PATTINSON
DIED
NOV. 11th, 1858,
AGED 62 YEARS

Hugh Lee Pattinson

Newcastle University Library, Special Collections, Henry Lonsdale's "The Worthies of Cumberland"

The chief mourners comprised:
HUGH LEE PATTINSON, Esq., son of deceased,
ISAAC LOWTHIAN BELL, Esq., Washington and
ROBERT BOWMAN, Esq., Jesmond, sons-in-law
W. WATSON PATTINSON, Felling New House, nephew
R.S. NEWALL, Esq., Fern Dean, Gateshead,
J. HYLTON, Esq., R. READMAYNE, Esq, Felling
THOMAS BELL, Esq., Usworth House,
JOHN FORSTER, Esq.
J. WILSON, Esq., of Newcastle,
W. SWAN, Esq., Washington
Many other gentlemen and 500 workmen attended. The neat little church was crowded to excess. Mr. Pattinson is deposited in a vault at the east end, at the head of which stands a monumental stone, recording the deaths of WALTER, his beloved child, who died March 6th, 1847, aged six years; and also THOMAS, who died at Para, in Brazil, July 17th, 1856, aged nineteen.
The coffin (the outer of oak and the inner of lead) was covered with black cloth, ornamented with brass.

16th November 1858 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD MINERS INSTITUTION. — The half-yearly meeting of this institution was held in the London Lead Mining Company's Schoolroom on Friday evening last, when the following papers were agreed to for the ensuing half-year's purchase, viz: — Daily Times, Illustrated London News, Bell's Weekly Messenger, Punch, Carlisle Journal, Newcastle Daily Chronicle, North of England Advertiser, and Christian News. The other publications are Wesleyan, Primitive, Church, Farmers', and Blackwood's Magazines, London Journal, Chambers's Journal, Christian Treasury, Leisure Hour, Fioral World, and Meliora. The above-named company also supply the institution with the Gardener's Chronicle, British Workman, Titan, and the Family Economist, also a library of books, containing nearly one thousand volumes. Very great praise is due to the company, their superintendent, and local agents, for their kind attention to the workmen, both in this and every other respect, as they furnish them with a school, the charges for which are merely nominal, and their selection of a teacher bids defiance to a comparison in this district —Cor.

11th December 1858 (Carlisle Patriot)
PETTY SESSIONS
ALSTON, Dec 3.
(Before Thos. Wilson, and H. W. Friend, Esqs,, and the Rev. O. James.)
John Proud, of Garrigill, tea hawker, was charged (for about the twentieth time), with being drunk and disorderly at Alston. John explained to the Magistrates that, owing to having received an injury to his head some years ago, two glasses of ale would make him drunk. Fined 5s., and 11s. costs.
Thomas Snowdon, innkeeper, Alston, was charged with having company drinking in his house during divine service on Sunday. Defendant pleaded that the persons found drinking had just come from church, where they had been married that morning, and that he did not know he was offending against his

licence by supplying them with drink. Ordered to pay 7s. 6d., and be more careful in future.

Marriages

At Alston, on the 5th instant, by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr William Madgin, labourer, to Miss Mary Archer.

In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, William Madgin, masons labourer, aged 26, his wife Mary 26, and son Thomas 9 months.

At Alston, Mr Isaac Todd, miner, Annatwalls, to Miss Hannah Craig, second daughter, of Mr Joseph Craig, miner, High Nest.

In 1851, at Low Annatwalls, Ann Todd, lead miners widow, aged 46, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and John 11. In 1861, at High Cow Gap, Isaac Toss, Ag. Labourer, aged 31, his wife Hannah 26, and daughter, Mary 1.

In 1871, at High Skelgill, Alston, Isaac Todd, game keeper, aged 41, his wife Hannah 36, children, Mary 11, Anne 8, Hannah 5, Elizabeth 3, and Isabella 5 months.

In 1891, at Skelgill, Isaac Todd, game keeper & farmer, aged 61, his wife Haanah 56, and daughter Isabella 20.

In 1901, at Rodderup Tower, Isaac Todd, game keeper & farmer, aged 71, his wife Hannah 66, and daughter, Lizzie 32.

Isaac Todd died 6th March 1902, aged 72, at Alston.

Hannah Todd died 1st qtr., 1904, aged 69, registered at Alston.

22 December 1858 (Teesdale Mercury)

Deaths

At Hude, Middleton, on the 18th inst., John, son of Mr J. Bell, surveyor of Lead Mines, aged 3 years and 8 months.

24th December 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 23rd inst., by the Rev. William Maltby, Mr Thomas Millican, of Deptford Terrace, Bishopwearmouth, to Miss Mary Ann Slack, of High Lee House, Garrigill.

In 1861, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Joseph P Slack, landed proprietor, aged 64, his wife Nanny 60, and married daughter Mary A Millican aged 30.

In 1871, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Nanny Slack, widow, annuitant, aged 70, married daughter Mary Ann Millican, annuitant, aged 40, and visitor, John Kidd, widower, desilverizer of lead, aged 67.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 21st inst., The Rev. Peter Wilkinson, Wesleyan minister.

28th December 1858 (Carlisle Journal)

THE OPENING OF ALSTON TOWN HALL.

Never until yesterday could the rising town of Alston boast of a Town Hall or a room suitable for large meetings or for concerts, or other entertainments. The Savings' Bank, an institution whose value has been highly appreciated in the locality, has been conducted in an inconvenient situation; the Mechanics Institution has been struggling outside the town at such a distance that few cared to visit it, and those who did go found but an uncomfortable reception, and the Board of Guardians have not had proper accommodation for

dispensing the charity at their disposal. But these defects and deficiencies were yesterday remedied by the opening of the building, which will at once be a credit to the inhabitants and an ornament to the town. …
The idea of having such a building erected was first mooted about two years ago, when the preliminary arrangements were made. The gentlemen of the locality came forward liberally and the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, the Lords of the Manor, handsomely gave the site and made a donation of £200 besides. Eighteen months ago the foundation stone was laid under the most favorable auspices of Mr Hugh Lee Pattinson, who unfortunately did not live to see the completion of a work, which he inaugurated and towards which he subscribed with a most liberal hand. The total cost of the building as it now stands is £2,199 13s 7d., (including £612 15s 3d the cost of the Savings Bank), but there is yet to be added a clock and a peel of bells, the cost of which additions will probably be £200 or £300. The subscriptions amount to £1,522 3s 6d., so that the trustees have the somewhat rare pleasure of starting with almost unfettered hands, as there only remains to be cleared off the trifling some of £64 14s 10d. The building is situated on the rising ground near the Vicarage, and is in a medieval style of architecture, and forms a striking ornament to the town — its clock tower, gables and pinnacles rising gracefully above the surrounding objects. …

31st December 1858 (Durham Chronicle)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE WORKMENS READING-ROOM SUPPER.— The third annual supper of the members of the Lead Company's Workman's Reading-room, took place on Friday evening last, when a goodly number sat down to partake of the abundant supply of Christmas fare set before them. After the removal of the cloth, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., superintendent of the Lead Company's Works, kindly presided. It is always gratifying to see employers and employed meet on such occasions and no better proof of the signs of the times need be given, than such exhibition of sympathy and fellow-feeling between the two classes. The worthy chairman spoke of the uses and advantages of institutions like the present; and remarked how much better it was for young men to come and spend an evening in a room where there was every comfort and every facility for self-improvement, than to waste their time and their money at the alehouse. The first thing that prompted the idea in his mind of a reading-room in Middleton, was a visit some time ago, to the flourishing town of Middlesbro', where he had the opportunity of being in one. He then named the subject to the deputation from London, and they with their wonted liberality and respect for their workmen, at once consented to the erection of the present building. After a few more remarks, Mr J. Readshaw, jun., was called upon to address the meeting; and short addresses were also delivered by Mr M. Pinkney, Mr J. Wall, Mr J. Watson, and other members. At the close of the meeting votes of thanks were accorded to the ladies who had so freely given their valuable services in preparing the supper, &c., and to A. Todd, Esq,, for the gift of a quantity of milk, and also to the chairman for so kindly and willingly occupying tho chair that evening. The chairman, in responding, said he hoped it would not be the last time he would have the pleasure of meeting with them on such an occasion, as he had indeed spent a very pleasant and happy evening; and trusted that the young men would continue to improve their intellects and respect themselves, for if they

respected themselves they were sure to be respected by others. He was glad to learn they intended having a course of lectures during the winter, and he would cheerfully allow them the use of the schoolroom, if their reading-room was too small. The meeting broke up at ten o'clock.

6th January 1859 (Coroners Inquest, Carlisle Archives TCR 2)
John Robinson, aged 23, of Dykeheads, Nenthead, accidentally killed by a fall of stone from the roof of Capelcleugh mine.
Thomas Robinson married Mary Thompson, 26th February 1807, at Alston.
Children:
John born 3rd March 1808, baptised March 1808, 1st son of Thomis Robison, Alston miner, of Allendale, by his wife Mary daughter of John Thompson
Watson born 6th June 1811, baptised November 1811, 2nd son of Thomis Robison, Alston miner, of Allendale, by his wife Mary daughter of John Thompson, buried at Alston, 27th March 1812.
Thomas baptised?
Elizabeth
Watson baptised 13th May 1828
Mary born 22nd April 1825, baptised 7th June 1825, at Redwing Chapel, Alston.
John born 17th October 1833, baptised 22nd April 1834, at Redwing Chapel, Alston.
John Robinson of High Dyke Heads, was buried at Nenthead 6th January 1859, aged 23.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Thomas Robinson, aged 55, his wife Mary, 55, children Thomas 20, Mary 15, Watson 13, and John 7.
Thomas Robinson died at Skelgill Plains 28th August 1841, aged 57.
In 1851, at Alston, Mary Robinson, lead miners widow, aged 63, sons, Watson, labourer on the roads, aged 23, and John, lead miner, aged 16.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Mary Robinson, widow, house keeper, aged 74, son Watson, lead miner, aged 33, and grandson Thomas Robinson, aged 12.
See 4th September 1841, 31st December 1842

7th January 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD MINERS INSTITUTE.—The members of the above Institution held their anniversary on New Year's Day, when upwards of four hundred members and friends partook of an excellent tea provided for the occasion. After tea, eloquent and appropriate addresses were delivered by Messrs' W. Price, T. Proud, T. Pearson, and J. Teasdale. The chair was occupied by Mr. T. Moffat, who conducted the meeting in an able manner. All of the speakers are members of the Institution, and elicited frequent bursts of applause from the audience during the addresses, who showed the highest approbation and the utmost cordiality throughout the proceedings. During tea and at intervals between each address the Nenthead Amateur Band played a choice selection of the most popular airs in a first rate masterly style. By the Chairman's report the members number one hundred and eleven, and take into the room two daily and seven weekly newspapers; also eleven periodicals, in addition to several standard works. The London head Company give them a room, coals, candles, and a few periodicals all free of expense, in addition to a free circulating library of nearly one thousand volumes for the use of their

workmen. A vote of thanks was given to the ladies for serving up the tea, and also to the speakers and band.

21st January 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Blagill Burn Head, on the 14th inst., Mr Joseph Catton, farmer, aged 71 years.
See 28th April 1894.
At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr. William Eals, miner, aged 61 years.
In 1841, at Hundy, Alston, William Eals, carrier, aged 40, his wife Nanny (Hardy, married 24th May 1823, Alston) aged 35, children Hannah 14, John 13, Sarah 10, William 7, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, William Eals, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann aged 47, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah 19, William, labourer, aged 16, Thomas 12, Nancy 9, and George 6.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Ann Eals, lead miners widow, aged 58, children Sarah, house maid, aged 29, William, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Ann, house maid, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 16, grandchildren Mary A Armstrong 10, William Armstrong 8, and visitor Ann Hardy 18.

George Eals married Mary Ann Shield, 2nd quarter of 1868, Mary Ann Eals died aged 24, 2nd quarter 1870, registered at Alston.

In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, Ann Eals, widow, aged 68, sons Thomas, game keeper unemployed, aged 28, George, widower, lead miner, aged 25, and granddaughter, Mary A Armstrong, domestic servant, aged 21.
In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, William Eals, gamekeeper, aged 33, his wife Tamar (Richardson, married 2nd quarter 1870, registered at Alston) aged 26, children, William 3, and John 3 months.
Ann Eals died 2nd quarter 1871, aged 69, registered at Alston.

4th February 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Parish Church, on the 1st inst., Mr. James Ridley, to Miss Hannah Clementson, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, Alston, John Clementson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife, Jane (Armstrong, married 5th July 1828, Garrigill) aged 30, children, Robert 15, John 12, Hannah 7, Margaret 5, Matthew 4, and William 1.
John Clementson of Middle Craig, was buried at Garrigill, 21st October 1848, aged 43.
In 1851, at Middle Craig, Jane Clementson, widow, farmer, aged 43, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 15, Matthew, lead miner aged 13, William 10, Jane 7, Mary Ann 5, and Elizabeth 2 (buried at Garrigill 22nd May 1853, aged 5).
See 28th April 1860
In 1851, Hannah Clementson, aged 17, was working at Wanwood Hall, as a servant, for Isabella Rain.
In 1861, at Butts, Jane Clementson, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 53, and grandson Joseph aged 8. Jane Clementson, was buried at Garrigill, 20th December 1867, aged 60.

In 1841, at Kendal, Westmorland, Alexander Ridley, weaver, aged 25, his wife Agnes 30, children James 10, Eve 5, John 3, and Alexander 3 months.
In 1851, at Yates Lane, Alston, Agnes Ridley, wife of smelter at Spelter works, aged 42, children James, labourer at Spelter works, aged 17
Eve, domestic duties, aged 15, John 12, Alexander 9, Ann 4, and Agnes 2.
Alexander Ridley, married, labourer, aged 31 was lodging at Farlam.
In 1861, at Briery Cottages, Castlerigg, Alexander Ridley, widow, lead miner, aged 45, born Alston, son Alexander, lead miner, aged 19, born Kendal, and daughter Agnes aged 13, born Alston.
In 1861, at Briery Cottages, Castlerigg, James Ridley, lead miner, aged 27, born Kendal, his wife, Hannah 28, born Garrigill, and brother John Ridley, lead miner, aged 21, born Kendal.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, James Ridley, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah 39, children Jane A 10, Elizabeth 7, Agnes 5, Emily 3, and boarder, Joseph Clementson, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Butts, Alston, James Ridley, coal miner, aged 48, his wife Hannah 47, children Jane Ann, reeler at woollen mill, aged 19, Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 17, Agnes, bobbin minder at woollen mill, aged 15, Emily 13, James 10, Ellen 6, and lodger, Joseph Cleminson, coal miner, aged 28. In 1891, at Butts, James Ridley, coal miner, aged 62, his wife Hannah 58, children, Jane A, stocking seamer, aged 29, Emily, stocking knitter, aged 22, James, fitters labourer, aged 19, Nellie 17, and visitor John Arche, fitters labourer, aged 19.
In 1901, at Gate House, Blagill, James Ridley, lead miner, aged 71, his wife Hannah 68, daughters Jane A 38, and Emily H, hosiery worker, aged 32.
Hannah Ridley died 3rd quarter 1907, aged 75, at Alston.
In 1911, at Yale House, Alston, James Ridley, widow, retired coal miner, aged 82, children Jane Ann aged 49, Emily, stocking knitter, aged 42, and James, quarry labourer, aged 39.
James Ridley died 2nd quarter 1915, aged 86, at Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 30th ult., Mrs. Margaret Gilmore, aged 65.
At Alston on the 30th ult., Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. George Shield, aged 12 years.
In 1851, at Swidick, near Clargill Hall, Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Sarah 37, children, Ann 14, Mary 11, Sarah Jane 8, Elizabeth 4, and John James 1.
See 1st October 1836
At Hilltop, Nenthead, very suddenly, on the 23rd ult., Mr. Michael Carrick, aged 21 years, deeply lamented by a large circle of friends.
In 1841, at Egglestone, Middleton in Teesdale, Michael Carrick (baptised 22nd December 1793, at Allendale, son of Christopher and Mary Carrick), smelter, aged 45, his wife Isabella, (Robinson, married at Allendale, 14th December 1822) aged 40, children Christopher 14, Robert 12, Margaret 9, Mary 6, and Michael 4. Christopher, baptised at Allendale, all other children baptised at Eggleston.
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Michael Carrick, widow, retired lead ore smelter, aged 58, born Allendale, children, Robert, lead ore smelter, aged 22, Mary 17, and Michael, lead ore washer, aged 14.

Michael Carrick, of Hill Top, was buried at Nenthead 14th August 1851, aged 57.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Robert Carrick, smelter, aged 32, his wife Ann aged 29 (Ann Teasdale, daughter of Joseph Teasdale, married Robert Carrick 31st May 1856, at Nenthead), son Isaac 2, and nurse child Elizabeth Teasdale aged 2.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Christopher Carrick, smelter, aged 34, his wife Jane (Hornsby, married at Nenthead 16th May 1850) aged 38, children Isabella 10, Michael 8, Margaret 6, Jane 4, and Sarah A 2.

In 1871, at Holm Foots, Christopher Carrick, retired lead ore smelter, aged 44, his wife Jane 48, children Michael, general labourer, aged 18, Margaret 16, Jane 14 (Jane was buried at Nenthead, 8th November 1878, aged 21), and Sarah Ann 11 (Sarah Ann, was buried at Nenthead, 25th July 1880, aged 21).

In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Christopher Carrick, bath & wash house keeper, aged 54, his wife Jane 58, and grandson Henry Carrick 2.

Christopher Carrick was buried at Nenthead,22nd July 1887, aged 61.

Jane Carrick died at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, on the 10th December 1913 aged 90 years.

In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jane Carrick, widow, aged 68, daughter, Margaret, char woman, aged 36, and grandson Harry Carrick 12.

In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jane Carrick, widow, aged 78, daughter Margaret 46, and boarder Martha E. Jeffery, nurse, aged 37.

See 31st July 1880 and 20th December 1913.

8th February 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS,
FRIDAY, FEB. 4TH, 1859,
Before the Rev. O. James, and H. W. Friend, Esq.

Thomas Walton, carter, Weardale, was charged with leaving his horses and carts on the road at Nenthead, for 8 hours, whilst he was drinking in a public house. He pleaded guilty, and was fined 20s, including costs.

James Diggles, innkeeper, Alston, was charged with having a company in his house at 10 o'clock a.m. on Sunday, the 16th ult. Fined 12s, including costs.

William Glendinning, and *Thomas Thompson*, miners, from Nenthead, were charged with being drunk, and fighting in the streets at Nenthead, and were fined; the former 16s. and the latter 17s. including costs.

15th February 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

TO BUILDERS

TO LET by proposal, the taking down and re-building of the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill Plans and Specifications may be seen, and all other particulars known on application to Mr. Thomas Dobson, Garrigill, who will receive scaled Tenders for the several works, up to the 1st day of March, 1858, when the contractor will be declared. N B.—The Trustees do not bind themselves to accept the lowest, of any of the Tenders. Feb. 10th, 1859.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr Henry Robinson, shoe maker, aged 58 years.

29th March 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

PENRITH.—Miss Elizabeth Moffatt, daughter of the Postmaster at Nenthead, has been appointed Clerk at the Post Office, Penrith. There were thirty candidates.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 24th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, Vicar, Mr John Bastowe, of Cotherstone, stone-mason, to Miss Mary Bowman, of Alston.

2nd April 1859 (Carlisle Patriot)

Deaths

At Red Bank, Dufton, on the 29th ult., Mr Wm. Shaw, miner, aged 75.

8th April 1859 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. S. Y. Bradshaw, curate, Mr John Parmley, to Miss Ruth Hodgson, both of Garrigill.

In 1851, at Pry Head, Garrigill, John Parmley, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ruth 39, step son John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 20, and step daughter, Elizabeth Hodgson 15. See 9th October 1880, & 6th November 1886.

Deaths

At Bales, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Hannah, daughter of the late Mr William Dowson, aged 19 years. *See 18th June 1881*

29th April 1859 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Whigglety, near Alston, on the 25th inst., Mrs Sarah Bell, aged 86 years.

At White House, near Alston, on the 27th inst., Mr Jackson Wanlass, aged 69 years. *See 31st December 1842*

30th April 1859 (Carlisle Patriot)

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE OF A NEW CHAPEL AT GARRIGILL.—On Good Friday a great crowd of Members, Sabbath School Teachers, Children, and friends in connexion with the Wesleyan Methodist Society, at Garrigill, in the Alston circuit, met together for the purpose of laying the foundation stone of a New Chapel, and celebrating the Anniversary of the Sabbath School. After having walked in procession to the site of the New Chapel, and singing and prayer being concluded, a silver trowel was presented to R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., of Middleton-in-Teesdale, who kindly came forward to lay the foundation stone, by the Rev. W. Maltby, on behalf of the Trustees.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 27th ult., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr William Alnwick, Wesleyan minister, to miss Fanny, daughter of the late Mr Wm. Maughan, school-master.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 27th ult., Elizabeth, wife of Mr John Boustead, blacksmith, aged 50.

30th April 1859 (Westmorland Gazette)
Deaths
At Keswick, on the 28th inst., Mr William Martin formerly of Alston Moor, miner, aged 52 years.
William Martin married Hannah Watson, 4th October 1838, at Alston.
In 1841, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Polly Martin (Polly Craig, married James Martin 18th June 1803, at St Augustine's, Alston; James Martin was buried 5th October 1824, aged 49), aged 60 (died 1st quarter 1842), John Martin, lead miner, aged 25, Nancy Martin 20, and John Martin, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1841, at Hill House, Bales, Alston, William Martin, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 25, daughter Polly 8 months.
Hannah Martin died 4th quarter 1847, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Redwing, Garrigill, William Martin, widower, lead miner, aged 45, and his daughter Polly, aged 10 (married Robert Herdman 2nd quarter 1870, registered at Whitehaven).
In 1861, at Crossthwaite, Keswick, Nancy Martin, unmarried, plain sewer, aged 41, born Garrigill, and her niece, Polly Martin, dressmaker, aged 20.
In 1871, at New Town, Whitehaven, Nancy Martin, shop keeper, aged 51, and great niece, Polly Martin, aged 7.

17th June 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr Thomas Lattimer, of Alston, to Miss Elizabeth Ayre, of the same place.
In 1861, at Town Head, Thomas Lattimer, labourer, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth 25, and daughter Sarah E 8 months.
In 1871, at Albany St., Jarrow, Thomas Lattimer, labourer, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 35, children Sarah Elizth 10, William 7, Lydia 5, Margaret Ann 3, and Emma 9 months.
In 1881, at Ellison St., Jarrow, Thomas Lattimer, green grocer, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 44, children Sarah E. 20, William, boiler riveter app, aged 17, Lydia 15, Margaret 13, Emma 10, Isabella 6, and Esther aged 3.
Deaths
At Newshield, near Alston, on the 9th inst., Mr. John Lathern, aged 54 years.
John Lathern, born 10th July 1804, parents Stephen Latheran (baptised at Alston, 24th December 1778, son of Richard and Mary Lathern), and Margaret Law (married at Alston 1st July 1800).
Mary Lathern was buried at Alston 29th May 1818, aged 79 years.
Stephen Lathern died at Alston, 3rd quarter 1849.
In 1841, Newshields, Alston, John Lathem, mine agent, aged 36, his wife Hannah 35, children Margaret 11, John 9, Ann 7, Mary 5, Stephen 2, and Hannah 2 months.
In 1851 at Newshield, Alston, John Lathern, lead mine agent, aged 46, his wife Hannah (Walton, married 25th December 1828), aged 44, children, Margaret 21, John, lead miner, aged 19, Ann 17, Mary 14, Stephen 12, Hannah 10, Benjaman 7, Rebecca 5, and Sarah 2.
See 8th September 1848, and 20th July 1889
At Nenthead, on the 12th inst., Jane widow of Mr. George Rutherford, aged 59 years.*See 2nd December 1837, 22nd May 1857, 5th April 1884, and 29th August 1891.*

24th June 1859 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Shildon, on the 15th inst., aged 73, Mr Thomas Watson, formerly a lead miner.

28th June 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
GARRIGILL FRIENDLY SOCIETY—The twenty-seventh anniversary of the Garrigill Friendly Society was celebrated on Friday, the 24th of June. After the financial business was disposed of, a procession of the members, headed by the Garrigill band of music, paraded the village, and then repaired to the Fox inn, where a most excellent dinner was provided by Mrs. Stout. Full English justice having been meted out to the good cheer placed before them, the members returned to the School Room. Mr. J. Mulcaster was called to the chair. Mr. W. Thomason, the secretary, read the report, which shewed that the society was in a very prosperous and thriving condition. The capital amounts to £1,626 1s. 8 ¾ d. The income during the year has been £43. 16s. 7 ½d. more than the expenditure. The number of members is 592, und 18 were proposed for membership. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Teasdale, of Nenthead and Messrs. Irving and Dent, of Garrigill. The band performed some beautiful pieces of music, and altogether the day was spent in a very agreeable manner. This society has contributed very largely to ameliorate the condition of the working population of this district when under circumstances of sickness. During the last six years the sum of £2,338. 3s. 11d. has been paid to members entitled to the benefits of the club. —*Cor.*

15th July 1859 (Morning Advertiser)
THE DERWENT MINES, on July 1st, a dividend of £5 per share was declared.

19th July 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 12th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr John Ashley Taylor, to Anne, daughter of Mr Joseph Hindle, Preston.

23rd July 1859 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
SCHOOL EXCURSION.—Yesterday morning about five o'clock 400 children belonging to the London Lead Company's school at Nenthead left that village in carts for Alston, a distance of about six miles. From Alston they were conveyed by train to Newcastle, and from the latter place to Tynemouth in the same manner. At Tynemouth, after enjoying all manner of games, they were summoned to an excellent tea, provided on the sands, and shortly afterwards started on their homeward journey. They would arrive at Nenthead about twelve o'clock at night, after an absence of about nineteen hours. It was said by the superintendent of the school that not one of the large number of children had ever seen the sea in their lives previous to yesterday, and on first beholding it they were nearly struck speechless with amazement. The whole cost of the journey is defrayed by the company.

30th July 1859 (Newcastle Journal)
SCHOOL TREAT AT ALSTON.—The Roderup Fell Lead Company gave their annual treat of tea to the pupils of Leadgate-in-Alston National School on yesterday week; there were 104 children present on the occasion. The children, the wives of the tenants, and workmen of the company, having partaken of the hospitality, the Rev. S. Y. B. Bradshaw, curate of Alston, affectionately addressed the children, encouraging them to perseverance in regard to education. The Rev. H. B. Bowlby, of Oldbury, near Birmingham, also addressed the youthful auditors at considerable length, pointing out the advantages of a good education. He congratulated them on the privileges they enjoyed in having a good school surrounded with pure air and beautiful scenery, so different from similar schools in large and populous towns. Among the company present were T. W. Crawhall, Esq., Mrs. Crawhall and party from the Raise; Mrs. Salvin and party from Alston House; Mrs. and Miss Fair, Alston; Capt. George Wilson, Nent Hall; and Thomas Wilson, Esq., of Shotley Hall. The company separated highly gratified with the proceedings, which were of a most interesting character.

12th August 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th inst., Mrs Margaret Dodd, aged 71 years.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Margaret Dodd, widow, innkeeper, aged 62, born Kirkhaugh, daughter, Sarah 26, sister, Elizabeth Boustead, widow, annuitant, aged 54, nephew William Walton, servant, aged 20, lodger, William Hodgson, Maltsman, aged 27, and servant Hannah Davidson 23.
At Middle Park, near Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr David Armstrong, aged 74 years.
In 1851, at Middle Park, Alston, David Armstrong, farmer & carrier, aged 66, his wife Jane 59, daughter, Mary 30, and son Joseph, cartman, aged 28.

13th August 1859 (Carlisle Patriot)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN A QUARRY.—Mr. Carrick held an inquest on the 4th inst., at Nenthead on view of the body of Stephen Stout 38 years of age, a quarryman engaged with Joshua Walton and hit brother John, in quarrying slate for the Nenthead Company, in a quarry called “Flinty Fell.” They had detached a large block which it was necessary to break. Deceased was standing on one end of it, and just as Joshua Walton broke the stone, deceased fell backward to a depth of 10 feet, a piece of the block, weighing about 2 cwt., falling upon him, and killing him.—Verdict, "accidental death.”
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Stout, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret (Madgen, married at Alston, 25th June 1818) aged 40, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 14, Henry 9, and Elizabeth 7.
In 1841, at Clargill, William Walton, farmer, aged 46, his wife Margart (Lee, married at Kirkhaugh, 13th May 1821) aged 46 (born Kirkhaugh, Northumberland), children Henry 19, Elizabeth 17, Thomas 15, John 13, William 11, Isaac 9, Samuel 5, and Ann 2.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Stephen Stout, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 1st July 1843, at Alston) 27, sons Walton 3, and John 1 day.

In 1861, at Holmes Foot, Elizabeth Stout, widow, aged 38, children Walter, lead ore dresser, aged 13, John 10, Richard 7, Ann 5, and William 3.

13th August 1859 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Marriage
Middleton in Teesdale, Mr William Shaw, Nenthead to Miss *Elizabeth* Morton of Egglestone.
James Shaw (Surgeon) married Frances Lee 17th August 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Frances Lee Shaw of Nenthead, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 30th June 1835, aged 4.
James Shaw of Nenthead, was buried at St Augustine's, Alston, 29th August 1839, aged 36.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Frances Shaw, independent, aged 35, children, William, washer of lead ore, aged 14, Joseph 6, Frances 5, and George 2.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Frances Shaw, widow, grocer, aged 46, born Weardale, son William T L, lead smelter, aged 23, daughter Frances E L 15 (married James French, clerk of Newcastle, son of Mr Henry French, of Holly Bush, Allendale, agent to the London Lead Company, 25th July 1864, at St John, Nenthead, Frances died 12th September 1870, aged 25), and son, George F aged 12.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Frances Shaw, surgeons widow, aged 57, and daughter Frances E L aged 25.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, William T L Shaw, smelter, aged 33, born, Alston, and his wife Elizabeth, aged 32, born Egglestone.
Joseph Frederick William Morton Shaw aged 1year 10 months was buried at St John, Nenthead, 10th March 1868.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William T L Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 41, children, John James, 9, Frances E 6, and Mary Jane L 2.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William T L Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 52, children, John J, lead ore labourer, aged 19, Frances E M 17, and Mary J L aged 12.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William T L Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 61, children, John J, lead ore smelter, aged 29, Mary Jane Lee 22, and granddaughter Lily Shaw aged 5.
Mary Jane Shaw was buried at St John, Nenthead, 3rd April 1895, aged 26.
Elizabeth Shaw was buried at St John, Nenthead, 12th October 1894, aged 65.
In 1901, at Easington, Castle Eden, Featherstone English, game keeper, aged 33, his wife Frances aged 36, children, Jane, 9, Laura 6, Thomas 4, Frances 1, niece Lily Shaw 15, and father in law, William Shaw, living on his own means, aged 74
See 14th March 1868, 13th October 1894, & 13th April 1894

23rd August 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
PRESENT.—A very elegant and valuable tea service has been manufactured and presented to the Trustees of the **Garrigill Wesleyan Chapel**, for anniversary occasions, by Joseph Clementson, Esq.. of Hanley, Staffordshire,

The service consists of 330 cups, 330 saucers, 70 bread plates, 34 teapots. 34 milk jugs, 34 sugar basins, 24 slop basins, and 330 small plates. The whole are manufactured in the best style of workmanship, and are beautifully illuminated.

CALDBECK.—mining speculators in this parish are now receiving ample returns for their spirited investments, and have every prospect of a continuance. The present working mines are in full operation, and yielding copper, lead, and other valuable ores from the earth's produce in abundance. Our well skilled miner, Thomas Muse, has opened a new mine on the property of Richard Harrison, Esq., of a mile above the village, and seems throughout to Tod Crofts, called the High Moors, Tod Crofts,called the High moors, about a quarter of a mile above the village, and seems throughout to have every prospect of becoming a productive mine.

LAMB FAIR.—The annual fair at **Garrigill,** for the sale of lambs, was held on Tuesday, the 16th inst. About a thousand half-breds were in the market, most of which were sold. The fair, however, was very dull, and for a long time very little business was transacted. The farmers, in the end, were obliged to submit to a reduction of prices, and the fair ground was speedily cleared. The highest price obtained for any lot was 18s a head, but the average price was about 14s a head. There was a scarcity of buyers, owing, it is thought, to a want of meat.

2nd September 1859 (Carlisle Journal)

VALUABLE MINING SHARES FOR SALE IN ALSTON MOOR, CUMBERLAND.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, in the Town Hall, ALSTON, on Saturday, the 10th day of September, 1859, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon, ELEVEN Thirty- first PARTS or SHARES in the BLAGILL LEAD MINES, with the like Shares of all Minerals, Materials, &c., belonging the same.

The above Mines are held under Lease of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, subject to a Royalty of One- Seventh on all Lead Ores raised, and are among the most productive Mines in Alston Moor, having produced thousands of Bings of Lead Ore. Numerous veins, or lodes, pass through the grant, which is worked by means of levels, all expensive pumping machinery being dispensed with.

There is a plentiful supply of Water available for dressing the Ores raised, and capital Roads pass through the Properly near the entrance to the Mines, which are situate within one and a half miles of the Town of Alston, and offer an opportunity for speculation seldom placed within the reach of capitalists.

Mr. STEPHEN LATHERN, of Newshield, will show the Mines on application, and will furnish all further particulars.

JONATHAN WOODMASS, Auctioneer.

9th September 1859 (Carlisle Journal)

CASE OF STABBING AT NENTHALL, NEAR ALSTON.

On Saturday evening last, about 11 o'clock, whilst Robert Bramwell a lead miner, was sitting in a public-house at the village of Nenthall, near to Alston, along with some other young men, a person called William Harrison a native Alston, but who, for some years past has been living in America came into the house and began to pick a quarrel with Bramwell. Bramwell was induced to

strip his clothes to fight with Harrison. The Latter, having gone into the passage, dared Bramwell to touch him, on which Bramwell laid his hand on Harrison's shoulder, but did not strike him. Harrison immediately drew a knife from his pocket and stabbed Bramwell in five different places — in the eye, in the back, and on other parts of the body. Harrison made his escape, but was apprehended, about three hours after, in his own bed, by Sergeant Teasdale, who bad been sought from Alston. Dr. Gill was immediately sought to attend Bramwell, who is now out of danger. Harrison was brought before the Rev. O. James on Monday last, and remanded until Friday, to enable Bramwell to attend.

A correspondent sends us the following additional particulars; —

"On Saturday night last, about midnight. Information reached Sergeant Teasdale that a man was stabbed in the public house at Nenthall. The officer set off with his assistant. On arriving at the house be found a great quantity of blood in pools on the floor of the passage and the bar, also the walls bespattered. William Harrison, of High Nentsbury, near Alston, who had only 5 weeks returned from America, had entered the house, had a glass of ale, and the young man (Robert Bramwell) whom he shortly afterwards stabbed in 4 or 5 places, treated him to his glass. It appears that Harrison and Bramwell got to arguing and quarrelling and would fight. Harrison stood in the passage and dared Bramwell, saying he would bet Bramwell 500 dollars that he durst not go and touch him nor lay hands upon him. Bramwell went towards Harrison in the passage, the company in the bar not thinking there was any danger of them fighting did not interfere.

Presently there was a rush against the enter door; Mrs. Graham, the landlady, observed the scuffle, and discovering a knife in Harrison's hand, and that he was striking Bramwell with it, gave an alarm, and the company in the bar all rose and made towards the door. A young man named Greenwell who was standing just outside and heard the disturbance forced the door open, and Harrison made his escape by running up the road. The young men who were in the house at the time ran after him towards Nentsbury but could not take him. Harrison left his hat behind all spotted with blood. Sergeant Teasdale and P.C. Coulton, of the Cumberland Constabulary, proceeded to the house of Harrison, between two and three o'clock in the morning, apprehended him in his bedroom, and conveyed him back to Nenthall. T. W. Crawhall, Esq., kindly furnished the officers with a conveyance to bring the prisoner to the lock-up at Alston.

The wounded man is attended by Dr. Gill, who arrived very soon after the occurrence took place, and dressed the wounds—one extensive wound to the left, eye, one upon the left arm, and another upon the left shoulder blade. It appears the knife Harrison used in this butchering affray broke by striking the shoulder blade, part of a knife blade was found on Sunday morning in the passage where the stabbing took place.

Harrison was brought before the Rev. O. James on Monday, when Sergeant Teasdale produced the doctor’s certificate, stilting that Bramwell was not able to appear in consequence of the injuries received. On the request of the officer, Harrison was remanded until Friday, the 9th inst. It is very doubtful whether Bramwell will be able to attend then, the doctor thinks not."

The Carlisle Journal of 24th February 1860 reported that at the Cumberland Spring Assizes, William Harrison aged 28 was found guilty of cutting and

wounding Robert Bramwell, with intent to maim and disfigure, and disable, or to do grievous bodily harm at Alston on the 3rd September.
Harrison was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment, with hard labour.

12th September 1859 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
NENTHEAD MECHANICS' INSTITUTION. —The opening of the Mechanics' Institution and Reading Room at Nenthead took place on Friday, when upwards of 400 people sat down to tea provided for the occasion. A public meeting was held in the old school-room belonging to the London Lead Company, at whose expense this neat, commodious, and respectable building has been erected. The meeting was attended by upwards of 500 people, Mr. Robert Bainbridge, of Middleton, ably filling the chair, who in his opening address showed that the London Lead Company's origin, as a speculating company, was attributable to the benevolent heart and principles of a female in Scotland belonging to the Society of Friends 170 years ago. The meeting was afterwards Addressed by Messrs. Atkinson, Moffatt, Price, Proud, U. Bainbridge, and the Rev. Mr. Holmes. The proceedings were enlivened by the stringed band playing well-selected and popular airs. Votes of thanks having been given to all taking an active part in the proceedings of the day, the meeting broke up.

12th September 1859 (London Daily News)
At the Tees Side Mine meeting, held on the 6th inst., the accounts showed a balance of liabilities over assets of £284. A call of 1s per share was made.

16 September 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
OPENING OF THE NEW READING ROOM, NENTHEAD. —Owing to the large increase of members of this institute the room became far too small, and the London Lead Company, in a noble and generous manner has come forward and rebuilt the same at their own expense for the use of their workmen, sparing no cost to make it neat and commodious. Too much praise cannot be given to the London Lead Company who take such a lively interest in the comfort of their workmen, the cultivation of their mental faculties, and the education of their children.
In addition to the new room, they supply the members with coals, candles, and a few periodicals, all free of expense, and also a free circulating library of nearly one thousand volumes for the use of their workmen.
The members number one hundred and twenty, and take into the room two daily and six weekly newspapers and twelve monthly periodicals. They have also a great number of standard works. All the members of this institute, met in this elegant building at three o'clock on Friday, the 9th inst., to await the arrival of R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., the head superintendent of the company, who was received with enthusiastic cheering on his entrance. He proceeded to open the room by a formal address, which was responded to by one of the members. They then adjourned to the large school-room, where, an excellent tea was served up in a first-rate style by the most respectable ladies of the locality, for the members and their friends, when nearly 500 partook of the social cup. After tea a public meeting was held in the large school-room, which, notwithstanding the wet and boisterous weather, was crowded to excess.

The chair was occupied by R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., who presided over the meeting in an able and efficient manner, and eloquent and appropriate addresses were delivered by Utrick Bainbridge, Esq., the Rev. T. Holme, Messrs. Price, Moffatt, Proud, and Teasdale. During tea and at intervals between each address, a choice selection of popular airs was played by the Nenthead Amateur Band, under the leadership of Mr. Joseph Raisbeck, the celebrated violin player, in such a style as called forth the admiration of all present. After the usual compliment of thanks voted for the different services rendered, the company dispersed, highly delighted to see that reciprocity of feeling which was manifested between masters and workmen.

23rd September 1859 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Launceston, Tasmania, 2nd June, William Clayton Esq., of Wickford, North Plains, to Alice, youngest daughter of the late Henry Kenyon Esq., of the City of London, and of Alston, Cumberland.
See 25th December 1863.
The Mercury (Hobart) on 22nd July 1861, reported the death on June 18, at Launceston, Henry Kenyon, infant son of Henry Clayton Esq., Wickford, aged 4½ months.
The Argus (Melbourne) 24th November 1876, reported the marriage on the 9th November of Henry Kenyon, of Launceston, son of the late Henry Kenyon Esq., of the Park Alston, Cumberland to Clementina second daughter of James Scott, Esq., J.P., M.L.A., of Bowhill, near Launceston, Tasmania.

11th October 1859 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

METALLIFEROUS CHARACTER OF WEARDALE.

(From the Mining Journal)
It would be most difficult, if not impossible, to name any locality in the British Isles where such a well-defined aeries of rich lead and silver bearing lodes are to be found as those which intersect the hill and dale country bordering the upper parts of the River Wear. After descending from the well-known metalliferous region of Alston Moor, it meanders for several miles through a picturesque vale, which, with its immediate vicinage, has long been distinguished for the singular productiveness of its several silver-lead mines. This favoured tract of country may, however, for the most part be said to forbidden ground to public enterprise. For upwards of half a century the Beaumont family have almost alone been privileged to explore and work its minerals; and though very partially, inefficiently, and, for the most part, inextensively, enormous has been the amount of treasure, in silver-lead ore especially, which they have thus developed during that period. The royalties commanding the grand group of metalliferous veins particularly adverted to, extending over a vast area, belong almost exclusively to Mr. Beaumont.
The main lodes have, for the most part, a nearly east and west direction, running parallel and generally in pretty close proximity to each other; numerous strings and collateral veins, commonly termed leaders, frequently group about them, or branch lengthily out therefrom at oblique, or right-angles, many of them, like the parent lodes being rich in metal. Most of the champion lodes especially, more or less, may be partially seen on the brows of hills, or in

the deep intervening gullies or ravines. But eminently conspicuous beyond all others may here and there be observed, in its wondrous course, the great trunk lode of Weardale, commonly known as the Great Slitt Vein. Its huge back sometimes presents broad streaks of white spar, traversing the more elevated regions, and forming a striking object in the distant landscape. Such is signally its appearance at Bolihope Fell, where it yielded a large quantity of lead ore close to grass, and where its glittering spars and many-coloured vein matrix afford in striking confusion a grand lineal display of its singular magnitude, and of the rare beauty and uniformity of its characteristics.

It can, in fact, by these kind of natural manifestations alone be traced along its line of bearing for a distance of 18 or 20 miles, as it courses through this often deeply undulating country. The circumstance, however, which especially imports to this mineral lode its pre-eminence and intrinsic value, is the remarkable uniformity and strength of its ore-bearing qualities; far exceeding, it is affirmed by competent judges, in this respect any lead vein ever opened in the North of England. The mines, indeed, now in operation upon it afford the most striking illustrations of its singular productiveness. Considering the very great extent of the metalliferous tract under consideration which belongs to Mr. Beaumont, his mines may, comparatively speaking, be truly said to be “few and far between;" nevertheless they yearly yield him upwards or 10,000 tons of the best manufactured lead, with a large amount of silver; of the latter, the lead ore of the Great Slitt Vein yields on an average about 10 ozs, per ton.

The Great Slitt Vein maintains a pretty uniform width of from 20 to 30 feet, and though it not uncommonly yields considerable quantities of ore near the surface, it has almost invariably been found to Increase in productiveness as additional depth is obtained. In Weardale, where it has been wrought down to a depth of 160 yards from the surface, and though a very varied series of strata, it has proved in descent almost uniformly productive, but richest in depth. The knowledge of this now well-ascertained character of the lode has lately induced Sir. Beaumont to commence driving an adit level three miles long, from a point in the river Wear, to intersect the Slitt vein at a considerably greater depth than the above. At the Slitt Mine, 200 yards from the surface, the vein is 16 feel wide and upwards, and yields from 15 to 20 tons of lead ore per fathom, rich in silver.

On the Sunny Side royalty also, a property of about 300 acres, which the Great Slitt Vein traverses for half a mile through its midst, an adit level has been constantly driving for the last three years, for the purpose of winning and unwatering this celebrated vein at a depth of some 120 or 130 yards; and it is calculated that the men will reach the grand object of their long and persevering labours about the commencement of the next year. The leading characteristics of the Great Slitt Vein are here also strikingly developed; and where it was extensively wrought, many years ago, in on adjoining property, it was found to be 30 feet wide in depth, filled throughout with an orey matrix, in the middle of which was a rib of pure ore three feet thick.

In the immediate vicinity of Sunny Side a number of remarkably productive mines are in operation, at the head, perhaps, of which stands the recently discovered but extraordinarily rich mine, aptly enough termed California, and where the vein for a considerable depth is 40 ft. wide, and said to be so uniformly rich throughout its whole thickness that every inch of the lode is

mined and crushed: a very small complement of men are already raising several thousand bings of ore per annum.
The great Sunny Side adit level has, in its course towards the Slitt Vein, already cut three veins or lodes—Whiteheaps White Vein, Smith's Vein, and Wooler's Vein, besides leaders or strings, all more or less containing orey matrix common to the metalliferous lodes of this neighbourhood. The Sun vein is expected to be intersected by the level some time before it reaches the Great Slitt vein; it was very profitably worked for upwards of 50 years in an adjacent mine. The Whiteheaps White vein was intersected near the entrance of the present long level, and even at this shallow depth it contained massive deposits of the brown hematite (quick, with strings of lead ore), so commonly met with on the backs of the great productive lead lodes of this and the Alston Moor district, especially where they intersect the great limestone. From several such mines, as Side Bend, Slitt Pasture, and the Heights Mine, very large quantities of the brown hematite (somewhat tantamount it would seem to Devon and Cornish gossans) are sent by rail to Darlington and other smelting works.
The Whiteheaps white vein presents, as intimated, at Sunny Side, the most promising indications of important deposits of lead ore in depth, particularly on reaching the 12 fm. limestone. At the Derwent Mines, north-west of Sunny Side, this master lode has been worked to a great extent and depth, and for the last half century has produced large quantities of lead ore, and still proves very profitable; it here averaged 16 oz. of silver to the ton.
The Weardale lodes, as they descend through the great series of coal, limestone, and Whin, sills (which mainly constitute the geological features of that part of the country), are not unfrequently ore-bearing throughout; but the Fell Top limestone, Great limestone, and Whin, are considered the best bearing sills of nearly the whole series. In short, the richness of the mines of this northern region are said to exceed considerably those of any other given district in the kingdom, and which will be rendered sufficiently apparent when it is stated that in some of the late official returns it was shown that the produce of the Weardale, Stanhope Burn, Harehope Gill, Bolihope, Allendale, and Derwent Mines, was as fellows; —Estimating the value of the lead ore at £15 per ton, and the silver at 5s. per oz.—In 1853,13,618 tons 10 cwts. of lead ore, and 67,300 ozs. of silver = £221,097; and in I854, 13,481 tons 7cwts. lead ore, and 64,000 ozs. of silver = £218,220. A respectable enough contribution (from so comparatively circumscribed an area) to the yearly annals of that prodigious sum total of mineral wealth, which mainly constitutes the stability, glory, and pre-eminence of our own “tight little Island."

21st October 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
ALSTON CATTLE SHOW. This annual show, almost the last of the season, was held Saturday last, in field near the railway station. The weather was remarkably favourable, a fine October day lent an additional charm to the picturesque scenery which surrounds the show ground, and although the sun was much obscured, it occasionally burst forth and lighted up the brilliant tints of the fast falling foliage in all their autumnal richness and variety. An excellent brass band, the Nenthead Union, played during the day in capital style, and the presence of gaily-dressed fresh-looking girls gave additional gaiety to the scene. The show of stock was altogether a very successful one, and especially

good in the department of Galloway cattle. The prize bull in this class was a very fine animal, and it is somewhat remarkable that he carried away the prize in spite of the presence of his father, who came off second best. For Herdwick sheep, of course the high-lying district in the limits of the society is particularly favourable, and those entered in this class were excellent specimens of the hardy breed. Some good horses and ponies were entered, and although the shorthorns were inferior to those ordinarily shown at the exhibitions held in the more fertile parts the county, there were evident signs of an improvement in this class. The Rev. Octavius James introduced a new feature into the show by giving prizes consisting of a copper kettle, copper sauce-pan, tea tray, tea caddy, and woollen petticoat, for the best butter, cheese, and home-spun yarn. This competition was regarded with great interest, and it would be no easy task for the judges to decide the best pound of butter among the 46 submitted to their inspection and taste. …

25th October 1859 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

WESLEYAN METHODISM IN THE ALSTON CIRCUIT,

GARRIGILL is a pretty village in the circuit. There are in the neighbourhood about 1500 persons. Here we have a good society, and a large and congregation. A few months ago, the persons accustomed to assemble in the old chapel had to say "the place is too straight for us," and they said to the Trustees, very earnestly, "make room that we may dwell." The Trustees were willing; that a new chapel was needed became the unanimous opinion. After much thought and prayer, the matter was agreed upon. The old building was pulled down to the ground, and many felt deeply, because they had been "born there." Now, however, we have in its stead a neat, substantial, well-finished, and beautiful building, The interior is according to the model style of a Methodist Chapel, and externally it has a noble appearance. It will accommodate nearly 500 persons, comfortably seated. Great praise is due to architect and contractor, Mr. Macadam, of Alston, and all concerned. The cost, with all extras, is £500. Besides this, a great deal of labour was given. It was opened for Divine Service on Friday, by the Rev. L. H. Wiseman, of York, who preached two sermons. The services were continued on the Sabbath by the Rev. R. Cooke, of Shildon. The Divine presence was manifested at each service. The financial proceeds are---Friday's collections £33 5s: from the tea meeting, on Friday, when upwards of 1000 took tea, and the sale of articles given, £70. Sunday collections £36 15s. Total £140. The subscription list, &c., with this amount, makes a total sum in hand of £549. Nothing of the kind was expected. Our chapel clear, to God be all the praise. In this work all have done well; but one case ought to be mentioned, Mr Joseph Clementson, a gentleman now residing in Staffordshire, left Garrigill—his native village—-more than fifty years ago, when a boy. He has come to the opening services, contributed very largely in cash, and has presented to the Trustees, for the use of tea meetings, a sufficient number of cups, &c., &c., to accommodate 350 persons; also 24 beautiful collecting plates and a very beautiful baptismal font; the design was made on purpose, and is very chaste. With all these facts before us, at a meeting of a social character, on the 17th we sang with truly grateful hearts, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

3rd December 1859 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, 29th ult., aged 81, Mrs Isabella Brown, daughter of the late Mr Thomas Dodd, formerly agent at the above place.
See 21st March 1856, 14th October 1871, 4th May 1872, 15th February 1873, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882, 21st July 1888.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

SACRED
TO THE
MEMORY OF
ISABELLA BROWN DAUGHTER
OF THE LATE THOMAS DODD
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
NOVEMBER 29TH 1859 AGED 81
ANTHONY BROWN HER
GRANDSON,
WHO DIED 16TH NOVEMBER 1857
AGED 5 YEARS

6th December 1859 (Carlisle Journal)
PRESENTATION AT ALSTON.—Mr. J. C. Cain, of Alston, having been appointed surveyor of the W. B. Lead Mines, in Northumberland and Durham, the workmen of the several lead mines in Alston Moor, of which he was manager, have presented him on leaving Alston with a very handsome timepiece and moderator lamp, and, Mrs. Cain with a neat gold watch guard, as a token of respect. The following inscription is upon the timepiece: — "Presented to Mr. Joseph Cowper Cain, by the workmen of the several mines of which he was manager, to record the respect entertained for him on leaving Alston Moor, November, 1859.'' Mr. Dickinson, solicitor, was waited upon by a deputation of workmen and solicited to assist them, to which he very kindly consented, and having purchased the articles of Messrs. Reed and Sons, of Newcastle, he presented them on behalf of the workmen, who met on Friday evening, November 25th, in the Assembly Room, Crown Inn, Alston. In a very appropriate speech he pointed out the duties of manager of lead mines, with an acknowledgement that Mr. Cain had performed them in a most satisfactory manner. It must be most gratifying to Mr. Cain, on leaving Alston, to receive such a compliment from those with whom he has laboured so long, and expressed by one of the leading gentlemen in this part of the country, and one also who has the working man's interest at heart. — *Cor.*
See 21st March 1845

10th December 1859 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE WEATHER IN WEARDALE. —The weather has been very severe in the neighbourhood of Middleton the last few days; frequent showers of snow have fallen, accompanied by a strong wind, blowing from the N.W. About fourteen miles to the west the road leading to Alston is completely "blocked up," and altogether impassable to wheeled conveyances. It was with great difficulty that a gentleman travelling between Nenthead and Middleton- in-Teesdale, on Wednesday last, got his horse over Yad Moss—the summit of the fell that divides the two counties of Cumberland and Durham, and where the snow appears to be deepest.

23rd December 1859 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)

At Tees Side Mine meeting, on Dec. 6, the accounts showed a debit balance, £168 4s. 8d. The excess of liabilities over assets was £364 7s. A call of 4s. 6d. per share was made.

23rd December 1859 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON MOUNTAINEER RIFLE CORPS.

We are glad to learn that the volunteer movement in the picturesque town and neighbourhood of Alston has been attended with considerable success. Since the large and influential meeting held in the Town Hall on the 2nd inst., other meetings have been held in the surrounding villages, which were respectably and well attended; viz., at Nenthead, Nenthall, Garrigill, and other places, under the able presidency of George Wilson, Esq., Nicholas Armstrong, Esq., and other gentlemen. Explanatory addresses were delivered in furtherance of the movement by Messrs. J. Dickinson, J. Friend. T. W. Crawhall, and others from the general committee. The Corps now numbers from 70 to 80 honorary and effective members. A meeting of the Committee was held in the Town Hall, on Friday, the 16th inst., Thos. Wilson, Esq., of Shotley Hall, chairman, when several additional names were entered as members, and there is little fear but that two companies will shortly be formed, which we doubt not will do honour to the name of Mountaineer Riflemen.

24th December 1859 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. S. Bradshaw, Mr Thomas Hodgson, stonemason, to Miss Frances Borrow, both of Alston.

See 18th June 1892

Deaths

At Blackhouse, near Alston, on the 16th inst., Jacob, son of Mr Jacob Stobbart, aged 10 years. *See 29th June 1860*

At Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr Wren Thompson, aged 58.

Wren Thompson, born 2nd April 1802, 3rd son of Joseph Thompson of Lonninghead, miner, native of West Allendale, by his wife Hannah, daughter of Jonathan Wren.

Wren Thompson married Isabella Coulson, 22nd May 1828.

In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Wren Thompson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella 45, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Ann 16, Wren 2, lodgers, Thomas Taylor, quarry man, aged 30, William Beaver, quarry man, aged 28, and Samuel Ashton, quarry man, aged 26.

In 1861, at Town Head, Isabella Thompson, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 57, and son Wren aged 12.
In 1871, at Main Street, Hensingham, Whitehaven, Isabella Thompson, widow, aged 56, son Wren, engine fitter, aged 23, and grandson, Wren Herdman, aged 7.
Isabella died 28th May 1890, buried at Hensingham, aged 85.
At Pryhead, near Alston, on the 21st instant, Mr William Tweddle, aged 70.
In 1851, at Pry Head, Alston, William Tweddle, unmarried, lead miner, aged 60.

13 January 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON MOUNTAINEER RIFLES

List of Subscriptions	Donations	Annual Subs.
The Earl of Lonsdale.	£25 0 0	
Thomas Wilson, Esq., Shotley Hall	50 0 0	£5 0 0
London Lead Company	50 0 0	10 0 0
Rev. Octavius James, Clarghyll Hall	10 0 0	1 1 0
H. W. Friend, Esq., Harbut Lodge	10 0 0	1 1 0
Mr. Utrick Bainbridge, Alston	10 0 0	1 1 0
Mr. George Wilson, Nenthall	10 0 0	2 0 0
Mr. John Cowper, Alston	10 0 0	1 1 0
Mr. Joseph Dickinson, Love Lady Shield	10 0 0	1 1 0
Mr. Jacob Walton, Green Ends	10 0 0	1 1 0
Mrs. Hodgson, Salkeld Hall	10 0 0	2 0 0
Rev. J. A. Blackett Ord, Whitfield Hall	10 0 0	
Mrs. Elstob, Hexham	10 0 0	2 0 0
Mr. T. W. Crawhall, Nenthall	5 0 0	1 0 0
Mr. John Cowper, Alston	5 0 0	
Mr. Tinniswood Millican, Nenthead	5 0 0	
Lady Le Fleming, Rydal Hall	5 0 0	
Henry Howard, Esq., Greystoke	5 0 0	
Mr. H. V. Wilson, Newcastle-on-Tyne	2 2 0	1 1 0
Mr. Emerson Cowper, Alston	2 0 0	1 1 0
Mr. John Pattinson, Alston	1 0 0	
Mr. Edward Emerson, Alston	1 1 0	1 1 0
Rev. W. N. Snowe, Alston	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Isaac Walton, Brownside	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. John Renton, Lead Gate	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Adam Walton, Alston	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Thomas Shaw, Garrigill	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Nicholas Armstrong, Garrigill	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Joseph M. Paull, Alston	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. William Bird, Garrigill	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Robert Elliot, London	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. Jas. Leathart, Newcastle-on-Tyne	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. John Friend, Harbut Lodge	1 1 0	1 1 0
Rev. J. C. Pattinson, Melmerby	1 1 0	1 1 0
Miss Wilson, Newcastle-on-Tyne	1 1 0	
Mr. Toward Walton, Alston	1 1 0	1 1 0
Mr. William Buck, Alston	1 0 0	
Mr. Joseph C. Cain, Weardale	1 0 0	
Mr. Joseph Watson, Culgaith	0 10 0	

Further Subscriptions and the names of persons willing to join the Corps as effective or non-effective Members will continue to be received by the Secretary.
JOSEPH DICKINSON
Honorary Secretary

20th January 1860 (Durham Chronicle)
Middleton in Teesdale—The quarterly sale of newspapers and periodicals taken into the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room, Middleton in Teesdale for the ensuing quarter, was held on Friday evening last, when the following prices were obtained, viz. The Times, 6s; Leeds Mercury (tri weekly), 3s 6d; Newcastle Chronicle, 1s 9d; Durham Chronicle, 2s 1d; Manchester Examiner, 4s 9d; Illustrated London News, 4s; Teesdale Mercury, 8d; Chambers' Journal, 1s 3d; Leisure Hour, 9d; Sunday at Home, 1s 3d; Christian Treasury, 1s; National Magazine, 2s 4d; Family Treasury, 1s 5d. The British Workman, Band of Hope Review, and the British Messenger, were sold at about half the cost price.

27th January 1860 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 26th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar, Mr John William Nicholson, to Miss Frances Bell, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Elizabeth Bell, widow, Barber, aged 60, daughter, Elizabeth, barber, aged 21, son in law, John Nicholson, lead miner aged 21, married daughter, Frances Nicholson, dairy maid, aged 19, and grandson, James Nicholson, 2 months.

3rd February 1860 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
At Butts House, Stanhope, 28th ult., Mr John Parmley for several years agent to the Lead Company, aged 64, much respected.
See 22nd April 1853, 6th April 1866

10th February 1860 (Morning Post)
Died
On the 6th inst., at Kingsland, near London, aged 66, Bartholomew O'Connor, late secretary of the Derwent Mines Company, son of the late James O'Connor, of Madrid.

24 February 1860 (Carlisle Journal)
CUTTING AND WOUNDING AT ALSTON.
WILLIAM HARRISON (aged 28, reads), labourer, was charged with cutting and wounding Robert Bramwell, with intent to maim, disfigure, and disable, or to do grievous bodily harm, at Alston, on the 3rd September last.
Mr. PRICE and Mr. BRUCE appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. MC.OUBREY for the prisoner.
Mr. PRICE shortly stated the case, and called the prosecutor, who stated that he was in Jane Graham's public bouse, at Nenthall, on the 3rd September last, about 7 o'clock at night; the prisoner afterwards came in, and went to the opposite side of the room, and had a glass of ale. He (witness) went across

the room, and offered him a drink out of his glass. The prisoner talked about fighting the prosecutor, who said he would fight him if he laid down his knife. The prosecutor laid out his own knife on the table, and asked the prisoner to lay his down beside it, and he would fight him fair. The prisoner refused to do this, and went out; the prosecutor went out and followed him into the passage, when the prisoner told him that be would give him 500 dollars if he (the prosecutor) touched him. The prosecutor then touched him on the breast, but the prisoner said that was nothing, and again offered him 500 dollars if he would touch his coat. The prosecutor then put his hand on his shoulder, and the next thing the prosecutor felt was something sharp in his shoulder. There were several men sitting in the house, but none of them interfered. Mrs. Graham was standing in the passage, and was the only one who saw the offence committed. The prisoner afterwards stabbed him in the eye, and in the back; be had since been weaker in his sight from the effects of it. In reply to Mr. MC.OUBREY, the prosecutor said that the prisoner had been in America about five years, and that he had known him I before that time. He (prosecutor) stripped to fight but the prisoner did not.

Gilbert Graham said his mother keeps a public house at Nenthall, and that he saw the prisoner and prosecutor there on the 3rd of September last. He spoke to the quarrel in the house and to the prisoner going into the passage, as spoken to by the prosecutor. He saw the prosecutor after he was brought into the house, and saw him bleeding. Mrs. Graham was in the passage at the time, and saw something in the prisoner's hand "glinted" like a knife, but she could not speak positively. They soon afterwards fell together in the passage, and she called out that Harrison had a knife, when some of the people n the house ran out and carried ; Bramwell into the house. A doctor and policeman were afterwards sent for.

Dr. Gill spoke to the nature of the wounds, and said be attended Bramwell for ten days, till be thought he was out of danger.

The policeman stated that he took the prisoner into custody, when he said he did it to save his own life.

Mr. MC.OUBREY, in defence, did not deny the charge but urged the provocation in extenuation.

The Judge having read over the evidence and summed up, the jury retired, and afterwards returned with a verdict of Guilty. Sentence: *18 months' imprisonment, with hard labour.*

25th February 1860 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 23rd inst., by the Rev. S. Y. B. Bradshaw, curate, Mr Joseph Pattinson, to Mary, daughter of Mr Jos. Walton, relieving officer, both of Alston.

In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 30, wife Mary 24, and son, Thomas 9 months.

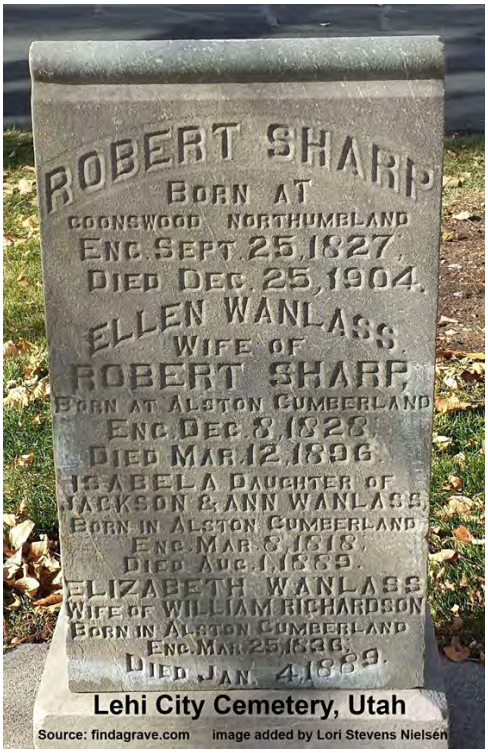
In 1871, at Town Foot, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary 34, sons, James Walton Pattinson 12, and Thomas Pattinson 10.

In 1881, at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 50, and his wife Mary 44.

In 1891, at Front street, Alston, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 60, and his wife Mary 54.
Joseph Pattinson died 1st qtr., 1895, aged 63, at Alston.
Mary Pattinson, died 1st qtr., 1910, aged 73, at Alston.
See 2nd September 1876

At Alston Church, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. S. Y. B. Bradshaw, curate, Mr William Richardson, Clargill, to Miss Elizabeth Wanlass, of Whitehouse.

Elizabeth Wanlass, daughter of Jackson & Ann Wanlass, born 25th March 1836.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Kirkhaugh, William Richardson, labourer, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth 25, and son William 1.
In 1871, at Townfoot, Alston, Elizabeth Richardson, married, aged 35, and son William 11.
In 1881, at Lowbridge End, Alston, William Richardson, quarry man, aged 45, and his wife Elizabeth 45.
Elizabeth Wanlass Richardson died 1st April 1889, at Lehi, Utah.
See 31st December 1842



At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. J. A. Bastow, Mr William Bell, of Alston, to Miss Elizabeth Jackson, of the same place.

In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, William Bell, lead miner, aged 26, and his wife Elizabeth 24.
In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, William Bell, lead miner, aged 36, and his wife Elizabeth 33, daughters, Amelia 6, and Mary H 1.
In 1881, at the Butts, Alston, William Bell, coal miner, aged 46, and his wife Elizabeth 43, daughters, Amelia 16 (married Joseph Bramwell, 1st June 1886), and Mary H 11.
William Bell died 9th December 1886, at Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 20th inst., Ann, wife of Mr George Phillipson, aged 52.

In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, George Phillipson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Ann 43, and daughters, Mary 4, and Jane 2.

In 1861, at Crown Lane, Alston, George Philipson, lead miner, aged 48, and daughter, Jane 13.

At Nether Nentsbury, on the 12th inst., Mr Robert Broadwood, mining agent, aged 60.

In 1851, at High Nenthall, Robert Broadwood, lead mine agent, farming 18 acres, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth (Whitfield, married 29th November 1828, at Ninebanks) aged 43,children, Mary, dressmaker, aged 17, Elizabeth 16, Jane 13, Thomas 11, Robert 9, Edith 5, Isabella 3, John J 1, and niece, Ann Lowden aged 2.

In 1861, at Nether Nentsbury, Alston, Elizabeth Broadwood, widow, farmer of 27 acres, aged 50, children, Thomas, joiner & millwright, aged 21, Robert, lead miner, and land agent, aged 19, Edith 15, Isabella 13, John James 11, William Guy, 9, and granddaughters, Ann Richardson 5, and Emma Richardson 3.

Elizabeth Broadwood, died 2nd qtr., 1879, aged about 65, registered at Alston.

2nd March 1860 (Durham Chronicle)

PRESENTATION AT ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL, WEARDALE.

On, its becoming known that J Roddam, Esq., (mining agent to W B. Beaumont, Esq., M.P.), the staunch reformer and friend of the people, had to leave the hills and dales of his native place, the working men and tradesmen vied with each other to do him honour, and speedily they raised the noble sum of £110, which it was agreed should be spent in procuring a substantial token of regard. A splendid copy of the Scriptures, without note or comment of the value of £10, and a silver tea service and salver, of the value of £100 were purchased. As no room large could be found in the place to contain Mr Roddam's "troops of friends" the committee erected a platform by the Market Cross. Wednesday the 24th ult. was the day selected for the presentation to take piece. The weather was unusually clear and bracing, though exceedingly cold. At the hour appointed for the proceedings to commence 1,500 persons were assembled.

Mr Thomas Vickers commenced the proceedings by saying that when Mr Roddam left that place he would do so with that which was far more precious than the gifts they were about to present him with as a token of their regard, and that was the affection, the esteem, and gratitude of the inhabitants living in these dales (cheers).

Mr John Kellett, Sen., Ireshope Burn, then stood forward and said: —Ladies and Gentlemen, I come forward to perform a duty pressed upon me by my fellow workmen—a duty which is very pleasant to myself, as I am sure nothing can be more agreeable than to see masters and workmen professing the affection and esteem of each other. This has been the case between our late employer and ourselves and I presume that all will be satisfied when they see, that our mutual goodwill is none the less at our parting. I believe that we have been treated by him with the greatest respect, civility, and humanity and that under him we have had general employment. And when a man was borne down by pressure of age or accident Mr Roddam was, invariably, as soon as convenient, provided provided, a suitable place for him. Also when the head

of a family has been removed by death, and distress overwhelmed the widow and the fatherless, he has found them out, and caused the widow's heart to rejoice by on replenishing both purse and cupboard. Mr Roddam, in the name of the miners of Weardale, I beg to present to you this testimonial of their respect, and we ask you to accept this plate and Holy Bible, so that whenever you look upon them, you may have a lively remembrance of your old work-people, and be happy and prosperous in all your future life. The Bible is the best of books, and it is the source of England's greatness. May it's teaching be your chart through life, and your consolation in the hour of death, after which may it be handed down to your children as an heirloom (applause).

The Bible and salver contained the following inscription: — Presented by the miners of Weardale and other friends to Jonathan Roddam, Esq, as a token of respect on his resignation of the office of mining agent to W. B. Beaumont, Esquire.

Mr Roddam on rising was loudly cheered. He said: Ladies and gentlemen, I do certainly appear before you not in a condition to speak; (being very hoarse) but I assure you in accepting this munificent present, I feel this to be one of the brightest days in my life and one I never expected to see. Having spent so many years amongst you, and having so frequently met with your approval of my transactions, there cannot be a greater satisfaction to a human being than to see such a concourse of people assembled for such a purpose as this.

The feeling of respect displayed by you I fully appreciate, and heartily thank you for, I hope the prosperity or the dale will continue. You have an honest master, and I know his wish and desire is that you may be comfortable. (loud applause) I hope the same good feeling may continue between yourselves and those who may remain as agents (hear, hear) I never met with a body of workmen who equalled the men of Weardale for intelligence and steady attention to their duties. You have confidence in me; I always had in you: and that, in ray opinion is the true secret. "We had faith on another" (applause) Having always in the first place studied the interests of my employers in a proper way, in the next I cared for the working bees, and saw they had a fair share of the honey which they assisted to produce. In all my dealings I have acted upon principle, and endeavoured to carry out every possible improvement, and with a thorough intention of advancing your interests and welfare (hear, hear). In accepting this gift I certainly feel unnerved a little, and would like to say more than I can. I receive it with the greatest satisfaction: and if my family continue, it shall be handed down to my children and to their children, and I doubt not they will look upon it with pride, and cherish it as I will. I may not leave you altogether, but as often as we do meet, I hope our friendship will increase. I trust this bible will be my stay and guide through life.

Mr Roddam concluded amidst the hearty and oft-reiterated cheers of the people.

The Weardale Harmonic band, leader Mr Thomas Pearson, struck up "Ever of Thee," and played a variety of pieces, in the Market-place, in a very creditable style.

See 29th June 1858 & 19th February 1864

10th March 1860 (Westmorland Gazette)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.

March 2nd. (Before Thos. Wilson and H. W. Friend, Esqrs., and the Rev. Octavius James).

Joseph Cousin, farmer, Green Ends, was charged by Hannah Varty, a servant in husbandry, with discharging her from his service, and refusing to pay her wages. She said that on Thursday, February 23rd, he ordered her away from his house, he tossed a bason of broth at her, and two quarts of water, and then took her by the neck to put her out, and told her to go away as he wanted nothing more with her.— In defence defendant denied the charge altogether, and said that complainant left his service on her own accord.—Ordered to pay her wages up to the time she had served, amounting £1 2s. 6d., and 9s. 6d. costs.

John Hetherington, carter, Garrigill, appeared to summons to answer a complaint made police-constable Coulton, charging him with being at an improper distance from his horse and cart on the Alston and Garrigill turnpike road, on the 21st ult. Complainant had cautioned him on two previous occasions. He pleaded guilty, and was fined 2s. 6d., and 10s. 6d. costs.

Hugh Walton, blacksmith, Alston, appeared fo summons, charging him with being drunk and disorderly in the Parish Church of Alston, on Sunday, the 26th of February, to the great annoyance of the congregation. Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge, also to having been previously convicted for a similar offence. He was fined 5s. and 11s. costs. He was reprimanded by the Bench, and told that if was brought before them again for a similar offence to the two which he had pleaded guilty to, he would be more severely dealt with and that he might thank the Rev. W. N. Snowe for not having pressed the case this time. Defendant left the court, saying that he would go and thank Mr. Snowe for his kindness in dealing so leniently with him.

16th March 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 10th inst., Mr. Thomas Coulson, aged 71 years.

In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, Thomas Coulson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann (Liddle, married 8th May 1811, Allendale) aged 50, and daughter Mary 15. In 1841 their daughter Jane aged 20 was working as a servant for Joseph Ramsey, grocer, and family at the Potato market, Alston.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Coulson, lead miner, aged 62, born Alston, his wife Ann aged 63, born Allendale, daughter Jane Walton, married, aged 29, born Allendale and grandson Thomas Walton 2, born Shotley Bridge. Jane Coulson married Robert Walton at Alston, 30th June 1844.

See 31st October 1851.

28th April 1860 (Kendal Mercury)

Deaths

At Low Garrigill, near Nenthead, on the 19th inst., Harrison, son of the late Mr Jonathan Thompson, aged 9 years. *See 21st November 1868*

At Shield Hill, near Garrigill, on the 21st instant, Betsy, daughter of the late Mr Thomas Peart, aged 17 years.

In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Thomas Peart, lead miner & parish clerk, aged 33, his wife Betsy (Smith, married 30th November 1837, at St John, Garrigill) aged

32, children, Mary Ann 12, Margaret 10, Betsy 8, Thomas 6, Ralph 3, George Wm. 1, and lodger, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 28.
Thomas Peart was buried 16th August 1854, aged 37, at St John, Garrigill.
At Alston, on the 14th inst., Mr Thomas Watson, innkeeper, aged 48.
At Alston on the 15th, Matthew Clementson, miner, aged 23.
In 1851, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Jane Clementson, widow, aged 43, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 15, Matthew, lead miner, aged 13, William 10, Jane 7, Mary Ann 5, and Elizabeth 2. See 4th February 1859
At Alston on the 16th, Mr Thomas Teasdale, late Sergeant in the Cumberland and Westmorland Constabulary, aged 40 years.

4th May 1860 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
29th, at Gallowgate Lead Works, Mrs Ann Walton, late of High Galligill, near Alston.
Possible death of John Walton, 21st February 1839. See 2nd March 1839
In 1841, at High Galligill, Alston, Ann Walton (Ann Elliot married John Walton, 4th November 1800, at St Augustine's, Alston), farmer, aged 55, children, Andrew, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 20, Rebecca 25, Robert, shoe maker, aged 15, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Back Simpson Street, St Andrew's, Newcastle, Thomas Walton, labourer at lead works, aged 26, born Kirkhaugh, his mother Ann Walton, widow, aged 68, born Alston, sister in law, Mary Crozier, widow, aged 26, born Allendale, and nephew Thomas Harrison, aged 3, born Alston.
In 1861, at Gallowgate, Newcastle, Thos. Walton, messenger aged 53 (sic), half sister, Mary Crozier, housekeeper aged 35, and cousin, John Walton, chemist, aged 15.
In 1871, at 49 ½ Gallowgate, Newcastle, Thomas Walton, Messenger at lead works, aged 45, Catherine his wife aged 42, and daughter Mary E aged 2.
In 1881, at 47a, Gallowgate, Newcastle, Thomas Walton, agent at lead works, aged 55, his wife Katherine aged 52, and daughter Mary Emma 12.
In 1891, at Gallowgate Lead Works, Newcastle, Thomas Walton, agent lead works, aged 65, his wife Catherine aged 62, and daughter Mar E, aged 22.
In 1901, at 12 Gosforth Terr, South Gosforth, Thomas Walton, retired clerk, aged 75, his wife Catherine aged 72, and daughter Mary E 32.
Catherine Walton, died 4th quarter 1908, aged 80.
In 1911, at 7 Greenfield Terrace, Gosforth, Thomas Walton, retired, aged 85, and daughter Mary Emma aged 42.
Thomas Walton, died 24th December 1916, at Gosforth, aged 90.
Probate Records:
Thomas Walton of & Greenfield Terrace, Gosforth, Northumberland, died 24th December 1916, probate Newcastle upon Tyne 12th February (1917) to Mary Emma Walton, spinster, and Nathan Fawell, weighman. Effects £2832 0s 6d.

25th May 1860 (British Standard)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Cumberland, on the 18th May, suddenly, Jane, the beloved wife of Mr Jonathan Walton, aged 39. *See 25th February 1888*

2nd June 1860 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
On the 22nd ult., aged 23, Mr William Summers Clarke, engineer, Leeds, son of Mr John Clarke, of Allenheads, Northumberland, who was killed on the Great Northern Railway, near Biggleswade, Bedfordshire.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, John Clarke, landed proprietor and road surveyor, aged 50, his wife Sally 45, son William S 13, and niece Ruth Swindale 11.

7th June 1860 (Shields Daily Gazette)
Patents.. Mr E. Borlase, of Allenheads, near Haydon Bridge, has applied for one for separating metals and metallic ores in a very ingenious way.

2nd June 1858 (The London Gazette)
1858, Feb. 24, No. 360. Letters patent to Edward Borlase of St. Just near Penzance,in the county of Cornwall, mining engineer, for "Improved apparatus for separating metals and metallic ores from other mineral substances."

25th November 1859 (The London Gazette)
1859, Nov. 15, No. 2586. Letters patent to Edward Borlase of Allenheads, Haydon Bridge, Northumberland, for "Improved apparatus for separating metals and metallic ores when mingled with other substances in the state of slime. Lond. 1860, fol. pp. 5,10d.

21st September 1860 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)
ROYAL CORNWALL POLYTECHNIC SOCIETY
The Society's Annual Exhibition was opened at the Polytechnic Hall, Falmouth, on Wednesday, the 10th instant and comprised in its various departments numerous objects of interest. … Near the Society's large Ornamental Fountain in the centre of the Hall was exhibited a large, working model of a Machine, invented by Mr. Edward Borlase, of St. Just in Penwith, for separating metals and metallic ores. In this machine water and stamped ore are conveyed by means of a launder into a circular vessel called a distributor, whence it passes through pipes or shoots into a large circular vessel, to which a rotatory motion is imparted by steam or water power, with such force and rapidity as to keep the mixture in solution till, by a second action of a rocking or jerking kind, the lighter rubbish is washed over a metal ring and is carried away; while the ore sinks and is preserved on the bottom of the rotating circular flat. The ring which guards the ore from being washed away with the rubbish may, by means of machinery, be raised or lowered according to the quality of the ore to be operated on. …

24th January 1862 (West Briton and Cornwall Advertiser)
To Mine Agents and Proprietors.
Great Saving in Dressing Tin and other Ores.
BORLASE'S PATENT BUDDLING MACHINE.
THE Patentee deems it unnecessary to publish a full list of its superiority; therefore, he only says that in the agents, report of Wheal Margaret Mine, they state it supersedes the former way in buddling by 50 per cent.
The Patentee does not wish to exaggerate it; but would recommend all patties connected with mining to go and see them working daily at

Providence and Wheal Margaret Mines (Uny Lelant), or at Carn Galver Mine (Zennor), Cornwall, on application to the agents thereon.
The patentee has agreed for several more, at different mines, which are in course of erection. He has sold the patent licenses to S. Higgs, Esq., for Providence Mine; also John Coulson, Esq., for Carn Galver Mine; and for further licenses, &c., (which he will be thankful for) apply to the patentee, Mr. E. BORLASE, East End, Redruth, Cornwall.

31st January 1873 (The London Gazette)
Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852. Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions
269. NOTICE is hereby given, that the petition of Edward Borlase, of Redruth, in the county of Cornwall, Mining Engineer, praying for letters patent for the invention of " improvements in the construction of apparatus for separating metals and metallic ores from other substances," was deposited and recorded in the Office of the Commissioners, on the 23rd day of January, 1873.
and a complete specification accompanying such petition was at the same time filed in the said office.

Edward Borlase born at St Austell, Cornwall, 20th March 1820, son of John Borlase and Mary Ann Hart, who were married 3rd August 1816, at St Austell.. Edward was educated at Summercourt, St. Enoder, Cornwall.
1840 to 1849 he worked as a machinist at Delabole Slate Quarries, (St. Teath Parish, North Cornwall); 1853 to 1857, Engineer of Bristol Copper Mines, Connecticut, USA; 1858 to 1860, Machinist at Allenheads lead mines; then until 1879, engaged in introducing new uses and methods of dealing with waste of Cornish mines. Source: Bibliotheca cornubiensis. A catalogue of the writings, both manuscript and printed, of Cornishmen, and of works relating to the county of Cornwall.

In 1861, at Uny Lelant, Cornwall, John Vouren, tin mine agent, aged 51,his wife Elizabeth 68, daughter C Jane 27, and boarder Edward Borlase, unmarried, mining engineer, aged 40.
In 1871, at Redruth, Cornwall, Jane James, widow, annuitant, aged 40, son Peter Henry aged 5, and boarder, Edward Borlase, unmarried, mining engineer, aged 48.
In 1881, at 15 Basset Street, Redruth, Cornwall, Edward Rowse, carpenter, aged 47, his wife Catherine 50, children, Mary Elizth. 19, Catherine, dressmaker, aged 18, Janie Borlase, shop girl, aged 17, and boarder, Edward Borlase, mine engineer, aged 60.

23rd April 1891 (The Cornish Telegraph)
The many friends of Mr. Edward Borlase, of tin budde fame throughout the mining districts, will be sorry to hear of his decease, which took place on Sunday at the residence of one his friends in the parish of St. Kew.

7th May 1891 (Cornishman)
EDWARD BORLASE.
Brief mention has been made the newspapers of the sudden illness, death, and burial of Mr Edward Borlase, well known at, Redruth where he resided many years; at St. Just, in some of whose mines he had a

stake and where he liked to stay for weeks together, for in that place many of his early years were passed; and in mining circles throughout the county. 'Borlase's buddles' were known in all parts of Cornwall, indeed in all parts of the world to which Cornishmen go to introduce or manage mining, and Mr Borlase himself was liked by all those who knew him. For he had moved about a good deal. Home and foreign travel, with shrewd observation and the love of a bit of fun and a joke, made his society (which he never cared to thrust on any one) very agreeable. Of the working classes, he did not assume the least superiority on account of his buddle invention and the money it brought him. His knowledge of county interests was widespread and he constantly pondered what might be done to develop and aid them. But, naturally, his attention was more particularly given to all that related to the treatment of ore after it left the shaft's mouth: and he did not abandon it even after it had become ugly and cumbersome slime.

Edward Borlase was the son of Mr John Borlase, a St Austell man who migrated to St Just and died there. His mother was Mary, daughter of Mr Richard Hart, also a St Austell woman, and, like her husband, ending her days at St Just. Their son was born at St Austell March 20th, 1820, and was educated at Summercourt. For 10 years, from 1840 to 1849, he was machinist to the Delabole slate quarries. From 1853 to 1857 he was engineer of the Bristol copper-mines, Connecticut, U.S.A. Then Mr Borlase returned to England and became machinist at the Allenheads lead-mines in Northumberland. It was during these years that his thought and experiments were given improvements in the mode of dressing tin, particularly to the quicker, more thorough, and less expensive method of separating ore from its containing or accompanying waste.

In the beginning of 1858, while resident at St Just, letters patent were granted him for his buddies, described as 'improved apparatus for separating metals and metallic ores from other mineral substances.' While at Haydon-Bridge, Northumberland, a second set of letters patent were granted him (Nov. 15, 1859) for buddles, referred to as 'improved apparatus for separating metals and metallic ores when mingled with other substances in the state of slime.' Again, while resident at Redruth in 1873 Mr Borlase patented other improvements in the same direction.

For some time previous to 1876 Mr Borlase had given much thought to the development of a trade connected with the clays and waste mine-substances of Cornwall. At this he worked for several years with steady perseverance. He had means and was not, therefore, impelled to company-forming or to zealously push to economic results his wishes and experiments. He went, however, to considerable expense and spent much time on experiments designed to form the ejected and useless rubbish or the bal into tasteful shapes and change the useless into the useful—the powder or the clay, trampled underfoot as an annoyance and an encumbrance, into the ornament for mantelshelf or bracket. The Polytechnic Society's Reports for 1876 shew that the judges in the mechanical department, headed by the late Capt. Thomas Richards, F.G.S., considered Borlase entitled to a special

premium for his efforts to introduce new industry the utilization of Cornish terra-cotta and other clays. It should be remembered, however, and mentioned now, in common fairness, that the Rev C. M. Edward Collins, of Trewardale, had for many years 'pegged away' at the same subject. In 1868, he advocated the establishment of pottery and porcelain works in Cornwall, particularly at Fowey. And, the year before Mr Borlase exhibited his specimens, Mr Collins, with a force which was most earnest, endeavoured to impress the Cornish mind that Cornwall might made the rival of Watcombe for terra-cotta and of Bristol and Bow, Worcester and Dresden, or even of Devres and Capo di Monte, for ceramic products.

With the view of encouraging the modeller's art Mr Collins offered £3 3s towards a prize for a group of the harvest-subject 'Crying the neck'. 'Why' said Mr Collins, should not every cottage in the land be supplied with such pure and innocent source of pleasure as the reproduction of Wedgwood by a Cornish art-pottery, whence should issue their own native material and from the hands and designs of their own native artists—works calculated to dispense happiness to millions of the sons of toil. By the adoption, too, of local subjects, the strong love of Cornishmen for their native county might be interested and stimulated.' Devonshire's rich clay, given to the manufacture of coarse ware time immemorial, has got the start Cornish clays or finely-powdered granite and elven. Though Cornwall richly yields the china-clay and stone from which the most delicate 'china' may be made, other places have the manufactories, the artisans, and the artists. Watcombe worked while Cornishmen, with few exceptions, talked. And so, the thought and labours of Messrs Collins and Borlase have not yet borne much fruit. Both, however, have sown seed which may one day spring-up. And whenever future reference made to the history of this branch of Cornwall's industries, whether it they dormant or active, the efforts made for it by Messrs Borlase and Collins will not be forgotten.

Probate

2nd June 1891. Administration (with the Will) of the Personal Estate of Edward Borlase formerly of the Town of Redruth, late of St. Kew both in the County of Cornwall Bachelor who died 19 April 1891 at St Kew was granted at Bodmin to Jane Roberts of St just in Penwith in the said County Widow the sister and one of the next of kin. Personal Estate £516 5s.

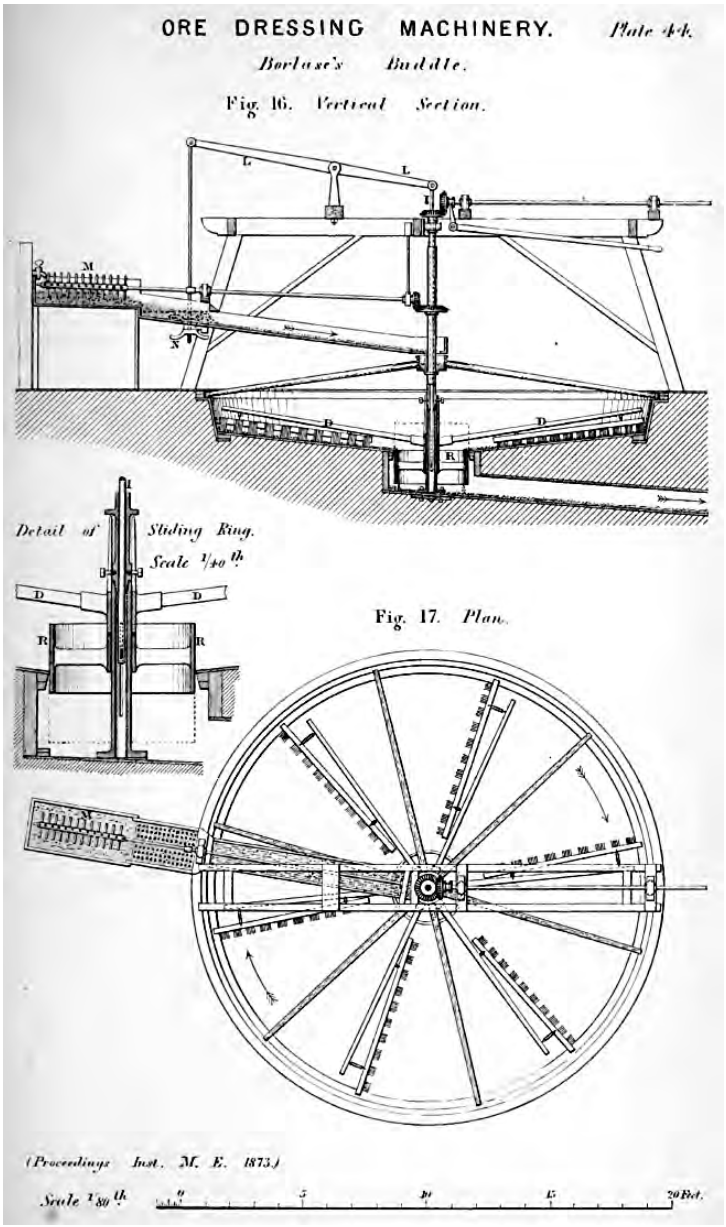
INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS PROCEEDINGS. 1873.

ON THE MECHANICAL APPLIANCES USED FOR DRESSING TIN AND COPPER ORES IN CORNWALL.

By Mr. HENRY T. FERGUSON, of Truro. Page 125.

…In Figs. 16 and 17, Plate 44, is shown an improved construction of Concave Buddle by Mr. Edward Borlase, now in extensive use at several mines, which has a mechanical arrangement for adjusting the level of the central outflow, by raising a ring R that slides upon the centre vertical shaft, as shown in the detail view to a larger scale. By this means the height of the outflow is adjusted more gradually and uniformly than by the plugged holes in the ordinary buddies, and there is less liability to waste by guttering. The sliding ring R is raised by hand by the rod I and lever L provided with the double adjusting nuts N; and the arms of the sweeps D

being supported upon the rising ring are kept constantly at the proper height by the same adjustment. A mechanical agitator M at the head of the feeding launder stirs up the stuff before entering the buddle. …



22nd June 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

FATAL ACCIDENT

An inquest was held before Mr G. L. Carrick, deputy coroner, at Craig Green in the parish of Alston, on Wednesday, the 21st inst., on the body of Matthew Davidson, lead ore miner, aged 33 years, who was killed in Craig Green Mine, by the fall of stone from the roof. Two other men, his fellow workmen, had a very narrow escape from the same fate. Verdict, "Accidentally killed."

Matthew Davidson, baptised, 30th May 1827, (Wesleyan) son of Jonathan Davidson and Sarah Cowing who were married at Alston 2nd June 1811.
Jonathan Davidson was buried at Garrigill 11th February 1840, aged 49.
Matthew Davidson of Nether Craig, aged 33, was buried at Garrigill 21st June 1860.

In 1841, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Sarah Davidson, farmer aged 50, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah 15, John 14, Matthew 12, Hannah 10.
In 1851, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Elizabeth Davidson, widow, farmer & proprietor, aged 63, children Jonathan, butcher, aged 28, Sarah 26, Mathew, lead miner, aged 23, Hannah 21, and granddaughter, Mary Ann Davidson 9 months.
In 1861, at Nether Craig, Sarah Davidson, lead miners widow, aged 73, son, Jonathan, farmer, butcher, aged 40, daughter, Hannah, house maid, aged 31, grandson, William Davidson 3. Sarah Davidson was buried at Garrigill, 12th May 1868.
See 18th September 1841, 15th June 1850, and 8th March 1890.

27th June 1860 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

A MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT of no ordinary kind was given in the Lead Company's School Room, on Friday and Saturday evenings last, by Mr G. Wallace and son, FROM Alston. Through the kindness of R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., the room was readily accorded to the performers, as was also the use of a piano-forte by Mr J. Marsden. The audiences were not numerous, but respectable; and we only regret they were not larger; for the opportunities afforded this neighbourhood of listening to such concerts are “few and far between.” It is a remarkable fact, but no less true, that the taste for the cultivation of music is, generally speaking, on the decline. The abilities of Mr Wallace as a teacher of music, as well as a performer, are comparatively unknown in this neighbourhood, but in Cumberland and Westmorland, where his duties have chiefly called him, they have been duly appreciated. His son. Friend Wallace, it only thirteen years of age, and is quite a prodigy in music. His performances on the piano-forte are wonderful in the extreme. The quickest and most difficult pieces are executed with the greatest ease and accuracy. He has a rich voice, and has perfect command of it, as was observed in the beautiful cadences which he performed. His father accompanied him on the clarionet, and is a noted performer on that instrument. The programme was well selected, but time and space forbid us criticising so fully as we could wish; suffice it to say that the execution of the military fantasia, “The Soldier's Welcome Home." “California Galop," and “Annie Laurie," with variations, was done in a very masterly style, which called forth loud applause. The rendering of the songs, “Beautiful Star," “I’ll hang my Harp on a Willow Tree,” and “Do they miss me at Home?" was also tastefully done, and exhibited great feeling. The Middleton Quadrille Band was in attendance and played several lively airs at intervals. At the close of the performance, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., expressed himself highly gratified with the entertainment, and thought that a vote of thanks was due to Mr Wallace and son for the most creditable manner in which they had acquitted themselves. Mr Wallace having responded, a vote of thanks to the Band concluded the proceedings.

29th June 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Garrigill church, on the 24th inst., by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr. James

Vipond, draper, Garrigill, to Miss Ann Shaw, youngest daughter of Thomas Shaw, Esq., Shield Hill, Garrigill. *See 5th March 1831 and 14th January 1905*

Deaths

At Keswick, on the 19th inst., Mr Thomas Greenwood, lead miner, aged 33 years,—much respected.

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 25th instant, Frances Ruth, daughter of Mr. John Millican, aged 16.

At Alston Cemetery

Headstone

In Memory of Frances Ruth daughter of
John & Sarah Millican of Nenthead
Who died June 25th 1860, aged 16 years

See 24th August 1878

At Blackhouse, near Alston, on the 25th instant, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Jacob Stobart, aged 47 years.

In 1841, at Black House, Alice Stobbart, Innkeeper, aged 65, William Stobbart, farmer, aged 35, Jacob Stobbart, farmer, aged 30, and Ann Stobbart 25. In 1851, at Blackhouse, Jacob Stobbart, farmer of 94 acres employing 1 labourer, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Armstrong, married at Alston, 26th May 1844) aged 36, children Thomas 5, Jane 3, Jacob 1, house and farm servant, Hannah Hymers, aged 14, and farm labourer, Samuel Armstrong, aged 14. In 1861, at Blackhouse, Jacob Stobbart, widow, farmer of 84 acres & innkeeper, aged 55, children Jane 13, Ann 9, Mary 6, and housekeeper, Mary Heslop, aged 34.

29th June 1860 (Morning Post)

A meeting of the Tees Side Mining Company was held to-day, when the accounts showed a balance against the mine of £47 5s. No call was made as it was considered the ore at surface would far exceed the cost.

6th July 1860 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)

The Derwent Mines Company declared a dividend of £10 per share on Thursday, payable on Sept 29.

14th July 1860 (Carlisle Patriot)

Deaths

At Ashgill, near Garrigill, on the 2nd inst., Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 61. *See 14th June 1873*

At Alston, on the 3rd instant, Mr William Watson, grocer, aged 62.

20th July 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

Sudden Death —On Wednesday week Jonathan Clementson *(aged 42)*, of Hudgill, Alston, died very suddenly. He was carting stones to his field when probably feeling ill, he sat down behind a wall and died almost immediately. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death. No suspicion or blame attached to anyone, and the coroner did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest.

In 1841, at Pry House Hudgill, Mary Clementson (Mary Latheron, married Jonathan Clementson, 21st April 1808, at Alston, Jonathan died at Hudgill

14th December 1840), widow, farmer, aged 55, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 17, Vipond 15, and Ann 10. In 1851, at Hudgill, Mary Clemitson, widow, farmer of 25 acres, aged 67, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 32, Mary, dairy maid, aged 30, Vipond, lead miner, aged 26, and Ann, dress maker, aged 24.
Mary Clementson died 30th November 1863, at Hudgill, aged 80 years.
See 19th December 1840, 24th August 1860, 29th March 1890, 28th July 1894, and 5th April 1902

At Alston Cemetery
Headstone

In Memory of Jonathan Clementson of Hudgill
Who departed this life July 11 1860 aged 42 years

18th August 1860 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths

At Paradise Row, on the 13th inst, aged 50 years, after a lingering illness, which she bore with Christian patience and resignation, Catherine, wife of George Coates, engineman at the Blackett Level Works, Allenheads.

24th August 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

DESIRABLE ESTATE FOR SALE, NEAR ALSTON, CUMBERLAND.

TO be SOLD, AUCTION, at the Town Hall, ALSTON, on Wednesday, the 5th day of September next, 2 o'clock in the Afternoon precisely, (subject to Conditions to be then produced), all that desirable LEASEHOLD ESTATE, called HOWGILL SYKE, situate near GARRIGILL GATE, in the Parish of Alston, Cumberland, and consisting of TWO substantial DWELLING HOUSES and a COTTAGE, with Byers, Barns, and other suitable Outbuildings, and 19 Acres of excellent Meadow and Pasture LAND, and an ALLOTMENT immediately adjoining, containing 56 Acres, or thereabouts, set out under the Alston Moor Commons Inclosure Act, the whole being now in the occupation of Mrs. Ann Wallace, Mrs. Elizabeth Watson, and John Ward, as Yearly Tenants. The said Estate is held under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, Lords of the Manor of Alston Moor, for a Term of 1,000 Years, commencing in or about the year 1621. Further information and particulars can be obtained on application to Messrs. WILLIAM WATSON, Mine Agent, or JOHN WATSON, Grocer, Castleside, near Shotley Bridge, or to Mr. BAINBRIDGE, Solicitor, Alston, and also of Mr. JONATHAN WOODMASS, Alston, The Auctioneer. Alston, 9th August, 1860.

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 23rd instant, Mr Joseph Goodburn, agent, of Nenthead, to Miss Ann Clementson, of Hudgill. *See 20th July 1860*

31st August 1860 (Newcastle Courant)

Fatal Accident in a Lead Mine

An inquest was held at the infirmary yesterday (Thursday) before J. Hoyle, Esq., coroner on the body of John Bell, lead miner of Stonecroft, Haydon Bridge. Deceased was employed at Settlingstones Lead Mine, near Fourstones. On the 9th inst., at about the time of evening when deceased and a man, named Coates, dropped work, some of the other men were engaged in

blasting ore, and in proceeding towards the bottom of the shaft they had to pass a place at which some powder was going to be fired. Coates got safely past, but deceased declined to do so until the shot was fired. On the smoke clearing away, search was made for deceased, and he was found lying in a hole, about three yards in depth, with his wrist and jaw fractured. Medical attendance was procured, but it was found necessary to remove him to the infirmary, where he expired on Wednesday last. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

7th September 1860 (Morning Chronicle)

TEES SIDE MINING COMPANY.

The general meeting of shareholders was held this day, at the offices of the company, Winchester-house, Old Broad-street; Mr. F. S. Hemming in the chair.

MR. JOHN B. REYNOLDS, the secretary, read the notice convening the meeting, and the minutes of the last, which were confirmed

The statement of accounts showed cash at bankers £24 12s. 11d., and the balance of liabilities over assets £55 18s. 11d.

MR. CRICK, the manager, said that every item was charged up, including the cost to the end of August, which was not yet due.

The CHAIRMAN said the lode in the shaft was now worth about £2 per ton.

The SECRETARY considered the mine was now worked in a very satisfactory manner, and he was glad the chairman had inspected it, as he had recently become a large shareholder, and no doubt great benefit would be derived by all parties interested.

The report of the agent was read, which was of a satisfactory nature, which, with the accounts, was adopted.

Mr. GILKHS wished to know what steps should be taken to keep the mine continually at work, as they were now compelled to stop either through frost or having too much water.

MR. CRICK had been in the mine for nine years, and it would never be worked all the your round until they erected steam machinery.

After a lengthened discussion a call of 1s, per share was made, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

12 September 1860 (Teesdale Mercury)

DINNER TO THE LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN

This town, on Saturday last was the scene of a demonstration on a scale of magnificence never before witnessed at Middleton-in-Teesdale; and which will ever be remembered and looked back upon with the greatest feelings of satisfaction and gratitude by all who were more immediately interested in it, as well as by those who were less intimately connected therewith. The event referred to was a Dinner given to the Workmen in the Teesdale district in the employment of the Lead Company, by Octavious Wigram, Esq., and J. Birch, Esq. (Deputation from the Court of Directors), on the occasion of Mr Wigram becoming Governor, and Mr Birch Deputy Governor of this Company. The place chosen for holding the dinner was the parade ground of the Teesdale Highland Rifle Corps—a very suitable site for such an occasion. The day before saw the joiners busily engaged in fixing the tables, seats, and erecting the tents; and the masons as busily occupied in setting up boilers, and making

other preparations for keeping the various articles of consumption at a proper temperature to be placed before the hundreds of hungry souls the next day. The publicans of the town were contracted with the important duty of making the dinner, which, we would not forget to state, was of excellent quality, and showed no deficiency in quantity, with the exception of "*sweet pies?*" Whilst the above preparations were going on, we can easily imagine the hot and odorous atmosphere the cooks were inhaling, before those beautiful rounds of beef, and scores of legs of mutton, not to mention the hundreds of plum puddings, and sweet pies which were placed upon the tables; these edibles being washed down by ale or water, as the guests thought most palatable. Great fears were entertained with respect to the weather keeping fine all day, as a thick mist hung upon the hill tops about 11 o'clock, which threatened to come down in the shape of rain. This omen was too correct, for about ___ o'clock, a slight shower fell, but only continued for a short time, the remainder of the day being free from rain, though not as bright as might have been wished for. The time fixed for dinner was half past 12, and previous to that hour the miners who from their priority of position, were to dine first, met at the top of Hude Bank where they arranged themselves in marching order, and headed by the Band of the Hill Corps, marched in front of Middleton House, proceeding by way of the Company's school to the parade ground; the Mickleton Band bringing up the rear. The whole procession being proceeded by two strong-armed workmen carrying a large banner, with the inscription, "Success to the Lead Trade." Other flags were in the procession, bearing upon them, "Peace and Plenty," "Honour to those who develop the resources of the Country." The men having got seated at the dinner-tables, and after grace had been said, the aforesaid rounds of beef and legs of mutton were speedily cut into a thousand pieces, to answer the demands of the various applicants by whom they were surrounded. The clatter of above sixty dozen knives and forks upon as many plates, reminded us of the noise of machinery, and certainly no piece of machinery could have better performed its work. The second course was sweet pies and plum puddings, as to the first no injustice could be complained of. The number who sat down to the table was 626, during the dining of whom the Rifle Corps ____ played an excellent _____ of music. The second table comprised the Rifle Volunteers, joiners, smiths, millwrights, _____, washer-boys, and other outdoor workmen, numbering 618, making with the carriers and waiters an aggregate of more than 1200. The agents, overmen, clerks, foremen, and other gentlemen who were invited, undertook the duty of carving, and dined afterwards. Whilst the workmen were dining, it was a pleasing sight, which did not go unnoticed, and one which will never be forgotten, to observe the Governor and Deputy Governor, with the worthy Superintendent of their works, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., moving about and waiting upon them, and seeing that they were making a hearty dinner, and enjoying themselves. It seemed to afford the above gentlemen great pleasure and satisfaction to be thus engaged; and is a scene to seldom witnessed among masters and their workmen. Were such exhibitions of mutual feeling and good-will more frequent, we should not hear of the direful effects of those strikes, which have taken place in this kingdom. To return to our report: —at 4 o'clock, the workmen and volunteers, with the bands, again assembled in front of Middleton House, where they were addressed by Mr Robt. Grieves (one of the

oldest miners) and Mr W. Pinkney, in speeches appropriate to the occasion. After which, Mr Richard Watson, the native poet, read a composition he had made that morning, relative to the event, which shall appear in next week's Mercury. Octavius Wigram, Esq., then spoke as follows—It afforded him great pleasure and satisfaction to meet the workmen on this occasion, and to give them a treat in the shape of a dinner, and he was sure this would rank among the happiest days he had ever spent in his life. Time had wrought many changes since he first visited this district as a deputation from the Company's Court, both in a moral and physical point of view. The first time he was deputed to come to Teesdale was in 1822, and from that time until now, with only one or two exceptions, he had never missed paying an annual visit to this charming locality. There had been great improvements effected in the face of the country since he first knew it, as some before him could bear testimony; and the moral aspect of the population, he was glad to say, had kept pace with those improvements. No district in any part of the country, he might safely affirm, possessed more varied means and opportunities for the spread of knowledge than this. It was in every sense of the word, a highly favoured district. The school was created in 1818, and was the first of the kind built in the country, conducted on the same principles. Leaving the subject of education, he said it had been the constant wish of the Company to make their workmen and families comfortable and happy; nor did he think that they had failed in doing so. It had always been their desire to keep them in constant employment, and in bad as well as prosperous times the hundreds before him could bear witness that the mere object of a profitable remuneration had not been what the Company had principally looked at. One new feature that had sprung up in the country since his last visit was the Rifle Corps movement; and he was glad to see that this district was not behind in that noble cause; and he trusted that, should the country ever suffer from invasion he would himself have loyalty and patriotism to defend it. Having complimented the Volunteers on their appearance, he sat down amid three loud and hearty cheers. J. Birch, Esq., then stepped forward, and offered a few remarks, stating that he had only been connected with the Governor and Company for about a year and a half, and that this was but his second visit to Teesdale, and he had not much acquaintance with the locality as yet; he hoped it would not be the last time he should have the pleasure of meeting the Company's workmen, and in conclusion he wished them every success. After prolonged cheering had ceased, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., said that the wives of the Governor and Deputy Governor ought not to be forgotten, as it was through the means of a lady that the Company was first formed. He then proceeded to say, that a lady, a quakeress, belonging the north passing through these dales, on her way to some friends in the south, seeing the population unemployed, and the want and destitution existing among them, named the subject to her friends, requesting them to form a mining company, more on philanthropic grounds, than for any particular remuneration derivable from it; she prevailed, and a company was established, the beneficial results of which had been apparent to all. Three enthusiastic cheers were then accorded to Mrs Wigram and Mrs Birch, after which the bands played a suitable air, and then headed the large procession through the town. The appearance of the procession was most imposing—reaching from Hude Bank through the market-place—the men marching six abreast. Having gone round by the New

Town, they returned to the market-place, where the bands played the National Anthem, and the whole disposed, with the exception of the Volunteers, who headed by their band, marched to the parade ground, and went through a series of military exercises.

19 September 1860 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE DINNER TO THE LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN

We last week printed a report of this Dinner, but through the little time at our disposal, were compelled to omit the speeches of Mr Grieves and Mr W. Pinkney. These speeches contain much that is interesting, and we have now great pleasure in submitting them to our readers. We append the lines written for the occasion by Mr Richard Watson. — Mr Grieves (the oldest workmen of the Company) said he had been engaged in the employ of the Governor and Company for upwards of 40 years. About the time that he entered the service of the Company, a dinner was given by Mr Masterman, on his accession as Governor, and he (the speaker) understood that the present dinner was given by Mr Wigram on his attaining to that high office, He in connection with his fellow workmen, felt extremely obliged to them, not only for the rich end abundant repast of which they had partaken, but also for the many favours conferred upon them in years gone by. He could remember the time when things were very different, both in reference to the earnings of the working classes, and also in the efforts made to improve their morals and increase their intelligence. He had no doubt that Mr Wigram, whom they had so long known as Deputy Governor, would in his more exalted position as Governor, be equally as solicitous to promote the welfare of the workmen. Mr Birch, who had now entered upon the office of Deputy Governor, though a comparative stranger amongst them, had produced a most favourable impression and if he trode in the footsteps of his predecessor, be would be equally respected, and have the same place in the affections of the people. After again thanking the Governor and Deputy Governor, as the representatives of the Company, Mr Grieves retired. —Mr W. Pinkney (who was introduced by R. W. Bainbridge, Esq.) said he duly felt the high honour conferred upon him that day, in being made the Aaron to that vast assembly. Although he regretted not having time to prepare an address becoming the importance of the event, still the task was a pleasing one, both in reference to the elements of a speech, which the occasion supplied, and from the fact that he was the mouthpiece of hundreds of grateful hearts. The sentiments he might utter, naturally suggested two divisions. One was Thanks, the other Congratulation. Their thanks were due to the Deputation, and the honourable Company they represented, for developing the resources of the country. In order to do this, two things were essentially necessary—Capital and Labour. Without capital, the hands of labour were tied, and the rich mineral treasures of their hills must bare remained hidden in the bowels of the earth; whilst the willing labourer continued in despondency, for want of the employment by which be gained his daily bread. Such was the case when the London Lead Mining Company commenced their operations in this district. Private speculators had triad, and small local companies had been formed—in some cases scarcely formed—until they became defunct. In other instances, after more perseverance, they abandoned their enterprise in despair, when, if the knowledge had but been vouchsafed to them, the prize was within their grasp. It was under these

auspices (not of the most inviting character) that the Lead Company commenced their works, and gave to labour a fresh impetus. Their thanks were next due to the perseverance which the Company had manifested in their operations, proving that they were actuated by motives nobler than those of a merely mercenary nature; for even the younger portion of that assembly would remember times of depression, when, if the Company had looked only to the pecuniary return for the capital invested, that capital would have been withdrawn and invested elsewhere and the labourer must have sought a new field for employment; but with a constancy which must have been prompted by feelings of true benevolence, they had carried on their operations under very discouraging aspects, and while commercial panics had swept with violence over the country, and many firms had succumbed to the storm and been involved in ruin, they had never felt a shock. The Company had stood firmly, and the consequence was that there was a degree of confidence amongst their workmen, in reference to their resources, which was not often felt elsewhere. Another subject, for which their thanks were due, was the liberal manner in which the Company had provided medical attendance for their workman and their families. How frequently was it the case, under other firms, that some accident befalling a man while following his employment, or family affliction, swept sway the savings of years in the expenses incurred in medical attendance, and placed him under embarrassments which seriously inconvenienced his future life. Another subject for which their thanks were due was, the liberal manner in which the Company had endeavoured to promote the mental and moral elevation of those in their employment. There was a period, not very long ago, when the upper classes of society looked with distrust on the increase of education, or the spread of intelligence amongst the working classes, from a mistaken impression that it was calculated to make them discontented with their lot, and to spread the seeds of anarchy and confusion, but the Lead Company had discarded this false theory, and taken the initiative in this district in reference to educational movements. The venerable structure to the left was associated with the most pleasing reminiscences of his own early youth; for under its roof, and under its present master, he received the whole of his scholastic acquirements, and to the latest hour of his life he should look back with pleasure to the happy moments spent in the weekday and Sabbath school. Another subject of thanks was the handsome manner in which the Company had responded to an appeal made to them by a portion of their workmen for a half-holiday on Saturdays. The mechanics and labourers at the yard, had long felt the desirableness of this boon, and the Company had generously granted it, and he had great pleasure in presenting the thanks of his fellow-workmen for the same. He now came to the subject of Congratulation, he congratulated the Company on the success which had crowned their efforts, he believed there were some present who remembered the first trials made by the Company, when it was very problematical whether success would crown their efforts or not, but their perseverance was now reaping its reward; the seed which had been sown was producing its fruit, and he hoped that the Company would be able to reap an abundant harvest. Another subject of congratulation was the improvement, which had taken place in the habits and morals of the people, which to a great extent was attributable to the liberal policy, which the Company had pursued. Men were left perfectly free to carry out their own religious convictions; they

could worship God “under their own vino and fig-tree, none daring to make them afraid,” and he felt happy to state that the morals and intelligence of the population would bear a favourable comparison with those of their neighbours. Lastly, he felt pleasure in congratulating the Company on the improvements, which had taken place in the method of carrying on the different processes, and the perfection, which had been attained in the machinery. In conclusion, he hoped that every trial would be successful, so that they might receive an abundant return for the capital invested, and their past munificence was a guarantee that their workpeople should participate in the advantages; for every appeal on behalf of any object deserving the Company's support, had bean promptly responded to. He now felt great pleasure in proposing three cheers for the Governor and Deputy Governor, and the noble Company they represented. (Loud and reiterated applause.) After the cheering had subsided. Mr R. Watson read the following lines, composed by himself: —

Dear friends, and fellow workmen,
It gives me great delight,
To see assembled round me here,
So many faces bright.
All by our kind employers met,
Let each concur with me,
Three cheers give for our good Queen,
And the Lead Company.

This place was but a wilderness,
A dreary dismal wild,
Enwrapp’d in poverty and gloom,
Till commerce on it smil’d.

The generous Lead Company
So nobly stepped forth,
And employed men to bring to light
The treasures of the earth.
Now see the change that has been wrought,
Come cast your eyes around,
And view the trees and flowery meads,
In verdant beauty crown’d.

Where winds swept o'er the purple heath,
Or o'er the barren plain,
Now sephyrs sigh among the trees,
Or wave the golden grain.

While our lead-mines are prosperous,
And commerce doth increase,
Let us, like loyal subjects, live
In unity and peace.

And may our valiant Rifle Corps
Like gallant patriots stand,
And drive away the ruthless foe
That dares invade our land.

Than lot each workman here around.
At once concur with me,
Three cheers give for our good Queen,
And the Lead Company.

19th September 1860 (Teesdale Mercury)

MINERS FRIENDLY SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Middleton-in-Teesdale Miners Friendly Society, was held at the Rose and Crown Inn, August 25th, ult. The meeting opened by the chairman making a few brief remarks on the benefit of the society, and hoping the members would have come with the rules grafted on their memories, and with the intention to choose right, men in the right places, and as a large number of the members were expected to be present, to hoped they would obey his call for the benefit of business. The officers were then chosen, consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 7 Committee men, (and in addition 3 Auditors.) The report was then read which contained the following financial statement. Income, Monthly Subscriptions £180 4s 8d; Donations £4; Entrance Money £3; Fines £1 2s 5d; Interest £23 0s 3d. Total income £211 7s 4d. Outlay, paid to Sick Members £148 19s 4d; paid at Deaths £22. Total outlay £170 19s 4d. Gained during the year, £40 8s. During the last 18 years this society has gained on an average, £31 15s 6d a year. (Cheers). The meeting was highly supported by Mr Coates, Mr Pinkney, and Mr Sedgwick. It was agreed to have a dinner on the 15th of September, and a procession, headed by the Middleton-in-Teesdale Highland Rifle Corps Band. The chairman then said that be and his colleagues had never had a jarring string during the whole of the past year. Peace and order were kept up during the whole of the meeting to an extent, which had not been equalled for many years. The meeting then concluded by passing a vote of thanks to W. Ewart, Esq., (Surgeon), for his ability and fidelity towards the members of the Society; also to His Grace the Duke of Cleveland, for his donation, and to Anthony Todd and Son, Esqrs., for their donations. Levi Bainbridge, Secretary, Jonathan Morton, President. The Anniversary of the Miners Friendly Society was celebrated on Saturday last, by a dinner hold at Mr M. Sherlock's, Rose and Crown Inn, previous to which the members walked in procession through the town, headed by the band of the Volunteer Rifle Corps; after which they returned to the inn to do justice to the substantial repast "mine host" had provided against their return.

21st September 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

FATAL FALL FROM A HORSE

An inquest was held at Milburn, on Monday last, before Mr Richard Wilson, coroner, Kendal, on the body of Thomas Cockfield, of that place, miner. On Saturday evening last, he was returning from the annual dinner given by the London Lead Mining Company, to their workman at Dufton, and when between the later place and Knock, he was observed by a person on the road to fall from his horse; he ran to his assistance, but deceased never spoke, and died immediately. He appeared to have fallen upon his head and dislocated his neck.

28th September 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD. —The deputation of the Court of Directors of the London Lead Company (Octavius Wigram, Esq., and J. Birch, Esq.) paid their annual visit to Nenthead last week accompanied by their ladies and friends and as J. Masterman, Esq., who has held the office of governor for a great number of years has retired from Office, Mr Wigram, who has for many years, been deputy-governor is now appointed governor, and Mr Birch deputy-governor, which event they have celebrated by another proof of their kindness and generosity in treating all their workmen in the Nenthead and Garrigill district with a good substantial dinner of the old English style—roast beef plum pudding, &c., which was served up in a credit able manner by the innkeepers of the village. The large school-room, joiner's shop, and reading room were all fitted out for the occasion where nearly 800 partook of the refreshment. During dinner, the gentlemen with their numerous staff of agents kindly attended to everyone. Between eleven and twelve o'clock all the workmen of Nenthead assembled to meet the Garrigill men who marched into the place in possession, preceded by the Garrigill band and also the Nenthead brass band who went to meet them. The Nenthead violin band played a number of popular pieces, during dinner in a first-rate Style. After dinner all the men assembled in front of the Miners Arms inn, when Mr. Robert Black, the oldest workman in the Company's service, returned thanks to the gentlemen for their kind treat. Mr. Caleb Liddle, one their workmen, then stepped forward, and in a long eloquent, and appropriate address congratulated both masters and workmen on the good feeling which existed between them, pointing out the many manifestations of the kindness and generosity of the master and of the free liberty which the workmen enjoyed both physically and religiously, not forgetting to express their gratitude and goodwill of the men towards their masters. Mr. Wigram then stepped forward and was received with enthusiastic cheering. He expressed his delight and satisfaction at meeting them on the present occasion. He said he had annually visited that place for 39 years, with the exception with once or twice, and that he delighted to see the marked improvements in the morals and manners of the people in the course of that time, and the improved aspect of the country in general. He pledged himself to do his utmost, as he had always done, for the comfort and happiness of his workmen and their families. —Mr Birch then rose amidst deafening cheers, and gave a short but eloquent address, assuring the miners he had travelled through a great part of Europe, Asia and Africa, and that he had never spent a day that afforded him more pleasure and satisfaction than that day. The workmen then formed a procession of six men deep, headed by the two bands of music, preceded by a large banner (the motto being "Let there be union") and marched around the place. A grand and imposing sight it was, to see a procession a quarter of a mile in length, and all the hills and elevations covered with spectators, anxious to see the procession and hear the strains of the music. *See 15th March 1879.*

I JOSEPH DICKINSON, Superintendent Registrar of the District of Alston, the County of Cumberland, do hereby certify that Building named PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL, situate at GARRIGILL GATE, the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, being duly certified as a place of Public Religious Worship, was REGISTERED for the SOLEMNIZATION of MARRIAGE therein, on the Tenth day of

December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty. Witness my hand, this fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty. JOSEPH DICKINSON, Superintendent Registrar.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 16th inst., Miss Mary Ann Pattinson, aged 21 years.

In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston,Jane Pattinson, unmarried, straw bonnet maker, aged 59, and niece, Mary Ann Pattinson, 12.

At Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr John Errington, son of the late Mr William Errington, Blue Bell Inn, aged 32 years.

In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Jane Errington, widow, innkeeper, agede 64, children, Mary 34, Sarah 32, John 22, and servant, Nicholas Hetherington, aged 35.

29th September 1860 (Newcastle Journal)

Marriages

At Hexham, at the Registrar's Office, on the 15th inst., Mr Joseph Parker, Allenheads, to Mrs Mary Gleeson.

26th October 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Allenheads, Northumberland, on the 19th inst., aged 60, Mr John Clarke, one of the land agents of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., MP. The deceased was a native of and has resided all his life in the parish of Allendale, where he was universally respected for his affability and kindness of disposition, and readiness to aid in every good work.

9th November 1860 (Durham Chronicle)

ACCIDENT TO TRAVELLERS IN, WESTMORELAND. —

An accident, which might have been fatal, occurred on Thursday evening week, to a party of gentlemen travelling between the towns of Appleby and Dufton, in Westmoreland. Their names are Mr J. Elliott, cashier to the London Lead Company; Mr H. G. Bainbridge, son of the superintendent of the Company's works; Mr J. Pattinson, jun., one of the clerks of the above company, and Mr R. Dodds, groom, all of Middleton in Teesdale. When within 150 yards of Dufton, the horses took fright, bounding off at full speed; and Mr Elliot, with all his driving experience, was altogether unable to draw them up, and there being a quick and awkward turn of the road into the yard belonging Dufton House at this point, the result was a violent upsetting of the whole party. The conveyance was broken in pieces, and the horses having liberated themselves from it by coming in contact with the walls of the stable, returned hack to Appleby at a most furious rate, with nothing but the pole attached to them. Mr Bainbridge and Mr Pattinson escaped uninjured, except the latter gentleman spraining his heel; but Mr Elliott and Dodds were not so fortunate, though we are happy to learn that neither of them are severely hurt.

1st December 1860 (Carlisle Patriot)

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND
TO BUILDERS

PERSONS desirous of CONTRACTING for the WIDENING of NENT BRIDGE, Alston, and other work in connection therewith, may see the Drawings and Specifications at the POLICE OFFICE, Alston, from the 1st of Dec. till the 8th, and at the Office of J. A. Cory, Architect and County Surveyor, Courts, Carlisle, from the 10th till the 15th. Tenders to be delivered at the SURVEYOR's OFFICE on or before 4 o'clock of the 15th Dec., endorsed, "Tender for Nent Bridge."
N.B. No pledge given that the lowest or any Tender will be accepted.
Carlisle, 24th Nov. 1860.

7th December 1860 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr Adam Archer, of Priorsdale House, to Miss Sarah Erwin, of Nenthead.
See 1st July 1871, 8th June 1878, and 17th April 1886
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mr William Shipley of Plunder Heath, Haydon Bridge, to Isabella, youngest daughter of the late Utrick Walton, Esq., of Farnberry.

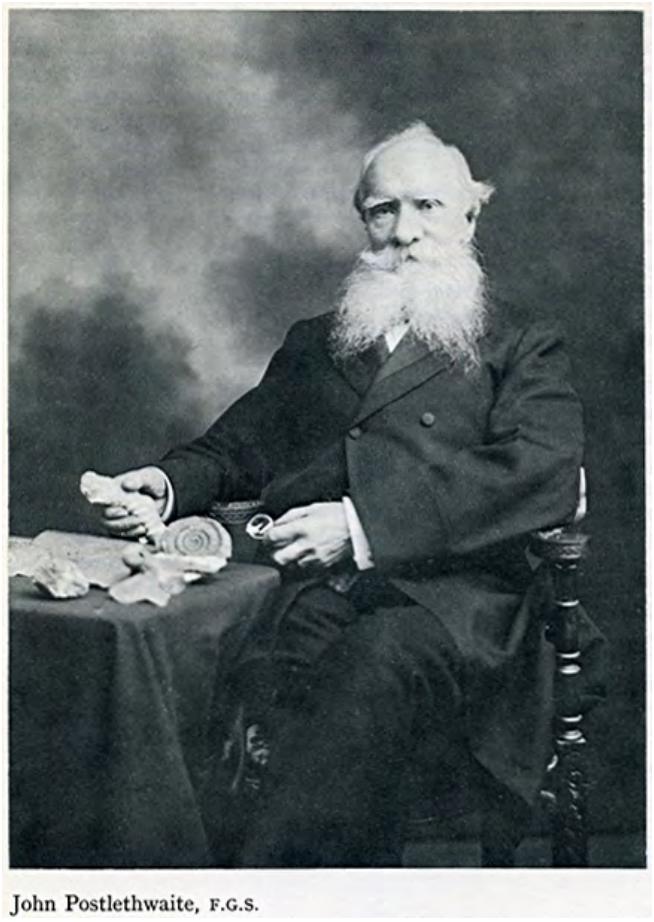
10th December 1860 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

REJOICINGS AT THE LEAD MINES AND MILLS OF
W. B. BEAUMONT, ESQ., M.P.

Great rejoicings hire taken piece throughout the mining dales of East and West Allendale and Weardale, during the past week, the whole of the agents, tenants, and a large body of workmen, haring shown the greatest enthusiasm in the way in which they hare received the intelligence of the birth of a son and heir of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., M.P., at Bywell, on the 2nd inst. On the arrival of the news at Allenheads, on Monday morning, guns were fired, flags hoisted, and refreshments given to the miners and others. On Wednesday, general festivities took place at the Miners' Rooms, at Allenheads, Carshield, and Newhouse. The workmen and tenantry were entertained, and every demonstration of rejoicing showed how heartily the news was welcomed. The healths of Mr. and Lady Margaret Beaumont were drank with the greatest enthusiasm; and many a prolonged cheer echoed among the hills when a welcome to the son and heir was proposed. On Saturday, the 8th, further rejoicings took place at the smelting mills, and in Allendale town. At the former place, the 7th Northumberland Rifle Volunteers (established at the sole expense of Mr. Beaumont) fired several rounds, and royal salutes of cannon were fired here and elsewhere, drowned almost in the hearty cheers of the assembled throng. Mr. Sopwith, the chief agent, in addressing the workmen, spoke with great feeling on the advantages possessed by the district in the benevolent interest taken by Mr. and Lady Margaret Beaumont in education and other sound and excellent means of improvement. A dinner was given by Mr. Beaumont to the whole of the members of the Allendale Volunteers, Mr. Sopwith in the chair, supported on his right by Mr. Steel and Capt. Sopwith, and on his left by Lieutenant Coats and Ensign Arnison. The vice-chairs were

filled by Rev. T. Emerson, incumbent of Allendale, and Mr. Arnison. This, as well as all the other rejoicings, passed off in the most agreeable manner, and it is gratifying to record such harmonious and spirited rejoicing, and such sincere demonstrations of respect in every part of these extensive mining districts.

28th December 1860 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
On the 24th inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Cockermouth, by the Rev. J. Ingham, Mr John Postlethwaite, second son of Mr James Postlethwaite, Annie Eliza Robinson, second daughter of Mr William Robinson.



John Postlethwaite, F.G.S.

James Postlethwaite son of William, married Mary Dixon, daughter of Robert, at Crosthwaite, 4th November 1837.
John Postlethwaite, son of James and Mary, was baptised 26th July 1840, at Newlands.
In 1841, at Birkrigg, Newlands, near Keswick, James Postlethwaite, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Mary 25, children, William 3, and John 1.
In 1851, at Braithwaite, Crosthwaite, James Postlethwaite, lead mine agent, aged 33, his wife Mary 38, children, William 12, John 10, and Jane 9.
In 1861, at Brandley lead mines, Crosthwaite, James Postlethwaite, lead mining agent, and Wesleyan local preacher, aged 43, and his wife Mary, formerly dressmaker, aged 48.

James Postlethwaite, lead mine agent, died 22nd April 1869, at Keswick, aged 51. Probate was proved by William Postlethwaite, Schoolmaster, of Wreay, in the parish of St Mary, Carlisle.
In 1861, at Keswick, John Postlethwaite, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Ann E aged 24.
In 1871, at Eskin Place, Keswick, John Postlethwaite Railway Clerk, aged 30, his wife Ann Eliza 35, daughters, Mary Anne 3, and Kate 6 months.
In 1881, at Eskin Place, Keswick, John Postlethwaite Railway Clerk, aged 40, his wife Ann Eliza 45, children, Mary Anne 13, and Kate 10, and Derwent 7.
In 1891, at Eskin Street, Keswick, John Postlethwaite, companys accountant, aged 50, his wife Ann Eliza 55, children, Mary Jane 22, and Kate 19, and Derwent, railway clerk, aged 17.
In 1901, at Eskin Street, Keswick, John Postlethwaite, companys accountant, aged 60, his wife Ann Eliza 65, children, Kate 30, and Derwent, , bank clerk, aged 27.
In 1911, at Eskin Place, Keswick, John Postelthwaite, railway accountant, aged 70, and his wife Ann Eliza aged 75.
Anne E Postlethwaite, died 1st quarter 1912, aged 76, registered at Cockermouth.
John Postlethwaite, died 20th September 1925, at Workington.

28th December 1860 (Durham Chronicle)
Middleton-in-Teesdale. —The fourth annual supper of the members of the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room was held on Christmas Eve, when about fifty sat down to the Christmas cheer which was set before them; and we need scarcely say, did ample justice to it. This part of the evenings proceedings being over, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., was called on to preside. After a short and appropriate speech, he called upon Mr J. Pattinson, jun., to read the report of the past year, which stated the present number of paying members to be 92, and honorary members, 7. The income amounted to £24, 5s 7½d, and the expenditure to £15, 17s leaving a balance of £3, 8s 7½d. Interesting addresses were delivered by the Rev. W. J. Wilson, Mr W. Pinkney, Mr J. Readshaw, Mr M. Pinkney, Mr J. Pattinson, sen., Mr W. Coates, Mr G. Hetherington, and other members. One of the members in the course of his remarks having made allusion to the want of an Encyclopaedia in the institution, the worthy chairman replied that he had a good one in his possession, and he should be very happy to present it to the room. The proceedings were considerably enlivened by the presence of the Middleton-in-Teesdale quadrille band. After the usual votes of thanks, the company separated.

8th January 1861 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
NENTHEAD.—On the first night of the New Year, the Nenthead Amateur Band held a Concert, in the Lead Company's School Room, which, although the weather was very stormy, was attended by a great number of all ranks. The entertainment commenced with the “Charlestown Quadrilles,” which were performed in a very masterly style, after which Mr J. Atkinson sung “Gentle Annie,” chorus by the whole band, which met with great applause. A quick step followed, after which the same gentleman sung “Hard Times come again no

more," chorus by the whole band; next a Valse, then song and chorus, "Some Folks," next a Polka, after which a song "Hold your Horses," by the whole band in chorus, and joined in by the whole company with great applause. After an interval of ten minutes the band played the "Brazilian National Hymn," then a song and chorus " I long for my home in Kentucky," next the "Evening Bells Quick Step," after which a song and chorus "Yo Yah Yo," next a Valse by the band, then a song and chorus "Camptown Races," after which the band played a Scotch Air with variations in such a style as astonished all who heard them. The night's entertainment finished with the song and chorus of "Good Bye."

11th January 1861 (Durham Chronicle)
Middleton in Teesdale— The quarterly sale of newspapers and periodicals taken into the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room was held on Saturday evening, when the following prices were obtained, viz. :—The Times, 4s 3d; Daily Chronicle, 2s 8d; Manchester examiner, 2s 7d; Leeds Mercury, 2s 6d; Durham Chronicle, 2s 1d; Carlisle Journal, 1s 10d; West Durham News, 8d; Teesdale Mercury, 7d; and a number of serials at corresponding prices.

18th January 1861 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Ferry Field, near Stanhope, on the 10th inst. aged 68, Mr Francis Jaques, for about 40 years in the employment of the London Lead Company.
Baptised 17th June 1792, at Stanhope, son of Francis and Elizabeth Jaques.
In 1851, at East Ferry Field, Francis Jaques, smelter and farmer of 8 acres, aged 58, his wife Dorothy aged 52, children Joseph, quarryman, aged 25, children, Elizabeth, at home, aged 22, Ann, dressmaker aged 18, Jane, 14, Esther 9, and lodger John Elliott, day labourer, aged 22, and nephew, John Elliott, smelter, aged 20, visiting.
In 1861, at East Ferryfield, Dorothy Jaques, widow, farmer of 9 acres aged 62, daughter Ann, milliner, aged 28.
At Westgate, Weardale, on the 20th ult., aged 5 years, and on the 13th inst., aged 2 years, Joseph, the beloved children of Mr Joseph Walton, draper.

18th January 1861 (Durham Chronicle)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE. —The annual "pays" of the London Lead Company, Weardale, Alston Moor, Westmorland, and Teesdale districts were made last week. The workmen of the last named district were paid at Middleton on Saturday. On account of the immense quantities of snow on the roads, the journey, a distance of upwards of eight miles, had to be performed on horse-back.

18th January 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
TO SCHOOLMASTERS.
WANTED immediately, SCHOOLMASTER for the HIGH PLAINS SCHOOL, in the Chapelry of GARRIGILL, in the Parish of Alston. The above School is Endowed and has liberal support of Scholars. Particulars may be known by application to Mr. JOHN MOFFAT, Flatt.

23rd January 1861 (Morning Post)
At a meeting of the Tees Side Mining Company to-day, it was resolved to place it under the operation of the Limited Liability Act, a call of 1s. per share being made in the meantime.

25th January 1861 (Durham Chronicle)
HOUSEBREAKING AND ROBBERY. —A good deal of excitement has been occasioned by a burglary which was perpetrated at Nenthead near Alston, on the evening of the 10th inst. Three brothers, of the name of Stephenson, employed as carters at the lead mines, and residing together in the same house, had, it appears, on the evening in question, gone out for a stroll, their maid servant also being absent from the premises. On their return, they found that an opening had been made through one of the windows by smashing four squares of glass and breaking the frames. Entering the house they discovered that a desk had been broken open, and a sum of £114, including two £5 notes of Backhouse's Bank, abstracted therefrom. A caddy, containing £200, had, apparently, been taken up and thrown away by the thieves, while three watches remained undisturbed, though exposed in such a position that they could not have been passed unnoticed. There was a dog on the premises, and as this animal neither gave any alarm at the time or subsequently showed any symptoms of having been drugged, it is supposed that the perpetrators of the robbery must have been persons well known about the place. The thieves, whoever they are, have, as yet, escaped detection, but the police are actively employed in investigating the affair.

29th January 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE— CONCERTS.—Two concerts were given in the London Lead Mining Company's School Room, on the evenings of Friday and Saturday week, by a number of amateur performers from Nenthead. The music was both vocal and instrumental. The instrumental part was unexceptionable, especially the performance of Mr. Raisbeck on the violin, in "Rousseau's Dream" with variations, and Mr. Tatters's execution and fine blowing of the clarionet in the "Brazilian National Hyman." The vocal part was performed by Mr. Atkinson. The concerts, as a whole, passed off well, and had the attendance been equal to the merits of the performance, the room would have been much more crowded.
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. S. Y. B. Bradshaw, curate, Mr Joseph Renwick, of Ashgill, Garrigill, to Miss Catherine Armstrong of Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Renwick, farmer, aged 34, and his wife Catherine, milliner, aged 26.
Catherine Renwick died 3rd qtr., 1863, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Ashgill side, Joseph Renwick, widower, land owner, aged 44, sons, Joseph 9, and William 7.
At Alston Church on the 24th inst., Mr William Graham, to Miss Mary Armstrong, both of Park, near Alston.

26th February 1861 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
TEES SIDE MINE. —Capt. Jeffrey, one of the most experienced and popular agents in the North has offered to take the management of this property for a

percentage in the profits, and his offer has been accepted by the company. Seeing that he is well acquainted with the mine, the most satisfactory results may be anticipated, and a considerable advance in the market value of shares. —*Mining Journal*

12th March 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Ninebanks Church, West Allen, on the 6th instant, Mr David Edgar, grocer, Carshield, to Miss Mary Ridley, school-mistress, Carshield.
John Edgar married Mary Lowden, 11th December 1824, at Ninebanks, West Allendale.
David Edgar baptised 9th January 1825, at Carshield, son of John and Mary Edgar.
John Edgar aged 36, of Dyke Nook, was buried at Carshield 23rd July 1833.
Hugh Dawson married Mary Edgar, at Ninebanks, 13th January 1836.
In 1841, at Dyke Nook, Carshield, Hugh Dawson, dresser of lead ore, aged 25, his wife Mary 30, children, Joseph 5, Mary 2, Maria 2, David Edgar, dresser of lead ore, aged 15, and William Edgar, dresser of lead ore, aged 12.
Mary Dawson aged 40, was buried at Carshield 11th June 1844, Hugh Dawson, aged 35, was buried at Carshield, 6th October 1844.
In 1851, at Carshield, David Edgar, draper and grocer, aged 26, his wife Dorothy, 25, children, Mary Ann 2, Dorothy 1, brother William Edgar, shop labourer, aged 22, half brother Joseph Dawson, shop boy aged 11, half sister, Mary Dawson 44, and half sister Maria Dawson 11.
Dorothy Edgar was buried at Carshield, 18th January 1860, aged 34.
In 1861, at Carshield, David Edgar, grocer, aged 35, his wife Mary, teacher, aged 26, born Haltwhistle, children, Dorothy 10, John 8, William 5, Margaret 1, and sister Maria Dawson, dressmaker, aged 22.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, David Edgar, draper and grocer, aged 45, his wife Mary 36, children, Mary A, drapers assistant, aged 22 Dorothy, milliner, aged 21, William, drapers assistant, aged 16, Margaret E 11, Laura A 9, Herbet M 7, David A 5, Thomas G 3, Percy R 1, and Louise V 1 Month.

David Edgar died suddenly at Gilsland, aged 54, in June 1878.

In 1881, at Market Place, Allendale, Mary Edgar, widow, draper and grocer, aged 46, children, Margaret Elizabeth 21, Herbert M, draper and grocers assistant, aged 16, Alfred D , telegraph clerk, aged 15, Thomas G 13, Percy Ridley 11, Amy Vida 8, John Aled 5, and Edith May 4 (married Robert W Hetherington, emigrated to Canada).
Mary Edgar died 3rd quarter 1890, aged 55, registered, at Hexham.

15th March 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Died
At Dufton House, Dufton, on the 28th ult., Mr John Thompson, aged 63 years. Deceased was for many years agent for the London Lead Company.
In 1841, at Middleton, John Thompson, mine agent, aged 40, George Thompson 10, and George Thompson, miner, aged 35, born Scotland.

John Thompson married Ann Waite, 1st quarter 1844 registered at Teesdale.

In 1851, at Dufton, Westmorland, John Thompson, mine agent, aged 51, born Alston, his wife Ann aged 37, born Romaldkirk, children, Thomas Hog 5, James Waite 2, and brother, George Thompson, Miner, aged 45, born Ayrshire.
In 1861, at Dufton, Ann Thompson, widow, house proprietor, aged 45, and daughter, Mary J aged 5.
In 1871, at Dufton, Ann Thompson, widow, aged 45, and daughter, Mary J aged 15.
Anne Thompson died 22nd April 1890, aged 75, at Middleton in Teesdale.

In 1871, at Beverley, Yorkshire, James wm Foster, linen & woollen draper, aged 33, his wife Rosalie 26, shopmen, James W Thompson, shopman, aged 22, William Swaby, shopman, aged 21, and apprentice, William Stephenson, drapers Appr, aged 18.
In 1891, at Hempstead, London, James W Thompson, draper, aged 43, born Dufton, and his wife Ann 51, born Middlesex.

5th April 1861 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Loaning House, near Alston, on the 25th ult., aged 3 years and nine months Robert William, son of Utrick Bainbridge, Esq., solicitor.
See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

22nd March 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
VALUABLE FREEHOLD AND LEASEHOLD PROPERTY FOR SALE, SITUATE IN THE PARISHES OF ALSTON AND WEST ALLANDALE, THE COUNTIES OF CUMBERLAND AND NORTHUMBERLAND.
TO be SOLD by AUCTION, at the *George and Dragon Inn*, GARRIGILL, Cumberland, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1861, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon, the following, or such other Lots may be agreed upon (if not previously disposed of by Private Contract):—
Lot 1— All that valuable LEASEHOLD ESTATE, situate at FLATT, in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, consisting of a new and substantial Dwelling- House, Garden, Cottage, Stable, Barn, and other Out-buildings and the following CLOSES of valuable Meadow and Pasture LAND adjoining, viz.: —The Plantation, Fold, Wham, Low Pasture, Middle Close, and High Pasture, containing together 42 Acres or thereabouts, all which said Premises are now in the occupation of Mr. Adam Bell, as Tenant.
Lot 2.—All that desirable LEASEHOLD ESTATE situate at TURNINGS, in the Parish of Alston aforesaid, consisting of Two Dwelling Houses, with suitable Out-offices, and several Closes or Inclosures of Land, and Plantation adjoining, containing together 42a. 1r. 26p. or thereabouts. now the occupation of Messrs. Isaac Craig and Anthony Watson.
Lot 3.—All that One-fourth of an undivided Common Field, containing 80 Acres thereabouts, adjoining Lot 2 in the occupation of Mr. Joseph Watson.
Lot 4.—All that Valuable FREEHOLD ESTATE, situate at WOLFCLEUGH, in West Allandale, in the County of Northumberland, consisting of THREE DWELLING HOUSES, with suitable and convenient Out-buildings adjoining, and Three Closes of Land, called Lowfield, Meeting house Field, and Far

Pasture, containing together 10 Acres or thereabouts, now the occupation of Mr. Joseph Henderson.
Lot 5.—All that FREEHOLD MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, called THRUSH HALL, near Wolfcleugh aforesaid, with the Cottage and Out-buildings adjoining and thereto belonging, situate in West Allandale aforesaid, and Two Closes of Meadow, Pasture, and Wood Land, containing together 14 Acres, or thereabouts, now in the occupation Mr. Joseph Brown, and another, as tenants.
Lot 6.—All that excellent and commodious Freehold WOOLLEN MILL situate at Wolfcleugh aforesaid, with the Cottages, suitable Out-Offices, and Premise, adjoining, now in the occupation of Messrs. Joseph Saint and son, as tenants.
Lot 7.— THREE STINTS, and Two-fifths of a STINT upon Allandale Stinted Pasture. Lot 8.—-All those TWO LEASEHOLD COTTAGES situate at Garrigill aforesaid, with the Byers, Out-Buildings, and Yard adjoining thereto, in the occupation of Messrs Greenwell and Peart.
Lot 9.—Two Leasehold Closes or Inclosures of LAND situate at Garrigill Gate Foot, containing together 4½ Acres in the occupation of Mr Greenwell.
Lot 10.—All that old established, and well accustomed Leasehold PUBLIC HOUSE, known by the name of "*The George and Dragon Inn,*" situate at Garrigill aforesaid, with the Garden, Stable, Brew-house, and Premises belonging thereto, and the COTTAGE adjoining, now in the respective occupations of Mr. Thomas Watson, Mrs. Mary Ann Varty, and Mr. Jonathan Greenwell.
Mr. ADAM BELL. will show the Premises at Flatt; Mr. THOMAS WATSON, the Property at and near Garrigill; and Mr. JOSEPH BROWN, of Thrush Hall, the Property at Wolfcleugh. Conditions will produced at the time of Sale, and further particulars may in the. meantime be known on application to Messrs. CARRICK & LEE, Solicitors, Brampton. ROBINSON, Auctioneer.

29th March 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD.—The Primitive Methodists, of this place held their first Sunday School anniversary on Saturday, the 23rd inst., when 450 sat down to an excellent tea provided for the occasion. After tea a public meeting was held, when appropriate addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Laverick, of Hexham; the Rev. Mr. Kidman, Wesleyan Minister and the Rev. J. A. Bastow. The chair was occupied by Mr. Jonathan Walton, superintendent of the Sunday School, who presided in an efficient manner. A number of scripture pieces were recited, and hymns sung by the children. The usual vote of thanks terminated the proceedings.
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 21st inst., by the Rev. J. Bowstead, curate, Mr Wm. Bell, to Miss Jane Dodd, both of the Raise, Alston.

5th April 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Mr Maltby, Mr John Bramwell, teacher, Estcomb, Bishop Auckland, to Ann, daughter of Mr Thomas Holmes, mining agent, Grassfield.

In 1851, at High Shield Hill, Joseph Bramwell, lead ore mines, woodman, aged 48, his wife Jane (Watson, married 20th June 1829, at St John, Garrigill) aged 42, children John 21, lead ore mines, woodman, aged 21, Hannah 19, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Robert 11, Philip 9, Jane 7, Emerson 6, Mary 4, Elizabeth 2, and Elliot 7 months.
In 1841, at Grassfield, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Walton, married 27th May 1826) aged 35, children Jonathan, carter labourer, aged 14, Elizabeth 12, Richard, lead miner, aged 10, Jane 7, Ann 5, and Walton 2. In 1851, at High Grassfield, Thomas Holmes, lead mine agent, 46, his wife Jane 46, children Richard, lead miner, aged20, Jane 17, Walton 11, Margaret 9, Thomas 7, John 4, and William 1. In 1851, at Tanfield, Durham, Jonathan Holmes, schoolmaster, aged 24, and his sister Ann, schoolmistress aged 14.
Jonathan Holmes married Margaret Peart 22nd April 1851, at Alston, children Cuthbert Walton, Jane Elizabeth, Thomas George, Jonathan Joseph, Margaret Annie, and William Arthur. Jonathan emigrated to Canada, the 1861, census of Ontario, at Pickering, Jonathan Holmes schoolteacher, aged 34, his wife Margaret aged 32, children Cuthbert 7, Jane 5, and Thomas 3. In 1871, at Pickering Township, Ontario, Jonathan Holmes, teacher, aged 44, his wife Margaret aged 44, children, Cuthbert 17, Jane 15, Thomas G. 12, Jonathan J. 9, Margaret A aged 4, and William A. 11 months. In 1881, at Pickering, Ontario, Jonathan Holmes teacher, aged 54, his wife Margaret aged 54, children Cuthbert W, farmer, aged 27, Thomas G. blacksmith, aged 22, Jonathan, blacksmith aged 19, Margaret A. 17, and William A. 11. In 1891, at Pickering, Margaret Holmes, widow, aged 64, and daughter Margaret Anna aged 24.
In 1861, at Grassfield, Thos Holmes, lead mine agent, aged 56, his wife Jane aged 56
Walton, lead miner, aged 21, children Margaret, housemaid, aged 19, John, cast wright apprentice, aged 14, William 11, and household servant, Margaret Wailes, aged 14.
In 1871, at Bishop Close Cottages, Tudhoe, Durham, John Bramwell, school master, aged 41, his wife Ann 34, children Joseph F 9, Thomas H 7, Louisa J 6, Helenor 5, Arthur 3, Annie H 2, domestic servant, Elizabeth Roberts, aged 22, boarder John W N Elliott 11, and visitor William Coats, school master, aged 43. Thomas Holmes died 15th June 1871.
See 2nd May 1851, 24th June 1871, 3rd October 1874, 5th June 1886, 21st June 1890, & 22nd April 1893.

13th April 1861 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
Near Alston on the 4th instant, Mr James Spotswood aged 71 years.
James and Mary Spot baptised 14th March 1790, at Alston, children of Hugh Spot of Hundyhead (Hugh Spotswood married Margaret Elliot 22nd April 1787 at St Augustine's, Alston).
James Spotswood married Ann Litel, 4th April 1818, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of James and Ann Spotswood:
Hugh baptised 3rd January 1819
Margaret baptised 23rd July 1820

Mary baptised 2nd November 1823
James baptised 21st May 1826
Nicholas baptised 10th May 1829
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, James Spotswood, aged 51, his wife Ann aged 54, children Hugh 22, Margaret 20, James 15, and Nicholas 12.
Ann Spotswood died 2nd quarter 1848, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Alston, James Spottswood, widower, lead miner, aged 61, and his son Nicholas, lead miner, aged 21.

1st May 1861 (Teesdale Mercury)
Deaths
At Mickleton, on the 23rd ult., aged 35, Mr J. Raine, miner.
At Middleton, on the 22nd ult., aged 45, Mr G. Hetherington.
At Ettergill, Forest & Frith, on the 22nd ult., aged 29, Mr Joseph Tarn.
In 1851, at How Back Head, Forest & Frith, William Tarn, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 37, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, and servant, John Donald, labourer agriculture, aged 27.
In 1861, at Low Beckhead, Forest & Frith, Mary Tarn, widow, farmer of 5 acres, aged 48, married son Joseph Tarn, lead miner, aged 29, daughter in law, Mary Tarn 23, daughter Thamar 7, and grandson William 1.

3rd May 1861 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Middleton in Teesdale, on the 25th ult., aged 46, Mr George Hetherington, mining overman to the London Lead Company.
In 1841, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Francis 22, and son Thomas aged 1 year.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Frances 32, children George 9, Sarah 7, Ann 4, and Robert 2.
In 1861, at Town End, Middleton in Teesdale, George Hetherington, born Nenthead, lead mine agent, 43, his wife Frances (Hornsby, married at Alston, 24th June 1837) aged 40, children Sarah 17, Ann 14, Robert 12, Mary 9, Frances 7, Tamer 5, and son George aged 19, a draper and grocer who was visiting. All but Tamar who was born at Middleton, were born at Nenthead.
In 1871, at West Nenthead, Frances Hetherington, widow, aged 53, children Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Mary, domestic servant, aged 19, Frances, domestic servant aged 17, and Tamar, domestic servant aged 15.

4th May 1861 (Kendal Mercury)
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 23rd ult., suddenly, Mr Wm. Fleming, washing master at Dufton Lead Mines for the London Lead Company, aged 71 years—much and deservedly respected. *See the "William Fleming Diary".*
Catherine Trathan married William Fleming at St Andrew, Coniston, 29th December, 1793. See the Trathen Family History.
Children of William and Catherine Fleming:
**William Trathen baptised at St Andrew's, Coniston 1st January 1791 was her son by William Fleming*
Catherine baptised 7th June 1794, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Eleanor baptised 12th November 1796, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Agnes born 26th March 1800, baptised 10th September 1800, 3rd daughter of William Fleming, Alston, miner, by his wife Catherine, daughter of Richard Trathen, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Catherine Trathen of Nenthead was buried at Alston, 27th October 1801, aged 32 years.

William Fleming, Miner, married Elizabeth Corry, (Elizabeth Currah baptised 18th May 1782, at Alston, daughter of William and Sarah?) 30th January 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston. Witness Richard Trathan.
Children of William and Elizabeth Fleming:
Sarah born 19th June 1808
Adam born 28th March 1810, buried 3rd May 1823, aged 13, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John born 11th February 1812, buried 20th November 1812
Eve baptised 15th April 1815, buried 20th December 1822, aged 8, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Elizabeth born, 21st April 1817, baptised 17th September 1817, buried 30th May 1819, aged 2, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John born 12th June 1820, baptised 1st September 1822, at Nenthead Wesleyan Chapel.
Elizabeth Fleming, of Nenthead, was buried 11th September 1824, aged 42.
William Fleming of Nenthead, was buried at Alston 23rd November 1825, aged 55.

**William Fleming married Esther Simpson, 31st May 1817, at Caldbeck.*
Children:
1. Sarah baptised 10th May 1818, at Caldbeck, married John Angus 10th October 1839, at St Augustine's, Alston, and lived at Nenthead.
2. John about 1821 (possibly his youngest brother?)
3. Mary baptised 14th May 1820, at Caldbeck, married Thomas Liddle, Blacksmith.
4. Jane 10th March 1822, death 8th August 1822, buried 10th August 1822, aged 22 weeks
5. Adam 3rd September 1823, death 12th August 1824, buried 14th August 1824, aged 11 months, at St Augustine's, Alston.
6. William 7th July 1825, baptised 23rd December 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
7. Esther baptised 9th October 1827, at Nenthead Wesleyan Chapel
8. George baptised 17th April 1831, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.
9. Catherine born 11th February 1834, baptised 2nd April 1834, at Nenthead Wesleyan Chapel, buried at St John's, Garrigill, 22nd December 1836, aged 3.
10. Joseph born 5th November 1836, baptised 4th February 1837, at Alston Wesleyan Chapel.
11. Ann born 1838, birth registered the first quarter 1839, at Alston, buried 9th February 1880, aged 41, at Dufton.

In 1841, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Esther Fleming, aged 40, children, Mary 20, John 20, Esther 10, George 10, Joseph 4, Ann 2, and Eleanor 40. In 1841, at Lead Mine House, Near Birkdale, Dufton, Westmorland, William Fleming, lead miner, aged 45, and his son William aged 15.
Eleanor Fleming was buried 10th February 1844, aged 47, at Dufton.

In 1851, at Dufton, William Fleming, washer of lead ore, born Coniston, Lancashire, aged 59, his wife Esther, aged 49, born, Hesket, Cumberland, children, William, washer of lead ore, aged 25, born Nenthead, Esther, 23, born Nenthead, George, washer of lead ore, aged 20, born Nenthead, Joseph 14, born Tynehead, and Ann 12, born at Tynehead.
In 1861, at Dufton, William Fleming, miner retired, born Lancashire, aged 70, his wife Esther aged 60, son, William, miner & local preacher, aged 35, and daughter Ann aged 22.
William Fleming, died 23rd April 1861, aged 71, at Dufton.
In 1871, at Dufton, Esther Fleming, widow, aged 70, son William, Overman, lead ore mines, aged 45, and daughter Ann, dressmaker, aged 25.
Esther Fleming was buried 7th March 1881, aged 80, at Dufton, Westmorland.
In 1881, at Dufton, William Fleming, lead miner, aged 55.
In 1891, at Chapel House, Dufton, William Fleming, lead miner, aged 65.
Probate Records 1900: William Fleming of Chapel House, Dufton, Westmorland, mining agent, died 5 October 1900 Probate Carlisle 26 November to William Fleming warehouseman. Effects £36 13s 6d.

2. John Fleming married Mary Dowthwaite 10th February 1848, at Dufton.
In 1861, at Dufton Village, John Fleming, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 36, children, Hannah 8, William 6, George 3, and Adam 1.
John Fleming was buried 8th February 1862, aged 42, at Dufton.
In 1871, at Dufton, Mary Fleming, widow, general servant, aged 47, children, William, general servant, aged 16, George, general servant, aged 14, and Adam 11.
Hannah Fleming was buried at Dufton 7th April 1874, aged 21.
George Fleming was buried 27th April 1875, aged 18, at Dufton.
In 1881, at Dufton, Mary Fleming, widow, aged 55, children, William, lead miner, aged 26, Adam, general labourer, aged 24, and brother William, general labourer, aged 38.
William Fleming was buried 30th November 1888, aged 34, at Dufton.
In 1891, at Dufton, Mary Fleming, widow, needlewoman, aged 66, and brother William Dowthwaite, general labourer, aged 40.
In 1891, at Dufton, Adam Fleming, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Annie 24, (Irving, married 1st quarter 1888, registered at East Ward) born, Annan, Scotland, children Mary Sara 2, and John Irving 1.
In 1901, at Dufton, Mary Fleming, widow, aged 76, out door relief, aged 76.
In 1901, at Hare Law, Stanhope, Adam Fleming, limestone quarry labourer, aged 41, his wife Annie, 32, children, John I 11, Nora 7, and Janet 1.

Mary Fleming was buried 15th February 1907, aged 82, at Dufton.

In 1911, at Frosterley, Durham, Annie Fleming, widow, aged 44, children, John Irving, limestone quarryman, aged 21, Janet 10, and Gerald 4.

8. George Fleming married Tamar Lee 3rd September 1859, at Barnard Castle.
In 1861, at California Row, Middleton, George Fleming, lead ore dresser, aged 30, and his wife Tamar 23, born Holwick.

In 1871, at Townend, Middleton, George Fleming, foreman lead mine washer, aged 40, his wife Tamar 33, children, William 9, Joseph 7, George 4, and John James 1.
Tamar Fleming was buried 8th August 1877, aged 38, at Teesdale.
George Fleming, widower, married Dorothy Taylor 6th January 1881, at Barnard Castle.
In 1881, at Town End, Middleton, George Fleming, Lead washing foreman, aged 48, his wife Dorothy aged 51, born Temple Sowerby, step daughter, Mary J Taylor 18, sons, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, George 14, John J 12, and Frederick 7.
In 1891, at Garden Terrace, Middleton, George Fleming, foreman at lead mine, aged 59, his wife Dorothy 61, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, George, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 21, and Frederick, clerk post office, aged 17.
In 1901, at Bridge Street, Middleton, George Fleming, foreman at lead mine, aged 70, his wife Dorothy 70, children, Joseph, foreman at lead mine, aged 37, George, butcher, aged 34, and Frederick, clerk post office, aged 27.
Dorothy Fleming died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 70, at Teesdale.
In 1901, at 6 Garden Ter, Middleton, John James Fleming, blue granite, quarryman, aged 31, and his wife Abigail, aged 30, born Escomb, Durham.
In 1911, at Middleton, John Fleming, stationary engineman at Whinstone quarry, aged 41, his wife Abigail aged 40, born Escomb, Durham, daughters, Dorothy Elizabeth 9, Jessie 7, father, George Fleming, widower, retired lead miner, aged 80, and father in law, William Metcalf, widower, retired railway engine driver, aged 81, born London.
Possible death of George Fleming 4th quarter 1914, aged 83, registered at Teesdale.

10. Joseph Fleming married Mary Beadle, 26th May 1860, at Dufton.
In 1861, at Dufton Village, Joseph Fleming, lead ore miner, aged 24, and his wife Mary 22, born Holwick.
In 1871, at Dufton, Joseph Fleming, lead Ore dressing foreman, aged 34, his wife Mary 32, and son William 9.
In 1881, at Dufton, Joseph Fleming, lead ore miner & grocer, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, and visitor, Hannah Beadle aged 36.
William Fleming married Margaret Dalton, 20th May 1889, at Dufton, they moved to Barrow in Furness, and later to Bootle in Lancashire.
In 1891, at Barrow in Furness William Fleming, dock labourer, aged 29, his wife Margaret 29, and son William aged 1.
In 1891, at Threlkeld, Cumberland, John Hind, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Sarah aged 51, and lodgers, Joseph Fleming, married, lead miner, aged 51, Stephen Ion, married lead miner, aged 58, born Dufton, James Rudd, lead miner, aged 28, born Dufton, and John Ion, lead miner, aged 21, born Dufton.
In 1891, Mary Fleming, lead miners wife aged 52, was living at Dufton village.
In 1901, at Dufton Village, Joseph Fleming, lead miner, aged 64, and his wife Mary aged 63.
In 1901, at Bootle cum Linacre, Lancashire, William Fleming, ham & bacon currier, aged 39, his wife Margaret 39, children, William 11, Ella 9, Joseph 5, and Harry 2.

In 1911, at Dufton, Joseph Fleming, pensioner, aged 74, his wife Mary 73, and visitor Mary E Beadle, married, aged 48, born Eggleston.
In 1911, at 187 Worcester Road, Bootle, William Fleming, Ham tester, aged 47, his wife Margaret 47, children, William, pattern maker, aged 21, Joseph James, engineer, aged 15, Harry 11, and Fred 7.

Mary Fleming died at Bootle, West Derby, 2nd quarter 1918, aged 81.
Joseph Fleming died at Bootle, West Derby 4th quarter 1918, aged 83
See 29th April 1864, regarding Sarah Fleming.

9th May 1861 (Whitehaven News)

A MAN FALLING DOWN A MINE
STRANGE AFFAIR AT ALLENDALE.

The other day, there was at Carshield, West Allendale, a letting of the various workings in the lead ore mines in the district, called “Bargain day." A public house is situating a hundred yards from the mining offices, where generally on these occasions many go to drink. On the above occasion a young man, named Walton Stokoe, residing at a lonely village about two miles off, called Welhope. was one of the inmates of the tavern. Late in the evening some of his companions went away home, but he did not accompany them, and the publican and family retired for the night, leaving him in a room alone and the door unfastened that he might leave when he chose. He left some time during the night to go home, the night being dark and he having to travel over a wild fell, on which was an old lead ore shall, open, about 40 yards deep, into which he fell. He was not searched for till about a week afterwards, as he had occasionally been absent for some days together before. No particular alarm was felt; but on his not returning in the course of the week a search was begun, and the body was found in the shaft. One leg was fractured, and there was a cut about the lower part of his back, but the chest, head, and face were uninjured. The body was in a sitting posture, and had been in the shaft about 8 days. It is believed that he has been alive three or four days in this fearful situation. He was a strong, healthy young man, aged 31 years, and was engaged to have been married this month. The remains were interred at Ninebanks burying ground, attended by a large concourse of people Strange to say, no coroner’s inquest was held, no inquiry into the state in which deceased left the public house, nor at what hour, &c. Ought such things to be? — *Carlisle Examiner*

21st May 1861 Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 16th inst., by the Rev. J. Boustead, Mr Robert Richardson, Brownside, to Miss Hannah Birkett, of the Bailes, Alston.
In the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 13th instant, by the Rev. J. A. Bastow, Mr John Armstrong, miner, of Ashgill Side, to Miss Sarah Jackson, of West Allendale.
In the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 15th instant, by the Rev. J. A. Bastow, Mr William Bramwell, miner, of High Shield, to Elizabeth, second daughter of Wallace Millican, Farmer, Garrigill Gate.

Deaths
At Alston Workhouse, on the 13th inst., Mr Cuthbert Pearson, aged 65 years; same day, Jane wife of Mr Albany Little, aged 36 years.
In 1861, at Main street, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, innkeeper, aged 75, son in law Albany Little, labourer, aged 35, married daughter, Jane Little, dressmaker, aged 35, grandsons, Thomas W. Little 5, John Little 3, grand daughter Hannah White 13.

28th May 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
ROBBERY BY SCHOOLBOY.—Joseph Goodfellow, a school-boy, aged 12 years, has been apprehended at Alston and committed to take his trial at the Sessions for stealing threepence worth of lead piping, the property of George Peart, schoolmaster, Alston**.** *See 4th & 5th July 1861*

31st May 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
PRESENTATION OF A FLAG TO THE ALSTON MOUNTAINEERS.
On Friday last (being the occasion of the Queen's birth-day), the 6th Cumberland Rifle Corps (Alston Mountaineers) were presented by Mrs Paull, sister of the Rev. W. N. Snowe, vicar of Alston, and chaplain of the corps, with a magnificent flag. The corps, under the command of Captain Dickinson, assembled on the parade ground about 6 o'clock in the evening, and shortly afterwards Mrs. Paull, accompanied by a number of friends, appeared on the ground, and were received by the corps at open order with the general salute. The ranks were then closed, and having formed three sides of a square,
Mrs Paull advanced with the flag, and addressed the corps as follows: — "Captain Dickinson, I have the pleasure of presenting to yourself, the other officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates of the 6th Cumberland Rifles this flag, a slight token of my high appreciation of the objects for which this corps has been formed, and of my confidence in the zeal, patriotism, and gallantry of its members, and of my certainty that should they in the exercise of their duties ever be called on to march out against the enemies of our country, in defence of our Sovereign Queen, our liberties, and the happy ties of our English homes, they will distinguish themselves on the field of battle as British soldiers ever have done, and ever will do, bearing their flag untarnished and triumphant through all difficulties and dangers, a fitting emblem of British valour, and at length return to their happy homes covered with glory and honour."
At the conclusion of her address, Mrs Paull delivered the flag to Captain Dickinson, and the Rev. chaplain then proceeded to ask a blessing, after which Captain Dickinson appropriately returned thanks to Mrs Paull and handed over the Flag to the custody of Ensign Crawhall.
A large concourse of people were on the ground to witness the interesting ceremony, including Mrs Captain Dickinson and family, Mrs Bell, H. W. Friend, Esq., and Miss Friend, Mrs Crawhall, the Rev. R Robinson, of Nenthead, John Cowper, Esq, the Misses Dickinson, of Spency Croft, Mr and Mrs Buck, Mr E. Cowper, &c., &c.
The corps afterwards marched past in slow and quick time to the music of the Alston band, and went through several company movements, skirmishing, and blank firing, not omitting to make a charge at the double with fixed bayonets in

the direction of the numerous assemblage, who were witnessing the proceedings. The corps are justly proud of the honour shewn to them by Mrs Paull, and it is hoped that such attention will have the effect of giving encouragement to their loyal and patriotic movement, and inducing the men to perfect themselves in their honourable calling.
On Sunday morning the corps, under the command of Lieut. Friend, attended Divine Service, and heard an excellent address from their worthy chaplain.

28th June 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Inquest at Nenthead. —An inquest was held on Thursday last at Nenthead, before R. Carrick, Esq., deputy coroner, on the body of Robert Walton *(Aged 20)*, who was drowned whilst bathing in a large reservoir belonging to the London Lead Company. A young man from Alston, who was with him, nearly met with the same fate by trying to extricate him, struggling until his strength was spent, when he had to relinquish his hold; and had it not been for John Archer, who happened to be there at the time and got a long stick which he reached to him and drew him out, or he probably would have sunk also.

2nd July 1861 Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 23rd ult., by the Rev. J. Barrowclough, Mr Jos. Pickering, of Hill Top, miner, to Jane, second daughter of Mrs Bramwell, of High Shield Hill. *Probable emigration to New Zealand*
Deaths
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr Robert Dickinson, aged 40 years.
In 1851, at Balmans Lane, Alston, Robert Dickinson, lead miner, aged 31, and his wife Mary 28.
At Alston on the 27th inst., Mrs Sarah Dickinson, advanced in years.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Sarah Dickinson, lead miners widow, aged 83, and son William Elias, lead miner, aged 59.
At Annatwalls, near Alston, on the 24th inst., Mr John Fawcett, aged 77 years.
In 1861, at Annatwalls, Alston, John Fawcett, retired farmer, aged 76, and his wife Ann 76.

4th July 1861 (Whitehaven News)
STEALING LEAD AT ALSTON
Joseph Goodfellow (12; reads and writes imperfectly), was charged with stealing a piece of lead piping, the property of George Peart, at Alston, on the 17th May.—He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to 14 days hard labour, and afterwards to be sent to a reformatory for five years.

5th July 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
JUVENILE PETTY LARCENY.
JOSEPH GOODFELLOW (aged 12; reads and writes imperfectly), charged with stealing piece of lead piping, the property of George Peart, at Alston, on the 17th of May, 1861.—*The prisoner, who has been guilty of many petty larcenies, was sentenced to be imprisoned for days, and then sent to the Akbar hulk for five years.*

Thomas Goodfellow, married Ann Bell (daughter of Joseph Bell), 7th November 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Ann Goodfellow.
Jane born 24th February 1804, 1st daughter of Thomas Goodfellow, Alston Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Bell. Jane was buried 25th December 1818, aged 13, at Alston.
William born 24th February 1805, 1st son of Thomas Goodfellow, Alston Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Bell.
Joseph born 26th September 1806, 2nd son

Ann born 10th March 1808, 3rd daughter
John born 10th October 1810, 3rd son
Thomas baptised 25th December 1818
Jane baptised 25th December 1818
Mary baptised 25th December 1818
Matthew baptised 25th December 1818
Sarah baptised 24th November 1822
Elizabeth baptised 13th February 1833

In 1841, at the Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, coal miner, aged 60, Nancy 55, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah 15, Elizabeth 9, and lodger, Jane Bell 50.
Thomas Goodfellow was buried 27th June 1847, aged 73.
In 1851, at the Butts, Ann Goodfellow, widow, pauper, aged 72, daughter, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 27, grandsons, Thomas, scholar, illegitimate, aged 8, William, scholar, illegitimate, aged 6, Joseph, scholar, illegitimate, aged 2, lodgers, William Davon, railway labourer, aged 36, born Scotland, Nancy Davon, his wife aged 38, born Ireland, and granddaughter, Bessy Goodfellow, woollen spinner, aged 20.
Ann Goodfellow was buried 9th June 1852, aged 74, at Alston.
In 1861, at Alston Workhouse, J. G. scholar, aged 12

12th July 1861 (Durham Chronicle)
Middleton in Teesdale.— The quarterly sale of newspapers and periodicals taken into the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room was held on Saturday evening last, when the following prices were obtained viz. :—The Times, 6s; Manchester examiner, 3s 2d; Newcastle Daily Chronicle, 3s 6d; Northern Daily Express, 3s; Leeds Mercury, tri-weekly, 2s 6d; Carlisle Examiner, 2s; Illustrated London News, 2s 7d; Durham Chronicle, 1s 6d; Teesdale Mercury, 6d; and a number of other serials at corresponding prices.

17th July 1861 (Teesdale Mercury)
EGGLESTON
FLOOD IN THE EGGLESHOPE BURN.—
On Friday last, a vast quantity of rain fell on the hills adjacent to Eggleston. Considerable damage was done to the Lead Company's works at the California Mine, through the flooding of the Eggleshope Burn. The brook rose suddenly to an unexampled height, and several persons had to run for their lives. A good deal of lead-ore and other materials were carried away, and some of the reservoirs received injury. Eyewitnesses describe the appearance of the torrent as awful foaming down the valley with the utmost fury, and covering the low grounds. From the immense quantity of water precipitated

suddenly into the Burn, it is supposed that a water-spout must have burst on the hills.

19th July 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Fatal Accident To A Miner. —An inquest was held at Nenthead upon the body of Thomas Liverick, aged 29. The deceased was a miner employed in the lead mines at Nenthead. Last Wednesday as he was working there a large stone fell upon him, and he was dead before he was extracted, his back having been severely injured. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

In 1841, at Nenthead, Thomas Liverick, lead miner aged 30 (died 24th June 1850, buried at Nenthead 26th June 1850, probate records state the death was 23rd June 1850, effects under £200, as probate was awarded to his son Lancelot on 3rd June 1874) his wife Jane (Forest, married 18th February 1830, at Alston) aged 30, children, William 11, Thomas 9, Ann 6, Bella 4, Lancelot 2 and John 12 days, (died 2nd quarter of 1841).
In 1851, at Nenthead, Jane Liverick, widow, aged 41, children, William, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 16 (born Gosforth, Newcastle, Northumberland), Isabella 13, Lancelot, lead ore washer, aged 11, Sarah 8, and Jane 5. Their mother Jane died 11th February 1857, buried 13th February 1857, aged 46, at Nenthead. (Note error on memorial stone).
In 1861, at Nenthead, William Liverick, unmarried lead miner, aged 31, brother Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, sister, Ann, house keeper, aged 26, brother Lancelot, lead ore miner, aged 21, sisters Sarah, house maid, aged 18, and Jane, house maid, aged 15.

IN
MEMORY
OF
THOMAS LIVERICK
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED 24TH JUNE 1850
AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO OF JANE HIS WIFE
WHO DIED 23RD JANUARY
1856
AGED 46
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON
WHO DIED 10TH JULY 1862
AGED 30 YEARS
ALSO OF WILLIAM THEIR SON
WHO DIED 31ST JULY 1884
AGED 57 YEARS
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED IN INFANCY

(*Note the error in the date for their son Thomas's death 1862 instead of 1861, also Jane died 11th February 1857*)

Isabella married Thomas Coates, 4th quarter of 1865.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Coates, mason, aged 30, his wife Isabella 33, children John 5, and Mary Jane 1 year. In 1881, at Watling St., Medomsley, Thomas Coates, stonemason, aged 40, his wife Isabella 43, children John, stone mason, aged 15, Mary Jane 11, Ann 8, Minnie 6, Sarah Isab. 3, and brother William Coates, labourer, deaf and dumb, aged 22.
Sarah LIverick married William Bell, 2nd quarter of 1868. In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, William Bell, lead ore smelter, aged 28, his wife Sarah aged 28, and brother John H. Bell, aged 11.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William Bell, fireman at lead works, aged 38, his wife Sarah aged 38, and brother John H. Bell, labourer at lead works, aged 21.
Jane Liverick, married Titus Dalton, 2nd quarter of 1870, at Weardale. In 1871, at Cows Hill, Titus Dalton, aged 26, and his wife Jane aged 23. In 1891, at Consett Iron Co., Cottages, Leadgate, Durham, Titus Dalton, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Jane 45, and house servant, Minnie Coates, aged 16 years.
In 1871, at Nenthead, William Liverick, lead ore miner, aged 40, and his sister Ann, housekeeper aged 36. Ann married John Armstrong, 3rd quarter of 1873.
In 1881, at Overwater, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50, and his wife Ann aged 46. John died 1st quarter of 1990.
In 1891, at Overwater, Ann Armstrong, widow, living on own means, aged 56.
See 28th June 1850, 21st February 1857, 12th January 1878, 9th August 1884.

19th July 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 17th inst., by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, curate, Mr Richard Clare Gurney, Sanderton, Buckinghamshire, to Miss Jane, second daughter of Mr John Pattinson, bookseller, Alston.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr James Alder, schoolmaster at Eston Junction, aged 28 years.

6th August 1861 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
On the 28th ult., at Garrigill Gate, by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr Ralph Armstrong, miner, to Ann, eldest daughter of Mr Bramwell, Farmer, Redwing.
In 1871, at High Hermitage, Garrigill, Ralph Armstrong, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Ann 34, children, Matthew 9, Tom 7, Joseph 5, and Ann 2.
In 1881, at High Hermitage, Ralph Armstrong, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Anne 44, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 17, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 15, and Annie 12.
In 1891, at Rice View, Garrigill, Ralph Armstrong, farmer, aged 51, his wife Anne 54, and daughter Annie 21.

14 August 1861 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.
On the afternoons of Tuesday and Wednesday last, Octavius Wigram, Esq., of London, Governor of the corporation of the London Lead Mining Company, gave an exhibition of dissolving views to the children of the company's several

schools in the district. On both occasions there was a considerable number present of a "larger growth," who appeared to be as highly interested as the more juvenile portion of the audience. The subjects exhibited embraced scenes in Egypt, Turkey, Switzerland, France, Arctic regions, &c., which the worthy exhibitor accompanied by short explanatory remarks. There was also thrown up- on the canvas a variety of subjects of a more ludicrous character; one of which called forth the hearty plaudits of the youngsters; being that of a Frenchman represented as being asleep with his month widely opened, and an uninterrupted ingress afforded to a number of rats, after which the man awakes, and finding himself sick, raises himself up and begins, amid groans of a most pitiable nature, to vomit the little rascals up again. On Saturday afternoon, Mr Wigram again exhibited his views to the boys employed at the ore dressing, and others who chose to attend, and was favoured with a large company.

We had the pleasure of witnessing; on Friday afternoon last, a spectacle of a most gratifying and pleasing character, and one which will long be held in remembrance, not only by the immediate parties concerned, but also by all who were favoured with the opportunity of being observers. It is always an agreeable sight to see people happy and enjoying themselves, especially if their enjoyment springs from a harmless and innocent source, and is unassociated with anything of a brutalising and vicious tendency, and each as is not calculated to corrupt the tastes of our nobler nature. The event alluded to, was the occasion of the annual visit of the deputation from the court of directors of the London Lead Mining Company, who most liberally treated the wives a, widows of their workmen in the Teesdale district, to a substantial dish of tea, in the company's school room. It will be in the recollection of most of our readers, that a dinner was given to the employees of this company about a year ago, when nearly 1,800 partook of the hospitality so generously afforded them. It was their intention to have given this tea on the same day, but from the full handed-ness of the innkeepers of the town, who had the providing of the dinner, it was found inconvenient to do so; consequently the further liberality of these gentlemen was reserved for the present occasion. As in the case of the dinner, so it was in this instance, the innkeepers had the entire preparation of the whole affair and to make our report as brief as possible, with respect to the quality of the delicacies so amply provided, and to the general management of the concern altogether, we can only say, that they fully sustained the good character awarded to them on the occasion referred to last summer. The various kinds of bread ware of an excellent quality, adapted to suit the taste of the most fastidious. And the temperature of the “cheering cup," as well as its strength, was kept at a degree essentially necessary for the application of the common term "a good cup o' tea." The good landladies knew from self experience, the severe criticism to which their productions would be subjected; and to the best of our knowledge they have afforded the greatest satisfaction. We understand 600 had to be catered for—a hundred to each innkeeper—but the total number who sat down amounted to nearly 700; the amplitude of the preparations however, being quite adequate to meet the extras over the estimate. The day dawned with bright sunshine, and seemed as if the saint whom so many believe to have the ordering of the weather in his power at the present time, had condescended to honour the occasion by the bright and effulgent rays of a summer sun. St.

Swithin, however, whose rain (reign) is truly one of terror just now, did not depart from his usual routine of "raining" when he is king, for about midday the clouds began to close in, and gave unmistakeable evidence of what might be expected to form one of the ingredients of the days proceedings. About two o'clock there was a short shower, which fortunately, only lasted a short time; after which the remainder of the day was one of uninterrupted sunshine. The rain, contrary to ordinary usage, had the effect of increasing the number of tea-drinkers, by impeding operations in the hay-field, for had the day been free from it, doubtless several would have been tempted to have taken advantage of such an opportunity of winning their hay. A good while before tea, which was ordered to be on the table at four o'clock, the clouds dispersed, and the sun poured down his resplendent rays, enhancing considerably the pleasure of the day. To farther increase the day's enjoyment, the Mickleton Brass Bend, and also that of the 12th Durham Rifles were in attendance, playing alternately selections of fashionable airs daring the afternoon. It is a greet desideratum on such occasions to secure the presence of a band of musicians; and the very admirable manner in which the above acquitted themselves, was highly creditable. Precisely at the hour appointed, there was a full complement of ladies for the first table, and by the time they had satisfied themselves, a second division was ready, thus they proceeded until the whole were cared for; there being no stoppage throughout. We compared the clatter of the workmen's knives and forks at the dinner last year, to the noise of machinery; but we hope the ladies will pardon us the liberty of saying, that the comparison fell far short when placed in juxtaposition with the present occasion. Without expatiating further on this part of the day's procedure, we go on to state that, after tea, the entire number met in front of the residence of R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., where the suitable and lively air, “When shall we meet again?" was sung; after which one of the ladies, in appropriate terms, returned thanks to the gentlemen of the deputation—Octavius Wigram, Esq., J. W. Birch, Esq., and W. Gladstone, Esq.—for their kind and considerate attention to the wants of them and their families, concluding by wishing "Success to the London Lead Company." After this, it was intimated that the gardens and grounds of R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., were kindly thrown open during the remainder of the afternoon, to which large numbers repaired; the above bands playing whilst the large concourse paraded the grounds. The shades of evening setting in, brought to a termination the proceedings of a day which will long be remembered, and such marked kindness on the port of employers, cannot but be warmly and gratefully appreciated by their workman.

20th August 1861 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD.—The deputation of the London Lead Company paid their annual visit to the Lead Mines at Nenthead, on Tuesday, the 13th inst. These visits are always hailed with the greatest delight by the workmen, owing to the kind manner in which the deputation visit the houses of their tenants and workmen, and administer to the wants of those who stand in need. Last year they treated all their workmen (which in this district alone amounted to between six and seven hundred, with a good substantial dinner; and on Tuesday, last they provided tea for all their wives and widows. Three hundred and fifty partook of the same in the large schoolroom, fitted up for the occasion. The Union brass band was placed outside the schoolroom and the violin band inside, where

they played a variety of the most popular airs, which greatly enlivened the proceedings. On the following day Octavius Wigram, Esq., of London, governor of the company, entertained the scholars of the Nenthead and Garrigill schools with a splendid exhibition of magical figures and dissolving views, which was both amusing and instructive. Not less than 500 were present. On the following day, he gave a similar entertainment to the workmen and their families, when about 700 were present, the room being crowded to excess. A vote of thanks was then accorded to Mr. Wigram, for his kindness and condescension in affording such a delightful treat.

21st August 1861 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON

Several interesting specimens of foreign curiosities have been added to the museum in the Lead Company's Reading Room, kindly presented by Mrs J. W. Birch, of London, some of which are of great antiquity. Amongst them are the following:—a couple of small baskets, wooden spoons, and a child's sandals, found in a tomb at Thebes, Egypt, supposed to be upwards of 2,800 years old. Water jar found in an old Indian tomb in Ambalema, New Grenada, South America. A sea porcupine, from the coast of Australia. Mummy cloth, in which the bodies of the Ancient Egyptians were rolled up after being embalmed. Pieces of rock which forms the base of the great pyramid in Egypt. Mummy Ibis, from the pits near Thebes. Basket made by children in Nubis, Upper Egypt; and a curiously carved milk bowl formed of half a gourd, also from Nubis. An excellent and perfect specimen of a fossil fish, picked up in his travels in Italy and Lombardy, has also been presented by Octavius Wigram, Esq., of London.

LINES COMPOSED ON THE OCCASION OF THE TEA PARTY

I wish again to make it known,
The kindness our employers have shewn;
It was display'd a year ago;
And now it cheers our hearts to know,
In all their doings they have not
The widows and our wives forgot;
It was a pleasing sight to see
Six hundred of them drinking tea.
Some say women (one war 'tis true)
Have little with their works to do
Yet Still a loving woman's smile
Can cheer the miner in his toil.
Yea, with the husband shares the wife
In all the cares and hopes of life;
Sickness or pain, whatever befall,
None like a woman can console.
I hate the man who, void of shame,
Can vilify a woman's name,
And call her silly, superstitious,
Vain, deceitful, or capricious,
There are exceptions, I'll agree.
They have their faults, and so have we.
No matter what men say about them,

We know we cannot do without them,
You'll see, if you will history scan,
They've done their part at well as man;
Nor energy nor courage lack'd.
When they're been call'd upon to act.
Know that 'twas in a woman's reign,
We crush'd the power of haughty Spain;
And 'twas when Queen Anne wore the crown,
That Marlborough gain'd so much renown.
And on the Continent broke all
The armaments of boasting Gaul.
And when hare we had such a one,
Since Alfred sat upon the throne,
Who has so much adored been
Aa our present gracious Quern?
And too much praise we cannot give
Her Majesty—long may she live!
We read of Joan of Arc, who broke
The fetters of a foreign yoke:
A Grace Darling, who on the wave
Did the poor shipwreck'd seamen save;
And nearly all have heard the tale
Of noble Florence Nightingale.
And in our dale, I do believe
A woman did the plan conceive
To form a Company to explore
The lead-veins, and employ the poor.
Brave hearts concurr'd in her designs,
And thus commenc'd the Teesdale Mines.
At that time 'twas a speculation
Which promis'd poor remuneration,
And did, as every one must know,
No mercenary motive show.
Since that time it has firmly wrought,
When other firms have come to nought;
And standing like a granite rock,
Impregnable to every shock.
Then let us give, with hearts sincere,
Our employers a hearty cheer;
And to their Superintendent give
One, too,—he's worthy to receive
Our humble thanks; all will agree
Throughout the mines, and say with me,
He has done all he could invent
To make us happy and content.
Then success to the mining trade,
May the mining interest never fade;
May our resources never fail,
And peace and plenty crown our dale.

RICHARD WATSON

24th August 1861 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Died
Bay Bridge, near Blanchland, 21st inst., aged 43 Mr Wm. Robinson, formerly of Hunstanworth, and for many years agent to the Derwent Mining Company.
In 1851, at Hunstanworth, William Robinson, planner and surveyor, aged 32, born Hunstanworth, his wife Elizabeth, aged 23, born, Blanchland, and daughter Ann H 1.
In 1861, at Bay Bridge, Blanchland, William Robinson, merchant, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth aged 32, children, Charlotte Jane 8, and Caroline Matilda 4.
George Patrick married Elizabeth Robinson, 3rd quarter 1864, registered at Hexham
In 1871, at Blanchland, George Patrick, grocer, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth, 41, children, Caroline M Robinson 14, Mary Ann Patrick 5, and Elizabeth Patrick 2, (Charlotte Jane Robinson, 18, was working as a parlour maid, at Alnwick in 1871).

30th August 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston church, on the 26th instant, Mr John Morrow, to Miss Mary Craig, both of Garrigill, near Alston.
See 14th May 1852
Deaths
At Alston, on the 26th inst., Mary Ann, wife of Frederick Woodmass, aged 40 years.
See 29th October 1887, 17th August 1889

3rd September 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD ESTATE, NEAR ALSTON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the Crown Inn, ALSTON, on FRIDAY, the 20th day OF SEPT., 1861, at Six o'Clock in the Evening, Mr. JONATHAN WOODMASS, Auctioneer, subject to such conditions as may be then agreed upon, all that Valuable LEASEHOLD ESTATE called LOW GALLIGILL, situate in the Parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, and now in the possession of Mr. Christopher Wilkinson, and of Messrs. John Hetherington, John Hymers Isaac Wailes, aud Robert Bramwell, his tenants, comprising excellent Farm Houses and Out-Buildings, and 157 Acres, or thereabouts, of excellent Meadow, Pasture, and Allotment Land.

The Estate is situate about Three-and-a-Half Miles from the Town of Alston, and forms a desirable investment for Capitalists. There is a plentiful supply of Coal on the Estate, and an excellent awarded Limestone Quarry is situate at Haggs, within a Quarter of a Mile of the same, where the Owner is entitled to the share of a Kiln for burning lime.

Further particulars may be known on application to Messrs. JAMES and CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON, on the Premises; or to Mr. DICKINSON, Solicitor, Alston.

Alston, 27th August, 1861.

11th October 1861 (Carlisle Journal)

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT NENTHEAD

A man named Walton Wilkinson, who has been in a despondent state since the death of his wife a short time ago, attempted to commit suicide at Nenthead last Friday.

Walton Wilkinson, married Frances Armstrong, 2nd June 1836, at Alston.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Walton Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Frances 25, children Margaret 4, and Frances 1.
In 1851, at Welgill Dykeheads, Walton Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife, Frances 34, children Margaret 13, Frances 11, Elizabeth 9, and Mary Ann 5.
Frances Wilkinson, was buried at Nenthead, 24th February 1861, aged 44 years.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Walton Wilkinson, widow, lead miner, aged 47, children, Margaret, dress maker, aged 23, Frances, house maid, aged 21, Mary Ann, dress maker, aged 19, and Betsey, dress maker, aged 15.
Walton Wilkinson, died at Nenthead, 18th January 1870, aged 56 years.
See 12th December 1868, 22nd January 1870

Deaths

At Keswick, on the 1st inst., Mr. Wm. Towershead, miner, aged 25 years; at the same place, on the 6th inst., Mr. George Wilson, blacklead pencil maker, aged 76 years.

At Braithwaite, near Keswick, on the 3rd inst., Hannah, daughter of Mr. Birkett Robinson, lead miner, aged 10 months.

At Portinscale, near Keswick, on the 8th inst., Mary, daughter of Mr Daniel Sewell, lead miner, aged 16 years.

18th October 1861 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, on the 12th instant, by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr. Arthur Dobson, of Garrigill Gate, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. G. Millican, of The Hill, Tyne Head.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Dobson, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Mary (Rain, married 13th July 1815, at Alston) aged 47, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 15, William13, Mary 11, Thomas 7, and Arthur 4 years.
In 1851, at Clark Hall, Garrigill, Mary Dobson, miners widow, aged 51, sons John, lead miner, aged 25, Wm, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, and Arthur, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Mary Dobson, widow, aged 67, son Arthur, lead miner, aged 24, daughter Mary, dress maker, aged 31, and grand daughter Tamar Holmes 11.
In 1851, at Low Pasture House, Garrigill, George Millican (son of Thomas Millican & Elizabeth Wallace), moor master & land agent, aged 40, his wife Mary (Hall, married 2nd January 1840, at St. John, Garrigill, daughter of Thomas Hall & Elizabeth Bradwell, married 7th August 1802 Garrigill) aged 33, children Elizabeth 9, Thomas 4, Mary 2, Hannah 1 month, and general servant Hannah Bell, aged 18.
See 18th January 1840.

In 1861, at Hill, Garrigill, George Millican, moor master, and land agent, aged 50, his wife Mary 43, children Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 19, Jane, house maid, aged 16, Thomas 14, Mary 12, George A 7, Walter 4, and Creswell F 2. In 1871, at Noonstones, Garrigill, Arthur Dobson, farmer of 37 acres, and lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 29, children William Byron 9, Alice 7, Alfred Edwin 5, Mary 3, and John George M. 1 year. In 1881, at Noonstones, Garrigill, Arthur Dobson, farmer of 36 acres, and lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 39, children William Byron, lead miner, aged 19, Alfred Edwin, labourer general, aged 15, Mary 13, John George M. 11, Elizabeth 9, Arthur 6, and Phebe 3 years.
In 1891, at Noonstones, Garrigill, Arthur Dobson, farmer aged544, his wife Elizabeth 49, children William Byron, lead miner, aged 29, Alfred Edwin, lead miner, aged 25, Mary 23, and John George M. 21.
See 3rd May 1880, 3rd July 1886, 25th January 1890

5th November 1861 (Carlisle Journal)

CHILD DROWNED IN A TROUGH

An inquest was held at Nenthead, Alston, on Saturday last, on the body of a child four years old, named Sarah Ann Hutchinson. On Thursday the child had been sent to a trough, the property of John Swindle, to fetch some water, and whilst in the act of doing so, she over balanced herself, fell in and was drowned. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, George Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Catherine 45, children, George 15, Elizabeth 6, Sarah A 3, and boarder, Jane Swindle, lead smelters widow, aged 65.
See 25th February 1843 & 25th December 1867.

9th November 1861 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

PRESENTATION OF A TESTIMONIAL TO JOHN NEVIN, ESQ,

The proceedings in connection with the presentation of a testimonial to Mr Nevin, mining agent to W, B. Beaumont Esq., West Allendale, took place at Mr White's, Temperance Hotel, Ninebanks, on Saturday the 3rd Inst.; and though the matter had not fully developed itself more than four months since, the design has been in contemplation for three or four years. The more immediate cause of its taking place just now, however, is that Mr Nevin will shortly leave West Allendale, for Lead Hills, in Scotland, to enter upon the duties of chief agent to the Mining Company of that place, Mr Nevin may be taken as a type of the progressive tendencies of the age. He entered Mr Beaumont's mining office at Coalcleugh, 26 years since, as clerk, a stranger to those matters pertaining to practical mining. This want, however, he soon supplied, and gave proof of that unflagging energy and untiring perseverance which gained him the first agency in the district some 20 years since. It may scarcely be necessary, then, to state that Mr Nevin has discharged the duties of his late agency to the entire satisfaction of his employer; and has also gained golden opinions from the workmen in West Allendale, Indeed it is only doing an act of justice to this gentleman's great abilities in mining matters to state that he has for some years now stood confessedly foremost in the three counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, and Durham, as a practical mining agent.
The miners and other inhabitants of West Allendale, as soon as they became acquainted with Mr Nevins' intentions of leaving the district, set themselves to

work with right good will to raise a fund for the purpose of purchasing him a fitting testimonial. And when it is taken into account the length of time Mr Nevin has been amongst them, the kind consideration he has always evinced for their welfare, more particularly the fatherless and the person struggling with a large family; together with the various useful and benevolent institutions founded and patronised by him, and the parochial improvements he has been the means of accomplishing, without fee or reward, this act on the part of the people of the locality is no more generous and noble, than it is filling and wall earned on the part of the recipient. To have let him go from amongst them without some public recognition of his many valuable services and sterling worth, would have manifested the worst ingratitude on the Dale. But, judging from the circumstances connected with this case we venture to assert that the people of West Allendale are as ready to appreciate and reward a good action as Mr Nevin is to perform one, and this makes them deserving of their man In short, the regret would seem to be with all parties that Mr Nevin, from a desire to benefit his family, has chosen to leave a locality with which, both as regards himself and the people generally, so many pleasant associations are connected, and in which so many warm wishes for his welfare are treasured up The little village of Ninebanks was all astir on Saturday forenoon in making preparations for the proceedings of the day. The articles comprising the testimonial, consisting of silver tea and dinner services, were placed on a large table in the hotel for public inspection, and the place was crowded for several hours with persons desirous of gaining a sight of the costly gift. Tea, it had been announced, would be ready at three o'clock, and somewhat after that hour Mr and Mrs Nevin, with about fifty of their friends, sat down to table. Among those present we noticed the Rev. J. Scurr, Incumbent of Ninebanks, the Rev. Titus Emerson, Allendale Town, George Lee. Esq., Land Ends, and Mr G, G Leo, his son, John Wilson, Esq., Tailor Burn, Joseph Lee, Esq., Keenleyside Hill, and Mrs Lee. Wm. Wilson, Esq., Taylor Burn, Thomas Harrison. Esq., Greenlycleugh, Win. Montgomery, Esq., Bank Cottage, George Short, Esq., Park House, Wm. Taylor, Esq., Ninebanks, and Mrs Taylor, John Walton, Esq., Riding House, and Mrs Walton, Mr William Walton, postmaster, Haydon Bridge, Mr John Lee. Ninebanks House. Mr Matthew Henderson, Holme Lands, Mr William Hunter, Parmeatly Hall, Mr John Henderson, Ouston, Mr George Dickinson, Allendale Town, Mr Matthew Hetherington, Haydon Bridge, Mr William Taylor, Park Shields, Mr Joseph Henderson, Land Ends, Mr M, Lee, Horsley, &c., &c. After tea, of which about 100 partook, the presentation took place in the open air, no room in Mr White's being largo enough to hold the company present. The Rev. J. Scurr was chosen to preside, who in a few appropriate remarks, introduced Mr J. Craig, Kinsleyrow, who, as a miner, had been previously appointed to make the presentation address.

Mr J. CRAIG said: The committee Appointed to carry into effect the wishes of the miners and other inhabitants of West Allendale, with regard to presenting Mr Nevin with some token of their respect and esteem, for the many valuable services he has rendered to the district for the last 20 years, have chosen me as their mouthpiece on this occasion. Nothing is farther from my intention than indulging in those fulsome and adulatory statements so common on occasions like the present. We have no thought of ascribing perfection to Mr Nevin. Nor do we believe that all the past actions of our friend and master are free from

blame, or as shining and unsullied as the silver articles before us. But then he is all the more like ourselves on that account. I believe it is over 26 years since Mr Nevin came to West Allendale and entered Mr Beaumont's mining office, at Coalcleugh, as clerk. His knowledge of mining matters at that time, I can assure you, was very slender. Previous to that time, Mr Nevin wore a pair of strong, mudded shoes, cotton- cord trousers, and fustian jacket, and travelled on the Allendale turnpikes as a cartman, and how carted many hundred bings of ore from Barneycraig to Allan Mill, the very place of his late labours and achievements. You will not think that our master at that time had no thought nor wish to rise (no, no). The person who has cultivated his mind for anything that may turn up, and has thought earnestly about himself and those about him, and who is ever ready to prosecute to the almost every plan likely to lead to his social and pecuniary advancement, is the only one who can ever expect to succeed in this busy bustling and competing country of ours. Such a man was Mr Nevin, and we know the result. And Mr Nevin, as clerk at Coalcleugh, did not remain long in that position; for his active mind soon gained him the first: agency in the district, and he is now considered by competent judges to be one of the first practical mining engineers in the north of England (applause). Well, now let us look back at John Nevin, the cartman of 27 years ago, and then to Mr Nevin, the mining agent of to-day, and we may well wonder at the contrast, and acknowledge that there are but few such examples of individual success in the annals of our country (hear, hear) I know that some of you gentlemen, when making your fine wiredrawn speeches, tell us about Cincinnatus having been taken from the plough to serve his country. We working men know nothing of this strange person with the more strange still name; consequently, his exploits do not affect us in either head or heart.

But as to our distinguished master, we know that from being a drudge on the road, he has become a great man, and we think it an honour to him to place these circumstances of his eventful life before this meeting, boasting that Mr. Nevins' great success in life has afforded us the opportunity of pointing to the fact of his having risen so fast, and so far (applause). Coming still nearer to the object of our present meeting, I would just observe that Mr. Nevin’s eminent qualifications as a mining engineer are little ahead of his abilities as an agriculturist and architect (hear. hear). The improvements made by him on some of his farms, though not coming exactly within noticeable distance of our present proceedings, may be pointed to as first rate specimens of draining, manuring, planting, fencing, and all the other necessary arrangements for farming purposes in our locality, and his able, willing, and gratuitous labours as an architect are known to us all. The substantial bridges that span our streams, and the commodious and healthy schools for the training of our children, will be among the most enduring material monuments of his great abilities and active goodwill towards West Allendale (cheers). But after all the miners of this district, whose labours Mr. Nevin has directed for so many years, will long retain a lively recollection of his kind, considerate, and forgiving disposition, and would fain hope that they will be long remembered by him, when far away from the scenes of his late toils and triumphs (applause). West Allendale has become too circumscribed; here he has burst his bonds; left off his dead-level agency; and opened out shop at Lead Hills, there to revolutionise its book keeping, bargaining, washing, working, mechanical appliances, and other things, for the benefit of his employers, and

the extension of his own fame. Long may he live to enjoy the fruits of his past and future achievements, surrounded by a peaceful, prosperous, and affectionate family, in a happy home. It is little more than four months since it was first whispered that Mr. Nevin had some thought of leaving for a better situation in Scotland, and then there was also heard the whisper of "a testimonial.' A public meeting was immediately convened, which resulted in the appointment of a committee, whose duty it was to carry out the object of that meeting. The duties we have had to perform, and the reception we have met with from the people generally, have been of the most pleasant and gratifying kind. And now with our shillings, florins, half crowns, crowns, half-sovereigns, &c., we have been able to purchase the articles before us, and our regret only is that they are not more in number However, they are the free will offerings of a grateful people, and this, we are sure, will enhance their value in the estimation of those to whom we are about to hand them over. (applause)

Mr. Nevin, on rising to respond, was received with cheering. On this subsiding, he said: Mr Craig, Ladies and Gentlemen—It has pleased God to cast your lot and mine in an age of universal activity and progress an age in which every one who wishes to maintain his position in this stormy and uncertain life is called upon to do the best for himself whilst endeavouring to advance the interest and promote the welfare of those around him. This I certainly have done to the nest of my ability; feeling that it was a duty incumbent upon me not only as the humble representative of my employer in this district, but as a native of the parish in which I have so long resided. What Mr Craig has so kindly and ably stated to my advantage I cannot altogether agree with; for believe me that the success of the many enterprises that have been carried out during my residence amongst you must, in a great measure, be attributed to yourselves; for unity is strength, and I have no hesitation in saying that a more united people for good than, you are does not exist in any other parish; and so long as you have such gentlemen residing amongst you as I now see around me to take the lead in everything calculated to benefit the district, you need not despair of success in all your undertakings, although I am about to leave you with whom it has been my lot to associate on the most friendly terms for very many years past, and whose kindness towards me on all occasions I shall never forget (cheers), Mr Craig has stated, in too flattering terms, that I have been successful as a mining agent, and that I leave the mines of the district in a prosperous condition, More credit in this is due to my employer than to myself; for I do assure you that there is no gentleman in Great Britain that is more enterprising, or has the interests and welfare of those in his employment more at heart than Mr Beaumont, and his chief agent is equally as spirited and well disposed towards you (applause) Mr Craig has stated that of which, I dare say you are all aware, that I am about to leave this district for Lead Hills, Scotland. This charge was, a few months ago, as unlooked for as it was then in many respects unwelcome; but having now, as it were, crossed the Border, it is only for me to make the best of the change I can. I am determined to do my utmost to promote the interests of my present employers; and should it please God to grant me health and strength, with a few yeas of hard work and perseverance I have no doubt as to the ultimate result at; all events I will act so as to deserve success. But this, ladies and gentlemen, is somewhat foreign to the subject for which we have met

together. You have, it appears, too highly appreciated my merits; otherwise you would not have prepared this splendid testimonial for me, —a gift which. I assure you, I gladly accept, and for which I return you my warmest thanks. As a memento of your kindness I will ever cherish it, and trust to leave it to my family untarnished as a token of your kindness and good feeling towards me when about to leave this my favourite dale (applause), I have spent 26 years of the best part of my life amongst you; and during that period have had full opportunities of judging of your feelings and character, and have found them such that it is with the deepest regret on my part that we are about to be separated for a time at least: but wherever I may go, or whatever I may do, the good people of this parish, and more particularly of this district, will be dearest to me. I again thank you for your kindness, and gratefully accept this your precious gift (loud cheering).

At this stage of the proceedings, the evening being very cold, the meeting was adjourned to the hotel dining room, where a number of loyal and local toasts were given and responded to with the greatest enthusiasm the company doing ample justice to Mr White's teetotal wine. We must not omit noticing the Allendale Town saxhorn band being in attendance, led by Mr James Holms, who enlivened the proceedings with their spirit-stirring music. Altogether the proceeding was of a very sober and satisfactory kind, and was an honour to him to whom honour was due.

John Nevin son of John Nevin, farmer Burnlow, Allendale & his wife Elizabeth Ridley, born 12th April 1811, baptised 28th April 1811, at St Cuthbert's, Allendale.

John Nevin married Jane French 29th April 1841, at Allendale.

In 1841, at Coalcleugh, John Nevin, lead mine agent, aged 25, and his wife Jane 20.

In 1851, Agents House, West Allendale, John Nevin, lead mine agent, aged 39, his wife Jane 29, children, Margaret 8, John French 6, Robert Henry 2, and Elizabeth 4 months.

In 1861, at Carshield House, John Nevin, lead mine agent, aged 49, his wife Jane 39, children, Robert H, 12, Elizabeth 10, Jane F 5, Margaret A 4, George J 2. John French Nevin aged 16 was at School in Sedbergh, Yorkshire.

John Nevin died at Leadhills 30th July 1867

John French Nevin died 6th July 1878, aged 33.

In 1871, at Mansion House, Leadhills, Jane Nevin aged 48, children, John F, manager of lead mines, aged 26, Margaret A 14, and George J 12.

Jane Nevin died 23rd October 1877, aged 56, at Leadhills.

In 1881, at Holly Bank, Mirfield, Yorkshire, George Jackson Nevin, commercial clerk, aged 22, sisters, Jane French 25, and Margaret A. 24.

In 1891, at Flash Lane, Mirfield, Yorkshire, George Jackson Nevin, woollen manufacturer, aged 32, sisters, Jane F. 35, and Margaret A. 34.

In 1901, at Flash Lane, Mirfield, Yorkshire, George Jackson Nevin, manager of woollen mill, aged 42, sisters, Jane F. 45, and Margaret A. 44.

In 1911, at Selwood Cottage, Haydon Bridge, Jane French Nevin, private means, aged 55.

Probate 1926: George Jackson Nevin of Hill House, Allendale, died 3rd November 1925, administration (with will) Newcastle upon Tyne 22nd June to Jane French Nevin and Margaret Ann Nevin, spinsters. Effects £1091 8s 1d.

Leadhill Cemetery
Source: Bereavement Services, South Lanarkshire Council

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN NEVIN,
WHO DIED AT LEADHILLS,
ON THE 30TH OF JULY 1867,
AGED 51 YEARS.
ALSO OF
JANE, HIS WIFE, WHO DIED AT LEADHILLS,
ON THE 23RD OF OCTOBER 1877,
AGED 56 YEARS.
ALSO OF
CLARA PEARCE, ONLY CHILD OF THE ABOVE,
WHO DIED AT LEADHILLS,
ON THE 15TH OF SEPTEMBER 1861,
AGED 17 MONTHS.
ALSO
JOHN FRENCH NEVIN, ELDEST SON
OF JOHN AND JANE NEVIN, WHO DIED
AT LEADHILLS, ON 6TH JULY 1879,
AGED 33 YEARS.

12th November 1861 (Carlisle Journal)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT GREENSIDE MINES.

On Friday last an inquest was held at the Royal Oak Inn, Keswick, before Thomas Howson, Esq., deputy coroner of the Western Division, and respectable Jury, on view of the body of James Mcintosh, who was accidentally killed at Greenside Lead Mines, on the instant. Charles McIntosh gave the following evidence:—I am brother of the deceased. He was twelve years of age, and has worked at Greenside Lead Mines about one and half years. He and I worked there on the 5th instant. He was driver, and had the management of a pony, which was used for drawing waggons on the tramway. He had also to shift the points to let the other waggons past; he used a coal-

rake for that purpose. About half-past four p.m. on the day in question, someone shouted that he had fallen over the wall, which is within few feet of the tramway. I looked towards the me, and saw him lying on the edge the rocks, having fallen distance of twenty feet. I made towards him, but before I could reach him he fell down the embankment into the water which runs from the reservoir. I endeavoured to get hold of him, but the water was running so strong that it carried him over a waterfall before I could do so. I then lifted him up, he was bleeding about the head, and seemed to be much injured, and begged of me to lay him down again. I think he must have been in the act of turning the points when he fell, for they were half turned after the accident occurred. Teasdale McIntosh, father of the deceased, stated that he lived at Brigham, and was working at Greenside the day that his son was killed, and assisted in conveying him home. He died on the turnpike road, when about three miles off. He was attended by Dr. Rumney, of Watermillock, who stated that death was caused from fracture of the skull and compression of the brain. The jury, without hesitation, returned a verdict of "Accidental death," and presented the father of the deceased with their usual fee of six shillings. Since the accident occurred the company have caused railings to be placed by the side of the wall alluded to, in order to prevent accidents future.
See 21st November 1862

29th November 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 21st inst., Mr John Hodgson, Little Gill, to Ann, youngest daughter of Mr Joseph Lancaster, Garrigill Gate.
Joseph Lancaster married Jane Murrah (daughter of William Murrah and Margaret Bell, born 17th March 1803), 20th November 1822, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Lancaster, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 35, children, Sarah 15, Joseph 13, Jane 10, Ann 7, William 4, and Thomas 2.
Jane Lancaster was buried 27th August 1849, aged 46, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Iving, Garrigill, Joseph Lancaster, lead miner, aged 52, children, Sarah 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Ann 16, William 14, Thomas 11, Isaac 9, and Mary 4.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Joseph Lancaster, widower, stone mason, aged 61, children, Ann, house maid, aged 25, William, stone mason aged 22, and Isaac, stone mason aged 18. See 25th February 1865
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph, Lancaster, widower, stone mason, aged 72, and his son Isaac, lead mine labourer, aged 27.
Joseph Lancaster of Iving, Garrigill, was buried, 16th March 1875, aged 76, at St John's, Garrigill. See 20th March 1875, & 8th June 1878

Stephen Hodgson, married Elizabeth Parmley, 8th September 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Little Gill, Low House, Stephen Hodgson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 15, Stephen, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas 13, Mary 10, and John 7.
Stephen Hodgson of Little Gill, was buried 27th March 1848, aged 61, at St John's, Garrigill.

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

STEPHEN HODGSON
DIED AT LITTLE GILL
MARCH 25TH 1848
AGED 61 YEARS
MARY ANN HIS DAUGHTER
DIED SEP 21ST 1868
AGED 37

In 1851, at Garrigill, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 54, children, William, lead miner, aged 28, Stephen, lead miner, aged 26, and John, lead miner, aged 17
In 1861, at Little Gill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, farmer, aged 70, children, William, lead miner, aged 37, Stephen, farmers son, aged 35, John, lead miner, aged 27, Mary Ann 30, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hodgson aged 6.
Mary Ann Hodgson of Little Gill, was buried 24th September 1868, aged 37, at St John's, Garrigill. See 26th September 1868
In 1871, at Little Gill, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, farmer of 125 acres, aged 79, son William, farmers son, aged 47, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hodgson, aged 16.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Ann 36, children Jane 8, Elizabeth 5, and Stephen 1.
Elizabeth Hodgson of Little Gill, was buried 7th February 1880, aged 90, at St John's, Garrigill.
Jane Hodgson married Thomas Bardgett (a miller), 4th quarter 1880, registered at Penrith.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Ann 46, children Stephen 11 and John 4.
In 1891, at High Beldy, Garrigill, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Ann 56, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 21 and John, farmer & carrier, aged 14.
In 1901, at Castle Terrace, West Lane, Penrith, John Hodgson, retired miner, aged 67, his wife Ann 66, son John Joseph, grocers carter, aged 24, and granddaughter, Edith Bardgett, dressmaker, aged 18.
John Hodgson, died 4th quarter 1905, aged 72, registered at Penrith.
Ann Hodgson died 4th quarter 1907, aged 71, registered at Penrith.

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

In Loving Memory
of
STEPHEN HODGSON
of Little Gill
who died 25th March 1848
aged 61 years
Also Elizabeth his widow
who died 5th Feb 1880
aged 91 years
Also Mary Ann their daughter
who died 21st Sept 1868
aged 37 years
Also of their sons Stephen
who died 11th Jan 1881
aged 54 years
and William who died 1st Oct 1897
aged 74 years
They rest from their labours

9th December 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, curate, Mr Thomas Swindle, West Allen, to Miss Ellen Moffat, Alston.
In 1871, at Carrshield, West Allen, Thomas Swindle, Iron stone miner, aged 36, born Allendale, his wife Ellen 32, born Alston, children Mary 6, Thomas 4, and Hannah1.
In 1881, at Turney Shield, West Allen, Thomas Swindle, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ellen 42, children, Mary A 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Hannah 11, Elizabeth 9, Frederick J 6, and Jane 4.
In 1891, at Bridge House, St John's in the Vale, (nr Keswick), Thomas Swindle, coal agent, aged 56, his wife Ellen 52, children, Thomas, 24, (imbecile), Elizabeth 19, Frederick James, carpenters labourer, aged 16, Jane Ellen 14, boarders, John James Craig, lead miner, aged 26, John Joseph Lowe, lead miner, aged 25, and John Rodham, lead miner, aged 23; (boarders all born at Alston).
Frederick James Swindle, married Annie Thomas 27th April 1898, at St John's, in the Vale.
In 1901, at Bridge House, St John's in the Vale, Thomas Swindle, coal merchant, aged 66, sons, Thomas, carter, aged 34, Frederick James, married, railway porter, aged 24, daughter in law Annie 25, and grandson, Thomas Wm Oldfield aged 12.
In 1901, at Sun Street, Ulverston, Harry Oldfield, Railway Guard checker, aged 34, his wife Mary A (Swindle, married 1st quarter 1889) aged 36, children Harry 10, Frederick 8, Mary 6, Helen 4, Cecil 2, Margaret 8 months, and mother in law, Ellen Swindle, married, aged 62.
Thomas Swindle died 24th March 1909, at St John's in the Vale.

In 1911, at Bridge House, St John's in the Vale, Ellen Swindle, widow, aged 72, son Frederick James, widower, railway signalman, aged 36, grandson Thomas Swindle 8, and granddaughter, Hannah Ellen Bragg aged 16.
Ellen Swindle died 2nd quarter 1915, aged 76, registered at Cockermouth.
At Alston Church, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, curate, Mr John Bailey of Alston to Miss Ann Scott of Blagill.
In 1871, at High Spency Croft, Alston, John Bailey, Ag. Lab., aged 37, born Penrith, his wife Ann 40, children, Elizabeth 9, Mary A 6, Sarah 5, and John 1.

20th December 1861 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 19th instant, Mr John Graham, of Nenthall, to Miss Elizabeth Vipond, of Low Park, near Alston.
In 1871, at Nenthall, John Graham, farmer, aged 43, born Stanhope, his wife Elizabeth 34, children, Gilbert Elliot 6, John Joseph 2, Mary Ann 1 month and William Edward 4.
In 1881, at the Black Bull, Alston, John Graham, iron stone miner and Innkeeper, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth, 40, children, Gilbert, farm servant, aged 16, William E 14, John J 11, Mary Ann 10, James 6, and Thomas 4.
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 19th instant, Mr John Peart mining agent, to Miss Elizabeth Bell, of Dryburn, near Alston.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Peart, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Tamer (Stout, married at Garrigill, 29th February 1816) aged 44, children George, lead miner aged 24, Nancey 21, Hannah, dress maker, aged 19, Mary 10, John 8, and grandson William Peart 9 months.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, John Peart, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Tamar 54, children George, lead miner, aged 34, Hannah, dress maker, aged 30, Mary, milliner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, grandsons Wm Peart 10, Thomas Peart 6, and Joseph Peart 5.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate Head, Tamar Peart, widow, aged 65, son George, lead miner, aged 44, daughter, Tamar, house keeper, aged 37, son John, lead mine agent, aged 30, grandsons William Peart, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 16, and Joseph Peart, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1871, at Hundy, Alston. John Peart, agent for lead mines, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, aged 47, mother in law Margaret Bell, aged 70.
In 1881, at Town Head, Alston, John Peart, mining engineer, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth, aged 57, and general servant, Elizabeth Armstrong, aged 17.
Elizabeth Peart died 30th April 1891, John married Margaret Ann Smith, at Darlington, on 6th October 1892; John Peart died 4th quarter of 1913.
See 9th May 189, and 15th October 1892
Deaths
At Bridge End Farm, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Jane wife of Mr Timothy Welsh, miller, aged 58 years.

3rd January 1862 (Durham Chronicle)
MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE.—The quarterly sale of newspapers and periodicals taken into the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room was held on Friday evening last, and the following prices were realised, viz. :—The Times, 5s 8d; the Leeds Mercury, 4s 6d; the Manchester Examiner and Times, 4s 3d; the Newcastle Daily Chronicle, 3s 4d; Illustrated London News,

3s; Carlisle Examiner, 1s 7d; Kendal Mercury, 2s; Durham Chronicle, 1s 7d; Teesdale Mercury, 9d; Chambers' Journal, 10½d; Leisure Hour, 9d ; Sunday at Home, 1s; Christian Treasury, 10½d; Cassell's Family Paper, 1s 3d; St. James' Magazine, 1s; All the Year Round, 10½d; British Controversialist, 7½d; and a number of smaller serials at corresponding prices.

8th January 1862 (Teesdale Mercury)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an Indenture of Conveyance and Assignment bearing date the 17th day of December, 1861, JOHN ELLIOTT, of Middleton-in -Teesdale, in the County of Durham, Clerk in the service of the London Lead Company, has conveyed and assigned unto Joseph MARSDEN. of Middleton-in-Teesdale aforesaid, Druggist and Grocer, and John Walton, of Mickleton, in the County of York, Butcher, all his real and personal estate and effects, upon trust for the equal benefit of such of the creditors of the said John Elliott as shall execute the said deed within two calendar months from the date thereof; and Notice is hereby Given, that the said deed now lies at the house of the said Joseph Marsden, in Middleton-in-Teesdale aforesaid, for the execution of such of the creditors as shall execute the same within the time aforesaid, and all creditors making default will be excluded from the benefit of the said deed.

John Elliott married Ann Gray 1st quarter 1843, registered at Richmond.
In 1851, at Hude Middleton, John Elliott, Clerk to London Lead Co, aged 38, born Allendale, his wife Anne 35, born Hafod, Lincolnshire, children, John Lucius 7, George Wm 5, Henrietta Jane 4, and Robert Gascoigne 2.
In 1861, at Hude Middleton, John Elliott, Agent to the Gov & Co for smelting down lead, aged 48, his wife Anne 47, children, George Wm 15, Henrietta Jane 14, Robert Gascoigne 12, Annie M 9, Emma Gray 7 & Fanny Lynn5.
In 1871, at Ingram Terrace, Quarrington, Lincolnshire, John Elliott, manager of Ancaster stone Works, aged 58, his wife Ann 57, children, Emma G 17 and Fanny L 15.
Ann Elliott died 2nd quarter 1876 aged 62, buried at Sleaford.
In 1881, at Ingram Terrace, Quarrington, Lincolnshire, John Elliott, quarry manager, aged 68, children, Henrietta Jane, lady governess, aged 34, Mary Annie 29, Emma Gray 27, and Fanny Lynn 25. John Elliott died 4th quarter 1884, aged 71, registered at Sleaford.

10th January 1862 (Durham Chronicle)

NENTHEAD READING ROOM.—The members of this institution held their anniversary New Year's Day, when 120 sat down to an excellent supper. The Rev. J. Robinson, incumbent of St. John's, Nenthead, occupied the chair, and Mr John Hyslop the vice chair. After the cloth was removed, the chairman gave a very interesting address on the institution. Several toasts were afterwards given and responded by the vice-chairman and other members of the society. Mr Raisbeck's violin band was attendance, and greatly enlivened the proceedings by playing variety of the popular airs and Mr James Atkinson also sung a number of melodies. After a vote of thanks to the chairman for his services, the meeting separated.

Marriages
At Wolsingham, at the Register Office, 4th inst., Mr Joseph Jackson, of Hawkwell Head, Weardale, to Miss Phoebe Watson, of Harthope Burn, Weardale.
At Stanhope Church, 2nd inst., Mr Thomas Hogarth to Miss Wilhelmina Purvis.—5th, Mr John Halliday to Miss J. Pallister, all of Stanhope.
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Stanhope, Mr Thos. Bowman of High House, Rookhope, to Miss Mary Fairless, of Haswicks, near Westgate.
Deaths
At Boltsburn, Rookhope, 5th inst., Mr Thos. Forster, aged 26.

7th February 1862 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At the Vicarage, Alston, Cumberland, on the 30th ult., aged 55, the Rev. William Nash Snowe, son of the late Major Snowe, of Stonehouse, Plymouth.

13th February 1862 (Newcastle Journal)
The Vicarage of Alston-Moor, with Garrigill, has become vacant by the death of the Rev. W. N. Snowe. The patronage is vested in the Lords the Admiralty as Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital; and they invariably appoint a naval chaplain to the incumbency.

15th February 1862 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Bent House, Allenheads, on the 11th ult., aged 62, Mr Roddam Hutchinson.
At the Spital, near Allendale Town, on the 4th inst., aged 72, Mr James Hutchinson, formerly of Garrigill, near Alston, brother of the above Mr Roddam Hutchinson.
In 1851, at Bent House, Allendale, Rodham Hutchinson (baptised 17th February 1799, at Allendale, son of William and Mary Hutchinson), lead miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth (Coats, married at Allendale, 26th April 1828) 43, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 20, John, labourer, lead mines, aged 17, Roddam, lead ore dresser, aged 15, James lead ore dresser, aged 13, Joseph 7, Hugh 5, and Margaret 1
In 1861, at Bent House, Allendale, Roddam Hutchinson, labourer in lead ore mines, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 53, children, Roddam, lead ore miner, aged 25, Joseph, masons labourer, aged 17, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 15, Margaret 11, and Elizabeth 9.
Elizabeth Hutchinson, died 2nd quarter 1868.

In 1841, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, James Hutchinson, miller, aged 50 (baptised 17th January 1790, at Allendale, son of William and Mary Hutchinson), his wife Isabella (Coats, married at Allendale 28th November 1811) aged 55, sons, William, cartman, aged 20, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, James Hutchinson, miller, aged 61, his wife, Isabella 68, wife's sister, Elizabeth Coats, unmarried, annuitant, aged 75, grand daughter Mary Keenleyside Coats 11.
Isabella Hutchinson, was buried at Garrigill, 18th May 1858, aged 76.
In 1861, at Spittal, John Kenleyside, lead ore smelter, aged 52, his wife Mary 48, children William, stone mason, aged 18, James, stone mason's apprentice, aged 15, Ann 12, Elizabeth 10, Sarah 9, Jane 7, father in law,

James Hutchinson, widow, proprietor of money, aged 71, mother, Mary Kenleyside, widow, proprietor of money, aged 88.

21st February 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
THE SUPPLY OF WATER AT ALSTON.—On Friday, the 8th inst., a meeting of the inhabitants was held in the Town Hall, to take into consideration the very defective state of the water supply, Mr. J. M. Pauli in the chair. The chairman read a report which he had drawn up, setting forth the necessity and uses of a good supply of water, in a local and sanitary point of view, to the inhabitants of the lower part of the town especially. Dr. Arnison moved, and Mr. J. Watson seconded, “That this meeting, having its attention drawn, particularly by the report just read, to the state of the water supply, pledges itself to assist as far as possible in devising means for carrying out the object forming the subject of its consideration." Moved by Mr. Thomas Little, and seconded by Mr. Thomas Ramsay, “That a committee be appointed to enquire more particularly into the existing state of things, and determine proximately the amount of money capable of being raised by subscriptions, &c., and report on that point at a future meeting, to be held within a month from this date." The above resolutions were carried unanimously, and Mr. John Cowper proposed, and Mr. J. Dickinson seconded, “That Messrs. C. Arnison, T. Little, J. Walton, S. Ramsay, and G. Thompson, form the committee to act in accordance with the above resolutions." This was also carried, and the meeting separated.

28th February 1862 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Aukside, near Middleton-in-Teesdale, on the 22nd inst., aged 63, Mr John Robinson, lead miner.
In 1841, at Aukside, John Robinson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Parmley, married 9th May 1822) aged 40, children, Joseph 15, Marg 15, William 10, John 9, Lydia 8, and Sarah 1.
In 1851, at Aukside, John Robinson, R Lead miner, aged 51, his wife, Sarah aged 48, children Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 27, William, lead miner, aged 23, Lydia 18, and Sarah 11.
In 1861, at Aukside, John Robinson, retired lead miner, aged 62, his wife Sarah, aged 59, children Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 37, William, butcher, aged 33, and Sarah, washer woman, aged 21.

Probate 11th June 1862 The Will of John Robinson late of Aukside in the parish of Middleton in Teesdale in the county of Durham Miner deceased who died 22 February 1862 at Aukside aforesaid was proved at Durham by the oaths of Sarah Robinson of Aukside afioresaid widow the relict and Joseph Robinson of the same place lead smelter and William Robinson of the same place butcher the sons the Executors. Effects under £450
Sarah Robinson died 1st quarter 1869, aged 68, at Teesdale.
In 1871, at Aukside, Joseph Robinson, lead ore smelter and farmer of 16 acres, aged 47, his wife Mary (Robinson, married, 3rd qtr 1861 at Teesdale) aged 39, children, Mary A 9, John 7, Sarah 7, Maria 5, Margaret 3, and Thomas W 1. Joseph Robinson died 26th December 1885, at Romaldkirk.
In 1871, at Aukside, William Robinson, butcher, aged 43, and his sister Sarah aged 31.

28th February 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 25th inst., Isabella, wife of Mr Thomas Gill, schoolmaster, aged 42 years.
At Shaw House, near Alston, on the 25th inst., Mr Matthew Clementson, aged 51 years.
In 1861, at Shaw House, Alston, Matthew Clementson, farmer & innkeeper, aged 50, his wife Jane 52, son Matthew, school master, aged 18, and Vipond, pupil teacher aged 15. In 1871, at 63 James Street, Jane Clementson, widow, aged 63, sons, Joseph, commercial clerk, aged 31, and Matthew 28.

9th April 1862 (The Times)
Court of Bankruptcy, Basinghall Street, April 8.
(Before Mr. Commissioner Evans)
In re the Cumberland Black Lead Mining Company (Limited)
This was a winding up petition. The petitioners were Mr Thomas Bell, of Sible Hedingham, near Halstead, surgeon, and Mr N. Lindo, of 47a Moorgate Street. The company was formed in December 1858, and it carried on business until August 1861. The nominal capital was £20,000 in shares of £5 each. 3,356 shares were subscribed for, and the company was now unable to pay its debts. A winding up order was made.

18th April 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr Joseph Walton, of High Skelgill, to Miss Mary Davidson, of Blagill.
In 1861, at High Skelgill, Nicholas Spotswood, lead miner, aged 31, wife Sarah (Walton, married 2nd quarter 1857, at Alston), aged 25, children James 3, Jane 2, boarder Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 22 and boarder Nicholas Walton, lead miner, aged 19. See 3rd January 1891
In 1871, at Blagill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary 29, children, Jonathan 7, Nicholas 4, and Mary 1.
In 1881, at Hamilton St, Westgate, Newcastle, Joseph Walton, gardener, aged 43, his wife Mary 39, children, Nicholas 14, Mary Jane 11, and Annie 8.
In 1891, at Hamilton St, Westgate, Newcastle, Joseph Walton, widower, gardener, aged 53, children, Nicholas, draper, aged 24, Mary Jane 21, and Annie, dressmaker, aged 18.
In 1911, at Stanton St, Elswick, Newcastle, Joseph Walton, widower, retired gardener, aged 73, children, Jonathan, married, draper, aged 47, Mary Jane 41, Annie, draper, aged 38, and granddaughter, Mary Doris Walton 13.
At the Register Office, Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr Isaac Vipond, of Loaning Head, Garrigill, to Miss Ann Vipond of the same place.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Isaac Vipond, lead miner, aged 38, servant, Joseph Skelton, carter, aged 25, and servant, Ann Vipond, domestic servant, aged 25. See 12th July 1890
Deaths
At Wanwood Hill, near Alston, on the 16th inst., Miss Isabel Rain, aged 25 years, much esteemed.
In 1861, at Wanwood Hill, Walton Raine, farmer of 100 acres, aged 20, his sister Isabella aged 24, and servant, John Ridley, carter, aged 21.

29th April 1862 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 19th inst, Mr Matthew Wilkinson, smelter, aged 68 years.
See 4th April 1856 & 24th February 1872
At Nenthead on the 21st Phebe, wife of Mr Matthew Thompson, aged 23 years.
See 12th December 1891
At Nenthead, on the 22nd Mrs Jane Trathen, widow, aged 97 years.
See 1st February 1864

2nd May 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, curate, Mr John Dargue, to Miss Mary Ann Goodfellow, both of Leadgate, near Alston.
In 1861, at Haydon Bridge, John Dargue, lead ore miner, aged 21, brother, Emerson, Ag. labourer, aged 16, brother Abraham 13, brother William 11, sister Jane E 7, and brother, Ephrem 5.
In 1871, at Brownside, Alston, John Dargue, farm labourer, aged 31, born Allendale, his wife Mary Ann 34, born Alston, children, William 6, Sarah Ann 4, and John Emerson 3. In 1881, at West Chevington, Northumberland, John Dargue, coal miner, aged 40, his wife Mary Ann 41, children, William, coal miner, aged 16, Sarah A 14, and John E. 13.
Deaths
At Keswick, on the 28th ult., Mr Jacob Swindle, lead miner, aged 52 years.
Jacob Swindle, baptised at St John, Garrigill 28th October 1813, son of George & Susannah Swindle.
In 1861, ar Shorley Croft, Crosthwaite, Keswicj, Jacob Swindle, lead dresser & washer, aged 51, born Alston, his wife Ann 56, born Alston, children, Susannah 27, John, lead miner, aged 24, William, pencil maker, aged 20, Jane 16, and Alfred 7; all the children born at Keswick.

16th May 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 14th inst., Mrs Mary Shield, widow, advanced in years.
See 8th January 1842
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mary the beloved wife of Mr Wm. Pattinson, printer, aged 38—deeply lamented.
In 1861, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, William Pattinson, printer, aged 37, born Alston, his wife Mary aged 37, born Wolsingham, step daughter, Lizzy Ritson 13, step son Charles Ritson 11, and son, John P Pattinson 2.

28 May 1862 (Teesdale Mercury)
Deaths
At Middleton, on the 22nd inst., Mr Mark Armstrong, lead mine agent, aged 74 years.
Mark Armstrong married Margaret Bowron, 3rd February 1812, at Middleton in Teesdale.

In 1841, at Middleton, Mark Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margret 45, children, George, lead miner, aged 25, Jonathan 10, William 10, Mary 5, and Margret 4.
In 1851, at Middleton, Mark Armstrong, mine agent, aged 63, his wife Margaret (born Cotherston, Yorks) aged 56, daughters, Mary (born Westmorland) aged 18, and Margaret (born Westmorland) aged 15.
In 1861, at Shotley Lane, Middleton, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Margret 36, children, Mark, scholar, aged 15, John George, joiners apprentice, aged 14, Elizabeth 11 Jabez 1, and lodger, Mark Armstrong, widower, retired lead mine agent, aged 73

30th May 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 25th instant, by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, curate, Mr. Robert Lee, innkeeper, to Miss Frances Craig both Alston.
In 1871, at Front Street, Kings Arms, Robert Lee, Innkeeper, aged 47, his wife Frances 34, children, John W 7, Mary E 6, Alfred 5, Beatrice W 4, and niece, Mary Ann Walton, domestic servant, aged 18.
Frances Lee died 1st qtr., 1879, aged 42, at Alston.
Robert Lee, innkeeper died 7th March 1903, at Alston.
At Alston Church, on the 27th, by the Rev. T. H. Thompson, Mr. Nicholas Brown, inspector of police, Wigton, to Mary, second daughter of Mr. John Walton, watchmaker, Alston.

6th June 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Blagill Head, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Mrs Hannah Catton, aged 70 years.
In 1861, at Blagill Burn Head, Hannah Catton (nee Walton, married Joseph Catton, 23rd January 1813), widow, farming 376 acres, employing 1 man, aged 69, grandson, Joseph Catton 13, granddaughter, Fanny A 11, grandson, John Catton 9, servant, John Ayer, shepherd, aged 20, and servant, Margaret Watson, dairy maid aged 15.
At Lowbyer, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Judith, wife of Mr John Atkinson, aged 60 years.
In 1861, at Lowbyer, Alston, John Atkinson, woodman, aged 65, his wife Judith 59 (nee Stephenson, married 15th January 1829), children, Mary A., dressmaker, aged 29, Hannah 19, John, woodman, aged 17, and granddaughter, Harriet Atkinson, aged 2.
John Atkinson of Lowbyer, died 1st May 1876, at Lowbyer.
At Keswick, on the 28th ult., Ann, eldest daughter of the late Mr Joseph Banks, of the Greta Pencil Works, aged 30 years.
In 1851, at Main Street, Keswick, Joseph Banks, Black lead pencil manufacturer, employing 42 men, 17 boys, and 4 girls, aged 44, his wife A 39, U son, pencil mill clerk, aged 20, daughters Ann 19, D H 16, L H 10, A P 8, son, J H 6, and daughter E G 3.
Joseph Banks died 2nd June 1860, at Keswick.

In Memory Of
Joseph Banks Pencil Manufacturer
Keswick who died June 2nd 1860 in the
53rd Year Of His Age
Also Of Ann His Wife Who Died August 16th
1871, Aged 60 Years.
Elizabeth The Daughter Of Joseph & Ann
Banks
Of Keswick Who Died Octr 24th 1837, Aged
1 Year.
Also Of Sarah Pearson Their Daughter
Who Died Jan 22nd 1839, Aged 5 Years.
Also Of Mary Their Daughter Who Died
In Infancy March 20th 1839.
Also Of Amy Their Daughter Who Died
May 23rd 1859 Aged 2 Years And 9 Months.
Also Of Alfred Kidd, Grandson Of
The Above Joseph & Ann Banks Who Died
Septr 19th 1859, Aged 15 Weeks.
Also Of Ann Their Daughter Who
Died May 28th 1862 Aged 30 Years.
Also Of Dinah Hetherington Cochran
their Daughter died Sept 20th 1862 aged 27
years
And Was Interred At ? Near Glasgow
Also Of William Their Son Who
Died August 18th 1873 Aged 43 Years
Also Of Helen Adamson Kidd
Their Daughter Who Died ?
1879 Aged 41 Years

13th June 1862 (Newcastle Journal)

RIVER TYNE COMMISSION

The usual monthly meeting of the River Tyne Commissioners was held yesterday, in the Boardroom. Mr. Cowen (chairman of the Commission) once more presided, and was warmly congratulated by his colleagues.

THE POLICE, BALLAST, AND MOORINGS COMMITTEE.

This committee reported relative to the memorial of the Pelaw Main Colliery owner, as to the speed of the river steamboats, that it; had been arranged that the harbour master should issue a handbill. Inspector Dowson reported that he, on the 2nd inst., proceeded on a visit of inspection to Allendale. He passed through the lead works of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., M.P., and found a large quantity of ashes and other refuse from the works put into the river Allen, which in done by being brought in wheel barrows and sent over the bank side; and on the occasion of storms and land floods, the waters flow amongst it, and carry it down to the river Tyne. He also saw a wire screen at the works placed over a runner of water Rowing into the Allen; and that screen was used for the purpose of separating the ash dust from cinders. This had been done by the order of Mr. Thomas Steel, chief agent at the mills. At Allenheads he saw a large quantity of lead refuse and sand mixed, lying in the river Allen, which passes through the works at that point, and the bed of which is paved with stones about 300 yards below the works. He saw a man and a boy washing lead ore. After separating the lead from the sand and refuse, the boy wheeled the sand and refuse in a barrow and tilted it into the river. That was done by

the authority of Mr. Bewicke. The distance of this part of the Allen from its juncture with the Tyne was about four miles. The committee recommended that a representation of these facts should be made to Mr. Sopwith, Mr Beaumont's chief agent.
Mr. Clayton said he was sure Mr. Beaumont would do everything that was necessary.

17th June 1862 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, lately, by the Re. Mr Brown, Mr Isaac Holmes, miner, to Miss *(Hannah)* Hall, both of Garrigill.
In 1861, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Elizabeth Holmes, widow, farmer of 28 acres, aged 62, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 29 (See 30th May 1868), George, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary Craig, domestic servant, aged 36, granddaughter Hannah Holmes, aged 14 (buried at Garrigill, 24th May 1866, aged 19), and grandson, William Craig, aged 11.
Hannah Holmes was buried 28th May 1868, at St John Garrigill, aged 40.
See 18th December 1841
Deaths
At the Raise, near Alston, on the 10th inst., Mr Joseph Johnson, late of the Turk's Head Inn, Alston, aged 69 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Johnson, innkeeper, aged 58, born Castle Carrock, his wife Elizabeth, 54, born Castle Carrock, daughter Sarah 23, born Alston, sister in law, Mary Lawson, widow, annuitant, aged 71, and nephew Isaac Walton, carpenters apprentice, aged 17, born Farlam.
In 1861, at Raise, Alston, Joseph Johnson, Ag. Labourer, aged 68, and his wife Elizabeth 64.

27th June 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
6th CUMBERLAND (ALSTON) RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.
This Corps was inspected Colonel Wake on Friday afternoon last. The members mustered at the drill ground at 3 o'clock, and after having been proved and formed up at open order the Colonel was received with presented arms and inspected the Company. After having marched past in quick time Captain Dickinson took the command, and the corps was put through several movements as a centre company of an imaginary battalion, a system of drill of which the Colonel highly approved, and also through some light infantry drill. At its conclusion the Colonel addressed the members of the Company, and expressed in decided terms his pleasure at the very unexpected and efficient manner in which the Company had drilled, especially alluding to their silence in the ranks, dressing, &c. He complimented the drill instructor on his system of drill, and impressed on the members the necessity of attending regularly at drill, preparatory to the forthcoming Review at Carlisle, where the corps will appear in scarlet, the future uniform of the battalion. Three cheers having been given for the Queen, and three for Colonel Wake, the men were marched to headquarters and dismissed. The muster roll contains the names of upwards 70 members, of whom 46 appeared at the inspection.

11th July 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr John Kindred, aged 49 years.
In 1861, at Butts, Elizabeth Kindred, Ag. Labourers widow, aged 72, and son John Kindred, Lemonade manufacturer, aged 48.
At Slaggyford, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mr John Greave, aged 64 years, many years carrier between Carlisle and Alston,—much respected.

18th July 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 15th inst., By the Rev G. Monkhouse, Mr W. Bell, eldest son of the late Mr James Bell of Dryburn, to Ada, eldest daughter of Mr Joseph Watson, yeoman, of High Rotherhope.
In 1871, at Dryburn, Garrigill, William Bell, farmer of 45 acres, aged 45, and his wife Ada 36. See 3rd August 1833, 21st May 1869, 19th December 1865, 14th May 1870, & 13th December 1870
At Alston Church, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. Mr Bailey, Mr Thomas Lee, draper, of Alston, to Miss Ruth Spark, Nenthall, near Alston.

25th July 1862 (Durham Chronicle)
Married
At St John's Chapel, Weardale, 16th inst., by the Rev. Jas Green, assisted by the Rev Robert Maughan, Mr James Tear Dixon, of Alston, Cumberland, to Miss Mary Ann Lee, of Newhouse, Weardale. *James T Dixon, tailor*.

1st August 1862 (Durham Chronicle)
Durham Summer Assizes
CIVIL SIDE, WEDNESDAY, JULY 30.
(Before Mr Justice MELLOR]
THE QUEEN v. THE INHABITANTS OF STANHOPE.
Mr JAMES. Q.C., and Mr Davison for the prosecution; Mr Sergt. Atkinson and Mr Overend, Q.C., for the defendants. Mr Davison opened the pleadings. Mr James, in opening the case, said this was an indictment against the inhabitants of the parish of Stanhope; and charged them with the non-repair of a highway. There was a turnpike road called the Lobley Hill Road, leading into and towards a certain common highway in the parish of Stanhope. In common law all public highways were repairable by the parish in which they were situate. There was no doubt in the world that the road in question was in the parish of Stanhope, and if he proved that the road existed, the inhabitants of Durham would no doubt be bound to repair it. The real question for the jury to determine would be whether or not there was a road in existence. The road which had been indicated commences from the turnpike road called the Lobley Hill Road, and which extends in a direction from Stanhope to Wolsingham, through Frosterley, and from Frosterley the road continued over the Wear by a bridge, and then came on to a place tailed Bolyhope Common. The road passed along the common and on to Bollyhope smelting mills. It then passed along the road until it came to a place called Shaftwell Head, and there it joined another highway which was indisputably a highway. The indicted road extends from Bollyhope smelting mills to Shaftwell Head, and then joined the higher road

leading from Stanhope to Barnard castle and Middleton in Teesdale. Mr James then observed that he did not think it necessary to go at great length into a matter of this description, because it was entirely a matter of fact, but be would prove that so far back as living memory extends, this road had been used commonly for carts and carriages by her Majesty's subjects, whenever they pleased to use it. —A number of witnesses were called on the part of the plaintiff to prove that this was a high road, and had been for many years. Witnesses were being examined when the Court rose until Thursday.

CIVIL SIDE, THURSDAY, JULY 31.
THE QUEEN v. THE INHABITANTS OF STANHOPE.

The hearing of this case was resumed by continuing the evidence for the plaintiffs. The case occupied nearly the whole of the day. The proofs adduced on the part of the plaintiffs having been closed. Mr OVEREND addressed the jury for the defence at considerable length. —A great number of witnesses were then called to prove that the road in question was not a public road —The jury, after consulting for about ten minutes, found a verdict for the defendants. —Mr Bainbridge, of Alston, was solicitor for plaintiff; Mr Hutchinson, of Stanhope, for the defendants.

1st August 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths

At Alston, on the 25th ult,, suddenly, Miss. Elizabeth Dawson, aged 48 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Dawson, grocer, aged 39, his wife Jane 38, born Acomb, (nee Laws, married 1st qtr. 1849, registered at Hexham) and daughter Ann 1.
Jane Dawson, died 3rd qtr., 1857, registered at Alston.
Joseph Dawson married Mary Ann Pattinson, 22nd February 1859, at Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Dowson, grocer, aged 49, his wife Mary Ann 29, children, Annie 11, John 7, Mary Jane 1, and sister Elizabeth Dawson, house maid, aged 47.
In 1871, at Front Street, Joseph Dawson, grocer, aged 59, his wife Mary A. 39, children, Annie 21, Mary J 11, Sarah E. 9, and Margaret P. 6.
In 1881, Mathen St., Elswick, William Thompson, Engine fitter, aged 51, his wife Sarah 52, children, Alfred, engine fitter, aged 26, William, hairdresser, aged 24, Thomas 16, Joseph 10, brother in law, Joseph Dawson, grocer & game dealer, aged 69, and sister in law Mary A. Dawson aged 49.
Joseph Dawson, died 3rd November 1887, aged 76, at Alston.

At White House, Clarghyll, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Ralph, son of the late Jackson Wanlass, aged 21 years. *See 31st December 1842*

At Lowbyer, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Margaret, wife of Mr. William Hudspith, aged 31 years.
In 1861, at Loaning Foot, Alston, William Hudspith, husbandman, aged 30, born Hexham, his wife Margaret (Wanlas, married 10th June 1854, at Alston) aged 30, born Alston, children, Sarah 6, Robert 4, Ann 1, and house servant, Ann Kelly 19.
See 31st December 1842

At Nentsbury, on the 23rd inst., Margaret, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Carr, Nentsbury, Alston, aged 16-years,—deeply lamented.
See 10th June 1864

15th August 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 9th inst., Mr Joseph Hind, butcher, Nenthead, to Miss Agnes Dixon, of Alston.
Listed as a Smelter in 1851, 1861, & 1871 census. See 29th October 1858, & 26th September 1868
At Alston Church, on the 9th inst., Mr Thompson Spark, joiner, of Birkenhead, late of Alston, to Miss Ruth Dixon, of Alston.

10th September 1862 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE
On Tuesday last, the London Lead Company, with that liberality which forms so prominent a feature in their character, gave the scholars and teachers of their workmen's children of the various schools in the Teesdale district, a treat to an excellent dish of tea. The afternoon bore a threatening aspect, large dark clouds forming themselves in rapid succession, as if about to burst upon the interesting spectacle below. Precisely at 4 o'clock, the scholars assembled at the Old School Room, marched in front of Middleton House, down Hude, and passed the Rose and Crown Inn to the Lead Company's School-room. Having reached the building, the girls entered, whilst the boys proceeded to the Old School again. About 840 scholars, and 60 teachers and waiters sat down, and the sight was one which never was witnessed before in this locality. It was a most pleasing spectacle to see so large a number of the rising generation all met together, and decked out in their best; and not the least amusing part of the scene was the justice done to the provisions set before them, and to listen to the curious remarks passed from one little fellow to another. The Band of the 12th Durham Rifles was stationed outside the building, and performed with their accustomed ability, a selection of fashionable music. There was a large assemblage of spectators, and the scene was one in which every person present appeared to be interested. The deputation from the Company's Court of Directors were present on their annual visit, and evinced as keen an interest in the proceedings as any that were present. The whole affair throughout was conducted in a most satisfactory manner, and was an event long to be remembered by all who witnessed it. We reserve a description of the New School for a future occasion.

16th September 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
CRICKET
ALLANHEAD V. NENTHEAD.
The above clubs have played two matches this season—the first came off at Allanheads *(sic)*, on Friday, the 27th June, when the Nenthead club won easily; the second match came off at Nenthead on Saturday, September 6th, when the Nenthead club again came off victorious. The day was one of unclouded sunshine, and a beautiful flag fluttered in the breeze, on which was inscribed that appropriate motto "Let there be harmony." The Nenthead Brass Bind enlivened the game by playing at intervals in beautiful style. The members and friends, to the number of about fifty, sat down to an excellent dinner, provided by Mr. Jos. Blacklock, in his usual excellent style. The evening was agreeably spent, the band dispensing sweet and appropriate music. Songs, toasts, and sentiments followed in due course, and the

uninterrupted good-will that has so long existed between these clubs seemed more strongly cemented.

19th September 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD.—This place was visited this week by the deputation of the London Lead Company, who treat all their workmen's children who attend the different schools in the district, and all the Sunday school teachers, with an excellent tea. Last year this noble and generous Company gave all their workmen's wives tea, and the year before all their workmen, numbering nearly 800, an excellent dinner, and this year they have not overlooked their children. The teachers and scholars all met at the Nenthead School-room, on Friday last, and marched in procession, headed by the Nenthead brass band, to the District House and back. The day was fine, and the roads thickly lined with spectators to see all the children marching in such good order, and so well trained by their excellent master, Mr. Hyslop, and each class attended by their Sunday school teacher. Upwards of 600 sat down to an excellent tea, served up by the three innkeepers of the village, viz., Mr. Blacklock, Mrs. Moffat, and Mrs. Shields, who all did their utmost to excel each other in the richest pastry and the best furnished table. After doing justice to the good things provided, the band played the National Anthem, and the company dispersed, highly gratified.

26th September 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr William Fulton, aged 59 years.
William Fultan born 14th February 1803, 1st son of John Fultan, Alston, hairdresser, native of Hexham, and his wife Elizabeth daughter of William Watson.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, William Fulton, lead miner, aged 48, and his wife Elizabeth 48.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, William Fulton, barber, aged 58, and his wife Elizabeth 57. William Fulton, died 2nd qtr., 1870, aged 67, at Alston.

21st November 1862 (Newcastle Courant)
CASHWELL LEAD MINE.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,
At the Half Moon Inn, Bigg Market, Newcastle upon Tyne, on Tuesday, the 2nd of December, 1862,
THIRTEEN 1-64th SHARES in the above well known MINE, situated on Crossfell, near Alston, Cumberland.
The Agent, Mr John Peart, Town Head, Alston, will give every Facility to inspect the Mine, as well as the whole of the Machinery, to any Parties desirous of becoming Purchasers.
The Sale to take place punctually at One o'clock, Newcastle upon Tyne, Nov. 21, 1862.

21st November 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Greenside Mines, Patterdale, on the 8th inst., awfully sudden, Mr Teasdale McIntosh, miner, Brigham, near Keswick.

Teasdale Mackintosh, married Margaret Wilson, 29th June 1826, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Sandgate, Penrith, Teasdale Mackintosh, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Margaret 30, children, Margaret 11, Mary 5, and Charles 2.
In 1851, at Underskiddaw, Crosthwaite, near Keswick, Teasdale Mackintosh, lead miner, aged 44, born Alston, his wife Margaret, aged 44, born Alston, children, Charles 11, Wilson 9, Alice 6, James 2, and granddaughter, Marg Ann Mackintosh 2.
In 1861, at Brighamfold, Crosthwaite, Teasdale MacIntosh, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Margaret 54, children, Margaret Spencer, married aged 31, Charles, lead miner, aged 22, Wilson, lead miner, aged 19, James, lead miner, aged 12, granddaughters, Margaret Ann 12, and Hannah Spencer aged 5.
In 1871, at Kings Head Yard, Keswick, Margaret Mackintosh, miners widow, aged 64, daughter, Margaret Spencer, married, charwoman, aged 42, granddaughters, Margaret Mackintosh, servant, aged 22, Esther M Spencer 6, Margaret A Mackintosh 8 months, and Samuel Nicholson, nurse child, aged 3.
Margaret Mackintosh, died 1st quarter 1873, aged 66, registered, at Cockermouth.
See 12th November 1861.

30th December 1862 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Castlenook, near Alston, on the 22nd inst., Miss Lucy Lee, aged 90 years.
In 1851, at Kirkhaugh, Lucy Lee, unmarried, grocer, aged78, and sons, john, landed proprietor, aged 54, and William, late tallow chandler aged 51.
In 1861, at Kirkhaugh, Lucy Lee, widow, retired grocer, aged 88, and sons, john, retired chandler aged 64, and William, retired chandler aged 61.

3rd January 1863 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Red Brow, Garrigill, near Alston on the 26th ult., aged 69, much respected, Mr Thomas Cain, many years, agent to the London Company's Lead mines.
Thomas Cain (son of John and Mary Cain, born 7th January 1796) married Frances Proud 23rd November 1826, at Alston.
Children: —
Edward born 13th September 1827,
Mary born 29th March 1829,
Thomas born 14th August 1830,
Ann born 14th March 1834,
Frances born 5th August 1836.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Cain, lead mine agent, aged 45, his wife Frances (Proud, married at Alston, 23rd November 1826) aged 40, children Mary 12, Ann 7, and Frances 4.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Thomas Cain, lead mine agent, aged 57, his wife Frances aged 52, children, Mary 22, Anne 17, and Fanny 14.
In 1861, at Red Brow, Garrigill, Thomas Cain, lead mine agent, aged 67, wife Frances 62, daughter Frances, house maid, aged 24, niece Mary Proud 11, servant Mary A Stephenson, aged 22.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
THOMAS CAIN
OF RED BROW, GARRIGILL
WHO DIED DECEMBER 26TH 1862
AGED 69 YEARS.
ALSO OF FRANCES HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JAN14 1862,
AGED 63 YEARS.
AND OF
ANNIE THEIR DAUGHTER
WIFE OF
THOMAS DAVIDSON
WHO DIED AUG 28TH 1862
AGED 28 YEARS.

THEY SLEEP IN JESUS

3rd January 1863 (Carlisle Patriot)
Fatal Accident.—On Friday last, whilst a young man named Roger Kean, aged 17 years, was passing the cog wheel of the crushing machine at the Green Side mines, his foot slipped, and was caught the wheel, from which he could not be rescued in less than an hour, and, the expiration of that time, his leg was drawn in completely mangled. He was removed to the Union Workhouse, Eamont Bridge, where his leg was amputated. The poor fellow lingered till Monday, and then expired.

16th January 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Black House, near Alston, on the 9th inst., Mary, wife of Mr Jacob Stobbart aged 36 years.
Jacob Stobbart of Black House, near Alston married Mary Heslop 26th January 1862, at Alston.
At Nenthead, on the 10th inst., William Byers, son of Mr. S. Carson, surgeon, aged 6 years and 11 months.
In 1841, at New Town, Middleton in Teesdale, William Byers, surgeon, aged 55, and Stewart Carson, surgeon, aged 31.
Stewart Carson married Margaret Sherlock, 25th June 1845, at Middleton in Teesdale.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Stewart Carson, general practitioner R.C.S. Ed, aged 42, born Scotland, his wife Margaret aged 31, born Middleton, children, Mary Margaret 4, Mark Sherlock 3, and Jane Stewart 1.

In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Stewart Carson, general practitioner R.C.S. Ed, aged 52, his wife Margaret aged 41, children, Mary M 14, Mark S 13, Jane S 11, Sarah 9, John P 7, William B 5, and Stewart 3.
In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, Alston, Stewart Carson, general practitioner L.R.C.S. Ed, aged 62, his wife Margaret aged 51, children, Mary M 24, Jane S 21, Sarah 19, John P 17, Stewart 13, Elizabeth L 9, and William B 7.
In 1881, at Salvin Lodge, Alston, Stewart Carson, general practitioner L.R.C.S. Ed, aged 72, his wife Margaret aged 61, children, Mary M 34, Jane S 31, Sarah 29, Stewart, student at Edinburgh Univ, aged 23, Elizabeth L 19, and William B 17.
Margaret Carson aged 65, died 2nd quarter 1885, at Alston.
Stewart Carson aged 79, died 1st quarter 1888, at Alston
In 1891, at Salvin Lodge, Alston, Stewart Carson, medical general practitioner, aged 33, sister, Mary M 44, brother, Mark S, merchant & commission agent, aged 43, sister, Jane S 41, and sister Elizabeth F 29.

23rd January 1863 (Durham Chronicle)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE NEAR STANHOPE. —
An inquest was held at the house of Joseph Askew, publican, Crawleyside, near Stanhope, on the body of John Collinson, a lead miner, who had been killed by a quantity of stone and lead ore falling upon him whilst working in the Cornish Hush Lead Mine, on the 14th instant. A man named Bainbridge and deceased ware working together, and about two minutes before the stone fell Bainbridge had retired about five feet from where they were working to smoke his pipe, when the stone fell upon poor Collinson. The stone was removed off him in a short time, but he was quite dead. Verdict, accidental death.
John Collinson, of Crawleyside, aged 26, buried at Stanhope, 17th January 1863.

10th February 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
On the 12th ult., Hannah Crosby, infant daughter of Mr Jonathan Walton, Donks Villa, Nenthead, aged 5 weeks.
See 8th January 1870, 10th December 1881, 25th February 1888

13th February 1863 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Mansfield Street, on the 9th inst., aged 60, Ann, relict of Mr George Bainbridge Dixon, of Ludwell, Stanhope, Weardale.

14th March 1863 (Newcastle Journal)
THE LATE JACOB WALTON, ESQ., ALSTON.
With sincere regret we announce the death of this deeply lamented gentleman. The melancholy event took place at his residence, Green Ends, near Alston, on the 2nd inst., in the 54th year of his age. Extensively engaged in mining operations, both as a proprietor and practical engineer, Jacob Walton was well known and highly respected throughout the mining districts of the northern counties. By his varied intelligence urbanity of manners, and

honorable conduct, he had gathered around him a numerous band of sincere and attached friends, who deeply deplore his death.

Jacob and Phoebe Walton, family memorial Alston Cemetery

In the locality where he lived, he had secured the goodwill of all classes, and his removal is regarded as a public loss.

His remains were committed to their last resting place, in the New Cemetery, Alston, on the 6th, in the presence of a numerous company of sincere mourners; and, in order to testify the utmost respect for his memory, all the shops in the town were closed on the occasion

Jacob was the son of Jacob and Mary Walton, baptised at Redwing Chapel on 25th April 1809, his father was an enterprising lead miner and businessman who had a number of valuable mining leases namely Brownlee Hill. He married Phoebe Pears on 22nd December 1836; they had 8 children, Mary, John Pears (See 25th September 1875), Jane (See 12th July 1865), Phoebe (See 23rd December 1876), Frances (See 12th July 1865), Margaret (See 15th September 1868), Sarah (See 7th March 1874) and Jacob. Like is father he

was an excellent businessman and developed the families' interest in lead mining taking many profitable leases and having shares in many mines not least Fallowfield mine.
The Family history is described in depth in the book by Alastair Robertson "The Walton Family, A Lead Mining Dynasty of The Northern Pennines" published 2004.
See 14th May 1836, 13th June 1840, and 23rd November 1864.

17th March 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 7th inst., Mr Wm. Robson, of Midgeholme, to Miss Ann Barnes, of Garrigill, near Alston.
In 1871, at Shanters Cottages, Lambley & Asholme, William Robson, colliery banksman, aged 31, his wife Ann 31, children, Mary 7, and Isabella 3.
Deaths
At Greenends near Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr John Pears, aged 71 years.
In 1851, at Greenends, Emerson Pears, lead miner, aged 44, born Hexham, his daughter Mary 21, born Hexham, and visitor, John Pears, retired lead miner, aged 55, born Hexham.
In 1861, at Greenends, Alston, John Pears, unmarried, landed proprietor, aged 69. Also at Greenends, Emerson Pears, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Hannah 45, stepdaughter, Ann Percival 24, and son, John Curry Pears aged 1.

25 April 1863 (Kendal Mercury)
Deaths
At Green Ends, *(Nenthead)* on the 6th inst., Mrs Isabella Brown, aged 86
See 28th September 1872
At Nenthead, on the 13th inst., Mrs Joanna Erwine, aged 62 years.
John Erwin married Joanna Bowman 1st May 1828, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841 at Welgill, Nenthead, John Erwin, lead mine, aged 35, his wife Joanna aged 38, children, Mary 11, John 6, and William 3.
John Erwin (Irwin) of Low Dykeheads, was buried at Nenthead, 24th December 1850, aged 44.
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Joanna Erwine, widow, lead ore washer, Relief, aged 49, children, Mary 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, and William, lead ore washer aged 13.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Joanna Erwine, lead miners widow, aged 61, daughter Mary 29, and son John, lead miner, aged 25.
At Nenthead, on the 14th inst., Mrs Jane Havelock, aged 73 years.
In 1841, Low Hill Top Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Jane 52, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, Mary 20, Smith 20, Jane 15, Ridley 15, Thomas 13, and Betsy 10.
In 1851, at Low Hill Top, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Jane, 61, children, Ridley, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Betsy 20, and granddaughter, Jane Hutchinson, 8.
William Havelock aged 61, of Hill Top, was buried at Nenthead, 16th July 1851.
In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Jane Havelock, lead miners widow, aged 71, son Ridley, lead miner, aged 37, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, and daughter Elizabeth 30. See 14th August 1875, 22nd April 1882

18th May 1863 (Carlisle Journal)

Nenthead.—An inquest was held on Thursday last at Nentsbury, upon the body of John Bell, a lad 14 years of age, who met with an accident on the previous Tuesday which resulted in death. The unfortunate lad while engaged there on the day in question, fell between the rollers of the Dow Gang Leadmine Crushing Mill, at Nenthead. One of his legs was torn off below the knee, and amputation of the limb at the thigh joint was deemed necessary, but the lad did not survive the accident more than five hours. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

In 1851, at Hayring, Nenthead, William Bell, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary (Faucet, married 11th June 1825?) aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 11, Ann B 8, John 2, and lodger John Low, lead miner, aged 22.

In 1861, at Cloghall, Nenthead, Mary Bell, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons, William lead miner, aged 30, and John lead miner, aged 12.

In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Nenthead, Thomas Fairless, lead miner, aged 23, born Stanhope, his wife Mary 21, and daughter Sarah Bell Fairless, aged 2.

In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Mary Fairless, widow, char woman, aged 31, children Sarah 12, John 9, Mary Ann 7, and brother William Bell, lead miner, aged 40.

Thomas Fairless died 1st quarter of 1865; Mary Bell died 1st quarter 1869.

19th May 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mrs Elizabeth Scott, widow, aged 78 years.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, James Scott, tea dealer, aged 53, born Dumfries, and his wife Elizabeth Scott, (nee Atkinson, married 16th October 1825, at Alston) aged 62, born Alston.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Atkinson, widower, saddler, aged 47, children, Elizabeth, pupil teacher, aged 17, John W. 12, Jane 10, and mother, Elizabeth Scot, widow, formerly grocer, aged 73.

At Cocklake, near Alston, on the 12th inst., Mrs Hannah Snowdon, wife of Mr Robert Snowdon, aged 31 years.

In 1861, at Cocklake, Alston, Robert Snowdon, farmer of about 90 acres of land, aged 31, his wife Hannah (Nee Broadwood, married 8th July 1858, at Alston) aged 29, and servant, Jane Hutchinson, aged 19.

At Snappergill, Garrigill, on the 13th inst., Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr Robert Shield, farmer, aged 11 years.

22nd May 1863 (Newcastle Courant)

Marriages

At Newcastle, at St John's Church, on the 14th inst., Mr Matthew Marshall, tallow chandler, to Jane fourth daughter of the late Mr William Armstrong, mining agent, Alston. *In 1841, at Shield Hill, Alston, Jane Armstrong (William Armstrong married Jane Shaw, 7th November 1829, at Alston, William died 2nd quarter of 1840), farmer aged 30, daughters, Mary 10, Catherine 7, Maria 4, and Jane 2.*

In 1851, at Shield Hill, Jane Armstrong, widow, annuitant from mine, aged 44, and daughter Jane aged 12.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Emerson Cowper, mineralogist, and lead ore agent, aged 54, his wife Tamar, aged 52, son John, lead ore agents clerk, and niece Jane Armstrong, shareholder in a lead mine, aged 22.
In 1871, at Westgate, Newcastle, Matthew Marshall, tallow chandler, aged 34, and his wife Jane aged 33.

26th May 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
In the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. G. Fulton, Mr Isaac Armstrong, Ashgill, miner, to Miss Margaret Bell, of Lanehead, Garrigill.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Albany Bell, lead miner, aged 26, brother, John, lead miner, aged 24, and sister Margaret aged 19. See 26th March 1867.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Isaac Armstrong, widower, lead miner, aged 52, children, Christopher, lead miner, aged 28, Sarah 18, William, lead miner, aged 15, Isaac, lead miner aged 12, Elizabeth 9, and John 7.
In 1871, at Pasture Houses, Garrigill, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Margaret 29, and son Albany 6.
In 1881, at Church Street, North Bedburn, Durham, Isaac Armstrong, coal miner, aged 42, his wife Margaret 39, and lodger, John Emmerson, general labourer, aged 25.
In 1891, at Church Street, North Bedburn, Durham, Isaac Armstrong, coal miner, aged 52, and his wife Margaret 49.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 62, and his wife Margaret 59.
In 1911, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Isaac Armstrong, ex-lead and coal miner, aged 72, and his wife Margaret 69.
Margaret Armstrong died 3rd qtr., 1917, aged 76, at Alston.
Isaac Armstrong of Gate Head, died 24th June 1919.
Deaths
At Skides, Garrigill, on the 20th inst., Mrs Elizabeth Lancaster, aged 82 years.
Elizabeth Hudspith married John Lancaster, 12th December 1807, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John Lancaster was buried 7th August 1825, aged 48, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Lancaster, widow, aged 69, and son Philip, lead miner, aged 39.
In 1861, at Low Skydes, Alston, Elizabeth Lancaster, widow, farmer, aged 77, son Phillip, lead miner, aged 46, and daughter, Rebecca, house maid, aged 39.

12th June 1863 (Newcastle Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES.—On Thursday morning, about eight o'clock, a serious and fatal accident occurred at the Derwent Mines, near Blanchland, by which two men lost their lives. In the 80 fathom level, about 15 fathoms north of "Taylors Shaft," four men were employed in plate laying, and while two of them, named respectively John Nattrass, of Stanhope, and George James, of Shildon, were in the act of carrying plate, a piece of timber, over which they were passing, and which formed part of the platform, or, what is termed in mining phrase, a " bunning," broke, and the

unfortunate men were precipitated to the depth of six fathoms, falling in contact with the mouth of a hopper. The most speedy exertions to reach them were made by their companions, but ere relief could be afforded both were quite dead. From their external appearance death must have been instantaneous. The bodies were afterwards removed to the Pressure, where an inquest was held on Saturday, be fore Mr Favell, coroner, at which it appeared that the fall of the timber had resulted from its being injured about five feet from its end. This was supposed to have been produced by the effects of "shots" in a part of the mine. A verdict of accidental death was consequently returned. Nattrass was 53 years of age, and although he resided at Stanhope, had been employed at the Derwent Mines about 40 years. He has left a wife and five children to lament their loss. James was an unmarried man, only 29 years of age, the chief support of his widowed mother.
John Nattrass aged 54, was buried at St Thomas, Stanhope, 7th June 1863.
In 1851, at Blanchland, William James, lead ore miner, aged 59, his wife Susannah 52, children, John, lead ore miner, aged 26, Thomasin 25, William, lead ore miner, 21, Ann 19, George, lead ore miner 17, and Mary 13.
William James died 4th quarter 1855, registered at Hexham.
In 1861, at Shildon, Blanchland, Susanna James, widow of lead ore miner, aged 62, sons, William, lead ore miner, aged 32, and George lead ore miner, aged 27.

3rd July 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 30th ult., Thomas, eldest son of Mr John Dryden, aged 21 years—deeply regretted.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Dryden, widower, Ironmonger & sub postmaster, aged 65, children, Jane , fathers assistant, aged 25, Thomas, fathers assistant, aged 19, John 14, and house servant, Isabella Pearson aged 35. See 13th March 1869.

7th July 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
ALSTON.
PIC-NIC TO CROSSFELL.— On Tuesday last between 40 and 50 ladies and gentlemen from Alston, Nenthead, and Garrigill, a held pic-nic on that immense and beautiful mountain, which is twenty miles in circumference at the base, and rising to the height of 2,901 feet above the level of the sea. The day being exceedingly fine added greatly to the enjoyment of all parties, but more especially to those desirous of minutely contemplating the works of nature in that beautiful panorama which was on this occasion set before them. After having partaken of a splendid lunch at the "Gentleman's Well," the party ascended to the summit, where they dispersed in groups to enjoy themselves after their own fashion, some making botanical and mineral researches, others enjoying themselves in innocent games, whilst some sat down on the slope of the hill to view the plain beneath, whose utmost boundaries no naked eye can penetrate, whose beauties no tongue can describe. Here gulfs yawn and precipices threaten, beyond, the high hills dance in the reflecting waves of the Solway, and the calm lake Ullswater gently washes the distant shore: whilst afar off may be seen the lofty Helvellyn and Skiddaw rearing their august

heads. As the evening was last waning and the sun began to tinge the far horizon, the pleasure-seekers began to return to the well, where they in groups partook of an excellent tea, and where the ladies very justly received great credit for the substantial manner in which they served up the refreshments of the day. Three cheers having been given, the party wended their way down to the different mining shops where conveyances awaited them, all evidently highly delighted with the day's enjoyment.

21st August 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Glenridding, Patterdale, recently, Mrs Millican wife of Mr Joseph Millican, band master, aged 43 years.
Elizabeth Millican died at Patterdale 2nd August 1863.
Joseph Millican married Mary Tuer 12th November 1864, at Patterdale; this was Mary's 2nd marriage Mary Arnison married William Tuer 2nd quarter 1854, registered at Penrith, William Tuer died 2nd quarter 1855, registered at West Ward, Westmorland.
In 1871, at New Bridge Cottage, St Johns in the Vale, Keswick, Joseph Millican, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 37, children, Edwin 17, Eliza 14, Robinson 11, Charles 5, Elizabeth 4, Arnison 2, and Emma 3 weeks.
In 1881, at Bisks Rd, Cleator Moor, Joseph Millican, iron ore miner, aged 63, his wife Mary 47, children Edward, iron ore miner, aged 25, Robert, engine fitter, aged 21, Charles, miners labourer, aged 16, Elizabeth, housework, aged 14, Arnsion 12, Mark 7, Thomas 4, and Hannah 9 weeks.
Possible death, 4th quarter 1884, registered at Whitehaven.
In 1891, at 10 James Street, Cleator Moor, Mary Millican, widow, aged 56, sons, Mark, iron miner, aged 16, Thomas 14, and Sarah Stainton 2.

Hannah Millican married John Richardson 14th December 1833, at Patterdale.
In 1841, at Forge, Church Coniston, John Richardson, copper miner, aged 30, his wife Hanah 25, children, Thomas 6, John 5, Mary 2, and Mark 2 weeks.
In 1851, at Farrend, Church Coniston, John Richardson, copper miner, aged 43, born Hilton, Westmorland, his wife Hannah 38, children Thomas, copper miner, aged 16, John, copper miner, aged 15, Mary 12, Mark 9, Sarah 7, Wesley 4, and Hannah 1.
Hannah Richardson died 1st quarter 1852, registered at Ulverston.
In 1861, at Farrend, Church Coniston, John Richardson, copper miner, aged 53, his wife Margaret 46, children, Mark, iron miner, aged 19, Wesley, copper dresser, aged 14, Hannah 11, and Edward 7.

Wesley Millican emigrated to Australia, http://www.theshipslist.com/ gives the following information: The ship "Eastern Empire" arrived from London 7th March via Plymouth 16th March arrived at Port Adelaide, South Australia 20th June 1864. On board Wesley Millican aged 34 miner from Lancashire, his wife Jane 34, children Hannah 2, Elizabeth 1 and Mary infant.
The South Australian Register of 26th August 1891, recorded the death on the 24th August at Kapunda, Jane the beloved wife of Wesley Millican aged 62 years.
Wesley Millican died 24th March 1909, aged 80.
The Advertiser (Adelaide) 25th March 1909, reported, "The friends of the late Mr Wesley Millican are respectfully informed that his funeral will leave the

Kapunda Railway station on arrival of the 2 pm train, Thursday for the Clare road Cemetery."

The Kapunda Herald of 26th March 1909, reported

"Yesterday afternoon the remains of the late Mr. Wesley Millican were brought to Kapunda from Tickera, Y.P., for burial. He had been residing with his eldest daughter (Mrs. J. Rothwell). Mr. Millican was a very old resident of Kapunda, having started work in the Kapunda copper mine in 1854 and continued until it closed in 1878. Subsequently at various times he worked on the property as a tributer. He was a member of the Kapunda Town Council for a term, representing East Ward. A few years ago he removed from Kapunda for the purpose of residing with one or other of his children. The deceased joined the Sir John Franklin Lodge of Oddfellows, M.U., in 1864, by clearance from the Pride of Westmoreland Lodge, M.U. (England). He was in his 81st year at the time of his death. The remains were interred in the Clare-road Cemetery."

25th August 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

PATTERDALE. Accident at Greenside Mines. —John Atkinson, of Matterdale, a workman at these mines, was lately seriously injured by the explosion of shot. Soon after the accident it was found necessary to amputate two fingers. One hand is completely shattered and one eye blinded. The sight of the other eye it is expected he will regain. He still lies in precarious condition.

4th September 1863 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

DESCRIPTIVE SKETCH OF THE MINE AND TOWN OF ALLENHEADS

THE members of the British Association having availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting Mr. W. B. Beaumont's extensive Lead mines at Allenheads, it may interest the readers of the Chronicle to-day to learn something of that interesting a remarkable district. Having visited it, I have been requested by the Editor of this Journal to furnish such an account as may serve to illustrate the observations of the visitors of yesterday. …

However, the wonders of Allenheads lie in the mines below. To see these, it is necessary to put on the miners' attire. Cottered up in a pair of trousers intended to fit Sir John Falstaff; with a waistcoat and jacket worn by somebody narrow enough to have given Mordan his idea of a pencil case, and surmounted by a broad brimmed hat with a great hole in the front, probably to let the water trickle through, you are equipped for the undertaking. The descent, which is ninety-two fathoms to the Blackett level, is an unusual sensation to the stranger; it is like descending into a grave, a desperately deep and uncomfortable one too. To look into it, makes your head-dizzy. You looked down and down into the iron bound chasm, until your eye is met by a cloud of floating vapour, through which you have to pass; and the utmost reach of vision is not a tenth of the depth you have to penetrate. The prospect is as when you lean over the water and look upon the clouds reflected in it until you feel as though you were about to fall into the eternity of bottomless sky below. You step into a wet square box of iron, taka a candle stuck in wet clay, which yon think is hardly enough to light you, to tumble out of which you feel every prospect Mr Curry—the most careful of conductors steps over you,

and he standing there, you begin to descend. Squatting down in the box, being well advised to keep your headstall, and your hands well within your adopted coffin, the water drops upon you with subterranean freedom. You wonder why; the chains do not break, and precipitate you to the bottom. It is true they never have broken, but they might, and you have no doubt that they will take that occasion of doing it, you descend and descend, the iron grooves rattle, the water splashes, and new sensations so entirely possess you, that the world you have left, seems a dim dream of a past existence. You suddenly see a man standing in a dark cavity, holding a candle in his hand, in the most unconcerned way imaginable. This is one of the inhabitants of the underground world, whose cool undisturbed matter of fact presence is reassuring. Before you are aware that you have cessed descending, you are asked to step out, which rather alarms you at first; you don't see how the thing is to be done, next; you are aware that the shaft descends much deeper down, and you expect nothing less than to tumble over in the attempt to land. When you are helped out you discover a horse and a chubby-faced boy of 18 or 14 waiting to drive you into the interior. You are invited to sit in a hopper-shaped waggon, which has no seat, into which you sink by gravity and rest by percussion. In fact, you are shaken and condensed until you fit the place. Your carriage reminds you of those cages of the old tyrants, in which the person enclosed could neither sit, nor stand, nor lie. Mr Curry easily adjusts himself by art and habit, and sits right opposite to you, holding his candle between his knees. Your best course is to observe his immobile position, for immediately
Chubby-face gives the horse a lash, and away you are dragged up a narrow granite-looking channel a mile and three-quarters in length. The horse's feet splash in the water, and the iron wheels rattle along the dubious way. At every point the jutting crags appear to block the passage. The least you expect is that your ears will be scraped off by the ugly projections, and you are afraid to and you are afraid to turn up your eyes lest the lashes should be abraded by the crags ever head. It is a consolation to look Into Mr Curry's quiet face and see that his head remains still upon his shoulders. Ever and anon the channel turns off almost at right angles, and you see when this is going to happen from Chubby-face’s sly leer as he strains himself to get a sight of you over Mr Curry’s shoulder, well knowing that he is going to give you a tremendous jolt, the effect off which he evidently enjoys. Suddenly you pass by a gloomy cavity in which stand a row of miners, who are waiting for you to pass. As they stand up with their long, naked, muscular arms and beetling bonnets, each with his candle in his hand—they look like a row of illuminated saints, such as occupy the niches of the old cathedrals. After a time you get out and wade up to your ankles in water, dodging the tramway for a resting place, holding by the wet rocks to prevent your taking a subterranean bath at full length. At last you find yourself at the end which turns out to be a small hole in a limestone rock whom the miners are burrowing with candles in a cloud of powder smoke, and banging like blacksmiths at a long chisel with which they, are boring preparatory to blasting.
As you contemplate the length of way you have come and the depth you are below the earth, a sense of oppression comes over you. The whole superincumbent weight of the world seems to lie upon you, and to be about to crush you. You gladly retrace your steps, when you come upon another wider and gloomier passage, when you learn that far far below you, as far as you

have descended, lie other subterranean excavations, another colony of men performing the same operations, but your eagerness to join them has considerably decreased. In an angle of the darkness your attention it drawn to a ladder, which stands over a chasm and rests precariously against a hole above. You know it is a hole, for a glimmering light assures you of it. When you have climbed up not without trepidation—-for your knees are always in the way, and the steps feel nowhere, you find yourself in another long channel of the great Henry vein. As far as the eye can see, candles glimmer and blasting operations resound, and the smoke, like a thick grey cloud, gives you a sense of suffocation. You arrive at a heap of stones, which nearly touch the roof, over which you climb in a stooping posture, and slip down into a deeper pit and a denser cloud. On you travel to other heaps, over which you climb in a similar way. You feel all return hopeless, and see only a choice between being crushed to death and suffocated. But on your way your glimmering candle reveals to you the wondrous miracles of the mine. You are face to face with the elementary facts of geology. You are in the very heart of the limestone. The pure lead-ore, which has slept there for millions of years, shines upon you from roof and sides with its virgin brightness, and you lay your hands upon it with a sense of wonder, gladness—and suffocation. The far end terminates in another hole, where the miners are perforating, pecking, and blasting their way along the veins, sinking after it below, or pursuing it above, as the indications of the ore seem to warrant them. ‘The whole earth is honeycombed so extensively, and the stranger is so bewildered by the labyrinth of nameless roads, that if the British Association were turned in without a guide, they would be found wandering about there when that renewed body next returns to Newcastle in 1888. Of course the miner feels none of the sensations which a stranger experiences, it is very absurd to feel consternation in conditions of well-known safety: but then you do not know that they are safe: everybody is absurd in new circumstances, with the conditions and security of which they are unacquainted. Mr Martin at the Burtree Pasture Mine, relates that a sea-captain who went down the mine in his father’s days, a valiant man who had cut his way through many a line- of-battle ship, was seized with terror at being in the mine during blasting, which so shakes the whole place that the hour spoken of in Revelations, when the rocks shall fall, seemed to him to have arrived. On retracing your steps back to the level you come upon a wide and gloomy staircase of prodigious watery and slippery steps, which winds in a spiral way to the upper ground. Up these interminable gloomy, dripping, corridors, blacker and more mysterious than those of Udolpho, the men can find their way to the upper world; and the horses go up and down alone. The stranger is glad to return by the swifter way of the shaft. You want the legs of Jack the Giant Killer to mount those far extending muddy steps, in a darkness which like that of Egypt can be felt, and where your chances are of meeting on your cavernous way a horse or two “with a mission." You think it well on the whole to decline that mode of exit.

The pursuit of mining is in its very nature speculative, both to proprietor and to the working miner. In searching for coal at Merton Winning, as much as £300,000 was spent before the coal was reached which the speculators were in search of. But the working lead miner has a more speculative trade than the cool miner. Three or four lead miners contract to execute a certain space or quantity of ore at so much per bing. These contracts extend to 6 or 12 months,

according to the custom of the mine, and the viewer who lets and the miner who takes compete with each other in judgment as to its value; and, according to the knowledge of the miner, it may prove a good or a bad speculation for him. If the vein turns out well, he may doable or even treble his ordinary earnings. His work is reckoned and his profits estimated every 6 months at Allenheads, when he receives the whole of what is due upon his contract. But, as working miners have no capital and must live, they are allowed a certain sum of money weekly, which is called “subsistence money.” Before Mr Sopwith's time as chief agent of Mr Beaumont's mines in Northumberland and Durham, this sum was 7s 6d. a week. On Mr Sopwith's advice it was increased to 10s. This was an important improvement, as it is paid if the miner’s earnings should fall below it. Of course, when the day comes to estimate the contracts, some are found to be fortunate and others the reverse, and instead of having additional money, they are in debt in proportion to the money overdrawn. When Mr Beaumont came into possession of his property, he found his men were owing in this way £1,100, which he very generously cancelled. It must have been a noble satisfaction to have been the author of the gladness, which diffused itself throughout the mines, and moors of Northumberland and Durham when that gift became known to the men and their families. At that time the new Chief agent proposed a plan for the diminution of any further arrears that might arise, so shrewd and considerate that it is entitled to very great praise both for the plan and the spirit of it. Indeed, it has an air of Communism about it. It is the application of that principle of solidarity that only very sanguine Frenchmen have ever ventured to advocate. Indeed, there were not six men in the British Parliament at that time, and there are not twelve men now, who would believe in its realization. It was no other than this, that each man whose earnings exceeded 15s. a week should give 10 per cent, of the excess of his earnings over that sum for the benefit of his less successful comrades. Thus the man who earned 15s 10d a week would subscribe one penny, he who earned 25s. would give one shilling, and in consideration of this Mr Beaumont would remit one half the arrears which might be incurred by the men, which whether it was equivalent to the half or not was to be accepted as such, and the unsuccessful miner who was £4 in arrear would only have to pay £2. Of course, when the earnings were better, half the amount of debt would be covered by 5 per cent. and the tenth would not be called for. In Weardale, when the mines yield well 3 per cent is sufficient. These men unanimously accepted this novel arrangement thus equalising the condition of their comrades and establishing an interest in each others success.

4th September 1863 (Newcastle Journal)

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.
EXCURSION TO ALLEN HEADS.

By far the most interesting and—in spite of the bad weather —the most successful event of the present meeting of the British Association was the excursion which, yesterday took place to Allenheads, the center of the great W. B. Lead Mining District, the highest Village in England, and the capital of a little kingdom, the history and geography of which is hardly so much known to the general world as that of many an island in the South Seas, The excursion took place at the invitation of Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq., M.P., the

proprietor of the W.B. Lead Mines, and so to speak, the monarch of the territory in which they are situated. Through his generous liberality it was arranged that any members or associates of the British Association who might desire to inspect one of the most interesting and least known districts of the North of England should be permitted freely to do so, and should, moreover, be entertained by him during their necessarily brief stay in his dominions. In accordance with this invitation, some two hundred ladies and gentlemen left the Central Station, at seven o'clock yesterday morning, for Haydon Bridge—the nearest point at which the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway line approaches to Allenheads. The morning, though somewhat dull, was nevertheless tolerably promising, and the excursionists—who were accompanied by Thomas Sopwith, Esq., F.R.S., the able and estimable chief agent of Mr. Beaumont—left the town in high spirits; the prospect of enjoyment which lay before them being doubtless rendered doubly acceptable by the remembrance of, the dry routine work of the previous week. It is needless here to enlarge upon the beauties of the country through which they passed between Newcastle and Haydon Bridge. The vale of the Tyne showed to more than its usual advantage in the early morning light, and now and then, as the mists rolled away from the hills to the right and left of the train, a prospect was afforded, the loveliness of which must have gone far to dissipate any disagreeable impression our scientific visitors may have formed of the North of England from the singularly unfavorable circumstances under which they have seen Newcastle. Haydon Bridge was quickly reached, and here the whole party left the railway and took to the road. Ample accommodation, in the shape of numerous omnibuses, drags, and vehicles of sundry other descriptions, was provided for them, so that it was not long before all were seated behind stout and willing steeds, and ready for tire start *en route* to Allenheads, some sixteen miles to the south. There were many, doubtless, who, with appetites sharpened by the cool morning air would have preferred a temporary rest under the hospitable roof of mine host of the Anchor, but time would not permit, and the long procession was therefore immediately started amid the cheers of the people of Haydon Bridge, who had turned out in great force to witness a now illustration of “The Journey of the Magi."

The road from this point to Allenheads is one of rare and striking beauty. From the moment it leaves Haydon Bridge it begins to rise, and, passing over fell after fell, attains at length at Allenheads a height of some 1,400 feet above the level of the sea. Yesterday it was seen to full advantage during the early part of the journey, but unfortunately before the excursionists had proceeded far the clouds began to gather on the hill-tops, and the rain—which we believe falls at Allenheads about 250 days in the year—began to fall in a steady and determined manner that gave but little hope of a fine day. In spite of this drawback, however, the scene presented to the party was not one that will be easily forgotten. For a short distance, after leaving Haydon Bridge, the road skirted the edge of a slight eminence above a little “beck,” half concealed by the luxuriant foliage which adorned its banks; from thence it turned away to the right, and entered wilder scenes. First the grey and ivy-crowned ruins of Langley Castle —associated in every mind with bye-gone scenes of border life, and a less peaceful invasion than that which was then being carried out, were passed, and shortly afterwards visible tokens were given of the proximity of the great mineral wealth with which the district abounds, by the appearance

of the grimy and smoke-engendering works of Langley Smelt Mill. Here the members of the association received their first visible welcome, for Mr. Dinning, the lessee of the mill, had, in honour of their visit, raised on his chief building, in happy combination, the standards of Mr. Beaumont and the Greenwich Hospital Commissioners. Here, too, the dwellers by the roadside were gathered in front of their habitations to witness the passing of the excursionists—a spectacle which, in a country so little known, and so seldom visited, seemed to excite no small wonder and interest. From this point, the country through which our route lay became wilder and more attractive at every step. The fields of wheat and barley became scarcer and scarcer, until at length they altogether disappeared, and were replaced by scantily covered meadows huge stretches of black peat land, or moors enpurpled with the blooming heather. The rich foliage of the trees which grow on Tyneside gave place to dark green masses of the mountain ash, the larch, the pine, the fir, and other trees, which we commonly associate with regions much further from our own doors than that through which we were passing. But what the scene lost in cultivated softness, it gained in wild and picturesque beauty. As we were carried further and further on towards our destination, almost before we were aware, we found ourselves enclosed in a vast amphitheater of hills—the "fells" of Northumberland—which rise one above the other in barren but impressive grandeur till they were hidden in the dense mists and lowering clouds. Now and then the barrenness of the immediately adjacent scenery was relieved by the sudden opening up of some fir-covered gorge, which, if not so extensive, bore all the characteristics of the wild beauty of similar regions in Norway or Switzerland. At length Catton—a plain little hamlet of stone-built houses—was passed, and then the road approached the river Allen, which flowed in a small and sullen stream at a great distance below our feet. After winding along its banks for some distance, the long train of carriages was stopped, for Allen Mill, the chief lead smelting mill connected with Mr. Beaumont's works was reached, and party of the excursionists who were desirous of inspecting it proceeded to do so. Here they saw the process by which the rough ore extracted from the mines is converted into pigs of lead, and they also had an opportunity of witnessing the manner in which a still more precious metal—silver—is extracted from the lead by the beautiful and well-known process of the late Hugh Lee Pattinson. The remainder of the party, who were not impressed with the necessity of visiting the smoky range of buildings in the hollow beneath them, went on to Allendale Town—a large though by no means picturesque village, containing many substantial houses, and comfortable dwellings for the humbler classes—where, at the King's Head, an excellent breakfast was awaiting them- Their long mountain ride enabled them all to do full justice to the hospitality of Mr. and Lady Margaret Beaumont, and it was some time before this, the first section of the party, were ready to leave the table. Before they did so, however, Mr. T. J. Bewicke, the chief resident engineer at the W. B. mines, announced that 'those who wished to enter the mines in actual work must at once proceed to Allenheads seven miles further —where dresses and every other convenience were provided for them; whilst those who did not care to undergo the fatigue and discomfort necessarily attendant upon a descent into the bowels of the earth might enter the Blackett Level at the point where it was entered from the hill-side, and see

in it the process by which the great galleries necessary in lead mines are excavated.

And here we may shortly pause and give some account of the extent of the W. B. Mines, and the means by which they are worked. The mines of Allenheads, Coalcleugh, and Weardale, have been wrought almost from time immemorial. The document relating to their earlier history have, unfortunately, in the lapse of time, been destroyed; but we believe that, from the year 1720, there is an accurate account of every fathom of working that has been driven, and every bing of ore that has been raised. They are now, and for long have been, the largest lead mines in the world, mined by a single proprietor. Our readers will, doubtless, be amazed when we tell them that the extent of Mr. Beaumont's mineral territory alone is somewhere about 140 square miles. The amount of lead annually raised from this rich metalliferous district varies from nine to ten thousand tons, and the; number of persons in Mr. Beaumont's employment—men and boys—is now between 2,500 and 2,600. The responsibilities attending the possession of such incalculable wealth as is represented by these works, and the exercise of the power necessarily attendant-upon it is, doubtless, great; but, happily, in the hands of the family with whom that wealth and power have so long remained, there has been no abuse of either, and, at the present moment, there is no prospect of any change, save for the better, taking place. Some idea of the care Mr. Beaumont exercises over the mining population who, directly or indirectly, are employed by him, may be gathered from the fact that there are in the district eight admirably conducted schools, nearly all built entirely by Mr. Beaumont, in which the children of all his workpeople may be educated; four first-class reading rooms; three benefit societies, which, from their peculiar constitution and wonderful success, may well be considered model societies; and a rifle corps (the 7th Northumberland) entirely equipped at the expense of Mr. Beaumont. The religious welfare of the people is not less completely provided for by numerous churches and chapels which find in the lord of this vast territory a warm and liberal supporter; nor must we omit to mention that, in these works of benevolence and patriotism, as well as in more scientific labours', Mr, Beaumont finds a constant assistant in the chief agent, Mr Sopwith, in Mr. Bewicke, the resident engineer, and in every officer in his employment.

To return, however, to matters more intimately connected with the working of the mines, we may premise that, in those at present worked, there are miles of drifts and galleries almost innumerable, and shafts which may literally be counted by the hundred. In addition to all these mines, is a great work already alluded to, which deserves more special mention. That is the Blackett level, a great gallery commenced about the year 1855, and which it is intended to drive, in a straight line, for a distance of seven miles from Allendale Town to Allenheads. This tunnel, or gallery, is entered on a level with the surface at Allendale Town, and is already driven a considerable distance in from the hill side. At four other points on the line, viz., Breckonhill, Sipton, Holmes Linn, and Studdon Dene, shafts have been sunk to the level of the gallery, and, from the bottom of these shafts men are at present, and have been for years, actively engaged in driving in either direction to meet each other. When they do so, and when the whole level is completed, it will undoubtedly be one of the greatest works in the world, for it will then be a tunnel of the enormous length of seven miles, entering the hill-side level with the surface at one end, and at

the other terminate about one hundred fathoms below the surface. Our readers will not unnaturally inquire the reason for undertaking this prodigious work, and incurring the immense expenditure, which it will inevitably entail. The answer is short and clear enough. It is known, or at any rate confidently believed, from the strata of the district through which the gallery is cut, that lead abounds in it, awaiting only the bold and enterprising efforts of man to be brought to the surface, and turned to good account. Already, in the comparatively small extent to which the level has been completed, several veins, and indications of veins, of lead have been met with; but it is one peculiarity of this mineral district, that the lead is only to be worked to a profit when it is met with in the Great Limestone formation, and the work of driving the level is therefore continued until a vein is met with in or under the Great Limestone. When such a vein is encountered, the trouble and outlay that has already taken place in this great undertaking will be more than repaid, and Mr. Beaumont and his eminent scientific advisers will find their anticipations fully realised.

And now as to the motive power by which all the great machinery necessary in these vast works, —both in the mines at present working, and in those which are yet to be rendered productive—is enabled to perform its duty. It will astonish our readers not a little when we tell them that steam power is in no instance used in connection with the mines, that in fact steam engines have long since been disused as antiquated, expensive, and inappropriate. Nowhere in the kingdom could a more striking and practical example of what Sir William Armstrong means by the economy of fuel be found than in the W.R Mines. It may not be generally known that in that district from fifty to seventy inches of rain fall in the year, being more than double the average fall of the Eastern Counties of England, and higher, we believe, than in any other part of the country. Yesterday, in fact, when the rain fell almost incessantly, the weather was only in its normal condition. Unpleasant as this tremendous fall of ruin may be in many respects, or in other districts, it is not quarrelled with at Allenheads. There the water which falls from Heaven upon, the great ridges of ling-clad mountains is every drop of value, and by that skilful application of science to practical purposes, of which we last week heard so much, it is made to supply the place of coal, and by providing a power equal to that obtained from our great combustible mineral, to save an enormous consumption of that precious and rapidly-disappearing material. Sir William Armstrong, in the course of his long and active life, has achieved many great things, but we doubt if he has accomplished anything greater than the triumph of mind over matter, which, in conjunction with his friend Mr. Sopwith, he has achieved at Allenheads. Some twelve years ago, when the hydraulic power, which he was the first to discover, was yet in its infancy, he was employed to supply all Mr. Beaumont’s mines with that power in place of steam. He has now in the Allendale district erected hydraulic engines at six spots above and two under ground. We do not profess to be able to give our readers a full and correct description of the scientific details connected with these engines, but as briefly ah possible we will endeavour to render their mode of working clear. At various points upon the hills surrounding Allenheads, and in the midst of which the Blackett Level runs, great reservoirs have been constructed, in which the water, so bountifully provided by nature, is stored. From these sources, as well as from the river Allen, it is led to the different spots where it

is required, and there it is made to turn water wheels of immense size, and of the best possible construction. These wheels, in turning, work force pumps, which force the water into what is called the accumulator, that accumulator being a cylinder, containing water, which is pressed upon by a very great weight, which acts upon the water with a pressure exactly the name as though the water in the accumulator was the lower part of a column of water 1,400 feet in height. In the engines underground, they have, from their position, the advantage of a head of water of about 180 feet, and these engines are worked with that head of water by the natural pressure of the column. When they come to the surface, however, they have not the advantage of accumulating the water in an actual column, as they can only gain a height sufficient to turn the wheels. These wheels, however, in their turn, by means of the ingenious application of the accumulator, exercise, as we have said before a force equal to a column of water of 1,400 feet. It is by means of these remarkable contrivances of real genius that the power which nature supplies free of cost, and to an unlimited extent, in the “everlasting hill’s” of Allendale, is made to take the place of the costly power obtained from coal, and to do everything that steam can do. We are aware how imperfect our description of the working of these engines necessarily is, and we will only add to what we have already said respecting them that they are employed for pumping, winding, and performing all the other operations in connection with the mine; that not one penny is paid directly for the enormous power they exert, and that during all the years they have been in use they have not cost more than a few pounds for repairs. Such an exemplification of the varied uses of hydraulic power must, we think, when it becomes generally known, lead to the more extensive use of that power wherever it is available.

We have now, however, after this long, but not, we trust, uninteresting digression, to take up our party of excursionists where we left them, at the inn at Allendale Town. Those who desired to view the mines actually in work were conveyed, directly after breakfast, to Allenheads, where, under the guidance of several of Mr. Beaumont’s agents, they entered the mines, and penetrated to the Workings. Not having accompanied this party, we cannot speak as to the sights which awaited them in the dark recesses of the ancient mines they visited; but, judging from the pleasure they expressed when they returned to the surface, we imagine they must have been greatly gratified by their journey underground. Another party, and a much smaller one, proceeded to the Adit Level, or north opening of the Blackett Level, where it enters the hill side, and, having donned suitable garments—which, though useful, and perhaps picturesque, could by no stretch of fancy be considered ornamental—were wheeled on waggons specially prepared for their use along a smooth and well laid railway to the further end of the tunnel. They were accompanied by Mr. J. C. Cain, the chief underground agent of the mines, who explained to them all that they could wish to know. We cannot omit to notice the remarkable ease with which this portion of the works was visited. No more inconvenience was experienced by the excursionists than if they had been passing through an ordinary tunnel in an express train.

Having returned to “bank,” this portion of the party again entered their conveyances and proceeded along the road toward* Allenheads The scenery of this portion of the journey presented, in a still more striking degree, all the features of wild and majestic beauty already noticed. On every side the great

fells, purple with the delicious bloom of the heather, bathed, and in some cases half concealed, in watery mists, and chequered with occasional patches of larch or fir, rose up sometimes to a height of more than twenty-two hundred feet, whilst far below the road the peaceful Allen—intercepted at every minute or two for same industrial purpose—pursued its way to the Tyne. Here, too, traces of the peculiar habits of the people inhabiting this district became visible. Quiet and unaccustomed to the visits of any large body of strangers, they viewed with wonder and some amusement—caused, doubtless, by the eccentric conduct of not a few of the philosophers—the invasion of their lonely territory by such an army. The huge stacks of peat, too, which everywhere were piled against the houses, showed that it was not in motive power alone that cost was economised. Want of space forbids our dwelling upon the scenes which were thus presented to the travellers, or we might here tell tales of the great fells which would astonish those who yesterday saw them in their summer garb, when in the almost arctic winter which visits this unknown nook of Old England, those very fells are covered to the depth of many feet with snow, hapless wayfarers, struggling over them, have missed track, and have wandered further and further away from their proper route, until at length, wearied with fruitless efforts to regain the buried road, they have lain down on the pitiless fell-side and died, or perchance, if Providence were kind, been rescued by the strenuous exertions their friends and neighbours. We may, however, be permitted to say that long before such a weapon as the Armstrong ordnance had been heard by the general world, these very hills resounded to the sharp report of Sir William’s rifled cannon, and that amongst the guns, thus tried and proved in the district was that which stands in the exhibition at the Central Exchange News Room.

At Sipton, one of the shafts connected with the Blackett level, and some three miles from Allenheads, the party stopped and proceeded to inspect the hydraulic machinery, erected there by Sir Wm. Armstrong, That gentleman was himself present, and proceeded, in the must patient and painstaking manner, to explain the different portions of the machinery. We have already' given a general notion as to the manner in which it is worked, but we can give the reader no idea of the admirable way in which it performs all the duties that could possibly be required of it. Sipton once left behind, the scattered, but pleasant, little village of Allenheads was not long in being reached. Everybody, on getting out and looking around in the midst of the pitiless rain, which was falling heavily, recalled to mind the fact that they were now 1,400 feet above the level of the sea, and in the highest inhabited, village in England, and there was something so peculiar about the place—it had such an out-of-the-world, but, withal, a most comfortable and respectable appearance—that, at the first look, it struck one as being exactly what might have been expected. Everything about the place was trim and neat to the last degree. The very lead-washing and crushing works, and the workshops connected with the mines were as carefully kept as many a gentleman's house, whilst nothing could be more neat and pleasing than the appearance of the handsome range of offices, or of the school house in which Mr. Fisher presides so admirably. A warm welcome awaited the visitors here. The large and handsome newsroom was thrown open for their reception, and round the blazing fire here burning, and which, in the temperature of Allenheads, was anything but unacceptable, coals and shoes were dried, and preparations made for further investigations.

The ladies or the party were accommodated in the very handsome hall, where they received every mark of hospitality from their distinguished hosts, Mr. and Lady Margaret Beaumont, The gentlemen then proceeded in a body to inspect the works for the preparation of the lead ore, by washing, crushing, &c., preparatory to its being smelted in the adjacent mills. Here, as everywhere else, the whole of the machinery is worked by hydraulic power, and innumerable contrivances are introduced for facilitating the task of preparing the ore. The whole of the various stages were lucidly explained by Mr. Bewicke. On returning to the offices, Mr. Sopwith and Sir Win. Armstrong went over the plans of the mines, and drew attention to many interesting circumstances, which would otherwise have escaped the notice even of the most observant. Some little time was spent in this manner, and at three o'clock precisely the whole party adjourned to the large water-proof marquee, of admirable construction, which had been erected in the grounds adjoining the hall. Here a repast of the most sumptuous description had been laid out. The guests were received by Mr. and Lady Margaret Beaumont, and every possible attention was paid to their comfort, both by their entertainers and the various gentlemen connected with the management of the mines who were present.

Dinner being over,

Mr. Beaumont proposed “The Health of the Queen," which was drunk with all the honours.

Mr. Beaumont then said: Ladies and gentlemen, —Time is short, I am sorry to say; I will, therefore, not detain you long; but I cannot allow you to depart without bidding you, in the name of Lady Margaret Beaumont and myself, all the welcome, and ail the hospitality which it is possible words can convey. (Great cheering.) I regret, indeed, that the only element against which we could not contend, viz., the weather, has not been favourable to us. I fear that it must have deprived many of the interest and pleasure which they would have had had they been able carefully to have inspected the works around them. I will now, gentlemen, only propose the health, success, and prosperity, of the British Association. (Loud cheers.) I believe it is the first time in the history of that association that it has ever paid a visit in such high altitudes. I believe we are now 1,400 feet above the level of the sea. (Cheers.) I trust that it may not be the last time that many of you may come to see this district. (Great cheering-) You have only had an opportunity to-day of just seeing the country. I am aware that there are many scientific men amongst you who will take great interest in all the machinery, which my excellent friend Sir William Armstrong has placed here.

(Loud Cheers.) I can only assure you, in the name of my agents and myself, that we shall be willing at all times to afford every facility to gentleman who wish to take real interest in all they see, and to the best of our power to explain it. (Loud cheers.) But, gentlemen, you have seen what science can do for this district. That has been illustrated in the works, which have been constructed by Sir William Armstrong. (Cheers.) I feel, therefore, that I cannot do better than connect his name with this toast. (Cheers.) I beg to propose to you “Health, success, and prosperity to the British Association, and to its president, Sir William Armstrong.”

The toast was drunk with “three times three,” the band playing "The Keel Row.”

Sir Wm. Armstrong said: The British Association and its President have so often been toasted during the past week that I feel quite at a loss to have anything new to say, if anything could have inspired new ideas, it would have been the enthusiastic reception which you nave given to my friends toast. As it is, I can only say, with all my heart, “Thank you.” (Loud Cheers.) I will, therefore, turn to another subject. I would remind you that we are indebted to Mr. Beaumont and to Lady Margaret Beaumont—(great cheering)— for what would have been the ‘most brilliant — transcendently the most brilliant— excursion of the British Association, but for causes over which we had no control; but, as it is, gentlemen, I am quite sure it stands rivalled by none. (Cheers.) To those who dwell in cities as I do, and us most of you do, to come into the open country, and into such a country as this, where both art and nature present so much to instruct, it is the highest possible treat, if you have all enjoyed yourselves, in spite of the weather, as much as I have done, you have enjoyed yourselves very greatly. (Cheers.) I beg to propose the "Health of Lady Margaret Beaumont, of Mr. Beaumont, and of Master Wentworth Blackett Canning Beaumont.”

The toast was drunk with " three times three,” the band playing “The White Cockade.”

The Chairman, in responding, and: Ladies and gentlemen, — We thank you, indeed, most sincerely, for the very kind way in which you have received our health’s. I think that I cannot do better than imitate Sir William Armstrong’s brevity; but I trust on the occasion as brevity is the soul of wit, so on this occasion I use brevity because no words can convey to you the feelings of Lady Margaret Beaumont and myself with respect to the reception you have given us. (Cheers.) Yon have been pleased to drink the health of that young gentleman there (Master Beaumont). He is not himself able in words to thank you, but I trust the day will come when, another quarter of a century having parsed and the British Association being again at Newcastle, he will be in a position to return thanks for his mother, and to do so in language, if not more sincere, yet certainly more able than that which I use. (Cheers.) We beg again to thank you all from the very bottom of our hearts. (Cheers.)

Capt. Beaumont proposed the next toast, "The health of Mr. Thomas Sopwith, F.R.S.” In doing so he said “Before separating, I shall beg you to drink the health must cordially of a person who is well known amongst you. I, myself, have not had the advantage of long residence in this country, nor am I at all, beyond my own connections, known in this part of the land; and, therefore, I can only speak of the qualities of that person whose health I am about, to propose, by hearsay. But I can do so with confidence, for it is upon hearsay of the strongest and most trustworthy kind. I beg to call upon you to drink “The Health of Mr. Sopwith.” (Great cheering.) Those cheers, ladies and gentlemen, show me how truthful was my idea, when I thought that the toast I was about to propose would be acceptable to you. Mr. Sopwith. I believe I am right in saying—and my opinion is confirmed by those capable of forming a judgment—holds the very highest position, in point of talent and scientific acquirement, of any person—I will bar hardly anybody—in this part of the country. (Cheers.) I believe that Mr. Sopwith, as I am sure, it was his intention, has given every explanation, on the part of my cousin, to you which it was in his power to give. I ask you to drink the most cordial health of Mr. Sopwith, who has been, I believe, a great friend of my family.

The toast was drunk with three times three, the band playing “The Old English Gentleman."
Mr. Sopwith, in responding, said: I beg to thank you most sincerely for the kind compliment you have been pleased to bestow upon me, by drinking my good health. I assure you that it is on honour which is altogether unexpected, but which, I will say, is very grateful to me. For it has been my greatest happiness, during many long years, to have had the management of these extensive mining concerns belonging to Mr. Beaumont, and I will here take the opportunity of saying, as I am addressing gentlemen from all parts of the kingdom, that I can moat unhesitatingly affirm that the measures pursued by my most excellent and most highly-respected friend, Mr. Beaumont, in the management of his extensive property, have been the means not only of developing those improvements in mining which you have had some slight opportunity of seeing to-day, but those efforts have also seen extended towards the improvement of the people.—(cheers)— towards conferring the most solid benefit above all others upon them, by giving them a solid and an excellent education— (cheers)—and in all those most excellent and most benevolent efforts, in which no one knows so well as I do the depth of feeling which has actuated Mr. Beaumont, (Cheers.) But in all those excellent and benevolent objects he now has in Lady Margaret Beaumont; A most active and able promoter, and under their joint auspices that hospitality which you are partaking of to-day is only an example of that benign and healthy influence which their kindness and liberality is extending over that wide district in which they exercise so great an influence. (Cheers) In pursuing my labours here as a mining agent and director of these mines, you must all of you well understand what a great happiness and pleasure it has been to me to have had the able co-operation and assistance of Sir Wm. Armstrong, whom I am proud to call one of mv oldest friends, and one whose valuable aid I know has ever been given in the most disinterested manner to his country. I shall not, gentlemen, tire you by saying more. I will endeavour to follow the good example of brevity which I think ought to be studied on all these Occasions, but I would only say that I do hope and believe that my young friend (Master Beaumont) on my left, when the British Association comes to this place again, which I hope will be long before five-and-twenty yeans—(cheers)— will be found imitating the good example which has been set him, and I hope that he may live during many successive meetings of the British Association to meet his fellow-countrymen in the hearty and happy manner in which we are doing on this occasion. I beg, gentlemen, once more to thank you most cordially for your kindness. (Cheers.)
The company then broke up, and proceeded once more to their carriages. Some little delay occurred in the village, and then, amid the cheers both of philosophers and inhabitants of Allenheads— for many a friendship between both parties had been struck up during their brief meeting—the party once more started on their way to Haydon Bridge. As they passed once more through the glorious scenery we have imperfectly endeavoured to describe, they were enabled to enjoy the prospect more than in the morning, owing to a cessation of the rain, which had hitherto fallen. Their whole journey from Allenheads to Haydon Bridge was one continued ovation, for at every point the people of the neighbourhood come out to greet them with hearty cheers. At the railway station their train was waiting for them, and they were conveyed to Newcastle, having spent a day long to be remembered for its many great and

rare pleasures, In visiting one of the most interesting, as it is one of the least known, districts in the country.
We ought to add that the conveyances were supplied by Mrs. Cleghorn, and that everything in connection with this as with all other departments was of the most satisfactory description.
Mr. Weddle, the station-master at Newcastle also deserves credit for the assistance he afforded, in forwarding the vehicles and horses for the conveyances, as well as the special train for the excursionists themselves.

29th September 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Ashgill, near Alston, on the 21st inst., *(sic)* Catherine, wife of Mr Joseph Renwick, aged 27 years.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr William Archer, aged 63 years.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, William Archer, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Hutchinson, married 15th March 1827?) 35, son John 10, and daughter Ann 8. Ann died 20th May 1842, aged 9 years.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY
OF WILLIAM ARCHER
OF NENTHEAD
DEPARTED THIS LIFE
SEPTEMBER 25TH 1863
AGED 63
ALSO OF
ANN HIS DAUGHTER,
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MAY 20TH 1842 AGED 9
ALSO OF SARAH ANN WARD
HIS DAUGHTER
DIED 23RD DECEMBER 1867, AGED 24
ALSO Of WILLIAM ARCHER
GRANDSON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JUNE 24TH 1871
AGED 10 WEEKS;
ALSO JANE HIS GRANDDAUGHTER
DIED MAY ___
1873 AGED 6 WEEKS
ALSO HANNAH HIS WIFE
DIED MAY 17TH 1884,
AGED 80 YEARS
PHILLIS ANN THEIR
GRANDDAUGHTER, DIED OCT 27TH
1888 AGED 21 YEARS

In 1851, at West Nenthead, William Archer, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 47, son John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Sarah Ann 7, and niece Sarah Archer 12
In 1861, at Bank Top House, William Archer, proprietor of work horses, employing 4 labourers, aged 61, his wife Hannah 57, son John, carter, aged 30, daughter Sarah A 17, niece Sarah Archer, house servant, aged 22, and servant, John Dixon, carter, aged 20. Sarah Ann married Robert Ward 3rd quarter of 1865, Sarah Ann, died 23rd December 1867, aged 24 years.

In 1871, at Bank Head, Nenthead, Hannah Archer, widow, annuitant, aged 67, son in law Robert Ward, widow, cartman, aged 30, grandsons, William 4 and John 3. In 1881, at Bank Head, Nenthead, Robert Ward, farmer of 46 acres, aged 40, his wife Mary A. (Cousin, 22nd April 1876) aged 27, children William J. 14, John A. 13, Hannah E. 3, Annie 2, Joseph 11 months, and general domestic servant, Elizabeth Cousin, aged 17. Also at Bank Head, Hannah Archer, widow, annuitant, aged 77, and general domestic servant, Hannah Erwine, aged 14. Hannah Archer died 17th May 1884, aged 80 years.
See 8 March 1865, 7th January 1868, 29th April 1876, 24th May 1884, 3rd November 1888, and 24th February 1900.

2nd October 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 21st ult., suddenly, Mr Donkin Dover, aged 69 years.
In 1861, at Dufton Village, Donkin Dover, carter, aged 66, and his wife Margaret (nee Allan, married 29th July 1816, at Milbourne, Westmorland) aged 71.

9th October 1863 (Newcastle Courant)
PARISH OF ALSTON, WITH GARRIGILL.
TO LAND VALUERS, &c.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the GUARDIANS of the Parish of Alston, with Garrigill, in the County of Cumberland, are desirous of receiving TENDERS, from Professional Valuers, for making a new VALUATION LIST of all Messuages, Lands, and other Hereditaments liable to the Poor Rate in the said Parish, which comprises about 1,300 Houses and 36,000 Acres of Meadow, Pasture, and Common Land. Sealed Tenders must be addressed to the Clerk, and endorsed "Tenders for Valuation," not later than Friday, the 6th Day of November next. The Guardians will not be bound to accept the lowest nor any Tender. By order of the Guardians, JOSEPH DICKINSON, Clerk. Board Room, Alston, 3rd October, 1863.

10th November 1863 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
FATAL ACCIDENT.— On Tuesday morning, October 27th, a melancholy and fatal accident occurred at Rodderup Fell Mine, Garrigill. As number of workmen were proceeding up the level in a waggon, the head of John Watson Charlton, of High Crossgill, came in contact with the roof, and was bent back. This so injured the spine, that the sensation of feeling was at once taken away from his arms partially, and from his body below the shoulders entirely. He languished in an utterly helpless condition until the following Thursday morning, when death terminated his sufferings. Deceased was 24 years of age, a genial disposition, and entertained towards his fellow workmen and companions, a warm hearted friendship. He was greatly respected by a large circle of youthful acquaintances, and his remains were followed to their last resting place, by an unusual large number of people.
In 1851, at Darkgill, Garrigill, Edward Charlton, farmer, aged 46, his wife Isabella (Nee Watson, married 24th October 1835, at St John, Garrigill) aged 39, children, Isabella 13, John 11, and Jonathan 5.

In 1861, at Low Crossgill, Garrigill, Edward Charlton, farmer, aged 56, his wife Isabella 49, children, John W., lead miner, aged 21, (buried 1st November 1863, aged 24, at St John, Garrigill), Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, Jane A. 7, (buried 21st August 1861, aged 8, at St John, Garrigill) and Edward A., 6;(buried 11th October 1861, aged 6, at St John Garrigill).
Isabella Charlton, died at Gateshead, aged 59, and buried 30th November 1870, at St John Garrigill.
In 1871, at 9 Warwick Street, Gateshead, Edward Charlton, retired farmer, aged 66, children, Jonathan, commercial ____, aged 25, Isabella, house keeper, aged 33.

13th November 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
On November 2nd, Hannah, the wife of William Ewart, Esq., M.D., of Middleton in Teesdale, aged 50 years. Friends will please to accept this intimation.
See 28th June 1844

13th November 1863 (Carlisle Journal)
CRICKET.—The members of the West Allendale Cricket Club held their third animal dinner at the house of Mr. John Fairless, innkeeper, Carshield, on Saturday, the 7th inst. The dinner was served up in the style of elegance which characterises Mrs. Fairless's establishment. At a quarter to four o'clock in the afternoon the Carshield Brass Band assembled together at the Long Room, when they struck up with the enlivening and spirit-stirring tune of the "White Cockade," and marched up to the inn, where they, along with the rest of the members of the cricket club, sat down and did ample justice to the good things placed before them. The chair was ably filled by Mr. H. Dargue, of Great Corby, Wetheral; and the vice-chair was occupied by Mr. T, Millican, lead ore inspector, Carshield. The cloth being removed, the list of loyal and patriotic toasts was gone through with spirit and enthusiasm. The band enlivened the company at intervals by performing some select pieces of operatic music. The toasts having been gone through, the company broke up well pleased with having enjoyed a very cheerful, pleasant, and agreeable evening. —*Cor*.

13th November 1863 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
In West Parade, on the 4th inst., aged 15, Mary Ann, only daughter of Mr Thomas John Bewick, of Allenheads.
In 1861, at Tynemouth Place, Tynemouth, Elizabeth H Saker, schoolmistress, aged 40, Louisa E Lambert, teacher, aged 19, Mary A Bewick, scholar, aged 12, and house servant, Isabella Clelland aged17. See 15th March 1865, and 4th September 1897.

4th December 1863 (Newcastle Courant)
PROPOSED DIVISION OF HEXHAMSHIRE AND ALLENDALE COMMON.
A numerously attended meeting of stint-owners and occupiers of Hexhamshire and Allendale Common was held at the house of Mrs Holmes, King's Head Inn, Allendale Town, Allendale, on Friday afternoon, with a view to the adoption of such measures as might be deemed best calculated to obtain a

division of the above common. Mr John Johnson, Old Town, was called upon to take the chair.

The CHAIRMAN said that this matter had been taken up in consequence of some kind expressions which fell from Mr W. B. Beaumont, while presiding at the dinner of the Allendale and Hexhamshire Agricultural Society in that very room, with respect to the improvement of land and other things, in consequence of which the stint-owners and occupiers had deemed it necessary to convene a meeting on the subject. At that meeting it was resolved to convene the present meeting for the purpose of adopting measures best calculated to obtain a division of the common. He might presume to say, that while they saw around them large tracts of waste and moor land of little value in their present state, their neighbours on all sides were dividing theirs with benefit to themselves and others. He thought, therefore, they ought to adopt all measures and means—of course with the approbation of Mr Beaumont—to secure the enclosure of the large and extensive property of Hexhamshire and Allendale Stinted Pasture. (Hear, hear,) The division could not fail to be beneficial to Mr Beaumont, and in addition to that the fencing, draining and manuring of the moor, consequent on its division, would afford employment to many of the youthful population, who had now to seek employment elsewhere. (Hear, hear.) No one would be more benefited than Mr Beaumont, he being in possession of one-fourth of the stints. The stinted pasture of Allendale included on area of 18,094½ acres that of Hexhamshire being 4,797 acres. Therefore they might say that there was between 20,000 and 30,000 acres of land lying so as to be of little or no value at all in its present state. That meeting had been convened for the express purpose of petitioning their worthy lord of the manor, Mr Beaumont, to consent to a division, hoping that be might grant the request of the memorialists. (Hear, hear.) The Chairman then read the following memorial, which had been drawn up: —

To Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, Esq., M.P., Lord of the Regality or Manor of Hexhamshire and Allendale

The humble memorial of the undersigned stint-owners of Hexhamshire and Allendale Stint Pastures, in the county of Northumberland. —

SHEWETH, —That your memorialists are of opinion that it would be greatly to the advantage of the said stint-owners of Hexhamshire and Allendale Stint Pasture, and to the district generally, to have the said stint pastures, divided and enclosed, whereby an end will be put to many quarrels and misunderstandings which are now continually arising between the said stint holders, both In respect to the number of their stints and of their particular heaths, which are become reproachful to the district

That if the Hexhamshire and Allendale Stint Pastures were divided and enclosed, it would afford the means of employment to many poor persons the stint-owners would be afforded the opportunity of improving their land, and of enhancing the value of the same, and the district generally would thereby be greatly benefited and become more cultivated and healthy.

Your memorialists, therefore, humbly pray that you will be pleased to take the matter into your serious consideration, and give your sanction to a division of the stint pastures In Hexhamshire and Allendale, under the direction of the Enclosure Commission of England and Wales, and your memorialists will ever pray,

Mr JASPER STEPHENSON, of Newbiggin, moved that the memorial be adopted, and that it he submitted to each proprietor of Hexhamshire and Allendale Stinted Pasture for signature, the memorial to be then presented to Mr Beaumont.
Mr THOMAS HARRISON, of West Allen, seconded the motion.
Mr R, R. DEES, of Newcastle, solicitor to Mr Beaumont, said he represented Mr Beaumont, who was absent. He had, however, no special instructions from him about this matter; but he might say that it had been considered by him before, when he saw very good grounds of objection against a division,
Mr CHARLES GREY, of Dilston Hall, said that he was present us the representative of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital. As their representative, the Commissioners being owners on this common, he had thought it his duty to attend that meeting, in order that he might be in a position to know what was done, so as to form an opinion for himself as to the desirability of the proposed division; and it would be his duty to report to the Commissioners what the feeling of the stint-owners and occupiers was on the subject, and also, if he could learn it, what were Mr Beaumont's feelings on the matter. The Commissioners he imagined would be unwilling to do anything which would be disagreeable to Mr Beaumont, or that would in any way infringe his rights. As large proprietors in that part of the county they had been placed more than once under obligations to him, and on that account and as neighbours they would be unwilling to do anything contrary to his wishes. It was his opinion, grounded on experience, that as a general rule it was for the advantage of the country that commons should be enclosed. (Hear, hear.) But of course every singles instance of such enclosure must stand upon its own merits, as there might be peculiarities in some cases, which did not exist in others. That was one reason why he wished to make himself acquainted with the peculiarities of this common. He had enclosed other commons with which the Commissioners had to do, and they had forwarded the enclosure in every way; and it would appear to him *prima facia* that it would have been Mr Beaumont's wish to enclose this common. Therefore, if he found that he was not anxious to have it enclosed it would become his (Mr Grey's) duty to make himself acquainted with his reasons for not wishing to enclose, and also, at the same time, to ascertain what the opinion of the stint-holders on the common was on the subject. So far as he could form an opinion on the matter, he did not think that there would be anything offensive in sending that memorial to Mr Beaumont; who, no doubt, would give them reasons for his assent or dissent to its prayer.
Mr BEWICK, of Allenheads, engineer to Mr Beaumont, suggested that it would be better if the stint-owners first ascertained whether the proposed division of the common would pay, before putting their hands to the memorial. Those stint-owners who signed it should, before doing so, satisfy themselves that it was worth dividing.
Mr DEES also expressed his opinion that before they put Mr Beaumont in a condition to give his veto upon the question, the stint-owners should consider whether the division would pay or not. Mr Beaumont had considered the matter last year, when a proposition to divide Hexhamshire Common was made without consulting him, and he was obliged to use his veto upon the project. In stating this, he (Mr Dees) did not mean to say that these were Mr Beaumont's views on the present proposal. He thought, however, that in a

country like that, where mining was more important than bogs and wastes, it was not for the advantage of any of them that this division should take place.
Mr GREY thought that if the stint-owners had gone, in the first instance, into estimates as to the cost of enclosing the common, Mr Beaumont might have looked upon their action as a hostile act, on the ground of their going into the matter before they had ascertained whether he was agreeable to the proposal or not. He thought the stint-owners had taken the proper course, in proposing to memorialise Mr Beaumont.
Mr DEES did not think that anything could be more respectful than the memorial, but he did not think that any gentlemen should commit themselves to it without previous consideration as to whether the division would pay.
Mr GEORGE LEE, West Lands Ends, said that the division of that common had been fully considered by the people of Allendale for the last seven years.
Mr BEWICK thought they might easily make the necessary preliminary calculations without any expense. They knew the area of the common, and they might readily calculate the cost of enclosing it.
Mr HARRISON said he believed most of the people of Allendale had already made the calculations. They had seen the great good which had been done in adjoining counties by the enclosure of commons. In Cumberland, many people who had at first been opposed to the division of the commons were now, by getting portions of them, almost independent. Many advantages must necessarily accrue to the people of Allendale from the enclosure of the common.
Mr BEWICK differed in opinion from Mr Harrison, and would like to see his figures. His own opinion was, that it would cost some £36,000 before that common was even fenced, and then they would have it to drain and lime.
Mr Jos. LEE, of Keenleyside Hill, was of opinion that Mr Bewick had greatly over-estimated the cost.
Mr STEEL, of Podsbank, mentioned an instance where the expense of fencing some enclosed common was so great that the land itself would not sell for sufficient to cover it.
Mr DINNING, of Langley Smelt Mills, said that though not a stint-owner, he and his brother represented between them nearly one hundred stints. So far as they were concerned, they, of course, had the right to use that value. They had experienced, however, considerable difficulty in herding their cattle on the common; and what they said was, “ Let us have our share of the ground, that we may herd our cattle together, and do with them what we like.” That was his feeling, so far as those stints were concerned. On the other hand, he was one who was interested in the welfare of the whole district. He had had an opportunity of seeing the position and progress of society, and the improvement in other parts of the country; and it always delighted him, when he went to Alston and Penrith, to see fences creeping up, and people adding fine little allotments to their property. Taking the interest of the people of Allendale into consideration, what an amount of employment would it not create? and after those improvements were effected, would they not be adapted to keep a larger amount of cattle than the common was now doing, and would not that be a boon to the inhabitants? He did not want to advance a single word of disrespect to Mr Beaumont, and he thought everything should be conceded to him connected with his high position in the district. He was sure that the minerals, the game, and everything that he required in the shape

of conveying peats, and making roads, would be no obstacle. He thought that, under these circumstances, it was very desirable they should ascertain whether there was any prospect of that common being enclosed or not. (Hear, hear.)
The CHAIRMAN then put the motion for the adoption of the memorial, when 31 hands were held up for it, and 7 against. The motion was consequently declared to be carried. A deputation was appointed to present it to Mr Beaumont, and the meeting broke up. *Enclosure did not take place.*

16th December 1863 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

The half-yearly audit of the accounts of the London Lead Company's Workmen's Reading Room was made on Saturday evening last, by Mr. J. Pattinson, jun. and Mr. Ralph Bell The following is an abstract of the report:—Balance brought forward from last audit £8 0s 2½d; subscriptions received £4 19s 2½d; sale of papers and periodicals £3 3s 10d; making a total of £16 6s 3d. Expended in carriage of newspapers. &c., 15s 8d; cost of newspapers and periodicals £7 6s 8d; total expenditure £8 2s 4d. Balance resting in the treasurer's hands £8 2s 11d. As we have already stated in previous reports, the Lead Company generously pay for the cleaning of the room, and also find coal, gas, &c. The number of members shews a slight decrease compared with last half-year, owing to parties leaving the town. There are 6 honorary and 73 ordinary members, making a total of 79. The committee are happy to state that the institution was never in so healthy a condition than it is at the present time, being most satisfactorily attended. There are four daily and four weekly newspapers taken into the room, viz., the Times; Leeds Mercury; Manchester Examiner; Newcastle Daily Chronicle; Illustrated London News; Punch; Durham Chronicle; and the Teesdale Mercury; and a good selection of Periodicals. The Freeman newspaper is also presented to the Institution by R. Stagg, Esq., Dishforth; and the Mining Journal, Gardener's Chronicle, Alliance Weekly News, and the Journal of the Society of Arts, by R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., Middleton House. The sale of newspapers and periodicals for the ensuing quarter will be held on Friday evening, when a large attendance is expected.

25th December 1863 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

Drowned 29th August on his passage to New Zealand, William Clayton Esq. J.P., of Wickford, Tasmania, and son in law of the late Henry Kenyon, Alston, Cumberland.
See 23rd September 1859

25th December 1863 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 20th inst., by the Rev G. Monkhouse, Mr William Bird, cattle dealer, Ivy House, to Mrs Mary Slack, *(of Howgill Syke, widow of John Slack)*—the bridegroom being in his 77th year, and the bride above 60.

Deaths

At Coalcleugh, on the 17th inst., the Rev. Joseph Reed, aged 53 years.

In 1851, at Shield Bank, Allendale, Joseph Reed, lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Nee Reed, married 23rd May 1829, at St Peter and Allenheads Chapelries) aged 38, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 16, Thomas 11, Mary 9, Joseph 6, Isabella 2, and Jane 9 months
In 1861, at High Swinhope Shield, Allendale, Joseph Reed, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Hannah 47, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 28, Ann 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 11, John 8, Elizabeth 6, Sarah 6, and Margaret 4.
Hannah Reed died 2nd qtr 1868, aged 55, registered at Hexham.
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Isabella, wife of Mr Edward Emmerson, aged 53 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Edward Emmerson, innkeeper & lead miner, aged 42, his wife Isabella (Nee Midcalf, married 3rd February 1831, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 41, and nephew, John Emmerson, lead miner, aged 27.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Edward Emmerson, lead mining agent, aged 51, and his wife Isabella 50.
Edward Emmerson died 19th September 1866, at Alston.

Alston Cemetery
In Memory of
Edward Emerson who died
September 19th 1866
aged 57 years
also Isabella Emerson
his wife who died December 18th
1863 aged 54 years
also Sarah Emerson their
daughter who died February 7th
1833 aged 2 years & 8 months.

8th January1864 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
MAN FOUND DEAD. —On Saturday last, a man was found dead close to the works of the once-celebrated rich lead mine called Hudgill Burn, near the turnpike road leading from Alston to Nenthead, and about two miles from the town of Alston. The deceased, who appeared to be about 55 years of age, and who was covered with rags and almost in a state of nudity, was seen begging in the immediate neighbourhood in the after part of the previous day, and had lodged in the Alston Workhouse on Thursday night, where he breakfasted the following (New Year's Day) morning. When found, he had in his possession the sum of 4½d. in money and a piece of bread. A Coroner's inquest was held on the body on Monday, when a verdict of "Found dead" was returned.

15th January 1864 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th inst., aged 19, Margaret, daughter of Mr John Walton, of the Turk's Head Inn. *See 22nd August 1868*
At West Black Dean, Weardale, on the 10th inst., Jane, wife of Mr J. E. Anderson.

22nd January 1864 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At Alston Church, on the 21st inst., Mr John Clark, miner, to Mrs Ann Robinson.

In 1841, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Ann aged 20.

In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann aged 30, children, William 9, Mary 7, Frances 4, and Isaac 1.

In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Ann Robinson, widow, aged 38, children, Mary, worsted spinner, aged 17, Fanny, worsted spinner, aged 14, Isaac, lead miner, aged 12, Thomas 7, and Ruth A 4.

John Clerk died 4th qtr 1865, at Alston

Ann Clark died 2nd quarter 1868, at Newcastle, aged 45.

In 1871, at Wesley Lane, Heworth, Felling, William Haldon, joiner, aged 26, his wife Frances (Robinson, married 4th qtr 1869, at Newcastle) aged 24, brother Thomas Robinson, labourer iron works, and sister Ruth Ann Robinson aged 14.

In 1881, at Wesley Lane, Heworth, William Haldon, joiner, aged 36, his wife Frances 34, children, John 8, Thomas 6, and Mary Ann 4.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, Hannah Thomason, widow, of John Thomason, lead miner, ---------- years illness, aged 71 years.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Thomason, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Hannah 45, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, and Joseph 10.

In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Hannah Thomason, widow, innkeeper, aged 58, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, and house servant, Isabella Kinlyside, aged 13.

In 1861, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Hannah Thomason, widow, housekeeper, aged 69, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 37, and house servant, Ann Swindle, aged 20.

In 1861, at High Plains, Garrigill, Mary Elliot, widow farmer of 20 acres, aged 62, son in law, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 30, and her daughter (Josephs wife, married 1st quarter of 1860) Jane aged 25.

In 1871, at Force Green, Garrigill, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 35, children John E 8, Adam 7, Thomas W 5, Hannah 3, Mary A 1, and general servant, Agnes Dryden, aged 18. See 24th November 1871

In 1881, at Ashgill Side, Joseph Thomason, farmer of 73 acres, aged 50, his wife Jane 45, children John E. lead miner, aged 18, Thomas W. lead ore washer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Robert 9, Mary A. 7, and visitor, Mary Swindle, widow, annuitant, aged 77.

In 1891, at Furnace Mill Cottages, Maryport, Joseph Thomason, caretaker, aged 60, his wife Jane 55, children Adam, coal miner, aged 27, Thomas W., coal miner, aged 25, Robert, farmer, aged 19, Mary A 17, grand daughter, Elliot Thomason 1, and boarder, Amos Maxwell, shoemaker, aged 22.

In 1871, at Ashgill, Thomas Thomason, unmarried farmer of 9 acres of land, aged 48, nephews Emerson Thomason, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 17, John Thomason 11, (the sons of his brother John) and general servant, Ann Swindle 28.

John Thomason (son of John & Hannah Thomason) married Hannah Elliot, 8th June 1848.

In 1851, at Ashgill, Mary Elliot, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 69, son in law John Thomason, lead miner, aged 29, daughter Hannah 28, and granddaughter Sarah Bainbridge 5 (Sarah the daughter of William Bainbridge & Mary Elliot).
In 1861, at Ashgill, John Thomason, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah 38, sons Emerson 8, Joseph 7, John 1, and house servant, Sarah Bainbridge, aged 16. Hannah died 10th June 1863, aged 40, John died 27th May 1864, aged 42.

Redwing Chapel Epitaphs: —

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF JOSEPH ELLIOT OF ASHGILL, WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON 6TH JUNE 1816, AGED 79 YEARS:
MARY HIS WIFE, WHO DIED ON 12TH JULY 1855, AGED 73 YEARS;
HANNAH THEIR DAUGHTER, DIED 6TH DECEMBER 1821, AGED 18;
EMERSON THEIR SON, WHO DIED IN 1811 AGED 2 YEARS;
MARY THEIR DAUGHTER, WHO DIED IN 1811 AGED 7 YEARS;
BETTY THEIR DAUGHTER, DIED 27TH OCTOBER 1827, AGED 11;
SARAH THEIR DAUGHTER, DIED 9TH SEPTEMBER 1830, AGED 19 YEARS; ANN THEIR DAUGHTER, DIED 25TH SEPTEMBER 1849, AGED 23;
HANNAH THEIR DAUGHTER, AND WIFE OF JOHN THOMASON, DIED 10TH JUNE 1863, AGED 40;
SIMON THEIR SON, DIED AT KNARR 28TH SEPTEMBER 1878, AGED 71, AND WAS INTERRED AT KNARSDALE CHURCH;
MARY THEIR DAUGHTER, AND WIFE OF WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE DIED 21ST DECEMBER 1882, AGED 68 YEARS, AND WAS INTERRED AT HARTLEPOOL CHURCH-YARD;
FRANCES THEIR DAUGHTER, AND WIFE OF WILLIAM THOMASON, DIED 24TH JANUARY 1893, AGED 72.

See 10th June 1864, 19th December 1874, 13th May 1876, 27th April 1889, & 30th May 1891.
At Low Galligill, on the 1st inst., Margaret widow of James Mulcaster of Garrigill Gate, aged 88 years.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Margaret Mulcaster, grocer, aged 65, Sarah Mulcaster aged 30, and Joshua Mulcaster aged 20.
In 1851, at Low Crossgill, Margaret Mulcaster, widow, house keeper aged 75, son Joshua, farmer of 137 acres, aged 33, daughter Phebe Maxwell, widow, annuitant, and farm servant, Margaret Peart, aged 17.
In 1861, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Phebe Dobson, widow, draper, aged 41, sister Ellenor Mulcaster, unmarried, retired lady's maid, aged 52, and mother Margaret Mulcaster, widow, retired grocer, aged 85.
See 28th July 1843, and 4th September 1858
At Leadgate, near Alston on the 18th inst., Mr Edward Parmley, aged 51 years.
Edward Parmley, son of Thomas Parmley & Elizabeth Milburn, married Elizabeth Walton, daughter of William Walton and Martha Vipond, 29th June 1837, Alston.
In 1841, at Aimshaugh, Edward Parmley, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth aged 25, children Elizabeth 3, and Ann 1.
In 1851, at High Aimshaugh, Edward Parmley, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Elizabeth 12, Mary 11, Thomas 8, Hannah 5, and John aged 1.

In 1861, at Leadgate, Edward Parmley, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 46, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Jane 11, and Isabell 5. In 1871, at Rodderup Fell, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, aged 54, son Thomas, lead mine time keeper, aged 28, daughter, Isabella, dressmaker, apprentice, aged 15, and mother, Martha Walton, widow, aged 86 (Martha died 9th April 1872, aged 87).
In 1881, at Rotherhope Fell, Thomas Parmley, time keeper at lead mines, aged, 37, mother, Elizabeth, lead miners widow, aged 66, and Isabella, dressmaker, aged 25. In 1891, at Rotherhope Fell, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, aged 75, son Thomas, store keeper at lead mines, 47, daughter Isabella, dressmaker, aged 35, and grandson James W Parmley 4. Elizabeth died 1st February 1897, aged 82. In 1901, at Leadgate, Thomas Parmley, dealer in yeast, aged 57, sister Isabella dressmaker, aged 45, and grandson, James W Parmley, labourer, aged 14. In 1911, at Aimshaugh, Thomas Watson, farmer, aged 52, his wife Isabella (Parmley, married 4th quarter of 1907, Alston), aged 54, son James Watson Parmley, aged 24, farm servant, Emerson Hymers, aged 47, and domestic servant, Lily Peart aged 23.
See 13th April 1872, & 6th February 1897

At Hill House, near Alston, on the 18th inst., Mr Thompson Yeats, aged 42.

In 1841, at Rodderup Fell House, Thompson Yeats, lead miner aged 15, and Hugh Yeats, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1841, at Brownside, George Yeates, lead miner, aged 40, Elizabeth Yeates 40, Henry Yeates, Sh. Ap. aged 20, George Yeates 10, Mary Yeates 10, John Yeates 8, Utrick Yeates 5, and Nancy Yeates 4.
In 1851, at Low Brownside, Thompson Yeats, lead miner and Farmer, aged 29, his wife Isabella (Kindred, married 18th June 1846) aged 28, children George 3, Thomas 2, Joseph 9 months, lodgers, George Yeats, lead miner, aged 23, John Yeats, lead miner, aged 19, Utrick Yeats, lead miner 16, and house servant Ann Yeats 13.
In 1861, at Hill House, Alston, Thompson Yeats, farmer of 65 acres, aged 39, his wife Isabella 38, children George, lead miner, aged 13, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Joseph, lead miner, aged 10, Thompson 8, Elizabeth 6, John K 4, brother George Yeats, lead miner, aged 33, and house servant, Hannah Birket, aged 24.
In 1871, at Hill House, Alston, George Yeates (died 5th January 1877, aged 29), labourer & farmer, aged 23, his wife Elizabeth 25, brother Thomas Yeates, mason, aged 22, brother Joseph Yeates, lead miner, aged 20, sister Elizabeth Yeates 16, brother John Yeates 14, and Uncle, George Yeates, lead miner, aged 43.
In 1881, at Hill House, Joseph Yeates, farmer of 144 acres, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 35, children William 9, John Jos. 7, Isabella 5, Thomas 10 months, Uncle, George Yeates, lead miner, aged 53, general servant, Elizabeth Wilkinson, aged 16, visitors William Todd, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth Todd (Yeats, married 4th quarter 1878, registered at Hexham) aged 26, Margaret Ann Todd 9, George Todd 1, and John Yeates, stone mason, aged 24 (John emigrated, died at Alberta Canada 1928).
See 18th September 1841, 22nd March1845, 13th January 1877, 10th April 1886, and 1st May 1886

1st February 1864 Probate Records
Letters of administration of the personal estate and effects of John Trathan late of Nenthead in the Parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland lead miner a bachelor deceased who died 17th May 1863 at Nenthead aforesaid were granted at Carlisle to James Richardson Trathan of Nenthead aforesaid lead miner the nephew and one of the persons entitled in distribution to the personal estate and effects of the said deceased he having been first sworn. Effects under £450.
In 1841, at Spring House, Nenthead, John Trathen, lead miner, aged 71, his wife Jane 72, and son John, lead miner, aged 30. In 1851, at Nenthead, John Trathan, lead ore washing foreman, aged 81, born Cambourne, Cornwall, his wife Jane 82, born Hexham, and son John, lead miner aged 45, born Nenthead.

John Trathan senior died 1st quarter 1854.

In 1861, at Spring House, Nenthead, Jane Trathan, lead ore washers widow, aged 93, born Allendale, and son John lead ore miner, aged 55.
Jane Trathan, was buried at Nenthead 25th April 1862, aged 97.

9th February 1864 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At High Galligill, near Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr Joseph Walton, aged 54 years.
See 5th July 1856

12th February 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthall, on the 10th inst., Joseph Hutchinson, leadminer, aged 40 years.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Alston, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 40, children Mary 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth 6, and Ann 3.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Alston, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Ann 53, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth 17, Ann 13, and Jane 10.
In 1861, at High Galligill, Thomas Huchinson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Betsy aged 24, children Hannah 4, and John 2, mother Ann Huchinson, widow, needle worker, aged 62, and sister Elisabeth Huchinson, dress maker, aged 27.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Joseph Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary (Lee, married 3rd quarter 1854, Alston) aged 28, children Anne 6, Elizabeth 4, and William 2.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bankfoot, Ann Hutchinson, widow, aged 72, daughter Mary Robinson, married, seamstress aged 48, granddaughters Elizabeth Shield 22, Jane Robinson 19, and Anna Robinson 13.

19th February 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
JONATHAN RODDAM, DECEASED,
Pursuant to an Act of Parliament of the 22nd and 23rd Victoria, cap. 35, intituled "An Act to further amend the law of property and to relieve

Trustees."
NOTICE is Hereby Given that all PERSONS having any DEBTS, CLAIMS, or DEMANDS upon, or in anywise affecting, the ESTATE of JONATHAN RODDAM, formerly of NEW HOUSE, Weardale, County of Durham, but late of CARLISLE, in the County of Cumberland, MINING AGENT, MINING ENGINEER, and LESSEE of LEAD MINES, deceased, who died on the 14th day of JUNE One thousand eight hundred and sixty one, at Carlisle aforesaid, and to whose personal estate and effects, letters of administration with the will annexed were or the thirteenth day of JANUARY, One thousand eight hundred and sixty four, granted by the Carlisle District Registry of Her Majesty's Court of Probate to JOSEPH RODDAM, of Stanhope, in the County of Durham, Accountant, are hereby required to send particulars of their respective debts, claims, or demands to the said JOSEPH RODDAM, as such administrator, or to us the undersigned on or before the thirteenth day of APRIL next, at the expiration of which time the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the JONATHAN RODDAM, deceased, having regard only to the respective debts, claims, or demands of which he shall then have had notice; and the said Administrator will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose debt, claim, or demand he shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this fourth day of February 1804.
HEPPLE AND PROUD,
Bishop Auckland, in the County of Durham,
Solicitors to the said Administrator. *See 29th June 1858*

20th February 1864 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths
At Shildon, near Blanchland, on the 10th inst., aged 5 years, Emma second daughter of John Morpeth, cashier to the Derwent Mining Company.
See 25th March 1864, 28th March 1866, and 31st July 1880

26th February 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Blaygill, near Alston, on the 23rd inst., John, son of Mr Joseph Smith, aged 5 years. *See 8th May 1857*
At Nenthead, on the 24th inst., Mary Ann, daughter of Mr Isaac Robinson, aged 22 years.
Isaac Robinson, born 20th August 1816, baptized 3rd September 1816, at Redwing Chapel, son of William and Mary Robinson, of Grassfield.
Isaac Robinson married Agnes Cowing (daughter of Joseph and Agnes Cowing), 7th December 1837, at St Augustines, Alston.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Isaac Robinson, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Agnes 21, son William 3, and Dorothy Robinson, widow, aged 77.
In 1851, at Welgill, Dykeheads, Isaac Robinson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Agnes 31, children, William, employed at mine, aged 12, Mary Ann 9, Joseph 5, and Agnes 3.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Isaac Robinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Agnes 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary A, house servant, aged 19, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Agnes 13, Jane 5, and Margaret 2.

I*n 1871, at Hill End, Frosterley, William Robinson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Jane (Robinson, married 4th quarter 1866, registered at Weardale) aged 25, and son Joseph 3. Also at Hill End, Isaac Robinson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Agnes 51, and daughter Margaret 12.*
Isaac Robinson died 19th June 1875, at Hill End, aged 59.
In 1881, at Hill End, Frosterley, Agnes Robinson, widow, shop keeper, aged 60, and daughter Margaret, aged 22.
Agnes Robinson died 2nd quarter 1886, aged 65, registered at Weardale.
At Leadgate near Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr. William Goodfellow, miner, aged 60 years.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah (Price, married 27th June 1829, Alston) aged 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, Nancy 9, John 6, Mary Ann 4, and William 2.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Sarah 54, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Nancy 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Mary Ann 14, and William 13.
In 1861, at Leadgate, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Sarah 64, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Mary Ann 24, William, lead miner, aged 23, grandchildren Mary Armstrong 9, and Thomas Goodfellow 4.

25th March 1864 (Newcastle Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES.—On Thursday afternoon, an accident occurred at the Derwent Mines, near Blanchland, which resulted in the death of Mr Thomas Morpeth, of Fell Grove, who for a great number of years has acted as superintendent of the workmen employed in the extensive lead mines in that district. On the day named Mr Morpeth was performing his duties of inspecting various workings in the mines; and having visited the workmen employed near the 80 fathoms level, he inquired of one of the miners, who worked at some distance, if he had time to go down the level before the despatch of the loaded waggon from that place. He was answered in the negative, and particularly requested not to attempt it. Despite this advice, Mr Morpeth, who was of a persevering disposition, unfortunately ventured on his journey? He had not proceeded far when he was caught by the loaded waggon, on a slightly inclined part of the line, and struck with such great force on the chest and head that he only survived about two hours. The body was immediately conveyed to its home, and an inquest on it was held at Blanchland, on Saturday, before Mr J. M, Favell, coroner, when a verdict of accidental death was returned. The deceased, who had been in the employment of the Derwent Mining Company from his boyhood, was 64 years of age, and has left a widow and family to mourn his end.
In 1841, at Fellgrove, the family name is given as Winskill, Thomas, lead miner, aged 40 (baptism 12th January 1800, father John Winskill), his wife Mary, 35, children Elizabeth, 15, John 13, Jane 8, Rebecca 6, Jonathan 3, and Mary 2. There is a record of Thomas Winskill marrying Mary Forster, at Blanchland 20th July 1822.
In 1851, at Fellgrove, the family name is given as Winskill, Thomas, lead mine agent, aged 51, his wife Mary, 47, children John, mine clerk, aged 23, Jane 17, Rebecca 15, Jonathan 13, Mary 11 and Thomas 9.
In 1861, at Fell Grove, Thomas Morpeth aged 61, mining agent, born Hexham, his wife Mary 57, born Middleton, Durham, children born Blanchland, Jane 27,

Jonathan 23, inspecting labourer, Mary 21, and Thomas 19, lead ore miner.
In 1871, at Blanchland, Mary Morpeth, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 67, daughter, Jane aged 36, son, Jonathan, lead mine agent, aged 33, son, Thomas, common carrier, aged 29, and grandson, Thomas 8.
Probate records, give, Thomas Winskill, late of Fell Grove, in the parish of Blanchland in the county of Northumberland, miner deceased, who died 17th March 1864, at Derwent Mine in the Parish of Hunstanworth in the county of Durham were granted at Newcastle upon Tyne to Mary Winkill of Fell Grove aforesaid Widow the relict of the deceased she having been first sworn. Effects under £450.
The following information was found at rootsweb. ancestry, posted by M Winskill, 16th February 2005.
Children of Thomas & Mary: —
Elizabeth Winskill, baptised, 20th Jan 1825 married William Urwin 16th November 1845
John Winskill, baptised 3rd February 1828 married Elizabeth Eliza Watson, 20th February 1853. John was chief agent for Derwent mines & was known as Captain Morpeth. John, Elizabeth and family are listed on the 1881 census with the family name being Morpeth. (All their children were known as MORPETH)
Jane Winskill, baptised.30th April 1833 died 22nd May 1900 is buried at Blanchland, under the name Jane Morpeth.
Rebecca Winskill, baptised 15th November 1835 married John Dixon 5th August 1861.
Jonathan Winskill, baptised 9th September 1837 married Hannah Robson 21st February 1871. Jonathan was a lead mining agent and he and his wife also buried at Blanchland graveyard under the surname Morpeth. (All their children were known as Morpeth)
Mary Winskill, baptised, 16th February 1840 married Thomas Keenleyside 4th December 1862
Thomas Winskill, baptised 14th Aug. 1841 married (2nd marriage) Elizabeth Brown. See 28th March 1866, and 31st July 1880

1st April 1864 Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 27th ult., Elizabeth Hetherington, daughter of the late John Hetherington, aged 10 years. *See 21st June 1850*
At Beldy, near Alston, on the 20th ult., Roddam Hutchinson, son of Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 7 years.
In 1851, at Beldy Mill, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 29, born Allendale, his wife Tamar 23, born Alston, and son James 1 month.
In 1861, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner & miller, aged 39, born, Allendale, his wife Tamar 33, born Alston, children, James 10, Hannah 8, John 6, Roddam 4, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1871, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, Thomas Hutchinson, miller, aged 49, his wife Tamar 42, children, James, draper, aged 20, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18, Isabella 11, Mary A 9, and Thomas W 5.
Tamar Hutchinson, was buried at Garrigill, 21st December 1879, aged 52.
In 1891, at Chiswick, Middlesex, George Viney, mineral water manufacturer, aged 38, his wife Isabella (Hutchinson, married 3rd quarter 1879, registered at

Lanchester, Durham) aged 31, born Alston, children, Walter 11, Maggie 9, George W 7, Thomas Henry 4, Sarah Ann 2, Samuel 3 months, brother in law, Thomas W Hutchinson, mineral water bottler, aged 25, born Alston.
At Annatwalls, near Alston, on the 26th ult., Joseph Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 33 years.
William Hutchinson, married Isabella Lowes, 9th June 1814, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at High Plains, Garrigill, William Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella 45, children, John, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 13, Joseph 11, Isabella 7, and Sarah 4.
William Hutchinson, was buried at Garrigill, 14th October 1841, aged 53.
In 1851, at Annatwalls, Isabela Hutchinson, lead miners, widow, aged 53, children, John, lead miner, aged 27, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella, at home, aged 17, and Sarah 14.
Isabella Hutchinson, was buried at Garrigill, 12th March 1860, aged 60.
In 1861, at Annatwalls, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 39, brother, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, and sister, Sarah, housekeeper, aged 24.
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Sarah Ann Carr, daughter of Joseph Carr, lead miner, aged 2 years.

7th April 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 3rd inst., Mary, daughter of the late George Peart, lead miner, aged 34 years. *Born 29th January 1830, daughter of George Peart and Margaret Vipond (married at Alston, 2nd May 1816).*
Other children of George and Margaret Peart: —Thomas born 3rd August 1817, buried at Garrigill 16th August 1854, aged 37, Ralph born 10th April 1819, buried at Garrigill 6th February 1837; George born May 1822, baptism, 19th May 1822, buried at Garrigill, 9th August 1862, aged 40; Elizabeth born 7th December 1824, Ann born 8th July 1827, Margaret born 31st October 1832, Vipond, born 27th July 1835, buried at Garrigill 30th November 1848
In 1841, at East Witton, Leyburn, George Peart (buried, 13th January 1851, aged 57, St John, Garrigill), lead miner, aged 43, his wife Margaret 43, children George, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 10, Mary 6, Margaret 4, and Vipond 3. In 1851, at Gate, Margaret Peart, widow, aged 57, son George, lead miner, aged 28, and daughter Ann, dress maker, aged 23.
At Howhill, on the 5th inst., Ann, relict of William Lee lead miner, aged 82 years.
In 1841, at How Hill, Garrigill, Nancy Lee (Currah, married 8th May 1806), farmer, aged 55, John Lee, lead miner aged 30, William Lee, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth Lee 15, and William Lee 5.
In 1851, at How Hill, Ann Lee, widow, farmer, aged 69, son William, lead miner, aged 35, grandson William Lee, lead miner, aged 15, and house servant Isabella Elliot 17. In 1861, at How Hill, Ann Lee, widow, farmer of 36 acres, aged 79, son William, lead miner, aged 45, daughter in law Elizabeth 37 (Williams wife), grandchildren John 6, Mary A 4, Margaret 3, William 1, domestic servant Elizabeth Simpson, aged 17, and lodger, William Blades, coal miner, aged 66.
See 11th November 1853

At Overwater, on the 3rd inst., Mary, relict of Jonathan Pearson, lead miner aged 65 years.
In 1841, at Holmes Foot, Jonathan Pearson, woodman, aged 45, his wife Mary (Walton, married 13th August 1825, Alston) aged 40, and Catherine aged 14. Catherine died 3rd quarter of 1846.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Jonathan Pearson, lead miner, aged 56, and his wife Mary 51. Jonathan died 3rd quarter of 1856. In 1861, at Overwater, Mary Pearson, lead miners widow, aged 62.
At Blagill, on the 1st inst., Atkinson Walton, yeoman, aged 56 years.
See 4th October 1845

15th April 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
PRESENTATION AT GARRIGILL.—On Friday the 1st inst., the scholars of Tyne Head School, in the Chapelry of Garrigill, waited upon their late master, the Rev. G. Monkhouse, and presented him with a valuable silver inkstand and an elegant china tea service, as a mark of their gratitude for the great interest he took in their temporal and spiritual welfare during the eight years he was master of the above school. The inkstand bore tho following inscription:—"Presented to the Rev. G. Monkhouse, by the scholars of Tyne Head School as a token of their esteem and affection, April, 1st, 1864." Mr. Monkhouse addressed the children in a very appropriate and feeling speech, pointing out to them the benefits of a good education, and the importance of a sound religious training enable them to fight successfully the great battle of life. The scholars took tea with Mr. and Mrs. Monkhouse on the occasion, and did ample justice to the good things provided for them. During the evening the church choir, accompanied by Mrs. Monkhouse on the harmonium, added greatly to the pleasure of the juvenile party by singing several psalms and hymns; and after an exciting scramble for nuts and gingerbread cakes, the children spent the remainder of the evening in playing at "blind man's buff," and took their leave of Mr. and Mrs. Monkhouse with many and hearty wishes for their welfare.

22nd April 1864 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 14th inst., George Wilson, Esq., Nenthall, late lieutenant in the Hon. East India Company service, to Emily second daughter of the late William Paull, Esq., Lowbyer House, Alston.
In 1851, at Lowbyer, Alston, William Paull, widow, moor master, aged 55, daughters Maria Ann 26, Emily 22, and general servant, Elizabeth Kirsopp 23.
In 1861, at Loanning Foot, Alston, Joseph M Paull, Moor Master to Greenwich Hospital, aged 34, unmarried sisters Maria A M 36, Emily M 32, all born St Austell, Cornwall, house servants, Ann Woodmass 26, and Fanny Lee 17.
See 16th March 1855, 1st January 1858, 31st May 1861, 18th July 1868, 21st December 1872, 5th June 1875, and 10th January 1880

29th April 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
VALUABLE LEAD MINES FOR SALE, IN THE MANOR OF ALSTON, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.
To be SOLD, by PRIVATE CONTRACT, in consequence of the death of the principal partner.

LOT 1.

All the LEASEHOLD INTEREST of the GRASSFIELD LEAD MINING COMPANY, in the Lead Mines and Veins of Lead Ore, which now are or hereafter may be opened, known, or discovered, within, under, or upon a certain portion of Ground situated in the Manor of Alston, in the County of Cumberland; and described in an Agreement for a Lease granted by the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to the Grassfield Lead Mining Company, dated the 4th January, 1860, and now held by the said Company under that Agreement for the remainder of the term of 21 years, commencing from the 1st May, 1858.

Together with the Company's PLANT used in working the same.

LOT 2.

All the LEASEHOLD INTEREST of the NENTSBURY GREENS LEAD MINING COMPANY, in the Lead Mines and Veins of Lead Ore, which now are or hereafter may be opened, known, or discovered within under, or upon a certain portion of Ground, situated in the said Manor of Alston, and described in an Agreement for a Lease granted by the said Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to the Nentsbury Greens Lead Mining Company, dated the 20th February, 1861, now held by the said Company under that Agreement for the remainder of the term of 21 years, commencing from the 1st May, I860.

Together with the Company's PLANT used in working the same.

Mr JOSEPH RODDAM of Browngill, near Alston, Mining Agent, will show the Mines and Plant, and further particulars may be had of Mr JOHN STOKOE, Solicitor, Hexham, who will treat for the sale thereof.

Hexham, April 21, 1864.

29th April 1864 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr John Angus, aged 50 years.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Angus, lead refiner, aged 25, his wife Sarah (Fleming, married 10th October 1839, Alston) aged 23, and daughter Mary Ann1. In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 37, born Stanhope, his wife Sarah 32, born Nenthead, children, Mary Ann 11, George 9, William 5, John 3, and Joseph 1.

In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Angus, lead smelter, aged 46, born Stanhope, his wife Sarah 42, born Hesket, children Mary A, house servant, aged 21, George, smelter, aged 19, William, lead ore washer, aged16, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, Joseph 11, Nicholas 9, Sarah J 8, Esther 6, Simpson A 4, Jonathan 1, and grandson Thomas Angus 1. In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Sarah Angus, widow, aged 51, born Hesket Newmarket, children John, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 21, Nicholas, lead ore washer, aged 19, Esther, domestic servant, aged 16, Simpson, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Jonathan 11. Sarah died 2nd September 1884. In 1881, at Holmes Foot, Sarah Angus, widow, aged 62, children John, lead miner, aged 33, Joseph, lead miner, aged 31, Nicholas, lead ore dresser, aged 29, Esther, kitchen maid, aged 25, Simpson, lead miner, aged 23, and Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21.

See 4th May 1861, & 6th September 1884.

Accidentally killed at Ireshope Burn Mine, Weardale, on the 25th of April, by a fall of stone, Mr John Walton, of Fourdargue, near Alston, miner, aged 29 years.

In 1851, at Donks Hall, Hannah Walton, lead miners widow, aged 59, children, Robert, retired miner, aged 34, Hannah 29, Ridley, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 19, George lead miner, aged 16, and nephew John Walton, lead miner, aged 14.*

As yet I have not found a marriage for John but is Nancy the wife of John?

In 1861, at Fourdargue, Nancy Walton, married, lead miners wife aged 27, sons Henry 8, and Joseph 11 months, all born at Alston. In 1871, at Fourdargue, Nancy Walton, widow, aged 37, sons, Henry, bobbin weaver, aged 13, Joseph11, and John 9. In 1881, at 10 Morning Street, Chorlton Upon Medlock, Manchester, Nancy Walton, widow, house keeper, aged 47, sons Henry, woollen rug weaver, aged 23, Joseph, woollen rug weaver, aged 21, and John,____ unemployed, aged 19.

10th May 1864 (Carlisle Journal)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE

On Saturday last, an accident which resulted in the death of young man named William Tarleton, occurred in the Goldscope Lead Mines, Newlands. About eight o'clock in the morning of the day above named, the deceased, who was employed in the mine, had, in conjunction with a comrade, placed a charge of powder in a part of their working for the purpose of blasting. After firing the fuse the two men retired, and when the powder had exploded, Tarleton returned to the place and commenced to sound the rock with his hammer. While he was so employed a large portion of the rock fell, and literally crushed him to death upon the spot. The deceased who is represented as having been a very steady industrious young fellow, was unmarried. An inquest was held on view of the body yesterday (Monday), at Braithwaite, before Dr. Bell coroner, when a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

In 1841, at Braithwaite, George Tarleton, tailor, aged 60, his wife Eleanor 45, children, John, weaver, aged 15, Sarah 15, William 15, Eleanor 13, and Joseph 5. In 1851, at Braithwaite, George Tarleton, tailor, aged 71, his wife Ellen 62, children, John, miner, aged 29, William, weaver, aged 27, Sarah 31, grandsons, Joseph Tarleton 14, and William Tarleton 10.

In 1861, at Braithwaite, John Kirby, lead ore waggoner, aged 56, his wife Ann 44, children, Harky, lead miner, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 18, William, lead ore waggoner, aged 16, Ellenor 14, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 12, Jane Ann 10, Thomas 8, Barbara 6, James 4, Sarah 6 months, and brother in law, William Tarleton, lead miner, aged 33.

14th May 1864 (Morning Advertiser)

THE HARHOPE GILL LEAD MINING and SMELTING COMPANY (Limited), Weardale, Durham.

To be registered under the Companies Act, 1862.

Capital £100,000, in 20,000 shares of £5 each, 10s. per share on application, and £1 on allotment, further calls at intervals of not less than three months, and not to exceed £1 per share.

DIRECTORS

John Denton, Esq. (Merchant, Leeds), Director of the London and Hamburg Bank.

James Hastie, Esq., Stoneham-place, Brentwood, Essex.

Colonel Thomas Edmond Knox, C.B., United Service Club, Pallmall.

Capel Coape, Esq. & John Evan Tibbs, Esq., Directors of the Commercial Finance Company (Limited).

William Westcott, Esq. (Messrs. Broom, Bagshaw, and Westcott), 36 Coleman-street, London.

BANKERS

The Alliance Bank, London, Liverpool, and Manchester.

SOLICITOR.

George Brady, Esq., 5, Mitre-court, Temple, E.C.

BROKER.

Henry Lloyd, Esq., 6, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street, London.

Offices—75, Cannon-street West, E.C.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

This company is formed for purchasing and fully developing the celebrated Harehope Gill Lead Mine, near Wolsingham, in Durham, close to the Bishoply Branch of the Wear Valley Railway.

This locality is the richest lead mining district in the kingdom (see tabular statement compiled from Hunt's mineral statistics in full prospectus), and contains the following valuable mines, vis., Bollihope, Dryburn. Stanhope Burn, Holywell, the Great Slit, Slit Pasture, Cornish Hush, California, Sharnberry, and Pikestone.

The most important and productive lodes of this district pass through Harehope Gill Mine, viz., the Great Slit vein, which is the champion lode of Weardale, the Sun, the North Leeds, the Broad-wood, and several minor veins.

The workings at Harehope Gill Mine are being pushed on with great vigour, and are yielding larger quantities of ore than was anticipated. The Directors therefore feel confident that dividends will be paid shortly of from 15 to 20 per cent, per annum.

The Directors have entered into a preliminary contract for the purchase of the lease (about 900 acres), and extensive works and plant for £40,000, half that amount to be paid in shares.

Applications for shares to be made to the Bankers, Brokers, Solicitors, or at the Company's Offices, where specimens of the ore may be seen, and full prospectus and reports obtained.

Extracts from Report by Jehu Hitchens, Esq., Mining Engineer,

March 15, 1864.

"I particularly examined the twenty fathom level at the bottom of the twelve fathom limestone, when I found the Great Slit vein to be of great width and strength.

"I found enough in the appearance and product of these veins to satisfy me that in the bearing sills they will yield large quantities of ore.

"There is no hesitation in pronouncing this adventure to present a very fine field for mining enterprise, the more so, existing as it does in a first-class mineral district, so long celebrated for its great riches. I therefore advise a most rigorous and energetic prosecution of operations.

"In addition to the lead veins in this property, the great bed of limestone crosses out near the Burn, close to the railway; for this stone, as a flux for the different iron furnaces in the district and for agricultural purposes, there is an immense demand. Three hundred tons a day, at 6d. per ton profit, will realise £2,260 a-year, and allowing wear and tear of machinery £250, leaves £2,010 net from this source alone."

Extract from the Report of Captain J. T. Bell, M.K.

"When once the mine is in full working condition the shaft may be put down deeper in the lower limestone's; then the returns of the mine are likely to be large, yielding £40,000 or £50,000 worth of lead in a year"

Extract from the Report of John Robinson, Principal Mining Agent for forty years to the Allendale Mining Company.

"An adit level is driven at Harehope Gill from the washing floors, 400 fathoms, to cut the different veins in the coal sill. From workings now in operation ore is raised in large quantities, leaving a good profit. The veins in this royalty (Harehope Gill) are worked by Mr. Beaumont at the 'Slit' Mine, where they have the vein twenty feet wide, and have raised, within my knowledge for the last twenty years, 6,000 bings of ore annually, or 2,400 tons, worth £34,000 a-year."

3rd June 1864

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 31st ult., by the Rev. Thomas Greenfield, Mr George Pickering of Bridge End, Garrigill, to Miss Ann Bell, Dryburn.

In 1871, at Bridge End, Garrigill, George Pickering, butcher and land owner, aged 37, his wife Ann 31, children, George W 2, Adamson 2 months, and domestic servant, Elizabeth Pickering 19.

Probate: 1903

George Pickering of Garrigill-house, Garrigill, Alston, Cumberland, farmer and butcher, died 15th June 1903. Probate Carlisle to George William Pickering M.D. and Adamson Pickering farmer and butcher. Effects £2750 0s 4d.

10th June 1864 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 27th ult., aged 42, Mr John Thomason, lead miner. *See 22nd January 1864, 19th December 1874, 13th May 1876, 27th April 1889, & 30th May 1891.*

At Nentsbury, near Alston, on the 28th ult., aged 34, Mr William Carr, lead miner.

In 1841, at Low Galligill, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret (Hunter, married 16th June 1825, Alston) aged 35, children William, lead miner, aged 12, Sarah 9, and Mary 1.

In 1851, at Nentsberry, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 45, children William, lead miner aged 21, Hannah 8, Margaret 5, Elizabeth 2, and Matthew 11 months. Thomas died 4th quarter of 1852.

In 1861, at Nentsbury, Margret Carr, lead miners widow, aged 55, son William, lead miner, aged 31, daughter Elizabeth 12, son Matthew 10, and grandson Robert Glendenning 6. See 1st August 1862, & 14th November 1891

At Alston, on the 1st inst., Francis Ruth, infant daughter of Mr Jonathan Hind.

8th July 1864 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)
At the Derwent Mine Company's thirty-first general meeting on Thursday, the directors declared a dividend of £5 per share payable on Sept. 30.

15th July 1864 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 70, Mrs Elizabeth Summerset.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, Elizabeth Summerset, widow, formerly a baker, aged 67, and lodger, Joseph Richardson, pedlar, aged 63.
At Nenthead near Alston, on the 5th inst., aged 38, Hannah, wife of Mr Thomas Lattimer.
In 1851, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Lattimer (son of Matthew & Sarah Lattimer baptised 27th December 1822), journeyman grocer, aged 28, his wife Hannah (daughter of John and Isabella Bright, baptised 30th June 1826, married at Alston 18th September 1845) aged 25, children Jane 5, Ridley Cramer 3, and Ann 11 months.
In 1861, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Lattimer, grocer, aged 38, his wife Hannah 35, children Jane 15, Ridley C. 14, Ann 10, Isabella 8 and Sarah 5.
In 1871, at Carrshield, Thomas Lattimer, widow, grocer, draper, & farmer of 6 acres, aged 48, children Ann 20, Isabella 18, and Sarah 15.
In 1881, at Carrshield, Thomas Lattimer, widow, grocer & farmer of 6 acres, aged58, daughter Sarah, house keeper, aged 25, general servant, Hannah Peart 14, and visitors, Matthew Lattimer, labourer, aged 47, and evangelist J.W. Winter, aged 23, born Durham.
In 1891, at Carrshield, Thomas Lattimer, widow, grocer and farmer aged 68, Mary H Marten, grocers assistant, aged 26, Mary J Pearson, grocers assistant, aged 23, and visitor, William Cox, aged 21, a Primitive Methodist evangelist, born Yorkshire. Thomas died the first quarter of 1901, aged 78 years.

IN MEMORY OF
HANNAH LATTIMER
WIFE OF THOMAS LATTIMER
WHO DIED AT NENTHEAD JULY 5TH
1864 AGED 38 YEARS
ALSO
THOMAS HAVELOCK
THEIR SON
WHO DIED IN INFANCY APRIL 4TH
1861

ALSO THE ABOVE THOMAS
LATTIMER
WHO DIED DECEMBER 31ST 1900
AGED 78

26th July 1864 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Marriage
Nenthead Church, 25th inst, by the Rev. Henry Robinson, James Youngest son of Mr Henry French, of Holly Bush, Allendale, agent to the London Lead Mining Company, to Frances Elizabeth Lee, only daughter of the late Dr. Shaw, of Nenthead, Alston.
1851 Henry French Wood Agent aged 61, living at Holly Bush, Allendale with his wife Margaret (Robinson, married 3rd December 1814, Allendale) aged 58, daughters Jane, 33, Margaret 24, Mary 18, and sons William 26 woodcutter, Joseph 22 woodcutter, and James 21, Farm labourer. Also, at Holly Bush, his son Henry aged 29; carpenter with his wife Jane (Close, married 29th May 1847, Allendale) aged 24 and son John aged 3. In 1861 Henry, (listed as wood agent and landed proprietor) Margaret, and children Jane, William, Margaret, Mary and grand daughter Isabella French aged 7 are living at Holly Bush. Also his son Henry, (Joiner employing 1 man and 1 apprentice) with his wife Jane and son John aged 13. Henry French senior died in 1869 at Allendale.
In 1861, James was working as a clerk in a Chemical works and lodging at 14 Blenheim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne.
In 1871 James is living at 21 Richmond St. Newcastle listed as an accountant, widow, his wife Frances having died at Tynemouth, in 1870 aged 33.
In 1872 James married Ellen Dean and in 1881 they were living at 5 Holly Terrace, Sunderland, Ellen aged 43, son John H. aged 7, James was cashier & storekeeper at a glass bottle house.
At High House Burial Ground West Allen, there is a memorial to Henry's son and family:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF HENRY FRENCH OF HOLLY BUSH
WHO DIED OCTOBER 12TH 1874 AGED 53 YEARS.
ALSO, JANE HIS WIFE WHO DIED MAY 14TH 1903 AGED 78 YEARS.
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON WHO DIED OCTOBER 24TH 1900 AGED 52 YEARS. ALSO, OF JOHN HENRY SON OF JOHN AND ANN FRENCH WHO DIED JANUARY 9TH 1883 AGED 6 WEEKS.

See 13th August 1859, 19th June 1869, 15th November 1873, & 4th July 1874

29th July 1864 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Muirhouselaw, on the 26th inst., Robert Stagg Bainbridge, Esq., of Woodhorn Grange, Northumberland, to Mary, eldest daughter of William Dodds, Esq., of Muirhouselaw, St Boswell's.

3rd August 1864 (Teesdale Mercury)
LEAD MINES
… The "memory of man" is the local and usual phrase by which alone the operations of the lead-mines have been recorded. As they were carried on in remote districts, which until 40 or 50 years ago were in many places inaccessible except far ponies (for 30 years have not elapsed since Lord Lowther went in the first carriage which passed from Alston to Teesdale over Yad Moss), it is surprising that scarcely any local history exists of an authentic and detailed character. In earlier times the miners were supplied with fuel from

the neighbouring forests, as the hills, which are now barren moorland, were then thickly covered with wood. The earliest method of working lead as well as coal - mines appears to have been by shafts—by following the surface indications of ore or coal downward—the driving of levels for drainage being of latter origin. The work was drawn to the surface in kibbles or small tubs; and some of the smaller pits on the bassett or interior beds of coal present even yet what was probably the appearance of a respectable mine, in the infancy of such Operations. The general use of levels or galleries large enough to admit of horses travelling in them is said to have been introduced into the northern lead mines by Sir Walter Blackett, nearly 400 years ago, but the example was not followed for many years by other mine owners. Cast-iron rails, instead of wood, were first used in Nentforce level. Tin pipes were first used tor ventilation by Lord Carlisle and Company at Tyne bottom mine. Mr Stagg introduced iron pipes at Rampgill, and Mr. Dickinson first used lead pipes for the purpose of ventilation in the Nentforce level Any of these materials were an improvement on the wooden boxes, which rapidly decayed, and so rendered the air impure, and which moreover could with difficulty be kept water-tight Among the more important later improvements are the crushing mill of the German Buddle, and the addition of inclines flues or chimneys to carry off the smoke from the smelt mines. The flues erected in Allendale are built of masonry 8 ft. high, 6 ft., wide, and the aggregate length of the flues in the mills belonging to Mr. Beaumont is 9 miles. All the engines of Allenhead mines are worked by hydraulic power, no steam-engines being used, the springs, which rise in the mines being pressed into service. In late years a valuable and interesting improvement has been made by Mr. Hugh Pattinson in the process of separating silver from lead founded on the simple natural law that melted lead crystallises, while silver remains fluid. By this, lead containing only 3 ounces of silver to the ton may be cupelled with profit, so that from 7 to 8 ounces of silver is the average quantity now obtained from a ton. A single ingot of silver recovered by this process was shown at the late British Association Meeting at Newcastle, weighing 17½ cwt., and worth upwards of £8000.

The chief curiosity of the Allendale mines is the Blackett Level, extending for 7 m. underground, and running N. and S. to explore for lead-veins, which run E. and W.

The character of the lead-miners is much influenced by the barren and secluded moorlands in which they live, but beneath a rough exterior they have great kindness of heart and much natural intelligence. There is little poverty amongst them, for the lead miner, who works only 8 hrs. a day, and works only 5 days in the weak, obtains from 15s. to 20s. Still their earnings depend almost entirely on the produce of the mines; and as the productiveness of the lead veins is precarious, and often of short duration, great care and energy are required in the selection of places for work; and an enormous capital is constantly employed in works which require a great number of years before they can be brought into full operation, or produce any adequate return. The men work in partnerships of 2, 4, 6, or even 8 and 12; and each partnership divides the earnings of the whole among its separate members. —*Murray's Handbook*

5th August 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 28th ult., Mr. Matthew Lee Currah, miner, aged 36 years.
Thomas Currah and Catherine Lee, married 17th July 1814, at Alston.
Catherine Currah, buried 10th March 1834, aged 41, and Thomas Currah buried 13th March 1838, aged 47 at Garrigill.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Currah, lead miner, aged 20, Frances Currah aged 25, Thomas Currah, lead miner, aged 15, Matthew Currah, lead miner, aged 12, William Currah 10, and Cathrine Currah 9.
In 1851, at Crossgill, Matthew Currah, lead miner, aged 24, brother William, lead miner, aged 21, sister Cathrine, house keeper, aged 19, and nephew Walton Currah 8.
In1861, at Low Crossgill, Matthew L Currah, lead miner, aged 35, sister, Catherine, unmarried, house keeper, aged 29, nephew Walton Currah, lead miner, aged 18, niece's Frances Currah 6, and Susanna Currah 9 months.

12th August 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr William Varty, aged 35 years.
Thomas Elliot married Jane Walton, 17th November 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Thomas Elliot, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane 40, children, John 15, Jane 13, Smith 10, Sarah 8, Robert 6, and Mary Ann 3.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Jane Elliott, pauper, lead miners widow, aged 52, children, Jane, dress maker, aged 23, Smith, stone breaker, aged 20, Sarah 18, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Mary Ann 13.
In 1861, at Burn Bottom, Jane Elliott, miners widow, aged 67, son Smith, outdoor labourer, aged 28, and daughter Mary A, house maid, aged 21.
Jane Elliott, of Burn Bottom, was buried at Nenthead, 17th January 1871, aged 73.

In 1841, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Featherston Varty, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 30, children, William 12, Featherston 8, Robert 5, Elizabeth 1, Edward Roe 6, and John Varty lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Low Level, Nenthead, Featherston Varty, lead ore washing foreman, aged 47, his wife Isabella 43, children, William, lead miner, aged 22, Featherston, lead ore washer, aged 18, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 15, Betsy 10, Isabella 8, and Phillis 6.
In 1861, at Low Level, Featherston Varty, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Isabella 53, children, Featherston, lead miner, aged 28, Isabella, house maid, aged 18, and Phillis, house servant, aged 16.
Isabella Varty was buried at Nenthead 6th August 1865, aged 58.
Featherston Varty of Low Level, Nenthead was buried at Nenthead, 13th January 1867, aged 63
Jane Elliott married William Varty at Nenthead 11th July 1858
In 1861, at Swalway Cottage, Nenthead, William Varty, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Jane, 30, and son Featherston 2.

In 1871, Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Smith Elliott, labourer at the lead mines, aged 40, sister Jane, widow, house keeper, aged 42, nephew, Featherston 12, niece Sarah Jane 9, and nephew Thomas W 8.
In 1881, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Jane Varty, widow, house keeper, aged 54, sons, Featherstone, lead mine labourer, aged 22, and Thomas W, lead miner, aged 18. See 12th July 1879

7th September 1864 (Hexham Courant)

LOCAL NEWS

On Monday as three or four men were engaged in excavating some old workings in a mine in Blanchland one of them pushed a stick against the roof and immediately afterwards a torrent of water gushed down upon them. Every moment the water increased in volume and threatened to destroy them, but assistance being speedily rendered they were taken out just before they were overpowered by its forces.

SINGULAR FATALITY

About three weeks ago a man named Joseph Cousins received severe if not fatal injuries whilst working at Stone Croft mine near Haydon Bridge by falling of a large stone. The managers of the mine have acted in the most liberal manner towards the injured man since the accident and have repeatedly visited him to see that he was properly cared for. One day last week Mr Ware went to see him and left his pony in charge of the son of the injured man, at the same time cautioning him against attempting to ride the animal. The boy however disregarded this caution and shortly after mounting the pony it ran off with him, and he was immediately afterwards thrown with great violence to the ground. The poor lad was about 14 years of age, was picked up insensible and never rallied. He died on Tuesday *(30th August)* night and his father still remains in a very precarious condition.

10th September 1864 (Newcastle Chronicle)

RIVER TYNE COMMISSION

THROWING RUBBISH INTO THE TRIBUTARIES OF THE TYNE.

Mr. HARLE asked if the Clerk had received any communications from persons in the west district of the Tyne relative to the refuse of the lead mines being thrown into the streams. He had been told that immense deposits were being made in the tributaries; and that must do great injury to the Tyne. He would give to Mr. Clayton the name of a gentleman who would supply him with the necessary information on the subject.
Mr. CLAYTON said it would be necessary to trace the deposit somewhere down the river.
The CLERK said the consequence of the refuse from the mines being thrown into the streams had been that no salmon would turn his head up the South Tyne.
Mr. HARLE said he understood that the refuse about which complaint had been made was from the mines.
Mr PROCTOR said he knew that some years ago at Nenthead, some millions of tons of rubbish were thrown into the bed of the river; and it must have been coming down the river for many years. As it was not deposited in the upper part of the river it must have. come down the river, and no doubt the Commission had to dredge it up again.

The CHAIRMAN said there was power under the old Act of Parliament to prevent persons throwing rubbish into river in such a manner. He was inclined to think that if the parties were appealed to, they would put an end to the practice. Year by year had large quantities of rubbish been thus thrown into the river.
The subject was dropped, after the Clerk had been instructed to inquire into the matter.

14th September 1864 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allendale Town, 5th inst. aged 72, Mr Ralph Stobbs, for many years a respected workman at the lead mills.
In 1841, at Allendale Town, Ralph Stobbs, smelter of lead ore, aged 50, his wife Mary (Hall, married 23rd June 1816, Allendale) aged 50, family Mary 20, Jane 10, William 10, John 5, and Sarah 4.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, Ralph Stobbs, lead ore smelter, aged 59, his wife Mary 59, and son William lead ore miner, aged 19.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, Ralph Stobbs, lead ore smelter, aged 69, and his unmarried daughter, Jane aged 32.
On 7th inst in London, Elizabeth widow of Robert Lancelot Allgood Esq. of Nunwick, Northumberland, aged 72 years, interred at Simonburn.

28th September 1864 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT TO A LEAD MINE INSPECTOR.
An inquest was held at St John's Chapel on Friday evening last, to enquire into the particulars relative to the death of Mr Joseph Watson. From evidence produced it appeared that Mr Watson went to inspect a lead mine belonging to the Lead Company, and as he was walking along a narrow passage he unthinkingly stepped on one side and fell down a deep shaft and received fatal injuries. He was in this position a long time. Verdict in accordance with the evidence, "Accidental Death".
The following is reproduced with thanks to Ken Heatherington & the Weardale Museum:
1841 census Forest quarter Frog Hall 3
Joseph Watson 50 Lead Miner, wife Ann 40, children, Elizabeth12, Mary10, Joseph 7, and Frances 2.
1851 census Forest quarter schedule 87 East Black Dean.
Joseph Watson 63 Lead Miner Durham Stanhope, his wife Ann 49, children, Joseph 17 Cart Man, Frances 12, Sarah 9.
1861 census Forest quarter schedule 123 Stone Heap 2
Joseph Watson 73 Lead Miner, wife Ann 59, Sarah 19.

St John's Chapel Burial Register
Watson, Joseph, of Stoneheap. Buried at St Johns Chapel Churchyard 17th September 1864, aged 76. Died of injuries received from falling 5 Fathoms in Middlehope Shield Level. Buried by Coroners Warrant.

4th October 1864 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Ashgill Side, near Garrigill, on the 27th ult., Elizabeth Armstrong, aged 19 years.
See 10th April 1847
At Ashgill Side, near Garrigill, on the 22nd ult., Mrs Esther Armstrong, aged 61 years.
See 27th June 1868

11th October 1864 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 5th inst., Sophia, infant daughter of Mr Dent, schoolmaster.

12th October 1864 (Hexham Courant)
NORTH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF MINING ENGINEERS
... Mr Sopwith also gave an interesting account of the operations now going on in the Blackett Level of the Allendale mines. He described the working of a boring machine procured from the Elswick Engine Works, and to which some new adaption's had been applied by Mr Westmacott.
"The machine had been made at the works of Sir William Armstrong and Co.; Mr Westmacott's attention having been given to it more especially, both in the adoption of certain principles and the arrangement of details. It might be interesting if he were to mention what was going on in the Blackett Level by the boring machine. Hand labour being very slow in this hard rock, Mr Beaumont had been desirous of expediting its progress by machinery, and they were now apparently likely to achieve success. The principle, which Mr Westmacott had adopted in this machine, was based on a close imitation of hand labour that is the jumper, instead of being propelled violently against the rock, was made to press steadily against it at the time the impact was given. The impact was given by a spring on the hammer, and a violent blow was given at the time the jumper was in contact with the rock. As soon as this was done, by an ingenious contrivance in the withdrawal of a small quantity of water, the apparatus is withdrawn one eighth of an inch, quite sufficient to allow the debris to fall down, and also to allow the free motion of the jumper, which is made in due succession to turn round one fourteenth; so that with fourteen blows there is one revolution of the jumper. From 150 to 200 blows are given in a minute; 300 could be given if necessary. At this rate the jumper has at times gone steadily in two inches per minute, through the hardest limestone, and as much as two and a half inches have been accomplished. The holes bore best when horizontal. When slightly inclined downwards the workmen were troubled with debris, but that was got out by a strong jet of water.
The machine had short flexible tubes to carry the water from fixed pipes. A column of water acted from pressure above. A clamp is fixed up against the roof and they could ship or unship it by liberating a portion of water under high pressure. The diameter of the hole was one and a quarter inch."

19th October 1864 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Resting Hill, near Allenheads, 15th inst. aged 49, Mr William Hunter Bright, miner.
See 4th December 1880 & 24th July 1886

21st October 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 15th inst., Mrs Hannah Stephenson, aged 48 years. *Hannah Stephenson of Donks Hall was buried at Nenthead, 18th October 1864, aged 48.*
James Stephenson married Hannah Hornsby, 19th September 1839, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Welgill Dyke Heads, Nenthead, James Stephenson, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Hannah 25, and son Isaac 2 months.
In 1851, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, James Stephenson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah 34, children, Isaac 10, Joshua James 7, Matthew 5, and Andrew 1.
In 1861, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, James Stephenson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Hannah, dressmaker, aged 44, children, Isaac, ead miner, aged 19, Joshua J, lead miner, aged 17, Matthew, lead miner, aged 15, Andrew 10, John G 8, Hannah 5, and Sarah Ann 1
In 1871, Bowlen Close, Helmington Row, Crook, James Stephenson, coal miner, aged 54, his wife Mary (Mary Ann Subdonm married 3rd quarter 1867, registered at Auckland) aged 45, children, Joseph (Sic), coal miner, aged 26, Hannah 15, Sarah Ann 11, and Step daughter, Rachel Subdon, aged 12.
In 1871, at Old Shildon, Durham, Isaac Stephenson, coal miner, aged 29, his wife Mary (Barron, married at Stokesley, 2nd quarter 1866) aged 32, children, Agnes 4, James 2, and Cauper 3 months.
In 1871, at 15 Katherine St, Willington, Durham, Robert Walton, miner, aged 52, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth 55, born Garrigill, son James, miner, aged 14, son in law, Matthew Stephenson, miner, aged 25, his wife Barbara (Walton, married 1st quarter 1869, registered at Durham) aged 21, and their daughter Hannah 1.
James Stephenson died 1st quarter 1872, aged 55, registered at Auckland, Durham.
In 1881, Jos. J, Stephenson, labourer, aged 37, born Nenthead was lodging with George Honeyman and family at 63 Gurney St, Darlington.
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 16th inst., Mr John Richardson, miner, aged 59 years.
John Richardson married Margaret Cousin, 8th July 1838, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Alston, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Margaret, aged 20, and daughter Jane 2.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plain, Alston, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Margaret aged 35, born Allendale, children, Jane 11, Henry 8, Joseph 6, Ann 4, and John 2.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Margaret 45, children, Jane, dressmaker, aged 21, Henry, lead miner, aged

18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, Ann, woollen mill worker, aged 14, and John aged 7.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Margaret Richardson, widow, domestic servant, aged 55, sons, Joseph, coal miner, aged 26, and John, twister at woollen factory, aged 17.
In 1881, at Broomhill, Chevington, Morpeth, Joseph Richardson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 29, children, John E 7, Annie M 5, Grace H 3, Joseph 11 months, mother, Margaret Richardson, widow, aged 64, and brother John, coal miner, aged 27.
In 1891, at Throckley, Castle Ward, Northumberland, John Richardson, coal miner, aged 37, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth A 33, born Plymouth, daughter Sarah A 5 months, born Newburn, and mother Margaret Richardson, widow, aged 75, born Hexham.
Margaret Richardson died 4th quarter 1900, aged 85, registered at Castle Ward, Northumberland.

26th October 1864 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Catton, 18th inst. aged 69, Mr John Craig, smelter.
In 1851, at Stone House, Catton, John Craig, lead ore smelter & farmer of 10 acres aged 55, his wife Mary (Brown, married 21st June 1823) aged 41, children Ann 24, William lead ore miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 19, John lead ore washer, aged 19, Jacob lead ore washer, aged 17, Elizabeth 12, Hannah 9, Susannah 7, and Margaret 3.
In 1861, at Stone House, Catton, John Craig, smelter & farmer of 12 acres, aged 65, his wife Mary 57, children John coal miner, aged 29, Jacob lead ore dresser, aged 26, Susannah 17, Margaret 13, and grandson Charles 4 years.
See 19th February 1881.

28th October 1864. (Newcastle Courant)
On Friday morning was issued the **report of the commissioners appointed to inquire into the condition of all mines in Great Britain to which the provisions of the act 23rd and 24th Vict. Cap.151, do not apply, with reference to the health and safety of persons employed in such mines.** It states that Dr. Peacock, at the request of the chairman, visited Alston, Nenthead, Allenheads, Weardale and Middleton in Teesdale, and examined 25 men who were suffering from different forms of disease, and 225 who were at work in various mines. By far the largest number of cases of disease, which fell under his notice, were cases of miners asthma. He says that there is a striking uniformity in the cause to which the miners attribute the impairment of their health; these are bad air, powder reek, and stour. They say, with regard to had air, that, notwithstanding great improvements have of late years been effected in the state of the mines; some of the workings are still very defective. " Powder reek" also, they think, frequently renders the air of the mines very injurious. With regard to the “stour” or dust of the mines, it is often blamed by them as a cause of indisposition, and some say that the “stour" is worse than anything else. Dr. Peacock thinks that in this respect these mines are more injurious than those of Cornwall. The other causes assigned by the miners as probably effecting them were, working too hard when they had a good bargain, working at night, and at too early an age. He did not find the climbing

ladders blamed by the men as having been injurious to them. As most of the mines are entered by day levels, the men have not usually to climb more than 15 to 30 fathoms. He adds, the mines are not apparently so hot as to exercise any injurious influence. In comparing this district with Cornwall, he was struck with the more robust appearance of the miners, and the larger proportion of middle-aged and old men among them. He considers that the diseases met with among the miners in the district correspond generally with the diseases observed in Cornwall, but present some differences. It seemed to him that miners' asthma was usually in this district a simpler form of disease than in Cornwall, and less frequently complicated by disorganisation of the lungs, He also found this affection in the north not so commonly combined with disease of the heart as in Cornwall. He does not think that the more satisfactory sanitary condition of the miners in this district can be ascribed to the mines being generally in a better state as to ventilation, and freer from 'choke-damp.' Indeed, he thinks that the reports of the men indicate a worse condition of certain parts of the mines in the north than in Cornwall. He considers the circumstances which are mainly influential in favourably affecting the sanitary state of the men working in these mines to be the comparatively short periods in each weak during which the men work in the mines, the ready access to the mines without having to climb the ladders to any extent, the natural temperature of the workings, and the length of time during which they are left free. Amongst other recommendations named by the commissioners, are the following: -That every mine should be provided with proper houses conveniently situated, in which the men can change and dry their clothes. That, as accidents are of frequent, occurrence in metalliferous mines, and principally result from miners failing from ladders, or from one level to another, they recommend that no ladder-way should be allowed in a drawing shaft without the shaft being properly divided or bratticed off from the footway, and that efficient sollars should be fixed at moderate distances in all footways, whether the ascent or descent be by ladders or stemples. That more stringent rules should be enforced in regard to blasting, with a view to preventing accidents That the boilers and other machinery should be periodically examined by the mine engineer, and that a monthly report thereon be given in to the captain or agent, to be produced by him, should occasion require. The accidents consequent upon the practice of leaving abandoned shafts and works insufficiently guarded or wholly unprotected, are so numerous, that the commissioners think it very desirable that an efficient and easy available legal remedy should be provided, in order to guard the public from this prolific source of danger. That the employment of boys underground at an early age contributes to produce disease and premature death; they therefore think ii desirable that, as a general rule, no boys under 14 years of ago should work below the surface.

9th November 1864 (Hexham Courant)

HEXHAM PETTY SESSIONS

Thomas Arnison of Peasmeadows, Allendale, lead ore smelter, was summoned to show reason against supporting the illegitimate child of Elizabeth Varty, Green Pit, Allendale. The evidence being satisfactory made out against him he was ordered to pay 2s per week and the cost of the court.

In 1861, at Green Pit, Thomas Varty, lead miner, aged 35, his sister Elizabeth, aged 38 years, and brother Joseph shepherd, aged 32. In 1861, lodging at Peasmeadows, Thomas Arnison, lead separator, aged 37, born Penrith, the 1871, & 1881 census show Thomas remained in Allendale. In 1871, Elizabeth is living with her brother Joseph, a farmer of 10 acres, at Green Pits, with her son John J. P. aged 6 years. See 10th November 1883 & 2nd August 1884.

Marriages

At St Peter's, near Allenheads, 3rd inst, Mr Joseph Kidd of Killhope Burn, Weardale, to Jane only daughter of the late Mr Henry Ridley of Kirk Houses, Allenheads.

In 1851, at Kirks House, Henry Ridley, lead ore miner, aged 53, his wife Margaret (Charlton, married 24th May 1823, St Peter's, Allenheads) aged 49, children William, lead ore miner, aged 25, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 23, Henry, mine wagon driver, aged 20, Matt, mine wagon driver, aged 18, John, mine wagon driver, aged 14, Jane 12, Wilkinson 8, James 6, and house servant, Mary Chapman, aged 13 In 1861, at Kirks Houses, Allenheads, Margaret Ridley, lead miners widow, aged 58, children John, lead ore miner, aged 24, Jane, house servant, aged 22, Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 17, and James, wagon driver in lead ore mine, aged 15.

In 1851, at Kilhope Burn, Jonathan Kidd, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Margaret 31, sons Joseph 7, Jonathan 6 months, and house servant, Eleanor Featherston, aged 14. In 1861, at Kilhope Burn, Jonathan Kidd, married, lead miner, aged 53, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Jonathan 10, and general servant, Elizabeth Roddam, aged 23.

In 1871, at Lane Head, Heathercleugh, Joseph Kidd, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Jane 32, children Margaret 5, and Henry 3. In 1881, at Rush, Heathercleugh, Joseph Kidd, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Jane 42, children Margaret 15, Henry 13, and Jonathan 9. In 1891, at Helmington Hall Cottages, Hunwick, Joseph Kidd, general labourer, aged 47, his wife Jane 52, children Margaret 15, Henry, general labourer, aged 23, and Jonathan, general labourer, aged 19.

At St Peter's, near Allenheads 5th inst. John Pears of Rope Haugh to Mary eldest daughter of the late Mr John Lee of Allenheads.

John Lee married Mary Rowell, 31st May 1823, at St Peter's, Allendale.

In 1851, at Dudley, Allendale, Thomas Phillipson, labourer in lead ore mines, aged 56, his wife Mary (Lee, married 12th June 1830, St Peter's, Allenheads) aged 54, wife's son, Matthew Lee, lead ore miner, aged 27, daughter Jane Philipson, aged 20, sons Thomas Philipson, waggon driver, aged 17, and Joseph Philipson, lead ore washer, aged 14.

In 1861, at Fawside Green, Allendale, Matthew Lee, unmarried, lead ore miner, aged 37, sister Mary, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 36, nephew William Lee 6, half brothers, Thomas Philipson, lead ore miner, aged 27, and Joseph Philipson, lead ore miner, aged 24.

In 1871, at Rose Hill, Allendale, John Pears, retired lead ore miner, aged 44, his wife Mary 46, daughter Mary J 6, son in law, William Lee, lead ore washer, aged 16, nurse child Mary U Ward 1, and brother in law Matthew Lee, lead ore miner, aged 47. John Pears died 1st quarter of 1878. In 1881, at Rose Hill, Mary Pears, widow, charwoman, aged 54, daughter Mary J., 16, and boarder, John S. Liddle 1 year.

See 14th December 1864.

16th November 1864 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead 6th inst aged 69 years Mrs Sarah Hornsby widow of Thomas Hornsby.
In 1841, at New Angerton, Blenkinsop, Thomas Hornsby, colliery labourer, aged 45, his wife Sarah 45 (Lee, married 16th June 1814, at Alston), children Joseph, coal miner, aged16, John, coal miner, aged 13, and Mary 10.
In 1851, at Hay Ring, Nenthead, Thomas Hornsby, retired mine agent, aged 56, his wife Sarah 55, son John, lead miner, aged 23, daughter Mary 20, and Grandson William Lee Hornsby aged 2.
In 1851, Joseph Hornsby lead miner, was living at High Grass field with his wife Elizabeth, daughter Sarah 2; and son Thomas 1. Thomas snr, died in 1853.
See 21st November 1874, 7th April 1877, 6th April 1901, & 26th October 1912

25th November 1864 (Carlisle Journal)
GROUSE POACHING. —A few days ago, while Inspector Stephenson, of the county police, stationed at Alston, was on duty at Garrigill, he met Robert Murray, miner, of Fore Green, near Alston, and considering it his duty to search him he found in his possession three grouse, a gun, powder, shot, and wadding. He seized them, and Murray will be summoned to appear before the magistrates at the next petty sessions at Alston.
Marriages
At Alston, on the 24th inst., Mr Thomas Ramsay, miner, to Miss Mary Thompson, both of Alston.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, John Ramsay, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 49, children, John, lead miner, aged 20, Mary, wool spinner, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, and son Thomas 10.
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, John Ramsay, lead miner, widower, aged 60, children, John, lead miner, aged 29, Mary, house maid, aged 26, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1871, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Ramsay, coal miner, age 31, his wife Mary 34, children, John J 4, and Annie M 1 month.
Mary Ramsay died 3rd quarter 1873, aged 37, registered, at Alston.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Ramsay, lead miner, aged 41, his wife, Margaret, (Rutherford, widow, married 1st quarter 1875, registered at Haltwhistle) grocer, aged 45, step son, Thomas Rutherford, tailor, 23, step daughter Sarah Rutherford, domestic servant, aged 18, step daughter Margaret Rutherford, aged 14, son John Jos. Ramsay, aged 14, and daughter Annie Mary Ramsay, aged 10.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Ramsay, Grocer, aged 51, his wife, Margaret, aged 57, son John Jos. tailor, aged 24, daughter Annie M, stocking kitter, aged 20, step son, Thomas Rutherford, tailor, 33, step daughter Sarah Ann Rutherford, shop assistant, aged 28, and step daughter Margaret Rutherford, shop assistant, aged 24.
Margaret Ramsay died 4th August 1893, at Alston, aged 60.
In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Ramsay, widower, Grocer and fishmonger, aged 61, son in law, Gilbert E Graham, road surfaceman, aged

36, daughter, Annie M Graham, 30, grandchildren, Mary E Graham 4, Albert E Graham 3, and Margaret A 3 months.
Thomas Ramsay died 24th October 1903, aged 64, At Alston.
See 9th November 1839

26th November 1864 (Carlisle Patriot)

MONUMENT TO JACOB WALTON, ESQ., OF ALSTON

The inauguration of a monument to the memory of Jacob Walton, Esq., took place on Monday at Alston. The name of Jacob Walton is, to use a phrase which has now almost become hackneyed, a household word throughout the homes of the lead mining population of South Northumberland and Cumberland, and his death between two and three years ago created a wide spread feeling of sorrow and gloom.

Soon after his death suggestions were made in various quarters respecting the erection of some humble tribute to his memory, and in the June of last year the propositions took a practical shape. Several meetings were subsequently held, invariably under the presidency of Mr. W. Bainbridge, one of the principal promoters of the undertaking, and eventually an acting committee was appointed. Their labours have proved most successful, the large sum of £345 being subscribed for the present monument in a very short time. The weather on Monday was most unfavourable for the occasion, the inaugural proceedings taking place in a drenching shower of rain. Notwithstanding this however, there was a large assemblage present. At one o'clock the workmen assembled in the Market Place and walked in procession to the site of the monument, which immediately adjoins the Town Hall, in the main street. The monument is, on the whole, a small and plain structure; but, never the less, exceedingly neat. It is a round pillar of simple monumental foliage, supporting a square die, with a panel on each face, and four goulets, from which a square pinnacle rises, terminated with a finial. The pillar stands on a square pedestal and the height from the base to the top is 28 feet.

The inscription is as follows: —

“In memory of Jacob Walton, of Green Ends, who died 2nd March, 1863 aged 53 years. Erected by public subscription.” The inscription is graven on the face of the pedestal next the road in leaden letters. The material is of fine red granite, from the Ross of Mull, excepting the pinnacle and die at the top, which are grey Aberdeen granite, with panels of, polished red. A broad platform of freestone, with steps, support the memorial, and there are angle pedestals with railings, which complete the design. Messrs. Austin and Johnstone, Newcastle, were the architects; Mr McAdam, of Alston, was clerk of the works. The whole the stone and granite work has been satisfactorily executed by Mr R Bell, of Newcastle, and the iron-work by W. H. Walker and Son, of the same place. The company having arranged themselves in a body in the street opposite the spot where the memorial was erected.

Mr UTRICK BAINBRIDGE then stepped forward and addressed the assemblage in the following terms: They were met together that day, he might say, for the performance of what he felt sure would be a pleasing duty to them all—to celebrate the completion and inauguration of a memorial to the late Mr Jacob Walton, of Green Ends. There having been, shortly after Mr Walton’s death, an almost universal expression of opinion in the town of Alston and

surrounding district—in fact, wherever Mr Walton had been known— that a memorial should be erected, a committee was formed to carry the same into effect; and such committee, after ascertaining the sentiments of various parties, and fully considering the matter came to the conclusion that it would be the best mode of fulfilling the wishes of both the subscribers and the general public that the memorial should be erected in a fairly public position. The determination having been arrived at, application was made to the Commissioners of the Greenwich Hospital, the owners of the land where the memorial now stands, and he had much pleasure in stating that the present site was by them generously granted free of cost. Of the object of the memorial it was almost unnecessary for him to speak. Like the life of him it is designed to commemorate the memorial told its own tale. The late Mr Walton was to most of them as well known as himself. All that he need say was that it was commemorated to a good, useful, and, so far as the surrounding districts are concerned, a public man. He was an extensive employer of labour; and one of the most pleasing and striking traits of his character, and one which it was wished and intended the memorial should chiefly keep in remembrance, was the respect—nay, he had almost said the grateful love and esteem—always entertained and expressed towards him by his workmen. The labour of the committee bing now completed, he had the greatest pleasure on their behalf, and of that of the subscribers, in now declaring the memorial publicly inaugurated, and dedicated to the purpose for which the subscriptions have been so liberally granted.

At the request of Mr U. Bainbridge, three cheers were then given for the success of the memorial.

IN MEMORY OF
JACOB WALTON
OF GREEN ENDS
WHO DIED MARCH 2ND 1863
AGED 53 YEARS.
ERECTED BY PUBLIC
SUBSCRIPTION

MR JACOB SMITH next addressed the assemblage, and moved a vote of thanks to Mr Bainbridge for the very great interest he had taken in the promotion of the monument.
Mr ROBERT PEARSON having seconded the motion, three cheers were then given for Mr Bainbridge, who briefly responded.

This constituted the whole of the inaugural proceedings, and the company then began to separate. The procession, having reformed also began to move off, and preceded by the band wended their way to the house of Mr Cranston, Turk's Head Inn, Market Place, where preparations had been made for

THE PUBLIC DINNER

At which about 160 or 170 persons were present, amongst them being the following gentlemen: Mr U. Bainbridge, chairman, Mr Paul, Dr Arnison, Mr Henderson, Mr Walton, Mr Ware, Mr Beall, Mr Hall, Mr Dixon, Dr Hyslop, the Rev H. Robinson, John Cooper, Esq., Acomb, Joseph Dinning, Esq., Langley Mill, Jacob Smith, Esq., J. E. Walton, Esq., Mr Holmes, Mr Roddam, Mr Millican, Mr Davies, Mr Rutherford, Mr Peart, &c. After the cloth was removed, several toasts appropriate to the occasion were proposed and responded to, and on the whole a pleasant afternoon was spent.
The total cost of the erection was £335, which leaves a balance of about £10 in the hands of the treasurer.

30th November 1864 (Hexham Courant)

MELANCHOLY AND FATAL ACCIDENT AT ALLENHEADS

An accident of a truly sad and melancholy description occurred to a boy at Allenheads on Friday, ... It would seem that the deceased a youth named Thomas Graham was employed at the mines, where he had been principally engaged in driving and taking the management and charge of horses. In this vocation he was employing himself on Friday last, and when last observed by some of his fellow mates, was yoking his animal to some coal waggons and removing them along to their destination (so far as he was concerned) in the "levels." While engaged in this work he is supposed to have stumbled between the horse and the waggons and fallen between the two with his head on one of the rails. This very unfortunate circumstance caused a check to the horses but not until one of the waggons had passed over the poor lad. ... The accident is rendered somewhat more distressing by the fact that the poor boy lived with and supported his mother a widow whose husband also met with a fatal accident about 18 months ago.
In 1851, at Slagg Hill, George Graham, lead ore miner, aged 33; his wife Jane (Ritson, married 12th February 1842, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 29, children Margaret 8, Susannah 7, Thomas 3, and Ritson 1.
The 1861 census shows at Slagg, Hill, Allendale, George Graham aged 43 lead ore miner, (licensed lodging house), his wife Jane aged 40, Thomas aged 13; Ritson aged 11; George aged 9; Ann aged 7, Jane aged 1, and lodgers, Peter McConvil, book binder, aged 56, and his wife Elizabeth aged 61.
The death of Thomas's father is recorded as having occurred in the first quarter of 1863.
In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Jane Graham, widow, aged 50, children Ritson, lead ore miner, aged 21, George, lead ore washer, aged 19, Jane 11, and visitor Mary J. Nixon 6.

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Marriages
At Nenthead, at the parish church, *(24th November)* Mr James Erwin, Smelter to Miss Sarah Archer, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Kelloe, Durham, Joshua Archer (son of Joshua Archer and Nancy Nattrass), miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 35, children Agnes 10, Ann 5, Sarah 3, and Elizabeth 1 month. Joshua and his wife Elizabeth died before the next census.
Agnes Archer married William Farnish, 4th quarter of 1845.
In 1851, at Kelloe, Barretts Houses, William Farrnish, coal miner, aged 27, his wife Agnes, 21, children Mary Jane 2, Sarah 10 months, and Elizabeth Archer aged 9.
In 1851, at West Nenthead, William Archer (son of Joshua Archer & Ann (Nancy) Nattrass), lead miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah (Hutchinson, married 15th March 1827, Alston) aged 47, son John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Sarah Ann 7, and niece Sarah Archer 12, born Church St., Durham. In 1861, at Bank Top House, William Archer, proprietor of work horses employing 4 labourers, aged 61, his wife Hannah 57, son John, carter, aged 30, daughter Sarah A 17, niece, Sarah Archer, house servant, aged 22, and servant, John Dixon, carter, aged 20.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwine, smelter lead ore, aged 40, his wife Ann (Hall, married 20th July 1826) aged 35, children Hannah 12, Mary Ann 9, Elizh 5, and James 2.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwin, lead ore smelter, aged 50, his wife Ann 44, son James 11, grandson Jacob Erwin 2.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwin, smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann 55, son James, smelter 21, grandson Jacob Erwin 12 (married Hannah Whitfield, 6th April 1872, at Nenthead), and house servant, Agness Doyle, aged 19.
In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 31, his wife Sarah 32 (born Durham), children Elizabeth 5, Hannah 4, and Agness aged 2.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 41, his wife Sarah 42, children Agness 12, William I. 9, Joseph 5, and Ellen 3.
In 1891, at Mill Cottages, James Irwin, lead ore smelter, aged 51, his wife Sarah 52, children Agnes, dressmaker, aged 22, William James, lead ore smelter, aged 19, Joseph, assayer of lead, aged 15, and Ellen 13. In 1901, at Mill Cottage, James Erwin, labourer, mines, aged 61, his wife Sarah 62, children William J., stoker, stationary engine, aged 29, Joseph chemists assistant, aged 25, and Ellen 23. In 1911, at Hill Top, Nenthead, James Irwin, lead mining labourer, aged 71, his wife Sarah 72, unmarried daughter Hannah 44, and unmarried son William James, stationary engineman at lead works, aged 39.
At Garrigill Gate, Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst. Mr Hugh Henderson, miner, to Miss Hannah Richardson, dressmaker, Ashgill.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Thomas Richardson, game watcher, aged 67, his wife Isabella (Craig, married 9th May 1835, St John, Garrigill) aged 48, children Thomas, forester, aged 25, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18, Isabella 14, Elizabeth 11, and Anne 6.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Hugh Henderson (son of James & Elizabeth Henderson), lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Spotswood, married 8th November 1828, Alston) aged 35, children Elizabeth 11, James 8, Hugh 6, Mary 4, John 2 (died 4th quarter of 1846), and Nicholas Henderson, lead miner, aged 50. Hugh Henderson snr. died 1st quarter of 1846. Nicholas Henderson Hugh's brother died 4th quarter of 1849.
In 1851, at Garrigill Gate, Hannah Henderson, widow, aged 47, children James, lead miner, aged 18, Hugh, lead miner, aged 16, and Mary 13.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, James Henderson, lead miner, and P. M. local preacher, aged 38, brother Hugh, lead miner, aged 26, and sister Mary house keeper, aged 24.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Hugh Henderson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Hannah 28, and son Thomas 2. In 1881, at 8 Church Street, Byers Green, Durham, Hugh Henderson, stone mason, aged 46, his wife Hannah 38, children Thomas 12, Louisa I. 9, Lizzie H. 6, and Hugh 3; Lizzie and Hugh both born at Byers Green, the others in the family all born Garrigill. In 1891, at Spennymoor, Hugh Henderson, mason, aged 57, his wife Hannah 49, children Thomas, shop assistant, aged 22, Louisa Isabella 19, Lizzie Hannah, shop assistant, aged 16, Hugh 13, and Ethel R 4.
See 10th December 1881, and 20th August 1881

Deaths

At Nenthead, 24th inst. aged 62, Mrs Elizabeth Fawcett.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Elizabeth Wilkinson, aged 35, John Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 14, and William Wilkinson, aged 6. Henry Wilkinson married Elizabeth Price at Alston, 29th November 1823; Henry died aged 36, Alston burial records give 17th April 1837. Elizabeth married James Fawcett, 30th July 1842, at Alston. James died 2nd quarter of 1847.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Betty Fawcett, widow, aged 49, sons John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 23, William Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 15, Thomas Fawcett, aged 4 years.
In 1861 at Overwater, Nenthead, Elizabeth Fawcett, miners widow, aged 57, and her son Thomas, lead ore washer aged 14. Thomas died 1st quarter of 1869, aged 22 years. John and William both married and had families.
See 23rd April 1847 & 1st May 1857

At Slag Hill near Allenheads, 22nd inst. aged 63 Mr Matthew Hull lead ore dresser.

In 1841, at Slag Hill, Allendale, Matthew Hull, lead ore dresser, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Lee married 5th June 1833) aged 25, children John 5, and Ann 3. Hannah died the 2nd quarter of 1848. In 1851, at Slagg Hill, Matthew Hull, widow, lead ore miner, aged 50, children John 15, Ann 13, Mary 7, and house servant, Jane Renwick, aged 27. John died 2nd quarter of 1855. In 1861, at Slagg Hill, Matthew Hull, widow, lead ore washer, aged 60, daughters Ann, housekeeper, aged 23, and Mary 17.

14th December 1864 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At St Peter's, near Allenheads, 19th inst. Mr Archbold Pears of Ropehaugh to Mary Parker of Allenheads.

In 1851, at Chestergarth House, Stanhope, Thomas Parker, lead ore viewer, aged 49, his wife Isabella 44, children James, lead ore washer, aged 21,

Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jane, house maid, aged 14, Isabella 11, Mary 9, George 7, Hannah 5, and Joseph 4 months. In 1861, at Tanside House, Allendale, Thomas Parker, lead mine agent, aged 59, his wife Isabella 55, children Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 26, Isabella 21, Mary 19, George, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and Joseph 10. In 1871, at Boltsburn, Thomas Parker, retired lead miner, aged 69, his wife Isabella aged 63, son Joseph lead ore washer aged 20, and grandson Thomas aged 6. Isabella died 2nd quarter of 1875, aged 67, at Weardale.
In 1841, at Park House, John Pears, lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah 40, children Jane 19, John, lead miner, aged 14, Hannah 12, Henry Pears 10, Christopher 8, and Archibald 5.
In 1851, at Guide Post, Allendale, Hannah Pears, miners widow, aged 54, children Jane 28, John, Ag. Labourer, aged 24, Henry, lead ore miner, aged 20, Christopher, lead ore miner, aged 17, and Archibald, lead ore washer, aged 15.
In 1861, at Ropehaugh, Hannah Pears, lead miners widow, aged 64, children, Jane, house servant, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 34, Henry, lead miner, aged 30, Christopher, lead miner, aged 27, and Archibald, iron stone miner, aged 25
In 1871, at Blackcleugh, Allendale, Archibald Pears, ironstone miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 29, born Stanhope, children, Thomas 8, Isabella 4, and Mary J aged 1.
Archibald Pears, death was registered at Newcastle 3rd quarter of 1875, at Newcastle upon Tyne.
In 1881, at Ropehaugh, Mary Pears, widow, aged 39, children Thomas, lead mine labourer, aged 18, Isabella 14, Mary J. 11, John 8, Archibald 5, and father Thomas Parker, widow, annuitant, aged 79, born Stanhope.
See 9th November 1864.

21st December 1864 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allenheads 16th inst., aged 51, Mr William Curry for 29 years mining agent at W.B. Lead mines.
Christened 16th December 1813, son of Joseph (Lead mine agent) & Ann Robson, married Mary Allison 17th September 1840, they did not have children.
In 1851, at Allenheads, William Curry, lead ore mine inspector, aged 37, his wife Mary aged 34, house servant, Hannah Charlton, aged 19, and visitor, John Holmes aged 26.
In 1861, at Allenheads, William Curry, agent lead ore mines, aged 47, his wife Mary 44, groom, Thomas Shield 15, and house servant Mary Renwick 16.

The following is an extract from the diaries of Thomas Sopwith

> *"The engineering duties have been attended to by Mr Bewick, as already named, and for some years past (seven) Mr J. C. Cain has acted as general surveyor of the mines. Among the numerous body of inspectors I must especially record my regret for the recent loss of Mr William Curry, whose earnest attention to his duties and friendly regard for all my advice and instructions I shall always remember with respect. He is worthily succeeded by his brother, Mr. John Curry, assisted by Mr. John Ashman.*

See 17th March 1868, 6th July 1869, 18th July 1870, 25th May 1872, 9th September 1876 and 24th June 1899.

28th December 1864 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENHEADS

On Wednesday, last the remains of Mr William Curry were deposited in the burial ground adjoining St Peter's Church, Allenheads. He has been for the last 29 years inspector of the lead mines belonging to W. B. Beaumont Esq. …

Marriages

In this town, at the parish church, 24th inst. Mr John Hardy, miner to Miss Jane Lambs. Same day Mr Thomas Nattrass, mining agent, Rigg House, Stanhope, County of Durham, to Elisa Bewick, daughter of Mr Robert Richley, agent, Hexham.

3rd January 1865 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At Garrigill, recently, Mr Thomas Carr, miner, to Miss Smith, Mount Pleasant, near Garrigill. *Thomas Carr married Mary Ann Smith, 31st December 1864, at St John, Garrigill.*

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Carr, lead ore dresser, aged 33, his wife Mary A 32, children, Margaret 5, William A 4, and Mary E 7 months.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Carr, lead ore dresser, aged 43, his wife Mary A 42, children, Margaret, dressmaker apprentice, aged 15, William A, lead ore washer, aged 14, Mary E 10, Alfred 8, George 4, and Mabel I 1.

In 1891, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Thomas Carr, lead ore dresser, aged 53, his wife Mary A 52, children, William A, lead miner, aged 24, Mary E 20, Alfred, lead ore dresser, aged 18, George 14, Mabel I 11, and granddaughter, Rosa Spark 2.

In 1901, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Thomas Carr, foreman lead ore dresser, aged 63, his wife Mary Ann 62, children, Mary Elizabeth 30, George Albert, lead miner, aged 24, Mabel Isabel, dressmaker, aged 21, and Elizabeth 25.
In 1911, at Garrigill, Thomas Carr, retired lead miner, aged 73, his wife Mary Ann 72, daughter, Mabel Isabel, dressmaker, aged 31, married son, George Alfred, dairyman, aged 34, and daughter in law, Elizabeth Carr 26.
Thomas Carr died 4th qtr., 1916, aged 79, registered at Alston.
Mary Ann Carr died 1st qtr., 1932, aged 93, registered at Alston.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate, on the 23rd ult., Mrs Susannah Dodd, aged 64 years.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Susannah Dodd, widow, grocer, aged 61.
At Leehouse, near Garrigill, on the 25th ult., Mr Joseph Pearson Slack, aged 67 years.
In 1851, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Joseph P. Slack, farmer of 160 acres, aged 54, his wife Nanny (Nanny Little married Joseph Pearson Slack, 19th December 1822, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 50, children, Mary Ann 20, John 16, Elizabeth 14, and Joseph 9.
In 1861, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Joseph P. Slack, landed proprietor, aged 64, his wife Nanny 60, and married daughter, Mary A. Millican, house maid, aged 30.
Nanny Slack was buried 9th May 1878, aged 77, at St John Garrigill.

St John, Garrigill, church yard.

This
Monument is erected
to the
deeply cherished
memory of
JOSEPH PEABSON SLACK
of High Lee House
Tynehead
who died on Christmas
Day 1864
aged 67 years
Also to the beloved
memory of
NANNY SLACK
who died May 4, 1878
aged 77 years.

On the east side,
In
affectionate
Remerabrance of
Elizabeth, the beloved
wife Of Thomas Bell
and daughter of
Joseph and Nanny Slack
she entered into rest
February 16 1868
aged 29 years.
Also Mary Ann Millican
daughter of the above
who died Jany 21 1893
aged 62 years.
Asleep in Jesus.

4th January 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Heathery Cleugh Church, 29th ult. Mr John Bell, miner, to Sarah second daughter of Mr Wm. Featherston of Corn Riggs.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Heathercleugh, William Featherston, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 37, children Nancy 13, Sarah 11, William 10, Ralph 8, Mary 7, Jane Ann 3, and Hannah 1 month. In 1861, at Corn Riggs, William Featherston, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Sarah 47, children Sarah 22, William, lead miner, aged 20, Ralph, lead miner, aged 18, Mary 16, Jane Ann 13, Hannah 10, and Joseph 3.
In 1851, at White Stones, Stanhope, Henry Bell, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 43, children Ann 18, John 15, and Mary 14.
In 1861, at Rush, Heathercleugh, Ann Bell, widow, aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 25, and Mary, dress maker, aged 24.
In 1871, at High Allers, Heathercleugh, John Bell, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah 31, children Priscilla 6, Ann 4, and Sarah 1.
In 1881, at Wellhope, Heathercleugh, John Bell, lead ore dresser, aged 45, his wife Sarah 41, children Annie 14, Sarah 11, Mary 9, Jane Anna 7, and Ada aged 3.
In 1891, at Copt Hill, John Bell, store keeper for lead mines, aged 55, his wife Sarah 51, and daughter Sarah 21.
At Heathery Cleugh Church, 29th ult. Mr John Elliott of Wellhope, to Mary only daughter of Mr Wm. Lonsdale, Cowes Hill.

4th February 1865 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
SHOCKING ACCIDENT TO A LEAD MINER IN NORTH TYNE
A sad occurrence has just taken place at Wester Hall Lead Mines, which are situated in North Tyne, about a mile and a half from Humshaugh. Among the workmen engaged in that portion of the workings known as the Grove, was a sinker named Ralph Brown. On Wednesday last Brown was engaged in blasting at the bottom of the shaft, and about four o'clock in the afternoon, one of the shots he had "set" failed to explode. During the day he had made it his duty to come up tho shaft until the explosion occurred, and had not neglected the same precaution with respect to the last shot, but after a few minutes had elapsed, and it had failed to go off, he descended the shaft again and examined the place where the shot had been set. While he was thus engaged tbs shot fired, and the consequence was, that he was almost literally blown to pieces. Shortly afterwards the accident was discovered, and the remains of the poor fellow were at once picked up and sent to bank. The coroner was subsequently acquainted with the facts attending the accident, but he deemed it unnecessary to hold an inquest, and accordingly gave an immediate order for burial. The unfortunate man belonged to Leadgate, where his wife and one child reside. He was 30 years of age.
In 1851, at Sunnyside, Crook, John Brown, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Frances 42, children, Elizabeth 21, Joseph, coal miner, aged 21, Ralph, coal miner, aged 17, and John 2.
In 1861, at Medomsley, Ralph Brown, pit sinker, aged 28, is lodging with Thomas Robson & family.

24th February 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr Christopher Richardson, widower, to Mrs Jane Thompson, widow, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Christopher Richardson, joiner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Patterson, married 15th October 1857, at Alston) aged 25, children, Thomas 3, and John P 6 months.
Mary Richardson died 3rd quarter 1861, at Alston.
In 1871, at Seaham Harbour, Durham, Christopher Richardson, joiner, aged 35, his wife Jane 31, children, William 5, John 4, and Robert 6 months.
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Mr William Little, miner, aged 66 years.
William Little married Hannah Shield, 1st July 1821, at Alston.
In 1841, at High Redwing, Hannah Little, farmer, aged 50, William Little, lead miner, aged 40, John Little, lead miner, aged 30, Sarah Little aged 25, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph Little, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas Little, lead miner aged 15, and Margaret Little aged 13.
In 1851, at Red Brow, Garrigill, William Little, widow, lead miner, aged 52, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, daughter Margaret 23, nephew John Little 7, niece Mary Little 5, and nephew Thomas 4.
In 1861, at Beldy, Garrigill, William Little, widow, lead miner, aged 62, daughter Margaret 33, grandsons William Little 5, and Samuel Little 8 months.
In 1871, at Beldy, Margret Little, charwoman, aged 43, son Samuel 10, daughters Hannah 7, and Elizabeth 4.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Mrs Mary Swinbank, widow, aged 55 years.
In 1841, at Nenthead, Richard Trathen, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary (Hutchinson, married 15th January 1832) aged 30, children Jane 9, Eleanor 6, and James 3.
Richard Trathan died 4th quarter of 1844
In 1851, at Overwater, Mary Trathan, lead miners widow, aged 41, children Ellen 16, James, lead ore washer, aged 13, and Ann 7.
Mary Trathan married Jacob Swinbank 25th March 1952, both aged 42.
Jacob Swinbank died 2nd quarter of 1860.
In 1861, at Nenthead, Mary Swinbank, miners widow, aged 51, son James Trathan, lead miner, aged 23, daughter Ann Trathan, housemaid, aged 17, and grandson Thomas Trathan 1.

25th February 1865 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Alston Church, on the 18th inst, by the Rev. W. C. P. Baylie, vicar, Mr William Lancaster, Garrigill, to Miss Mary Robson, Low Farnberry.
In 1871, at Low Farnberry, Alston, William Lancaster, mason, aged 34, his wife Mary 32, children, Jane A 4, and Alfred W 1.
William Lancaster, died 2nd qtr., 1878, aged 41, registered at Alston.
In 1881, at Low Farnberry, Mary Lancaster, widow, engaged in general work, aged 41, children, Jane A 14, and Hannah M 7.
In 1891, at Low Farnberry, Alston, Ralph Robson, coal miner, aged 36, and his sister, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 52.

In 1901, at Town Foot, Alston, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 62, and daughter, Hannah M., dressmaker, aged 27.
In 1911, at Town Foot, Alston, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 72, and daughter, Hannah Mary, dressmaker, aged 37.
Mary Lancaster died 1st qtr., 1917, aged 78, registered at Alston.
See 29th November 1861

3rd March 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 23rd ult., Mr Christopher Richardson to Mrs Jane Thompson, both of Alston.
In 1871, 13 Caroline Street, Seaham Harbour, Christopher Richardson, joiner, aged 35, his wife Jane 31, children, William 5, John 4, Robert 6 months, and step daughter Jane Thompson 9.
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, near Alston, Mr Robert Bramwell of Alston, to Miss Jane Moffat, of Red Brow, Garrigill.
In 1851, at High Shield Hill, Garrigill, Joseph Bramwell, lead ore miner woodman, aged 48, his wife Jane (Watson, married 20th June 1829, at St John's, Garrigill) aged 42, children, John, lead ore miner, woodman, aged 22, Hannah 19, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 11, Philip 9, Jane 7, Emerson 6, Mary 4, Elizabeth 2, and Elliott 7 months.
Joseph Bramwell of High Shield Hill, was buried 29th June 1859, aged 56, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1861, at High Shield Hill, Garrigill, Jane Bramwell, lead miners widow, aged 52, children, Joseph, lead mine labourer Wesleyan local preacher, aged 27, William, lead miner, aged 23, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, Jane 17, Emerson 16, Elizabeth 12, Elliott 10, James 8, and mother in law, Hannah shield, lead miners widow, aged 84.
Robert Bramwell of Physic Hall, was buried 23rd September 1867, aged 28, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, James Moffatt, stone mason, aged 26, brother Peter, stone mason, aged 29, nephew Joe Moffatt 5 months, sister, Jane Bramwell, widow, housekeeper, aged 26, and nephew, John Joseph Bramwell, aged 5.
Jane Bramwell married John Armstrong, 2nd May 1878, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Armstrong, farmer of 9 acres, aged 42, his wife Jane 36, daughter, Sarah A, 7, and boarder, Joe Moffatt aged 9.
John Armstrong was buried 6th June 1890, aged 53, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1891, at 19 Copthorne Road, Horton, Bradford, Jane Armstrong, widow, aged 47, son John Joseph Bramwell, musicwarehouseman, aged 25, daughter, Sarah A Armstrong, domestic servant, aged 17, and Nephew, Joseph Moffatt, Staff warehouseman, aged 20.

8th March 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Marriage
1st inst at the Wesleyan Chapel, Allendale Town, Mr John Archer of Nenthead, farmer, to Miss Jane Harrison, milliner.
In 1861, at Bridge End, Allendale, John Harrison, retired farmer, aged 83, his wife Elizabeth aged 79, granddaughter Jane Harrison, apprentice milliner.

In 1871, at Bank Head, John Archer, farmer of 75 acres, aged 40, his wife Jane 26, children Hannah E A5, Phillis 3, Sarah Ann 2, and general servant Phillis Renwick, aged 18. In 1881, at 51 North Road, Darlington, John Archer, dairyman & Hosier, aged 50, his wife Jane 36, children Hannah E. 15, Phillis 13, Sarah A. 12, John H. 6, William A. 4, and Jane 1. In 1891, at Low Greenends, Nenthead, John Archer, farmer, aged 60, his wife Jane 46, children Hannah E. 25, John H. 17, William A. grocers assistant, aged 14, Jane 11, Thomas M. 9, and Winifred 5. In 1901, at Bank Top, Jane Archer, widow, farmer, aged 56, children John H. 26, Jannie 21, and Winfred 15. See 29th September 1863, 7th January 1868, 24th May 1884, and 24th February 1900.

15th March 1865 (Hexham Courant)

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS BEWICK.

On Friday last Mrs Bewick the wife of Mr T. J. Bewick, the esteemed engineer to Wentworth Blackett Beaumont Esq. MP. died very suddenly at Allenheads. The deceased appeared to be in her usual state of health up till about two o'clock of the afternoon in question, when she complained of being unwell and was conducted to her room. She there became rapidly worse and medical aid was immediately procured but the unfortunate lady never rallied and died in the course of the afternoon. …

In 1841, at Minsteracres, St Peter's, Bywell, John William Bewick, gamekeeper, aged 50, his wife Mary (Ellison) aged 45, Mary Ann 14, and Elizabeth Barbara 9. In 1851, at Minsteracres, John W. Bewick, gamekeeper, aged 64, his wife Mary aged 62, and daughter Elizabeth aged 18.
In 1861, at Allenheads, Thomas John Bewick, mining engineer & surveyor, aged 39, his wife Mary Ann (Burrell, married 1847) aged 35, and son Thomas Burrell 4. In 1871, at Haydon Bridge, South Side, Thomas J. Bewick, widow, Civil & Mining Engineer, aged 49, and general servant domestic, Mary Vickers, aged 37. Thomas John Bewick married Catherine Stanbrough, 2nd quarter of 1876, registered, Epsom, Surrey.
In 1881, at The Nook, Haydon Bridge, Thomas J. Bewick, civil & mining engineer, aged 59, his wife Catherine 47, (born Rushton, Northamtonshire), son Thomas B. Bewick, civil & mining engineer, aged 24, cook and domestic servant, Elizabeth Dunn 61, housemaid, Mary Mitchinson 26, and washing maid, Elizabeth Hutton 22.
Catherine Bewick died 8th April 1888, aged 59, at Haydon Bridge.
In 1891, at Iddlesleigh Mansions, Westminster, London, Thomas J Bewick, widow, civil & mining engineer, aged 69, house keeper, Ada Fexter 28, general servant, Caroline C Godbold 20, cook & domestic servant, Annie L Sexton 22, house maid, Blanche A Loynes 21, and house maid, Emily Crump 22. In 1891, at, St John Hanover Square, Mayfair, staying in a lodging house, Thomas Burrell Bewick, civil & mining engineer, aged 34.
See 13th November 1863, and 4th September 1897.

Deaths

At Allenheads, suddenly, 3rd inst. Mary Ann aged 39, wife of T. J. Bewick Esq.
At Carrshield 3rd inst aged 64 Mr Edward Armstrong.

Edward is listed as a Widower, Farmer; in the 1861 census, living with him is his married son Christopher lead ore miner, aged 28, and is family, Ann his wife 28; Hannah, 5; Elizabeth, 3; and Mary Jane, 2. In the 1841 census

Edward is listed as a lead ore miner, in 1851 John his eldest son aged 20, and Christopher aged 17 are listed as lead ore miners, Edward in 1851 is now listed as a farmer of 16 acres and 23 2/5 stints common.

17th March 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At High Annatwalls, Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mrs Mary Walton, widow, aged 71 years. *Furniture dealer*
At Greenlands, near Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr Adam Hounam, miner, aged 59 years.
Adam Hounam married Ann Walton, 6th December 1832, at Alston.
In 1851, at Alston, Adam Hounam, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Nancy 46, children, Abraham 13, Barbara 10, Mary 5, Rebecca 5, and mother Ann, carriers widow, aged 73.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, Adam Hounam, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Nancy 56, children, Anne, dressmaker, aged 24, Abraham, lead miner, aged 23, Barbara, dressmaker, aged 20, Mary 15, and Rebecca 15.
In 1871, at West Acomb, Northumberland, Nancy Hounam, widow, aged 66, children, Abraham, lead miner, aged 33, Barbara, dressmaker aged 30, and Mary, dressmaker, aged 25.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 11th inst., Ann, wife of Mr John Sayer, aged 23 years, also the same day her infant daughter.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 13th, Hannah daughter of Mr Robert Barron, aged 32 years. *See 22nd February 1873, 15th September 1877*
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 14th, Mrs Frances Bell, widow, aged 41 years.
In 1841, at Nentsberry Green, William Bell, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah (Spark married 15th May 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 35, children, John 16, Thomas 12, William 10, Sarah 4, and George 10 months. William Bell died 2nd quarter 1845, Sarah died 2nd quarter 1847, both registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Matterdale End, Matterdale, John Bell, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Frances 25, daughter Mary 0, brothers, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, William, lead miner, aged 20, George 10, and sister Sarah 14.
In 1861, at Matterdale End, Matterdale, John Bell, lead miner and grocer, aged 36, his wife Frances 36, and daughter Mary 10.

29th March 1865 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES
On Thursday, a sad accident occurred at the Derwent mines, near Blanchland, which resulted in the loss of life to Mr John Murray, a fine young man, only 16 years of age. It appears that a number of men were working in a part of the mine called Tree Drift, in the forty fathom level, and it being found necessary to increase the supply of blasting powder, the deceased proceeded to another part of the mine to procure it, when unfortunately, in passing a hopper or work team, which was uncovered, he fell down it, and was precipitated to the depth of about 16 fathoms, from the 40 to 50 fathom level, and although he was at once taken out, his injuries were so serious that he died immediately afterwards. The deceased was the third son of Mr Joseph Murray, of The Terrace, Derwent Mines. ...

Joseph Murray (son of Joseph Murray and Jane Elliott, who married 28th November 1818, at Hunstanworth) married Mary Currey, 25th January 1845, at Hunstanworth, Durham.
In 1841, at Jeffreys Rake, Jane Murray aged 40, Joseph Murray, lead miner aged 21, and Jane Murray aged 7. In 1851, at Jeffrays Rake, Jane Murray, widow, aged 53, son Joseph Murray, lead ore miner, aged 31, daughter in law, Mary 30, grand children Joseph 5, William 4, John 2, and Margaret 9 months.
In 1861, at Jeffries Rake, Jane Murray, widow, aged 63, son Joseph Murray, lead miner, aged 41, daughter in law, Mary 40, grand children Joseph 15, John 12, Margaret 10, Thomas 8, Nicholsan 3, and Adam 1
In 1871, at Jeffries Rake, Joseph Murray, lead ore miner, aged51, his wife Mary 50, children Joseph, lead miner aged 25, Margaret 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Nicholson, lead ore washer, aged 13, Adam lead ore washer, aged 11, Hannah 9, and mother Jane Murray, widow, aged 73.

4th April 1865 (Penrith Observer)
Marriages
At Hilton-Cum-Murton, on the 28th ult., by the Rev. Mr Gorman, John, son of Mr Joseph Salkeld, yeoman, to Emma, youngest daughter of Mr Joseph Hetherington, of Murton, mine agent to the London Lead Company.
Joseph Hetherington married Betty Hill 4th January 1820, at Dufton.
In 1841, at Dufton, Joseph Hetherington, lead mine agent aged 45, his wife Betty 40, children, Peggy 15, Jane 15, John 15, Thomas 11, William 7, Elizabeth 5, and Emma 3.
In 1851, at Murton, Joseph Hetherington, Lead mine agent, aged 56, born Milburn, Westmorland, his wife Elizabeth 50, children, Margaret 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and Emma aged 12.
In 1861, at Murton Village, Joseph Hetherington, lead mine agent, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth aged 60, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, William, lead miner, aged 25, and Elizabeth 24.
In 1871, at Hilton Village, Joseph Hetherington, retired lead mining agent, aged 76, his wife Elizabeth 70, and granddaughter Frances Hetherington, aged 21.
Joseph Hetherington buried 18th July 1871, aged 77, at Dufton.
Betty Hetherington buried 5th July 1876, aged 75, at Dufton.

12th April 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At West Allen, Furnace House aged 77, Mrs Mary Reed.
In 1841, at Furnace House, Mary Reed, aged 50, John Reed, lead ore miner aged 20, William Reed aged 20, Mary Reed aged 13, and Thomas Reed aged 10. In 1851, at Furnes House, Low West Allen, Mary Read, widow, land proprietor and farmer of 12 acres, aged 60, daughter Mary aged 23, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1851, at Plantation House, Low West Allen, Mathew Wilkinson, grocer aged 43
Margaret (Reed, married Matthew Wilkinson, 15th May 1845, St Peter's, Allenheads) aged 28, children Mary 5, John 2, William 5 months, and daughter Elizabeth Bell 11.

In 1861, at Plantation House, Allendale, Margaret Wilkinson, widow, grocer, aged 38, children Mary 15, John 12, William 10, Margaret 3, Matthew 7, Ann 5, and her mother, visiting, Mary Reed, widow of a lead ore smelter, aged 71.
At Weardale, Rush, 7th inst. aged 19, Hannah wife of Mr John Pearson.
John Pearson married Hannah Peart in the last quarter of 1864.

14th April 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Foreshield, near Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr George Teasdale, blacksmith aged 28 years.
In 1841, at For Shield, Grains House, John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Phillis (Allison, married 27th February 1817, Alston) aged 40, children William, lead miner, aged 25, Phoebe 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Phillis 14, John 12, Thomas 9, Robert 7, George 4, and Joseph 7 months.
In 1851, at High Cock Lake, Nenthead, John Teasdale, lead miner, farming 22 acres and 108 acres common, aged 56, his wife Phillis 54, born Middleton, Durham, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, Phillis 24, John, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, George, lead miner, aged 14, Joseph 10, grandsons, James Teasdale 10, John Teasdale 6, and nephew Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 32.
In 1861, at For Shield, Grains House, Phillis Teasdale, widow (John died 2nd quarter of 1854), farmer, aged 65, children Ann 38, Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 26, George, blacksmith, aged 24, Joseph, cart wright, aged 20, grandson James Teasdale, lead miner, aged 20, and grandson John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 16. In 1871, at Foreshield Grains, Philis Teasdale, widow, aged 77, daughter, Ann, general domestic, aged 49, sons, Robert, farmers son, aged 36, Joseph, joiner, aged 30, and John, lead miner, aged 26. In 1881, at Grains House, Phillis Teasdale, widow, farmer of 34 acres, aged 87, children Ann, farmers daughter, aged 59, Robert, farmers son, aged 46, Joseph, carpenter, aged 40, and John, butcher, aged 36.
See 15th April 1876, 14th March 1891, and 10th September 1892
At Low Wanwood, near Alston, on the 7th inst., Mrs Mary Teasdale, widow aged 77 years.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 9th inst., Mr John George Price, miner aged 21 years.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary (Tatters, married 7th October 1843) aged 35, children John George 7, Elizabeth 4, and Sarah Ann 1.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary 45, son John G. lead miner, aged 17, daughters Elisabeth 14, and Sarah A 11.
In 1871, at Holmfoots, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 55, and daughter, Sarah Ann 21.

17th April 1865 (Newcastle Journal)
CASHWELL LEAD MINES. —This property is opening out profitably; several points are producing rich silver lead ore. The agent is preparing sixty tons of ore for market. The famous “Cross Fell” mines adjoin Cashwell to the east, and have given enormous profits to its fortunate shareholders.

21st April 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Beldy near Alston, on the 15th inst., Mr. George Emerson, mining agent, aged 58 years.
In 1841, at Dufton, George Emerson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Brown, married 4th September 1830, Dufton) aged 25, children Ralph 15, John 10, William 8, George 6, Ruth 4, and Joseph 8 months.
In 1851, at Red Brow, Garrigill, George Emerson, mine agent, aged 44, born Stanhope, his wife Jane 38, born Dufton, children John, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 18, George, lead miner, aged 16, Ruth 14, Joseph 8 Stephen 6, Robert 4, Thomas 2, Sarah Jane 3 months, and house servant Elizabeth Craig 17. In1861, at Beldy, George Emerson, widow, overman for London Lead Company, aged 54, children Ruth, house keeper, aged 24, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas 12, Sarah J 10, Dickinson B 8, and granddaughter Anne Emerson 3.

16th May 1865 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Garrigill near Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr James Parmley, miner, aged 56 years.
See 28th September 1878
At Brownside House, Alston, on the 6th instant, John Richardson, Esq., aged 83 years.
In 1861, at Brown Side House, Alston, John Richardson, unmarried, landed proprietor, aged 78, and his sister in law, Hannah Richardson, landed proprietor, aged 34.

19th May 1865 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Alston at the Congregational Chapel, on the 16th inst, the Rev John Harker of Alston to Mary Sopwith daughter of the late Thomas Dickinson Esq. of Spency Croft Alston.
In 1841, at Spency Croft, Thomas Dickinson, mining agent, aged 60, his wife Sarah Dickinson 57, and daughter Hannah 29.
In 1851, at Loaning, Alston, Sarah Dickinson, widow, annuitant, aged 66, daughters Hannah, proprietor of houses, aged 39, daughters Mary, teacher of a day school, aged 21, Elizabeth Norris, widow, annuitant, aged 67, and general servant, Sarah Kirsopp, aged 18.
In 1861, at Loaning, Alston, Sarah Dickinson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 76, daughters, Hannah, proprietor of Railway Shares, aged 49, Mary S, teacher of private day school, aged 31, and domestic servant, Sarah Walton, aged 24. In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, John Harker, Independent minister, congregational chapel, aged 43, born Hawes, Yorkshire, his wife Mary S. 41, son John S. 1, and general servant, Eleanor Lee, aged 23. In 1881, at Springfield House, Springfield Gardens, Stockport, John Harker, Independent Minister, aged 53, his wife, Mary S. 51, children John A. 11, Mary L. 8, father, Richard Harker, annuitant, aged 82, mother Elizabeth 83, cook domestic servant, Mary Ann Edgar, aged 21, and housemaid, Elizabeth Pickering 23. See 11th January 1845 and 25th January 1867

23rd May 1865 (Morning Post)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.
HOUSE OF LORDS. —MONDAY, MAY 22.
Their lordships met at 5 o'olock.
METALLIFEROUS MINES BILL

Lord KINNAIRD, in moving that the order for the second reading of this be discharged, stated that the report of the commissioners which he held in his hand, and upon the recommendations of which this bill was based, showed how fearful was the loss of life in our copper, tin, and lead mines, and that a great deal of it was preventable by the means provided by the bill. At 35 the miner's health began to fail, and at 50 the miner was an old man. A great loss of life was constantly occurring through the disgraceful state of the works under ground. He had hoped that the bill having been read a second time might be referred to a select committee, but a few hours only before the time when the second reading was to be moved it had been intimated to him that if not withdrawn it would be opposed by government. He thought this not good treatment, as government had assented to his introduction of the bill provided he made it sufficiently public. He had done so by having 200 copies printed at his own expense and circulated in the mining districts, and its contents made public in every local newspaper, but not withstanding this he was now, obliged to withdraw it at the instance of two or three members of parliament connected with Cornwall. It was urged that he could know nothing about the mining districts, but it should be remembered that he had for three years been in communication with the mining agents, than whom there was not a more intelligent body of men in the country. All the miners asked for was that the underground works should be made as safe as possible. He knew that there was a great objection in some quarters to the provisions of this bill, and one opponent was Mr. Taylor, of the firm of Messrs. Taylor, who stood high in the mining world, and managed their mines to the very best of their ability; but the evidence showed that even their mines were very deficient in ventilation and want of accommodation. The noble lord, after referring to the evidence in the blue books on the table, complained of the government opposition to his bill, and said that he should in consequence be prepared to withdraw it. He implored the government to consider the whole subject during the Whitsuntide recess, and hoped that they would appoint or employ practical and scientific men to examine the evidence. He could give the government the names of gentlemen who would be prepared to prove that by a different mode of ventilation the lives of men might be saved, and also that great advantages would accrue to the adventurers themselves. He might refer to the evidence of Dr. Angus Smith to show that mines might be properly tested and in a far better way than by burning a candle. In conclusion, be would observe that he believed the whole of the evils complained of might be removed. The noble lord moved that the order for the second reading be discharged.

Earl GRANVILLE said the noble lord had made a direct charge against the government for not bringing forward a bill for the regulation of these mines. Now it was competent to his noble friend to take any opinion he chose as to the conduct of the government, but he must complain of his noble friend having imputed to Sir G. Grey motives of an unworthy character, because he had not undertaken the task of bringing in a bill. It was the duty of the government not to take the course which had been adopted by his noble

friend, for he had taken that course without any communication with his brother commissioners, who in their report had not recommended any legislation upon this subject; indeed they had abstained from making any recommendation at all. That being so, it was quite premature on the part of his noble friend to bring forward this bill, and be thought he had therefore acted wisely in withdrawing it.

Lord VIVIAN thought the measure was one of the most mischievous character which bad ever been introduced into parliament, and which the noble lord had done upon his own responsibility and against the protests of all his brother commissioners, who believed that the legislation proposed would be both prejudicial and injurious. He thought that all the special cases, which had been referred to by the noble lord, might be explained in a satisfactory manner. He held in his hand a large bill which bad been circulated throughout Cornwall, and which bore the signature of “Kinnaird.” The bill set-forth the report of the commissioners and their resolutions; but the commissioners had protested against the course taken by the noble lord, for the handbill stated a measure was, as based upon the report, under consideration, and it therefore implied that it met wish the approbation of the commissioners. Now the noble lord knew that that was not the case, and he had concealed this bill from their knowledge up to the last moment. (Lord KINNAIRD—No, no.) He had authority for making that statement. At any rate, the noble lord knew that his coadjutors were opposed to this legislation, and under the circumstances to circulate such a handbill was very wrong. It was clear that the noble lord had very little practical knowledge of the subject, which he desired to legislate upon. He thought the circulating such a bill in Cornwall was an unworthy thing for a peer of parliament to do, and it was no doubt done with a view of inducing support to the measure, which he had introduced. (Hear, hear.)

Lord KINNAIRD said it was far from his intention to impute unworthy motives to Sir George Grey in reference to this bill and the approaching general election. He certainly thought that the Cornish element upon the commission was very strong, and that there was no intention to legislate upon the subject. He did not know what the feeling was of the other commissioners as regarded the handbill. There had been no demonstration in Cornwall against this bill; but he had had sufficient experience to enable him to say that the miners in Cornwall dared not to open their mouths, or to give any evidence to the commissioners. The commissioners visited several mines, and at only one of them could they induce a miner to give evidence, and that was done by himself keeping the agent engaged in conversation at another part of the mine. He was not ashamed to admit that he issued the handbill, for he thought the miners ought to know what resolutions had been agreed to by the commissioners. His belief was that this bill would have materially benefited the miners, and he again earnestly implored the government not to let the matter rest. (Hear, hear.)

After a few words from Earl GRANVILLE, which were inaudible in the gallery,

Lord PORTMAN said that as he now understood the matter the noble lord had removed the charge which he had made against the Home Secretary to the three members for the county of Cornwall, who, the noble lord said, had acted with a view to the coming general election. Now he might say that those gentlemen did not act in any fear of that election, for they were respected in the county, as was proved by their being the county members, and they were

known to look after the interests and welfare of the poorer persons residing in that county. As to the bill before the house, he thought that a more unwise measure had never been brought forward, and it had been brought before the house without reference to the opinions of the other members of the commission. The Cornishmen declined placing themselves under the guidance of the noble lord, and they deprecated most strongly the idea of sending down inspectors from the Board of Trade to tell them how to carry on the business of mining. Perhaps during the next twelve months or two years there might be a serious consideration of this subject, and then it might be seen what it would be best to do for the county of Cornwall. (Hear, hear.)
The order for the second reading of the bill was then withdrawn.

25th May 1865 (Morning Post)

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MORNING POST.

SIR, —You naturally curtailed much of what I said in withdrawing the Metalliferous Mines Bill on Monday, but I regret that you should have omitted one observation, which was to the effect that there were several mines in Cornwall as well as in the north, such as those of the London Lead Company and Mr. Beaumont's, where the comfort of the men was well attended to, and yet even in many of these it would be found, by referring to the analysis in the report, that the air was bad.
I might further have added that the only instance of furnace heating in metalliferous mines (not ironstone) we met with on the principle recommended in the report was at Burtree Pasture, belonging to Mr. Beaumont, which answered very well. —Your obedient servant,
50, Avenue-road, May 24. KINNAIRD.

2nd June 1865 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston on the 22nd ult., Mr Thomas Simpson, draper, aged 31 years.
At Alston, on the 24th, ult., Mr George Law, miner, aged 65 years.
In 1841, at Butts, Alston, George Law, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, sons, John 10 (in 1851, working as a cartman for George Dickinson), and George 5. (George died 4th quarter 1849?)
George Law married Elizabeth Gill, 16th December 1826, at Alston.
Elizabeth Law, died 1st quarter 1843, at Alston.
George Law, married Ann Edgar, 4th quarter of 1844, at Alston.
In 1851, at Bank St., Alston, George Law, lead miner, aged 51, his wife, Ann 37, children Ann 6, Ruth 5, and Mary 8 months.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, George Law, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Ann 44, children, Ann, woolen factory worker, aged 16, Ruth, woolen factory worker, aged 14, Mary 10, Joseph 6, and Dinah 4.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Ann Law, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 57, children, Mary, twister at woolen mill, aged 20, Joseph, winder at woolen mill, aged 16, Diana, spinner at woolen mill, aged 14, and boarder, Utrick Davidson 1.
In 1881, at 10 Nenthead Road, Ann Laws, lead miners widow, aged 65, children, Joseph, postman, aged 25, Diana, reeler, aged 22.
In 1891, at Leadgate, Medomsley, Durham, George Wetherall, Widower, pedlar, drapery, boarders, Ann Law, widow, aged 76, Diana Law, aged 33,

George H. Law, aged 8, and Frederick Law aged 5.
At Roadside House, Alston, Sarah, daughter of Mr Thomas Vipond, aged 13.
In 1851, at Skydes, Garrigill, Thomas Vipond, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary (married at Alston about 1846/7) aged 21, children Nelle 3, and Henry 2.
In 1861, at Hartside Plain, Thomas Vipond, stone mason, aged 33, his wife Mary, aged 37, children Nelly 13, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 12, Sarah 9, John 8, James 6, Thomas 4, and Joseph 1 year.
Carlisle Journal, 18th October 1859, Alston Cattle Show, Results:
"For the best Slip of Home-spun Yarn, a Woolen Petticoat. Sixteen entries. First Mrs Hetherington, Whitely Shield; second, Mary Vipond, Hartside. All commended."
Thomas Vipond, died 26th September 1866, aged 40.
Mary Jane Vipond, died 19th April 1865, at Roadside House.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Alston, Nelley Vipond, unmarried house keeper, aged 23, brothers, John, lead miner, aged 18, James, lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 11, Isaac 9, William 7, sons Robert 2, and Allen 6 Months.
See 28th September 1866 and 27th December 1870.
At Alston, on the 27th ult., Mary Green, daughter of Mr William Pattinson, printer aged 3 years.
Nenthead near Alston, on the 21st ult., Mr. Walton Armstrong, aged 48 years.
In 1841, at Holme Foot, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 20, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 20, Stephen Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 15, Christopher Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 13, George Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 11, Sarah Armstrong 15, and Tamar Armstrong 3.
In 1851, at Wellgill Dykeheads, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary aged 47, children Thomas 8, Mary 8, Sarah 5, Phebe 3, Margaret 1, step children Jane Dryden 28, Cathrine Dryden, washer woman, aged 16, Elizabeth Dryden 12, and brother George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary aged 57, stepdaughter Elizabeth Dryden, dressmaker, aged 22, children William, lead miner, aged 21, Mary, dressmaker, aged 18, Sarah 15, and Phebe 13.

20th June 1865 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Thomas Slack, aged 72 years.
In 1851, at Townhead, Thomas Slack, cordwainer, aged 58, and his wife Mary 48.
In 1861, at Town Head, Thomas Slack, retired shoe maker, aged 68, and his wife Mary aged 58.
Mary Slack died 3rd qtr., 1871, aged 72, registered at Alston. In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Mary Slack, widow, annuitant, aged 68. See 29th June 1844
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, on the 14th inst., Sarah, widow of Peter Swindle, smelter of lead ore, aged 85 years.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Sarah Swindle, widow, house keeper, aged 81, son John, widower, lead smelter, aged 42, granddaughter, Jane Swindle, house maid, aged 16, and grandson, Peter aged 10.
See 16th July 1898, 10th September 1942

28th June 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Fellside Green, Allenheads, 22nd inst aged 60, Mr Joseph Beck, lead ore miner.
In 1851, at Fellside Green, Joseph Beck, lead ore miner, aged46, his wife Ann 43, children Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Isabella 20, Hannah18, John, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 14, William 11, Ann 9, Jane 7, Elizabeth 1, and niece Hannah W Heslop 6.
The 1861 census gives Joseph Lead ore miner aged 56, his wife Ann aged 53, daughters Isabella dressmaker aged 28, Elizabeth 9, and son William lead ore miner aged 20.

7th July 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mr. Samuel White, miner, aged 67 years.
In1841, at Butts, Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth (Henderson, married 26th September 1822, Allendale) aged 38, children Nancy 18, Fenwick 13, John 12, Elizabeth 10, Samuel 8, Edward 6, Hannah 4, and Matthew 1.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Samuel White, butcher, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 49, born Allendale, children Fenwick, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Samuel, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 14, Matthew 11, Thomas 9, Sarah 9, and Charlton 7.
In 1861, at Butts, Samuel White, formerly lead miner, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 58, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Sarah 19, and Charlton, lead miner, aged 17.

8th July 1865 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Shotley Bridge County Court
HODSON v. WESTER HALL Lead Mining Company. Mr Patrick, of Durham, appeared for defendants. This was an action for work done in working this lead mine. Defendants produced a stamped agreement, from which it was plain that the plaintiff and other four had agreed to do the work for a certain sum. A receipt for the amount was also produced. The money had been paid to plaintiff's partners, and the judge non-suited plaintiff, who ought to have sued his partners.

12th July 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Allenheads, at St Peter's, 10th inst., Mr T. Kidd cashier at W.B. lead mines Allenheads to Mrs Abigail Percival.
See 31st August 1901
At Nenthead, 4th inst., the Rev Henry Robinson, incumbent of St John's Nenthead, to Francis fourth daughter of the late Jacob Walton Esq., Green Ends House.
In 1871, at Parsonage House, Nenthead, Henry Robinson, vicar of Nenthead, aged 37, born Orton, Westmorland, his wife Frances aged 27, daughters Emily Easton 4, and Maggie Walton 11 months.
In1881, at the Rectory, Willington, Henry Robinson, Rector of Willington, aged 48, children Harry 7,Francis 4, and Mabel 3.

In 1881, Glenwood House, Alston, Mary Walton, unmarried, income from lead mines, aged 44, sister, Frances Robinson, aged 37, niece Gertrude P. Robinson 8, and niece Ruth Robinson, 6 months.
In1881, at the Rectory, Willington, Henry Robinson, Rector, aged 59, his wife Frances 47, children Emily E 23, Meggie W 20, Gertrude P 18, Francis 14, Mabel 12, and Ruth 10.

Memorial in St John's, Church Yard, Nenthead

IN MEMORY OF
SUSANNAH DAUGHTER OF
HENRY AND FRANCES ROBINSON
OF NENTHEAD VICARAGE
WHO DIED JULY 16TH 1869
AGED 11 MONTHS

At Nenthead, 4th inst., John Joseph only son of Tinniswood Millican of Nenthead House, to Jane second daughter of the late Jacob Walton, Esq.
In 1861, at Green Ends, Jacob Walton, lead mine proprietor, aged 52, his wife Phoebe, aged 49, children Mary 24, John Pears, lead mine agent, aged 22, Jane 21, Phoebe 19, Frances 17, Margaret 16, Sarah 12, and Jacob 10.
See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.
Deaths
At Ropehaugh, near Allenheads, 9th inst. the infant daughter of Mr Wm. Dickinson, smelter.

14th July 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mr Thomas Walton, to Miss Rachel Richardson, both of Alston.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Thomas Walton, ostler, aged 45, his wife Rachel 37, children in law, Thomas Richardson 13, Margaret Richardson 8, Ann Richardson 7, sons Utrick Hugh 4, Robert 5 months, boarders George Shark, coal miner, aged 27, and John Shark, shoe maker, aged 24.
At Alston on the 8th Mr William Tatters to Miss Sarah Palmerley, both of Water Greens, near Alston.
See 28th September 1895
Deaths
At High Rotherhope, near Alston, on the 6th inst., Mr John Watson, miner aged 44 years.
In 1851, at High Rotherhope, John Watson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Isabella (Burnwell, married 24th January 1841, Alston) aged 25, children Thomas 2, and Mary 1.
In 1861, at High Rotherhope, John Watson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Isabella Watson, aged 35, children Thomas 12, Mary 11, Henry 9, and Joseph aged 3.
In 1871, at High Rotherhope, Isabella Watson, widow, formerly farmer, aged 45, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Mary, housemaid, aged 21, and Henry, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Manchester, Henry Watson, PC, C Division, Manchester, aged 29 ,his wife Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 26, brother in law, Isaac Shield, PC, C

Division, Manchester, aged 26, and sister in law, Mary Shield, dressmaker, aged 19.
At Blaygill, near Alston, on the 11th inst., Mr Joseph Smith aged 29 years.
In 1841, at Town Foot, William Smith, shoemaker, aged 30, his wife Margaret aged 25, children Joseph 5, Matthew 4, and Jane 4 months.
In 1851, at Ropery Walk, Alston, Margaret Smith, married, aged 38, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jane 10, William 8, Tamar 6, Hannah 4, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at Blagill, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Scott, married April 1857, Alston) aged 25, sons John 3, and Matthew 3 months. In 1871, at Clinty Brow, Mary Smith, widow, dressmaker, aged 35, children Matthew 10, Margaret A 7, niece Isabella Scott, farm servant, aged 20, nephews Joseph Scott 2, and William Scott 2 months.

2nd August 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Park Cottages near Allenheads aged 58, Mr George Philipson, miner.
George Philipson born 5th April 1807 Died: 29th July 1865 at Park Cottages, Allendale, buried: 1st August 1865 at St Peters, Allenheads. Married to Mary Heslop born about1805, died May 1849, buried: 22nd May 1849 at St Peters, Allenheads. They married at St Peters, Allenheads, on 31st July 1830. Children: —
Henry Philipson born 20th July 1831, Nicholas Philipson born 12th December 1833, Ann Philipson born 12th June 1835, Thomas Heslop Philipson born 28th April 1838, George Philipson born16th September 1840.
In 1851, at Park Cottage, George Philipson, lead miner, aged 43, children Henry, lead miner, aged 19, Nicholas, day labourer, aged 17, Ann 15, Thomas 12, and George 10.
In 1861, at Spring House Cottages, George Philipson, retired lead ore miner, aged 54, daughter Ann, house keeper, aged 25, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, George, labourer and stone quarryman, aged 20, grandson, George Philipson 2, and house servant, Jane Short 27.

11th August 1865 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Within the covers of the “Blue Books” is to be found a mass of information which in this busy age is too apt to be overlooked. Not the least interesting of these blue books is the one embodying the report of the Education Commission, which, under the auspices of the Duke of Newcastle, made their inquiry throughout the kingdom into the subject of education, and published their report in 1861. To that report we beg to refer such of our readers as feel an interest in the subject of education generally, and especially in reference to the Companies Education Bill, as an extract or two from it will show how the question of religious instruction may be easily and satisfactorily settled on a principle which has been long and successfully pursued In this neighbourhood. In the report there is a description of the educational arrangements of two of the largest employers of labour in the northern counties. We refer to those of the representative of South Northumberland, W. B. Beaumont, Esq., and of the London Lead Company, in both of whose extensive lead mines a population is employed which rank among the most intelligent and well-conducted of our people.

At neither of these extensive undertakings has it been deemed advisable to adopt an exclusive system of religious training, and the following brief extract from the Commissioners' report on the system of popular education maintained in Teesdale, Alston Moor, &c., by the London Lead Company, under the agency of B. W. Bainbridge, Esq., will give an idea of the course pursued:—"In the company's educational system the respective duties and responsibilities of employers and parents are fully recognised, and the religious views of the parents meet with due regard. The Bible is made the groundwork of the teaching, and the several catechisms and other books in use have been selected with the intention of avoiding sectarian peculiarities, while giving to the children a knowledge of the fundamental doctrines and principles of our common Christianity. The company likewise require attendance at Sunday School and public worship, and this to be continued on the part of the boys working for them, even if deemed necessary, till 18 years of age, when they are admissible to labour underground. No particular place of worship, however, is enjoined; nor are children here, as elsewhere, urged to church in droves. Parents take or send them to whatever place they themselves prefer, and they mingle among the congregation, to the saving of all the disturbance which usually arises from large schools in places of worship."

The best evidence of the success of this scheme of education is the fact that in an adult population of 2,536, no less than 96 per cent, of the men, and 91.63 per cent. of the women could read, and 88 per cent. of the men and 74.18 of the women could also write. At that time the percentage of children of school age at school was—boys, 94.15; girls, 76.

These two mining establishments afford illustrations of what has been done in promotion of the leading object of the Educational Bill of last session, and we invite the large employers of labour in our neighbourhood to consider how far it is desirable to have the provisions of any bill imposing a duty upon them brought into accordance with arrangements which have in practice been found to work beneficially.

18th August 1865 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston Workhouse, on the 11th inst., Mr James Scott, aged 77 years.

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 14th, Ann Swerick, aged 21 years.

At Garrigill, near Alston, on the 14th, Ann, wife of Thomas Millican, aged 28 years.

In 1841, at Low Lee House, Garrigill, Wallace Millican, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah (Featherstonehaugh, married 14th June 1832, Knaresdale) aged 30, children Henry 8, Thomas 6, Margret 5, George 3, and Elizabeth 2.

In 1851, at High Pasture House, Garrigill, Wallace Millican, farmer of 30 acres, aged 44, his wife Sarah 41, born Allendale, children Henry, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, George, lead miner, aged 13, Elizabeth 11, and Wallace 8.

In 1861, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Wallace Millican, farmer, aged 54, his wife Sarah 52, children Margaret 24, George, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 21, and Wallace, lead miner, aged 18.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Wallace Millican, formerly fasrmer, aged 64, and his wife Sarah 62.

Wallace Millican died 10th January 1877, and buried 13th January, at St John's, Garrigill.
Probate 1877: 23 March. The Will of Wallace Millican late of Garrigill Gate in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Lead Ore Miner who died 10 January 1877, at Garrigill Gate was proved at Carlisle by Henry Millican of Garrigill Gate Farmer, and Wallace Millican of Crossgill in Alston Miner the sons two of the executors. Effects under £800
In 1881, at Crossgill Hall, Garrigill, Wallace Millican, farm bailiff of 300 acres, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth (Watson, married 19th June 1873, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston) aged 29, (born Appleby), children, Alice M 7, George C 5, Annie J 7 months, and mother, Sarah Millican, widow, aged 72. Sarah Millican was buried 15th July 1888 aged 79, at St John's, Garrigill. See 18th June 1873.
Thomas Millican aged 25, married Ann Cousin, aged 22, on 19th April 1860, at St. John, Garrigill. In 1861, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Thomas Millican, lead miner, aged 26, and his wife Ann aged 23.
In 1891, at Braithwaite, Thomas Millican, living on own means, aged 52, his wife Alice M. (Alice Margaret Watson, married at Whitehaven, 3rd quarter of 1889, at Whitehaven) aged 31, and son Charles G. aged 8 months. Thomas Millican death, registered 2nd quarter of 1891, at Wigton. Probate records show, 17th November. Administration of the personal estate of Thomas Millican, late of Braithwaite in the parish of Crossthwaite in the county of Cumberland, gentleman, who died 27th June 1891, at Siloth in the said county was granted at Carlisle to Alice Margaret Millican of Newton in the Parish Of Newton Reigny, in the said county widow the relict.
Personal Estate £649 13s 8d.
In 1901, at Hill Top, Newton Reigny, Penrith, Joseph Watson, farmer, aged 80, his wife Jane 77, daughter Hannah 38, Alice Millican, widow, aged 45, grandson, Charles Millican 10, and stockman, Joseph Hall, aged 28.

Garrigill Church Yard

In memory
of
Wallace Millican
of Crossgill
who died Jany 10th 1877
aged 72 years
Also of Sarah his wife
who died July 12th 1888
aged 79 years
Also of George their son
who died at De-Beers
South Africa Novr 14th 1871
aged 34 years

Sarah (Featherstonehaugh) Millican
Source: AirdandPeart, Ancestry.co.uk

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 15th, Mary, widow of Mr. Joseph Percival, aged 65 years.
In 1841, at Broomsberry Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Percival, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 41, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Joseph 12, Isabella 10, John 7, Mary 4, and Anthony 2 months. Joseph snr., died 4th quarter 1842.
In 1851, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Mary Percival, widow, aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Isabella 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, and Mary Ann 13. In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Nenthead, Mary Percival, widow, aged 60, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Joseph, lead miner, aged 32, and house servant, Mary A Elliott 16.

30th August 1865 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Keenly, near Allendale Town, 20th inst. aged 62, Mr George Dixon, smelter.
At Housty, 23rd inst. aged 53, Alice wife of Mr James Robinson, smelter.
In 1851, at Housty, Allendale Town, James Robinson, lead ore smelter, aged 41, his wife Alice (Dixon, married at Allendale, 176th October 1829) aged 40, children Jane 18, Henry 13, William 9, James 4, and John 4 months. In 1861, at Housty, Allendale, James Robinson, lead ore smelter, aged 51, his wife Alice 49, children William, lead ore miner, aged 19, James, lead ore washer, aged 14, and John 10.
At Allendale Town, 24th inst. aged 11, James Dixon, son of Mr Henry Burn, smelter.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, Henry Burn, born Melkridge, lead ore smelter, aged 35, his wife Jane (Dixon, married 7th June1851) aged 32, children

Johnson Ridley 8, James Dixon 7, Jane Ann 5, Henry 3, and mother in law, Jane Dixon, widow, Grocer, aged 65.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, Henry Burn, lead ore smelter and grocer, aged 45, Jane 42, Johnson, cabinet makers apprentice, aged 18, Jane A. 15, Henry 13, Isabella 9, Hellen 7, William 6, Elizabeth E. 3, and Mary 1.

22nd September 1865 (Royal Cornwall Gazette)
AT CASHWELL LEAD MINING COMPANY meeting, held at Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Sept. 6, the accounts showed a credit balance of £500; ores not sold £400; and after discharging all liabilities to the end of August, there remained £700 to the credit.

11th October 1865 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN AN IRONSTONE MINE
On Wednesday, an inquest was held at the King's Head Inn, St John's Chapel, Weardale, before Mr Thomas Dean deputy coroner, touching the death of Thomas Pattinson, an ironstone miner. From the evidence adduced it appears that on Monday deceased with some other men had been working in a drift at the Slit Pasture, Ironstone mine, near Westgate, belonging to the Weardale Iron Company. The drift goes under the township road. Deceased had been passing along with some tubs of ironstone, and it is supposed the tubs had come in contact with a door stead, or one of the timbers which had given way causing a large quantity of earth and stone to come down upon him. His moans attracted two of his fellow workmen to the spot who in about half an hour succeeded in clearing away the debris from the body. When the poor fellow was quite dead. The evidence went to show that the drift was in a dangerous state from debris frequently falling, and some men had refused to work in the drift. Deceased was employed by one Vickers Hodgson who had a contract at the works. The Weardale Company had to put in the timbers and keep the place in repair. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.
In 1861 at Woodbine Cottage, St John's, Stanhope, Hugh Pattinson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 13, Lancelot 8, Ann 5, and Jane 2.

19th October 1865 (Western Morning News)
New Company's
Durham County Lead Mining—capital £5000, in £5 shares.

20th October 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 15th inst., Mr George Wilson of Ireshope Burn, Weardale, to Miss Elizabeth Lee, Alston.
Deaths
At Hudgill Rigg, near Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr Joseph Nicholson, aged 18 years.
Possible marriage of John Nicholson to Sarah Walton, 4th quarter 1846, at Alston.
In 1851, at Hudgill Rigg, Alston, John Nicholson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Sarah aged 23, children, Joseph 4, and Ann 2.
Sarah Nicholson died 3rd quarter 1859, registered at Alston.

In 1861, at Hudgill Rigg, John Nicholson, widower, farmer, aged 44, children, Joseph, farmers son, aged 14, Anne 12, Mary 10, Frances 7, John C 5, and Thomas 1.
In 1871, at Hudgill Rigg, John Nicholson, widower, farmer of 84 acres, aged 55, children, Mary 19, Frances 17, and John C, drapers apprentice, aged 15.
In 1881, at 45 Derwent St, Workington, John Nicholson, draper, afged 63, daughters, Mary 29, Frances 27, cousin, Donald Walton, drapers apprentice aged 19, born Scotland, visitor, Sarah A Thompson, aged 20, born, Alston, and visitor, John Stephenson, drapers assistant, aged 19, born Alston.
John Nicholson, died 4th quarter 1882, registered at Cockermouth.
See 17th June 1843
At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mrs Mary Kirkpatrick, aged 59 years.
At Alston Workhouse, on the 15th inst., Mr I. Davidson, aged 33 years.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 12th inst., Mr William Hayton, miner aged 54 years. *See 15th June 1850, 5th July 1873, 30th June 1877, & 14th July 1877*

21st October 1865 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
LOST IN THE MIST ON WEARDALE FELLS.
On Wednesday morning week, two boys belonging to Joseph Featherstone, of White Hills, near Ireshope Burn, Weardale went out to play. One of them was seven years of age, the other three years. Some strange dogs being near the house were followed by Mr Featherstone's dog, which the children followed in their turn in order to bring it back. The children went on to Ireshope Moor, where they became be wildered and enveloped in the dense mist which has covered these moor lands for many days past. They were first missed by their parents about 11 o'clock, when search was made for them, but without success. The search was prosecuted during the night by almost all the inhabitants of the dale, and 100 or more men traversed the Moor with lights until two o'clock next morning, but their search was unsuccessful. The search was resumed at daylight next day, when the poor children were found miles from home, just on the borders of Langdon Common, in Teesdale, when, strange to say, after such an awful night of rain, they found the oldest boy alive, lying on the arm of his little brother, who was dead. They had never ceased wandering until they arrived at the place where they were found, when the younger boy was so exhausted that he was compelled to lay down. His elder brother tried to comfort him and kept up his spirits, telling him that his father would he coming to help them, which manifestations of affection and courage (to which was added the brotherly kiss) were kept up even after the poor child was dead. The elder boy was much exhausted, but is likely to recover. The event has produced a deep feeling of sorrow in the district.

27th October 1865 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Blagill, Hill Top, near Alston, on the 26th inst., Mary Harrison, widow, aged 86 years.
See 28th August 1875, & 6th May 1876
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 23rd inst., Martha Trathan, widow, aged 93 years.
See 3rd August 1878

29th November 1865 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT KILLHOPE MINES

On Tuesday morning last two young men named Graham Peart and Thomas Rowell, who had gone into the mine the day before, were missing from Killhope lodging shop. Search was immediately made, and it was found that the "rise" which they had been working in had crushed together, and the unfortunate men had been driven to the bottom. Little or no hope was entertained for their safety, but on the searchers calling out, they were answered by Rowell, who, however, could make them no wiser respecting his companion further than that he had heard him groaning for some hours after the accident occurred, but where he was, he could not tell. The task of getting them extricated proved to be a most difficult process on account of the "foul" air. Light could not be got to burn, the men being in consequence compelled to work in the dark, and having a considerable portion of "whole ground" to cut before they could be reached it was not till late Wednesday evening that they were got out, Rowell being still alive, and with the exception of a few scratches, apparently little worse. Peart, however, we regret to say, was quite dead, having it is thought only lived awhile after the occurrence of the accident. Rowell it appears had succeeded in climbing so far up the rise and got security under a side where he remained during the whole of the time. A small quantity of water falling down beside him no doubt had a beneficial effect on the "foul air," and this it is thought by experienced miners saved his life. During Tuesday and Wednesday the places was visited by large numbers of people, all anxious to render every assistance that lay in their power, some never leaving during the whole of the time. Rowell we are glad to say is progressing favourably. The deceased was about 20 years of age, and unmarried.

In 1851, at High Allers, Heather Cleugh, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah (Graham, married 1st quarter of 1841) aged 32, children Joseph 9, Graham 2, Emerson 1, and daughter Elizabeth Graham 12 years.
The 1861 census shows Grahams family living at Bents, in the parish of Heathery Cleugh, his father Thomas widower aged 41, lead miner; Elizabeth, 22; Joseph 19, lead miner; Margaret, 17; Graham, 12; Emmerson, 11; John, 7; Hannah 5, and a grandson Thomas aged 1.
Graham's birth was registered in the 2nd quarter of 1848, which makes his age at the time of his death only 17 years.

5th December 1865 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

LECTURES ON ASTRONOMY.—On Tuesday evening, the first of a course of lectures on "Modern Astronomy" was given by Mr. Barkas, of Newcastle, in the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill. U. Bainbridge, Esq., presided, and introduced the lecturer, who, by means of numerous diagrams and popular modes of illustration, kept up the interest of the audience for nearly two hours, on that part of the celestial mechanism of which the sun forms the centre. The second lecture on "Modern Astronomy" was delivered, by Mr. T. P. Barkas, in the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on Wednesday evening, the subject being the "Sidereal Heavens." Mr. Davidson occupied the chair, and the chapel was well filled. The lecture was profusely illustrated.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. B. Wild, Mr Utrick Davidson, to Miss Hannah Bell, of High Nest, Garrigill.

Robert Davidson married Margaret Todd, 13th January 1820, at St Augustine's, Alston.

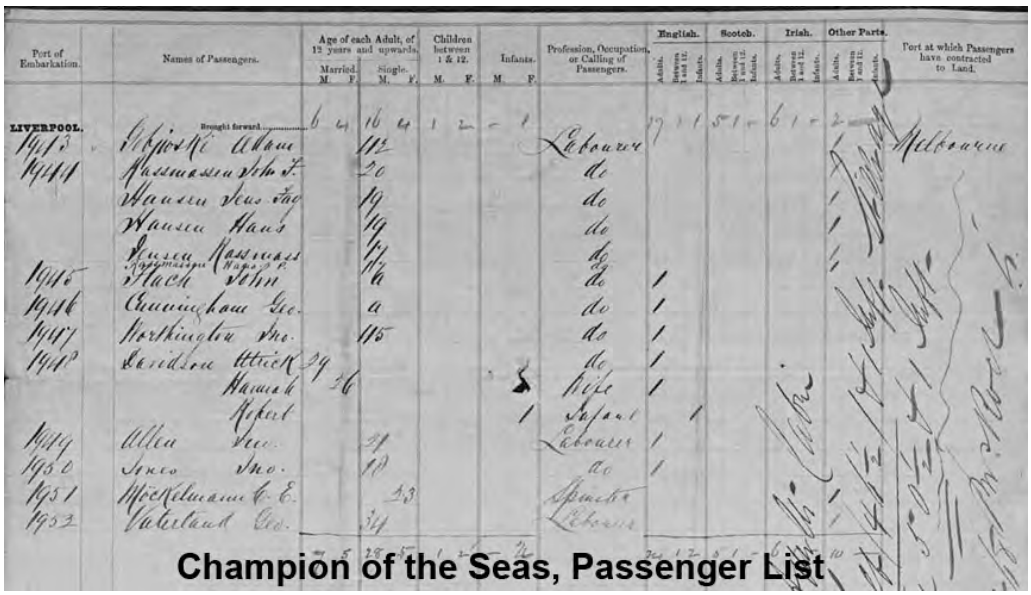
Margaret Davidson was buried 11th October 1843, aged 41, at Garrigill.

In 1851, at High Nest, Garrigill, Robert Davidson, widower, farmer, aged 55, children, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 31, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 29, Robert, lead ore miner, aged 25, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 18, Pheby 15, Utrick, apprentice shoe maker, aged 12, grandchildren, Margaret Davidson 10, John Davidson 8, and Mary Ann 4.

In 1861 at High Nest Garrigill, Elizabeth Davidson, dressmaker, aged 27, brother, Utrick, shoe maker aged 22, sister, Margaret, dairy maid, aged 19, nephew, John Davidson, lead miner, aged 18, and visitor, Isabella Hewitson 21. Robert Davidson, farmer, aged 67, was visiting George Humble, at Lane Head, Stanhope.

Robert Davidson snr., of High Nest, was buried at Garrigill 22nd June 1862, aged 69.

Utrick Davidson his wife Hannah and son Robert, emigrated to Australia leaving Liverpool in September 1868, and arriving in Melbourne in December 1868 on the Champion of the Seas



Champion of the Seas, Passenger List

Provided by Public Records Office Victoria

Utrick Davidson died 30th April 1922, at Broomfield, Hepburn Shire, Victoria, Australia.

Hannah Davidson died 18th August 1907, at Prahran, Stonnington City, Victoria, Australia.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 22nd ult., Mr Vipond Clementson, aged 49 years.

See 27th February 1841

19th December 1865 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel Garrigill, near Alston, on the 12th inst., by the Rev. W. Satchell, Mr Joseph Little, lead mine agent, Garrigill, to Miss Sarah Craig, of Garrigill Gate.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 8th inst., Mr John Crawhall, third and last surviving son of the late John Crawhall, Esq., of Allenheads, aged 61.

John Crawhall, son of the late John Crawhall died 8th December 1865.
In 1851, at Alston William Little, lead mine agent, 55, his wife Frances (daughter of John & Dorothy Crawhall, married Wm. at Alston, 4th August 1816) aged 56, children John Crawhall, widow, clerk, aged 32, Albany, lead miner, aged 25, Mary Ann 21, Hannah Little 2, lodgers John Crawhall, landed proprietor, aged 47, and his sister Dorothy, annuitant, aged 45. John and Dorothy were the children of John & Dorothy Crawhall (Eldest daughter of Albany Featherstonehaugh, married at Kirkhaugh 8th March 1794, she died 20th January 1806 (bap 31st Jan 1773 Knaresdale, mother Frances, John Crawhall remarried to Margaret daughter of Jacob Dawson of Allenheads 3rd Dec 1809)
In 1861, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, Innkeeper, aged 75, son in law Albany Little, labourer, aged 35, his wife Jane Little, dressmaker, aged 35, children of Albany & Jane, Thomas W Little 5, and John Little 3: granddaughter Hannah White, servant, aged 13, boarders John Crawhall, annuitant, aged 57, his sister Dorothy Crawhall, aged 55.
Children of John and Dorothy Crawhall: Frances, baptised 29th December 1794, Albany, baptised 5th September 1797, Ann, baptised 11th July 1799, John, baptised 2nd May 1803, and Dorothy, baptised 14th January 1806.
See 2nd December 1837.

At High Rotherhope, near Alston, on the 8th inst., Eliza, daughter of Joseph Watson, yeoman, aged 18 years.

In 1861, at High Rotherhope, Joseph Watson, yeoman farmer of 230 acres, aged 71, his wife Fanny aged 53, children, Ada 26, John 22, Fanny 20, Mary 17, Elizabeth 14, and Isabella 11. See 3rd August 1833, 18th July 1862, 21st May 1869, 14th May 1870, & 13th December 1870

At Bailes near Alston, on the 11th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Hall Dawson, yeoman, aged 49 years.

In 1861, at Bailes, Alston, Hall Dawson, landed proprietor, aged 68, his wife Elizabeth (Nee Ward, married at Alston 2nd qtr 1840, 3rd wife of Hall Dawson) aged 44, children, John, lead mine labourer, aged 35, James, lead mine labourer, aged 21, Ruth 19, Elizabeth 12, Edward H 7, and Joshua 5.
Hall Dawson died 18th June 1866, at Bailes, Alston.

20th December 1865 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Lydney, Gloucestershire, 15th inst. aged 67, Mr John Henderson, formerly agent at Fallowfield mines, near Hexham.

In 1841, at Acomb, John Henderson, lead mine agent, aged 42, his wife Hannah (Ridley, married 22nd January 1820, Allendale) aged 40, children,

Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Matthew 11, Elizabeth 9, William 7, George 4, Thomas 2, and Ridley 4 months.
In 1851, at Lydney, Gloucestershire, John Henderson, mining engineer, and colliery agent, aged 52, born West Allendale, his wife Hannah 50, children Mathew, coal merchants clerk, aged 21, Elizabeth 19, William, coal merchants clerk, aged 17, George, coal merchants clerk, aged 14, Thomas 12, Ridley 10, Mary J 8, James 6, married son, Joseph Henderson, civil engineer, aged 30, daughter in law, Isabela Henderson 31, granddaughter Anne Henderson 3, and house servant, Jane Munday, aged 18.
In 1861, at Lydney, Gloucestershire, John Henderson, mining engineer & agent, aged 62,his wife Hannah 60, son Matthew, widow, accountant, aged 31, and daughter Mary J. 18.

23rd December 1865 (Westmorland Gazette)
Marriages
On the 12th inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, near Alston, by the Rev. W. Satchell, Mr. Joseph Little, lead mine agent, Galligill, to Miss Sarah Craig, of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Far Turnings, Isaac Craig, blacksmith, aged 61, his wife Mary (Davidson, married 19th June 1819, Alston) aged 56, children Sarah 25, William, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, son in law, Arthur Hutchinson, widow, draper, aged 32, his son, Silas Hutchinson 6, and nephew, Thomas Davidson, lead ore miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, John Craig, blacksmith, and stationer, aged 25, sister, Sarah, housekeeper, aged 35, niece Mary Hornsby, milliner, aged 18, nephew Isaac Hornsby, lead miner, aged 16, and niece Sarah Peart 6.
William Little married Hannah Shield, 1st July 1821, at Alston.
In 1841, at High Redwing, Garrigill, Hannah Little, farmer, aged 50, William Little, lead miner, aged 40, John Little, lead miner, aged 30, Sarah Little 25, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph Little, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas Little, lead miner, aged 15, and Margret Little 13.
In 1851, at Kettlewell, Joseph Little, born Garrigill, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah 29, born Weardale, sons John 6, born Middleham, Yorkshire, and Joseph 2, born, Kettlewell, Yorkshire.
In 1861, at Galligill Syke, Joseph Little, lead mine agent, aged 39, his wife Hannah aged 39, children, John, lead miner, aged 16, Joseph 12, Elizabeth 4, and Thomas 1.
In 1871, at Melsonby, Yorkshire, Joseph Little, woodman, lead & copper miner, aged 49, his wife Sarah 45, daughter Elizabeth 14, and son Thomas 11. In 1881, at Keld Heads, Leyburn, Wensleydale, Joseph Little, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 55, and son Joseph, newspaper agent, advertisement, contractor, aged 32.

23rd December 1865 (Lancaster Gazette)
INGLETON
A NEW LEAD MINE. —From time immemorial relating to the old rhyme. Greygarth has been spoken of as a hill abounding in valuable metal—

"Greygarth wherever thou may stand
Thou art the richest hill in all England."

A short time ago, the neighbouring hills, by the direction of the London Lead Company, were surveyed for the purpose of selecting some favourable place for trying for lead. Four men from Middleton in-Teesdale commenced operations a few weeks since at a place called House-a-Top, about half a mile from Hunts Cross, in the parish of Thornton-in- Lonsdale. At the depth of three yards from the surface they met with some lead in an old working on the first flat, but as it was not worth pursuing they here dug a shaft eleven yards deep, and after a little further descent, should they be successful in the object of their search, it is their intention to cut a drift from north to south for the main lead vein. Long ago lead mining was carried on in this mountainous district, but eventually given up; but it is to be hoped, for the advantage of the neighbourhood as well as the lead company, that this attempt to revive the trade in the valuable ore will be attended with remunerating success.

2nd January 1866 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 16th ult., Mr Jos. Wailes, aged 26 years.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 49, son John D 7, stepsons, Joseph Wailes, lead miner, aged 22, and Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 19.
See 14th January 1843

13th January 1866 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
On Friday last an accident of a very serious nature occurred near Nenthead. On the day in question, as the cashiers belonging to the mines were preparing for their journey after making their yearly payments, the horses attached to their vehicle suddenly started off, startled it is supposed by the shrill blast of the huntsman's horn, and dashed away at a tremendous pace. The driver lost all command over them, and they galloped unrestrained for several minutes, till they approached the bridge leading into the village, when the carriage struck against the wall and upset. The poll of the conveyance having been detached by the shock, the horses proceeded at full speed, but were eventually pulled up. The driver, a particularly steady man, was severely injured, but those in the carriage escaped with comparatively little harm.

2nd February 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Garrigill, on the 26th ult., Jane, widow of Mr John Watson, aged 76 years.
See 16th January 1857

2nd February 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
THE GREENSIDE MINERS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE CARLISLE JOURNAL
Sir, —On behalf of the miners employed at the Greenside mines, I beg to express their indignation at the gross misstatement made (as reported by you in your issue of the 9th instant) by Mr. Dunne, the Chief of Police, at the Appleby Quarter Sessions, with regard to the want of lock-up for Patterdale, as he alleged they (the miners) are in the habit of taking advantage the officer's absence to cause a disturbance. We beg to ask Mr. Dunne to refer to how many cases of disorderly conduct by miners of Greenside have been brought under the magistrates' notice for the last twelve months. There are upwards of 300 men employed on the mines, and I believe, if memory serves

me right, that during that period only three have been in custody for such offence. Also the statement that pay nights they (the miners) are in the habit of coming down and causing a disturbance is most palpable falsehood, as on that night they are generally all of them at home—some of them living a distance of 20 miles away; in fact not above 40 living in the immediate neighbourhood. Excusing me for trespassing your valuable space, but by inserting the above in your next issue you will oblige your humble servant, JOSEPH HARRIS. Greenside, 25th Jan. 1866.

7th February 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Births
At Stonecroft & Greyside Lead Mines, 3rd inst, the wife of Mr Thomas Ware, Manager a son. *Harold. In 1871, at Stonecroft Mine, Newbrough, Thomas Ware, lead mine agent, 43, his wife Cleopatra 39, children Francis T. 11, Florence 7, Harold 5, Laura 2, and Maria 11 days. See 27th November 1886.*

16th February 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Snappersgill, Garrigill, on the 8th inst., Mr Robert Shield, aged 44 years.
See 22nd June 1878
At Rice Head, near Alston, on the 9th inst., Esther daughter of Mr John White, aged 23 years.
At Low Bayles, near Alston, on the 10th inst., Mr John Woodmass, aged 35 Years.
See 4th February 1853

23rd February 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Foulard, near Nenthead, on the 13th inst., Mr John Moor, aged 53 years.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Margaret Moore, widow, aged 60, sons George, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 25, and George Hutchenson, lead miner, aged 65.
In 1851, at Lane End, Nenthead, John Moor, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 26, children George 6, Margaret 4, and Vickers 6 months.
In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Moor, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth aged 36, children George, lead ore washer, aged 16, Margaret, house maid, aged 14, Vickers 10, Sarah 8, Isaac 5, and John J 1.
In 1871, at Holmefoots, Nenthead, Elizabeth Moor, widow, house keeper, aged 46, children, George, lead miner and PM local preacher, aged 26, Vickers, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah, domestic servant, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, John J 11, William 8, and grandson, John Moor 1.
In 1881, at Rough Side, Nenthead, Vickers Moore, unmarried, lead miner and farmer of 105 acres, aged 30, mother, Elizabeth, widow, aged 56, brother George, lead miner, aged 36, sister, Margaret 34, brother, Isaac G. lead miner, aged 25, brother, John J. lead miner, aged 21, brother, William, lead miner, aged 18, and nephew, John Moore 11.
In 1891, at Roughside, Vickers Moore, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, (born Penrith) aged 36, children Joseph B 13 (born Appleby), John A 5, Alfred 3, and Herbert 4 months.
Elizabeth Moore of Holmefoots, was buried at Nenthead, 27th December 1894. See 15th June 1866 12th December 1885

At High Lee House, Tynehead, on the 16th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Mr Thomas Bell, Farmer, aged 29 years.
At Slaggyford, near Alston, Mr Thomas Hutchinson, aged 86 years *(farmer)*.

28th February 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Coalcleugh, 19th inst. aged 53, suddenly Margaret wife of Mr Matthew Whitfield.
In 1841, at Broad Lea, High West Allen, John Whitfield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah (Coates, married 10th June 1809, Allendale) aged 50, children Edward 20, John 15, Phillis 15, Hannah 12, and Matthew 10.
In 1851, at Broad Lea, High West Allen, John Whitfield, lead ore miner and farmer of 30 acres, aged 64, his wife Hannah 61, daughter Hannah 24, son Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 21, granddaughter Elizabeth 14. In 1861, at Broad Lea, Ninebanks, John Whitfield, farmer of 25 acres, aged 74, his wife Hannah 72, and daughter Hannah 32. John Whitfield died 2nd quarter of 1867, aged 80, Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1864.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Matthew Whitfield, lead miner and grocer, aged 31, his wife Margaret (Liddle, married at Ninebanks 19th November 1853) aged 48, and son Samuel 3 years. In 1871, at Limestone Brae Cottage, Ninebanks, Matthew Whitfield, grocer and flour dealer, aged 41, his wife Tamar (Peart born Alston; married at Alston 21st February 1867) aged 46, and son Samuel 13. In 1881, at Front Street Alston, Matthew Whitfield, miller employing 1 man, and local preacher, aged 51, his wife Tamer 56, and Samuel, millers' son, aged 24. In 1891, at Front Street Alston, Matthew Whitfield, miller, aged 61, his wife Tamer 66, and son, Samuel, miller, aged 34 (died 26th February 1903). Matthew died 1st quarter of 1893, and Tamar died 1st quarter of 1898. See 7th March 1903.
At Lane Head, Weardale, 22nd inst. aged 65, Mr John Humble.
In 1841, at Lane Head, John Humble, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Frances, 35, children, Hannah 14, James 8, Frances 6, and George 3.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, John Humble, lead miner, aged 50, wife Frances 47, children James, lead miner, aged 18, Frances 15, George, lead miner, aged 13, Sarah Ann 6, nurse child, John Humble 4 years, and nurse child, Sarah Ann Elliott 5 years.
In 1861, at Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, John Humble, widow (Frances had died in the first quarter of 1858), lead miner, aged 59, daughter Sarah Ann 17, and grandson John Humble, lead miner, aged 17.

9th March 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 3rd inst., Mr Thomas Little, miner aged 41 years.
See 5th February 1842
At her residence in Liverpool, on the 20th ult., where she resided upwards of 60 ears, Mrs Ann Duncan, formerly of Penrith, and sister of the late Mr William Armstrong of Alston, Cumberland.
At Appleby, on the 3rd inst., Mr William Hudspith (of the firm Hudspith and Co., drapers) late of Nenthead, in his 22nd year of his age.

16th March 1866 (Durham County Advertiser)

WEAR FISHERY ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the members, comprising the eastern district of the above association, was held in the Mayor's Chamber, on Friday last. …

Mr Wade, Secretary for the Wolsingham district, next made his report as follows:

… As to the nuisances running into the river or tributaries in the district, I am sorry to say that I have had several complaints …

The next subject is the lead-wash, which, during but summer, I am sorry to say, was nearly as bad as formerly; but whether this was occasioned by the want of water and lowness of the river, or from extra washing, I am not prepared to say. I have been told that the worthy manager of the London Lead Company (H. Bainbridge, Esq., of Middleton House, Teesdale) has had applied to a mine lately opened out—on a small burn running into Bollihope Burn, called Cornish Hush, from which at first much injurious wash was sent down into the Wear —a much improved method of washing, by lengthening the troughs along which the finer particles from the cuttings are conveyed and deposited as they are gently carried along. But this has not produced the beneficial results anticipated. The company expected by this means to obtain finer and more valuable lead. From the greater the distance it had to travel from the mills, it was also expected to improve the water by every particle of lead settling in the trough. If such can be accomplished, as I firmly believe it may, though it has not answered in this case, I hope that other managers will adopt at their mills a like inexpensive means of profiting their employers and, at the same time, benefiting those dwelling lower down the stream. So bad was the lead-wash in the Wear a short time ago, that the miller at the West Mill at Wolsingham could not keep any geese, they all dying from the injurious quality of the water; and I fear even yet that the same consequences might follow were the present one to try the same experiment. Nevertheless, I think some improvement on the whole has taken place, from whatever cause it may have been; and this is a source of congratulation not only for those interested in the river fisheries, but for the graziers and consumers down stream, for all have reaped the common benefit of purer water. …

14th March 1866 (Hexham Courant)

EMIGRATION FROM ALLENDALE

Several families left Swinhope in East Allendale last week bound for the United States of America many of whom have friends to go to who, have written encouraging letters to their relations at home.

A large number of families had previously left Allendale for America. Following the dispute in 1849 between the lead miners and the Beaumont company a number of miners and their families left Allendale for America leaving Liverpool on the sailing ship "Guy Mannering". Their port of arrival was New York; from there, they went to Galena in Illinois. See the appendices.

21st March 1866 (Hexham Courant)

INQUEST IN WEARDALE

An inquest was held at the home of Mr James Holmes, Cowshill, on Saturday last, touching the death of John Emerson; Rush aged 43, who happened an

accident on the 28th ult., at Cowhaust mine, by the falling of a lump from the roof. Deceased was expected to be progressing favourably to a very short while before he expired. Verdict accidental death.

In 1841, at Low Rush, Ralph Emerson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane, aged 50, children, John 15, Mary 15, Jane 13, Ralph 10, and Martha 8. The 1851 census has John living with his parents Ralph, Lead miner, aged 63, and Jane Emerson, aged 62, at Low Rush, Heathery Cleugh, along with his brother Ralph lead miner aged 21, and his sister Martha aged 18.

In 1861, at Low Rush, Ralph Emerson, lead miner, aged 72, his wife Jane 71, children Ralph, lead miner, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 31, and Martha 28.

In 1871, at Corn Riggs, Thomas Fairless, lead miner & small farmer, aged 32, his wife Martha 38, children Jane 6, John Jos 5, Sarah 3, Ralph Emerson 8 months, and boarder, Ralph Emerson, lead miner, & land owner, aged 40.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES

A most distressing accident occurred at the Derwent mines near Blanchland, on Friday week. It appeared that six miners employed in the 25 Fathom level in a part of the mine called Green's Shaft, were following their employment on the day in question when one of them named Isaac Peadon found it necessary to have a fresh quantity of powder for the purpose of blasting, and having requested a fellow workman named William Bell to supply him, Bell unhesitatingly proceeded to do so. Whilst he was pouring the powder from one bottle to another, it from some cause or other exploded, and the whole of the workmen with the exception of Naaman Smith, who had fortunately temporarily left that part of the mine, were most severely injured. On assistance reaching the unfortunate men, they were found in a dreadful state of suffering, the flames burning their clothes with such force as was not easily extinguished, and on being got out and taken to their respective homes and medical treatment procured, their injuries proved to be of a very serious nature. Bell we regret to say, lingered with great suffering until Tuesday when he died, and an inquest was held on the body on Thursday last, before Mr Davies, deputy coroner, when a verdict of accidental death was returned. Deceased was 55 years of age, and had been employed at the Derwent mines, where he resided, for upwards of 40 years. He was a most sober, honest, industrious man, and has left a widow and family. The names of the other injured men are, Joseph Peadon and his son Isaac, Archibald Shield, and Joseph Martindale, three of whom are progressing favourably towards recovery, but Peadon, the younger, is still in a very precarious state.

In 1841, at Boltshope Mill, William Bell, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Sarah 25, Mary 4, Sarah 2, and Elizabeth 11 months. William's wife Sarah died 1841/2.

1in 1851, at Ramshaw, William Bell, lead ore miner, aged 37, his wife Francis (Douglas, married 4th quarter of 1848, registered at Weardale) aged 43, children Mary 14, Sarah 12, Alsey 8, Martha 3, and son in law, William Douglas, lead ore washer, aged 10. Francis died 1st quarter of 1852.

In 1861, at Ramshaw, William Bell, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth (Featherstone married 4th quarter of 1852, registered at Weardale), dress maker aged 47, daughter Mary 24, granddaughter Jane 4, lodgers William Henry Wilcock, lead miner, born Calstock, Cornwall, aged 21, and Richard Bolt, lead miner, born Winkley, Devonshire, aged 29.

In 1871, at Ramshaw, Elizabeth Bell, widow, retired dressmaker, aged 54, grandson William Bell, aged 6, and lodger, John Walton, lead ore miner, born Alston, aged 40.
In 1881, at Jameson's Mills, Hunstanworth, Elizabeth Bell, widow, aged 65, and grandson William Bell, labourer, aged 16.
In 1841, at Broken Way, St John's, Joseph Peadon, lead miner aged 20.
In 1851, at Level Gate, St John's, Joseph Peadon, lead and Iron miner, aged 30, his wife Jane (married 1st quarter of 1842) aged 27, children John 8, Thomas 6, Isaac 4, Margaret 2, Joseph Hutchinson 7 months, and lodger Job Phipps, excavator, aged 21.
In 1861, at Low Whiteheaps, Joseph Peadon, lead miner, and local Primitive Methodist Preacher, aged 40, wife Jane aged 37, children John 18, lead miner; Thomas 16, Lead ore Washer; Isaac 15, Lead ore Washer; and Margaret 12, Joseph Hutchinson 10, George 8, Mary Jane 6, Andrew S. 4, Sarah 1, and house servant, Sarah Martin, aged 16.
Joseph senior died 2nd quarter of 1868.
In 1871, at Derwent Cottages, Hunstanworth, Jane Peadon, widow, aged 47, children, John, lead ore miner, aged 28, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 26, Isaac, engine driver at lead ore mines, aged 25, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 20, George, lead ore miner, aged 18, Andrew, shoe makers apprentice, aged 14, Sarah 11, Eunice 8, and Hannah 7.
In 1881, at Derwent cottages, Jane Peadon, widow, aged 57, sons, Joseph, butcher aged 30, George, lead miner, unemployed, aged 28, and Andrew, shoemaker aged 24.
Archibald Shield aged 15 son of Thomas (Blacksmith) & Alice Shield, living at Whiteheaps. In 1861, at Whiteheaps, Thomas Shield, blacksmith, aged 45, his wife Alice 39, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Archibald, lead ore washer, aged 12, Emmerson, lead ore washer, aged 10, George 8, Edward 6, John 4, Sarah Ann 2, Mary 2 months, brother in law, Emmerson Walton, lead miner, aged 40, house servant, Sarah Farbridge, aged 14, and visitor Martha Bell, aged 13.
In 1871, at Roddy Moor Pit, Crook with Billy Row, Archibald shield aged 21, and his brother Emmerson Shield aged 19, were working as labourers, lodging with William Dawson and his family.
In 1881, at High Street, Wolsingham, Archibald Shield, fruiterer, aged 31, his wife Margaret 31, children George Thos. 6, William Ed. 5, Sarah Ann 4, Alice Eleanor 3, and John Oswald 1 year.
In 1891, at High Street, Wolsingham, Archibald Shield, fruiterer, aged 42, his wife Margaret 42, children George Thomas, assistant fruiterer, aged 16, William E., assistant fruiterer, aged 15, Sarah A. 14, Alice H. 13, John P. 11, Adeline 9, Archibald 5, Charles 4, Millicent 10 months, and Frederick 10 months.

21st March 1866 (Hexham Courant)

MINE ACCIDENT AT BURTREE PASTURE, WEARDALE.

As two miners named Jonathan Peadon and Martin Thompson, both of Ireshope Burn, were in the act of "stemming" on Wednesday last, the powder very unaccountably became ignited, and the hole went off blowing the pricker, drevil, hammer, &c, right over the heads of the men with tremendous force. Fortunately, the hole did not throw her work or the consequence would most

assuredly have been of a very serious nature. As it was, they were both severely burnt and cut about the face and hands, and Peadon lost an eye and one of his little fingers. It appears the hole had in the first instance "shot her stemming" and to prevent a similar result the men unfortunately resorted to the reckless and daring practice of "double hand stemming", an act which has been very severely commented upon in the country, and more especially in a forehead so particularly hard as was the case in this instance.

In 1851, at Dyke, Heathery Cleugh, St John's, Thomas Peadon, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Hannah (Whitfield, married 6th April 1813) aged 55, children Whitfield, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 24, Hannah 18, and Mary Ann 14.

In 1861, at Ireshopeburn, Jonathan Peadon, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Ann (Dawson, married 3rd quarter of 1859) aged 28, children Mary 9, John 7, and Joseph 10 months.

In 1871, at Ireshopeburn Jonathan Peadon, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 38, children John, lead ore washer, aged 17, Joseph 10, Joshua 5, and Jonathan 2. Ann died 3rd quarter of 1878.

In 1881, at Westgate, St John's, Jonathan Peadon, widow, unemployed lead miner, aged 54, sons John, coal miner, aged 27, Joshua, cartman, aged 15, and Jonathan 12.

In 1851, at Pry Hill, Joseph Thompson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Frances 44, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, William, lead miner, aged 19, Mathew, lead miner, aged 18, Emerson, lead miner, aged 14, Frances 10, Elizabeth 8, Martin 4, Featherston 2, and domestic servant, Ann Armstrong, aged 23.

In 1861, at Pry Hill, Heathery Cleugh, St John's, Joseph Thompson, lead miner, aged 63, his wife Frances 55, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 27, Emerson, lead miner, aged 24, Frances 20, Martin, lead miner, aged 15, Featherston, lead miner, aged 13, Sarah 7, and grandson Joseph Brown 7.

Martin Thompson married Emma Brown, 3rd quarter of 1867, at Weardale.

In 1871, at Back of 60 New Street, Sheffield, Martin Thompson, labourer, aged 24, his wife Emma, aged 23, both born Weardale, and son William F. (age given as 13?) born Sheffield.

24th March 1866 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)
Deaths

At Byerhope, near Allenheads, on the 15th inst., aged 59, Mr Christopher Curry, miner.

In 1841, at Fawside Green, Christopher Curry, lead miner, aged 30, Margaret Curry aged 65, and Hannah Curry aged 20.

In 1851, at Fawside Green, Christopher Curry, lead miner, aged 44, brother in law, William Hunter, labourer, aged 45, born Scotland, and sister Hannah Hunter, aged 41.

Christopher Curry married Jane Dickinson, 2nd quarter of 1852.

In 1861, at Byerhope, Allendale, Christopher Curry, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Jane, aged 45, children Joseph 8, Jane 5, Elizabeth 2, George 6 months, and Margaret 19.

In 1871, at Peasmeadows, Jane Curry, widow, aged 55, children, Margaret 29, Joseph, farm servant, aged 18, George 10, grandchildren Ann Curry 9, and John Curry 6 months.

In 1881, at Peasmeadows, Jane Curry, widow, pauper, aged 64, unmarried daughter, Margaret Dickinson, aged 39, son George, lead miner, aged 20, and grandson John Dickinson 10.
In 1891, at Peasmeadows, Jane Curry, widow, aged 74, daughter Elizabeth, single, aged 32, son George, labourer, aged 30, daughter Margaret, single aged 49, and grandson, John Dickinson, lead ore washer, aged 20.

27th March 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Primitive Chapel, Alston, Mr Jonathan Thompson, Clitheroe, near Alston, to Miss Jane Elliott, of Nenthead.
William Thompson married Ann Wren 17th January 1788, at St Augustines, Alston. Daniel Thompson son of William and Ann Thompson, baptised 25th September 1796. Daniel Thompson married Anna Harrison 12th June 1824, at St Augustine's Alston.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Anna 35, children, William, carter lab, aged 14, Thomas 10, Anna 5, and Daniel 4 months.
Daniel Thompson snr. died either 12th April 1844, or 4th quarter 1849.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plain, Alston, Anna Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Anna 15, Daniel 10, Jonathan 7, and grandson Henry Thompson 2.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, and brother Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Jane 27, children, Agnes 5, Anne 3, and Daniel 1.
In 1881, at Leadgate, Iveston, Durham, Jonathan Thompson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 36, children, Agnes 14, Anna 12, Daniel 11, John J 9, Jonathan 7, Thomas 5, Robert W 2, and Henry 6 months. In 1891, at 58 Low Westwood, Medomsley, Jonathan Thompson, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Jane 45, children, Anna 23, Daniel, coal miner, aged 21, John L, coal miner, aged 19, Jonathan, coal miner, aged 17, Thomas, coal miner, aged 15, Robert W 12, Henry 10, and Mary 6.
Jane Thompson, died 3rd quarter 1899, aged 55, registered at Lanchester, Durham.
In 1901, at 58 Low Westwood, Medomsley, Jonathan Thompson, widower, coal miner, aged 57, children, Robert W, coal mine labourer, aged 22, Henry, coal mine putter, aged 20, and Mary 16.
Jonathan Thompson, died 2nd quarter 1902, aged 59, registered at Lanchester, Durham. See 25th April 1868, 1st July 1871
Deaths
At Welgill, near Alston, on the 17th inst., Mr Adam Barron aged 45 years.
Adam son of George Raw and Hannah Barron, born 4th November 1821, at Alston, baptised 30th January 1825, at Westgate, Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel.

In 1841, at White Hall, Nernthead, William Barron, lead miner, aged 27, and Adam Barron, lead miner, aged 19.
William Barron married Mary Hayton, 18th April 1850, at St John's, Nenthead.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, William Barron, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary 31, and daughter, Hannah 9 months (buried 10th April 1855, aged 4, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, William Barron, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 41, and daughter Mary 5.
William Barron was buried at Nenthead, 27th December 1863, aged 50.
In 1871, Mary Barron, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 51, sister Ann Hayton, domestic servant, aged 62, daughter Mary, dress maker, aged 15, and nurse child, John Ruderford 2.
Mary Barron was buried at Nenthead, 9th August 1896, aged 76.
See 9th January 1875 and 27th April 1878.

Adam Barron married Tamar Nall (daughter of Enoch and Tamar Nall, of Shield Hill, Garrigill, born 22 September, baptised 10th October 1824, at Redwing Chapel), 17th February 1842, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Adam Barron, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Thamar 26, children, Hannah 6, Thamar 3, and William 1.
William Barron buried at Nenthead, 4th June 1851, aged 1.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Adam Barron, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Tamar 36, children, Tamar 13, Mary A 9, Adam 6, John 3, and Robert 1.
Adam Barron, buried at St John's, Nenthead, 20th March 1866.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Tamar Barron, miners widow, aged 24, children, Adam, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 13, Robert William 11, Agnes 8, Grandsons, Mathew Henry Barron 2, and David Barron 2 months. In 1881, at 6 Chapel Street, Shildon, Tamar Barron, widow, aged 55, children, Mary Ann, married aged 28, Adam, coal miner, aged 26, John, coal miner, aged 23, Robert, coal miner, aged 21, Agnes, unmarried, milner, aged 18, son in law John Oliphant, coal miner, aged 22, grandsons, Matthew Barron 12, and David Barron 10.
In 1891, at 57 Hildyard Terrace, East Thickley, Shildon, Tamar Barron, widow, aged 67, sons, Adam, coal miner, 36, John, ____ Clerical ___, 33, Robert W, coal miner, aged 30, grandsons, Matthew H Barron, grocers assistant, aged 22, and David Barron, coal miner, aged 20.
In 1901, at 57 Hildyard Terrace, East Thickley, Shildon, Tamar Barron, widow, aged 76, sons, Adam, coal miner hewer, 46, John, no occupation, 43, Robert W, coal miner, hewer, aged 41, daughter in law, Eliza Barron, widow, aged 31, born Ireland, and grandson, Matthew 2, born Devonport, Devon.
Probate 1904: Tamar Barron of Hildyard Terrace, New Shildon, county Durham widow died 17 January 1904 Administration Durham to Adam Barron coal miner. Effects £717 4s 10d. In 1911, at 57 Hildyard, Terrace, New Shildon, Robert William Barron, coal miner hewer, aged 51, wife Susan 50, and boarder, Adam Barron, coal miner, aged 56.
In 1811, at 59 Westcoth St, Holderness Rd, Hull, Eliza Barron, widow, aged 42, son Matthew Archibald 12, visitors, Clara Jones 17, Mable Jones 16, and Jane Jones 10, the girls all born in West Africa.
At Alston, on the 21st inst., Mr John Todd, aged 65 years.
In 1861, at Crown Lane, Alston, Joseph Todd, lead miner, aged 73, daughter Hannah, dress maker, aged 32, son, William W, lead miner, aged 22, granddaughter, Sarah Todd 10, and boarder John Todd, single, lead miner, aged 60.
At Alston, on the 22nd, Mr William Gill, aged 47 years, after 23 years affliction.

William Gill, married Elizabeth Bowman, 23rd August 1817, at Alston.
Children of William and Elizabeth Gill, Joseph, William, and Mary, all baptised at Alston, 11th July 1819, and Sarah baptised 23rd June 1822, at Alston.
William Gill, was buried 3rd January 1824, aged 58.
In 1841, at Park, Alston, Moses Bowman, farmer aged 40, Mary Gill, servant aged 22, Elizabeth Gill 45, Joseph Gill, lead miner aged 23, William Gill, lead miner, aged 22, and Sarah Bowman 12.
In 1851, at Park, Alston, Elizabeth Gill, widow, receipt of parish relief, aged 59, and her son William, single, lead miner, disabled aged 32.
In 1861, at Wanwood, Alston, Elizabeth Gill, lead miners widow, aged 71, and her son William, single, formerly lead miner, aged 42.
William Gill jnr., died 22nd March 1866, aged 47, at Alston.
See 5th February 1842, 28th Sept 1866, 14th May 1867, 20th May 1871, 31st October 1871, & 7th November 1874

28th March 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
In the workhouse, 21st inst. aged 61, Mr Wm. Parker, miner, formerly of West Allen.
In 1841, at Kirks Houses, Allendale, William Parker, lead ore miner aged 40, Hannah Parker aged 70, and Joseph Parker aged 5.
In 1851, at Jeffrey's Rake, Hunstanworth, William Parker, born Allendale, unmarried, lead ore miner aged 45
At Whiteheaps near Blanchland, 17th inst, aged 11, Henry son of Mr John Morpeth, Cashier to the Derwent Mining Co.
In 1861, at Shildon, Blanchland, John Morpeth, born Northumberland Shotley, book keeper, and cashier-lead mines, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth E. (Elizabeth Eliza Watson, married 20th February 1853) aged 32, children Henry 6, Eliza 4, Emma 2, and Elizabeth 5 months. In 1871, at Shildon, Blanchland, John Morpeth, lead mine agent, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth E. 42, children Eliza 14, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 10, Thomas 6, Mary E. 3, and Hannah M. 1. In 1881, at Shildon, Blanchland, John Morpeth, lead mine agent, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth E. 52, children Elizabeth 20, Thomas 16, Mary E. 13, and Hannah M. 11, John H. 9, and Annie aged 6 years. In 1891, at Claremont Villa, Longbenton, John Morpeth, retired mines manager, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth Eliza 62, Joseph, secretary Angus & Co. aged 28, Elizabeth, school teacher, aged 30, Hannah Marie 23, Annie 16, and Mary Emma 21.

John Morpeth (Winskill)
Source: Ancestry. co.uk; MikeMcDermott29

Probate 1896, John Morpeth of Forest Hall, Long Benton, Northumberland retired lead mine agent died 25 February 1896, Probate Newcastle upon Tyne 30 March to Elizabeth Eliza Morpeth widow and Joseph Morpeth secretary for George Angud nd company limited. Effects £4061 14s 5d.
In 1901, at Long Benton, Elizabeth E Morpeth, widow, aged 72, daughters, Mary E 32, Hannah M 30, and Annie, typist, 25.
Elizabeth Eliza Morpeth died 19th January 1909 at Long Benton.
See 25th March 1864, and 31st July 1880

30th March 1866 (Newcastle Courant)

NEWCASTLE COUNTY COURT.

YESTERDAY. —Before W. BLANCHARD, Esq., judge.

ARMSTRONG V BREWIS.

This was an action to recover £50, the balance of the value of shares sold by the defendant, who is a share broker, for the plaintiff. Mr Blackwell, instructed by Messrs Hoyle, Shipley and Hoyle, was for the plaintiff; and Mr Bousfield appeared for the defendant. Mr Blackwell, in opening the case, stated that it almost amounted to fraud. In 1865, Mr Brewis was a share broker in Newcastle, and in April of that year the plaintiff went to him and said he wished to sell 100 one-pound shares in the; Cashwell Mining Company. The plaintiff said he was short of money, and that was the reason he wanted to sell. Mr Armstrong said he ought to get 30s. per share. A few days afterwards Mr Brewis said he had had an offer of 20s. per share. Mr Armstrong said he supposed he would be obliged to take it. He did not then inquire who the purchasers were. There was a request subsequently made as to the transfers of the shares, and the plaintiff was then made acquainted that the shares had been disposed of—fifty to Mr Charles Anderson, Cumberland Row, and fifty to Mr Joseph Blenkinsop, South Shields. In the following November, Mr Armstrong met Mr Anderson in Newcastle. The Latter said he had bought the shaves for £1 12s. 6d. each. The matter, after being investigated, was placed in the hands of Mr Armstrong solicitor. The plaintiff was called, and spoke to the facts as stated by Mr Blackwell. Verdict for plaintiff for the full amount of £50 being the largest amount for which an action can be brought in this court.

4th April 1866 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Allenshields near Blanchland, 27th ult. aged 19, Jane youngest daughter of Mr William Price, smelting agent.

In 1841, at Allenshields, William Price, lead agent, 25, Hannah 25, Isabella 1, Roger Price, independent, aged 30, Sarah Butt, independent, aged 70, and servant, Jane Sanderson, aged 30.
In 1851, at Allenshields Rodger Price, born Yorkshire, Rutland, unmarried, farmer of 18 acres, aged 43, his brother William Price, widow, lead ore smelting agent, aged 38, children Isabella 11, Hannah 9, William 7, Jane 4, house keeper, Jane Sanderson, aged 43, and servant, Jane Murray aged 17.
In 1861, at Allenshields, Hunstanworth, William Price, widow, lead ore smelting agent, aged 48, children Hannah 19, William 17, Jane 14, and house servant, Jane Sanderson, aged 57.

6th April 1866 (Durham County Advertiser)
Deaths
At Middleton-in-Teesdale, 3rd last., very suddenly Joseph Parmley, aged 45,
See 22nd April 1853, and 3rd February 1860

11th April 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Birth
At Alston, 2nd inst, the wife of Thomas W. Crawhall Esq., of a daughter.
Deaths
At Bents, Weardale, 6th inst. Mr John Watson in his 57th year.
In 1851, at Bent Head, John Watson, lead miner, aged 41, wife Frances (Robinson, married 23rd July 1835 at Middleton) aged 39, children Joseph Robinson, lead miner, aged 14, John, lead miner, aged 12, Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, Jonathan 10, and Isaac 5.
In 1861, at Bents, St John's, John Watson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Frances 47, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 19, Isaac 15 (deaf), Joshua 10, William 5, granddaughter Mary Ann Watson 5 years, and house servant, Sarah Dickinson, aged 19. In 1871, At Wheat Sheaf, Sandford, Westmorland, Joseph Robinson Watson, landowner of 100 acres, aged 34, wife Jane (Allinson, married 4th quarter 1867, at Weardale) aged 25, mother Frances Watson, widow, annuitant, aged 57, brother William Watson 15, and sister Mary Ann Watson, 15. In 1881, at Wheat Sheaf, Joseph R. Watson, farmer of 130 acres, employing 1 boy, and local preacher, aged 44, his wife Jane aged 45 and daughter Fanny aged 1 year.
At St John's Chapel, Weardale, very suddenly, Mr Lancelot Robinson. The deceased was a Primitive Methodist local preacher and class leader for upwards of 40 years.
In 1841, at Hood, Stanhope, Lancelot Robinson, lead miner, aged 40, and Mary Robinson aged 70. In 1851, at Bateable Hill, St John's, Lancelot Robinson, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary (married 2nd quarter of 1842) aged 51, and daughter Mary aged 5 years.
In 1861, at Burnfoot, St John's, Lancelot Robinson, widow, lead miner, aged 66, and his daughter Mary aged 15.
At Ireshope Burn Weardale, 30th ult., Mr John Donaldson, lead miner.
In 1841, at Ireshope Burn, John Donaldson, lead miner, aged 30, children, Joseph 9, Mary 6, and George 5
In 1851, at Ireshope Burn, Mary Donaldson, widow, aged 62, son John, lead miner, aged 41, son, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, daughter Mary 15, son George, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1861 John was living with his mother Mary a miners widow aged 72, John a widow, aged 51, a lead miner has his unmarried children Mary 26, and George 24, also a lead miner living with him.

13th April 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston on the 3rd inst., Mr George Brown, aged 85 years.
George Brown married Rachel Armstrong 26th November 1822, at Knaresdale.
Rachel Brown of Nenthead was buried, at Alston, 4th February 1830, aged 37.

In 1841, at Hillersdon, Terrace, George Brown, joiner & P, aged 59, and his daughter, Rachel, house keeper, aged 15, baptised 7th March 1825, daughter of George & Rachel Brown.
In 1851, at Hillersdon, Terrace, George Brown, widower, cartwright, born, Allendale, son in law, William Forster, lead miner, aged 25, daughter, Rachel, married, aged 26, grandsons, George 2, and Joseph 6 months.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William Foster, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Rachel, 36, children, George 12, Joseph 10, Elizabeth 7, William 11 months (buried at Nenthead, 10th September 1861, aged 1), and boarder, George Brown, widower, Chelsea pensioner, aged 80.
In 1871, at Holmfoots, Nenthead, William Forster, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Rachel, 46, children, George, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph C, lead miner, aged 20, and Elizabeth A, dressmaker, aged 18.
At Alston, on the 7th inst, John Joseph son of Mr Joseph Pattinson.
At Alston on the 9th inst., Rebecca Baxter, widow, aged 86 years.
John Baxter married Rebecca Thwaites, 10th November 1811, at Alston
In 1851, at Brecken Holme, Alston, John Baxter, lead miner, aged 66, born Alston, his wife Rebecca, 67, born, Appleby, children, John, widower, lead miner, aged 38, Margaret 30, Rebecca 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, and granddaughter Rebecca Baxter aged 2.
John Baxter died 2nd quarter 1856, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Rebecca Baxter, lead miners widow, aged 80, daughter Margaret, general servant, aged 35, and granddaughter, Rebecca aged 10.
At Alston on the 10th inst., Mary Wilson, widow aged 75 years.
George Wilson, married Mary Bele, 26th July 1818, at Allendale.
I*n 1841, at High Lovelady Shield, George Wilson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 45, children, Joseph 20, Hannah 15, George 9, Ann 7, and William Greenwell 6.*
George Wilson died 3rd quarter 1843, or 2nd quarter 1844
In 1851, at High Lovelady Shield, Mary Wilson, widow, aged 59, born, Allendale, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, George, apprentice tailor, aged 20, and Ann 16.
In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, Mary Wilson, lead miners widow, aged 69, and daughter, Ann, dressmaker, aged 27.
At Galligill, near Alston, on the 6th inst., Mrs Frances Hymers, aged 58 years.
See 27th June 1857, and 3rd January 1880
In 1861, at Galligill Syke, Frances Hymers, lead miners widow, aged 53, sons, John, lead miner, aged 27, and William, lead miner, aged 23.

27th April 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 26th inst., Mr John Goodfellow to Miss Ann Thompson, both of Leadgate near Alston.
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 19th inst., Mr Ridley Erwin, of Nentsbury, to Miss Frances Robson of Nenthall.
In 1871, at Hindhaugh T., Westgate, Newcastle, Ridley Erwin, lead washer, aged 32, his wife Frances 26, children John A 4, and Mary L 2.

In 1881, at Gallowgate, Newcastle, Ridley Erwin, foreman, white lead works, aged 42, his wife Frances 36, children John Alfred 14, Mary Lizzie 12, and Hannah 9.
Ridley Erwin, died at Newcastle, 2nd quarter 1908, aged 69.
Frances Erwin, died at Newcastle, 4th quarter 1927, aged 83.
See, 17th February 1844, 24th February 1844, and 1st June 1866.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Jane, wife of Patrick Gilmore, aged 28 years
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Patrick Gilmore, rag dealer, aged 27, born Ireland, his wife Jane 22, born Scotland, children, Peter 5, born Plumbland, Carlisle, and Margaret A 3, born Alston.
At Holmefoots, Nenthead, near Alston, on the 13th inst., Elizabeth Price, aged 19 years. *See 3rd August 1872 and 8th December 1894*
At Hudgill, near Alston, on the 13th inst., Mr Robert Thompson, aged 29 years. *See 21st November 1869*

23rd May 1866 (Hexham Courant)

MINE ACCIDENT AT ALLENHEADS

As two miners named Isaac Varty and Jos. Reed were in the act of charging a hole with gun cotton on Friday last, an explosion took place, and both the unfortunate men received severe injuries on different parts of their bodies, and were also considerably burnt about the face. They were however; far less hurt than could naturally have been looked for under the circumstances, as the hole threw all her work. Both men are progressing favourably towards recovery. *The 1861 census gives the following regarding the Varty & Reed families, the injured miners may have been the fathers or sons.*
Isaac Varty lead miner 61, wife Jane 56, Isaac lead miner 27, Elizabeth 23, William shepherd 22, Hannah 20, Thomas 16
Joseph Reed lead miner 55, wife Hannah 47, Isaac lead miner 28, Ann 26, Thomas lead miner 21, Mary 19, Joseph lead miner 16, Jane 11, John 8, Elizabeth 6, Sarah 6, Margaret 4.

30th May 1866 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 17th inst. aged 68, Ann Grey.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Nelson, widow, railway labourer, aged 43, children John 14, Mary M. 10, George 6, and house servant, Ann Grey, widow, born Malta, British subject, aged 58.
At Nenthead, 20th inst. aged 17 years, Mary Ann Craig.
Thomas Craig and Elizabeth Haldon, married 10th April 1802, St John, Garrigill.
Children of Thomas & Elizabeth: —
William born 4th December 1802, Ann born 15th April 1805, Sarah born 30th August 1807, Thomas born 31st August 1809, John born 17th February 1812, Isaac born 24th June 1814, Nanny born 2nd July 1816, Ruth born 5th June 1818, Foster born 27th July 1820, and Joseph born 7th July 1822.
In 1841, at Coatley Hill, Isaac Craig, lead miner (born 24th June 1814), aged 25, Foster Craig, Ag. labourer, aged 20, and Ruth Craig 20. In 1851, at Sheep Rigg, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann (Watson, married 3rd July 1841, St John, Garrigill) aged 36, children Elizabeth 7, Phillis 5, Thomas 3,

Mary Ann 10 months, lodgers, Hugh Shields, railway labourer, born Ireland County Down, aged 25, and Robert Dawson railway labourer, born Ireland County Down, aged 20. In 1861, at Egypt, Alston, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 46, children Betsy 17, Mary Ann 10, and Jane 7. In 1871, at Egypt, Wanwood, Alston, Isaac Craig, coal miner, aged 56, his wife Annie aged 56, and daughter Jane aged 17. Isaac died 31st August 1878.
In 1881, at Egypt, Ann Craig, widow, laundress, aged 68.
See 21st September 1878, & 11th September 1880.

At Garrigill, near Alston, 20th inst. aged 43 years, Tamar Nall.

In 1851, at Clark Hall, Garrigill, Matthew Nall, lead miner, aged 31, wife Tamar 28, children Joseph 8, Hannah 5, and Thomas 1. Matthew died 1st quarter of 1853.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Tamar Nall, widow, charwoman, aged 38, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah 14, Thomas 12, and William 6 months.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Nall, lead miner aged 28, sister Hannah, housekeeper, aged 23, brother Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, and brother William 10 years.

At Tynehead near Alston, 25th inst. aged 42, Mr Wallace Millican, farmer.

James Millican married Elizabeth Lowes, 29th June 1820, at Alston.
Elizabeth/Betty was buried at Garrigill 15th January 1831 aged 31, following the birth of her son Thomas born 6th January 1831.
James Millican widower married Elizabeth Watson Widow 7th November 1833, at Alston.
In 1841, at Dyke Nook, West Allendale, James Millican, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 50, children, Ellis 20, Wallace, lead miner, aged 15, Matthew, lead miner, aged 15, James 12, Isabella Watson 15, and Joseph Watson 11.
In 1851, at Dyke Nook, West Allen, James Millican, stint farmer of 76 acres, & undertaker of drawing at lead mines employing 10 labourers, aged 53, his wife, Elizabeth 61, son Mathew, farmers son, aged 25, and niece Margaret Millican, house servant, aged 14. James Millican of Dyke Nook, was buried at Carrshield 14th February 1860, aged 62. Wallace married Francis Dixon, 7th December 1844, at Renwick, Francis died aged 24, buried 23rd June 1846, at Carrshield, they had a son Thomas born 22nd June 1846.
James, father of Wallace married for the first time to Elizabeth Lowes, 29th June 1820, at Alston, the Garrigill Wesleyan records show, the birth of a son 6th January 1831, Elizabeth died in 1831, Garrigill burial records show Betty Millican of Tynehead, 15th January 1831, following the birth of her son.
In 1851, at Carrshield, Wallace Millican (son of James Millican), mining plate layer, & blacksmith, his wife Elizabeth (Philipson, married 10th May 1848, at Ninebanks), aged 30, children Thomas 4, Elizabeth 1, Francis 1 month, and cousin Thomas Millican, miner, aged 30.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Wallace Millican, farmer, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 40, children Thomas 14, Elizabeth 11, Francis 9, James 7, Joe 5, Leah 3, and Albert 1.
The 1871 census shows two further sons Jesse, born 1863, and Philipson born 1866.
A number of Wallace's children emigrated to Australia, Francis, Joseph, Albert, and Philipson (See 19th March 1887, for emigration to Canada & 26th

September 1891, marriage at St John's Church, Garrigill); they went to Charters Towers, Queensland.

The Brisbane Courier 30th March 1892: -

CHARTERS TOWERS, March 29.

This evening the friends of Mr. Joe Millican, who has just completed a term of two years as Mayor of Charters Towers, presented him with a magnificent silver coffee service, epergne and salver, which cost over £100, in recognition of his services as mayor, and of respect for him as a man.

The Brisbane Courier 9th March 1896: -

CHARTERS TOWERS, March 7.

Joe Millican, partner of Miles and Co., who is making a trip to England, received a farewell " send off." Two hundred and fifty men of all classes were present. The guest expressed his belief in a big revival in mining, and said that Mills's United' got another shoot of gold, believed to be the Brilliant Extended, and only wanted to sink to strike rich stone, while the Day Dawn Block was on splendid gold. Mr. Bearup, speaking of the deep ground, said that the Brilliant Extended had proved a. big body of stone for over 2000ft. now, and was paying expenses, and with the promise of doing better.

See 5th September 1896 for a report of his visit to England.
Joseph Millican died at Sydney, 10th August 1934.

Sydney Morning Herald, 11th August 1934: -

MILLICAN: -The Relatives and Friends of the late JOE MILLICAN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave the residence of his daughter (Mrs. T. Mills), 7 Park-road, St. Leonards THIS SATURDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for the Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood (Old Portion).

The Brisbane Courier 8th July 1887

Francis Millican has been appointed by the executive as clerk in the police office at Charters Towers, in the room of John Francis, who has been transferred to the mining registrar's office at the same place.

The Brisbane Courier of 24th March 1900 lists Francis as being appointed as a magistrate. The Sydney Morning Herald of 1st May 1907, printed the Prospectus of the Ambrose Silver Copper Mines Ltd, in which Mr. Joe Millican, Mining Agent, Charters Towers, and Mr. Francis Millican, Mining Agent Charters Towers are listed as two of the five directors.

1st June 1866 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Nentsbury, near Nenthead, on the 27th ult., Hannah Erwin, widow of John Erwin, aged 58 years.

See 17th February 1844, 24th February 1844, 27th April 1866.

At Nenthead, on the 29th ult., Elizabeth Spark, wife of William Spark, aged 30 years.

In 1861, at Whitehall, William Spark, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth (Barron, married 23rd February 1861, at Nenthead), aged 25. In 1871, at Nenthead, William Spark, widow, lead miner, aged 36, general servant, Margaret Blacklock, unmarried, aged 23, and boarders Ada Blacklock 6, John J Blacklock 1, and Thos William Blacklock 6 months.

In 1881, at Overwater, William Spark, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Margaret (Blacklock, married 27th September 1871, Nenthead) aged 32, children Ady Blacklock 16, John J. Spark 11, Thomas W. Spark 10, Mary Spark 7, Annie Spark 5, George Spark 3, and Margaret J. Spark 1.
In 1891, at Holme Foots, William Spark, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Margaret 43, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas William, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 18, Annie 15, George, lead ore washer, aged 13, Margaret Jane 11, Matthew 10, Jacob 8, son in law, Thomas Wm Varty, cartman, aged 26, and daughter Ada Varty 25.
At Benks, near Alston, on the 31st ult., Hannah Pearson, widow of Robert Pearson, aged 69 years.
In 1841, at Benks, Alston, Hannah Pearson (Hannah Hall, married Robert Pearson 20th April 1816, at Alston, Robert was buried 12th March 1837, aged 48), widow, farmer, aged 40, children John lead miner, aged 20, Robert lead miner 18, Thomas lead miner 15, Catharine 14, Jonathan 11, William 9, and Hannah 7.
In 1851, at Benks, Hannah Pearson, lead miners widow, & farmer, aged 52, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21, William, cartman, aged 19, and Hannah 17.
In 1861, at Benks, Hannah Pearson, widow, farmer of 33 acres, aged 65, son Robert, lead miner, aged 28, daughter Hannah 27, and grand daughter Mary J Pearson 4. See 10th May 1879, 13th June 1896
At Holmefoot, near Nenthead, on the 27th ult., Mary Cousin, wife of Caleb Cousin, aged 54 years.
See 14th January 1843, 14th October 1871, and 21st August 1897

6th June 1866 (Hexham Courant)

GOVERNMENT EMIGRANTS IN NEW ZEALAND

Mr W. Forster of Dipton Mill has forwarded us the following extracts of a letter received from his son, who emigrated to New Zealand about two years ago, and complains of the treatment which Government emigrants receive on landing in that country: -
"You will see by my address that I am now in New South Wales, Australia. I have been here fourteen weeks. I left Auckland, New Zealand, in June last. Auckland is no place for miners. I like this place very well. I am working in the coal works here. There is an immense quantity of coal worked and shipped here, and many hundreds of men employed. We earn on average about £2 5s per week. There are many North of England men, or "Geordies," as they are called, in this district. Places have all received English names. This place (Lambton Colliery) is in the county of Northumberland. We are four miles from Newcastle, six miles from Hexham, eight miles from Morpeth, and two miles from Wallsend. I can only give a very general description of the surrounding country; it is all wood, or 'bush,' as far as I can see. A great deal of cattle farming is carried on; but the cattle are dying daily for want of water and grass, for in some districts there has been no rain for fifteen months. I only wish I had Dipton Burn here, for the rain water preserved in the rainy season is the best that can be got. Wages here for mechanics and miners are from 9s to 10s per day, labourers from 6s to 7s. Provisions, taken together, are very little dearer than in England. The rascality of the New Zealand Government, and the delusion they practice on the working men of England, ought to be

published, in order to warn working men in future, who wish to better their position by emigrating, to be careful how they trust the fair promises of Government agents. They advertised in several of the British newspapers for mechanics, miners, agricultural labourers, female servants, &c. assisted passages were to be obtained, and plenty of work, and good wages on landing in New Zealand. Thousands took passages to better their position; I being one among the number. Our ship was among the earliest of the emigrant ships bound for Auckland, N. Z. Of course, we had to see the superintendent of Government emigration on landing. "What trades are you men?" he asks pompously. "Miners sir." "Oh, oh, you'll do well here." "Can you give us any information where we will find work as miners either in coal, iron, or copper mines?" "I will give you a note to take to the superintendent of works; he will give you a job of breaking stones on the roads!" That was bettering our positions a vengeance! The fact of the matter was there were no mines in the country, only one bit of a coal mine to supply two or three small steamers on the Waikato River; and scores of miners had come under the promise of finding abundant employment at their own trades. But owing to such a rush of emigrants arriving daily, there was not work for the half of them, or for any other trade, and scores of poor men were starving."

15th June 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 7th inst., George Law, aged 21 years.
At Holmefoots, near Nenthead, on the 9th inst., George Moor, aged 58 years.
In 1861, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Mary Natress, widow, aged 54, children Mary, dress maker, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 24, Emanuel, lead miner, aged 16, and boarder, George Moor, lead miner, aged 53. See 23rd February 1866
At Garrigill Gate, on the 9th inst., Hannah Richardson aged 37 years.
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 10th inst, Frances Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Gill, schoolmaster, aged 12 years.

20th June 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Leadgate near Alston, 12th inst, aged 64, Mr Joseph Bramwell, lead miner.
In 1851 living at High Aimshaugh, Alston, Joseph Bramwell lead miner 46, his wife Margaret (Lee, married 10th July 1825) 46, and children, Joseph lead miner 19, John 13, Henry 12, Mary 12, William 9, Thomas 7, Margaret 5.
In 1851 the twin daughter of Joseph and Margaret Elizabeth & Ann, born 10th June 1834 are working as domestic servants in Alston. Ann married Ralph Armstrong in 1861.
In 1861 living at Leadgate near Alston Joseph lead miner & farmer 57, (Margaret his wife had died in 1860) Joseph lead miner 29, Ann 26, Mary 22, Wm lead miner 19, Margaret 15, Aney E granddaughter 5. His son Henry is married to Sarah (Pearson married 1861) and they have a daughter Phoebe A. P. aged 1 year.
John married Catherine Spottiswood in 1863 and in the 1871 census is listed as a lead miner and farmer of 8 acres.

At Alston Cemetery
Headstone

Sacred to the memory of Joseph Bramwell of Leadgate
Who died June 12th 1866 aged 64 years
Also of Margaret his wife
Who died July 6th 1860 aged 55 years

20th June 1866 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT STONECROFT

This (Tuesday) morning a fatal accident occurred to Mr Wright, engineer at the above mines. The deceased, who was about 50 years of age and has left a wife and family, accidentally fell down the shaft, and was killed on the spot. Dr Stainthorpe surgeon to the mine was in immediate attendance, but of course, his services were of no avail. An inquest will be held upon the body.

27th June 1866 (Hexham Courant)

SAD FATALITY AT STONECROFT MINES

On Wednesday afternoon, an inquest was held at the house of Mr Surtees publican, Newbrough, before L M Cockcroft Esq., coroner, on the body of John Wright, who was killed on Tuesday morning at the above mines. It appears that the deceased, who was employed as engineer, was being lowered steadily down the shaft by a man named William Potts, when a piece of wood, which had been placed above a perpendicular post to support some spouting which had been put up above the shaft, fell and struck the deceased, knocking him off the loop and precipitating him headlong down the shaft-death of course being instantaneous. Deceased struck the beam or woodwork on the bottom level with his head, and then rapidly turned over into a "sump", a pool ten fathoms deep. It is surmised that the deceased would be about 14 fathoms below the surface when struck by the wood, a glimpse of the wood being caught by the man Potts when four or five yards above the surface. The entire depth of the shaft is about 45 fathoms. The usual mode of ingress and egress is a rope and loop worked by a small crane, and in which the poor fellow was seated in the ordinary manner with both his legs through. William Lee, miner, who was on the bottom level when the accident occurred perceived something strike against the beam, and fall quickly into the water, but could not recognise what the object was. Afterwards saw the deceased's hat and the piece of wood floating on the surface. The body was grappled for and eventually recovered. The piece of wood was produced, which must have been fixed in a wet state, and the dry weather and the jerking of the ropes loosened it and caused the lamentable accident. No blame was attributed to anyone. The jury returned a verdict of "accidental death". Deceased who was about 47 years of age was a steady, careful man, and leaves a wife and family to lament his sad and untimely end.

The 1841 census shows John an Engineman living at Ryton with his wife Mary and son James 1.
In 1851, at Bar Moor, John Wright, Colliery Engine wright, aged 31, his wife Mary aged 33, children James 11, and Alice 1 year, all born at Ryton. In 1861, at Ryton, Mary Wright, married aged 43, son James, _____ clerk, aged 21, and Alice 11.
In 1871, at Bar Moor, Mary Wright, widow, aged 53, and her daughter Alice aged 21. Alice married Robert Young Batey.

The 1881 census has Robert a Coal fitter living with his family and his mother in law Mary, at Beech Cottage, Ryton: Robert Young Batey, aged 32, his wife Alice 31, Minnie 8, John Wright 5, Eva Alice 3, and mother in law Mary Wright, widow, aged 63.

Probate Records give: Letters of Administration of the personal estate and effects of John Wright late of Stonecroft in the county of Northumberland Engineer deceased who died 19th June 1866, at Stonecroft aforesaid were granted at Newcastle upon Tyne to Mary Wright of Stonecroft aforesaid Widow the Relict of the said deceased she having been first sworn.
Effects under £200

Ryton Holy Cross Cemetery:

Holy Cross, Ryton

IN MEMORY OF
JOHN WRIGHT
ENGINEER
WHO ACCIDENTALLY LOST HIS LIFE
AT STONECROFT LEAD MINES
NEAR HEXHAM
ON THE MORNING OF THE 19TH JUNE 1866
AGED 47 YEARS
STEPHEN WRIGHT
THE YOUNGEST SON OF THE ABOVE
DIED ON THE 28TH FEBRUARY 1851
AGED 7 YEARS
MARY WRIGHT
WIDOW OF THE ABOVE JOHN WRIGHT
DIED 4TH MARCH 1885
AGED 67 YEARS

6th July 1866 (Durham County Advertiser)

SHOCKING AND FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR WEST AUCKLAND.

On Wednesday, an inquest was held at the Board, West Auckland, before Mr Thomas Dean, deputy coroner, on the body of Ann Caine, 48 years of age, wife Mr John Caine. Lead mining agent, of Melsonby, Yorkshire, who was killed the previous day under very melancholy circumstances. It appeared the deceased and her husband were driving home from St. John's Chapel Weardale, in a dogcart. After they passed West Auckland, on the road to Royal Oak, and near to Humberbeck, they were looking round on the surrounding scenery, when the reins became entangled with the animal's tail. Mr Caine immediately caught the reins, but he only got hold of one and his wife, in her fright, seized hold of him. The result was that the vehicle was drawn to the side of the road, and upset in the hedge side, and the occupants were both thrown out underneath the dogcart. Mrs Caine appeared to have gone over witness's head to the ground. He asked her if she was hurt, and she replied she had got a blow above the eye; but before he got her out she was unconscious, and never recovered from that state. This was about eleven o'clock, and she never rallied, but died two hours afterwards, after being conveyed to West Auckland, The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

10th July 1866 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

6th CUMBERLAND (ALSTON) RIFLES.

On Friday week, the members of this corps enjoyed the annual treat provided for them by their respected Captain. They assembled in front of the Town Hall, Alston, at half-past 4 p.m., and, headed by their band, proceeded on the march to Lovelady Shield. On arriving there the Captain took the command, and in accordance with an invitation received from the assistant-surgeon to the corps they went to Nenthead, where they received a cordial welcome from Dr. and Mrs. Carson. Seats were arranged in front of the house, and an ample supply of refreshments was provided. This being the first visit of the Volunteers to Nenthead, their presence created no little stir amongst the large and closely-packed population of this village. Before leaving they fired a few rounds in volleys, with blank cartridge. On their return to Lovelady Shield they sat down to a most sumptuous supper, having the honour to be waited upon by the fair hands of the lady

visitors present. Ample justice having been done to the good things which had been provided for them, several games were heartily gone into—croquet, bowls, quoits, Aunt Sally, &c. Subsequently they were regaled with a good supply of punch, when several toasts were given and responded to. On the lawn in front of the house a tent had been pitched for the band, and during the evening to its enlivening strains the favourite dance formed not the least source of amusement to many present. The following were among the visitors present on the occasion : —H. P. Burns, Esq., Rey. J. and Mrs. Bowstead, Mrs. Carson, Miss Friend, Misses Dickinson, Spency Croft, Miss Milburn, Raise, &c. Before leaving, the volunteers mustered in front of the house, and gave three hearty cheers for Captain and Mrs. Dickinson, whose kindness and hospitality they have shared on so many occasions, and it was not till a late hour they reached Alston, highly delighted with their treat.

20th July 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Shield Hill, Garrigill, on the 17th inst., Thomas Spark, aged 40 years.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Dorothy (Nee Vipond, married 13th January 1838, at St John, Garrigill) aged 31, children, William 12, Ann 11, Thomas 9, Dorothy 4, Hannah 2, and mother in law, Ann Vipond, farmers widow, aged 75.
Thomas Spark married Ann Hetherington, 23rd December 1860, at St John, Garrigill..
In 1861, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Thomas Spark, lead ore miner, aged 35, and his wife Ann aged 20.
Ann Spark married Joseph Milburn, 3rd qtr., 1868, registered at Penrith.
In 1871, at Brook Street, Penrith, Joseph Milburn, shoe maker, aged 45, his wife Ann 30, step son, George Spark 7, step daughter Dorothy Ann Spark 5, and daughter Esther Milburn 1.

15th August 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Boltsburn, Rookhope, 7th inst. aged 20, Hannah, wife of Jeremiah Westgarth.
Jeremiah Westgarth son of Anthony Westgarth and Elizabeth Blenkinsop, Anthony died in the 1st quarter of 1839, Elizabeth married Thomas Maddison, 1st quarter of 1845. In 1851, Thomas Maddison, Ironstone labourer, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth 39, children Jeremiah 13, and Margaret A. 5.
In 1861, at Stanhope, George Westgarth, mason, aged 50, wife Jane 47, children John 17, Ann 14, George 12, and nephew Jeremiah Westgarth, stone quarry man, aged 23.
Jeremiah married Hannah Charlton 3rd quarter of 1864.
In 1871, at Rispey, Rookhope, Jeremiah Westgarth, iron miner, aged 33, his wife Mary (Watson, married 2nd quarter of 1870) aged 24, children Mary 4, and Anthony 10 months. In 1881, at Annfield Plain, Mary A. Westgarth, widow, aged 31, children, Anthony 11, Phoebe 8, John Joseph 6, and Jeremiah 1 year.

24th August 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Galligill, near Nenthead, on the 19th inst., Elizabeth Martindale, aged 57 years. *Unmarried dressmaker*
At Manor House, Alston, on the 20th inst., Jane Edgar, aged 25 years.
In 1861, at Clargill, William Edgar, carter, aged 25, born Haltwhistle, his wife Jane (Lee married 12th February 1861, at Alston) aged 20, born Alston, and daughter Mary A 1 month. In 1871, at Butts, William Edgar, widower, coal miner, aged 35, children, Mary A 10, and Thomas 7.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 22nd inst., George Barron, aged 62 years.
See 14th March 1868

27th August 1866 (Morning Post)
At a meeting of the shareholders in the Cashwell Lead Mining Company, held in the country, the financial statement showed a profit of £914. It was

resolved to declare a dividend of 1s. 6d. per share, and a balance of £434 be carried forward.

31st August 1866 (Carlisle Journal)

A YOUNG MAN SHOT DEAD BY HIS COMPANION

In Allendale. —A most melancholy gun accident occurred at Middlehope, a short distance from Allenheads on Thursday week, about seven o'clock in the evening. Three young men, each about eighteen years of age—namely, Christopher Stobbs, Thomas Noble, and John Ashman—met at the house of the parents of the first named, for the purpose of going out to shoot small birds. Stobbs was requested by the others to get his gun down and then let them have a few shots before dark. He immediately reached up to the joists near the fire, and while in the act of stepping down again with the gun in his hand, and unfortunately with the muzzle within a few inches of Noble a face, it unhappily went off, the contents going direct into his (Noble's) forehead near the right eye. The unfortunate young man fell to the floor and died almost instantly. It appears the gun, which is a very old one, had been charged and laid up some days before, but without any cap being put on, and not set at full cock, and the cause of it going off in such an unaccountable manner, and at such an unfortunate moment, seems to be quite a mystery. Deceased and Stobbs having been daily and faithful companions for many years, the feelings of the latter may be more easily imagined than described.

6th September 1866 (Whitehaven News)

Deaths

On the 29th ultimo, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Alston, Mr Hunter Ward, aged 69 years.

See 6th December 1879

7th September 1866 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 1st inst., Mr James Teasdale, to Miss Hannah Elliott, both of Nenthead.

In 1871, at Spring House, Nenthead, James Teasdale, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 6, and son Thomas 2.

In 1881, at Newton Cap, Durham, James Teasdale, coal miner, aged 41, his wife, children Hannah 35, children Thomas 12, Lucy 9, H. Elizabeth 1, lodger William Teasdale, coal miner, aged 21, and visitor, Margaret Teasdale aged 54.

In 1891, at Newton Cap, James Teasdale, coal miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 44, children Thomas, assistant banksman, coal mine, aged 22, Lucy 19, Hannah 11, and Frances 7.

See 13th July 1844

Deaths

At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 30th ult., Jane Richardson, aged 23 years.

At West Ashgill, near Alston, Jane Currah, daughter of Isaac Currah, aged 16 years.

In 1861, at West Ashgill, Garrigill, Isaac Currah, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 43, children, Mary 19, John, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 11, Joseph 8, and Lucy E 4.

See 29th November 1879

14th September 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
NENTHEAD NEW SCHOOL.—The London Lead Company having completed their new school at Nenthead, a magnificent building, at an enormous cost, have, with their usual liberality, given the teachers and scholars a trip to Silloth. It came off on Friday last under the superintendence of their worthy and respected teacher, Mr. John Heslop, who on every occasion evinces the utmost regard for the welfare of the children. The Nenthead Union Brass Band, under the efficient leadership of Mr. John Sanderson, accompanied the trip. Tea was provided by Mrs. Baxter, of the Albion Hotel, In a most sumptuous manner, and at a very moderate charge, and the hospitable way in which the whole of Mr. Baxter's family conducted themselves towards teachers and scholars was the theme of universal admiration, and for the future many a parent and guardian of the children of Nenthead will be most happy to make a call at the Albion Hotel. Very great credit is due to Mr. Millican, the newly appointed District Agent for Nenthead, for the admirable arrangements in getting horses and carts to take teachers and scholars, to the number of nearly four hundred, from Nenthead to Alston; and the way in which he exerted himself, mentally and bodily, for the enjoyment of all connected with the trip argues well for his future career and for the comfort of all connected with him.

24th September 1866 (Newcastle Journal)
Marriages
At St John's Church, Newcastle, on the 2nd inst., Mr John Mackey, enginewright, to Margaret, daughter of the late Mr Matthew Pickering, of Lot Burn, near Alston.
See 23rd July 1867, 28th September 1872, & 13th August 1892

28th September 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At High Wanwood, near Alston, on the 22nd inst., Joseph Gill, aged 17 years.
In 1861, at High Harbut Lodge, Alston, Joseoh Gill, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, children, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 11, Robert 9, John 7, and Matthew 4.
See 5th February 1842, 27th March 1866, 14th May 1867, 20th May 1871, 31st October 1871, & 7th November 1874
At Roadside House, near Alston, on the 26th inst., Thomas Vipond, aged 40 years. *See 2nd June 1865*

5th October 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Skides, Garrigill, on the 28th ult., Hannah Ward wife of James Ward lead miner, aged 23.
In 1861, at Middle Skydes, James Ward, lead miner, and farmer, aged 49, his wife Hannah (Elliot, married 23rd June 1836, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 42, children, Mary 23, Robert 21, James, lead ore miner, aged 18, William 13, Hannah 9, Martha 9, Thomas 6, and Joseph 8 months.*
James Ward snr., died 31st December 1871, at Middle Skydes, aged 60.
Hannah Ward of Skydes,died 25th October 1898, aged 79.
James Ward married Hannah Pickering 2nd quarter of 1864.*

James Ward married Lucy Hill 1st May 1869. See 14th May 1869.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, James Ward, lead miner, and grocer, aged 28, his wife Lucy aged 36, and son Thomas W. aged 6. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, James Ward, grocer, aged 38, his wife Lucy aged 46, and son Thomas W. aged 16.
James Ward was buried at Garrigill 9th August 1887, aged 44; Lucy Ward was buried at Garrigill 27th November 1889, aged 55.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Thomas W Ward, grocer & farmer aged 26, his wife Bessie A (married 2nd quarter of 1890) aged 26, visitors, Mary J Spark, married, 32, Frances A Smith, single 21, and Edith A Spark, 11 months. In 1901, at 15 Donkin Terrace, Tynemouth, Thomas W Ward, grocers assistant, aged 36, his wife Bessie A 36, daughters Ethel 9, and Minnie 3.
See 28th December 1872

9th October 1866 (Morning Post)
A meeting of the shareholders in **Derwent Mines Company** was held, when it was agreed to declare a dividend of £5 per share.

12th October 1866 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Dykeheads, near Nenthead, on the 8th inst., Mary Thompson, aged 37 years.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Forest, lead miner, aged 44, Ann 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, John 13, Mary 11, Rebecca 7, and Elizabeth 4.
In 1851, at Wellgill Dykeheads, Thomas Forest, lead miner, aged 26, brother, John, lead miner, aged 24, sisters Deborah 15, and Elizabeth 13.
Thomas Thompson married Mary Forrest, 3rd qtr 1850, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 24, and his wife Mary aged 21.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Forest, unmarried, lead miner, aged 36, brother John, lead miner, aged 34, sister, Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 23, married sister, Mary Thompson, lead miners wife, aged 31, and niece Mary Ann Thompson aged 5.
Mary Ann Thompson was buried at Nenthead, 14th December 1861, aged 6.
See 12th December 1868

31 October 1866 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, Town Foot, 17th inst. aged 78, Mrs Mary Varty.
In 1841, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 50, wife Mary (Barnfather, married 24th May 1818) aged 50, children Robert, lead miner, aged 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, William 11, and Mary 9.
In 1851, at Townfoot, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Mary 61, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1861, at Varty's Cottages, Alston, Mary Varty, lead miners widow, aged 71, and son Thomas, butcher, aged 36.

2nd November 1866 (Newcastle Courant)

Joint Stock Companies in the North

A return of Joint stock companies registered during the period 31st May 1864 to 31st May 1866. …

Green Hurth Lead Mining Company (Limited).

Object for purchasing and working, lead copper, and other mines; registered, July 27th, capital, £6,400; number of shares 6,400, shares taken, 6,400; calls on each, 1s., total calls, £320; number of shareholders 30.

Cashwell Lead Mining Company (limited).

For working Cashwell lead mine and selling the ore; registered, August 19th, capital, £10,200, number of shares 6,400; shares taken, 0; calls on each, 0; total calls received, 0; number of shareholders 27.

13th November 1866 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 3rd inst., by the Rev. George Hutchinson, Mr Isaac Watson, of High Snappergill, to Miss Elizabeth Readshaw, of Croft. *See 30th September 1893*

16th November 1866 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, suddenly, on the 2nd inst Sarah Barron, widow, aged 50 years.

John Barron married Sarah Trathan, 5th May 1831, at Alston.
Children of John & Sarah Barron:
George baptised 27th July 1832, Nenthead Wesleyan
Richard baptised 2nd April 1834, Nenthead Wesleyan
Tibby/Isabella baptised 11th November 1835, Nenthead Wesleyan
John born 1837
Sarah born 1839
Smith born 1841
Robert born 1843
Martha born 1843

In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Barron, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah aged 30, children George 9, Isabella 5, John 3, Sarah 2, and Smith 1 month; Richard Barron aged 7, is at West Nenthead with Richard Trathan's family.
In 1851, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Sarah Barron, widow, aged 40, children George, lead ore washer, aged 19, Richard, lead ore washer, aged 17, Tibby, dressmaker, aged 15, Sarah 11, Smith 9, Robert 7, and Martha 7.
In 1861, at Overwater, Sarah Barron, miners widow, aged 50, sons Richard, lead miner, aged 27, Smith, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 17, and daughter Martha, housemaid aged 17.

Smith Barron married Sarah Armstrong 4th February 1866, at Nenthead.
Smith Barron buried 20th January 1870, aged 28, at Nenthead.

In 1871, at Overwater, Sarah Barron, housekeeper, aged 25, children, Sarah 4, and John 2.
Sarah Barron died 28th May 1871, aged 25, at Nenthead.

In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Jane 52, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 17, niece, Sarah Barron 14, and nephew, John Barron, lead ore dresser, aged 12.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Richard Barron, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah (Hetherington, married at Nenthead 1st September 1867) aged 27, children John G 2, and Frances S 1. In 1881, at 128 Binchester Terrace, Old Park, Durham, Richard Barron, coal miner, aged 47, his wife Sarah 37, children John George 12, Francis S. 11, Robert W. 4, and Mary Ann 2.
See 22nd January 1870, 3rd June 1871, and 14th June 1884.
At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 11th inst Thomas Featherston, grocer and draper, aged 43,
In 1861, at Nenthead, Nicholas Harrison, grocer & local Methodist preacher, aged 60, his wife Sarah 62, stepsons Matthew Lattimer, porter, aged 27, Havelock Lattimer, carter, aged 24, boarder, Thomas Fetherston, draper, aged 36, born Stanhope, house servant, Jane Hutchinson 24, and house servant, Sarah Graham 18.

17th November 1866 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
On the 8th inst., Mr Vipond Swindle, Garrigill Gate, near Alston, Cumberland, aged 30.
In 1841, at Middle Houses, George Swindle, carrier, aged 35, his wife Mary (Archer, married 7th May 1826, Alston) aged 35, children George 14, William 13, ____ 9 (daughter), Vipond 5, Mary 5, John 3, Sarah 9 months, and family servant Susanna Teasdale 15. In 1851, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, George Swindle, flour and bacon dealer, aged 49, wife Mary aged 45, children George, lead ore miner, aged 24, Vipond, lead ore miner, aged 15, Mary 15, John, lead ore miner, aged 12, Sarah 10, Thomas 8, and Susannah 4.
George Swindle was buried 21st April 1853, aged 49, at Garrigill.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Mary Swindle, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons William, lead miner, aged 32, John, lead miner, aged 22, daughters Sarah 20, Susannah 14, and grandson Jacob Swindle 3.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Vipond Swindle, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Sarah (Armstrong, married 4th quarter of 1859, at Alston) aged 28, and daughter Anne 5 months. Sarah died in 1865, two Sarah Swindle deaths are registered, 2nd quarter and 3rd quarter of 1865.
In 1871 Ann, aged 10, is living at Ashgill, with her uncle, John Armstrong, lead miner aged 27. In 1871, at Middle Houses, Mary Swindle, widow, farmer of 72 acres, aged 65, son William, farmers son, aged 42, daughters Sarah 30, Susannah 24, and grandchildren Jacob Swindle 13, and Mary Swindle 7. In 1881, Jacob Swindle aged 23, was working as a farm servant at Snellings Farm, Egremont.
See 12th July 1884 & 12th July 1890

4th December 1866 (Penrith Observer)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. Barnabas Wild, Mr Thos. Bowman to Mrs Margaret Archer, both of Overwater, Nenthead. *See 14th June 1873*

22nd Dec 1866 (London Daily News)

EQUITY COURTS DEC. 21—

IN RE THE HAREHOPE GILL LEAD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED)

In this matter Mr Corry appeared in support of an unopposed petition, praying an order to wind up the company. Lord Romilly made an order to wind it up accordingly.

28th December 1866 (London Gazette)

IN CHANCERY

In the Matter of the Companies Act 1862, and in the matter of the Harehope Gill Lead Mining Company (Limited)

By an order made by the Right Honourable Master of the Rolls, in the above matter, dated the 21st day of December, 1866, on the petition of Alfred Mortimer Job, of No 46, Cannon-street, in the City of London, Merchant, a creditor of the above named company, it was ordered that the said Harehope Gill Lead Mining Company (Limited), be wound up by this court under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1862.

Dated this 27th day of December 1866.

W. Newman, of No. 10 Bucklesbury, London, Solicitor to the said Petitioner

1st January 1867 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Deaths

At Leehouse, Tynehead, near Alston, on the 25th ult., John Smith, lead miner, aged 19 years. *See 16th October 1857.*

At Holmefoot, Nenthead, on the 22nd ult., Mrs Ann Walton, widow, aged 78 years. *See 22nd July 1882*

At Alston, on the 23rd ult., Mrs Ann Richardson, widow, aged 71 years.

At Browngill, near Alston, on the 23rd ult., Mr Addison Robinson, yeoman, aged 31 years.

In 1841, at Browngill, Nenthead, John Robinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane (Addison, married 18th November 1816, at St Oswald, Warton, Lancashire) aged 45, children, Thomas 20, William 15, Mary 12, and Addison aged 5.

In 1851, at Water Greens, Nenthead, John Robinson, land owner farming 12 acres, aged 60, born Alston, his wife Jane, 56, born Lancaster, children, Thomas, lead miner aged 33, Mary, dressmaker, aged 23, and Addison, lead miner, aged 15.

John Robinson died 1st quarter 1854.

In 1861, at High Browngill, Nenthead, Jane Robinson, widow, annuitant, aged 66, son, Addison Robinson, cartman, aged 25, and granddaughter, Jane Robinson 9.

Jane Robinson, aged 67, was buried at Nenthead 1st December 1861.

Addison Robinson, aged 31, was buried at Nenthead, 27th December 1866.

11th January 1867 (Newcastle Courant)

NORTHUMBERLAND EPIPHANY SESSIONS

The court resumed its sitting on Friday morning, at the Moot Hall, in this town, before C. W. Orde, Esq., of Nunnykirk (chairman), and other magistrates.

ALLEGED RIOT AT BAYBRIDGE.

JOSEPH TRETHEWAY (30;) JAMES HUSBAND (22), JOHN BRAVEN (22), THOMAS CURTIS (21), WILLIAM TREWARTHA (21), BENNET TOY (25). JOHN SQUIRE (26), and WALTER ARSCOTT (29), all Cornish miners, were indicted for unlawfully and riotously assembling together with divers other persons to the number of twenty-five, to the disturbance of the public peace, and unlawfully and with force injuring and damaging a certain house, at the parish of Shotley, on the 17th of November last. Mr Bruce prosecuted; and Mr BLACKWELL, specially retained, instructed by Mr Taylor, solicitor, Hexham, defended all the prisoners. From the opening statement of the learned counsel it appeared that on Saturday evening, the 17th November, about half-past seven o'clock, a riot took place in a public house kept by Mr George Mawson, of Baybridge, near Blanchland. At the time there were only the landlord, some members of his family, and two men, named Murray and Wilkinson, in the house. After a time a party of 25 men went into the house. They partook of a quantity of ale, and then commenced being noisy arid breaking the glasses. On this the landlord refused to give them any more drink. The prisoner Squire spoke to Wilkinson about this time, and said, "We are the stronger party, and we will take the place," and the prisoner Toy said to Murray, " You had better go because there is going to be a row here." Upon this the row commenced, the glasses being broken, the windows, doors, fire-grate, chairs, and other articles smashed, and the, prosecutor, Murray, and Wilkinson, struck during the fracas. Matters assuming a serious aspect, Mr Mawson, his wife, and two daughters, took refuge in an upstairs room, and whilst there they heard the furniture being smashed downstairs. Near to the house there was a large heap of stones, to which some of the men resorted, and began to throw them through the various windows into the House, and on the disturbance being quelled, nearly a cartload of stones were taken up inside the house. Altogether damage done to the house was about £20. In the meantime the prosecutor's son went for the assistance of the police to Blanchland. The police, accompanied Thomas Mawson back to the public house, but he was no sooner observed than he was thrown down by the prisoners, but succeeded in taking refuge in one of the rooms. He afterwards escaped from the house, and went back to Blanchland, and having obtained assistance, he returned, and quelled the riot. After the prosecutor, Thomas Mawson, and P.O. Beaty had been examined, the counsel for the defence and prosecution and the Bench had a consultation, after which Mr BLACKWELL called Mr Josiah Renfry, who stated that he was the manager of the Derwent mines. He knew the prisoners, and their conduct had been good and orderly whilst employed at the mines. —Mr BLACKWELL thought the ends of justice would be satisfied if the prisoners withdrew their former pleas and pleaded "guilty", to the charge of assault, not however being rioters, and they could be discharged on their own recognizances to appear for judgment when called upon. He might state that the two men who had been out on bail had been to Cornwall and had come back to take their trial. — The prisoners then withdrew their plea of "not guilty" and pleaded "guilty"—The CHAIRMAN said the riot was a serious one, but there did not appear to have been any malignant spirit shown; it was more a drunken row than a. deliberate riot, and coupling that with the fact that the men had conducted themselves- well in the county, and that also with the exception of two men who had been out on bail, they had been in

prison for one month, the Bench were of opinion that the ends of justice would be met by releasing the prisoners on their own recognizances of £25 each, to keep the peace for six months, and to come up for judgment when called on. This concluded the business of the present Sessions,
In 1851, at the Miners Arms Inn, Baybridge, George Mawson, cartwright, aged, born Stanhope, 46, his wife Mary aged 46, born Stanhope, children Thomas, cartwright, aged 21, Mary 16, Isabella 12, Hannah 10, Margaret 7, Elizabeth 4, and Sarah Ann 1. In 1861, at Baybridge, George Mawson, innkeeper, aged 56, his wife Mary 56, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 26, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 20, Margarit, dressmaker, aged 17, Elizabeth 14, Sarah 11, grandson William Mawson Bell 1, lodgers Utrick Chelter, lead miner, aged 19, born West Allen, Matthew Bulman, lead miner aged 18, born Allendale, and Hugh Robinson, lead miner aged 21, born Allendale. In 1871, at Blanchland, George Mawson, innkeeper & cartwright, aged 66, his wife Mary 66, daughters Margaret 27, Elizabeth 24, grandchildren William M Bell 11, Agnes Walton 8, and Mary Mawson 6.

25th January 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At West Nenthead, on the 20th inst., Elizabeth Armstrong wife of John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 56 years. *See 4th May 1872*
At the Loaning, Alston, on the 21st inst., Sarah Dickinson, widow of Thomas Dickinson, Moor Master, aged 82 years.
Thomas Dickinson, born 13th May 1781, baptised 12th August 1781, at Redwing Chapel, parents John and Mary (Friend, married 21st May 1780, at St Augustine's, Alston) Dickinson, of Annatwalls, Alston. See 19th January 1833
Thomas Dickinson married Mary Elias (possible baptism 13th April 1779, daughter of William Elias of Pryhouse, Alston) 20th April 1803, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Mary Dickinson baptised at Redwing Chapel, Alston:
John born 4th January 1804, baptised 26th January 1804
Mary Dickinson born about 1806,
William Dickinson born at Grassington 4th September 1809
Hannah Dickinson baptised 17th November 1811, died 12th July 1884 at Loaning House aged 72.
Death of Mary Dickinson wife of Thomas, probably December 1811.
The Monthly Magazine No 221, 1st January 1812 records the death of Mary Dickinson: The wife of Mr. Thomas Dickenson, of Spencer-Croft. She was on her road, to Alston in company with her sister, and suddenly expired.
Thomas Dickinson married Sarah Angus at St Margaret's Chapel, Durham, on the 20th October 1814.
Children of Thomas and Sarah Dickinson:
Thomas Friend born about 1816, married Margaret Ann Stewart 2nd quarter 1845, registered at Aylshame.
Silas born about 1818, Alston Independent Chapel, Records give:
Silas Dickinson of Penrith, son of Thomas Dickinson of Spency Croft funeral 30th April 1834 at the Independent Chapel, Alston aged 16 years.
Sarah Angus born about 1819, married Rev. Alfred Scales, Independent Minister, of Ipswich, 25th October 1843, at the Independent Chapel, Alston, they emigrated to Geelong, Victoria, Australia, before 1854.

The Geelong Advertiser and Intelligence 20th January 1854, reported his appointment as Minister at Geelong, Sarah Scales ran a school for "Young Ladies", at the Priory, Geelong. Sarah Scales died 26th March 1884, in her 64th year, Alfred Scales was died 17th August 1893, aged 79.
Elizabeth born about 1822, died 3rd June 1844, at Brancpeth, Durham
Mary Sopwith born about 1830, married Rev John Harker 16th May 1865.
In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, John Harker, Independent minister, congregational chapel, aged 43, born Hawes, Yorkshire, his wife Mary S. 41, son John S. 1, and general servant, Eleanor Lee, aged 23.
Ann born about 1823, married Robert Fraser of Liverpool, 24th September 1851, at the Independent Chapel, Alston.
In 1841, at Spency Croft, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, mining agent, aged 60, his wife Sarah 57, and daughter Hannah 29.
Thomas Dickinson died 2nd January 1845, See 11th January 1845.
In 1851, at Loaning, Alston, Sarah Dickinson, widow, annuitant, aged 66, born Brancpeth, Durham, daughters Hannah, proprietor of houses, aged 39, and Mary, teacher of a day school, aged 21, and sister in law, Elizabeth Norris (Elizabeth Dickinson, married William Norris 29th September 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston), widow, annuitant, aged 67.
See 19th July 1884 also see Bits and Pieces the Dickinson Family.
At Holmefoots, near Nenthead, on the 22nd inst, Mary Archer, widow of Valentine Archer, lead miner, aged 79 years. *See 21st April 1883*

30th January 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hullsfield, Weardale, 21st inst. aged 78, Mr Emerson Harrison.
In 1851, at Hulls Field, St John's, Emerson Harrison (son of Joseph and Hannah (Emerson) Harrison, baptism 6th September 1788), lead ore miner, aged 62, his wife Margaret (Walton, married at Ireshopeburn, Presbyterian, 6th June 1816) aged 58, children Margaret 25, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 21, Ann 18
Emerson, lead ore miner, aged 14, and visitor Margaret Watson 5.
In 1861, at Hull's Field, St John's, Emerson Harrison, farmer of 11 acres, aged 73, his wife Margaret 68, sons Joseph, contractor, aged 31, Emerson, lead miner, aged 24, granddaughter Mary A Watson 18, grandson George Harrison aged 9.
At Wearhead, Weardale, 24th inst. Miss Margaret James.
In 1851, at Heathery Cleugh, St John's, George James, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella, aged 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 13, Margaret 11, Ann 8, Esther 5, and Elizabeth 2. In 1861, Margaret was working as a house servant for Thomas Beck, farmer of 4 acres, aged 73, at Heathery Cleugh.
The 1851 census, listed Thomas Beck as an unmarried schoolmaster.

2nd February 1867 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
LEAD MINE—FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT, the LEASE, PLANT, and MACHINERY of the Tees Side Mine, near Alston, Cumberland. The Sett is very extensive, and is traversed by several powerful Veins; from one of them 1,000 tons of lead ore has been raised from a shaft 20 fathoms down, and on a length of ground about 60 fathoms in extent, at 1-7th dues. The dues are now reduced to 1-20th. Lodgings for Miners, Workshops,

Stabling, &c, are all in order for immediate operations—The Agent on the Mine will show the Property, and for other particulars apply to Mr J. H Robinson, 21, Cumberland Row, or Messrs Hoyle, Shipley, and Hoyle, Solicitors Newcastle-on-Tyne.

6th February 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St, Peter's near Allenheads. 3rd inst. Mr George Irwin, engineer, to Miss Jane Whaley of Newhouse's near Allenheads.
Benjamin Irwin married Frances Phillipson 22nd November 1817, at Allendale.
Children of Benjamin & Frances Irwin: —
George baptised 9th August 1818, Mary baptised 9 December 1820, Thomas baptised 9th March 1823, Ann baptised 18th September 1825, Alice baptised 8th December 1827, Frances baptised 16th October 1830
In 1841, at Allenheads Village, Benjamin Irwin, enginewright, aged 50, Francis Irwin 50, George Irwin, enginewright, aged 20, and Alice Irwin 10.
In 1851, at Lee Hall, Allenheads, Benjamin Irwin, enginewright, aged 62, his wife Frances aged 64, daughter Ann 25.
In 1851, At Dudley, Allenheads, George Irwin, enginwright, aged 32, his wife Ann (Curry, married 12th December 1846, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 30, children Joseph Hunter 3 (baptised 17th October 1847), Jane Ann 6 (baptised 22nd September 1850), and house servant Mary Laidler aged 14. Ann Irwin died 3rd quarter of 1851.
In 1861, at Allenheads, Benjamin Irwin, widow, enginewright, aged 75, son George, widow, enginewright, aged 42, grand children, Jane A Irwin 10, Thomas Irwin 10 (son of Alice Irwin, baptised 22nd November 1850), and granddaughter Mary A Reid 18.
In 1871, at Newhouses, George Irwin, enginewright, at lead mine works, aged 52, and his wife Jane aged 40. In 1891, at Dirt Foot, Allenheads, George Irwin, retired enginewright, aged 73, and his wife Jane aged 60. In 1901, at Ropehaugh, Jane Irwin, widow, aged 70. In 1911, Jane Irwin, widow, was at Ropehaugh, aged 70, receiving her old age pension.
Benjamin Irwin, died 2nd quarter of 1873, aged 87, George Irwin died 3rd quarter of 1899, and Jane Irwin died 4th quarter of 1914. See 29th May 1869
At St, Peter's near Allenheads. 3rd inst. Mr Thompson Dawson, Swinhope Mill to Miss Jane Milburn of High Scotch Meadows Cottages.
In 1841, at Swinhope Mill, Thomas Dawson, lead ore miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth (Charlton, married 9th January 1840, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 20, children Ann 4, and John 1.
In 1851, at Swinhope Mill, Elizabeth Dawson, miners widow, aged 32, children Ann 13, John 11, Thomas 8, William 1, Thompson 6, and lodger Anthony Charlton, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1861, at Swinhope Mill, Elizabeth Dawson, lead miners widow, aged 42, children John, lead office clerk, aged 21, Thomas, excavator, aged 18 Thompson, lead ore dresser, aged 16, William, lead ore dresser, aged 11, Hannah 7, and granddaughter, Mary E Dawson 2.
In 1871, at Swinhope, Thompson Dawson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Jane 26, and nurse child M E Thirlwell, aged 2. In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Thompson Dawson, limestone quarryman, aged 36, his wife Jane 36, and Mary Ellen Thirlwell, aged1 2. In 1881, at The Square, Stanhope,

Thompson Dawson, limestone quarryman, aged 46, his wife Jane 46, and Mary Ellen, dressmaker, aged 22.

13th February 1867 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES

On Friday last, an accident happened at the Derwent mines by which a man, named Errington Gibson, who resided at Readon, near Blanchland, lost his life. Deceased, with another person, worked in the forehead in a part of the mine known as Westgarth's shaft, but on the day named his fellow workman not arrived at the mine, he was thus employed by himself, and being blasting he got a shot ready to fire, which for some cause or another "fired in his hands." The unfortunate man was thrown to a distance of seven fathoms, and although some workmen in another part of the mine got to his assistance immediately, he was found quite lifeless, being most severely shattered. The body was removed to Jameson's mill, where an inquest was held on Monday, before Mr Favell, coroner, and a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned. Deceased, who was thirty-two years of age, has left a widow and three children.

Errington Gibson was born in Liverpool, the son of William and Mary Gibson, both originally from Alston, William was a Clog and Paten maker. In 1851 at Ellershope, Allendale William Gibson, Clog and paten maker, aged 41, his wife Mary 42, children William, lead miner, aged 20, Errington, lead miner, aged 17, Hannah 15, Mary 13, John 10, Jeffery 8, Ann E 4, and Jane 2. Errington Gibson married Elizabeth Bowman at Stanhope, 2nd quarter of 1856. In 1861, at Stanhope, Errington Gibson, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Elizabeth 23, children William 4 and Mary A. 1. The 1871 census gives – his widow Elizabeth aged 33; children, William 14; Mary Ann, 12; Isabella 8, and John E. 3; living in Newbiggin, Blanchland.

Elizabeth was the daughter of William and Isabella Bowman of Holyfield Burn, Stanhope, William was a lead smelter – roaster.

20th February 1867 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 15th inst. suddenly aged 42, Lucy the beloved wife of Nicholas Brown, miner.

In 1841, at Allendale Town, Sarah Brown, aged 45, Nicholas Brown, lead miner, aged 15, and Ann Brown aged 10.

In 1851, at Leadgate, Allendale, Nicholas Brown, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Lucy, dressmaker, aged 26, daughter Sara 1, and mother in law Ann Swinburne, widow, aged 64.

In 1861, at Allendale Town, Nicholas Brown, lead ore miner, aged 35; wife Lucy (Swinburne, married 3rd quarter of 1847, at Newcastle) aged 36, children Sarah 11, Mary 8, and Nicholas 2. In 1871, at Far Houses, Allendale Town, Nicholas Brown, widow, lead ore miner, aged 45, children Mary A. housekeeper, aged 18, Lucy E. 8, and Jacob 6. Nicholas aged 11, was visiting a cousin at Ninebanks. In 1881, at 48 Elswick Road, Newcastle, John Campbell, painter, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann 28 (Brown, married 1st quarter of 1875, registered at Hexham, daughter of Nicholas), Nicholas Brown, widow, coal miner, aged 57, and son Nicholas, Boiler Smith, aged 22.

At Coalcleugh, West Allen, 8th inst. aged 48, Mrs Ann Armstrong.

In 1841, at Spring House, High West Allen, Francis Bowman (Frances Ridley married Thomas Bowman, 23rd July 1840) aged 45, Henry Ridley, lead miner, aged 15, Matthew Armstrong, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Nancy 20, children Frances 3, and Mary 1. In 1851, at Coalcleugh, Matthew Armstrong, lead miner, aged 39, wife Ann (Ridley, married at Ninebanks, 10th June 1837) aged 32, children Frances 12, Mary 10, Matthew 6, Henry 3, and Jane 1. Matthew senior died 1st quarter of 1861.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Ann Armstrong, lead miners widow, aged 42, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 16, Henry, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Jane 11 Elizabeth 9, William R 7, Tom 5, and John 2. In 1871, at Acomb, Matthew Armstrong, lead miner, aged 25, brother Henry, lead miner, aged 23, brother Tom, lead ore dresser, aged 15, sister Frances, house keeper, aged 32, sister Annie 9, nephew John Ridley Armstrong 7, grand mother Frances Bowman, widow, aged 77, visitor, Mary Milner, married, aged 32, and visitor George Emerson Milner, aged 1.

22nd February 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 20th inst., William McGregor, *(dealer in earthenware)* aged 64 years.
At Holmefoot, Nenthead, on the 21st inst., Isaac Walton, aged 57 years.
See 24th March 1877
At Whitehall, Nenthead, on the 13th inst., Robert Hayton, lead miner, aged 53.
Jonathan Hayton married Mary Teasdale 13th April 1805 at St Augustine's, Alston, witnesses, Robert Hayton jnr., and William Teasdale.
Children:
Joseph born 14th March 1806,
William baptised 5th January 1813,
Ann baptised 5th January 1813,
Robert born about 1814
Hannah baptised 10th September 1817,
Mary baptised 30th August 1822.
Jane baptised 3rd December 1822, Methodist, registered at Paternoster Row. London

In 1851 at Whitehall Nenthead, Robert Hayton, unmarried, lead miner, aged 37, and his sister Ann aged 42.
In 1861, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Hayton, unmarried, lead miner, aged 47, his sister Ann, housekeeper, aged 52.
See 30th June 1877

23rd February 1867 (Westmorland Gazette)
Deaths
On Thursday, the 14th inst.. at Greenside Lodge, Patterdale, Mr. R. Daykin, mining agent to the Greenside Company, aged 54 years.

27th February 1867 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE LEAD MINES
On Wednesday, John Philipson, a miner, 37 years of age, whilst at work in the Stotsfield Burn mine, Stanhope, was killed under the following circumstances: - The deceased went to work at the usual time on the 19th inst., and shortly

after commencing a large quantity of earth and stones gave way, burying him in the rubbish. Although assistance was at once obtained, and every exertion used, it was 32 hours after the accident before the body could be recovered, on account of the immense quantity of earth, which had fallen upon him and around him. His body when got out was in a frightful condition, the arms and legs broken in several places, and his head cut open to the brain. Deceased was married, and leaves a wife and five children to lament his loss.

In 1841, at Bog House, John Philipson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary (Lee, married 13th June 1829, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 30 children John 10, Ann 7, George 4, Mary 2, and Hannah 2 months.

In 1851, at Shorney know, Allendale, John Philipson, farmer of 30 acres, aged 49, his wife Mary 43 children John, Ag. Labourer, aged 20, Ann 17, George 15, Mary 12, Hannah 10, and Thompson 7.

In 1861 at Lott Head, Swinhope, Allendale, John Philipson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth (Whitfield, married 28th June 1860, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 30, children Mary A. 8, John 7 months, his brother Thompson Philipson, excavator, aged 17, and house servant Mathilda Reed, aged 14.

In 1871, at Lotment Head, Allendale, Elizabeth Philipson, widow, farmer, aged 40, children, John, 10, George 8, Margaret 6, and Elizabeth 4.

2nd March 1867 (Westmorland Gazette)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT TO A MINER. —A serious accident happened early on Wednesday morning last to a miner of the name of Johns, who was at work in the Staveley Head lead mine. The unfortunate man and another were alone in the level together and had drilled a hole in the forehead of the rock, intending to blast. From some cause other the charge of cotton got fixed before it reached the bottom of the hole, and the man, after trying to punch it in with the proper wooden instrument, unfortunately took up the iron stamping rod to thrust with. It appears that the iron struck a spark from the rock and instantly the powder exploded, tearing down as much rock as if the blast had been property finished. The workman's left hand was torn from his arm and scattered in pieces over the working; the iron bar which he had in his hand was thrown five or six fathoms and broken into three pieces. It seems almost miraculous that the man escaped alive. The other workman had, just the moment before the explosion, been standing at the hole, which he left to get something necessary for completing the work, and thus escaped without a scratch. The injured man was slightly scarred over the face and breast, and received a deep cut on the right arm. Mr. Dobson, of Bowness, was sent for immediately and amputated the arm above the wound, and we understand the poor fellow is progressing favourably. We are sorry to add that he has large family of young children depending upon him.

6th March 1867 (Hexham Courant)

Births

At Wincanton, Somerset, 28th inst, the wife of Thomas Sopwith jun., of Linacres, Spain, of a daughter.

Deaths.

At Allenheads, 21st ult. aged 71, Margaret wife of Mr George Forster, New Houses.

In 1861, at New Houses, Allendale, George Forster, sawyer, aged 60, his wife Margaret 64, son George, sawyer, aged 23, niece Margaret Nixon, house servant, aged 17, granddaughter Mary A Nixon 7, and visitor Edward Forster, land surveyor, aged 16.

At Peasmeadows, 25th ult. aged 63, Mr John Varty.

In 1841, at Peasemeadows, John Varty, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Eleanor, (Coats, married 17th September 1834, St Peter's Allendale. Eleanor Liddle married William Coates 30th September 1821 at Allendale) aged 45, and daughter Sarah, aged 4. In 1851, at Peasemeadows, John Varty, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Eleanor, aged 57, and daughter Sarah aged 14.
In 1861, at Peasemeadows, Allendale, John Varty, lead ore miner, aged 58, his wife Eleanor aged 67, daughter in law, Margaret Coats, unmarried, aged 39, and grandson William Reed, lead ore dresser, aged 14.

At Allendale town at the Golden Lion Inn, 4th inst. aged 63 Mr Johnson Burn, smelter at Langley mill for upwards of 50 years, much respected.

In 1841, at Allendale Town, Johnson Burn, innkeeper, aged 35, his wife Ann 35, children Mary 10, Bryan 10, Ridley 5, Hellen 5, Johnson 4, and Jane 1.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, Johnson Burn, innkeeper & gardener, aged 49, born Beltingham, his wife Ann 45, born Fourstones, children Henry, lead smelter, aged 25, Mary Ann 22, Bryan, labourer, aged 20, Ridley, stone mason, aged 18, Hellen 15, Johnson 13, Jane 10, Margaret 8, Isabella 6, Elizabeth 3, and Benjamin 7 months.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, Johnson Burn, Gardner, Innkeeper, and lead ore smelter, aged 57, wife Ann 54, children Mary Ann 33, Johnson, lead ore smelter23, Isabella 16, Elizabeth 13, Benjiman 10, and Jane Ann 11. In 1871, at Allendale Town, Ann Burn, widow, innkeeper, aged 64, children Mary A 42, Isabella 26, Benjamen, ostler, aged 20, granddaughter Jane A Burn 21, grandson, Frederick Burn 6, boarder, John Morrison, officer of inland revenue, aged 29, visitor Johnathan Douglas, grocers assistant, aged 41.

12th March 1867 (London Gazette)

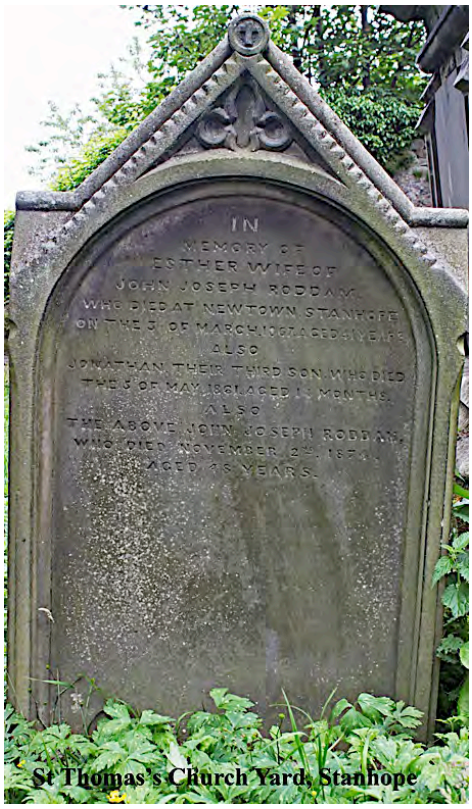
Master of the Rolls at Chambers.

In the Matter of the Companies Act, 1862, and of the Harehope Gill Lead Mining Company (Limited).

THE Master of the Rolls has, by an Order dated the 7th day of February, 1867, appointed Frederick Maynard, of No. 19, Bread street, in the city of London, Public Accountant, to be Official Liquidator of the above named Company.

The creditors of the above-named Company are required, on or before the 10th day of April, 1867, to send their names and addresses, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the said Frederick Maynard; and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the chambers of the Master of the Rolls, in the Rolls-yard, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. Friday, the 26th day of April, 1867, at twelve o'clock at noon, at the said chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims. —Dated this 8th day of March, 1867.

13th March 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wearhead, Weardale, 3rd inst. aged 41, Esther the wife of Mr J. J. Roddam.
In 1841, at Stanhope, Joseph Roddam, land agent, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, and son John aged 15.
In 1851, at Low Felling, Heworth, William W Pattinson, chemical manufacturer employing 500 workmen, aged 39, his wife Ann 31, children Thomas Wm 6, Margaret 5, Mary 3, John W. 1, visitors, Jacob Watson, spirit merchant, aged 38, John J Roddam, land agent, aged 25, Mary H Roddam 29, Esther Watson 25, servants, Margaret Whitfield 20, Ann Hardy 17, and Ellen Whichard 25.
John Joseph Roddam married Esther Watson 5th May 1851, at Allendale.
In 1861, at Newtown, Stanhope, John Joseph Roddam, married, land agent & surveyor, aged 35, children John W.9, Elizabeth 6, Joseph 3, Jonathan 1, clerk to the land agent, Benjamin Moore 18, and house servant Mary A Jopling aged 19.
In 1861, at Bensham, Gateshead, Joseph Watson, solicitor, aged 53, his wife Sarah 46, sons, Robert S., solicitor, aged 23, Joseph, iron ship builder, aged 21, William J, nursery man, aged 19, daughters, Emily 17, Helen 13, son, Herbert 9, daughter Gertrude 6, visitors Ester Rodham, land agents wife, aged 35, and Lucy Fenwick, drapers daughter, aged 22.


St Thomas's Church Yard, Stanhope

IN
MEMORY OF
ESTHER WIFE OF
JOHN JOSEPH RODDAM
WHO DIED AT NEWTOWN STANHOPE
ON THE 5TH OF MARCH 1867 AGED 41 YEARS
ALSO
JONATHAN THEIR THIRD SON WHO DIED
5TH MAY 1861 AGED 14 MONTHS
ALSO
THE ABOVE JOHN JOSEPH RODDAM
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 2ND 1874
AGED 48 YEARS.

In 1871, at Newtown, Stanhope, John Joseph Roddam, widow, land and mineral agent, aged 45, children John Watson, clerk, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, Hugh 5, general servant, Sarah Harker 26, and groom John Raine 15.
John Joseph Roddam died 4th quarter of 1874, at Weardale.
See 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, and 3rd August 1907

26th March 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

At Loaninghead, Garrigill, on the 20th inst., Albany Bell, aged 32 years.

In 1841, at Beldy, Garrigill, Albany Bell, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Nee Parmerley, married 9th February 1826, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 35, children, Hannah 12, James 10, Albany 6, John 4, and Isaac 1.

Albany Bell was buried 14th March 1845, aged 42, at Garrigill.

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Hannah Bell, widow, aged 45, children, James, lead miner, aged 20, Albany, lead miner aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, and Margaret aged 9.

Hannah Bell was buried 7th February 1858, aged 51, at Garrigill.

In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Albany Bell, lead miner, aged 26, brother, John, lead miner, aged 24, and sister Margaret aged 19. See 26th May 1863

At Blagill, near Alston, on the 18th inst., Joseph Davidson, aged 60 years.

In 1841, at Blagill, Joseph Davidson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann (Nee Elliot, married 23rd December 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, and John Elliot, lead miner, aged 30.

In 1851, at Blagill, Joseph Davidson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Nancy 45, and niece, Margaret Davidson, general servant, aged 13.

Ann Davidson died 3rd qtr., 1859, registered at Alston.

In 1861, at Blagill, Joseph Davidson, widower, lead miner, aged 54, and his niece, Hannah Davidson, house servant, aged 21.

At Alston, on the 19th inst., Elizabeth, daughter of Thos. Knott, aged 1 year and 7 months.

In 1861, at Main street, Alston, Thomas Knott, shoe maker, aged 33, and his wife Ann (Armstrong, married 3rd qtr 1857, registered at Newcastle upon Tyne) aged 30.

In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Knott, boot and shoe maker, aged 43, his wife Ann 40, children, Joseph A 7, Dalton 3, and Thomas Yeats 1.

At Alston, on the 19th inst., John William, son of John Lowe, aged 3 months.

2nd April 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, on the 21st ult., Mary Dryden, widow, aged 67 years.

In 1861, at Overwater, Mary Dryden, miners widow, aged 60, children, Nancy, house keeper, aged 39, Watson, lead ore miner, aged 37, Jane, house maid, aged 26, and Barron, lead ore miner, aged 23. See 11th February 1871.

At Alston, on the 24th ult., Mary English, widow, aged 79 years.

Mary Shield married Abraham English, 1st September 1808

In 1841, at Wanwood House, Alston, Abraham English, Farmer, aged 55, his wife Mary 50, children, Mary 25, Abraham 15, Mary 2, and servant, Sarah Sparke 20.

Abraham English died 4th qtr., 1841, registered at Alston.

In 1851, at Park, Alston, Mary English, widow, farmer & Annuitant, aged 64, and daughter Mary 33.

In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Mary English, farmers widow, aged 70.

9th April 1867 (Morning Post)
A meeting of the shareholders in **Derwent Mines** has just been held, and a dividend of £2 10s. per share declared.

9th April 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 31st ult., by the Rev. Barnabas Wild, Mr John Swindle, Middle House, to Miss Hannah Hetherington, High Shield Hill.
John Swindle married Mary Stout, 27th May 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston
John Swindle, born 25th December 1828, baptised 1st February 1829, at Redwing Chapel, son of John & Mary Swindle.
John Swindle snr., was buried 20th January 1837, aged 34, at Garrigill.

In 1851, at Middle Houses, Mary Swindle, widow, aged 46, children, George, lead miner, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 22, Tamar 19, Mary 17, and Ann aged 10.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, Mary Swindle, lead miners widow, aged 55, and son John 32. Mary Swindle was buried 16th February 1887, aged 81, at Garrigill.

Hannah Hetherington, born 16th February 1828, baptised 7th March 1828, at Redwing Chapel, parents, Richard and Hannah Hetherington.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 25, and his sister, Hannah, house keeper, aged 32.*

Richard Hetherington snr., was buried 9th January 1840, aged 49, his wife Hannah was buried 21st February 1855, aged 60, both at Garrigill.

In 1871, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, John Swindle, lead miner aged 42, and his wife Hannah 43.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Swindle, lead miner, aged 52, and his wife Hannah 53
John Swindle was buried 8th March 1889, aged 60, at Garrigill.
In 1891, at Beldy, Garrigill, Hannah Swindle, widow, seamstress, aged 63.
Hannah Swindle died 1st qtr., 1900, aged 71, registered at Alston.
At the same time and place, Mr Richard Hetherington*, High Shield Hill, to Miss Nancy Vipond, Hermitage.
Nancy/Ann Vipond was born 1st qtr., 1843, registered at Alston, parents Matthew and Elizabeth Vipond.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Nancy 28, children, Mary 3, and Betsy 2
In 1881, at Hill Top, Garrigill, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Nancy 38, children, Mary 13, Betsy 12, Robert 7, Matthew 4, and Hannah aged 1.
Richard Hetherington, was buried 1st April 1886, aged 51, at Garrigill.
See 19th November 1892, 13th October 1906

10th April 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Burtree Ford, 25th ult. aged 37, Joseph Rowland, Blacksmith.

In 1861, Joseph (unmarried, born at Hexham) was lodging with John Coulthard (lead miner aged 46) and his wife Mary, at Burtreeford.
At Jeffries Rake, Derwent mines on the 3rd inst aged 40 Mr Robert Bell, lead miner.
In 1841, at Jeffreys Rake, Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 70, (Thomas first wife Hannah Fewster, second wife Margaret Mends) Jane Bell 15, Thomas Bell 15, Robert Bell 14, Roger Bell 12, Hannah Bell 11, George Bell 9, and Nanny Bell 6.
In 1851, at Jeffrays Rake, John Bell, lead miner aged 47, his wife Jane (Shields, married 6th December 1828, Allendale) aged 48, born Allendale, son Thomas, labourer, aged 23, daughter in law, Jane Liddle, unmarried, aged 18, born Haydon Bridge, and half brother Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 24.
In 1861, at Jeffreys Rake, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane (Liddle married 22nd April 1854, Hunstanworth) aged 29, children Jane 7, Thomas 5, Margaret 3, and George 6 months.
In 1871 at Jeffries Rake, Jane Bell, aged 38, Thomas lead ore washer 15, Margaret 13, George lead ore washer 10, Mary A 8, and Elizabeth 5.

12th April 1867 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Gateshead, in Wharton Street, on the 10th inst., aged 40, Isabella, wife of Mr William Gill, teacher, formerly of Garrigill.
In 1851, at Crosgill, Garrigill, William Gill, farmer of 760 acres (part of which is common land) aged 26, his wife Isabella aged 23, sister Mary Gill 23, brother John Gill 18, and servant, Joseph Morrison, labourer, aged 13.
In 1861, at Hare Law, Kyo, Durham, William Gill, school teacher, aged 35, born Kirkoswald, his wife Isabella 32, children John 9, William 8, George 5, Joseph 4, Mary Jane 2, and boarder Jonathan Kidd, pupil, aged 14, all born Garrigill.

20th April 1867 (Newcastle Chronicle)
Deaths
At Garrigill near Alston, 10th inst., aged 76, Mrs Elizabeth Hall.
Thomas Hall married Elizabeth Robson, 16th July 1815, at St Augustine's, Alston. Thomas Hall was buried 9th December 1837, aged 50, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1851, at Craig Shield, Garrigill, Elizabeth Hall, widow, farmer, aged 59, children, John, flour dealer & cartman, aged 29, Elizabeth 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, and granddaughter, Jane Millican 6.
In 1861, at Craig Shield, Garrigill, Elizabeth Hall, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 69, children, John, carter, aged 39, Hannah 32, Thomas, lead miner, aged 30, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 27.
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 43, Mr Thomas Forest, lead miner.
See 112th October 1866, & 12th December 1868

23rd April 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
On the 22nd inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Penrith (by license) by the Rev. T. T. Dilks, the Rev. H. Gibson, Wesleyan minister, Appleby, to Frances, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Thos. Cain, of Red Brow, Garrigill, Alston.

24th April 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Bolts Burn, Rookhope, 12th inst. aged 29, Mr George Ward.
In 1841, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Cuthbert Ward, smelter, aged 40, Emma 35, Joseph 13, Mary 11, Thomas 9, John 6, George 4 and Cuthbert 2 years.
In 1851, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Emma Ward, lead smelters widow, aged 47, sons Joseph, lead smelter, aged 23, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, George13, Cuthbert 11, and Watson 6 years.
In 1861, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Emma Ward, lead smelters widow, aged 56, sons George, lead miner, aged 22, and Cuthbert, lead miner, aged 20.
At New Fold House, Allendale, 18th inst. aged 85, Mr John Roddam.
In 1851, at New Fold House, Allendale, John Roddam, farmer of 92 acres, aged 69, his wife Frances (Frances Stephenson, married 14th November 1811, died 4th quarter of 1841) aged 61, children, William, Ag. Labourer, aged 31, John, Ag. Labourer, aged 28, Cuthbert, saddler, aged 25, Elizabeth 18, and granddaughter, Sarah J Shield 4. In 1861, at New Fold House, John Roddam, widow, farmer and landed proprietor, aged 79, William, farmers son, aged 41, granddaughter Ann Maughan, dairy maid & house keeper, aged 22, and granddaughter Sarah J Shield 14.

1st May 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Burn Foot, near Allenheads, 22nd ult. aged 63, Mary wife of Mr Wm. Millican.
In 1841, at Dyke Nook, West Allen William Millican, lead miner, aged 35, Mary 35, Matthew 14, Mary 11, Elizabeth 8, Ann 6, and Thomas 10 months.
In 1851, at Dyke Nook, West Allen, William Millican, farmer and drawing at mines, aged 49, wife Mary (Coats, married 19th January 1826, at Alston) aged 47, children, Matthew, farmers son, aged 24, Mary 21, Ann 16, and Thomas 10 years.
In 1861, at Spring House, Ninebanks, William Millican, farmer and proprietor of 16 acres, aged 59, wife Mary 57, son Matthew, widow, farmer of 26 acres and contractor for haulage at mines employing 9 men and 7 boys, aged 34, granddaughter, Margaret A Millican 3 years., son in law Joseph Martin, lead miner, aged 25, and Ann Martin 26.
In 1881, at Carrshield, William Millican, widow, retired farmer, aged 79, and servant (granddaughter), Margaret A. Millican, general servant, aged 23.
See 13th December 1870

3rd May 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
LEAD MINE SHARES FOR SALE
TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mr Greenwell, Black Bull Inn, ALSTON, Cumberland, on SATURDAY, May 1867, at Three o'clock in the

Afternoon precisely, seven (13ths) SHARES of DOWPOT SYKE MINE, in the MANOR of ALSTON, county of Cumberland, and two (100ths) SHARES of GREENHURTH MINE, also near Alston.
The Dowpot Syke Mine from which there is now being raised a considerable quantity of Lead Ore, is situate about One and a Half Miles from the Town of Alston aforesaid, close to the main road leading to Alston, and in a rich part of the district for Lead Ore. The sett joins Hudgill Burn, which was the richest Mine in Alston Moor, and lies between Holyfield and Guttergill Mines, both of which have been very productive and paid good dividends.
Further particulars may be known on application to Mr Peart, Mining Agent, Alston, who will show the Mines; or to Mr Forster, Solicitor, Brampton.

14th May 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 3rd inst., Elizabeth Gill, widow, aged 77 years.
See 5th February 1842, 27th March 1866, 28th Sept 1866, 20th May 1871, 31st October 1871, & 7th November 1874
At Whitehall, Nenthead, on the 9th inst., Eleanor Hutchinson, wife of Jonathan Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 25 years.
See 25th November 1871, 2nd August 1873

15th May 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Whiteheaps, Derwent mines, 6th inst aged 32 Mr John Robson, lead miner.
In 1851, at Burnshield Cottages, Blanchland, Shotley High Qtr., Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary (Sanderson, married May 1832, Blanchland) aged 39, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Jane 15, Thomas 12, Emerson 9, Robert 7, Joseph 4, and Matthew 1.
In 1861, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 50, and his wife Mary 49, children, John Robson lead miner 27, Jane 25, Thomas lead miner 22, Emmerson lead miner 20, Robert lead miner 17Joseph leads ore washer 14, and Mathew 11.
In 1871, at Bolts Hope Park, Hunstanworth, Mary Robson, widow, aged 59, children Jane 34, Thomas, cartman, aged 32, Emerson, lead miner, aged 30, Robert, lead miner, aged 27, and Matthew, quarryman, aged 21.

22nd May 1867 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT AN IRONSTONE MINE IN WEARDALE.
An accident which was attended by instant death occurred on Thursday morning at West Slit, Ironstone Mine, in Weardale to a man named John Race about 56 years of age. Deceased was in the act of preparing a shot in the mine, when for some cause or other a large quantity of rubbish and stone fell from the top before the shot exploded burying him. When dug out he was dead.
Deaths
At Brooke Cottage, Rookhope, 15th inst. aged 70, Margaret wife of Mr John Bowman.
In 1851, at Linzgarth, John Bowman, roaster of lead ore, aged 52, wife Margaret 54, children Whitfield, lead miner, aged 31, Mary, dress maker, aged

20, Susan 10, Jane E. 12, and Ann 10. In 1861, at Brook Cottage, John Bowman, roaster of lead ore, aged 62, children Jane E., house maid, aged 23, Whitfield, iron stone miner, aged 41, Ann, house maid, aged 21, Margaret Bowman 6 years. At the time of the census Margaret, was staying with her unmarried niece Hannah Bell, dressmaker, aged 27, at Roughside.

28th May 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, on the 23rd inst., by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr Christopher Armstrong, to Miss *(Mary)* Ward, both of Ashgill, in the chapelry of Garrigill. *See 14th June 1873*

At the Wesleyan Chapel Alston, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. C. Brighouse, Mr Joseph Grey, of Annatwalls, near Alston, to Miss Mary Little, of Alston.

In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, John Little, Blacksmith, aged 42, his wife Ann (Coulson, married 2nd June 1839, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 32, children, Thomas 11, Joseph 9, Mary 6, Willis 4, Isabella 1, and domestic servant, Ann Bramwell 17.

In 1861, at Littles Buildings, Alston, John Little, Blacksmith employing 1 man and 1 boy, aged 43, his wife Ann 43, children, Joseph, Blacksmith, aged 19, Mary 16, Isabella 11, Ann 9, John 6, and Jane 2. See 14th March 1891

In 1851, at Annatwalls, Alston, Jacob Grey, lead miner aged 46, his wife Mary 43, children, Joseph 12, John 9, Mary Annie 3, Jacob 1, and brother Wm Robinson Grey, stone mason, aged 39.

In 1861, at Annatwalls, Alston, Jacob Grey, lead mine agent, aged 56, his wife Mary 53, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, Mary A 13, Jacob 11, and boarder, William R. Grey, sculptor, aged 47.

In 1871, at Townhead, Alston, Joseph Gray, draper & grocer, aged 32, his wife Mary 26, and son John 5 months.

In 1881, at Chapel Square, Alston, Joseph Grey, manager of Co-operative store, aged 42, his wife Mary 36, children, Ernest 8, Wilfred 5, and Mary Ann 2.

In 1891, at Chapel Terrace, Alston, Joseph Grey, Co-operative store manager, aged 52, his wife Mary 46, children, Wilfred 15, and Mary A 12.

Joseph Grey died 3rd July 1900, aged 61, registered at Alston.

In 1901, at 14 Simpson Street, Jesmond, Mary Grey, widow, aged 56, children, Ernest, Invoice clerk, aged 28, Wilfred, drapers assistant, aged 25, and Mary 22.

Mary Grey died 9th July 1906, at Holmwood Grove, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Deaths

At Selgill, *(Wellgill)* near Nenthead, on the 21st inst., Hannah Walton, widow, aged 81 years.

Thomas Walton married Hannah Dickinson, 13th August 1808.

Thomas Walton died?

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, Innkeeper, aged 65, daughters, Jane 25, and Ann 22.

In 1861, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, Innkeeper, aged 75, son in law Albany Little, labourer, aged 35, his wife Jane Little, dress maker, aged 35, children of Albany & Jane, Thomas W Little 5, and John Little 3: granddaughter Hannah White, servant, aged 13, boarders John Crawhall, annuitant, aged 57, his sister Dorothy Crawhall, aged 55.

At Alston, on the 22nd inst., Mr Thomas Watson, aged 69.
In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, Thomas Watson, unmarried, marine store dealer, aged 62.

5th June 1867 (Hexham Courant)

PRESENTATION AT NENTHEAD.

On Saturday last in the London Lead Company's New School, Nenthead an elegant and expensive timepiece and gold pencil case were presented to Mr Heslop. The time piece bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Mr John Heslop by the London Lead Company's Nenthead workmen and others in the vicinity as a small token of respect for his invaluable services as schoolmaster and their esteem and regard for him as a gentleman during the 20 years he has been among them, 25th May 1867."
The presentation was made by Mr Tinniswood Millican.

Deaths

At Hunstanworth near Blanchland, Mr Thomas Elliott.
In 1851, at Wagtail, Hunstanworth, Thomas Elliott, farmer of 107 acres, aged 68, wife Mary 68, son Thomas Elliott, lead miner, aged 28, daughter Mary Rodham, widow, 42, grandson Joseph Rodham, lead miner, aged 23, and granddaughter Elizabeth Rodham 15.
In 1861, at Rowan Tree House, Hunstanworth, Thomas Elliott, retired farmer, aged 78, his wife Mary 78, daughter Mary Rodham, widow, aged 52, and visitor, grandson Thomas Elliott 4 years.

12 June 1867 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At New Houses, Allenheads, 21st ult.. aged 17, Margaret, daughter of the late Mr Wm. Bright.
See 19th October 1864, & 24th July 1886

14th June 1867 (Carlisle Journal)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. B. Wild, Mr George Dixon, Garrigill Gate, to Miss Ann Craig, of Force Green, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Byers Green, Durham, George Dixon, tailor, aged 30, born Romaldkirk, and his wife Ann 23, born Garrigill.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 8th inst., Hannah Slack, widow, aged 59 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Slack, tailor, aged 43, his wife Hannah, (Walton, married 2nd December 1830, at Alston)42, children, Joseph, tailor, aged 19, Margaret 17, John 15, Thomas 13, Mary 11, Henry W 2, and apprentice, John Tyrus, tailors app., aged 14.
John Slack, died 2nd qtr., 1852, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Hannah Slack, tailors widow, aged 53, children, Joseph, tailor, aged 29, Mary 21, and Henry W. 12.
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, on the 9th inst., John Irwin, aged 27 years.
See 17th February 1844

1st July 1867 (Morning Post)
The Derwent Mines Company declared a dividend of £5 per share, payable on 30th September next.

2nd July 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd ult., Mary Ann Dawson, aged 18 years.
In 1851, at Bayles, Alston, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah 37, and nurse child, Mary Ann Dawson, illegitimate child, aged 2.
In 1861, at Ropery Cottages, Alston, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 46, and boarder, Mary A. Dawson 12.
At Sunnyside, near Nenthead, on the 24th ult., John Richardson, aged 68 years.
In 1851, at Sunnyside House, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner & farmer of 5 acres, aged 52, born Allendale, his wife Sarah 47, born Stanhope, and Lodger, George Emmerson, blacksmith, aged 25, born Alston.
In 1861, at Richardsons Cottage, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 62, and his wife Sarah 56.
In 1871, at Sunnyside, Nenthead, Sarah Richardson, widow, aged 66, and visitor, Elizabeth Bell, married, aged 66.
At Nenthead, on the 26th ult., Thomas Liverick, aged 39 years.
See 9th June 1848

5th July 1867 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
ALLEGED FELLONY AT ALLENDALE
Four young men, named JOHN COULTHARD, JOHN WALTON, JOHN ACKWORTH, and ROBERT PEART, were indicted for having stolen, at Allendale, on the 21st of June, about 24 canes and 18 walking sticks, the property of Jacob Blacklock. Mr. Greenhow, instructed by Mr. Pattinson, was for the prosecution, and Mr. Blackwell, instructed by Mr. Wm. Taylor, was for the defence. The prosecutor is a hawker living at Nenthead and on the 21st ult. he had a stall at Allendale, on the occasion of the half-yearly pay, and amongst the articles he exhibited for sale were canes and oak sticks. In the evening the unsold goods were packed in Blacklock's cart, but on arriving at Nenthead two bundles, containing 24 fancy canes and 18 oak walking sticks, ware missed. The prisoners were afterwards found in possession of three canes and three sticks, which the prosecutor said were part of the stolen property. —Mr. Blackwell said he thought this was a policeman's case, and he had no doubt that the jury would come to the same conclusion. He also contended that the sticks had not been dearly identified, because as he pointed out, one of them appeared to have been in use for some time. —The jury found the prisoners not guilty, and they were discharged.

16th July 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 1st inst., Mr George Liddle, miner, aged 69 years.

In 1841, at Dufton, George Liddle, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Bowman, married 3rd July 1830, at Dufton) aged 35, children, Mary 10, Elizabeth 8, George 6, Joshua 4, Thomas 2, and William 2 months.
Mary Liddle was buried at Dufton, 21st June 1858, aged 53.
In 1861, at Dufton village, George Liddle, widower, lead ore miner, aged 63, sons Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 22, and Christopher, lead ore miner, aged 16.
At Knock, on the 7th inst., Mr Henry Cherry, miner, aged 53 years.
In 1861, at Knock, Henry Cherry, lead miner, aged 46, born Brough, his wife Esther (Fleming, married 22nd January 1861, at Dufton, daughter of William Fleming) aged 33, and daughter Ann 20.
Esther Fleming married Matthew Richardson, 24th December 1868, at Dufton.
Esther Richardson, was buried 13th April 1870, aged 42, at Dufton.

17th July 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Jeffries Rake, 4th inst. aged 71, Mr Robert Currey.
In 1841, at Boltshope Mill, Hunstanworth, Robert Currey, lead miner, aged 40, William Currey 15, Robert Currey 15, Mary Currey 14, John Currey 11, Matthew Currey 9, Cicily Currey 7, Ann Currey 5, Hannah Currey 3, and Joseph Currey 1.
In1851, at Roughside, Edmondbyers, Robert Currey, widow, butcher, born Shotley, Northumberland, son John Curry, lead miner, aged 22, daughters, Cicily 17, Hannah 13, and son Joseph 11.
In 1861, at Wood House, Espershield, Robert Currey, Ag. labourer, aged 65, daughter Hannah Currey 23, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, and granddaughter, Mildred Currey 10 months.

19th July 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 13th inst., John Davidson, aged 69 years.
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 15th Mary Thompson, aged 29 years.

22nd July 1867 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
VISIT OF THE SALMON FISHERIES INSPECTORS TO TEESDALE.
On Saturday, Messrs. Frank Buckland and Spencer Walpole visited the lead mines In Teesdale. Mr. Joseph Dodds (the respected under sheriff of the county of Durham), as on the previous day, acted as pioneer and director of the movements of the party. The first point visited was
WIREGILL
The rich lead, mines in which discharge their "hush" into a brook that meets the Tees a little blow Middleton. The mine is leased by the London Lead Company, whose manager, Mr. R. W. Bainbridge, with his sons, Messrs. Henry and Charles Bainbridge, had made arrangements to accompany the inspectors and party over the principal mines of the company in Teesdale. The party having been joined by Mr. Wm. Lee, overman of the underground department of the Wiregill mine; Mr. Jacob Redshaw, washing agent of the company; and Mr. Joseph Pattinson, mining agent in the underground department, proceeded to inspect the crushing mill, and afterwards the machinery performing the operations of "plunging," "hodging," and washing,

An adjournment was then made to the "settling pits," which extract the lead from the water after it has done its work in the other departments of the above ground operations of the mine. At this mine, which is one of the richest in the possession of the company, there are three sets of settling pits, through which the water, or "hush," passes in succession, and as a proof that they do that work efficiently, Mr. Bainbridge informed the inspectors that from experiments made it was found that the "hush" in the first series of pits possessed 5 per cent, of lead, in the second only 2 per cent, and In the last this was reduced to the small proportion of ¼ per cent. After selecting samples of the water and sediment, the Inspectors partook of refreshments in one of the buildings appertaining to the mine, after which the inspection was brought to a close. According to the programme prepared by the directors of the tour of inspection, it was determined that one party should cross the hills to the Coldberry mines, while the other visited the Newbiggin and Pikelaw mines. For this purpose, a party of fourteen was told off. Including Mr. S. Walpole. Mr. R. W. Bainbridge. Colonel Scurfield Mr. Joe. W. Pease, M.P., and Mr. H. Bolam (agent to the Duke of Cleveland). Bidding good-bye to their fellow-tourists for a time, they proceeded on their mission of inspection.

THE COLDBERRY MINES

These mines arc situated on a shoulder of the Pikelaw ridge, and derive their water supply, an indispensable adjunct to lead mining, from reservoirs formed near the top of the fell. The operations are carried on both by hand labour and by machinery, at several parte of the hill, the water descending from the reservoirs visiting the various places where the "plunging," "hodging," and washing processes were being performed, and passing through various sets of "settling" pits until it was finally discharged into an immense reservoir close to the burn, into which the "hush" is turned at stated periods by means of a dam, after bring allowed ample time to settle. The proportion of lead found in this tank has about the same proportion—¼ per cent, as at the Wiregill Colliery pits. At both of these places the inspectors recommended the erection of another series of "settling" pits as likely to further purify the "Hush" before it was finally discharged into the neighbouring burns The party afterwards ascended to the mouth of the mine, inspecting the various modes of separating the mineral on their route. At the entrance to the mine is the crushing machine, through which the blocks of ore are passed before the washing operation is gone through. The process Is performed by a machine which was first invented in America, for the purpose of crushing stones for road making, and known as Blake's a machine. A similar apparatus is in operation at tie Wiregill mines. The work above ground at both of these place is done by lads, who with the miners reside at Middleton, and have consequently, in some instances, four or five miles to walk over mountain roads to their work. Carriages being in waiting for the party, the road along the northern shoulder of the fell to Middleton was taken, this point being reached at a little past one o'clock. The party afterwards made their way to the High Force. The second party, headed by Mr. Frank Buckland, and having Mr. Dodds as director and pioneer, proceeded in the conveyances to Newbiggin, and afterwards to the mine bearing that name, and situated on the southern slopes of Pikelaw.

NEWBIGGEN MINE.

This mine is the property of Messrs. Wilson and Crawhall. The work is performed by hand labour, and is not so extensive as the operations at Coldberry, on the opposite face of the ridge. The ore is obtained from the lode by means of a burn which, descending as it does from-a higher altitude, is dammed up until a sufficient weight of water is obtained, and is then turned loose down the sides— of the hill, when It lays bare the ore beneath the surface. The separating process is performed by "cradling." after leaving which the "hush" is transferred into a series of settling pits, from which it passes to the Tees at the foot of the fell near the village of Newbiggin. Before leaving this point. Mr. Jos. Dodds handed round a letter he had received from the secretary of the Severn Board of Conservators, which enclosed plans showing a superior mode of filtering to be obtained by means of catch-pits provided with gravel and charcoal. Mr. Buckland asked whether the system of forcing upwards the "hush" when separating the lead, by means of a force-pump, might not be adopted with advantage.

PIKELAW MINE

This mine, which is also known in the neighbourhood as Collinson's Hush, from its owner. Is situated in a ravine (formed by "washing") near the top of Pikelaw. This was the last place to be visited after leaving the Newbiggin. The work Is done be hand labour, and consists of laying the vein bare by flushing with water, and then gathering the ore by hand picking, and afterwards submitting it to the process of washing as in other places; the “hush,” alter leaving the settling pits, running down the side of the fell to the Tees, as in the case of it neighbour at Newbiggin. No particular recommendations were publicly made at either of these mines beyond the exercise of the utmost care in providing settling pits and keeping them in a thoroughly efficient state.

The whole party, on concluding their labours for the day, partook of dinner at the High Force Hotel, Colonel Scurfield occupying the chair, while Mr. Henry Pease officiated as vice-chairman. The company subsequently returned to Darlington, thence to Darlington and Durham, which the inspectors reached about ten o’clock, thus closing their tour of inspection of the lead mines of Weardale and Teesdale.

23rd July 1867 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware’s Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths

At Shield Hill, Garrigill, on the 9th instant, William Herdman, aged 70 years.

In 1841, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, William Herdman, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella 45, Children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, William lead miner, aged 15, Ann 13, and Joseph 9.

Thomas Herdman married Hannah Bell, 26th February 1843, at St John, Garrigill.

In 1851, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, William Herdman, lead miner, aged 54,born Allendale, his wife Isabella 55, born Alston, children, William, lead miner, aged 28, Friend, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph lead miner, aged 19. Also at Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 26, children, Ann 6, Isabella 4, and Mary 2.

In 1861, at Shield Hill, William Herdman, lead miner, aged 64, his wife Isabella 69, children, Friend, lead miner, aged 35, and servant Elizabeth Carr, house servant, aged 27. At Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, lead miner, aged 39,

his wife Hannah 36, children, Mary 12, Friend 9, Thomas 7, Elizabeth 5, Lewis J 2, and Margaret Z 1 month.
Isabella Herdman of Shield Hill, was buried at Garrigill, 13th January 1876, aged 84.
In 1871, at Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, lead ore miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 46, children Isabella, dress maker, aged 24, Friend lead ore miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 17, Elizabeth, general servant, aged 15, Lewis J. 12, Margaret Z. 10, William E. 7, and Joseph W. 4.*
Hannah Herdman was buried at Garrigill, 3rd March 1874, aged 49.
In 1881, at Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, widow, lead miner, aged 60, children Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 25, Lewis J. lead miner, aged 22, William E. lead ore washer, aged 17, Joseph W. lead ore washer, aged 14, and grandson Joseph W. Herdman 2.
Thomas Herdman was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 6th May 1890, aged 69.
Friend Herdman married Elizabeth Carr, 3rd quarter 1876, registered at Guisborough, North Yorkshire.

In 1881, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Friend Herdman, farmer of 15 acres, aged 55, and his wifeElizabeth aged 47.
In 1891, at Shield Hill, Friend Herdman, farmer, aged 65, and his wife Elizabeth aged 57.
Friend Herdman of Shield Hill, died 13th January 1892, and buried at St John's, Garrigill 16th January 1892, aged 66.
Probate 1893, of Elizabeth Herdman, of Shield Hill, Garrigill, Alston, Cumberland, widow, died 16th September 1893, Probate Carlisle 15th November to Thomas Carr retired grocer and Robert Renwick farmer, effects
See 4th March 1843, 8th July 1876, 19th April 1884, 17th October 1885, 23rd January 1892 & 30th September 1893.
At Loatburn, near Alston, on the 10th instant, Matthew Pickering, aged 21 years.
In 1841, at Nest, Garrigill, Mathew Pickering, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ann 30, children, Thomas 10, Joseph 10, Naomi 8, Teasdale 6, Margaret 4, and John 2.
In 1851, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Matthew Pickering, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Ann 41, Children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 16, Margaret 13, John 11, Hannah 7, Matthew Ralph 5, and William 2.
Matthew Pickering, was buried at Garrigill 19th May 1858, aged 56.

In 1861, at Loatburn, Nenthead, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 50, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Naomi 28, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 26, Mary A 19, Hannah 17, Matthew, lead ore dresser, aged 15, William 12, Sarah 9, and Elizabeth 5.
In 1871, at Nenthall, Nenthead, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 60, children, Thomas, lead miner and farmer of 20 acres, aged 42, William, lead miner aged 22, and Elizabeth aged 15.
In 1871, Naomi Pickering, aged 38, was working as a domestic servant, for, John G Millican, Attorney & Solicitor, at The Grove, Alston.
In 1881, at Mill House, Nenthead, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 71, daughter Hannah 37, and son William, lead miner, aged 32.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Ann Pickering, widow, aged 81, son William, prudential agent insurance, aged 42, and daughter Elizabeth 35.

See 24th September 1866, 28th September 1872, & 13th August 1892
At Overwater, Nenthead, on the 11th instant, Matthew Vickers, aged 21 years.
See 10th January 1880 & 13th November 1886
At Alston, on the 17th instant, Joseph Bell, aged 58 years.
Joseph Bell married Amelia Brown 28th December 1829, at Knaresdale.
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Bell, carrier, aged 30, his wife Amelia, aged 30, children, John 10, Hannah, 5, William 5, Thomas 4, Mildred 2, and Mary 3 months.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Bell, farmer of 30 acres & carrier, aged 42, his wife Mildred (Amelia?) aged 40, born Slaggyford, children, Hannah 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas 14, Mildred 12, Mary 10, Joseph 8, S Ann 5, and Jonathan 1.
Amelia Bell died 1st quarter 1857, at Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Bell, widower, Carrier, aged 52, children, Joseph, cartman, aged 18, Sarah A, housekeeper, aged 15, and Jonathan 11.

2nd August 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Shield Hill, Garrigill, on the 25th ult., Mary Ann Bell, aged 20 years.
In 1861, at Shield Hill, George Bell, lead ore miner, aged 45, born, St John Lees, his wife Elizabeth (Dawson, married 7th April 1838, at St John, Garrigill) aged 47, born Alston, children, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 21, Margaret, dressmaker, aged 18, Elizabeth 15, Mary A. 15, Hannah 8, Jane 5, and George 3.
George Bell of Shield Hill, was buried, 17th May 1869, aged 53, at Garrigill.
See 21st May 1869
In 1871, at Shield Hill, Elizabeth Bell, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 57, daughter, Hannah 19, and son George, scholar, aged 14.
Elizabeth Bell was buried, 24th April 1879, aged 65, at Garrigill.

14th August 1867 (Hexham Courant)
MINE ACCIDENT AT ALLENHEADS
A serious accident occurred on Thursday last at the above named place to a young man named Christopher Ashman, Somerset Cottages, under the following somewhat peculiar circumstances: - It appears he had been about to fire two holes together at one heading, and was using Saltpetre matches which were slightly damp. After igniting the first hole he turned round and endeavoured to light the other, which, however, would not burn; necessitating him to nip the first one out again, which it would seem he had not thoroughly done, for whilst he was preparing another match the hole exploded without the slightest warning, and when it is considered that the unfortunate man was standing close to the heading and the hole threw all her work, it seems a perfect mystery how he was spared with his life. His hip, left side and arm are all severely bruised and burnt, and although his sufferings are still very great, it is hoped that he may survive.
In 1851, at Pry House, Allendale, John Ashman, lead miner, aged 27, sister Frances 24, brothers, Thomas lead miner, aged 22, and Christopher, lead miner, aged 19.

In 1861, at Middlehope, Allendale, John Ashman, lead mine inspector, aged 37, brother Christopher, lead miner, aged 29, sister Frances, housekeeper, aged 34. Frances married Thomas Varty, 2nd quarter of 1864.
In 1871, at Allenheads, John Ashman, mine inspector, John a Mine inspector, his wife Barbara (Prest, married 2nd quarter of 1866) aged 39, brother Christopher, lead miner, aged 39, and domestic servant, Hannah Reed, aged 15. In 1881, at West End, Allendale, Mary Pearson, widow, dressmaker, aged 40, children Jane 13, Liddle 11, Joseph 8, and boarder, Christopher Ashman, lead miner, aged 49 (Christopher died 18th January 1882).

21st August 1867 (Hexham Courant)

SUDDEN DEATH AT WEST ALLENDALE

On Friday at Dryburn, West Allendale, Rachael, wife of Ridley Robinson, died very suddenly of heart disease. Deceased had occasion to go into a neighbour's house to look after some of her children when she fell down and died so suddenly that before Mr Montgomery, surgeon could arrive life was quite extinct. She was 39 years of age and leaves five very young and helpless children.
In 1861, at High House, Ninebanks, Ridley Robinson, master shoemaker, aged 33, his wife Rachael (Keenleyside, married 22nd April 1854, at Ninebanks) aged 33, children Rachael 5, Mary Ann 3, and Jane 1.
In 1871, at Ninebanks, Ridley Robinson, widow, shoemaker, master employing 3 men and 1 boy, 43, children Rachel 15, Mary A 13, Sarah 9, Jane 6, Matthew 4, and housekeeper, Mary Wilkinson, aged 45.

28th August 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Byerhope, Allenheads, 19th inst aged 86 Mr John Heslop.
In 1871 listed as a retired miner farming 6 acres, living with his wife Hannah aged 79, and son Thomas aged 44 married, lead ore miner, Thomas's wife Elizabeth 37, and their children Isabella 17, John Heslop, quarryman 15, Archbold shoemaker 14, Elizabeth 12, Hannah 10, Frances 8, Jane Ann 6, Matilda 4, Thomas 1.

18th September 1867 (Hexham Courant)
Births
At Murree, Punjab, 24th July, the wife of Lieutenant Colonel George Allgood C.B. of a son.

25th September 1867 (Hexham Courant)

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO CAPTAIN T. SOPWITH

On Saturday, a complimentary dinner was given to Captain T. Sopwith (Son of Thomas Sopwith, Esq., the highly esteemed Chief Agent to W. B. Beaumont, Esq., MP.) by the members of the 7th Northumberland (Allendale) Volunteer Rifle Corps, of which celebrated Corps Mr Sopwith was the first Captain, and in which, since his absence from England whilst fulfilling the onerous appointment of manager of the Spanish Lead Company, he has continued to take a special interest.

2nd October 1867 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Weardale at St John's Chapel, Mr James Watson of Winlaton, to Miss Elizabeth Richardson of St John's Chapel, Weardale.

Deaths

At Allenheads, 12th ult. aged 32, Jane wife of Captain Coats.

In 1851, at Burnfoot, Allendale, Joseph Coats, farmer of 66 acres, innkeeper, and carrier, aged 47, his wife Mary (Nevin, married 18th October 1827, Allendale) aged 48, children William 22, Joseph, scholar, aged 18, John, lead ore miner, aged 16, Christopher 11, George 7, Margaret 2, farm labourer, Richard Mews 22, house servants Elizabeth Hewitson 28, and Elizabeth Milburn 19.

In 1861, at Allenheads, Joseph Coates, land and mine surveyor, aged 29, his wife Jane (Jane Slater, born Wetheral, Cumberland, married 5th April 1858, Saint Mary, Carlisle) aged 26, children, Mary 2, Margaret 10 months, and mother in law, Jane Slater, widow, fund holder, aged 62.

In 1871, at Allenheads, Joseph Coates, widow, civil engineer, aged 39, children Mary J. 12, Margaret 10, Laura M. 7, Herbert H. T. 5, governess, Mary A Hetherington 28, and domestic servant Elizabeth A Whitfield 23. In 1881, at Allenheads, Joseph Coats, civil mine engineer, aged 48, his wife Mary A. (Hetherington, married 28th March 1872, St Peter's Allendale) aged 38 (died 1890), children Mary J. 22, Margaret 20, Laura 17, Herbert H.O. 15, Joseph 7, Ethel 5, Hilda 2, and boarder, Mary Hetherington, annuitant, aged 70. See 23rd May 1874.

In 1891, at Allenheads, Joseph Coats, widow, civil engineer & surveyor, aged 58, children Mary J 31, Joseph, civil engineer & surveyors apprentice, aged 17, Ethel 15, Hilda 12, Ruth 8, Cyril 4, and domestic servant Isabella H Sanderson aged 22.

See 28th June 1890, 2nd December 1893, 15th December 1901

At Allendale Town, 23rd ult. aged 37 Mr James Russell.

In 1851, at Allendale Town, James Russell, formerly lead ore miner, aged 49 (died 4th quarter of 1853), his wife Jane (Robinson, married 1828, Allendale) aged 44, children George, lead ore miner, aged 22, James, lead ore miner, aged 21, Mary A. 19 (Mary Ann married Thomas Watson, 17th October 1857, at Allendale), William, shoe makers apprentice, aged 17, Thomas, washer of lead ore, aged 15, John 11, Sarah 9, and Jane 8 years.

In 1861, at Allendale Town, George Russell, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Hannah, aged 28, son James 4, and daughter Margaret Jane aged 2. Also at Allendale Town, Jane Russell, widow of lead ore miner, aged 53, sons William, shoe maker, aged 27, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 25, John, lead ore miner, aged 21, daughter Jane, dress maker, aged 17, Mary Ann Watson, widow, aged 29, granddaughter, Mary Jane Watson 2, and grandson, Thomas Watson 1.

In 1861, at Allendale Town, James Russell, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah (Robson, married, 28th June 1856, Allendale) aged 27, and son William 1.

In 1871, at Allendale Town, Hannah Russell, widow, dress maker, aged 36, children William 10, and James 8 years.

12th October 1867 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury)

THE COMPANY'S ACT, 1862.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a General Meeting of the Durham County Lead Mining Company (Limited) held at the Co-operative Store Long Room, Consett, on Wednesday, the 4th Day of September, 1867. Convened by notice issued by the Secretary for that purpose, pursuant to clause 3 of the 129th Section of "The Company's Act," George Smith, Chairman, it having been proved to the satisfaction of the Shareholders of the said Durham County Lead Mining Company that the said Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, it is resolved: "That the said Company be wound up voluntarily, pursuant to the provisions of the above-named Act."

And further resolved

"That Mr John Gledstone, of Consett, aforesaid, Post Master, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator, for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Company, and distributing the property thereof, pursuant to clause 1 of the 133rd section of the said Act."

GEORGE SMITH.

W. E. DUNCAN,
80, Businghall Street, London
Agent to John Watson, of Durham,
Solicitor to the Liquidator.

16th October 1867 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Catton, 10th inst, aged 26 Hannah wife of Thomas Milburn, miner.

In 1861, at Catton, Thomas Millburn, lead ore miner, aged 26, his wife Hannah (Craig, married 4th quarter of 1859) aged 19, and daughter Elizabeth 1. In 1871, at Newbrough, Thomas Milburn, lead ore miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella (Scott, married 4th quarter of 1870) aged 35, daughters Elizabeth 11, and Jane A. 8 years.

18th October 1867 (Durham County Advertiser)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE.

An accident which terminated fatally occurred on Tuesday in one of Captain Beaumont's lead mines. A man named John Hodgson, 45 years of age, engaged at the Burtree Pasture Lead Mine, was preparing a shot, when it exploded, injuring so seriously that he only lived about half an hour, dying before medical assistance could be obtained. The deceased belonged to St John's Chapel.

In 1851, at Wearhead, St John, Stanhope, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Esther (Smith, married 3rd quarter 1844, registered at Weardale), aged 31, children, William 5, Phebe 4, and Ann 1.

Esther Hodgson died 3rd quarter 1855, registered at Weardale.

In 1861, at Wearhead, St John, Stanhope, John Hodgson, widow, lead miner, aged 41, children, William lead miner, aged 15, Pheobe 14, Ann 11, Robert 9, and John 6.

In 1871, at Stanhope, John Philipson, lead miner, aged 25, born Allendale, his wife Ann aged 21, son John William aged 2 months, and boarder John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 16.

In 1871, at Wearhead, William Hodgson, lead miner, aged 26, sister Phebe 25, and brother Robert, lead miner, aged 8.

30th October 1867 (Hexham Courant)

ON FRIDAY, A SERIOUS ACCIDENT happened to a girl named Mary Nattrass at Daddry Shield, Weardale. Whilst engaged trimming a lamp she accidentally set fire to the oil or naphtha with which it was charged and a terrific explosion resulted. The poor girl was severely burnt about the face and body, and it is feared that her sight is permanently injured by the catastrophe.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR STANHOPE.

On Thursday last a frightful accident, which has since terminated fatally occurred to Percival Maddison, an ironstone miner, at Reed Shaft, near Stanhope. The unfortunate man in the course of his duties was ascending the shaft of the man when by some means or other his leg was caught by the gearing, and laid open from thigh to ankle. He was at once taken to Brandon Walls, near Rookhope where medical attendance was procured, but mortification set in, and resulted in his death on Saturday night.

The incident occurred at Stanhope Burn Ironstone mine, whilst riding in the cage ascending to leave the mine Percival was sitting with his knee over the edge of the cage, and it was when they approached the top his leg was severely torn. Evidence at the inquest indicated that he was taken to Dr Arnison at Stanhope, and then transferred to his home at Brandon Walls.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN WALTON
BRANDON WALLS ROOKHOPE
WHO DIED OCT 29TH 1846
AGED 52 YEARS
ALSO MARY ANN WALTON WIFE
OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED OCT 7TH 1898
AGED 82 YEARS
ALSO JACOB THEIR SON
WHO DIED JUNE 28TH 1876
AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO RALPH THEIR SON
WHO DIED APRIL 21ST 1897
AGED 71 YEARS
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON
WHO DIED APRIL 10TH 1901
AGED 68 YEARS
ALSO OF THEIR DAUGHTER MARY JANE OLIVER
REDBURN ROOKHOPE
WHO DIED JAN 26TH 1907 AGED 62 YEARS
ALSO OF ROBERT PERCIVAL MADDISON
BROTHER OF THE ABOVE
MARY ANN WALTON
DIED OCT 27TH 1867
AGED 53 YEARS

George Maddison married Elizabeth Percival 29th May 1813, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at Brandon Walls, Elizabeth Maddison, aged 55, and her son Percival, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Low Brandon Walls, Stanhope, Elizabeth Maddison, lead miners widow, born Nenthead, aged 69, her son Percival, lead miner, aged 37.
In 1861, at Brandon Walls, Stanhope, Thomas Walton, widow, iron miner & farmer of 7 acres, aged 31, children Sarah A. 6, Jane E. 3, and lodger Robert P. Maddison, unmarried, platelayer, aged 46.
In 1841, at Brandon Walls, John Walton, lead mine agent, aged 45, his wife Mary (Maddison, married 1st quarter 1838, Weardale) aged 25, children, Ralph 15, Ann 13, Thomas 10, Robert 8, Jacob 6, Sarah 2 and George 5 months.
In 1851, at Brandon Walls, Mary Ann Walton, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 35, children Sarah Elizabeth 12, George 10, Esther 8, Mary Jane 5, step children Ralph, lead miner, aged 25, Ann 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, and Jacob, farmers son, aged 16.

In 1861, at Brandon Walls, Mary A Walton, widow, farmer of 29 acres, aged 44, Ralph, iron miner, aged 35, Jacob, iron miner, aged 26, Sarah E 22, George, iron miner, aged 20, Esther 18, & Mary J. aged 15.
In 1871, at Brandon Walls, Mary A. Walton, widow, occupier of 26 acres of land, children, Ralph, Ironstone miner, aged 45, Jacob, lead miner, aged 36, and Mary Jane 25.
In 1881, at Wolf Cleugh, George Roddam, farmer of 2900 acres of moor, aged 39, his wife Esther aged 38, children John Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 15, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Robert P. 11, Leah 8, George W. 5, and Mary Ann Walton, widow, aged 65.
In 1891, at Brandon Walls, Mary Ann Walton, widow, aged 75, step son, Ralph, lead miner, aged 65, step son Thomas, widow, lead miner, aged 61, and granddaughter Mary A Walton, aged 18. See the Will of John Walton 1847

5th November 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 26th ult., by the Rev. John Newton, Mr Bell of High Lee House, Tynehead, to Miss Elizabeth Millican, of Low Pasture House, Tyne Head.
In 1871, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Thomas Bell, farmer of 160 acres, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth aged 21 (born Allendale, daughter of Wallace & Elizabeth Millican), children, Joseph Henry 10, Esther Ann 3, Hannah 1, and domestic servant, Hannah Currah 15.
See 21st November 1868, 28th September 1872, (George Smith & family)
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 27th ult., by the Rev. G. Hutchinson, Mr Joseph Hardy, of Greenends, to Miss Mary Bell, Clitheroe.
Deaths
At Dufton, on the 31st ult., Mr Nicholas Walton, in the 78th year of his age.
Nicholas Walton, married Ann Wilson, 19th July 1827, at Dufton.
Ann Walton was buried 28th June 1833, aged 36, at Dufton.
In 1841, at Dufton, Nicholas Walton, sawyer, aged 45, children, Sarah 18, Elizabeth 12, Dinah 10, and Mary 9.

In 1851, at Dufton, Nicholas Walton, widower, Ag. Labourer, aged 59, children, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 21, Dinah 20, grandchildren, Ann Walton 3, and Nicholas Walton 11 months.
In 1861, at Dufton, Nicholas Walton, widower, labourer in tile kiln, aged 70, born Alston, daughter, Sarah, house keeper, aged 32, born Dufton, grandchildren, Ann Walton, 13, Thomas Walton 7, Sarah Walton 4, and Elizabeth Walton 2.
At Whitehall, Nenthead, on the 27th ult., Matthew Pattinson, aged 30.
See 1st June 1878
At Ashgill, Garrigill, on the 28th ult., Thomas Ward, aged 58 years.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Thomas Ward, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Hannah (Renwick, married 12th July 1834, at St John, Garrigill) aged 36, children, Jane 7, Bessy 5, and Hannah 2.
Hannah Ward was buried 21st July 1856, aged 41, at Garrigill.
In 1861, at Ashgill Side, Thomas Ward, widower, lead miner, aged 52, children, Jane, house keeper, aged 17, Hannah 12, Thomas 7, and Sarah 5.

13th November 1867 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE.

On Friday night, the 1st inst., an interesting gathering took place at the Cross Keys Inn, the occasion being the presentation of a Testimonial to Mr. John Thompson, late secretary to the Middleton Corn Society, on his retirement from its successful management for upwards of 19 years. A substantial supper was served up by Mrs. Raine, in her usual excellent style, and after the cloth was withdrawn, R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., presided, and proved the usual loyal toasts which were drunk with all the honours. He then proposed the Bishop and Clergy and Ministers of other denominations. John Makens, Esq., vice chairman, proposed the Army, Navy, and Volunteers, coupling there with the name of Captain Bainbridge. In speaking of the past history of the British Army and Navy, and the noble deeds of valour they had performed, he said that the Volunteers he had no doubt would if called upon by circumstances show themselves equal to any emergency. Captain Bainbridge in responding observed the history of the volunteers was in the future, and that every man would, he believed, be found ready to do his duty in defending the shores of Old England, and our happy hearths and homes. The Chairman then gave the toast of the evening, in a speech of some length, in which he traced the history of the Advance Money system of the London Lead Company in the relation to the wants of the times, and the prices of provisions, shewing the kindly efforts of the late Robert Stagg, Esq., in raising the workmen's advance money from twenty to forty shillings per month; in order to enable the workmen to approach nearer to the ready-money system of trade, instead of the damaging long credit principle which had previously prevailed, and had left poor families in the hands of tradespeople and which operated equally against the interests of the latter in creating a long list of bad debts. He then alluded to the Middleton Corn Association, and the part the Lead Company had taken in a time of great distress, in providing sound foreign grain at cost price for their Workmen. This gave rise to the idea amongst the working men of an association for supplying themselves with good breadstuffs at the lowest possible prices, for this purpose a granary was built in 1841, at a cost of £200, towards which the Lead Company contributed £100, and advanced to each workman who chose

to become a member a sum sufficient to pay his entrance fee, and thus place the manager in a position to buy their first monthly grain with ready cash, and give the society a fair start. The association, however, had languished from various causes, amongst which might be reckoned the mistaken notion that because the dealers soon began to sell only a fraction higher than the Corn Association that the latter was doing no good; forgetting that the association was the very means of bringing down the markets, and thus benefiting the whole neighbourhood. About the year 1848, Mr John Thompson was chosen to undertake the management of the Society, which was upwards of £400 in debt, and through his steady and persevering efforts its affairs soon began to look up, and confidence was restored; the members were supplied with flour at 3d per stone on an average below the local prices. The society had now capital account amounting to £1133, and about £200 of the above debt had been recovered; and the late manager, on his retirement from his official connection with the association, had handed over his books without the society incurring the loss of a single penny during his long term of office. Whatever debt had been incurred by poor members, Thompson had taken the burthen upon himself, having kindly given credit to individuals in cases of necessity upon his own responsibility. The Chairman then alluded in terms of the highest praise to the upright, manly character of Mr Thompson, remarking that he had ample opportunities of observing and knowing him since his connection with the Corn Society. So much had he been impressed with his character, that he was only deterred from making him an overlooker in the Lead Company's mines from the thought that the loss to the Society would be but equal to the Company's gain, and his place not so easily filled at the time. It gave him great pleasure to present to Mr Thompson the testimonial which had been so generously subscribed to by his fellow townsmen and others, as a mark of the high respect in which he was held by them. The Testimonial consisted of Benson's Commentary on the Holy Scriptures, in six handsomely-bound volumes, and a purse containing thirty sovereigns. As Mr Thompson has long been a consistent member of the Wesleyan Society, the above commentary by an esteemed Wesleyan minister was peculiarly appropriate. The presentation was made amidst the hearty applause of the large company, and the Chairman concluded his speech by proposing health and long life to Mr Thompson. Mr Thompson rose, and in a most feeling manner expressed his thanks for that kind and hearty acknowledgment of his efforts to serve his fellow townsmen. It had been to him a matter of deep concern to take in hand the Society's affairs but he had determined from the first to do his duty, and being well and promptly supported by the committee he had been enabled to bring their affairs into a satisfactory state. He thanked the Giver of all good that until two years ago he had enjoyed unbroken health, having during seventeen years been personally able to discharge every duty devolving upon him, but during the last two years his health had failed, and he had been obliged to give up his office as secretary to the Corn Association. When his life seemed to hang in the balance he instructed his friends, in case of his death, to see that his books were properly done-up, and every penny due to the society paid. However, it had pleased God to restore him to a measure of health, and he had the satisfaction to wind up his own affaire, and to the best of his knowledge he had made all straight and satisfactory, although, in so doing, he had to make sacrifices, but be believed that "he that giveth to the

poor lendeth to the Lord." He was resolved to carry out the principles inculcated in the blessed Book with which he had been kindly presented; he considered it, with one exception, the greatest boon that had been given by God to man. He begged heartily to thank his friends for their kindness, which he would ever gratefully remember, and hoped that following the gracious directions given in those sacred volumes, they might all meet to realise its promised blessings in a better world. Mr Jacob Readshaw, jun., in an appropriate speech, proposed the next toast—" Success to the London Lead Company in all their enterprises, and thanks for all past kindnesses, especially shown in times of distress, and for their hearty co-operation in every effort made for the mental, moral, and religious improvement of the inhabitants." Capt. Bainbridge gave "the Committee of Management of the Corn Association," to which Mr John French responded. Mr W. Lee proposed the health of corn buyers of the present and past times, which was responded to by Mr A. Lowes. The health of Mr Wren, of Stockton, with whom the association had dealt with upwards of 19 years was next drunk. "The host and hostess," was then given in graceful terms by Mr C. E. Bainbridge, and the "health of the chairman and vice- chairman" having been severally proposed and acknowledged, the proceedings terminated.

26th November 1867 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Elizabeth Kindred, aged 78 years.
John Kindred married Elizabeth Pattinson 13th July 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Lowbyer, John Kindred, Ag. Labourer, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 50, sons John, 25, and Thomas 15.
In 1851, at Lowbyer, John Kindred, Ag. Labourer, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth, 61, and son John, clerk for a Spirit dealer, aged 39.
John Kindred died 4th quarter 1855, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Elizabeth Kindred, widow, Ag. Labourer, aged 72, and son John, lemonade manufacturer, aged 48.
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 20th inst., Ann Smith, aged 92 years.

27th November 1867 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
A copper mine has been recently discovered in the higher part of the dale. Copper has been worked in this district at a place called Westernhope Burn, which is pregnant with mineral wealth.

29th November 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Raise, near Alston, on the 21st inst., John Bainbridge, aged 51 years.
See 21st May 1842
At Side Head, Garrigill, on the 23rd inst., Elizabeth Hodgson, aged 81 years.
In 1851, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, farmer, aged 65, son William, lead miner, aged 34, daughter Elizabeth 27, and lodger Job Bell, scholar, aged 13.

In 1861, at Rotherhope Fell, Thomas Dixon, blacksmith, aged 32, his wife Mary 40, children, Joseph 8, Thomas 4, Hodgson 1, and mother in law, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, formerly farmer, aged 75.
At Low Wanwood, near Alston, on the 24th inst., Thomas Graham, aged 4 years.

3rd December 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
PRESENTATION.—A large and respectable company met in the Garrigill School Room on the 22nd ult., as to witness the presentation of a purse of gold to Mrs. Wallace, as a testimonial of the respect which she had gained from numerous friends during the long period she taught school at the village of Garrigill. Her very advanced age being in her 84th the year, and her increasing infirmities having rendered it necessary for her to relinquish her duties, it was thought only right that some public acknowledgment of her services should be made. Mr. Shaw, of Shield Hill, and Mr. Moffatt, of Crossgill, took the matter up, and by their praiseworthy efforts a substantial sum was soon realised. The purse itself, which was made and presented by Miss Watson, of Crossgill, is a beautiful specimen of artistic skill. in On one side of it, on a yellow floss silk ground, a neat device of flowers is presented; and, on the reverse, the following inscription is embroidered on a green floss silk ground:—"Presented to Mrs. Ann Wallace, by her friends, for her valuable services as schoolmistress at Garrigill, for upwards of 39 years. Nov. 22nd, 1867." In the afternoon, the old lady and her scholars, headed by the Garrigill brass band, playing 'See the Conquering Hero Comes," walked in procession from her house to the school-room, where, by the kindness of Mrs. Shaw they were plentifully regaled with tea. The tables were profusely supplied with plum cake, seed loaf, tea cakes, tartlets, biscuits, &c. The attentions of Mrs. Moffatt and Miss Shaw to the little folks were unremitting, and ample justice was done to the good cheer provided. After tea the public were admitted, and the schoolroom was speedily packed in every part. Mr. Shaw was called to the chair, and Mr. Dent to the vice-chair, and the latter having opened the meeting by a few appropriate remarks, Mr. Shaw then, in a neat and concise speech, presented the testimonial to Mrs. Wallace, who replied in a very touching and feeling manner, by thanking Mr. Shaw, Mr. Moffatt, the band, the public, and everybody, having special reference also to the hand of Providence in guiding her through life. Very able and eloquent addresses were afterwards given by Messrs. R. Richardson, J. Irving, and J. Henderson. During the proceedings the band discoursed some their choicest music in their best style, and both speeches and music elicited the applause of the audience. The usual formalities having been gone through, the company separated, highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

6th December 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. G. Hutchinson, Mr Matthew Stephenson of Nenthead, to Miss Elizabeth Scott, Blagill.
In 1861, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 55, children William, lead miner, aged 32, Elizabeth 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged

27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Rodger, lead miner, aged 17, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Walter 9, granddaughters Hannah Scott 13, Isabella Scott 11, and boarder Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 21. In 1871, at Nenthead, Matthew Stephenson, lead miner. aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 25, children, John 1, and William 10 months. See 27th May 1871

In 1841, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary 22, and son Matthew 8 months.

John Stephenson died 1846, at Alston.
Mary Stephenson married John Varty, 17th June 1848, at Nenthead.

In 1851, at Nenthead, John Varty, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary 34, children, Matthew 10, Isabella 1, and Mary 1.

John Varty was buried, 29th June 1855, aged 45, at Nenthead.

In 1861, at Nenthead, Mary Varty, lead miners widow, aged 44, son Matthew Stephenson, lead ore miner, aged 20, daughters, Isabella Varty 11, Mary Varty 11, sons, John Varty 9, ans Isaac Varty 6.
In 1881, at 75 Railway street, Elswick, Matthew Stephenson, masons labourer, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 34, children, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 13, William 10, Mary 9, Thomas 7, Roger 3, and Isabella 11 months.
In 1891, at 3 Worley Street, Arthurs Hill, Newcastle, Matthew Stephenson, general labourer, aged 50, his wife, Lizzie 42, children, William, street paviour, aged 20, Mary 18, Thomas, street paviours Appr., aged 16, Roger, errand boy, aged 14, Matthew 7, Walter S 5, Albert J 3, and boarder Margaret Johnston, domestic servant, aged 24.

Matthew Stephenson, died 3rd qtr., 1893, aged 52, registered at Newcastle.

In 1901, at 3 Worley Street, Arthurs Hill, Newcastle, Elizabeth Stephenson, widow, aged 53, children, married daughter, Elizabeth Hornsby 33, son in law, Robert Hornsby, shoemaker, aged 53, born, Leeds, sons, Roger, masons labourer, aged 25, Matthew, butchers apprentice, aged 16, Walter, road labourer, aged 15, daughter, Ethel 9, lodger Alfred Peart, masons labourer, aged 23, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hornsby 1.

10th December 1867 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Crops Hall, Garrigill, on the 30th ult., Joshua Bell, aged 70 years.
In 1841, at Crops Hall, Garrigill, Joshua Bell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann (Oliver, married 7th June 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 40, children, Hannah 15, Mary 14, Ann 11, Barbary 5, and Margaret 3.
Ann Bell of Crops Hall was buried 24th August 1841, aged 39, at Garrigill.
In 1851, at Crops Hall, Garrigill, Joshua Bell, lead ore miner & farmer, aged 53, daughters, Ann 21, Barbara 15, and Margaret 12.
In 1861, at Crops Hall, Garrigill, Joshua Bell, widower, lead miner, aged 65, and daughter, Margaret 21.

13th December 1867 (Carlisle Journal)
ACCIDENT TO MINER AT GREENSIDE.—On Thursday last, a serious accident occurred to one of the miners at the Greenside mines. Robert Nicholson, a man employed on the works, was at his usual occupation of

breaking the ore as it comes from the mine, when he was struck on the head by a large piece of stone which fell from a waggon. Medical assistance was promptly summoned, but we understand that the unfortunate man is still in a precarious state.

24th December 1867 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Deaths

At Croft, on the 15th inst., Elizabeth Carr, widow of Matthew Carr, lead miner, aged 88 years. *See 27th March 1886*

At Alston, on the 16th inst., Jane Clementson, widow, of John Clementson, lead miner, aged 60 years.

See 4th February 1859

At Wardway Foot, near Nenthead, on the 18th inst., George Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 51 years.

See 25th December 1867

25 December 1867 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE

An accident happened in a lead mine at Nenthead near Alston, on 16th inst., which has caused the death of a man named George Hutchinson, 51 years of age. The deceased was engaged stopping up a hole, charged with powder, when unfortunately, the powder exploded. He sustained severe injuries on his head and various parts of his body, and he died Wednesday.

See 25th February 1843, 25th December 1867, 7th August 1880, and 31st December 1887.

Deaths

At Weardale, at West Black Dean, 10th inst. aged 24, Mr Thomas Peadon.

In 1861, at West Black Dean, John Peadon, lead miner, aged 47, wife Adah 43, children Thomas 17, Pheobe 10, and servant Adah Walton, aged 14.

4th January 1868 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

Two young men named Joseph McMillan and Christopher Short, in good employment at the lead mines, left this place quietly a few days since, and have written to their parents that they are on board ship at Liverpool bound for North America. The motive of this voyage is a mystery.

Thomas Short married Jane Rodham, 31st May 1823, at St Peter, Allenheads, Thomas died between 1841 & 1851.

In 1841, at Dirt Pot Shield, Thomas Short, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 35, children Mary 17, Hannah 15, Nicholas, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 11, John, lead ore dresser, aged 9, Jane 7, Ann 4, and Isaac 1. In 1851, at Dirt Pot Shield, Allendale, Jane Short, lead miners widow, aged 48, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Ann 14, Christopher 8, and Roddam 4. In 1861, at Allendale, Jane Short, miners widow, aged 58, children Ann 23, Christopher, lead miner, aged 18, Roddam, lead ore washer, aged 14, and granddaughter Mary 3 years. Jane snr., died 4th quarter of 1869.

In 1871, at Rose Hill, Allendale, Roddam Short, lead miner, aged 24, his sister Jane 37, and niece Mary Short 13.

John McMillan married Mary Whaly, 4th June 1842, at St Peter, Allenheads.
In 1851, at Kids House, Allendale, John McMillan, Ag. Labourer, aged 33, his wife Mary 32, children Ann 8, John 6, Joseph 4, and Hugh 1.
In 1861, at Kidds House, Allendale, John Mc Millan, jobbing surface labourer, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, children Ann 18, John, enginewright, aged 16, Joseph, jobbing surface labourer, aged 14, Hugh 11, George 8, and Thomas aged 4.
Mary died 4th quarter of 1865
In 1871, at Allenheads, John Macmillan, widow, labourer for lead mines, aged 53, sons, George, joiner, aged 18, and Thomas aged 14.

7th January 1868 (Hexham Courant)

STONECROFT AND GREYSIDE MINES

On Wednesday last, honours were done to the festive season by the Stonecroft and Greyside Lead Mine Company giving all the boys (about 100) employed by them at the dressing floors &c., a bountiful supply of the good old English fare, roast beef and plum pudding; and if one was to judge from the manner in which the juveniles acquitted themselves in the disposal of the good things, he certainly would say they highly enjoyed themselves. Dinner being over amusements were entered into and oranges were distributed.

SEASONABLE BENEVOLENCE

On New Years Day, all the widows of Nenthead, to the number 63, were invited by Tinniswood Millican, Esq. to take tea together which he provided for them, in a room fitted for the occasion. The tea was of a first rate quality, and the tables graced with a great variety of rich cake, which was quite an unusual treat to many of the recipients. The trays were presided over by the following ladies, Mrs Millican and Mrs Walton, Nenthead House; Miss Teasdale and Miss Cail, West Nenthead; Mrs Dalton and Miss Dalton, Foulard House; and Mrs Walton of Donks Villa. Those of the widows, who could not attend through old age and infirmity, and also several poor people, had a liberal supply sent to their homes and all who were present were quite cheerful and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and at the close wished their generous donor and family long life and happiness, not forgetting the ladies for their kind attention.

Deaths

At Alston, 23rd ult. aged 63, William Latimer.
In 1861, at the Butts Alston, William Lattimer, unmarried, Cartman, aged 57.
At West Nenthead, 23rd ult. aged 24, Sarah Ann Ward.
See 29th September 1863, & 24th May 1884.

11th January 1868 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 27th ult. aged 54 years, Frances wife of Mr Robert Nicholson.
In 1841, at Nentsbury, Robert Nicholson, lead miner, aged 28, and his wife Frances (Stephenson, married 4th March 1841, at Alston) aged 27.
In 1851 Robert Nicholson lead miner aged 38, living at Nenthall with his wife Frances 37, and children Ann 8, John 7, Joseph 4, Mary 2.
In 1861 living at Strellas, Nenthead, Robert Nicholson lead miner aged 48, with his wife Frances aged 47, John lead miner 17, Joseph lead miner 15, Mary 12, and Thomas 8. In 1871, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Robert

Nicholson, widow, lead miner, aged 58, children, John, lead miner, aged 27, Mary 22, and Tom, draper & grocer, aged 17.
See 29th May 1869, 4th May 1872, 15th November 1873, and 21st April 1883.

IN
MEMORY
OF
FRANCES WIFE OF
ROBERT NICHOLSON
DIED AT NENTHEAD DEC. 27TH 1867
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED
ROBERT NICHOLSON
WHO DIED APRIL 30TH 1872
AGED 59 YEARS
ALSO THOMAS THEIR SON WHO
DIED
MARCH 14TH 1875 AGED 19 YEARS
ALSO MARY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 12TH 1873
AGED 25 YEARS
ALSO JOHN THEIR SON WHO DIED
APRIL 16TH 1883 AGED 39 YEARS

At Old Haggs, near Nenthead, 4th inst aged 39 years, Mr Thomas Proud, late assistant teacher of the Lead Company's School Nenthead.
Son of John & Martha Proud, Martha a widow in 1841, Martha remarried in July 1844 to Liddle Robson, he died in either 1855 or 1858.
In 1841, at Whitehall, Martha Proud, widow, aged 42, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and Thomas 12.
In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Liddle Robson, aged 40, his wife Martha 52, and son in law, Thomas Proud, scholar, aged 22. In 1861, at Overwater, Martha Robson, miners widow, aged 63, born Allendale, and son Thomas Proud, schoolmaster, aged 32. Martha Robson died 2nd quarter of 1867. Joseph Thomas's elder brother, in 1861 was married with a family the census gives them living at Pry House, Nenthead, Joseph Proud lead miner aged 35, his wife Margaret (Stephenson, married 23rd June 1850, Nenthead) aged 30, children Ann 9, Hannah 8, Margaret 3. They had a daughter Martha aged 6 months on the 1851 census, there is a record of a Martha Proud dying in 3rd quarter of 1851.
In 1871, at Hill End, Stanhope, Joseph Proud, quarryman, aged 45, his wife Margaret 40, children Hannah 18, Margaret 13, Martha E 8, and Sarah J 4 (all born Alston).

14th January 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 3rd inst. aged 30, Mr John Walton Cowper.
He had been ill for some time and wasted away.
In 1851, at Main Street, Alston, Emmerson Cowper (son of John Cowper and Sarah Walton, married at St John, Garrigill, 3rd November 1804), grocer, aged

44, his wife Tamar (Shaw, married 28th January 1836, Saint Andrew, Penrith) aged 42, son John, aged 13.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Emmerson Cowper (died 30th July 1863), mineralogist, and lead ore agent, aged 54, his wife Tamar aged 52, son John W. lead ore agents clerk, aged 23, niece, Jane Armstrong, shareholder in lead mine, aged 22. See 1st June 1833, 23rd November 1864, and 22nd July 1876.

18th January 1868 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

MINING PAY. Some of the men employed by the London Lead Company, have had upwards of £100 to draw at the annual "pays" which commenced here on Wednesday. There were men who had a "lucky" season; generally, the miners as usual had very small sums to get. A little liberty is always taken at this season and on the present occasion it has resulted in a few brawls. Nothing serious has however occurred and the tradesmen drive a profitable business.

8th February 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Peter's Church, Allendale, 5th inst, Mr Wm J Walton, East Woodburn, Reedswater, to Mary youngest daughter of Mr Wm Walton agent, Allenheads smelt mills.

15th February 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead by special license by the Rev H Robinson, Mr Nicholas Harrison now of Weardale to Mrs Phoebe Emerson of Nenthead late of Weardale.
In 1871, at Wearhead, Nicholas Harrison, retired farmer, aged 78 and his wife Phoebe aged 70.

18th February 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At the workhouse, Alston, 6th inst., Hannah Vipond, aged 68 years.
Daughter of Thomas Vipond and Frances Emerson, born 29th January 1800.
At Nenthead, 7th inst., Catherine Toppin, aged 80 years.
In 1851, at Catton, Catherine Toppin, aged 63, son William, joiner, aged 41, and granddaughter, Ann Toppin 3.
In 1861, at Bankfoot, Nenthead, Catherine Toppin, born Allendale, housekeeper, aged 73, son William, joiner aged 51, and granddaughter Ann Toppin aged 13.
At Alston, 9th inst., Margaret Reid, aged 33 years.
Wife of Thomas Reid, a Tailor.

22nd February 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At St John's Chapel 16th inst, by the Rev James Green, Mr J H Forster of Carlisle to Miss Mary Jane Roddam only daughter of Mr W Roddam of Kings Arms Inn St John's Chapel Weardale.

At Nenthead 15th ult. by the Rev Henry Robinson, George Phillipson of Allenheads to Margaret Robinson of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Welgill, Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 34, children John 13, Margaret 12, Hannah 9, Mary 6, and Elizabeth 1. In 1861, Margaret Robinson, aged 23, was working for William Tatters and family, at Gossip Gate, Alston, as a house servant.
In 1841, at Ellershope, George Phillipson, lead ore miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Heslop, married 31st July 1830, at St Peter, Allenheads, buried at St Peter, Allenheads, 22nd May 1849, aged 43) aged 30, children Henry 9, Nicholas 7, Ann 5, Thomas 3, and George 9 months. In 1851, at Park House, Allendale, George Philipson, widow, lead miner, aged 43, children Henry, lead miner, aged 19, Nicholas, day labourer, aged 17, Ann 15, Thomas 12, and George 10.
In 1861, at Spring House Cottages, Allendale, George Philipson, widow, retired lead miner, aged 54, daughter Ann, house keeper, aged 25, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, George, labourer and quarryman, aged 20, grandson George Philipson 2, and house servant Jane Short, aged 27
In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allendale, George Philipson, quarryman, labourer, aged 30, his wife Margaret 32, children Thomas W 4, Mary 2, and Elizabeth H 1. In 1881, at Ropehaugh, Allendale, George Philipson, limestone quarryman, aged 44, his wife Margaret 42, children Thomas W. 14, Mary 12, Elizabeth H. 11, Margareta 9, and Jane 4.

3rd March 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 19th ult., William Kirk, aged 23 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Kirk, Tea dealer & grocer, aged 43, born Gatehouse, Scotland, his wife Ann (Whitfield, married 28th November 1843, at Kirkoswald) aged 31, born Kirkoswald, sons W. Wd 6, and G. Ann 2.
William Kirk snr., died 1st qtr 1852, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at 6 George Street, Westgate, Newcastle, Lodgers, William W Kirk, accountants clerk, aged 16, born Alston, and John P Kirk, assistant chemist, aged 25, born Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Ann Kirk, widow, grocer, aged 42, daughters, Grace A 12, and Jane 9.
Ann Kirk, died 21st March 1887, at Alston.
At Garrigill Gate, on the 23rd ult., William Armstrong, aged 35 years.
In 1861, at Ashgill Side, Garrigill, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary 28, and son Christopher 6 months.
See 23rd April 1892

3rd March 1868 (Penrith Observer)
PRESENTATION AT NENTHEAD.—Mr. Tinniswood Millican, of Nenthead, having retired from his office as District Agent to the London Lead Mining Company in Alston Moor, the company's workmen decided upon presenting him with a testimonial as a mark of the respect in which he has been held by them, and for the manner in which he has promoted their best interests during the many years he has been placed over them. A goodly sum having been raised in subscriptions, it was decided the testimonial should take the shape of

a gold watch and chain, and on Friday, the 21st inst., a large number of the workmen assembled in the company's new school-room, at Nenthead, for the purpose of witnessing the presentation. R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., of Middleton House, the company's superintendent, in an appropriate speech, presented the testimonial to Mr. Millican, and after that gentleman had expressed his thanks, and a vote of thanks had been proposed to Mr. Bainbridge for officiating on the occasion and carried, the proceedings terminated. The Nenthead Brass Band was in attendance.

7th March 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Weardale.
Death of Miss Elizabeth Cain eldest daughter of J. C. Cain Esq. of Weardale House. Died 28th ult. in the 21st Year of her age after a protracted illness, interned at St Johns Chapel.
See 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH JANE
ELDEST DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH COWPER & HANNAH CAIN
OF WEARDALE HOUSE,
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 28TH 1868, AGED 20 YEARS.

ON THE SOUTH SIDE;
IN LOVING REMEMBERANCE OF HANNAH
THE BELOVED WIFE OF JOSEPH C CAIN
OF WEARDALE HOUSE
WHO DIED JULY 5TH 1872 AGED 54 YEARS.

7th March 1868 (Hexham Herald)

MURDER IN WEARDALE
THE SHOCKING CHILD MURDER IN WEARDALE.
VERDICT OF WILFUL MURDER.

On Tuesday an inquest was held at the house of Mr William Roddam, Kings Arms Inn, St Johns Chapel Weardale before Mr W. D. Trotter on the body of the infant child of Margery Nattrass, which came to its death at the hands of its mother in such a shocking and horrible manner, on Thursday last as reported in our columns on Saturday. The case has caused considerable excitement throughout the dale in as much as it is the first murder that has ever been committed in the dale within living memory. It appears that the murderess is the second wife of Joseph Nattrass who is a lead miner and lives on a small farm of his own at Huntshield Ford, a short distance from St Johns Chapel and about nine miles from Stanhope, in Weardale. The body of the murdered infant presented a horrible spectacle when viewed by the jury. The following was the evidence taken at the inquest. Mr Hutchinson, solicitor, of Stanhope, watching the case for the defence: -

Mary Ann Gibson, single women said she had lived servant with Joseph Nattrass since the Martinmas term, Mr Nattrass is a married man and his wife's name is Marjory Nattrass. Mrs Nattrass was confined on the 19th February of a girl. Mr Nattrass's family consisting of five boys and one girl lived with them. The youngest was about seven years old, the rest grown up. The eldest being near twenty was living with Mr Nattrass when he married last time December 18 1867. The two lived happily together. Never saw any quarrel between them, Mr Nattrass is a lead miner, farms his own property and is in comfortable circumstances.

On Thursday morning at about eleven o'clock, witness was going into the house from the dairy when she met Mrs Nattrass with the baby in her arms and asked where she was going, and she replied into the dairy, as she wanted some things. Witness passed on. She heard the child cry immediately after, went towards the dairy, and saw Mrs Nattrass standing at the door with the baby in her arms. It was bleeding. She ran and told a neighbour to come as Mrs Nattrass had killed the baby. She saw it was dead from the appearance of it. Mary Vickers came and they sat Mrs Nattrass on a chair with the child still in her arms, and then sent for Dr Hewitson. When Mrs Nattrass went to the dairy there was no one else there but her self. She had seen the baby several times that morning and it was quite well. Mrs Nattrass was up the second day of her confinement; but though she had been going about the house from that time, she was not quite strong. Noticed she was low, and from her way thought she was not right in her mind. On the 14th ult., witness went into the dairy and saw Mrs Nattrass striking matches in broad daylight. There was a quarter barrel of powder on the floor. The eldest son George Nattrass had taken her to task about being with child before she was confined; and after she was confined, he left the house, but came back next day by his father's advice. Never heard her husband find fault with her, and could not assign any reason for her to be in a low way. Had seen Mrs Nattrass on the Sunday previous with a laudanum bottle. Could give no reason to account for her committing the act. When Dr Hewitson came, he took the baby from her arms.

By the jury: Mrs Nattrass left the house on Wednesday night with the baby in her arms, and got 200 yards away. She had no boots on her feet and the child had no extra clothing on. Witness followed her and endeavoured to get her back. She would not come. Witness got Mark Nattrass, her stepson to go after her and he brought her back. She had left the house in a similar state four days previous to being confined, between eleven and twelve o'clock at night, and her son Matthew brought her back. She did not want to come back she was going to her mother but they persuaded her. On the last occasion, she went out with her boots on and came back without them. Saw knife after Mrs Nattrass came from the dairy. It was covered with blood, and was lying on the dairy table. Had heard George Nattrass say when he left the house that it was not on her account that he left the house. He blamed his father more than her.

Mary Vickers, widow living at Huntshield Ford said she was called into Joseph Nattrass's, on Thursday morning last, about a quarter past ten. Mrs Nattrass met her at the door with the child in her arms. The child was bleeding very much. Witness said, "Oh Margery, what have you done that for?" She answered, "To send it to heaven." She told her if she had only brought it into her, she would have nursed it up for her. She seemed very fond of the child. She seemed very much dejected, and had trouble on her mind.

Mr Charles Christopher Hewitson M.R.C.S., surgeon living in St Johns Chapel said he was sent for to Nattrass's on the 27th of February, about noon and went directly. When he got there, he saw the child. He found the neck was cut nearly severing the head from the body. The cut might have been done by some sharp instrument, and considerable force had been used. He attended Mrs Nattrass during her confinement, and the child was a healthy child. He had no doubt, whatever that the child's death was caused by the wound in the throat. The knife produced might inflict the wound providing considerable force had been used. He never attended her at any time previous to her confinement. Never considered it necessary to give instructions to take more than ordinary care of her. He thought her rather low spirited and disinclined to talk, but thought it arose from her natural disposition. He had no ears of her losing her reason.

John Duck, sergeant of police at St Johns Chapel deposed to having taken possession of the knife produced.

Samuel Robinson, superintendent of police at Stanhope gave evidence as to having taken Mrs Nattrass into custody on the 28th ult. He took her in a cab to the police station at Stanhope. On getting into the cab she said, "Don't take me away; forgive me." On arriving at Stanhope, he had, her placed in a good bed and had taken great care of her since. She seemed rather troubled in mind, but appeared in her conversation to be perfectly sensible.

The coroner having summed up the jury, after a short consultation returned a verdict of "wilful murder" against Margery Nattrass the mother of the child.

Joseph Nattrass first wife was Hannah Dixon, Children George Dixon, born 1849; Mark born 1851; Joseph born 1853; John born 1855; and Hannah born 1861. His second wife Margery was living at Sunniside, Stanhope at the time of her marriage to Joseph, their marriage took place at Westgate Primitive Methodist chapel on 18th December 1867, the certificate shows Joseph aged 49, the son of Mark Nattrass, Lead Miner deceased, and Margery aged 37 years, widow, father James Dixon, Lead Miner deceased.

Household at Huntshield ford on the 1851 census: Joseph (32), Hannah (30), George Dixon (2), Mark (6 months)
Household at Huntshield ford on the 1861 census: Joseph (42), Sarah (29, Josephs sister), George Dixon (12), Mark (10), Joseph (8), John (6), Matthew (4), Hannah (9 months), Mary Ann Peart (11 nurse)
Household at Huntshieldford on the 1871 census: Joseph (53), George Dixon (22), Joseph (18), John (16), Matthew (14), Hannah (10), Sarah J. Greenwell (21 servant born Alston)
Margery was a widow. Her first marriage was to Robert Tarn at Middleton Teesdale parish church on 4th March 1858, the marriage certificate shows that Robert was aged 25, a bachelor the son of Joseph Tarn, deceased, Margery aged 25 years a spinster, father James Dixon, a miner, witnesses were Sarah Dixon & William Porter. Robert was baptised at Middleton Teesdale 31st March1833, child of Joseph and Ann Tarn (married at Romaldkirk 22nd April 1826, Ann Parkin) he was one of 5 children, Joseph born 1828, William born 1830, Hannah born 1835, Ann born 1836. Robert died in the 3rd quarter (July – September) of 1858. Dr Hewitson in his testimony stated that he "had heard prisoner had had an attack of the same disease about ten years ago"; perhaps not surprising having lost her husband after such a short time.

The Court case held at Durham assizes was reported in the Newcastle Weekly Chronicle Saturday 18th July 1868. The assizes session began on the 9th July; Margery's case was heard on Saturday 11th July 1868.
Margery Nattrass, 36, was charged with having murdered her female child at Stanhope on the 27th February. Mr Campbell Foster appeared for the prosecution, and Mr Meynell for the defence. The case for the prosecution was this Prisoner was a widow last year, and her husband a miner, a widower. The latter had a family of six children from 20 to 7 years of age. Nattrass and the prisoner were married in December, and about two months off her confinement. On the 19th February, she was delivered, and of course, some scandal took place in the neighbourhood, and the matter was commented on in the husbands' family. She progressed rapidly towards recovery, and eight days after her confinement she got down stairs. On the same day she went out into the dairy with the child in her arms, and shortly afterwards a cry was heard. On leaving the dairy about two minutes afterwards, the servant Mary Ann Gibson, saw her enter the kitchen closely pressing the child in her arms. Blood was running down her dress, she went out of the house but Gibson persuaded her to go in again, and attempted to take the child from her. The woman refused, and the girl called in a neighbour, Mrs Vickers, and a doctor was sent for. On his arrival, the child was dead, its throat having been so fearfully gashed that it was impossible for it to live. Previous to the coming of the doctor (Mr. Hewitson), which did not take place for nearly an hour, the woman sat with the child firmly clasped in her arms, and once attempted to give it a suck. Mrs Vickers asked her why she had done it, and she replied that she did so to send it to heaven. The witness Gibson, as were the others, was cross-examined as to the prisoners' apparent state of mind previous to, and a few days after her confinement. Witness said she had been in low spirits. On two occasions, she had strayed out at night, and she had frequently seemed as if she did not know what she was going to do. Once she saw her lighting matches over a small barrel

of gunpowder, which was kept in the dairy. She had noticed her conduct to be very peculiar, and had watched her. – Re-examined: She mentioned the matter of the gunpowder a few days afterwards to the prisoners' husband, not at the time. She had not been instructed by her master nor by any one else to watch the prisoner. – Joseph Nattrass, younger son of the husband, corroborated Gibson's evidence as to the murder, and Mrs Vickers spoke to the conversation she had had with the woman. – The eldest son, George Nattrass, said he had told the prisoner that report said she was in the familyway. She replied. Yes, it was true, upon which he remarked if he had known it sooner they should have married sooner. Some unpleasantness followed, and he left his fathers house for a time. Sergeant Duck produced the knife, and Superintendent Robinson, who charged her, said she became violent when at Stanhope station, and said, "Let me go, forgive me." – Dr Hewitson said he had attended the woman in her confinement on the 19th February. He thought her dull and disinclined to talk, and such he took to be her natural disposition. When he took the dead child from her she said. "I can't tell whatever possessed me to do it." And then she turned aside her head as though she could not bear any further thought of it. Could not form any decided conclusion about her state of mind. – By Mr Meynell: Had had cases of puerperal mania. Attacks about this period of confinement were not very uncommon. Sometimes they came on before, sometimes after confinement. The most common time for them to come was four or five days after, and sometimes very suddenly. A disposition to murder their children was a marked symptom of the disease. Women suffering from the disease could recognise persons and things and answer questions; perhaps they might not at all times give correct answers. Sometimes they might be quite coherent. The attacks went off as quickly as they came on, and after that, a woman again would become perfectly sane. He knew of such attacks lasting for a few weeks, and sometimes not so long. Getting up too soon after confinement might bring on an attack providing the woman was subject to them. Had she had trouble before the woman would be more liable. – Re-examined: Had heard prisoner had had an attack of the same disease about ten years ago. When he saw her, she seemed quite right and rational. – Dr Arnison, who saw the prisoner at the police station, said her pulse was at 110, with great heat in her head. When he put questions to her, it was with great difficulty he could get a reply. She answered coherently. She was very reluctant to give an answer. He should think there was something the matter with her brain. The woman appeared quite sullen. He supposed she was recovering from an attack of puerperal mania. – His lordship here submitted to the jury whether they had not sufficient evidence to assure them as to the prisoners' state of mind at the time she killed the child. – The jury at once declared the prisoner was not guilt on the grounds of insanity. – His lordship said that proper care would be taken of the woman.

In the census of 1871, Margery was recorded as an inmate at Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum; Berkshire aged 41, birth about 1830.

The following are extracts from the work by Dr. Hilary Marland:

Maternity and Madness: Puerperal Insanity in the Nineteenth Century.
Centre for the History of Medicine, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL, England. Posted April 2003.

Two forms of puerperal insanity were recognised, mania and melancholia, 'the one attended with great excitement and furious delirium, the other characterized by the features of low melancholy'. Mania was said to occur more frequently and attracted greater attention, not least because of its flamboyant form and its associated contravention of all the codes of decent female behaviour and maternal duty. Gooch referred to the rumbustious behaviour of women afflicted with the disorder: 'the patient swears, bellows, recites poetry, talks bawdry, and kicks up such a row that there is the devil to play in the house'
It was agreed that, although mania was more flamboyant and disturbing, the melancholic form was most difficult to cure and could become entrenched, with the women lapsing into a lingering depression, 'drollery' or dementia. It was such women that we find languishing years after admission in the wards of large public asylums, and who finally died there. The stories, taken mainly from case notes, of puerperal insanity form a sad collection, of miserable depression or excitable and disruptive mania, suicide attempts, self-harm, infanticide, terror, delusions and misery, often compounded by poverty, physical exhaustion and domestic violence

For poor women, the asylum may have functioned as a refuge, a place where they could rest, receive proper food and a break from the hardships of their lives - and asylum superintendents often framed their care in these terms - and for all women, the gentle therapeutic regime may have allowed them a period of respite, a break from household duties and mothering.

Janet Smith was admitted to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum on April 1st 1853, one of the 155 cases of puerperal mania to pass through the doors of the institution between 1846 and 1864.25 A married woman, aged 23, a member of the United Presbyterian Church, naturally of a frank and cheerful disposition, temperate, active, quiet, and of average intelligence, though of a 'nervous temperament', it was recorded in the Asylum case books that:
Ten days ago after a severe labour she was delivered with the aid of the forceps of a living child: a few days after this her mind became gloomy &she wept much; this was followed by sleeplessness, restlessness and a disposition to be noisy & obstinate & destructive of clothing: she rhymes over the letters of the alphabet for hours at once, she often sings, she inclines to run about the room...
Jane was confused, incoherent, and remained on admission noisy and disruptive, singing and laughing in turn, and repeated a few words for hours on end at the 'height of her voice'. She was confined to bed, given laxatives and stimulants, warm baths; her head was shaved and blisters applied to the nape of her neck. Slowly Jane improved, gained weight and became more restful. In May, however, she relapsed, and was described as being furious, noisy, mischievous, destructive and dirty, using profane

and obscene language, abusing everyone who came near her, spitting in their faces. Her husband and brother were allowed to visit but made no impression on her. By July, she again showed signs of improvement, was more tranquil, started to work and rested better at night. In October, a more abrupt change occurred: she began to ask after her friends, husband and child, was cheerful, kind and industrious, and 'regained her natural disposition'. She was discharged cured on 26 October, after seven months in the asylum.

Like many women suffering from puerperal insanity, Jane Smith subsequently became ill again and was readmitted to the Edinburgh Royal Asylum in October 1855. The case notes explained, that since her discharge two years previously she had remained well, but 'Fourteen days ago she was confined and 4 days after she became insane'. Admitted sleepless, imagining her dead mother was alive, taking no notice of her child, violent and abusive, this time her recovery was more rapid. By December the casebook, reported Jane as being 'tidy, active and useful', gaining in strength and flesh, powerful indicators of recovery. Yet, the asylum doctors chose to wait, and to allow Jane to convalesce fully, and only discharged her as recovered a few months later in March 1856.

The 1881 census states that Margery Nattrass widow, was an Innkeeper at Wearhead, Stanhope, in 1891 she is listed as living in St John's Chapel.
The register of deaths for Jan/Feb/March 1902 gives Margery Nattrass born about 1830, aged 72 years of Weardale.

14th March 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead 6th aged 52 Ann Barron very suddenly.
George Barron married Nancy Hind 19th March 1840, at Alston
In 1841, at Dykeheads, George Barrow (Barron), (son of Cowper Barron and Hannah Armstrong, married at Alston 15th May 1794), lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann 26, sons Couper 6 months, and William 6 months.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, George Barron, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Sarah (Ann) 36, children Cowper 10, William 10, Sarah 8, Hannah 6, Ann 4, and George 1. In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Barron, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Ann 46, children Cowper, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 20, Ann 14, George 11, and Mary 8.
See 24th August 1866, and 5th February 1876
At Nenthead, 8th inst, Joseph Frederick William Marton *(aged 1 year)* youngest son of Mr William T. L. Shaw. *Lead Ore Smelter, married to Elizabeth, the 1871 census has the family living at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William aged 43, Elizabeth 41, children, John James 9, Frances E. 6, Mary Jane L. 2. See 13th October 1894*

17th March 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Allendale town at Wentworth Place, 9th inst., in her 78 year Ann relict of Mr Joseph Curry, Allenheads.
Joseph Curry married Ann Robson, 4th February 1815, at Allendale.
Children of Joseph and Ann Curry: —

William baptised 16th December 1813, died 16th December 1864, John baptised 19th July 1815, Thomas baptised 16th November 1817, Ann baptised 6th August 1820, Caleb baptised 17th November 1822, Jane baptised 5th September 1824, Frances baptised 27th January 1827, Elizabeth baptised 1st August 1830, Joseph Hunter Archbold baptised 14th October 1832, and Mary baptised 11th April 1834.
In 1841, at Allenheads Village, Joseph Curry, lead mine agent, aged 60, his wife Ann aged 50, children Ann 20, Frances 14, Elizabeth 11, Joseph 9, and Mary 6.
In 1851, at Allenheads, Joseph Curry, annuitant, aged 70 (died 4th quarter of 1857), his wife Ann 60, children Jane, dressmaker, aged 26, Eliz 20, Joseph, assistant teacher, aged 17, Mary 16, Thomas, widow, lead miner, aged 33 (married Mary Dodd 10th June 1838, Mary died 4th quarter of 1844), grandchildren Ann 11, Sarah 9, Jane 7, and visitor Frances Dixon, milliner, aged 23. In 1861, at Wentworth Place, Allendale Town, Ann Curry, widow, proprietor of houses and land, aged 70, daughter Elizabeth 31, son Joseph H A., proprietor of houses and land, aged 28, and daughter Mary 26.
In 1861, Thomas Curry, widow, lead mine agent, aged 44, is lodging at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth. In 1861, at The Garrick Head, Cloth Market, Newcastle, Caleb Curry, innkeeper, aged 38, his wife Eliza Ann 39daughters Sarah Ann 13, Margaret D 5, niece Jane Curry 17, and nephew Joseph S Curry, clerk, aged 18.
See 21st December 1864, 6th July 1869, 18th July 1870, 25th May 1872, 9th September 1876, 24th August 1889, and 24th June 1899.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
JOSEPH CURRY
OF ALLENHEADS
FOR MANY YEARS LOCAL MINE AGENT
AT THAT PLACE HE DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DEC. _____ 1857,
AGED 77 YEARS
ALSO OF
ANN WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MARCH 9TH 1868
AGED 77 YEARS

28th March 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead 26th inst, by the Rev Henry Robinson, Mr Robert Moffat to Miss Sarah Armstrong both of Nenthead.

In 1861, at Nenthead, Robert Moffatt, grocer, aged 22, and cousin Hannah Moffatt, post office mistress, aged 25.
In 1871, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Robert Moffatt, masons labourer, aged 31, his wife Sarah 26, children Joseph 3, and Margaret 1. In 1881, at Dykeheads, Sarah Moffatt, lead miners widow, aged 37, children Joseph 13, Maggie 11, and Hannah Lizzie 6. In 1891, at 41 Sopwith Street, Benwell, Sarah Moffatt, widow, aged 46, daughter Margaret Eliz, drapers shop girl, aged 16, and son Joseph, clerk aged 21. See 27th May 1871, 20th November 1875, 11th March 1876, and 22nd February 1896

11th April 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the parish, church Alston, 8th inst., Mr John Lee, Gillhouse, to Miss Sarah Woodmass, Bailes.
In 1841, at Gill House, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 35, children John 15, William 10, Elizabeth 8, Ann 4, and Sarah 1.
In 1851, at Gill House, Isabella Lee, widow, farmer, aged 45, children John, farmers son & cartman, aged 24, William, farmers son, aged 20, Elizabeth 18, Ann 13, Sarah 11, Isabella 9, Joseph 6, and Robert 3.
In 1861, at Gill House, Isabella Lee, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 55, children John, farmers son, aged 34, William, farmers son, aged 30, Elizabeth 28, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 19, Joseph 16, Robert 13, and grandson Joseph Lee 1 year. In 1871, at Gill House, Alston, John Lee, lead miner & farmer, aged 44, his wife Sarah aged 41, and son John Joseph 2. In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, John Lee, grocer, aged 54, his wife Sarah 51, children John J. 12, and George W. 9.

25th April 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Clay *(Clog?)* Hall near Nenthead 2nd, inst aged 37 years Mr William Thompson.
Daniel Thompson married Anna Harrison, 12th June 1824, at Alston.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Anna 35, children William, carter labourer, aged 14, Agnes 13, Thomas 10, Anna 5, and Daniel 4 months.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Anna Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Anna 15, Daniel 10, Jonathan 7, and grandson, Henry Thompson 2.
In 1861, at Cloghall, William Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children Jonathan 7, Isabela 5, and Agnes 2.

2nd May 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Weardale
Death of Mr John Walton. Mr John Walton who for about 25 years has been one of the principle agents at the extensive lead mines in Weardale belonging to W. B. Beaumont Esq. MP. died at his residence, New House, the 27th ult. in the 43 year of his age.
Parents William & Mary of Peasemeadows, Allendale born in 1826, in 1841 the family consisted of William, Agent, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 40, and

the children John 15, Margaret 11, William 8, Isabella 6, Joseph and Edward 4, and Mary 2.
In 1851, John was working as a Lead Mining Agent at Newhouse, Weardale. In 1861 John, Lead ore mining agent aged 35 (born Allendale) was living with his wife Margaret (Nevin, married 8th April 1852) aged 31, at the W.B company offices at Newhouse. They had four children, George N. aged 8, Mary E. 5, Jane 3, and Margaret 9 months. In 1871 at High Prize, St John, Stanhope, Margaret Walton, widow, land owner, aged 41, children George N. articled clerk, aged 18, Mary E 15, Jane 13, Margaret 10, John W 8, Isabel 6, and domestic servant, Ann Featherstone 21.

Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel on the 30th ult. by Rev John Newton, Mr John Heslop of Brownley Hill to Miss Christiana Henderson of Craignook. *(See entry 8th January 1870)*

5th May 1868 (Hexham Courant)

WEDDING FESTIVITIES AT ALSTON

On Thursday last, the inhabitants of Alston Moor were early attracted by the sound of a battery of six guns, which were fired repeatedly during the day at Rodderup Fell Mines, on the occasion of the marriage of Thomas Wilson Esq., of Shotley Hall, in the county of Northumberland, with Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late Sir Samuel Cunard, Bart. In honour of whom a treat was

given at Rodderup Fell Mine, near Alston, to the numerous workmen and others connected with this mine, in which Mr Wilson is a principle partner, and with which Messrs Wilson and their friends have been connected now for half a century. Joined by the workmen from Hudgill Burn and Blagill Mines, in which also Mr Wilson is a principle partner, the men marched in procession from Leadgate to the Mine, preceded by the Rodderup Fell Company's Band, and bearing numerous banners. At one o'clock the company, to the number of about 220, sat down in a spacious tent, 112 feet long, and well decorated with flags, erected under the superintendence of Mr Isaac Walton, of Brownside House, to an excellent dinner, to which ample justice was done. The chair was taken by T. W. Crawhall, Esq., supported by Captain Dickinson, Sergeant Dickinson, and Mr William Sixsmith, and Messrs Isaac and Joseph Walton, occupying the vice chairs. After dinner the chairman, in an appropriate speech, proposed the health of Mr and Mrs Wilson, which was most heartily responded to, and after the usual toasts the company retired to the Green to amuse themselves with sundry games, for which prizes were offered, and won as follows, viz: - For wrestling-1st, Henry Dowson; 2nd, William Kirsopp. Pole leaping-1st, Henry Dowson. Wheelbarrow race-1st, John Nicholson. Foot race-1st, George Dickinson. Race in couples-1st, Henry Vipond and J Kirton. Long leap-1st Henry Dawson, &c., &c. concluding a little before dusk with an excellent foot race by the boys. While the workmen were thus employed, about 50 of the wives and daughters of the Rodderup Fell Company's tenants were regaled by an excellent tea in the Company's schoolroom at Leadgate. The whole proceedings were carried out in an excellent spirit, and were only slightly marred by the very high wind, which, however, only succeeded in curtailing the speeches but not the sports.

The marriage took place on Thursday 30th April at Nunmonckton, Yorkshire, where the brides, Elizabeth the youngest daughter of the late Sir Samuel Cunard had been residing for a short time. It was also reported at this time that Mr Wilson on his estate at Shotley Bridge had built waterfalls and an artificial lockworks arranged by Mr John Hancock of Newcastle.

15th May 1868 (Durham Chronicle)

OPENING OF THE TEES VALLEY RAILWAY

This event was consummated on Tuesday, amidst great rejoicings. In the early part of the day. Col. Hutchinson, R.E., the Government Inspector, made his final inspection,, and at one o'clock a train started from Darlington for the purpose of opening the line. The train contained the directors, railway officials, and several other gentlemen, amongst whom we observed the Rev. T. Witham, chairman. and Messrs H. Pease, R. Thompson. T. Richardson, W T. Scarth, directors of the line; Col. Hutchinson, Messrs W. R. Hunter (Newcastle), W. Copperthwaite (Malton), J. Wilson, Col. Maude, M. Headlam. T. F. Scarth, W. Watson, T. D. Ridley. H. Hodgson (London), T. F. Mackay. C.E., W. Cudworth, M.I.C.E., G. G. Boulton, T. Jones, C.E., G. Stephenson, W. Smith, R. Pickering, W. Bouch, R. T. Richardson, R. Bainbridge, and the Rev. J. L. Lowe. At Barnardcastle there was a large augmentation, and from that station the line may be said to commence, because independent access is afforded by means of the South Durham line from a point a little west of the Tees Viaduct. The splendid view from the viaduct was much admired, the ruins of the Castle forming a conspicuous object, the foliage of the woods, just

breaking out in all its freshness, giving an additional charm to the extensive and romantic landscape. The first sod of the new line was cut at Middleton-in-Teesdale on the 9th September, 1865, by his Grace the Duke of Cleveland. The works have since been carried on by Messrs Boulton and Jones, contractors, under the care of Messrs Nimmo and Macnay, C.E., of Westminster, the company's engineers The line is 7¾ miles in length, and leaving the South Durham at Towler Hill, it passes on to the charming little village of Cotherstone, famous for its cheeses. Here a neat little station is provided. The ruins of an ancient castle of the Fitzhughs are situated on a promontory overlooking the Tees, and Percymire Castle, a huge rocky precipice, is a conspicuous landmark on the Manrood side of the river. Leaving Cotherstone, the Balder stream is crossed by a graceful viaduct of nine arches of 30 feet span. This structure is 100 feet in height, and is built of stone, with arches of fire-brick: a neat iron hand-railing is fixed on the parapets. The view is magnificent, the banks being thickly wooded, and to the east an extensive landscape opens out. Woden Croft is near, and the reader will mark the Saxon origin of these names. The line has now attained a high level, skirting the Moor on the left, whilst on the right the scenery continues beautiful along the course of the Tees towards Eggleston, where the mansion of Mr T. Hutchinson may be seen. No station has as yet been erected at Romaldkirk, and it is considered that great inconvenience will result to that important village until that accommodation is provided There is nothing of importance to note until we reach the Lune Viaduct— a stately structure of five arches, and 50 span and 60 feet in height, built of similar materials to the Balder. Here the view is also magnificent, and Southkirk occupies an elevated position on the north side, and the banks are beautifully fringed with trees. The public road passes at the foot of the viaduct, and from this point the best view of it is obtained. The long straggling village of Mickleton is provided with station accommodation. A straight run then brings us to Middleton-in-Teesdale, the terminus of the line. The station is a neat, but small structure, occupying a commanding position at some height above the town, and near the old toll-bar. We understand that the Whinstone Dyke passes close to the line, and is favourable for being worked as a valuable material for road-making. Middleton-in-Teesdale is prettily situated on the Durham side of the valley. The population of Middleton is about 2000, and the principal occupation is provided by the London Lead Company, who have extensive lead workings in the district. The mineral wealth of Teesdale is well known; and now that railway facilities are afforded, the ironstone and other minerals will have proper means of transit to the consuming districts, thereby increasing the trade of the neighbourhood and adding to its wealth. The country through which the line passes is not less remarkable for the charming loveliness of its scenery of wood and dale and rounded heights of blue-capped hills, than for its mines of mineral wealth; and not to the agriculturist, the manufacturer, and commercial speculator alone will the new line prove highly advantageous, but to the tourist also, to whom it will afford an excellent opportunity of exploring the dale, and viewing at his leisure the many and picturesque charms of landscape beauty with which it is so profusely studded. The cost of the line is about £8000 per mile, and reflects credit both on the engineers and contractors, for the mode in which the line is laid out and constructed. The viaducts have cost £5,000 each. The demonstration at Middleton consisted of

sports, a gala, several tea meetings, a ball, and a public dinner at the Cross Keys Inn. The town was gaily decorated with banners, triumphal arches, &c The directors and friends dined at the King's Head Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet was provided by Mr John Smith The chair was occupied by the Rev. T. Witham, of Lartington Hall, chairman of the company The line will be worked by the Darlington section of the North Eastern Railway Company.

16th May 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston 8th inst, aged 73 years William Archer, Groom.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, William Archer lead miner, aged 44, his wife Hannah (Hutchinson, married at Alston, 15th March 1827) aged 40, children Jane 12, William 8, Hannah 5, Thomas 4, and Eleanor 1 year. In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, William Archer, aged 56, his wife Hannah 50, children Jane, factory girl work, aged 22, Wm, factory boy work, aged 18, Hannah 16, Thos 14, Eleanor 11, Adam 7, and John 5.
In 1861, at Kate's Lane, Alston, William Archer, widow, groom, aged 66, children Jane, house keeper, aged 32, William, labourer, aged 28, Adam, lead miner, aged 17, John, groom aged 15, and grandson William Archer 9.

26th May 1868 (Hexham Courant)
A WEARDALE MAN DROWNED IN AUSTRALIA.
In the Illustrated Australian News of March 30th, is reported a fatal accident which occurred on the 7th of that month to a Weardale man, the son of Mr Ralph Coulthard, late of New Close, Westgate, Weardale. "Three young men, named John Graham, Peter Bell, and Harry Coulthard got a small boat for the purpose of fishing in the Thomson River, at a place called Stockriders, about 2 miles from the copper mines". On their return in the evening, the boat filled with water and capsized. Graham who could swim saved Bell but lost sight of Coulthard, and they went for help. Coulthard's body was recovered an hour later; he was 22 years of age.
Thompson River Copper Mine, Gippsland, Victoria, near the town of Walhalla (better known for its rich goldmine), the mine was close to where Coopers Creek joins the Thompson River.

Copper mine entrance, Coopers Creek
www.roughly2foot6.com/cooperscreek.

The Argus (Melbourne)

Saturday 9 November 1867

THOMSON RIVER COPPER-MINE

The following is a copy of the reply sent by the manager of the Gipps Land Tributer's, Copper-mine Company to a circular letter recently issued from the Mining department: -

Cooper's Creek, Happy-go-Lucky,

Oct. 29 1867. '

Sir, In accordance with your request, I have the honour to furnish the following in formation of the Thomson. River Copper mine, and works in connexion therewith, and I to beg to state, as the same is intended for publication in the work now being prepared by the Secretary of Mines, I have taken every, care in its compilation.

The ground upon which the mine is situated comprises an area of 640 acres. Adjoining this on the northern boundary, and along the course of the lode, a separate lease of 390 acres has been granted to the present company. The character of the country is mountainous, and the situation' of the lode where ore, is now being broken possesses an altitude of 330ft. to the Thomson River, which runs at a horizontal distance westward of 120ft., thus affording excellent facilities for future tunnelling operations.

The size of the lode is not yet proved. Thirty feet in width has, however, been discovered without striking the hanging wall.

The lode is composed of ferruginous quartz, oxide and sulphuret of iron, and sulphuret, carbonates, and oxides of copper, In general appearances the lode bears a resemblance to, those of the minus of Devon and Cornwall. …

Two reverberatory furnaces have been erected on the western side of the river, which works are connected with the mine by means of tramways and shutes. Fifty tons of ore have been smelted, yielding 214 cwt. of regulus, worth from forty to fifty per cent.

When the two furnaces mentioned are in operation, from fifty-five to sixty tons of regulus, of fifty per cent, will be realised monthly. It is, however, intended, to reduce the ores to a higher per cent, via: - rough copper of ninety per cent, and afterwards to refine the same upon the ground. For fuel wood is used, there being an abundance in the immediate locality, which, by means of tramways, can cheaply conveyed to the works

A limestone formation, and also clay for common bricks, exists in the immediate neighbourhood of the smelting works, which is of great advantage.

I am, Sir, yours respectfully,

Fred Richards. Mining Manager.

30th May 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 27th inst., by the Rev Maurice A. Drummond Mr Geo. Davidson to Miss I. Dixon both of High Cowgap; 28th inst., at the same place by the Rev Maurice A. Drummond, Mr William Nattrass to Miss Mary Henderson, both of Garrigill Gate.
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, 26th inst., Hannah Holmes, wife of Isaac Holmes aged 40 years.
In 1861 Isaac lead miner aged 29 (baptised 16th Feb 1832) was living with his mother Elizabeth (Wallas married John Holmes 22nd November 1821, John died in 1853) Farmer of 28 Acres, & family at Dodberry, Garrigill, living there were his brothers George lead miner 26, William lead miner 22, and sister, Mary Craig widow 36, Hannah Holmes granddaughter of Elizabeth 14, William Craig grandson of Elizabeth 11.
In 1862, Isaac Married Hannah Hall, daughter of Elizabeth Hall living at Craig Shield, Garrigill a widow, farming 35 acres.
In 1861 Hannah's brothers lead miners Thomas 30 and Joseph 27, were also living with their mother, Elizabeth had had 3 other children, Elizabeth born 1827, and John and Jane born 1826.
In 1870 Isaac married Mary Allison (Registered at Penrith), and is recorded as working as a clogger in Nenthead, in 1881 their children are John J. 10, Elisabeth H. 8, Anthony F. 6, and Isaac J. 2; living in Garrigill, recorded as a shoemaker employing one boy. See 18th December 1841

6th June 1868 (Carlisle Examiner and North Western Advertiser)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 29th ult., Hannah Holmes, aged 40 years.
See 17th June 1862

20th June 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 16th inst., by the Rev John Newton, Mr William Walton of Clitheroe, near Alston, to Miss Eliza Hall of Aimshaugh near Alston.
Deaths
At Alston, 10th inst., aged 17 Hannah youngest daughter of the late Mr J. Woodmass, surveyor.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, John Woodmass, auctioneer, and mine agent, 39, his wife Margaret (Dickinson, married 6th December 1835, Alston) aged 38, children Jonah 14, Elizabeth 11, Jas H. 9, T. W. 5, and Hannah 8 months.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Margaret Woodmas, auctioneers widow, aged 48, children Jonathan, auctioneer and high bailiff, aged 24, Elizabeth, milliner, aged 21, John H. Joiner, aged 19 Thomas W. 15, and Hannah 10. See 18th January 1856, 27th August 1887, & 17th January 1914

27th June 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Ashgill, near Alston, 22nd inst. aged 41, Christopher Armstrong.

In 1841, at Ashgill, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Esther Nee (Walton,born Stanhope) married 2nd July 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, children Christopher, lead miner, aged 14, Hannah 12, Elizabeth 9, Esther 7, Mary 5, and Ralph 2.
In 1851, at Garrigill, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Esther 43, children Christopher, lead miner, 24, Hannah 26, Ralph, lead ore labourer, aged 12, Ann 6, and George 3.
George Armstrong was buried 16th February 1856, aged 61, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Esther Armstrong, miners widow, aged 53, children, Christopher, lead miner, aged 34, Ralph, lead miner, aged 22, Ann 16, George 13, grandson, Thomas Armstrong 9, and granddaughter Adelaide Armstrong 7.
See 4th October 1864
At Hudgill, near Alston, 20th inst., Elizabeth Holmes, aged 61 years.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, John Holmes, Blacksmith, aged 38, and his wife Elizabeth aged 43.
In 1861 at Blagill, John Holmes, blacksmith, aged 48, and his wife Elizabeth aged 53. In 1871, His sister Jane Scott aged 50; a widow was living with him, and at the time of the census Elizabeth Holmes, aged 9, born Haltwhistle, was visiting.

4th July 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nenthead by licence 30th ult. by the Rev H Robinson, Incumbent, Matthew Raisbeck to Ann Watson both of Nenthead. *See 16th May 1874, 21st October 1893, & 25th March 1899.*

11th July 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 3rd inst. aged 56, Mr Thomas Bell.
In 1851, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Bell, lead ore smelter, aged 39, his wife Mary 30, children George, lead ore washer, aged 13, Mary 10, William 9, and Thomas 1 year.
In 1861 living at Hill Top, Smelter (born Egglestone), with his wife, Mary 40, and children William lead ore miner 18, Thomas 11, Hannah 9, Betsy 7, John H.1
At Alston, 27th ult., James Walton aged 43 years.
In 1841, at Lovelady Shield, Jane Walton, independent, aged 70
William Walton, lead miner aged 40, Elizabeth Walton 25, James Walton 12, and Frances Walton 6.
In 1851, at Lovelady Shield, Jane Walton, widow, annuitant, farming 20 acres, aged 80, grandchildren James Walton, agricultural labourer, aged 22, Jonathan Walton, lead ore miner, aged 26, Isabella Walton 18, and Elizabeth Walton 13.
In 1861 at Buntley Syke, James Walton, lead miner, his wife Elizabeth (Horsley) dressmaker 35, Frances 10, William 9, and visitor, Robert Horsley, retired lead miner, aged 57.
At Garrigill Gate, 30th ult., Hugh J. Pickering son of G. Pickering aged 18 months.

Son of George (son of Hugh & Mary) & Ann (Bell) Pickering who married in 1864. In 1871 living at Bridge End Alston, George listed as Butcher & landowner, wife Ann 31, and children George W. 2, Adamson 2, Elizabeth 19 months.

At Nenthall 2nd inst., Thomas Walton Gill, son of Thomas Gill, schoolmaster aged 20 years.

See 30th July 1870, and 19th August 1882

14th July 1869 (Teesdale Mercury)

Sir,—On passing through the clean little town of Middleton-in-Teesdale the other day on my way to the romantic and rugged scenery in the neighbourhood of High Force and Caldron Snout, I enjoyed a delightful walk through the wood attached to the residence of Mr Brown, the Duke of Cleveland's land bailiff, and wended my way to the lead mine called Skears, worked by the enterprising London Lead Company. The distance from Middleton to this mine is about a mile, and the scenery in the vicinity will well repay the visitor the time spent in travelling the distance. On returning, I crossed a wooden bridge, and passed through the Lead Company's plantation and peeped into their workshops, which appeared to be fit up with due consideration for the comfort of the workmen, I speedily come to the residence of R. W. Bainbridge, Esq., the superintendent of the London Lead Company's extensive works, and walked on about two hundred yards to what I took to be a school-room, and which I was informed had been used for that purpose, but was now converted into a wash house for the benefit of their workmen's families, and the public generally. I was astonished to find such a well arranged and neat establishment, and my chief object in writing this letter, is to draw the attention of visitors to the neighbourhood like myself to the facilities afforded at this said establishment for enjoying a really good and refreshing bath at the nominal charge of fourpence. In connection with the wash house, which is fitted up with every convenience in the way of copper boilers, washing and wringing machines, mangle, drying closets, &c., there are three bath rooms, not small pent up places, but commodious and well lighted and ventilated. The manager is very obliging and intelligent, and keeps everything in clean and orderly style. Hot, tepid, and cold baths may be had, and also a shower bath, at a rate which is merely an acknowledgement to what is paid for similar baths in some of our large towns. It is evident the concern has not been got up with a view to large pecuniary returns, as the penny per hour for washing &c., and the low rate for baths justify. I am sure the efforts made by the Lead Company for the comfort and welfare of their workmen, and the educational facilities afforded for their families, are worthy of the highest imitation by the large employers of labour in our country.

I am,
Yours truly,
A VISITOR.

18th July 1868 (Hexham Courant)

MARRIAGE FESTIVITIES AT ALSTON

On Tuesday evening, the artisans and labourers usually employed by the Greenwich Hospital, assembled at the Turk's Head Inn, to partake of a supper given to them by Mr Paull, the Moor Master, on the occasion of his marriage,

which took place at Bedford on that day (14th July 1868). In order to show their appreciation of Mr Paull's kindness, the workmen literally covered his residence with flags, and salvoes of cannon were ever and anon fired by them,

Frederick Paul married Elizabeth Mary Drake (Baynham), 3rd quarter 1857, at In 1861, at Sunderland, Frederick Paull, M.R.C.S. Eng. L.S.A. Practicing general practitioner, aged 30, born Devonshire, his wife Elizabeth D aged 29, born Devonshire, son Henry B aged 2 born Sunderland, and sister in law Constance B Baynham, landed proprietor, aged 32, born Devonshire.

Plymouth. Frederick Paull, surgeon, of 54 Fawcett Street, Sunderland, died 2nd June 1866.

J. M. Paull married Elizabeth Mary Drake, relict of the late Frederick Paull, Esq., surgeon, Sunderland. See 16th March 1855, 1st January 1858, 31st May 1861, 22nd April 1864, and 5th June 1875.

28th July 1868 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston at the Parish Church, John George Millican Esq., Solicitor, Alston, to Louisa Jane daughter of the late Joseph D. Stagg Esq., of Middleton in Teesdale.

See 24th August 1878, 23rd April 1898, and the Robert Stagg Family.

SHOCKING FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE

On Saturday, an inquest was held at the Blue Bell Inn, St John's Chapel, Weardale, on the body of Thomas Raine, lead miner, who came to his death from a shot in a lead mine, on Thursday last. Deceased was in the employment of the London Lead Company, and worked with his brother William at Bolihope Mine. On Thursday, whilst at work, deceased and his brother had two holes drilled in the rock, which they had charged with powder ready to fire, and whilst deceased was in the act of lighting the match of one of these holes it fired and killed him on the spot. Evidently, the squib containing the powder had caught fire. Deceased's brother was not far distant when he heard the shot, which he knew had gone off before deceased had time to be a safe distance. On going to the place, William found his brother dead. Deceased's face and head were severely bruised. Deceased was the son of Mrs Elizabeth Raine, of Prize Hill, Weardale, where he has resided for some timer, but was a native of Teasdale, unmarried, and 25 years of age. He was a steady young man and much respected. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

Thomas parents were William Raine (father Gibson Raine) and Elizabeth (Cousin), both of Middleton, Durham, who married 1st September 1842, at Middleton in Teesdale. William and Elizabeth had 8 children, Thomas, Elizabeth, William, Matthew, Hannah, Gibson (born 1856, died 1863) Mary and Rebecca. In 1851, William and Elizabeth Raine were living with Elizabeth's parents.

In 1851, at Rough Rigg Head, Matthew Cousin, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Hannah, aged 69, son Matthew, lead miner, aged 21, son in law, William Raine, lead miner aged 35, daughter Elizabeth Raine, aged 30, grandchildren, Thomas 8, Elizabeth 6, William 4, and Matthew 1.

In 1861, at Birkdale Hamlet, Dufton, William Raine, farmer of 100 acres, aged 45 (died 2nd quarter 1866), his wife Elizabeth 40, children Thomas, farmers son, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, William 14, Mathew 11, Gibson 4, and Mary 2
In 1871 at East Hotts, Stanhope, Elizabeth Raine, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 24, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 16, Mary 12, Rebecca 9, and Matthew Cousin, retired lead miner, and land owner, aged 47.

7th August 1868 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 17th ult., Ann Varty, aged 44 years.
At Ayle, Kirkhaugh, on the 30th ult., Jane Wilson, widow, aged 76 years.

7th August 1868 (Newcastle Journal)
FIRES IN ALLENDALE. —In common with many, other places the heather on the moors in Allendale is being burnt in a manner the like of which is perhaps not in living memory. The expansive tract of moorland between East and West Allen has been burning at several different places for upwards of seven weeks. There can be little doubt but the fire had its origin from the hand of an incendiary, whose object, not improbably, would be to only consume some particular portions of coarse, long heather, for the purpose of making it grow finer, and thereby more suitable for the grazing of sheep, &c. The extremely scorched state of not only the ling but the moss too, has rendered the extinguishing of the devouring element all but impossible, and the fire, which has now swept over many hundreds of acres, still continues its devastating work, bidding defiance, as it were, to all the efforts that have as yet been brought to bear against it. Numbers of workmen have been engaged for several weeks endeavouring to beat it out. Ditches have been cut, and water conveyed in barrels, all of which has been of little avail; and there seems little prospect of a total extinction until the ground receives a thorough drenching with rain. The principal thing in the meantime is the protection of Mr Beaumont's extensive plantation, one of which (Acton) has been in imminent danger. The heather and moss, which is the principal sustenance of the mountain sheep, has been so extensively and completely destroyed that the sheep farmers are fully alive to the serious loss they have sustained, and, we understand, are now more anxious to have the fire stopped; and if, as is pretty generally surmised, all this trouble and expense has been caused by some of them deliberately igniting the heather to suit their own individual purpose, there is little doubt they will learn a lesson they will not easily forget before they get their stock through the ensuing winter. The smoke, for miles on the leeward side of the fires, has been disagreeable in the extreme, and the inhabitants residing in the vicinity have often been obliged to either sit with closed doors or submit to have their houses! rendered anything but comfortable.

8th August 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Markclose, near Alston, 24th ult. aged 53, Mr Robert Nattrass.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, Nancy Nattrass, widow, aged 62, Robert Nattrass, lead miner, aged 25.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Robert Nattrass, miller employing 4 men, aged 35, his wife Isabella 35, children William G. 1, John 2 months, visitor, Ann Guy, straw bonnet maker, aged 27, and house servant, Elizabeth Atkinson, aged 17. In 1861, at Markclose, Robert Nattrass, farmer of 60 acres, aged 46, wife Isabella 45, children John 10, William G 7, Robert 5, Mary 3, and house servant Ann Richardson 25. In 1871, at Mark Close, Isabella Nattrass, widow, farmer of 62 acres, aged 55, children John, farmers son, aged 20, William Guy, tailor, aged 17, Robert, draper & grocer, aged 15, and Mary 13.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Isabella Nattrass, farmers widow, aged 65, children William Guy, merchant tailor, employing a man and 2 apprentices, aged 27, and Mary, house maid, aged 23.
In 1891, at Havannah, Tanfield, Isabella Nattrass, widow, aged 74, children John, master draper, aged 40, William G. tailor, aged 37, and Mary 33.
See 16th May 1891.

At Wellgill near Nenthead 16th ult., aged 54 Mr Jacob Richardson, Lead Miner.

In 1841, at Holm Foots, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 25, Jane Richardson 25, Hannah Richardson 7, and Francis Richardson 2.
In 1851, at Greenends, Nenthead, Jacob Richardson, lead miner and farmer of 20 acres, aged 36, wife Jane 34, children Francis 13, Jane 9, Jacob 7, Mary 4, and William 1 year.
In 1861 at Wellgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner 49, his wife Jane 49 born, St John Chapel, Durham, children, Francis, lead miner, aged 22, Jane, house maid, aged 19, Mary 14, Jacob, lead miner, aged 16, and William 11. In 1871, at Wellgill, Jane Richardson, miners widow, aged 59, sons Jacob, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, and housemaid, Sarah Patrick 28.
See 12th April 1879

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

IN MEMORY OF
JACOB RICHARDSON
OF WELLGILL, NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JULY 16TH
1868, AGED 54 YEARS

ALSO HANNAH, DAUGHTER OF
JACOB AND JANE RICHARDSON
WHO DIED 15TH JULY 1851
AGED 10 YEARS
AND OF
FRANCIS THEIR SON WHO DIED
MAY 6TH 1866, AGED 27 YEARS
ALSO OF
EMMANUEL THEIR SON WHO
DEPARTED THIS LIFE NOV 12TH 1838
AGED 2 YEARS

13th August 1868 (Newcastle Courant)

MOUNTAIN ON FIRE IN CUMBERLAND

A fire has been raging on the mountain between Nenthead and Weardale for several days past, and is doing a great deal of damage to herbage, &c. The fire commenced burning about 2 miles above Nenthead, near Alston, and was burning in a westward direction with great force. The London Lead Company engaged a number of men to suppress the flames and have succeeded in doing so; but the fire still continues on the Durham side.

15th August 1868 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Coalcleugh, 10th inst., aged 37 much respected Mr Joseph Hetherington.

In 1841, at Cross Dyke, Joseph Hetherington, millwright, aged 50, children Ann 20, Hannah 15, Jane 13, Joseph 11, Leah 8, and Lucy 8.
In 1851, at West Allen, High, Joseph Hetherington, widow, engineer and farmer of 7 acres, aged 62, children Jane, house keeper, aged 23, Joseph, millwright, aged 20, Leah 18, Lucy 18, and granddaughter Ann 10 months.
In 1861, at Shield Ridge, Joseph Hetherington Enginewright 30, wife Margaret (Dawson, married at Ninebanks 25th December 1851) aged 35, children, Mary 8, Thomas 6, Lucy 4, Joseph 1, Jane 3 months.

22nd August 1868 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Chicago, Illinois, North America, 29th ult. Mr John Walton, watchmaker late of Alston Cumberland.

In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, John Walton, watchmaker, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth (Kirkpatrick, married 27th April 1834, Alston) aged 29, son William 2, and daughter, Sarah 9 months. In 1851, at Newshield Toll Bar, John Walton, watchmaker, and toll keeper, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 38, children William 12, Sarah 10, Mary 8, Margret 7, Jacob 5, Thomas F 2, Elizabeth 9 months, and general servant, Anna Teasdale 19.
In 1861 John Walton, Watchmaker & Innkeeper, aged 50, was living at Main Street, Alston, with his wife Elizabeth 48, children William 22 woollen factory clerk, Sarah 20, Mary 18, Margaret 16 milliner, Jacob 15 blacksmith, Thomas F. 12, Elizabeth 10, Robert 7, Jonathan C. 4.

22nd August 1868 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

MINERS TRIP TO NEWCASTLE

The great local event came off on Friday last week, when about 230 persons from Alston, Garrigill, Nenthead and surrounding neighbourhoods, availed themselves of the opportunity – so rarely offered to the district – of spending a few days at some distant place, with return tickets. The trip which had its origins shortly after the opening of the Alston branch has ever been well patronised. Some years the number of passengers has been four hundred and upwards, but there are now a considerable falling off, arising in a great measure from want of choice of place, there being many who have attended the miners' and other trips to Newcastle until the town has become quite familiar to them. …

There is a wide spread impression that with very little trouble by some of our local gentleman and shareholders of the railway, return tickets might be procured available by the first train in the morning and to return after the principal proceedings of the day are over. …

1st September 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

The following is the statement given of the cost of in-maintenance and out-door relief in the Unions of Cumberland for the half year ending at Ladyday 1868:

	In Maintenance	Out-door Relief	Total
Alston with Garrigill	£87	£429	£516

5th September 1868 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Middleton in Teesdale at Hude Chapel on the 27th ult., the Rev T. Harwood Pattinson, minister of Rye Hill Chapel, Newcastle to Emily eldest daughter of R. W. Bainbridge Esq., of Middleton House. *See 15th September 1888*

Deaths

At Alston, on 20th August, Mary White, aged 51 years.

In 1861, at Globe Lane, Alston, Robert White, cartman, aged 31, brother John, farm labourer, aged 44, sisters, Mary 46, and Elizabeth 34, all born at Allendale.

At Alston, on the 22nd Isaac Dowson, aged 68 years.

In 1861, at Low Bailes, Alston, Isaac Dowson, Ag. Lab., aged 61, his wife Grace aged 45, son, Thomas 5, stepson, John Yeats, tailor, aged 19, and stepdaughter, Jane Bowness 9.

At Alston, on the 27th William Green, son of William Green, joiner, aged 1 year and 3 months.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, William Green, Joiner, carpenter & innkeeper, aged 36, born Greystoke, his wife Margaret (Armstrong, married 2nd September 1852, at Alston) aged 35, children, John 8, Margaret 5, and Frances 2.

12th September 1868 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Ninebanks 8th inst., Mr John Dickinson, son of the late Mr Wm. Dickinson of Spency Croft Alston, Cumberland to Elizabeth eldest daughter of Mr Wm. Montgomery, surgeon, West Allen, Northumberland.

15th September 1868 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

Wednesday 9th September at Nenthead, Mr George H Savage MD, youngest son of Mr W D Savage of Brighton, to Margaret daughter of the late Jacob Walton, Greenend House. *See 23rd November 1864*

15th September 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

On the 31st ult., at Skydes, Garrigill, Joseph, son of James Ward, aged 8 years. *See 5th October 1866*

On the 3rd inst., at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Ann wife of Thomas Shaw, Esq., aged 58 years.
See 30th October 1869
At Alston, on the 8th inst., Ann Douglas, widow, aged 88 years.
In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, John Douglas, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Ann (Walton, married 23rd August 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 55, son John, lead miner, aged 30, and daughter, Mary 15.
John Douglas died 3rd qtr., 1847, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at the Butts, Alston, Ann Douglas, widow, pauper, aged 68, granddaughters, Ann Dickinson, woollen yarn spinner, aged 16, and Hannah Dickinson, woollen yarn spinner, aged 14.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Ann Douglas, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 88.
See 10th May 1873

25th September 1868 (Carlisle Patriot)

DWELLING HOUSES A LAND AT NENTHEAD, NEAR ALSTON, CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the house of Mr. JOSEPH BLACKLOCK, Innkeeper, NENTHEAD, On TUESDAY, the 6th day of OCTOBER, 1868. at Five o'clock in the Evening punctually, by Mr. ROBERT PEARSON, Auctioneer, in such lots as may be fixed upon at the time of sale, the following desirable premises:—

THREE DWELLING HOUSES AND PREMISES, situate at HOLMES FOOT, near Nenthead, now or lately occupied by ROBERT SANDERSON, HANNAH THOMPSON, and MATTHEW COUSIN.

A SHOP and WAREHOUSE, also at HOLMES FOOT, now in the occupation of JOHN LATTIMER, who for many years has carried on in them an excellent business as Draper and Grocer.

A STABLE, also at HOLMES FOOT, occupied by Messrs. JOHN AND JOSHUA WALTON.

FOUR COTTAGE HOUSES AND PREMISES, situate at WARDWAY FOOT, near Nenthead, now in the occupation of CATHERINE HUTCHINSON, JOHN WALTON, RICHARD DAWSON, and GEORGE LEE.

A CLOSE OF LAND, situate behind the last mentioned houses, containing ONE ACRE, or thereabouts, and now in the occupation of Messrs. JOHN AND JOSHUA WALTON. ONE-SIXTEENTH SHARE IN OLD CARR'S LEAD MINE, situate in the midst of the Splendid Mining Field at Nenthead.

The Tenants will shew the premises and further particulars may be obtained on application to Messrs. BAINBRIDGE AND MILLICAN. Solicitors, Alston.

Alston, 17th September, 1868.

25th September 1868 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Howburn, near Alston, on the 17th inst., aged 34, Miss Hannah Millican, late of Garrigill.
Hannah Millican of Low Rotherhope, was buried 20th September 1868, aged 34, at Garrigill.

Possibly: *In 1841 at West Nenthead, John Millican, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Eleanor (Parker, married 4th March 1830, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 30, children, Mary 12, Sarah 7, Fanny 6, Hannah 3, and John 8 months.*
Eleanor Millican was buried 29th March 1842, at Garrigill, aged 33.
John Millican was buried 16th December 1844, at Garrigill, aged 37.
In 1851, at Douks, Stanhope, William Reed, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Sarah 45, and House servant, Hannah Milikin aged 12.

25th September 1868 (Durham Chronicle)
Deaths
At Hardinsburg, North America, 2nd inst., Jane, wife of Mr Jabez G. Kirker, civil engineer, Louisville, Kentucky, and only sister of Mrs Jacob Peart, Wearhead, Weardale, Durham.
At High House, Rookhope, 19th inst., Mr John Robinson, aged 20.
At Town End, Middleton, 16th inst., Mr Robert Bussey, miner, aged 35.
In 1851, at Middleton Town End, Nancy Bussey, widow, (Nee Coates, married George Bussey, 30th December 1830, at Middleton) aged 45, children, George, lead ore washer, aged 20, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, William 11, James 8, John 6, sister, Mary Coats, widow, aged 50, and Nephew, Robert Coats, lead ore washer, aged 16.
George Bussey died 3rd qtr., 1848, registered at Teesdale.
Nancy Bussey, widow, married Thomas Pease, 1st March 1855, at Middleton.
In 1861, at Townend, Middleton in Teesdale, Robert Bussey, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Sarah (Allinson, married 2nd qtr., 1857, at Teesdale) aged 25, children, daughter in law, Jane Allinson 5, and son Robert Bussey 2.
In 1871, at California Row, Middleton, Sarah Bussey, miners widow, aged 36, Children, Robert, lead ore washer, aged, 12, George 10, Sarah 7, Thomas 4, and William 2.
Sarah Bussy married Thomas Mawson, 3rd qtr., 1872, registered at Auckland, Durham.

26th September 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hardinsburg, North America, 2nd inst, Jane wife of Mr Jabez G Kirker, Civil engineer of Louisville, Kentucky, and only sister of Mrs Jacob Peart, Wearhead, Weardale.
Jabez Giles Kirker, born 25th February 1813, baptism 4th May 1815, at Dundas St. Independent, Monkwearmouth Shore, parents James and Mary Kirker.
Jane Elrington married Jabez Giles Kirker, on 28th March 1839, at Gateshead.
In 1850, at Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky, Jabez G. Kirker, Pattern maker, aged 35, born England, his wife Jane aged 34, born England, children Mary E. 10, born England, Frances A. 5, born Kentucky, and James M. 3, born Kentucky.
The Louisville, Kentucky 1859, City directory gives, Kirker & Middleton, (Jabez G. Kirker & Thomas C. Middleton) pattern makers, n s Main bet 9th and 10th.
In 1860, the family were living in the 8th Ward, Louisville, Jefferson county, Jabez and Jane's birth both given as 1813, Mary 20, Frances 15, and James 13, living with their parents.
At Littlegill, near Alston, 21st inst. aged 37, Mary Ann Hodgson.
See 29th November 1861

26th September 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, 16th inst. aged 20, Mary Hind, daughter of Joseph Hind.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Hind (son of Robert & Phillis Hind), lead ore smelter, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Dobson, married 10th December 1846 at Garrigill) aged 34, and daughter Mary 2.
Hannah died 25th October 1858, aged 42.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Hind, widow, smelter, aged 45, children Mary 12, Robert 9, Phills 7, Ann 4, mother Phillis Hind, miners widow, aged 78, and sister Tamar Hind, unmarried, house servant, aged 48.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Hind, smelter of lead ore, aged 55, his wife Agnes aged 50, children, Robert, smelter of lead ore, aged 19, Phillis, dressmaker, aged 17, and Ann 14.
See 15th August 1862,

IN MEMORY OF
JOSEPH HIND OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MARCH 25TH 1872
AGED 56 YEARS
HANNAH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED OCT. 25TH 1858
AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY THEIR
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED SEP. 16TH 1868
AGED 20 YEARS
ALSO OF ROBERT THEIR SON
WHO DIED NOV. 6TH 1850
AGED 6 WEEKS.

6th October 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
THE WORKHOUSE SCHOOLS OF CUMBERLAND.
In the twentieth annual report of the Poor Law Board for 1867-68, which has just been issued, the following is given as the daily average number of children attending the schools of the Union Workhouses of Cumberland, during the half-year ending at Lady-day, 1867:—

	Population 1861	Boys	Girls	Total
Alston with Garrigill	6,404	5	4	9

9th October 1868 (Newcastle Courant)

SALE OF LEAD MINING PLANT, AT WESTER HALL, NEAR HEXHAM.

MR WILLIAM RAW

Begs most respectfully to announce that he has received Instructions from the Directors of the Wester Hall Lead Mining Company to

SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION,

THE WHOLE OF THEIR VALUABLE LEAD MINING PLANT.

On Friday, October 16,1868,

Comprising 1 High-Pressure Vertical Steam Engine, with 2 Cylinders 9 inches diameter, 2 feet stroke: 1 Boiler, 24 feet long, 6 feet diameter, with 50 feet of 4-inch connecting steam pipes; 1 Malleable Iron Chimney, 30 feet long, 19 inches diameter; 1 Set of Pumps, 8 inches diameter, 109 feet long, including Slide Pipe and Wind-bore, with Wooden Spears, Buckets, and Clacks complete; 1 Set of 8-inch do., 74 feet long, complete; 1 Set of 5-inch Pumps, with Iron Spears, Buckets, and Clacks; 1 excellent double-powered Winch; 150 feet of half-inch Chain, nearly new; 72 fathoms of strong Sump Rope in three pieces; 2 Windlasses; 246 feet of Bridge Rails, 20 lbs to the yard; 1 Bank Waggon, new; 1 Water Tub, 4 Kibbles, 1 Wheel Barrow, 1 Pair of Blacksmith's Bellows, 1 Anvil, 1 Large Sheave for Shaft Top, 1 Three Sheave Block, 1 Two do., 3 One do., 2 Pairs of Shear Legs, 4 Ladders, together with a quantity of Steel Drills, Picks, Hammers, Nut Keys, Oil Cans, Oil, Tallow, Bucket Leather, Old Iron and Metal.

Also, One Tool Chest, Engine House and Shed, with numerous other useful Articles.

N.B. —Wester Hall Mine is about Two Miles from Chollerford, and One from Barrasford Stations on the North British Railway, where Trains will arrive at 11:36 a,m from the North, and 1:10 p.m., from Newcastle and Hexham.

Sale to commence at Two o'clock.

Sale Offices, Blackhill, September 30, 1868.

20th October 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, by the Rev. W. Baitey, Mr John Swindle, of Low House, to Miss Margaret Pickering, of Middle Houses, Garrigill.

In 1871, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, John Swindle, lead miner, aged 32, and his wife Margaret 21, (daughter of John & Mary Pickering). See 31st October 1871.

In 1881, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, John Swindle, farmer of 104 acres, aged 42, his wife Margaret 31, sister Sarah Swindle, dairy maid, aged40, and niece, Nanny Swindle, domestic servant, aged 17.

In 1891, at Low Houses, Garrigill, John Swindle, farmer, aged 54, his wife Margaret 41, & 2 servants.

John Swindle of Low Houses, died 9th August 1908, aged 70.

Margaret Swindle of Low Houses, died 14th March 1930, aged 80.

Deaths

At Foulardend, Nenthead, near Alston, 8th inst., Mrs Ann Archer.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Isaac Archer, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Ann (Brown, married 9th September 1819, Alston) aged 40, children Sarah 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Jane 12, Mary Ann 4, and Tibby 8 months.
In 1851, at Foulart, Isaac Archer, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Ann C 52, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Jane 22, Mary Ann 13, Isabella 10, and farm servant, James Davidson 22. Isaac died 3rd quarter of 1860.
In 1861, at Foulard, Ann Archer, widow, farmer, aged 63, son Thomas, stone quarryman, aged 38, daughter Isabella 20, servant, John Moody, carter, aged 20, and granddaughter Mary Percival 2. In 1871, at Foulard, Thomas Archer, unmarried, farmer of 30 acres, aged 47, and niece Mary aged 12.
Isabella married William Cousin, 7th February 1864, at Nenthead, Isabella died 3rd quarter of 1866.

Mary Ann married John Percival Lead Ore Miner, 12th May 1859, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at Overwater, John Percival, lead ore miner, aged 27, his wife Mary Ann, aged 22, and son Isaac 9 months. In 1871,at Overwater, John Percival, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary Ann 33, children Isaac 10, Sarah Ann 9, Thomas W 3, and Frances 1. In 1881, at Crook and Billy Mill, Durham, John Percival, widow, lead miner, aged 47, children Isaac, coal miner, aged 20, Sarah A. 19, Thomas W. coal miner, aged 13, Frances 11, and Annie 9.
Jane married James Hill, Lead Miner, 10th June 1858, at Nenthead. In 1861, at Overwater, James Hill, lead miner, aged 32, and his wife Jane aged 32. In 1871, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, James Hill, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Jane, 44, and nephew Joseph Percival aged 6. James Hill died 2nd quarter of 1871.
In 1881, at Crook Bank, Nenthead, Thomas Archer, unmarried, farmer of 20 acres, aged 57, sister Jane Hill, widow, aged 45, and nephew, Joseph Percival, cartman, aged 16.
At Garrigill Gate, on the 3rd inst., Ann Dent, daughter of Robert Dent, schoolmaster, aged 6 years.
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 13th inst, Bartholomew Kindred, aged 79 years.
In 1841, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew Kindred, Ag. Lab., aged 50, son John, Ag. Lab., aged 15, and Joseph 10.
In 1841 Margaret Kindred, aged 50, was working for William Bainbridge, solicitor, as a servant.
In 1851, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew Kindred, husbandman, aged 63, his wife Margaret (Coulson, married, 21st June 1819, at Gretna Green, and 10th September 1819, at Kirkoswald) aged 63, and son, Joseph, smelter of lead ore.
In 1861, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew Kindred, formerly Ag. Lab. aged 72, his wife Margaret 72.
Margaret Kindred died 29th January 1870, aged 81, at Alston.
See 8th February 1870.

31st October 1868 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A little boy, named Edward Burke *(aged 7)*, was seriously injured on Tuesday last by a laden cart passing over his head on the highway near Daddry Shield in Weardale, and died on Wednesday morning.

Deaths
At Nenthead, 26th ins., aged 87 years, Mrs Mary Redshaw, deeply regretted.
In *1861 living at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Lead Miners Widow, with her daughter Ann aged 41, and grandson Thomas 11.*

6th November 1868 (Durham Chronicle)
ACCIDENT TO A LEAD MINER IN WEARDALE. —On Friday, a lead miner, named James Peadon, who was in the employment of Mr Beaumont, and worked at Burtree Pasture Mine, met with an accident. Whilst in the act of firing a shot it went off, and struck the unfortunate man in the face, shattering it in a fearful manner. One eye is blown out, and one ear and a little finger blown off. He now lies in a precarious state.
James Peadon son of William & Elizabeth, born about 1825.
In 1841, at North Grain, Heathery Cleugh, William Peadon, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth aged 40, children John 15, James 15, William 14, Joseph 10, Sarah 8, Thomas 5, and Mary 2. Elizabeth died 4th quarter of 1841.
In 1851, at North Grain, Heathery Cleugh, William Peadon, widow, lead miner, aged 59, children James, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 24, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah 19, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, and Mary 12.

James Peadon married Elizabeth Featherstone, 2nd quarter 1852, at Weardale.

In 1861, at North Grain, Heathery Cleugh, James Peadon, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth (Featherstone, married 2nd quarter of 1852) aged 30, children William 10, Joseph 8, John Featherston 6, Titus Dalton 3, and Mary Jane 10 months.
In 1871, James (disabled lead miner, landowner) is living at North Grain, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, with his wife Elizabeth aged 40, and children, William Lead miner 20, Joseph Pupil Teacher 18, John Featherstone Lead Miner 16, Titus Dalton 13, Mary Jane 10, James 6, Margaret E. 2, and Sarah A. aged 1 month.

James Peadon died 2nd quarter 1879, aged 54, registered at Weardale.

In 1881, at Grain, Heathery Cleugh, Elizabeth Peadon, widow, farmer, aged 49, children John F. lead miner, aged 26, David S. lead ore dresser, aged 16, Margaret E. 12, and Sarah A. 10.
In 1891, at Grain, Heatherycleugh, Stanhope, Elizabeth Peadon, widow, farmer, aged 58, children, David S, lead miner, aged 26, Margaret E 22, Sarah A 20, and grandson William Peadon 9.
In 1901, at Heatherycleugh, Stanhope, Elizabeth Peadon, widow, farmer, aged 69, children, David S, lead miner, aged 36, Margaret E 22, and grandson William Peadon, quarryman Whin, aged 19.
Elizabeth Peadon died 4th quarter 1904, registered at Weardale.

7th November 1868 (Hexham Courant)
SALE OF LEAD ORE AT NEWCASTLE
On Friday a sale of 135 bings of lead ore, produced from a lead mine called Cashwell mine situated in Alston Moor, took place at the White Hart Inn, Newcastle. The parties who competed for the purchase of the ore were Messrs. Shield and Dinning of Langley; Washington Chemical Company;

Locke, Blackett and Company, Walker Parker and Company; Mr John Warwick and Jacob Walton and Company. The last named company was declared to be purchasers at the price or sum of £5 3s per bing. A similar sale of 320 bings of lead ore took place on the 24th ult. at the Turk's Head Inn, Bigg Market. The latter parcel of ore was the product of a flourishing mine near Alston called Rodderup Fell, belonging to Messrs. Wilson Crawhall, and Company, and was bought by Messrs. Shield and Dinning, at about the price of £4 14s per bing.

7th November 1868 (Kendal Mercury)
On Wednesday week, as George Armstrong, miner, Patterdale, working at the Greenside Mines, was in the act of charging a hole in the rock, which had previously missed fire, with powder, an explosion took place, when the unfortunate man was knocked down, and much burned in the face, and it is feared his eyes are injured; his arms and hands were also much scorched and cut. Dr. Martindale is in daily attendance on the sufferer, who is recovering as well as can be expected.

13th November 1868 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 6th inst., aged 43, Mr John Fairlamb, butcher.
In 1861, at 31 Hind Street, Elswick, John Fairlamb, provisions merchant, aged 36, born Kirkhaugh, his wife Mary 26, born Ashgill, and son John, aged 14, born, Knaresdale.
In 1871, at Knaresdale, Hannah Elliot, farmers wife occupying 200 acres, aged 66, sons, Thomas 26, Simon 23, daughter, Mary Fairlamb, widow, aged 36, grandchildren, Hannah Fairlamb 9, Mary Fairlamb 7, and John Fairlamb 5.
Mary Fairlamb, died 5th April 1911, at Knaresdale.

13th November 1868 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 7th inst., by license, by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr J. Johnson, farmer, of Todd's Burn, Whitfield, to Phoebe, eldest daughter of the late John Brown, Esq., of Ivy House, Garrigill.

14th November 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
Hexham registry office, 7th inst, Lancelot Bell, of the Paddock, Allendale, to Miss Jane Graham of Thornley Gate, Allendale.
In 1851, at Mollesteads, Whitley, Hexham, Robert Bell, millers servant, aged 29, born Corbridge, his wife Mary Ann, 25, born St John Lee, son, Lancelot R 3, and daughter Elizabeth 1. In 1861, at Whitley Mill, Whitley, Hexham, Robert Bell, miller & farmer of 76 acres, his wife Mary A, aged 34, children, Barabara 9, Mary A 6, and Hannah aged 3.
In 1861, at Bridge End Mills, Allendale, Lancelot Robson, miller & farmer of 100 acres, aged 58, born St John Lee, his wife Barbary, aged 58, born, Bywell, and grandson Lancelot Bell, aged 13, born Hexham.
In 1871, at Low Oustley, Allendale, Lancelot Bell, lead ore smelter, aged 23, his wife Jane 25, children, Barbara 2, and Robert 1.

In 1881, at Shilburn, Allendale, Lasncelot Bell, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Jane 35, children, Barbara 12, Robert 11, Mary H 4, Catherine 3, and Elizabeth A 1.
In 1891, at High Street, Allendale, Lancelot Bell, Innkeeper, aged 43, his wife Jane, 45, children, Barbara, barmaid, aged 22, Catherine 13, Elizabeth 11, Lancelot R 8, John T 5, Abraham 4, and Edith 4.
Lancelot Bell died 3rd quarter 1891, aged 44, registered at Hexham.
In 1901, at Allendale Town, Jame Bell, widow, inn keeper, aged 55, children, Elizabeth A, assistant teacher, aged 21, Lancelot R, carpenter, aged 18, Abraham 14, Edith J 12.
In 1911, at Allendale Town, Jane Bell, widow, inn keeper, aged 65, (children born alive 12, 8 still living), children, Robert aged 41, Abraham, blacksmith, blacksmith, aged 24, and Edith Jane, house keeper, aged 22.
Hexham registry office, 11th inst. Mr George Forster of Allenheads to Miss Annie Walton of Alston.
At the Independent Chapel Alston, 9th inst., Mr George Fallowfield to Miss Jane Archer of Alston.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, William Archer, farmers servant, aged 56, his wife Hannah (Hutchinson, married 15th March 1827, Alston) aged 50, children Jane, factory girl, wool, aged 22, William, factory boy, wool, aged 18, Hannah 16, Thomas 14, Eleanor 11, Adam 7, and John 5.
Hannah Archer married Thomas Pattinson, 25th March 1858, Alston.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, William Archer, groom, aged 66, children Jane 32, William, labourer, aged 28, Adam, lead miner, aged 17, John, groom, aged 15, and grandson, William 9.
George Fallowfield died 1st quarter of 1869, registered at Penrith, aged 56.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Jane Fallowfield, widow, aged 41, brother, William Archer, wool washer, aged 37, nephews, William Archer, fireman on railway, aged 19, and Thomas Pattinson, aged 7.
In 1871, at Newbrough, Thomas Pattinson, road labourer, aged 39, his wife Hannah 36, sons, John, lead ore dresser, aged 12, William 10, Hugh 6, and Adam W 9 months.
In 1881, at Eltringham Colliery, Mickley, Hexham, Thomas Pattinson, married, coal miner, aged 49, sons John, brick maker, aged 23, William, brick maker, aged 20, Thomas, brick maker, aged 18, Hugh, brick maker, aged 16, Adam 12, and Jane Archer, house keeper, aged 45.
In 1891, at Prudhoe, Thomas Pattinson, general labourer, aged 59, his wife Hannah, 56, sons, Thomas, coal miner, aged 27, Hugh, general labourer, aged 25, Adam, coal miner, aged 20, Featherstone, general labourer, aged 15, and sister in law, Jane Fallowfield, widow, aged 60.
Deaths
At Grassfield, near Alston, 31st inst. aged 61, Isabella Collinson.
Joseph Wallace married Elizabeth Martin, 24th June 1804, at Knaresdale. Children, James, born 28th November 1804, Isabella, born 30th January 1807, Mary born 9th July 1809, Joseph born 16th November 1811, Thamar baptised 15th April 1815, John baptised 13th April 1817, Adam baptised 1st July 1821, Matthew baptised 14th April 1822, and Mary about 1830.
Joseph Wallace is recorded as being buried at Alston, 7th December 1831, aged 52. Elizabeth married Thomas Milburn (widow), 28th November 1833.

I*n 1841, at Cob End, Joseph Wallace, lead miner, aged 30, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 24, Adam Wallace, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew Wallace, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Wallace10, Thomas Millburn, tailor, aged 58, and Elizabeth Millburn 58. In 1841, at Kates Lane, John Collinson labourer, aged 25, and Isabella Collinson 30.*
In 1851, at Low Green End, Nenthead, Elizabeth Milburn, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 75, children Joseph Wallace, lead miner, aged 39, Tamar Wallace 36, Adam Wallace 31, Mary Wallace, dressmaker 20, Isabella Colinson, showman's wife, aged 44, and grandson James Colinson 9
In 1861, at Seldom Seen, Garrigill, Matthew Wallace, widow, lead miner, aged 37, daughter Jane 12, son Joseph 8, brother Adam, lead miner, aged 41, sister Tamar, house keeper, aged 46, married sister Isabella Collinson, house servant, aged 54, nephew James Collinson, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1871, at Green Ends, James Wallace, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Edith (Broadwood, married 2nd quarter of 1867, Alston) aged 24, children Ann Alice 2, and Elizabeth Ellan 1. In 1881, at Foulard, Nenthead, James Collinson, platelayer in lead mines, aged 39, his wife Edith 35, children Ann A. 12, Lizzy E. 11, and Isabella C 8. See 15th March 1879
At Tindal Fell Spelter Works, near Brampton, 9th inst. aged 20 John eldest son of George Bell.
At Middle Skelgill, near Alston, 11th inst. aged 54 Mr Henry Walton lead miner.
In 1841, at Over Burn, Alston, Henry Walton, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary (Dickinson married 1835) aged 25, children Mary Ann 5, Joseph 3, and William 1. In 1851, at Ramsey's Buildings, Alston, Henry Walton, lead miner, aged 38, wife Mary 36, children Margaret 14, Joseph 13, William 10, Elizabeth 8, and Sarah 3.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Henry Walton, labourer at coal depot, aged 48, his wife Mary 46, children William, cart driver, aged 20, Betsy 18, Sarah 12, Henry 9, and John 6. In 1871, at Bridge End, Alston, Mary Walton, lead miners, widow, aged 56, sons Henry, labourer at factory, aged 19, John 16, and granddaughter Mary Jane Walton 4 years.
At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, 7th inst. aged 45 Mr George Dodd, lead miner.
In 1841, at Garrigill, Gate, John Dodd, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Bradwell, married 23rd August 1821, Alston) aged 35, children George, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, William 10, Mary 7, Hannah 5, Jane 1, and Hannah Dodd, widow, aged 70.
In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, John Dodd, widow, lead miner, aged 50, children George, lead miner, aged 26, Mary Ann, housekeeper, aged 16, Jane 11, and Elizabeth 8. John Dodd died 3rd quarter of 1854.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, George Dodd, lead miner aged 37, his wife Margaret (Hill, married 2nd quarter of 1852) aged 30, and visitor, Elizabeth Dodd aged 18.
George and Margaret did not have children, and in 1871, Margaret, widow, aged 40, is listed as a milliner.
See 18th September 1841.

14th November 1868 (Hexham Herald)

NEW LEAD ORE MINE AT THORNBROUGH

A rich vein of lead ore was cut on Tuesday by the sinkers at the new mine at Thornbrough, below Corbridge. The Company commenced operations about

9 months ago, and now that ore has been reached, the speculation looks prosperous.

R. A. Fairburn (Allendale, Tynedale and Derwent Mines, British Mining No. 56, May 2000) states that the Thornbrough Mining Company took a 21-year lease of the mine in 1872, but no production was recorded, and that the mine closed in 1885. The chief agent from 1876 to 1878 was Joseph Walton. In 1880, it was John G. Millican. See 30th January 1869

17th November 1868 (Hexham Courant)

ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE

Last week a serious accident occurred to two miners while engaged in blasting in the London Company's lead mines at Nenthead near Alston. The names of the sufferers are Caleb Dryden of Nenthead and Thomas Lowe, of Clitheroe, near Alston, who were working together, and when in the act of charging a hole an explosion took place. Dryden is severely burnt and cut about the face and eyes, and one of his arms is much shattered. It is feared that he will be deprived of the sight of one of his optic members. Lowe is not so much injured as his fellow workman.

In 1871 Census, Caleb Dryden (son of Caleb & Mary) Lead miner 45, was living at Overwater, Nenthead with his wife Agness (Barron married 1849, daughter of John & Jane [Irwing] Barron) aged 40, and their children, John Lead ore washer 13, Mary Ann 6 and Watson 2.

Agness died in 1873; in 1881 Caleb Dryden Masons labourer 55, was living at Castle Bank (market hall), Tow Law, Wolsingham with Mary Ann, general servant 16, and Watson 14. John his eldest son had married Margaret (Featherstone married at Settle in 1877) and in 1881 was a Plate Layer (Mid Railway), living at Selside Cottages, Settle, Ribblesdale, with their children Sarah A, aged 1, and Robert F. 3 months.

Thomas T Lowe son of Teasdale (son of William & Eunice) and Margaret Lowe (Daughter of Thomas & Hannah Walton, married Teasdale in1832), in 1861 the family consisted of Teasdale Lead miner aged 65, his wife Margaret aged 47, and their children, Eunice aged 23, Teasdale, lead mines 18, Thomas, lead mines 13, John Lead mines 11, William 5. Thomas senior died in 1867.

In 1871 the family were living at Clitheroe, Alston, Margaret widow, farmer, Teasdale Cart driver 29, Thomas T. Lead miner 27, Phoebe aged 25, John Lead miner 22, Joseph Cartman19, William 16, Thomas W 6. Also living with them were Sarah A. granddaughter aged 8, Thomas W. grandson aged 6.

In 1891 Thomas (Thompson) was married to Ann aged 49 they were living at Gossip Gate, Alston and Thomas was working as a Cartman.

See 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, 6th June 1885, 20th June 1885.

SAD ACCIDENT AT STONECROFT MINES

ONE MAN KILLED AND ANOTHER INJURED.

Yesterday shortly after Midday, a sad accident occurred at the Stonecroft Lead Mines, situate some three or four miles from Haydon Bridge and which are worked by a company. Two miners, father and son, named respectively Joseph Bailes and William Bailes, were engaged at their usual work in one of the workings of the mines, when a fall of lead ore took place, partially burying the unfortunate men killing the elder of the two instantaneously. When extracted from the fallen debris, though suffering from injuries about the chest

and head the son did not appear to be seriously hurt. It is believed the "bunnion" or woodwork that supports the roofing at this part of the mine had given way. ... The deceased Joseph Bailes was about 68 years of age and leaves a widow and a family (but the members of the family have all attained to manhood or womanhood) to lament his untimely loss. William Bailes, the son of the deceased is about 30 years of age, and has a wife and two children. ...

In 1841, at Loaning Head Toll Bar, Jacob Bales (Jacob Bales married Sarah Elliot, 21st May 1797, Alston), independent, 70, Sarah Bales 14 (daughter of Joseph and Ann), Jane Brown, housekeeper, aged 35, George Brown 14, and Thomas Brown 10.

Children of Jacob and Sarah Bales: —

Hannah born 7th May 1798, John born 27th November 1799, Joseph born 30th November 1801, Jacob born 16th October 1802.

In 1841, at Skelgill Gate House, Joseph Bales, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Ann (Lee, married 25th December 1825, Alston) aged 38, children, Jacob A., lead miner, aged 13, John, labourer, aged 11, Hannah 8, Joseph 6, and William 2.

In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, Jacob Bales, widow, lead miner, aged 85 (died 1st quarter of 1855), his married son Joseph, lead miner, aged 49, daughter in law, Ann aged 49, grandsons, Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, William, lead miner, aged 12, and Thomas, aged 8.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Bailes, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Ann 59, & son Joseph a lead miner aged 25 (emigrated to Australia). In 1871, at Walton Place, Haydon Bridge, Ann Bailes, widow, aged 66, and boarder James Pearson, joiner, aged 20, born Allendale.

In 1861, at Haydon Cottage, Haydon Bridge, Joseph Bowman, lead miner, aged 36, born Alston, his wife Hannah 29, born Alston, children Sarah Ann 11, born North America, Isabella 8, born Alston, Joseph 5, Elizabeth 3, Jacob 1 (all born Alston), lodgers William Bales, lead miner, aged 22, and Thomas Bales, lead miner, aged 19.

Thomas married Jane Reed at Haydon Bridge 3rd quarter of 1864.

In 1871, at Heworth, Thomas Bales, labourer at chemical works, aged 29, and his wife Jane aged 32.

In 1861, at Haydon Bridge, George Walker, tailor and draper, aged 51, his wife Ann aged 52, children Hannah, dress maker, aged 22, Robert, tailor, aged 20, Cuthbert, Ag. Labourer, aged 18, and William, tailor, aged 13.

William married Hannah Walker in 2nd quarter of 1865, registered at Hexham.

In 1871 at No. 1 William Street, Felling, William Bales, foreman at chemical works, aged 31, his wife Hannah, aged 31, born Haydon Bridge, and son George Walker Bales, aged 3, born Haydon Bridge. Hannah died 2nd quarter of 1871, aged 32.

In 1881, at Parkers Terrace, Haydon Bridge, Ann Bailes, widow, housekeeper, aged 80, and grandson, George W. Bailes, aged 13. In 1891, at South Side, Haydon Bridge, Robert Wear Walker, single, tailor and draper, aged 50, brother William, single, tailor & draper, aged 43, nephew, George Walker Bailes, tailors assistant, aged 23, and mother in law Ann Walker, widow, retired laundress, aged 83.

I suspect that William remarried in the first quarter of 1873, to Jane Wynne. In 1881, at Flint, Flintshire, William Bales, chemical labourer, aged 40, born Alston Moor, his wife Jane 35, born Mostyn, Flint, , children Joseph Jesse 7, Annie 3, and William Wynne 1. Also in 1881, at Eyton Terrace, Flint, Thomas Bales, foreman in Alkali works, aged 39, and his wife Jane, aged 41, born Haydon Bridge.
In 1891, at 47, Chester St, Flint, Thomas Bales, chemical foreman, aged 48, and his wife Jane aged 50.
In 1891, at 24 Chester Street, Flint, William Bales, welders process foreman, aged 50, his wife Jane 45, children Joseph, clerk, aged 17, Ann 13, William Wynne 11, Mary Jane 5, and Thomas Davies 4. William died 2nd quarter of 1899, aged 58.
In 1901, at White House, Earl Street, Flint, Jane Bales, widow, aged 56, children, Joseph, chemical process foreman, aged 28, Annie 23, William Wynne, painter, aged 21, Mary Jane, confectioner, aged 17, and Thomas Davies 10.

17th November 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Nenthead, near Alston, on October 26, Mary Readshaw, widow, aged 87 years.
Thomas Readshaw married Mary Pletts, 30th May 1807, witness, John Pletts, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Thomas Readshaw, was buried, 28th December 1838, aged 56, at Alston.
In 1841, at White Hall, Nenthead, Mary Readshaw aged 57, Tamar Readshaw 17, and Thomas Readshaw, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Mary Readshaw, pauper, lead miners widow, aged 67, daughter Ann Readshaw 31, and grandson, Thomas aged 1.
In 1861, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Mary Readshaw, lead miners widow, aged 77, daughter Ann Readshaw 41, and grandson, Thomas aged 11.

21st November 1868 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE
On Tuesday, another of those unfortunate mine accidents which have of late been of so frequent occurrence took place at the Brownley Hill Lead mine, Alston Moor. The victim in this instance was a man of the name Daniel Thompson, who lived at Haggs, not far from the mine where the accident occurred, and was working with his partner Jonathan Smith, of Greenends. The men were engaged in blasting. Thompson fired a hole which, not getting work, he was in the act of adding more powder, when it exploded, and he was killed on the spot the "dreevil" or driver (an instrument used in blasting) having been literally driven through his head. Smith, who it is feared, has lost an eye, is not otherwise much injured. Thompson has left a widow and two children to lament his loss.
In 1841, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Agnes (Harrison, married 16th August 1828) aged 30, children, William 10, Thomas 8, Henry 5, Robert 5, and Daniel 1.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Agnes 41, children William, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas, lead

miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Daniel, lead miner, aged 10, Ann 8, Jonathon 6, Walton 4, Harrison 8 months, and house servant Ann Boud, aged 21.
In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Nenthead, Agness Thompson, widow, Stay maker, aged 51, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Daniel, lead miner, aged 21, and Walton, lead miner, aged 14.
See 27th April 1866
In 1871, at Over Burn, Nenthead, Agnes Thompson, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 60, son Walton, lead ore miner, aged 22, granddaughter Isabella Thompson, spinner, aged 13, boarder Frances Wright, joiner, aged 48, boarder Robert Kidd, carpet weaver, aged 23, and lodger John Hutton, carpet weaver, aged 25.
Daniel Thompson married Mary Dixon 2nd quarter of 1863; they had two children daughters Agnes born 1864, and Frances born 1868.
In 1871, at Over Burn, Alston, Mary Thompson, widow, charwoman, aged 28, daughters Agnes 7, and Frances 2. See 19th June 1869 and 5th April 1873.

In 1851, at High Green Ends, Nenthead, George Smith, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary (Hodgson, married 4th January 1824, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 48, children Mary 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 15, Jonathan 10, grandson, Joseph Hardy 5, and granddaughter, Frances Smith 2.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, George Smith, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary 58, daughter Mary 33, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, grandson, Watson Smith 6, and granddaughter, Jane Smith 2.
In 1871, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Jonathan Smith, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Walton, married 7th June 1863, Alston) aged 30, children George 5, William 3, and Thomas Walton 10 months.
In 1881, at Kiepier, Crawcrook, Ryton, Jonathan Smith, coal miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 40, children Mary Ann, dress maker, aged 17, George, coal miner, aged 15, William, coal miner, aged 13, and Sarah 8.
In 1891, at Lintz Colliery, Burnhopefield, Jonathan Smith, coal miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, sons George, coal miner, aged 25, William, coal miner, aged 23, step daughter, Sarah Nevers, married, aged 18, and step granddaughter, Sarah H Nevers 1 week. See 28th September 1872, 8th July 1876, 12th May 1883, and 11th October 1884.

Marriages

At Allenheads, St Peter's, 14th inst. Mr Joseph Stokoe of Mill Cottages, Allenheads, to Miss Jane Robinson of Middlehope Greens.

Deaths

At Rotherhope Fell, near Alston, 14th inst, aged 26, Mr Thomas Dawson, late leader of the band of the 6th Cumberland (Alston) Volunteers.
In 1851, at Bayles, Alston, William Dawson, lead miner and farmer, aged 45, his wife Ann (Vipond, married 27th June 1835) aged 39, children Mary 14, William 12, Hannah 11, John 10, Thomas 8, Henry 6, Ann 4, Frances 3, and Sarah 1.
In 1861, at Bailes, Ann Dowson, widow, farmer of 97 acres, aged 48, children William, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 16, Ann 15, Frances 13, Sarah 11, Elizabeth 9, and Isabella 5 years.

In 1871, at Bailes, Ann Dawson, widow, farmer of 98 acres, aged 58, son William, farmers son, aged 33, daughter Isabela 15, and grandson Fredrick Dawson 3.

28th November 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Births
At Alston House, Cumberland, 21st inst, the wife of Mrs Thomas W Crawhall Esq., a son.
In 1871, at Alston House, Alston, Thomas Wilson Crawhall, mine agent & proprietor, aged 45, his wife Fanny Portmore, aged 40, children, Lucy Ann Alice 8, Ethel Portmore 5, Lionel William 2, servants, Mary A. Goodfellow, house maid, aged 19, and Sarah Dalkin, nurse, aged 18.

5th December 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Births
At West Boldon, at Scots House, 27th ult., the wife of Hugh Lee Pattinson Esq., of a son. *See 20th September 1850, 12th November 1858, 12th November 1858, 19th November 1858, and 29th October 1898*
Deaths
At Annetwalls, near Alston, 19th ult., aged 49 years, Jonathan Spark lead miner. *See 27th May 1843*

12th December 1868 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Stonecroft near Newbrough, 6th inst. aged 12 years, Emma and on 7th inst. aged 7 years, Whitfield, son and daughter of Mr Whitfield Jackson, both of Typhus Fever.
In 1861, at Ousby, Cumberland, Whitfield Jackson, engineman, born St John's Chapel, aged 36, Cicely (Forster, married 1st quarter of 1846), born Shildon, aged 34, children Thomas, miner, born Castleside, aged 14, Jane, born Castleside, aged 12, Isabella, born Warden, aged 7, and Emma, born Warden, aged 4. In 1871, at Stonecroft, Newbrough, Whitfield Jackson, lead ore miner, aged 46, his wife Cicely 44, children Thomas, engineman at lead mines, aged 24, Isabella 17, Sarah E. 5, and William W. 2. In 1881, at Clarks Cottage, Newborough, Whitfield Jackson, platelayer, aged 56, his wife Cicily aged 54, and son William 12. Cicily Jackson died 2nd quarter of 1884.
In 1891, at Moss Houses, Warden, Whitfield Jackson, widow, platelayer, aged 66, and granddaughter Emma Clark, aged 19. Whitfield died 4th quarter of 1891.

12th December 1868 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, Mr William Armstrong, to Miss Elizabeth Forest both of Nenthead.
John Forest married Elizabeth Thompson, 4th August 1821, at St Augustine's, Alston. Elizabeth died 2nd quarter of 1840,
In 1841, at Dykeheads, John Forest, lead miner, aged 44, Ann Forest 18, Thomas Forest, lead miner, aged 16, John Forest 13, Mary Forest 11, Deborah Forest 7, and Elizabeth Forest 4.
John Forest was buried 27th April 1850, aged 52, at Nenthead.

In 1851, at Wellgill Dykeheads, Thomas Forest, lead miner, aged 26, brother John, lead miner, aged 24, sisters Deborah 15, and Elizabeth 13. Also Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 24, and his wife Mary aged 21.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Forest, unmarried, lead miner, aged 36, brother, John, lead miner, aged 34, sister Elizabeth 23, sister, Mary Thompson, married to a lead miner, aged 31, and niece Mary Ann Thompson aged 5.
See 12th October 1866, and 20th April 1867.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 32, and son Thomas W. 11 months. In 1881, at Butts, William Armstrong, coal miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, sons John 9, Joseph Heb. 7, and James H. 2. William died 1st quarter of 1882, aged 41.
In 1891, at Butts, Elizabeth Armstrong, widow, aged 53, sons, John, postal letter carrier, aged 19, Joseph H, lime works labourer, aged 16, and James H aged 12.
At Nenthead, Mr Jacob Erwin to Miss Mary Ann Wilkinson, both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Welgill Dykeheads, Walton Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Frances (Armstrong, married 2nd June 1836, Alston) aged 34, children Margaret 13, Frances 11, Elizabeth 9, and Mary Ann 5.
In 1851, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Erwin, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann aged Ann 53, children Miles, lead miner, aged 27, Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21, Ann 18, Jane, dressmaker, aged 15, Stephenson 13, Matthew 11, and nephew Jacob Blacklock 7. Miles was born at Newcastle, Jacob and John were born at Blanchland, the other members of the family were all born at Alston.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Walton Wilkinson, widow, lead miner, aged 47, daughters Margaret, dress maker, aged 23, Frances, house maid, aged 21, Mary Ann, dress maker, aged 19, and Betsey, dress maker, aged 15.
In 1971, at Holmefoots, Jacob Erwin, lead miner, aged 33, born Derwent, Durham, his wife Mary Ann 29, and son John 9 months.
In 1881, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Jacob Erwin, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary A. aged 39, and son John aged 10. Jacob died 3rd quarter of 1881, aged 42
In 1891, at Bloomsbury Hall, Nenthead, Mary Ann Erwin, widow, aged 49, and son, John, lead ore washer, aged 20.
See 11th October 1861, and 22nd January 1870.
Deaths
At Rice, near Alston, 25th ult., aged 55 years, Nancy Waugh, wife of Thomas Waugh lead miner.
Nancy's given name was Ann (Davidson), she married Thomas 20th June 1840 at Garrigill, there is no record of children on the census.
At Craigshield, Garrigill, near Alston, 28th ult., aged 84 years, Ann Fawcett, widow of the late Mr John Fawcett, farmer.

15th December 1868 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Silly Hole, Garrigill, near Alston, on December 2, Mary Jane Bell, wife of George Bell, farmer, aged 27 years.

18th December 1868 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston on the 6th inst, by the Rev. Wm. Batey, Mr Adam Walton, of Wardway Foot, Nenthead, to Miss Jane Parker, of Clitheroe, near Alston.
In 1861, at Foulard, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth (Kirkpatrick, married 27th April 1834, at Alston) aged 48, children, Adam, lead miner, aged 15, Frances 10, Dinah 8, and John 4.
In 1871, at Wardway Foot, Alston, John Walton, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 56, son, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, and granddaughter, Anny Temperley 2.
John Walton of Wardway Foot, died 18th July 1879
Elizabeth Walton, of Wardway Foot, was buried 20th December 1881, aged 69, at Nenthead.

In 1871, at Wardway foot, Alston, Adam Walton, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Jane 22, and Joseph Pears 11 months.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Adam Walton, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 31, children, Joseph P 10, Mary 8, Hannah 4, and Sarah A. 2.
The family emigrated to the United States in 1882.

In 1901, at Wellsville, Columbiana county, Ohio, Adam Walton, R R watchman, aged 54, his wife Jane 52, children, Lizzie 27, John P, labourer, aged 18, Alice 14, and Pierce 8.
Jane Walton died 7th March 1920, at Wellsville, Columbiana County, Ohio.
Adam Walton died 7th November 1901, at Wellsville, Columbiana County, Ohio.

Spring Hill Cemetery
Wellsville, Columbiana County, Ohio
Source: findagrave.com added by San

Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 4th inst., Elizabeth, daughter of John Wilkinson, aged 3 years.
In 1851, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Mary (Bowman, married 21st June 1849, at St John, Garrigill) aged 26, and son Thomas 1.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, John Wilkinson, lead miner, and blacksmith, aged 36, his wife Mary aged 36, children, Thomas 11, Henry 9, Jane 7, Anne 5, Mary 2, William 8 months, and daughter, Hannah Watson, aged 15.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 46, children, Henry, lead miner, aged 19, Jane 17, Mary 12, William 12, and Johnny 3.
In 1881, at Howgill Syke, Garrigill, John Wilkinson, farmer of 78 acres, aged 56, his wife Mary 56, children, William, lead miner, aged 20, and Mary 22.
Mary Wilkinson was buried 28th September 1886, at Garrigill.
In 1891, at High Galligill, Alston, John Wilkinson, widower, farmer, aged 66, and domestic servant, Sarah Renwick aged 18.
In 1901, at High Galligill, Alston, John Wilkinson, widower, farmer, aged 76, grandchildren, John Wilkinson 14, Tom Wilkinson 12, Robert 4, and niece, Sarah English 18.

1st January 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON

On Christmas Day H. W. Friend, Esq, of Harbut Lodge, again repeated his accustomed sumptuous entertainment of roast beef and plum pudding to the whole of the inmates of the Alston Workhouse. The rooms of the workhouse were decorated with suitable mottoes on the occasion, and the inmates highly appreciated this repetition of the numerous annual treats so kindly afforded them by their considerate and respected entertainer.

GARRIGILL

On Christmas Day the poor of this chapelry were kindly treated by Mrs Baylee, of Alston Vicarage, to a good dinner of plum pudding and roast beef, accompanied with a plentiful supply of nut-brown ale. The dinner was prepared and served up under the superintendence of Mrs Monkhouse, of Garrigill and ample justice was done to the good old English cheer Those who, on account of old age and infirmity, were unable to attend at the Parsonage, had dinners sent to their own homes.

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, on the 23rd inst., *Sic*, by the Rev. Geo. Monkhouse, Mr Robt. Hodgson, jun., The Hole, Tynehead, to Miss Ann Storey, of Tynehead House.
See 2nd November 1869, & 28th April 1878

2nd January 1869 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Leadgate, near Alston, 24th ult., aged 16 years, Miss Elizabeth Fawcett.
William Fawcet married Mary Chester, 27th December 1794, at Alston.
Children:—
Nancy born 14th November 1795, John born 18th October 1797, William born 21st August 1799, Isaac born 19th October 1803, Mary born 6th March 1806, and Elizabeth born about 1809.
In 1841, at Bales, Alston, William Fawcett, lead miner aged 70, Mary Fawcett aged 68, John Fawcett, lead miner, aged 35, Thomas Wallis, lead miner, aged 25, and Elizabeth Wallis 25.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, William Fawcett, widow, lead miner, aged 79 (died 3rd quarter of 1851), son John, lead miner, aged 53, son in law Thomas Wallace, lead miner, aged 43, and daughter Elizabeth Wallace, aged 42.
In 1851, at Renwick, Jane Parsons, widow, aged 41, daughter Mary aged 9, and son Joseph aged 7.

In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, John Fawcett, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Jane 52, daughter Elizabeth S 8, and son in law, Joseph Parson, lead miner, aged 17. In 1871, at Blackburn Mill, Alston, John Fawcett, lead miner, aged 73, and his wife Jane 63.
In 1871, at Church Street, Walker, Isaac Parsons, aged 32, labourer in chemical works, aged 32, born Renwick, his wife Anna aged 27, born Lanercost, daughters, Charlotte B aged 3, Jane Ann aged 1, and brother Joseph, labourer in chemical works aged 27.
In 1881, at Longbenton, Jane Fawcett, widow (John died 1st quarter of 1872, aged 74), aged 73, son Joseph Parsons, billiard marker, aged 37, (both born at Renwick, Cumberland) Jane died 10th October 1892, at Haggs Bank, Alston. See 15th October 1892

9th January 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 6th Inst, aged 75 years, Mrs Hannah Stephenson after a protracted illness;
Hannah Barron married Henry Stephenson a lead miner 23rd May 1818 (he died 1846 aged about 49), in 1841, at Welgill, Nenthead, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah 45, children John 20,Henry 20, James 15, Elizabeth 15, Frances 13, and Hannah 10. In 1851, at Welgill, Hannah Stephenson, widow, farmer of 7 acres, aged 57, children Henry, lead miner, aged 30, Frances, dressmaker, aged 23, and Hannah, dressmaker, aged 20. In 1861, at Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Erwin, married 4th February 1858, at Nenthead, Sarah was born at Blanchland) aged 25, daughter Mary Ann 3, and son John James 8 months. Also at Dykeheads, Hannah Stephenson, lead miners widow, aged 67, grandchildren James Stephenson 12, Mary Stephenson 10, and Henry Stephenson 7.
4th inst. aged 18, Isabella Robson of a lingering consumption.
Daughter of Ridley & Catherine Robson
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Ridley Robson, lead miner, aged 25, and James Robson, lead miner aged 15. Also at Hill Top, George Irwin, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Catherine 15, George, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph 10, Isabella 10, Anthony 8, Rachel 5, Betty 3, and Hannah 3 months.
In 1851, at Hill Top, Ridley Robson, lead miner aged 36, wife Catherine (Irwine, married 16th March 1843, at Alston) aged 28, children Thomas 8, Mary 6, Ridley 3, Isabella 1 and brother James Robson, lead miner, aged 23. Ridley died 1855
In 1861, at Hill Top, Catherine Robson, miners widow, aged 38, children Tamar, housemaid, aged 18, Ridley, lead ore washer, aged 13, Isabella 11, George 8, and Margaret 5. Catherines daughter Mary aged 16 was working as a servant at Chapel Row, Rookhope.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Catherine Robson, widow, house keeper, aged 49, children Tamer, domestic servant, aged 29, Ridley, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Margaret, house maid, aged 15. See 8th May 1875
At Farpasture, West Allen, recently aged 23 years, Mr Thomas Armstrong Lead miner.

In 1851, at Carrshield, Matthew Armstrong, lead miner, aged 37, and his wife Mary 31, children John 7, Thomas 6, Mary 4, and Jane 6 months. In 1861, at Miners Rest, Matthew Armstrong, widow, lead miner, aged 48, children John, lead ore dresser, aged 17, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 16, and Mary 14.

9th January 1869 (Hexham Herald)

SEASONAL BENEVOLENCE AT NENTHEAD.

On New Years Day, Mr Tinniswood Millican who a short time since retired from the management of the London Lead Company mines and who ever continues warmly attached to the place generously treated the widows (mostly those of his workmen) to the number of about fifty, to an excellent tea. It was served out by the ladies of the village headed by the active wife of J. J. Millican daughter in law of the donor. ...

Deaths

At Weardale at St John's Chapel, 1st inst. aged 36, Mr Joseph Gibson.

In 1861, at St John's Chapel, Sarah Gibson, widow, draper and grocer, aged 69, son Joseph, married, grocers assistant, aged 28, daughter in law, Elizabeth 22, grandson Thomas 4 months, and general servant, Elizabeth Lonsdale 16.

15th January 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)

GREAT AGES.—There are living in the Chapelry of Garrigill nine persons—four males and five females— whose united ages amount to 751 years. The youngest of the males is 80 years, and the youngest of the females 84 years. Some of the parties are wonderfully strong and active, especially the eldest of the females, who attained her 90th year last Midsummer, and who is still able to do her household work with comfort. This chapelry has from time to time produced both men and women who have reached ages almost patriarchal. John Martin died here in April, 1834, aged 103 years, and Mary Martin, his wife, in November 1836, aged 105 years, It is a fact worth relating that when a public tea party was held on the Village Green, after the passing of the Reform Bill of 1832 old Martin and his wife were present on the occasion. They were then in their 102nd year; the old man said grace, and the old woman had on her wedding dress.

16th January 1869 (Hexham Herald)

OPENING OF A NEW CHAPEL AT NENTSBURY.

A new Primitive Methodist Chapel was opened at Nentsbury on Friday last. …

26th January 1869 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Allendale, 17th inst aged 55, Margaret beloved wife of Mr Thomas Johnson Lead ore smelter.

I*n 1851, at Kiln Burn, Allendale, Thomas Johnson, smelter and farmer of 25 acres, aged 39, his wife Margaret (Ridley, married 14th November 1835, Allendale) aged 37, children Jane 14, Elizabeth 10, Thomas 7, Margaret J6, Ann 4, Joseph 2, and Hugh 9 months.*

In 1861 at Kiln Burn, Allendale, Thomas Johnson 49 lead ore smelter with his wife Margaret, farmer, aged 47, children John lead ore miner 25, Jane Johnson 23, Thomas lead ore miner 17, Ann 14, Joseph joiners apprentice 12,

Hugh 10, William 6, Mary 4, and George 8 months. In 1871, at Newfield, Allendale, Thomas, Johnson, widow, labourer lead ore factory, aged 59, Ann, dressmaker, aged 23, Hugh, lead ore smelter, aged 19, Mary 13, and Margret Ann Millican, aged 13.

At Burnt Rigg, Hexhamshire, 19th inst, aged 12 years Margaret daughter of Mr George Chatt Lead ore miner.

In 1841, at White Rigg, Allendale, Joseph Chatt , lead ore smelter, aged 40, his wife, Maria (Marshall, married 14th December 1816, Allendale) aged 45, children Elizabeth 20, Thomas, separator of lead, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 20, John, dresser of lead ore, aged 15, Joseph 14, Margaret 12, William 10, Robert 7, and James 5.

In 1851 George Chatt, smelter of lead ore, aged 30, living at Sipton Shield, with his wife Ann (Stobbs married 1844) aged 25, children Mary J. 5, and Elizabeth 3. Ann died in 1859, in1861 at Peasemeadows, George Chatt, lead ore smelter, aged 39, children Mary Jane, house keeper, aged 15, Betsey 12, Joseph 9, Ann 6, and Margaret 4.

26th January 1869 (Penrith Observer)

NENTHEAD POULTRY AND BIRD SHOW.

The annual show of this society was held on Friday, the 15th inst., in the handsome new school-room at Nenthead, built by the London Lead Company, and kindly lent for the occasion. Notwithstanding the unfavourable state of the weather, the attendance of spectators was very good. In a district so high above the sea-level—in fact, higher than Kirkstone Pass, upon which is erected "The Traveller's Rest," at a higher elevation, it has always been understood, than any other inhabited house in England—it was surprising to see so large and excellent a collection of birds; and the fact speaks volumes for the industry and skill of the miners and others who exhibited on this occasion. By the gentleman from Leeds, who acted as judge, and who is widely known for his ability in that capacity, the show was pronounced a very superior one. The poultry pens were arranged in a long double line down the centre of the room and the caged birds in their little tenements occupied the whole of one side and the ends of the building. There was a large entry of the latter, and they formed a very pleasant feature in the exhibition, and drew forth high encomiums from the judge. Great interest is manifested by the miners in rearing the little songsters; and nearly every one of their houses has its sweet warbler. The total number of entries was 172. Unfortunately a large number of entries from Yorkshire and other distant places arrived after the list was closed. The society, it is satisfactory to add, is in a prosperous state; and next year the committee will be in a position to offer more liberal prizes. The awards of the judge gave unqualified satisfaction. After the show the committee and others dined at the Miners' Arms inn, Nenthead, where an excellent spread was provided by Mr. John Walton, the worthy landlord. …

30th January 1869 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

WANTED to Purchase for the Thornbrough Mining Company, IRON CHAIR RAILS, 25 lbs. per yard, either New or Second hand. Apply stating lowest cash terms to Mr Joseph Walton, Hundy House, Alston, Cumberland.

See 14th November 1868

6th February 1869 (Hexham Courant)

A WEARDALE MAN KILLED IN AUSTRALIA.

The "Australian Primitive Methodist Miscellany" for October 1868 contains a brief memoir of Joseph Ridley, who came to his death from a fall of earth, whilst pursuing his daily employment in a tunnel, working for gold. Deceased was a native of Weardale. He was born at Newlands near Stanhope in the year 1833 and emigrated to Australia twelve years ago. He was a member of the Victoria Primitive Methodists, and also a local preacher in that society. He married Miss Berry of Campbell's Creek, whom with 4 children he leaves to mourn his loss.

Australian mining records give the following: Joseph Ridley killed 25th June 1868 34 years old, married with 4 children, the mine was in the Castlemaine region, Guildford, Vaughan, Church's Flat, Bald Hill.

Marriages

At Chicago Illinois, North America, 14th ult. Mr R. B. Scott late of Alston Cumberland to Miss Euphemia only daughter of Wilfred Brandon Esq., Banker Chicago.

13th February 1869 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At the workhouse Alston, 8th inst., aged 22 years, Mr James Thomas Fawcett.

At Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 67 years, Anna *(Dodd)* Hornsby, after a long affliction.

In 1841, at Market Place, Nenthead, Mary Hornsby, schoolmistress, aged 45, Anna Hornsby 35, and Isabella Hornsby 30 (Daughters of Isaac Hornsby and Mary Dodd). In 1851, at Nenthead, Anna Dodd Hornsby, unmarried, pauper, formerly schoolmistress, aged 50.

In 1861, at Overwater, Elizabeth Erwin, lead miners widow, and stay maker, aged 64, daughters Susannah hat maker, aged 43, Nancy, house servant, aged 30, grandson Miles Erwin 10, and boarder, Ann Hornsby, sewer and knitter, aged 60.

See 24th April 1830, 19th December 1835, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 1st April 1882, and 23rd February 1901.

16th February 1869 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

PIGEON SHOOTING AT GARRIGILL.—On the 29th January, Mr. Joseph Watson, Rice View, Garrigill, afforded his sporting friends a day's sport at pigeons, of which he had a plentiful supply. The sport was patronised by a great number belonging to the neighbourhood and surrounding district. Although the day was very unfavourable for spectators, and most doubtful for the sportsmen, the shooting was excellent. The prize (to which the entrance money was added) was divided between Thomas Spark and Thomas Watson, both of Alston, third prize to John Millican, Garrigill. The next three prizes were divided between Thomas Spark and Thomas Todd, both of Alston, and William Lee, of Garrigill. A sweepstake was afterwards shot for, the prize being divided between Richard Hetherington and Thomas Elliott, both of Garrigill. The day following another sweepstake was shot for, and won by Richard Hetherington and William Lee. After all was finished, competitors and others sat down to an

excellent dinner, the serving up of which reflected great credit on the worthy host and hostess. The arrangements throughout gave great satisfaction.

20th February 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At The Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 17th inst., Mr Matthew Dickinson of Alston to, Miss Margaret Millican of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Ramsays Buildings, Alston, Mathew Dickinson, butcher, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 50, children George 32, James, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 19, Jane, dress maker, aged 17, Mathew, lead miner, aged 15, William 14, John 12, and Thomas 7.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gates, Wallace Millican, formerly farmer, aged 64, his wife Sarah 62, and married daughter Margaret Dickinson 34.
In 1881, at 164 Ennerdale Road, Cleator Moor, Matthew Dickinson, butcher, aged 45, his wife Margaret 44, George W. 9, Sarah E. 4, Matthew W. 2, and servant Ellen L. Dickinson, general servant, aged 18
Deaths
At Nenthead, *(Overwater)* 16th inst. aged 27, Mr William Hodgson jun., Tailor.

27th February 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 25th inst., by license, Mr Thomas Roddam to Miss Isabella Tatters, Post Office, both of Nenthead.
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 12th May 1877, 14th June 1884 5th March 1887, & 20th August 1887.
Deaths
At Coalcleugh, West Allendale, 18th inst., aged 2 years, Amanda Malvina, beloved daughter of Thomas and Ann Pears.
Thomas Pears, baptised 7th April 1839, at Alston, son of Archibald and Mary (Reed married 8th December 1836, at Alston) Pears.
Mary Pears died 4th qtr 1845, registered at Alston.
Archibald Pears married Elizabeth Armstrong, 18th July 1848, at Ninebanks.
Archibald Pears of Coalcleugh, died 5th June 1850.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Elizabeth Pears, miners widow, aged 42, sons in law, Thomas Pears, lead miner, aged 22, and John Pears, lead miner, aged 19.

In 1851, at Whiteley Shield Green, West Allendale, Thomas Robson, stone mason, aged 45, his wife Susanna, dressmaker, aged 37, children, William, lead ore washer, 11, Thomas 9, and Ann 6.
Possible death of Sussana Robson, 3rd qtr., 1853, registered at Hexham.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, West Allendale, Thomas Robson, widower, stone mason, aged 56, and daughter Ann 17.
In 1871, at Coalcleugh, West Allendale, Thomas Robson, widower, stone mason, aged 66, married daughter, Ann Pears, railway labourers wife, (Robson, married 15th December 1864, at Ninebanks) aged 26, grandchildren, Randolph Pears 2, and Mary E Pears 11 months.
In 1881, at Pontop Lodge, Dipton, Thomas Pears, married, general labourer, aged 42, children, Randolph Archibald 12, and Mary Eliz 10.
In 1891, at 57 Mons Street, Dipton, Collierly, Thomas Pears, Road surface man, aged 52, born Alston, his wife Ann aged 47, born Allendale, children, Randal, colliery cartman, aged 22, and Mary E., dressmaker, aged 20.

Ann Pears, died 19th April 1900, aged 56, at Dipton, Durham.
Thomas Pears died 18th January 1916, aged 76, at Dipton, Durham.

St John The Evangelist Churchyard
Dipton, Durham
Source: findagrave.com
Added by Thomas Hunter Brown

27th February 1869 (Hexham Courant)

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT FALLOWFIELD MINES.

Yesterday a young man, belonging Hexham named Peter Winslow *(Winsley?)*, had a narrow escape from being killed at the above mines. It appears that the injured man who was engaged in putting a tub into the cage at the shaft bottom, and the boy, whose duty it is to draw up the tubs, mistaking the signal from below set the engine in motion before the tub was properly secured. The consequence was that the tub tilted over while at considerable height and fell upon Winslow, rendering him completely senseless. The poor fellow was immediately brought to bank and conveyed home. ... it was discovered that the poor fellows kneecap was dislocated and the lower part of his thigh was fractured a little above the joint. What adds to the painfulness of the case is the fact that the young man is the sole support of his aged parents.

In 1871, at Victoria Yard, Hexham, Barnard Winsley, labourer gardens, aged 60, his wife Susan 60, and son Peter, plasterers labourer, aged 19.

NEW ZEALAND AND ITS HISTORY

A correspondent kindly forwards us the following letter, which we have great pleasure in publishing as a more truthful and interesting exposition of affairs in

that colony, we have seldom read. The letter is apparently written with no attempt at effect but with a shrewd observation of men and things, which cannot fail to strike the attention of the reader. The writer is a native of Allendale, and we give a short sketch as a preliminary of his rather eventful life. Beginning life as a shepherd boy in Allendale in which position he gained the esteem and respect of his master, we next find him in the employment of Mr Shield, the Allendale carrier of that day, and postmaster of the present day. The lad being of a very observing and thoughtful turn of mind anxious to improve himself and to see the world found little on the "roads" for intellectual advancement, and when six months had expired he left to the South. Railways were then just beginning to be made, and he found employment with Brassey & Co., the first railway contractors. With them he remained-being promoted to a place of trust, several years in the South of England, Wales, Spain, and America. Having had little education in his youth, and become possessed of a little money he returned to England, and placed himself under a teacher in Newcastle, to make good this defect, and remained there about twelve months. After this, he returned to America, and we believe, became a contractor himself along with another party, but it does not appear that he benefited by the step, and as it was about the time when the civil war broke out he returned again to this country. Shortly after his arrival, the gold diggings in New Zealand attracted his attention and he set out then with his wife and family, and we now leave him to tell his own tale: -

"Auckland, Remnora, New Zealand"

My Dear Friends, I have long been for writing to you. You must think that I have quite forgotten you all, but I have not; I have thought of you many a time since I came here, and the reason that I have not written before is that I would like to have had something worthwhile to send you. It is now five years and six months since we landed here, and I do say that I have been very much taken in with this country. In the first place, it is a long way from England, and the information that you receive in England about this part of the world is through some Government agents, and three parts out of four are lies, but you do not know this until you come here. I now proceed to give you, in detail, what I have seen and heard and done since I came.

We had a passage of 15 weeks. The ship was a good one, but not a quick sailor. We had about 120 passengers on board, English, Scotch, and Irish. My wife and family all stood the sea very well, considering that they had not been to sea before, and we all landed in good health. New Zealand is composed of three islands; the province of Auckland is the north island, the middle island is Canterbury, and the south island is "Stuart's Island". Auckland stands on a narrow neck of land between the Manukau Harbour, on the south side and the Waitameta, on the north side. It is laid out for a large town, but at the present time, there are about 10,000 inhabitants in it. In the year 1840, Jan 29, this Auckland was formed into a British colony. Three ships came here from Great Britain about that time to form it into the Britain of the south. I will try to give you a true account of what they were composed as near as possible; and their characters I will try to illustrate them by some that we all know and you will see what a lot they are composed of. I will take first old Will Carr and Sam and that lot, and then Toby Glen, John Hodgson, and Jack Herdman, and among this lot a few decent men that would do right, but the few is on the side of the minority; and at different times a few old escaped

convicts from Sydney and Tasmania, and now and then a few men that have failed in England and elsewhere, and you have the men that were to form the Britain of the south at once. The chief part of these men had no money nor no learning and no particular trade, and there they were, and when they landed they were had to work in making the roads and building a fort to protect themselves from the natives; and when they had to get their pay for their work there was no money to pay them with, so they paid them in land. Now, that land has become the city of Auckland, and it has made those worthless fellows the leading men of the place; they are members of Parliament and the aristocracy of the place, and they are a nice lot of fellows I do assure you; and these men are the lawmakers and rulers. This place was under the sole control of the British Government up to 15 years back; and the colonists at that time clamoured to have a constitution of their own to manage their own affairs and no doubt poor old John Bull was quite tired of them too, and gave it to them, and since then they have made a very nice mess of their affairs.

GOVERNMENT

Two Houses-Lords and Commons. The members are elected for four years, Whigs and Tories. One party that has been in power has borrowed money, and the other party has done the same, and now the National Debt of New Zealand is about £11,000,000. Each province has to pay its portion of the interest of this money, and with the revenue falling off so much, and this interest to meet, there is little left to make any improvements with. There are no statesmen amongst these men, and they have done some of the most stupid things possible. They have thrown the public money away right and left, and now they are short of funds to meet their liabilities, and nothing will do but direct taxation; this poll tax that is put on they cannot gather it, and they are at their wits end. In fact the Government is nothing else but a regular humbug and a mass of corruption and vile swindlers, and it is a fact that some of the greatest swindling has come to light that ever was known in any land; and when I came here I could not see what was to keep up the place but troops. House rent is very high, firing and living high, no roads made into the country where people could get on to the land and settle; and three months after we landed the war broke out, and the cause of the war was the over reaching disposition of the old colonists to get hold of native land; and that was the cause and nothing else. I was eyewitness to this. The General had 10,000 troops of the line, 9,000 militia, and all the latest improvements of implements of war; the Minnie rifle, the Enfield rifle, and from the 12lb. Armstrong gun up to 110lb. large gun, and commissary to back him, against a few almost naked savages, who, without commissariat, and only old flint and steel guns, fowling pieces, hedge slashers, their powder bad, living on fern roots and potatoes, beat him in almost every engagement, and where the natives lost one man we lost ten one way and the other, a very discreditable affair altogether for us. And you British taxpayers have to pay for this. Poor old John Bull is a nice, good-tempered old fellow, but he has been rightly done by these Auckland scoundrels.

LAND IN GENERAL

The face of the country is very broken and the land is very patchy. You may find from 10 acres up to 100 of very good and then very poor and bad land close to it, and a good deal of swamp land. Thousands of acres of this swamp can never be drained without great outlay, as it lies below the level of the sea,

and there is no natural grass on any of this land. In fact, I have seen some of the poorest land in this country that ever I did see in any part of the world I was in, and some so good that it would grow anything. Wheat has not been fairly tried yet. Almost all our breadstuff has come from California; in fact, we import almost everything, and export next to nothing, and we manufacture little or nothing but lies and bombast.

FARMS AND FARMING

There are some good farms near Auckland, but the farming is of the worst description, and this is a dreadful place for weeds growing. The old English Red Dock and Scotch Thistle are dreadful pests, and with the climate being so warm, they grow very fast, and ten times the size that they do in England. I have seen a thistle in a field not far from where we are living that a full grown four year old bullock might stand in the back side of it and scarcely be seen, and the seed of these thistles flies away all over the country. The English white thorn for hedge purposes grows well here, and the oak-and in fact all English wood-grows well here.

CATTLE

Here is the Durham short horn breed imported, the Herefordshire breed, Alderney cow, Irish and Devonshire, and a breed of cattle imported from Sydney of very large bone. They are mixed between Irish and Devon, and all thrive well. Cattle lie out all the year round. There is plenty of grass in the winter. Beef at this time is from 6d to 8d per lb, and it has been as high as 1s.

SHEEP

We have the Leicestershire pure breed, the Lincolnshire breed, Cheviot, Southdown, the pure Merino, and half-breed and mixed breeds without number. Mutton is from 6d to 8d per lb; wool from 8d to 1s 3d per lb at the last sales.

HORSES

We have the English draught horse and Scotch draught of all colours, shapes, and sizes; the English racer and hack; and as for Asses, we are rather short of them with the long ears, but have plenty of them with the short ones.

PIGS

We have the Hampshire short nose, the Irish long nose; and in fact, all sorts.

TIMBER

This New Zealand bush is composed of a great variety of different sorts, some very useful timber, and others fit for nothing but to burn. The Koori pine is the largest tree that I have ever seen; plenty of the 140 feet without a branch, 6 and 8 and 10 and 13 feet diameter, but the New Zealand bush is one of the most terrible places that ever I was in to travel through for underwood. The houses are all mostly built from timber.

MINERALS

The place has been very much shaken with volcanic eruptions; in fact, it seems to me that the whole of these islands have been thrown up out of the sea some time or another. We have coal, steel sand- (the steel sand is supposed to be the best in the known world, and mountains of it), limestone, iron ore, gold and copper; I do not hear of much lead, and with all this mineral, they import all their iron from home.

SEASONS

The seasons are just the reverse of yours at home; the longest day in England is the shortest here.

MONEY

All the English coin goes here in full value, the same as it does at home.

BANK INTEREST

Is ten per cent, but money has been up from that to 15, 20, 30, and 35 per cent. After the troops were withdrawn everything came down in a crash, and all commercial things seemed in convulsion, banks failing, merchants failing, and everything at a complete stagnation for over two years.

THE CLIMATE

Is very good, although a good deal of rain falls in the winter, and we have consequently much damp weather. The climate is the only thing that I like about the place; I hate the mean, dirty way they have of doing business, and all men say the same that have travelled and seen the way things are done in other countries.

THE NATIVE RACE

It is supposed that they came from the island of Aratonga, five thousand miles from the mainland of New Zealand. They are men of large bone, strong and warlike, with long black hair. They run about almost naked, just with a blanket and a mat round their shoulders, and that is the dress, except those that are a little higher up in the world, and then they come out great swells. It would have been a great blessing if they could have been civilised, but there is no hope for it now.

THE COUNTRY

The country is not opened up with roads, and people cannot get on to their land to settle on it. They expended £119,000 on a worthless five miles of railway that has never been opened, and engines and carriages are all lying rotting. They tried to get my old masters Messrs Brassey and Co., to finish it for them, but they had no security to give them, and they would not have anything to do with it, and there it stands as a monument of imbecility and humbug. There are plenty of farms for sale at the present time, but few people have got money to buy them with. There have been hundreds of people ruined by coming to this country, and solely through the bad management of the Government, and confidence went down to nothing. But through the gold field that has been found at the Thames confidence has now revived a little. Gold has been found in that district for thirty miles along the coast and ten miles inland, and there is some very good claims, but it is all quartz and requires considerable expense and labour. The gold has been found at the level of the sea, one hundred feet below it, and as high as 1,500 to 2,000 feet above that level. I have been down at the diggings nine months but I did not succeed in finding gold; I am at the present time manager of a claim for a party, and I live in hopes of doing something better. This quartz reefing is veins of rock, or spar, as we call it at home, and the gold is found in it. It is then taken and crushed by stampers. The sand runs away, and the gold is picked up by quick silver. The veins run from a penny piece in thickness up to five or six feet, and at times more than that. It is a dreadful rough country where it is found, full of deep gullies and glens. There are about 10,000 men at the diggings, and there have been two new towns built within the last twelve months near the place. We bought a piece of land two miles from the town of Auckland, and built a house on it. I have had several small contracts, but nothing to any good, in fact, I do not see nor hear of any person doing any good that came out about the time we did. We have got 137

acres of land about 80 miles from Auckland; it is very good land, situated on the banks of one of the finest rivers in New Zealand, but there is no direct road to it from Auckland. A ton of goods would cost more to get to it than it would cost to get it from London to Auckland. There are hundreds of people just in the same fix with their land. Mrs Dent has kept a grocer's shop ever since we have been in Auckland, and we are thinking of moving down to the diggings, which are about fifty miles from Auckland. We can sail it in five hours.

HOME INQUIRIES

I have heard there is a railway being made up Allendale, and when you write, tell me which way it has gone and who were the contractors of it. I would like to know how the level from Allendale Town to Allenheads is getting on, whether they have ever got through with it or not. *(Talking of the Blackett level)*

THE MAORIS AND CONFISCATION

The Maori prisoners that were taken during the war were sent to Chatham Islands, but made their escape to the main land of New Zealand, and our colonial force was sent to intercept them. The news has just arrived to night that there has been a desperate fight, six of our men being killed and five wounded. This may lead to another blaze of war. There have been altogether confiscated from the natives 583,000 acres, comprising 43,000 acres of first class, at 15s per acre; 216,000 acres of second class at 10s per acre; and 324,000 acres (inclusive of 155,000 acres of swamp) of third class, at 5s per acre. This is what we have got for all the blood we have shed, and all the money we have robbed the British taxpayer of, and I think the cost of the war was three millions sterling, and all to gratify a few old, low colonists. Some of the old colonists would like to compare this country with America, but there has been more real progress made in some of the Western States of America in four or five years than has been made in the province of Auckland altogether. We have got here a lot of very low and unprincipled men and men of principle will not allow themselves to assist in managing the affairs of the country, so you see how it is.

WHOLESALE PRICES

Flour, £24 per ton; potatoes, £6 per ton; butter, 1s 6d per lb.; bacon, 1s per lb., colonial sugar, 6d per lb., eggs, 1s 3d, and 1s 6d per dozen; tea, 2s 6d to 3s per lb., candles, 7d and 8d per lb.

October 28th, 1868.

5th March 1869 (Newcastle Courant)

INQUESTS AT NEWBROUGH. —On Saturday, Mr Cockcroft, coroner, held an inquest at the house of Mr Richard Surtees, Newbrough, on the body of Thomas Jackson, aged 20 years, a lead miner. The deceased was employed at Stonecroft and Greyside lend mines, and on the 18th of February was working along with his father underground, when a stone fell from the side of the mine and hit the deceased on the back of the head, producing concussion of the brain, from which he died on the 20th of the month. Verdict, "Accidental death."

In 1861, at Greyside Farm, Newbrough, Joseph Jackson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Susannah 46, children Emerson, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Sarah 10, Mary Ann 4, Jane 1, and lodger, Ralph Shipley, horse keeper, aged 22. In 1871, at Stonecroft mines, Joseph

Jackson, engine man at lead mines, aged 60, his wife Susan 56, daughters Sarah, dressmaker, aged 20, and Jane 11

6th March 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 20th inst. Mr William Hedley of Crookgate, to Miss Ellen Raine of St John's Chapel, Weardale. Same day Mr John Philipson of East Black Dean, to Miss Mary Hedley of Pres.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst. Mr John Spark of Newlandside to Miss Mary Renwick of Stanhope.
Deaths
At Stanhope, 19th ult. aged 70, Mrs Elizabeth Wallace.
In 1841, at Stanhope Butts, William Wallace, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, 40, children George 13, Margaret 11, Thomas 8, William 6, Joseph 3, and James 9 months. In 1851, at Stanhope Butts, Elisabeth Wallace, lead miners widow, aged 52, children George, lead miner, aged 23, Margaret 21, Thomas, labourer, aged 18, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 13, James 10, and John 6.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Elizabeth Wallace, widow, aged 62, children Elizabeth 36, Joseph, lead ore refiner, aged 23, James, lead ore refiner, aged 20, and John, lead ore refiner, aged 16.

6th March 1869 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHEAD
COOPERATIVE SOCIETY.
The Nenthead Cooperative Society was opened for business on the 22nd ult., with a fair prospect of doing good trade. The society commenced with about 80 members by whom 150 shares have been taken up and the number is still being increased. Under the able presidency of Mr Wm. Dalton, the attentive business tact of Mr John Armstrong as secretary there is no doubt it will become a success.

13th March 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Newbrough, 7th inst. Mr George Ware to Miss Mary Ann Hindmarsh, Carr Edge, Newbrough.
See 15th September 1888
Deaths
At Hope House, Allendale, 12th inst. in her 92nd year, Mrs Elizabeth Dawson, widow of the late Mr John Dawson.
At Offa Cottage, Wrexham, North Wales, 27th ult. aged 33 Jane wife of Mr Jabez Wilson *(married at Bolam 12th Dec 1866)* and 2nd daughter of the late Mr John Dryden of Alston, also on the 1st Inst, John Dryden Wilson *(born 3rd quarter of 1867, at Wrexham)*, eldest son of the above *(both died of Scarlet Fever).*
John Dryden married Diana Little, 31st July 1832, at Alston. In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger, aged 40, his wife Diana 25, daughter Mary 8 and Jane Dryden, independent, aged 35. Jane Dryden aged 6, is at Overburn with John Bails and family.
Diana Dryden died June 28th 1847

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Dryden, post master & ironmonger, aged 55, his sister, Jane, unmarried, aged 52, children Mary 17, Jane 15, Thomas 9, John 4, and house servant, Jane Wallace aged 20.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger and sub postmaster, aged 65, children Jane, aged 25, Thomas, assistant ironmonger, aged 19, and John 14.
In the Newcastle Courant of 17th August 1866, it is stated that Jabez Wilson and William Satchell, had been appointed as Wesleyan ministers for the Alston circuit.
In 1871, at Lydney Gloucestershire, Jabez Wilson, grocer and local Methodist preacher, born Sedbergh, Yorkshire, his wife Agnes, aged 27, born Orton, Westmorland, and son Thomas H. aged 2, born Wrexham. See 3rd July 1863

John Dryden Memorial, 3 faces inscribed.

IN
MEMORY OF
JOHN DRYDEN
OF ALSTON WHO DIED NOV 4TH 1866
AGED 71 YEARS

ALSO
DIANA HIS WIFE WHO DIED JUNE 28, 1847
AGED 35 YEARS
ALSO DIANA THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED JUNE 10TH 1840
AGED 1 YEAR AND __ MONTHS

ALSO
IN MEMORY OF
DEBORAH THE BELOVED WIFE
OF JOHN DRYDEN OF ALSTON
WHO DIED JANUARY 30TH 1897
AGED 62 YEARS

ALSO
IN MEMORY OF
MARY THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED MAY __ 1859
AGED 26 YEARS
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON
WHO DIED JUNE 30TH 1863
AGED 21 YEARS
ALSO OF JANE THEIR DAUGHTER AND WIFE OF
JABEZ WILSON WHO DIED FEB 27TH 1869
AGED 33 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED AT WREXHAM

18th March 1869 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
OPENING OF A BRANCH BANK

The Carlisle and Cumberland Banking Company at Carlisle intend shortly to open a branch of their bank at Alston, and have appointed Mr James Millican, draper, Alston, to be the manager.

20th March 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

At Nentsbury, 14th inst aged 63, Mrs Mary Bell, after a protracted illness.
In1841, at Hay Ring, Nenthead, William Bell, lead miner, aged 41, wife Mary (Fawcet, married 11th June 1825) aged 35, children William 10, Sarah 7, Thomas 4, and Mary 1. In 1851, at Hay Ring, William Bell, lead miner, aged 51, wife Mary 45, children William, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 11, Ann B. 8, and John 2.
William senior died 2nd quarter of 1859.
In 1861, at Clag Hall, Mary Bell, lead miners widow, aged 55, children William, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 12.
At Rookhope 15th inst., aged 49, Mr Joseph Winskill, Innkeeper.
Isaac Winskill married Elizabeth Hetherington, 18th March 1819, at Alston.
In 1841, at Mosswood, Shotley, Northumberland, Isaac Winskill, lead miner, aged 40, Elizabeth Winskill, aged 35, Joseph Winskill, lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth Winskill 15, Robert Winskill 10, Isaac Winskill 8, and John Winskill 5.
In 1851, at Hill End, Newlandside, Stanhope, Elizabeth Winskill, lead miners, widow, aged 54, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, Isaac, lead miner, aged 17, John, iron stone miner, aged 15, and Thomas aged 10.
In 1851, at Newlandside, Stanhope, Joseph Winskill, widower, lead miner, aged 31, and daughter Mary A aged 2
In 1861, at Mickley Square, Mickley, Joseph Winskill, coal miner, aged 41, born Alston, his wife Hannah, aged 33, born Rookhope, children, William 11, and Mary Ann 4.
In 1871, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Joseph Bell, Innkeeper, aged 46, his wife Hannah 41, daughter in law, Mary A Winskill 14, daughter Eliza 7 months, and boarder, Harrison Walton, married, lead miner, aged 50

At Stanhope, 8th inst, aged 36, Elizabeth, wife of Mr Wm. Emerson, shoemaker.

27th March 1869 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

Marriage rejoicing. On Wednesday the 10th inst Mr John Heslop, the Master of the Lead Company's school, Nenthead, was married to Miss Ann Heslop, of Pelusho Mire, near Silloth, and his arrival with his bride drew quite an ovation from the inhabitants, as a mark of their appreciation of his past services for 22 years, during which period he has raised the school under his charge to a high state of efficiency. ...

Deaths

At Dryburn, near Alston, 11th inst., aged 17 years, Joseph Vipond, son of the late Mr John Vipond, Yeoman farmer.

At Nenthead, 21st inst. aged 49 years Mr Thomas Hopton.

Thomas Thompson, married Elizabeth Vickers, 8th March 1827, at Alston; Thomas died the 1st quarter of 1840.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Elizabeth Thompson 30, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Jonathan 10, Jane 5, and Mary 3.

In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Hopton, lead miner, aged 34, born Wakefield, his wife Elizabeth (Thompson, married 1st quarter of 1846, Alston) aged 44, children in law, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 21, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, Jane Thompson, dressmaker, aged 14, Mary Thompson 13, children George 4, and Joseph 2.

In 1861 at, Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Hopton, lead miner, aged 44, with his wife Elizabeth aged 55, and their children George, lead ore washer 14, Joseph Lead ore washer 12, and Thomas Thompson their grandson aged 2. See 13th May 1871.

3rd April 1869 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 27th ult., aged 63, Mary widow of Mr Joseph Lee, lead miner.

In 1841, at Cleugh Foot, West Allen, High, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 35, children John 15, Betty 9, Matthew, 5, and Mary 4.

In 1851, at Cleugh Foot, West Allen High, Joseph Lee, farmer of 33 acres arable and 38 acres common, aged 52, his wife Mary 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 18, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Mary 14. In 1861, at Barrasford, George Armstrong, mason, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth (Lee, married 11th June 1857, Allendale) aged 28, children Mary 3, Joseph L 1, George 1 month, and visitor, Mary Lee, widow, aged 54.

10th April 1869 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Hayrake, Swinhope, 1st inst., aged 49 years, Mr John Milburn, miner.

In 1861 the census the census has John Milburn lead miner aged 41, living at Hay Rake with his wife, Elizabeth (Forster, married 30th November 1844, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 41, Mary A 15, Robert 13, William 11, John 9, Elizabeth 6, Diana 3, Jane Milburn 9 months. In 1871 at High Hay Rake, Robert Milburn, lead ore miner, aged 23, Mary 25, William, iron stone miner,

aged 21, John, iron stone labourer, aged 19, Dianna 13, and Jane 10. In 1881, at Hay Rake, Robert Milburn, farmer of 21 acres, aged 33, sister, Mary Ann, dairymaid, aged 33, brother William, lead ore miner, aged 31, sister Jane, dairymaid, aged 20, and Mary Elizth. Milburn 3.

1st May 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 22nd ult. Mr Henry Stout, of Wellgill to Miss Jane Thompson of Whigelty.
In 1851, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Thomas Stout, lead miner farming 12 acres, aged 33, wife Elizabeth 32, Isabella 11, Joseph 8, Henry 6, Margaret 5, Elizabeth 3, Thomas 2, Hannah 5 months and aunt Eleanor Bright, lead miners widow, parish relief, aged 51.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Thomas Stout, lead miner & carrier, aged 43 (died 2nd February 1877), his wife Elizabeth 43, children Isabella 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, carter, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Thomas, carter, aged 12, Hannah 9, Ann 5, John 3, and William 1.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Henry Stout, cartman, aged 26, his wife Jane 26, and daughter Margaret 1 year. Jane Stout died 5th October 1877, aged 33, Margaret Stout died 26th August 1877, aged 8. In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Henry Stout, widow, general labourer, aged 36, children Isabella 9, Thomas 6, John 4, and general servant, Margaret Archer 25. In 1891, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Henry Stout, widow, general labourer, aged 45, children Isabella 19, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14.
See 2nd May 1874, 24th February 1877, 29th April 1882, 19th July 1936 & 4th March 1937.

In Loving Memory
of
Henry Stout
of Hill Top Nenthead
who died January 18th 1910
aged 65 years
Also Jane his wife
who died October 5th 1877
aged 33 years
Also Margaret
daughter of the above
who died August 26th 1877
aged 8 years
Also John beloved son
who died at Coleman Alberta
Canada 10th September 1818
Aged 40 years

Deaths
At Alston, 18th ult., aged 54 Mr John Walton.
In 1851, at Egremont, Catherine Walton, aged 31, married to a iron ore miner, and daughter Mary aged 8.
The 1861 at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, John Walton lead miner, aged 47, his wife Catherine (Graham, married 9th August 1842, Caldbeck) aged 41, born Skelton, Cumberland, children Mary Ann 18, Thomas 16, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 6, & Phebe J. 5 Months. The eldest child Mary Ann was born at Hesket, Cumberland.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Catherine Walton, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 50, son Thomas, blacksmith, aged 26, and daughter Phebe P 10.

1st May 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Garrigill, 15th ult., Mr Nicholas Anderson of Tynehead, to Sybil second daughter of Mr Vipond, Innkeeper, Garrigill.
See 15th February 1890, & 12th March 1892.
Deaths
At Nenthead, 24th ult. aged 52, Mr Isaac Hornsby, of cancer in the stomach.
In 1841 Isaac Hornsby aged 20, lead miner, living at West Nenthead with Sarah aged 20 (Dixon, married 25th November 1837) and their son Thomas aged 2, in 1851, Isaac Hornsby, aged 35 is listed as a Draper & Grocer, still at Nenthead with his wife Sarah aged 35, sons Thomas 12, James Shaw 2, daughters Frances 8, Jane 6, and sister in law Ann Dixon aged 50.

Sarah died in 3rd quarter of 1855 and Isaac married Ann Glendinning 13th November 1856, at St Augustine's, Alston.

The 1861 census gives Ann Hornsby, grocers wife aged 33, sons Thomas aged 22 shoemaker, James Shaw aged 12, William aged 7, Garthwaite aged 3, Alfred H. aged 1, Jane aged 15 house servant.
See 24th April, 1830, 19th December 1835, 15th November 1856, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 6th September 1880, 1st April 1882, 17th October 1885 and 23rd February 1901.
At Nenthead 25th ult., aged 72 years, Mrs Margaret Stout.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Stout, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret (Madgen, married 25th June 1818, Alston) aged 40, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 14, Henry 9, and Elizabeth 7.
In 1851, at Overwater John Stout, formerly lead miner, aged 60, blind, his wife Margaret 53, sons William, lead miner, aged 28, John, lead miner, aged 24, and daughter Elizabeth 18.
In 1861, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, John Stout, late lead miner, aged 70, his wife Margaret aged 63, sons William Stout lead miner 38, John lead miner 34 and his wife Hannah 30, and their children Jane 6, John 4, Mary J. 2. John died 23rd May 1869, aged 78. Their daughter Elizabeth born 4th April 1833 married Ridley Walton at Nenthead on 7th May 1854.
See 29th May 1869, 11th April 1874, 31st March 1883, and 25th September 1856.

14th May 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. William Batey, Mr Dan Thompson, of Holme-foots, to Miss Jane Archer, of Craignook.
In 1851, at Craig Nook, Nenthead, Matthew Wallace, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Hannah 24, and daughter, Jane Archer 2.
In 1861, at Seldom Seen, Garrigill, Matthew Wallace, widower, lead miner, aged 37, daughter, Jane 12, son Joseph 8, brother, Adam, lead miner aged 41, and sister, Tamar, housekeeper, aged 46.

In 1861, at Foulard, Nenthead, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 56, children, John, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth 20, Dan, lead miner, aged 18, and Vickers aged 12. See 8th November 1856, 8th January 1858, & 26th October 1872
In 1871, at Harrup Gill, Wolsingham, Daniel Thompson, limestone quarryman, aged 28, his wife Jane 22, and daughter, Hannah aged 1.
In 1881, at Wolsingham Road, Tow Law, Dan Thompson, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 32, children, Hannah 11, Annie 9, Daniel 4, and Jane 2.
Dan Thompson, died 3rd qtr., 1907, aged 65, registered at Auckland, Durham.
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. John Newton, Mr James Ward, of Skides, to Miss Lucy Hill, of High Craig.
See 5th October 1866
Deaths
At Blagill, near Alston, on the 3rd inst., Hannah Thompson, aged 42 years.
In 1861, at Blagill, Alston, Joseph Thompson, stone mason, aged 35, his wife Hannah 34, children, Joseph 12, John 10, Hannah 7, William 5, Jane 3, and Mary Ann 10 months. See 22nd March 1873
At Nenthead, on the 7th inst., Isabella Wilkinson, wife of Henry Wilkinson, aged 25 years.
See 9th December 1871, 7th July 1877, 22nd August 1896
Henry Wilkinson, married Isabella Thompson 14th February 1864, at Nenthead. Henry Wilkinson remarried on 4th May 1870, to Mary English, marriage registered at Weardale (maiden name given on the birth certificates of their children). The family emigrated to Canada, on the Peruvian, they arrived at Quebec, 24th May 1870. See Alston Emigration to Canada.

15th May 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hexham workhouse, 12th inst. aged 80 Sarah Bright formerly of Allendale; same place and day aged 83, Ann widow of Mr George Hart lead ore smelter, Langley.
At Allendale Town, 4th inst. aged 61 Hetherington Stobbart. *Mason*

21st May 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Garrigill, 14th inst, aged 70 years, Jonathan Walton lead miner.
In 1841, at High Spency Croft, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Latheran married 21st December 1820, Alston) aged 40, and children, Peggy 20, Jane 13, John 12, Ann 8, Ruth 6, Jonathan 5, Sarah 4, Thomas 3, Stephen 2, James 10 Months.

In 1851, at High Spency Croft, Jonathan Walton, lead miner and farmer, aged 52, his wife Mary 50, children Margaret, dressmaker, aged 30, Jane 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Ann 17, Jonathan, cartman, aged 15, Sarah 14, Thomas 12, Stephen 11, James 2, and granddaughter, Emily Walton 2. In 1861, at High Spency Croft, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary 60, children Mary 35, Ann 27, Stephen Ag. Labourer, aged 21, and granddaughter, Emily Walton 12.

At Crook, Garrigill, 16th inst., aged 51 years, Mr John Currah.

In 1861, at Middle Skydes, Garrigill, John Currah Lead miner 43, his wife Hannah (Shield, married 1st March 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 43, and children Joseph lead miner 17, Thomas 11, John 7, Hannah 5, Catherine 9 Months.

In 1871, at Newberry Side, Hannah Currah, widow, general servant domestic, aged 52, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, and John, lead miner, aged 17. In 1881, at Garrigill, Hannah Currah, lead miners widow, aged 62.

See 20th July 1869

At Alston, on the 16th inst., Cora Walton, daughter of Thomas Yeats Walton, aged 1 year and 3 months.

See 28th October 1871

At Windy Hall, Garrigill, near Alston, on the 12th inst., Thomas Hall, aged 21 years.

See 29th June 1872, 5th May 1877

At Shield Hill, on the 14th inst., George Bell, aged 53 years.

See 2nd August 1867

At High Rotherhope, on the 14th inst., Frances Watson, wife of Mr Joseph Watson, yeoman, aged 61 years. *See 3rd August 1833, 18th July 1862, 19th December 1865, 14th May 1870, 13th December 1870*

29th May 1869 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At St Peter's Allenheads, 27th inst., Mr Joseph Irwin, Engineer, Lee Hall, Allenheads to Miss Elizabeth Whitfield, Dyke Nook.

In 1851, at Allendale, Geo Irwin, enginewright, aged 32, his wife Ann (Curry, married 12th December 1846, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 30, children Joseph H 3, Jane A 6, and house servant, Mary Laidler 14. In 1861, at Allenheads, Benjamin Irwin, widow, enginewright, aged 75, son George, widow, enginewright, aged 42, grandchildren Jane A10, Thomas 10, and granddaughter Mary A Reid, house servant, aged 18.

In 1861, at Botsburn, Pearson Reed, iron miner, aged 47, born Allendale, aged 47, his wife Mary (Irwin, married 11th May 1839, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 40, born Allendale, children Fanny 19, Alice 14, Sarah 12, Benjamin 10, Elizabeth 8, Jane 6, Thomas 2, nurse child, Joseph E Percival 1, visitor Ann Irwin, unmarried aged 33, and visitor Joseph H Irwin 13.

In 1871, at Allenheads, Joseph H Irwin, enginewright, aged 23, his wife Elizabeth 24, and son John W. 1. In 1881, at The States, Allendale, Joseph Hunter Erwin, engine wright, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth 34, children, John W. 11, George B. 9, Thomas H. 8, Joseph C. 6, and William M. 3. In 1891, at 106 George Road, Elswick, Joseph H Irwin, Mill wright, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 44, John W, labourer, aged 21, George B, lamp lighter, aged 19, Thomas H,

labourer, aged 18, Joseph C, letter maker, aged 16, Jane A 9, Mary E 6, and Frances A 3.
See 6th February 1867

29th May 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 22nd inst., Mr Joseph Nicholson to Miss Mary Latimer, both of Nenthead.
In 1861, at Strellas, Nenthead, Robert Nicholson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Frances 47, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 12, and Thomas 8.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Joseph Nicholson, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Mary Ann 23, and daughter Frances 1. In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, Joseph Nicholson, lead miner & farmer of 21 acres, aged 34, his wife Mary Ann 34, children Frances 1, Robert 7, Hannah 5, John L. 3, Mary E. 1, and domestic servant, Elizabeth Swindle 15. In 1891, at 69, Durham Street, Elswick, Joseph Nicholson, dairyman, aged 44, his wife Mary Ann 43, Robert N, butcher, aged 17, Francis 21, Hannah 15, John L 13, Mary S 11, Dora S 9, Joseph H 4, and Cartone A 6. In 1901, at Jefferson St., Westgate, Newcastle, Joseph Nicholson, insurance agent, aged 54, his wife Mary Ann 54, children Robert, engine fitter, aged 27, John L warehouseman, aged 23, Mary E., telephone operator, aged 21, Dora S 16, and Joseph H hardware apprentice, aged 14. See 11th January 1868, 4th May 1872, 15th November 1873, and 21st April 1883
At Nenthead, 22nd inst., Robert Bell to Miss Jane Swindle, both of Nenthead.
See 10th September 1942
Deaths
At Nenthead, 23rd inst, aged 78 years, Mr John Stout.
See 1st May 1869, 11th April 1874, and 31st March 1883

8th June 1869 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 3rd inst., by the Rev. William Batey, Mr James Vipond, to Miss Hannah Hetherington, both of Garrigill Gate.
See 1st October 1870
In 1841, at Herdship, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann (Cousin, married 25th August 1836 at Middleton in Teesdale) aged 24, children, John 4, James 1, and Anthony Vipond, lead miner, aged 15.
John Vipond snr., died 1st qtr 1850, registered at Teesdale.
In 1851, at Water meetings, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Ann Vipond, widow, 36, children, John, lead miner, aged 13, James 10, Mary 7, and Matthew C 4.
Ann Vipond died 4th qtr 1860, registered at Teesdale.
In 1861, at Herdship, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Joseph Watson, widower, lead miner & farmer of 33 acres, aged 34, step sons in law, James Vipond, lead miner, aged 20, born Harwood, Durham, Matthew Cousin Vipond, lead ore washer, aged 14, and house servant, Elizabeth Armstrong aged 28.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, James Vipond, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah 27, and son John W 1.
James Vipond and family emigrated to America in May 1871.

In 1880, at New Diggings, Lafayette, Wisconsin, James Vipond, farmer aged 39, his wife Hannah 36, children, John W 10, Annie E 7, Joseph A. 4, and Mary E 2
In 1900, at White Oak Springs, Lafayette, Wisconsin, James Vipond, farmer aged 59, his wife Hannah 56, children, John W., cheese maker, aged 30, Joseph A., farm labourer, aged 24, Phoebe A 19, James A., 16, and Burnett 13.
James Vipond died at Shullsberg, Lafayette, 3rd February 1921, aged 80.
Hannah Vipond died 25th March 1924, aged 80, at Lafayette.
At the same time and place Mr Matthew Cousin Vipond to Miss Ann Rain, also both of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Margaret Rain, widow, aged 33, (John Rain married Margaret Vipond, 1st June 1839, at St John, Garrigill) children, Ralph 8, Ann 5, and Elizabeth 1.
John Rain was buried 2nd December 1845, aged 32, at Garrigill.
Margaret Rain was buried 14th July 1854, aged 36, at Garrigill.
In 1861, at Gate Foot, Isaac Vipond, unmarried, joiner, aged 53, brother Ralph, unmarried, lead miner, aged 25, sister, Hannah Little, widow, house keeper, aged 55, nephew, Ralph, lead miner, aged 18, niece, Ann Rain 15, and niece, Elizabeth Rain 11.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Matthew C Vipond, Lead miner, aged 24, born Harwood, Durham, his wife Ann 25, and daughter, Edith 8 months.
In 1881, at Greystone Terrace, Cleator Moor, Matthew C Vipnd, iron ore miner, aged 31, his wife Ann 32, children, Edith 10, Mary E 8, Amelia 6, Lizzie H 5, Annie 3, and boarder, Ralph Watson, iron ore miner, aged 21, born Alston.

Matthew Cousin Vipond, emigrated to America, arriving at New York in September 1883.
Matthew Cousin Vipond was Naturalised 28th October 1884, at Lafayette, Wisconsin

In 1900, at Junction, Greene, Iowa, Matthew C Vipond, farmer, aged 52, his wife Ann 52, children, Edith, dressmaker, aged 29, Amelia, school teacher, aged 25, Lizzie H, school teacher, aged 24, Annie 22, John 18, Florence 13, and Wilfred 10.
In 1910, at Junction, Greene, Iowa, Matthew C Vipond, farmer, aged 63, his wife Ann 53, children, Amelia 35, Elizabeth, teacher, aged 34, John, labourer, aged 28, Florence 23, Wilfred, labourer, aged 20, and granddaughter, Gladys E Ferguson aged 5.
Mattyhew C Vipond died 1st May 1910, at Paton, Greene County, Iowa.
Ann Vipond died 6th July 1922 1922, at Paton, Greene County, Iowa.

11th June 1869 (Durham County Advertiser)
The other day William English, leading cornet player in the Weardale Harmonic band, received a serious injury in his left hand whilst blasting some rocks in his father's property at Burnt Hills, Weardale. The left hand of the unfortunate man was blown off, with the exception of the little finger.
In 1861, Burnt Hills, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, Edward English, stone mason, aged 48, his wife Mary 46, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, William, lead miner, aged 18 (birth registered at Weardale 4th quarter 1842),

Milburn, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 13, Robert 10, Joseph 8, Vickers 3, and boarder Mary Stephenson 6.
William English married Hannah Ellen Shield, 4th quarter of 1864, registered at Weardale.
In 1871, at Pudding Thorn, Heathery Cleugh, William English, storekeeper, aged 28, his wife Hannah Ellen, schoolmistress, aged 26 (born Hexham), children Beatrice 3, and Ambrosine 1.
In 1881, at Mount Pleasant, Heathery Cleugh, William English, surface labourer, aged 38, his wife Hannah E., teacher aged 36, children Beatrice 13, Ambrosine 11, Bertha 9, John R. 7, and Florence 4.
In 1891, at Mount Pleasant, William English, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Hannah Ellen 46, children Ambrosine 21, John Ralph, joiner aged 17, niece Sarah Jane English 8, nephew Thomas Wm English 2.
In 1901, at Burnt Hills, William English, stone mason, own account, aged 58, his wife Hannah Ellen 56, children John Ralph, stone mason, aged 27, Florence 24, grandchildren Mabel Phillipson 8, Jane Ellen Phillipson 6, Norman Phillipson 3, and Edra May Phillipson 6 Months.
In 1911, at Wearhead Hannah English, widow aged 69, and granddaughter M. Elizzie English aged 19.
Hannah died at Weardale 2nd quarter of 1916.

19th June 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 5th inst. Mr William Colling of Sunniside, St John's Chapel, to Miss Isabella Wilson of St John's Chapel.
Deaths
At Hexham, 15th inst. aged 81 Eleanor widow of Mr Thomas Whaley, mining agent. *In 1851 Living at Acomb Fell House, West Acomb, Thomas listed as Lead Mine Agent & Surveyor; married Eleanor Swinburn at St John Lee in 1828,Thomas had died in 1868 aged 80.*
At Nenthead, Alston, 15th inst., aged 24 Margaret wife of G. H. Savage Esq., MD.
At Holly Bush, Allendale, 15th inst. aged 79, Mr Henry French, Wood Agent to the London Lead Company. *See 2nd August 1864*
At Lowbyer, Alston, 12th inst aged 76 John Cowper, Draper.
See 29th August 1846, and 6th March 1852

19th June 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 13th inst., Mr Thomas Whitfield to Miss Mary Armstrong, both of Nenthead.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 45, children Robert 20, Sarah 15, Thomas 15, Leah 12, Rachel 8, John 6, and Elizabeth 2. In 1851, at Bank House, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield (died 2nd quarter of 1852), lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary (buried 27th May 1860, at Nenthead) aged 55, Rachel 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Elizabeth 12.
In 1851, at Overwater, Robert Whitfield, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Barron, married 31st October 1844, Alston, (buried at Nenthead 18th April 1858 aged 33) aged 26, children Thomas 6, Jane 4, John 3, and Mary Ann 7

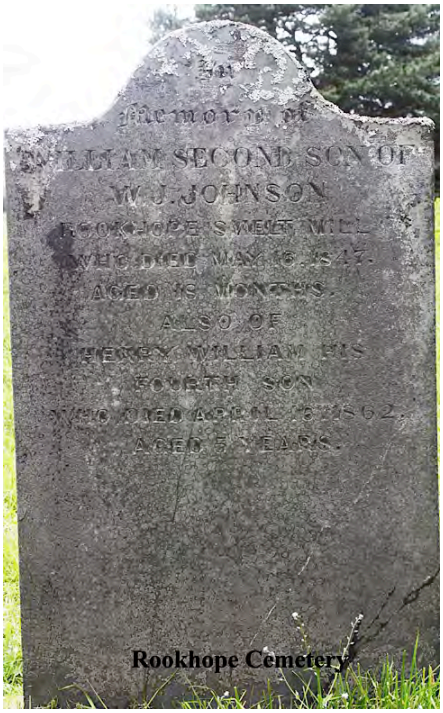
months. In 1861, at Pipers Row, Robert Whitfield, widow, lead miner, aged 40, children Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jane, house maid, aged 14, John, shoemakers apprentice, aged 13, Mary A 10, Hannah 8, and Sarah 6. Also at Pipers row in 1861, John Whitfield, lead miner aged 26, sister Rachel, house keeper, aged 28, sister Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 22, and son Thomas aged 3 months. Robert Whitfield died 2nd quarter of 1873, aged 53. In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Mary 20, daughters Lizzy Ann 1, and Mary Alice 1 month. In 1881, at Dykeheads, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary 31, Lizzie Ann 11, Mary Alice 10, Robert 6, Dinah 4, and Isaac 1. In 1891, at Overwater, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 42, children Mary A., domestic servant, aged 20, Robert, lead miner, aged 17, Isaac 11, and grandson, Joseph Whitfield, 3 months.
Thomas Whitfield was buried at Nenthead 21st June 1896, aged 51.
In 1901, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Whitfield, widow, aged 50, sons Isaac, lead miner, aged 21, and grandson, Joseph 10. In 1911, at Overwater, Mary Whitfield, widow, aged 61, grandson Joseph Whitfield, lead miner, aged 20, boarder, William James Ward, labourer on dressing floor, aged 44, and granddaughter Emily Charlotte Hewitson 18. In 1911, Isaac Whitfield, coal miner, aged 31, was a boarder at Derwent Cottages, Medomsley. See 2nd November 1844, 19th January 1878, 6th March 1886, and 17th August 1912

Deaths

At Pods Bank, Allendale, 12th inst., after a lingering illness, aged 25, Isabella Christiana, eldest daughter of Mr W. J. Johnson, manager of the W.B. Smelt Mills.

In 1841, at Thornley Gate, Allendale, William James Johnson, clerk, aged 20. William James Johnson, married Jean Miller Armstrong, on 16th July 1841 at Allendale. Children of William and Jean Johnson: — James Armstrong Johnson, baptised 5th November 1842, and Isabella Christiana baptised 10th January 1844, at Allendale, Margaret Jean, baptised 20th April 1849, John Michael, baptised 20th April 1849, Jean Miller Johnson died 2nd quarter of 1849, at Hexham.
In 1851, James aged 9 and Isabella aged 7 were visiting Mary Dixon and her family at Faw Side House, Allenheads. William their father, widow, lead smelting agent, aged 34, born Warkworth, was at Linzgarth, Stanhope, with his son, John Michael aged 2.
The 1851 census shows Mary Dixon, unmarried, dressmaker & milliner, aged 27, her unmarried sisters Ann aged 25, Eliz, dressmaker, aged 23, Jane 9, unmarried brothers, John, lead ore dresser, aged21, Joseph, lead ore dresser, 19, Stephen, joiner, 17, Thos, surveyor, 16, visitors James Johnson 9, and Isabella Johnson 7.
In 1861, at Linzgarth, Stanhope, William James Johnston aged 44, manager of lead smelting works, aged 44, born Northumberland, Warkworth, his wife Ellen aged 28 (died 1863?), born Leicestershire, sons James Armstrong employed in lead smelting works, born Allendale, aged 19, Charles aged 2, born Linzgarth, Rookhope Henry aged 4, born Linzgarth, Rookhope, Durham, daughters, Isabella, Cr. aged 17, Margaret Jean, 13, Ellen 1, born, Linzgarth, Rookhope.
Thomas Steel the Smelting Agent at the W. B. Lead works at Allendale, living at Pods Bank in 1861, died in 1864.

In 1871, at Pods Bank, Allendale, William James Johnson widow agent, aged 54, unmarried daughters, Margaret Jean, aged 23, Ellen C. aged 11, granddaughter Isabella Jane aged 1, born Rookhope, and nephew, Charles Henry Small aged 16, born Boston Lincolnshire.
William James Johnson died 3rd June 1898, at Dunedin, New Zealand, aged 84.
See 6th May 1876, 6th August 1898, Otago Witness 9th June 1898.



In
Memory of
WILLIAM SECOND SON OF
W.J.JOHNSON
ROOKHOPE SMELT MILL
WHO DIED MAY 16TH 1847
AGED 18 MONTHS
ALSO OF
HENRY WILLIAM HIS
FOURTH SON
WHO DIED APRIL 16TH 1962
AGED 5 YEARS

At Haggs, near Nenthead, 8th inst., aged 33 years, Mr Robert Thompson.
Robert son of Jonathan & Agnes Thompson. The 1851 at High Galligill, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson lead miner aged 45; his wife Agnes aged 41 and children, William lead miner 20, Thomas lead miner 18, Henry lead miner 15, Robert lead miner 15, Daniel 10, Ann 8, Jonathon 6, Walton 4, Harrison 8 months. His father died either in 1853 or 1858. In 1861, Robert is living with his mother a widow, Stay Maker. See 21st November 1868 and 5th April 1873,
At Alston, 8th inst., aged 57 years, Mr Andrew Walton
See 16th July 1842, 4th May 1849 and 15th January 1876
At the Workhouse, Alston, 4th inst., aged 76 years, Mary Thompson.
In 1851, at Mack Close, Alston, Jonathan Thompson, labourer Railway, aged 60, his wife Mary 56 (born Gamblesby), son John, labourer Railway, aged 28, and visitor, Mary Jane Abbot 4. In 1861 at Town Head, Alston, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 70, born Knaresdale, Northumberland and his wife Margaret aged 68, born Gamblesby, Cumberland.
At Alston 13th inst., aged 51 years, Mr Hugh Richardson lead miner.
In 1841, at Edmonds Lane, Alston, Isaac Richardson, T. Joiner, aged 45, his wife Fanny (Walton, married 19th March 1814, Alston) aged 45, children, Thomas, T. Joiner, aged 20, Hugh, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 15, Elizabeth 15, Charlotte 14, Ruth 12, Walton 9, and William 5.
In 1851, at Bulmans Lane, Alston, Frances Richardson, widow, aged 57, sons Walton, joiner, aged 19, William, blacksmiths apprentice, aged 17, and John 6.

In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Hugh Richardson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ann 29, sons, Michael 8, Isaac 3, and John 1.
In 1861 Hugh Richardson lead miner aged 43, living at Middle Skelgill, with his wife Ann 39, and children Michael lead miner 18, Isaac lead miner 13, John 11, Frances 8, Jane Ann 5, Hugh 2, James 9 months. In 1871,at Butts, Alston, Ann Richardson, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 49, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 23, Fanny, house maid, aged 18, Jane A. spinner, aged 15, Hugh 12, and James 9.
See 12th December 1851

26th June 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)

DWELLING HOUSES AND LAND
IN THE PARISH OFALSTON. CUMBERLAND
FOR SALE.

THE DWELLING HOUSES, LAND, & PREMISES situate at ALSTON, SKELGILL, and NENTHEAD in the parish of Alston, late property of Leonard Madgen, late of Alston, deceased, will be offered for SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION, in the month of NOVEMBER next.
Particulars will be given in future advertisements.
BAINBRIDGE & MILLICAN, Solicitors, Alston
26th June 1869

3rd July 1869 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEPARTURE OF EMIGRANTS. On Monday morning last, at an early hour an interesting scene was witnessed at St John's Chapel, owing to some twenty young men belonging to Weardale taking their departure for America. The emigrants were all fine young men, from twenty to six and twenty years of age, and whilst bidding adieu to their comrades, parents, brothers, sisters and sweethearts, to the many country people who had gathered at St. John's to witness their departure the scene was affecting. The emigrants went by way of Middleton in Teesdale, and from thence to Liverpool, where they took shipping on Wednesday.

6th July 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Stanhope at Albert Terrace 24th ult., aged 53 Mrs Mary Curry, relict of the late Mr William Curry mining agent, Allenheads.
See 21st December 1864, 17th March 1868,18th July 1870, 25th May 1872, 9th September 1876 and 24th June 1899.

6th July 1869 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
GARRIGILL GATE FRIENDLY SOCIETY.— The annual gathering of the members of this most useful provident society took place on Friday, the 25th ult. The business. portion of the proceedings was transacted in the forenoon, The accounts of Mr. William Thomason, the indefatigable secretary, had been audited by Mr. Robert Den, and Mr. Benjamin Wallace, of Garrigill, and they were found to be in a highly satisfactory state. The number of members is 314, and they possess a capital of £854 10s. During the past year there was an

excess of expenditure over income, but as it only amounted to a few shillings, it is immaterial as effecting the position of the society. As an instance of what great results may be achieved by unity of action, we may mention that during Mr. Thomason's secretary-ship—a period of sixteen years—the sum of £7,290 5s. 1½d., has been paid for sickness, deaths, and management,—and the latter is an insignificant item, as the total amount paid to the secretary, stewards, beadle, and for coal and other incidental expenses has only averaged £7 annually. The festivities of the day commenced at half-past two when the Garrigill brass band entered an appearance upon the village green, and they were soon surrounded by a large number of the members and their friends. A procession was formed, headed by the band, followed by many young ladies and gentlemen and the members of the club, and the rear was brought up by a company of visitors evidently bent upon enjoyment. A march round the village, and the ordinary interchange of courtesies, brought four o'clock, the time appointed for tea. The tables were very tastefully laid out, bearing a profusion of bouquets and other floral devices, and the attendance of the ladies lent additional interest to the scene, The company numbered 265, and nothing was wanting that could add to their enjoyment, Shortly after six o'clock the chair was taken by Mr. William Hutchinson, of Garrigill. A commodious platform had been erected. The Chairman complimented the company upon their very numerous attendance, he enlarged upon the great amount of good this society had effected, and he strongly urged upon all young persons the necessity of joining it,—thus providing against the deprivations which too frequently accompany affliction. Mr. Hugh Henderson also pointed out the great importance of making early provision against the loss of labour by sickness, and he showed that many of the rising generation owed a debt of gratitude to this society for the manner in which they had been benefitted by their parents and friends having participated in its funds. A vote of thanks to the ladies for presiding at the tables concluded this portion of the proceedings. Later in the evening, many of the members supped together, and the utmost harmony prevailed.

10th July 1869 (Hexham Herald)

BLANCHLAND

BELDON MINES. The above mines have been recommenced by a new company, who have purchases the "lease" &c., from the old company, and as a little fresh blood is infused into the undertaking this time, we hope they will go on in a persevering manner. At present a new commencement is being made by sinking a shaft on the Reading side of the fell, and as Mr Barron, the agent is quite certain of finding ore on either side of the shaft bottom we hope to be able in a short time to have the pleasure of reporting favourably of their future operations. We hope the veins when found will prove rich and valuable alike to shareholders and workmen.

We are sorry to add that the Derwent mines are only poor at present. ...

20th July 1869 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

GARRIGILL.—The teachers and scholars of the Primitive Methodist Sunday school at Garrigill had a trip to Gilsland on the 12th instant, that being the day which the general trip to Carlisle and Gilsland took place. The party arrived at

Alston, headed by the Garrigill brass band, which played a selection of music previous to the departure of the train. Arrived at the scene of the day's pleasure, no time was lost in visiting the various places of interest with which the whole district abounds, and at intervals during the day both vocal and instrumental music enlivened the proceedings.

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. John Newton, Mr Joseph Currah, of Crooks, Garrigill, to Miss Elizabeth Varty, of Alston.

See 21st May 1869, 23rd January 1892

Deaths

At Glenridding, Patterdale, on the 16th inst., of Typhoid Fever, Mr John Renwick, lead ore miner, aged 24 years.

In 1861, at Cock Lake, Garrigill, Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Sarah 29, children, Elizabeth 20, John 16, Henry 14, Robert 12, Elizabeth 3, and Hannah 1.

See 8th June 1889

23rd July 1869 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, at the vicarage, on the 16th inst., aged eleven months, Susannah, daughter of the Rev. Henry Robinson.

7th August 1869 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

Institute of Mechanical Engineers

THE ALLENHEADS EXCURSION.

The party of members bound for Allendale and the works of Mr. W. B. Beaumont, M.P. left the Central Station by special train at half-past nine o'clock. About forty gentlemen elected to join this excursion, and but for the threatening state of the weather many more would doubtless have availed themselves of this opportunity of visiting these famous lead mines. As the party journeyed between Newcastle and Hexham rain fell heavily, and there was a strong prospect before them of spending a very unpleasant day. But fortunately a change occurred before mid-day, and the afternoon was sunny and highly enjoyable. About half a mile pest Hexham the special left the main line of the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway, and took to the Allen dale Branch. Here the locomotive labours up steep gradients almost the whole distance for which the line is as yet constructed; and as the passenger reaches the high land bordering the easterly bank of the Allen, a succession of splendid views are disclosed, Near the Langley are the ruins of the ancient castle of that name, and at Staward the thickly wooded banks of the vale present a moat romantic appearance. The present terminus of the railway is al Catton Road, about fourteen miles from Hexham, and here bleak fells rising ridge above ridge confront the traveller. Allenheads, the destination of the excursion, being nine miles farther up the dale, provision had to he made for the conveyance of the party thither by road. To this end a stage coach usually running in Weardale, a couple of drags, and a long spring waggon, drawn by four horses, had been secured, and the excursionists were conveyed in them from Catton Road to Allendale and back at a charge of 6s. each.

It had been arranged that the party, after leaving Catton, should separate for a time into two divisions. It was intended that the first section should visit

Holmes Linn and examine the hydraulic engines fitted up there, and the new boring machine brought to the place for inspection, while the second hand of excursionists should pay a visit to the famous "Blackett Level" the adit of which is near Allendale Town. The arrangements were fully carried out so far as regards the first section of the party, but those intending to proceed underground were not able to fulfil their intention, it being found that there was not time to conduct them through so as to allow of their arrival at Allenheads In time for dinner. The works in the Blackett Level are too well-known in the north to need anything more than passing mention. When finished it will be about seven miles in length, extending from Allendale Town to the mines at Allenheads, but not half of it has yet been tunnelled. It is intended to drain the mines by means of this level, and it may also possibly be used for the conveyance of material and other purposes. At intervals along the dale shafts are sunk down to the tunnel; the first from Allendale Town is that at Studdon Dene, which is 13½ fathoms deep; the second is at Holmes Linn, 32 fathoms deep: the third third at Sipton 33 fathoms deep; and the fourth at Breckon Hill, 71½ fathoms deep. The shaft at the mines at Allenheads is 103 1-3rd fathoms deep. It will be noticed that the ground rises very rapidly from Allendale Town to Allenheads. The mouth of the adit is 679 feet above the level of the sea, while the main shaft at Allenheads is 1,400 feet above the sea level. The shaft visited by the excursionists was the one at Holmes Linn. Sir Wm. Armstrong guided the party over the works and explained the construction of the splendid hydraulic winding and pumping engines used at the shaft. No steam is used for compression, but power is stored in a large accumulator and used when required. After inspecting the large gin and the pumping engine, the party adjourned to a meadow close by the river ride, where Mr. Westmacott explained the details of the new hydraulic boring machine, which he has invented and patented. In previous machines the stroke has been made by percussion of the boring tool against the rock; this occasioned great liability to breakage of the instrument, and a rapid wearing smaller of the cutting surface. To obviate these defects Mr. Westmacott's invention places the boring iron close against the rock, and it is struck with a hammer using a force of half a ton. The cutting end is shaped almost like the letter H, and a revolving action being given to the iron, the hole made is a circular one. The blow given to the hammer is from a powerful spring, which is worked in a very ingenious manner, and can be set going with great rapidity. Upon a trial of its speed upon a block of hard stone set up on the river's bank it bored a hole of nine inches in length In two minutes fifty-five seconds. The machine is very compact, and comes within small compass. It is the only one at present in work, but so far its performance is understood to have been highly satisfactory, and yesterday it elicited expressions of the highest approval from several of the engineers present when it was shown. After about on hour spent at Holmes Linn the party proceeded back to their conveyances, and continued their journey on to Allenheads. Up hill aides at unpleasantly acute angles the party journeyed on their way, the occupants of the waggon being jolted and shaken as if an intimate mixture of the occupants was desired. The broad possessions of Mr, Beaumont spread out on every hand, bleak and bare enough of surface, but rich with mineral wealth below, and as extensive in acreage as the patrimony of one of the bygone German princelings. On the road processions of carts passed by, some bearing the finished "pieces" of

lead stamped with the well known initials “W.B.'' and the year of manufacture 1869 while others carried piles of bags filled with the picked and broken ore on its way to the refining furnaces. Wind-blown urchins, brown as the heathery moors which frowned on every side, ran out of comfortable roadside cottages to see the procession pass, and sturdy lads and lasses busy haymaking on the hillsides which rise immediately from the level of the road, intermitted their labours for a few moments to stare and wonder who the intruders could be. At length Kilhope Law rises grandly in front, and nestling close to the foot of the immense mountain ridge, the town of Allendale, with the above ground plant of the lead works, is seen. Mr. W. B. Beaumont and Lady Margaret Beaumont are at present absent on the Continent, but Mr, T. Sopwith, F.RS. C.E. chief engineer and agent of the mines, with Mr. Curry and other officials, gave a warm welcome to the visitors, and no time is lost in conducting them over the works at bank. First is seen the splendid hydraulic engine at the winding house, constructed by Sir William Armstrong nineteen years ago; Mr, Sopwith informs the visitors that it has bean in continual use since the date of its erection on the spot, and that he “does not think has cost a sovereign in repairs during that time.”

Then the processes fur breaking, picking, cleaning, and separating the ore are witnessed in operation in a large range of buildings, after which the party adjourn to the Mine Offices. The excursionists were soon called together in the chief engineer’s room, and Mr. Sopwith proceeded to give a brief description of the district, illustrated by maps, models, &c. He expressed the pleasure it gave him to see the President and so many of the members of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers at Allenheads, and was sorry that Mr. Beaumont and Lady Margaret Beaumont were not present to give them a hearty welcome. He was sorry that the short space of time at their disposal would not permit them to take a leisurely view of what was to be seen, and for himself, he would detain them only a very short space. He then pointed out the position of Allenheads upon the map of England and the geological features of the locality. With regard to the rainfall at the place, whereas in the greatest part of the level ground of England the annual fall was from 23 to 25 inches, at Allenheads they had from 50 to 60 inches per annum; and one year they had as much as 70 inches of rain. With reference to the geology of the district, he mentioned that If they looked at the strata best known to them— the carboniferous or mountain limestone, which lay below the coal at Newcastle— they would find that, although they had ascended a considerable height above the sea yet the same strata formed the summit of these hills. At Crossfell the bed of limestone—many feet below them where they now stood-cropped cut to form the summit of the Pennine Chain. From a point near Cullercoats to the Pennine Chain-on a portion of which they were now standing—ran the well-known 90-fathom dyke. Soon after leaving the coast the dyke travelled in nearly the same direction as the Tyne until it bore away and met the great Pennine fault near Crossfell The ground then about here had evidently been deposited level, and a gradual rise as shown by the plans, had taken place. [Plans exhibited] He pointed out the veins or fissures of the strata in which the ore was worked, and called particular attention to a remarkable subsidence, which occurred a few miles from that place. Of the contents of those veins of ore the visitors might have formed some conception from their visit of that

clay. They found a good deal of amorphous and crystalline quartz with some zinc and lead.
The quantity of metal produced from their works in a year, if placed along in eight stone pieces would reach nearly a hundred miles. He then passed onto speak of the hydraulic machinery with which the works were fitted. The establishment of Sir William Armstrong, at Elswick, was formed about the same time he (Mr. Sopwith) came to take the management of those mines, and he availed himself of the science and skill of that gentleman-or rather he recommended Mr Beaumont to avail himself of them-and he could now point out the Gin engine, which had been at work for nineteen years with the same regularity as they now saw it, as a specimen of the work of the firm. And he might say that that was the general character of the entire machinery supplied by Sir William. At the last meeting of the Mechanical Engineers in Newcastle, he (Mr. Sopwith) took occasion to speak of the efficiency of hydraulic machinery, and he would now only say "ditto" to what he said then. (Applause.) The reservoir, by which water was collected for the use of their hydraulic engines were several in number, one of them was 8½ acres in extant, and contained 16 millions of gallons. The machinery employed about the immediate neighbourhood of where they stood, apart from the Blackett level engines, amounted to about 200 horse power. The Blackett level engines might be approximated at 300 horse power, so that they had about 500 horse power altogether, The number of accidents in the Allendale mines amounted to no more than about one life In two years. In conclusion, he referred to the importance of getting improved mechanical means for boring rock. At. Holm's Hill they had seen the boring machine invented by Mr. Westmacott, and he had to state that it had done very well during the time it had been in operation. (Applause.) …

21st August 1869 (Hexham Courant)

NETHER HEARTH MINE NEAR ALSTON CUMBERLAND

This mine is now being worked in a spirited manner, with a splendid prospect of success, and is at the present time producing considerable quantities of ore from surface work, from which more has been obtained than from any mine in the district, upward of 1,700 bings having been raised by the present Company. Principally from one vein. In one portion of the sett upwards of 80 Bings of ore were raised by three men in one week, a fact almost unparalleled in the history of mining adventures. The mine has never been tried in depth, and experience has proved that mines, when rich at the surface are always much richer in lower sills. In the adjoining sett - Teesside - a shaft was sunk only 20 fathoms and 2,500 bings of ore raised in a length of ground only 50 fathoms on one vein, and this where the surface work was comparatively poor. The present company are now sinking a shaft to make this trial, and there is no doubt when it is completed, one of the richest mines ever opened will be the result (Mining Journal)

21st August 1869 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL ACCIDENT IN AN IRONSTONE MINE.

A man named Stephen Bell, 39 years of age, died on Tuesday at Bolt Burn, Weardale, from the effects of injuries received the day previous, whilst working

at Bolt Burn ironstone mine. *Eldest unmarried son of Richard a miller and Ann (Ann died 1856) living at Rookhope in 1861, their other children Joseph carter 27, Hodgson iron ore miner 20, Ann 18, Jane 16, Sarah 14, Valentine 12, John 9, Isaac 7. Their other son Richard born about 1832 was married to Alice and had 2 children in 1861, Mary A. aged 4, and Joseph aged 1 year.*

24th August 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Low Mill, Allendale, 18th inst aged 64 years Mr Joseph Dickinson Lead ore smelter.
In 1861, at Low Mill, Allendale, Joseph Dickinson, lead ore smelter, aged 56, his wife Tamar 57, children Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Tamar 21, and Ester Jane 10.

7th September 1869 (Penrith Observer)
NENTHEAD FLOWER SHOW
The twentieth show of the Nenthead Floral and Horticultural Society took place in the School-room of the London Lead Company, at Nenthead, on Friday, the 27th ult. The weather was all that could be desired, and the show did credit to those on whom fell the arduous duty of organising it, and to the village generally, and, but for some unfortunate dissentions, which all must deplore, amongst the late committee and exhibitors, might be made even better than it is at present. The Nenthead band was in attendance and enlivened the proceedings by playing at intervals during the time the exhibition was open.

10th September 1869 (Morning Post)
GUN-COTTON AS A MINING AGENT
(From the Pall Mall Gazette.)
Among the papers presented to Parliament last session, and which have received lets attention than we think they deserve, are some documents which formed the return to a motion for “the production of so much of any recent reports on gun-cotton, or other explosive substances, as may convey information to guide the employment of such substances for mining purposes.” Considering that the Nitro-glycerine Bill is likely to have the desirable effect of turning the attention of miners into another channel, we shall probably be serving some useful purpose if we give the substance of these reports and state upon what sort of authority they rest. In February, 1864, a special committee was appointed by Lord de Grey to “inquire into the properties of guncotton as a substitute for gunpowder,” in its warlike and industrial applications. The committee consisted of Major-General Sir E. Sabine, R.A., president; Major- General Hay, Captain Brandreth, R.N., Lieutenant- Colonel Boxer, R.A., Lieutenant-Colonel Lovell, R.E., Commander Liddell, R.N., Mr. F. A. Abel, Mr. Thomas Sopwith, Professor Stokes, Professor Miller, and Dr. Gladstone—members; with Major Miller, R.A., as secretary. The appointment of the committee was at the instance of the distinguished officer who was nominated president, and who, in an able memorandum dated January 19, 1864, presented on the part of the British Association, defined in general terms the direction which such an inquiry as that which the committee was appointed to institute ought to take. The basis of General Sabine’s

memorandum was the success, which was reported to have attended the Austrian experiments with gun-cotton, and the statements, which had been made as to the advantages, which, in its application to ordnance, gun-cotton had been found in the course of those experiments to possess over gunpowder. The committee sat until May, 1868, when it was somewhat summarily dissolved, the authorities having apparently become impatient at the absence of any decisive results. It seems to have been expected that the question of the supersession of gunpowder would be effected in a moment; that the committee would, offhand, report either for or against gun-cotton. A glance at the number of points enumerated in General Sabine's memorandum, and a very slight knowledge of the subject, ought to have satisfied any one that this was impossible; that many experiments and an inquiry extending over several years would be necessary before a conclusive opinion could be expressed one way or the other. Considering the magnitude of the subject and the comparatively short time that they were engaged upon it, we think that the committee did some really good work. They elicited some facts and made several experiments, which cannot fail to have an important, if not a decisive, bearing upon the future possible application of gun-cotton to ordnance purposes. But with this part of the subject, and with the general conclusions of the committee, we hope to deal on another occasion. What we are now move immediately concerned with is that portion of the investigation which had reference to the employment of guncotton for mining purposes, and which forms the substance of the parliamentary papers now before us. On this Part of the question, which is much less difficult and complicated than the portion, which deals with the use of gun-cotton for artillery and small arms, the experiments appear to us to have been tolerably conclusive. These experiments were made mainly in mines and quarries on the property of Mr. Beaumont, M.P., who offered every facility for the purpose. These mines are situated in the neighbourhood of Allenheads, in Northumberland, and being under the management of Mr. Sopwith, a member of the committee, nothing was wanted to make the experiments as complete and satisfactory as possible. The experiments may be divided into three main series— 1st, the experimental use of gun-cotton in the form recommended by Baron Von Lenk—namely, hollow rope, carefully prepared; 2d, gun-cotton in the granulated and compressed form, as proposed by Mr. Abel; 3d, compressed gun-cotton, fired by means of detonating primers.

The Lenk gun-cotton was found to be much more powerful than the gunpowder tried in comparison with it, in the proportion of about five or six to one. But it was at the same time very much more costly, being about seven times the price of the gunpowder, weight for weight. On the other hand, the space occupied by the gun-cotton was much less than was required for the gunpowder, an advantage which was, however, to some extent neutralised by the superior adaptability of the gunpowder to the irregularities of the blasting-holes in unsound ground. The absence of smoke with gun-cotton is a distinct advantage, but against this is to be set the difference in the character of the vapours from the exploded guncotton when the combustion is imperfect, and which are reported to have been “unpleasant and irritating to the throat and eyes.” The committee examined several superintending inspectors and practical miners as to the comparative advantages and objections connected with the use of gunpowder and gun-cotton. This evidence is printed with the

papers, and it exhibits on the whole a general feeling against this description of gun-cotton. The miners admitted its superior destructive power and other advantages; but they objected strongly to the gases, and in some instances appeared to think the gun-cotton “less safe” than powder—more liable, that is to say, to accidental ignition. Further, the property, which the gunpowder possesses of finding its way into cavities, was recognised as a considerable practical advantage in vein workings.

The second series of experiments was made with granulated and compressed gun-cotton, prepared from pulp. Gun-cotton in either of these forms is a far more perfect substance than the rope cotton, and, as might have been anticipated, it proved itself “decidedly more effective as a blasting material” than the latter. In the case of the granulated cotton this was attributed partly “to the greater rapidity of the gun-cotton when in the form of light granules,” and partly to the circumstances that the granules generally filled up the blasting-hole better than the rope; in the case of the compressed gun-cotton which was used in the form of small lozenge-shaped fragments, its superiority both to the rope and granulated cotton was ascribed “to the fact of its occupying less space, and therefore affording room in a hole for a proportionally larger amount of tamping, and also bringing the destructive agent well in rear of the work to be performed.” The compressed gun-cotton was preferred to the granulated material, not only on account of its superior destructiveness, but because there is some risk with the latter of small particles lodging on the sides of the holes. The broad results were expressed in these words:

“It appears from these trials that the employment of gun-cotton, either in the compressed or granular form, as experimented with, is likely to be of material use for quarrying, mining, and general engineering purposes, and that in the effective power of the explosion, and the comparatively small space which it occupies, it possesses decided superiority over gun-cotton charges in the form of rope.”

The most important series of experiments, however, was the third, which was undertaken by Messrs. Sopwith and Abel in February last. In the interval which has elapsed since the dissolution of the committee the discovery, which we some time since more specifically described, had been made that gun-cotton, when exploded by detonation instead of by simple inflammation or ignition, developed a totally new and much more powerful action. Among other important characteristics of guncotton exploded in this way is one, which possesses for the miner a very great importance. The gun-cotton need no longer be closely confined, and the dangerous and troublesome process of tamping may therefore be wholly dispensed with. We wish that our space permitted of our reciting these experiments in detail. As that is impossible, we must content ourselves with recording one or two of the more remarkable results, and stating the general conclusions to be drawn from them. In one instance an unsound hole was recharged and an effective blast accomplished. Upon this experiment it is observed that “recharging of unsound holes is a new feature, for neither gunpowder nor gun-cotton, when used in the ordinary manner, would have accomplished such results as were obtained.” A 20-inch hole going sideways into the face of the rock at an angle of about 45 degrees was charged with 2.6 oz. of compressed cotton, which was fired by detonation. The rock “ was torn open in all directions,” and in the inspector's

notes this was recorded as an “extraordinary good result.” A 24-inch hole bored vertically from a horizontal surface at 4½ ft. from one face and 2½ ft. from the other, the rock being fast on the other two sides, was charged with 4.34 oz. of cotton. The height of the rock from the floor of the quarry was 2ft 5in. The entire block of rock was broken up level with the ground, and several of the fragments were scattered. “This hole had been pronounced enormously strong; it could not have been attempted with powder, and the work done was magnificent.”
The mining inspector who witnessed these experiments stated that the results “quite exceeded anything he had ever seen, and were quite beyond what he could have credited had he not been an eye-witness thereto.” An interesting illustration is given of the different results obtained by the use of the detonating primer as compared with the explosion of gun-cotton by an ordinary fuze. “A disk of gun-cotton weighing one ounce was laid upon a large slab of sandstone, and fired by means of the ordinary fuse. It merely ignited with a sudden burst of flame, without much noise, entirely without violence, and quietly burnt away in about 30 seconds, doing no injury to surrounding substances; but when the same quantity was laid on the same stone was fired by means of a detonating primer, the whole mass instantaneously exploded with a report as loud as a cannon, with an amount of destructive energy which could with difficulty be understood by anyone who had not seen and carefully examined the result; not only was the stone shattered and broken into many pieces, but those portions of it which were immediately under the charge were literally ground and crushed into sand.” When it is added that this substance is perfectly safe to store, transport, and handle; that its combustion when fired in this way is so complete that no noxious gases are given forth; and that the primers are “quite harmless, as much so as ordinary percussion caps for fowling-pieces,” we shall have said enough to direct the attention of engineers to these papers, which contain matter worthy of their earnest consideration. The French, stimulated by the results obtained in this country, are about to commence some mining experiments with this material in a few weeks. Of the possible military applications of gun-cotton we must speak on another occasion.

18th September 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 51 years, Mr Thomas Tatters, Lead Miner.
In 1851, at Overwater, Thomas Tatters, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Jane 28 (married 1st February 1845, Alston), children Thomas 3 and Ann 1.
In 1861, Thomas Tatters, lead ore miner, aged 43, living at Overwater, Nenthead with his wife Jane 40, children, Thomas 13, Ann 11, Elizabeth 3, and his two brothers also lead miners James 42, and George 37.
In 1871, at Overwater, Jane Tatters, widow, aged 50, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, daughter Elizabeth 13, boarder, George Tatters, lead miner, aged 47.
At Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 47 years, Mr William Hill, Lead Miner.
Son of James & Margaret Hill, in 1861 living at Wellgill, Dykeheads with his wife Mary (Thompson married 1842, daughter of Sarah & John) aged 46, and children Mary Jane 18, James lead miner 14, William 5, and Hannah Sarah 11 months. Their son John Thompson Hill born 1844 had died in 1852.

25th September 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, 20th inst. aged 62 Mr Moses Smith, Lead miner.
Married Margaret Moreland at St John Garrigill 19th December 1835 and in 1861 living at Low Nest, Garrigill, the family consisted of Moses (born Yorkshire) and his wife Margaret aged 47, and their children, Elijah lead miner 24, Sarah 17, Joshua lead miner 15, Margaret 12, Elizabeth 9, Wilkinson 7, David 4, Thomas V. 1.
The 1841 census shows a son Wilkinson aged 10; the register of deaths has a Wilkinson Smith recorded as dying at Alston in 1851, and 1854.
Moses Smith baptised 20th April 1806 at Marrick, Yorkshire, father Wilkinson Smith married Ann Hodgson at Marrick on 6th January 1803.
In 1841 Wilkinson Smith 60, lead miner and his wife Ann 60 were living in Garrigill with Ann 20, David 20, Aaron 15, Elizah 13, Silas 2. Moses father died 1851 or 1854.
At Alston 17th inst, aged 85, Mrs Hannah Walton, late of the Swan Inn Alston.
In 1841, at Circus Lane, Alston, Thomas Walton, labourer, aged 55, his wife Hannah 50, children Jane 15, and Ann 12. In 1851, at Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, innkeeper, aged 65, and daughters Jane, dressmaker, aged 25, and Ann 22. See 2nd December 1837.

2nd October 1869 (Kendal Mercury)
Deaths
On the 20th ult., at Glenridding House, Patterdale, Mr Wm. Barron, agent at the Greenside Mines, aged 54 years.

In memory of William Barron, Mining Agent, who died 20th Sep. 1869, aged 54 years.
Also of Jane his wife, who died 11th Feb, 1878, aged 63 years.
Interred at Woodhouse Lane Cemetery, Leeds.
Also of Jane Barron, their only daughter, who died Jan 21st 1918.
Interred In the foresaid cemetery.

9th October 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriage
At Kendal at St Thomas Church 30th ult., Mr Thomas Wilson of Shotley Bridge to Margaret Isabella Featonby of Crook Hall, Lanchester.

15th October 1869 (Newcastle Courant)
THE ALLENDALS ROAD TRUSTEES AND MR BEAUMONT. —On Tuesday morning about half-past eight o'clock a number of men in the employment of the Allendale Road Trustees, headed by the surveyor. Mr Lee, Curry Hill, West Allen, made a determined attempt to pull up the rails forming the level crossing to Allen Smelt Mills from Catton Road Station, on the Hexham and Allendale Railway, but a strong force of employees from the mills prevented the attacking party putting their project into execution. It appears that ever since the formation of the railway, the crossing has been used for the conveyance of minerals to the mills, and the greatest care has always been taken to prevent any accident occurring. A man is invariably in attendance, and there has never been the slightest approach to an accident. The party acting for the trustees were about eight in number, and were provided with picks and shovels. Mr Johnson, of the Smelt Mills, however, was at hand with a strong force, and lost no time in acting on the defensive. The aggressors were quite outnumbered, and very soon gave way. There were a great number of persons present, and considerable excitement was created by the affair. Not one of the road trustees was present.

15th October 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)
This is perhaps the proper place to reproduce the list of metalliferous mines at work in Cumberland and Westmorland in 1868.—

CUMBERLAND.
Alston District.

Bentyfield, E. End—Sun Vein, Silver Lead. Alston Moor. Joseph Dinning and Co
Bentyfield, S. Vein—West end. Silver Lead. Alston Moor. Joseph Dinning and Co
Blacksyke, Silver lead. Alston. J. P. Walton & Co
Blagill, Silver lead. Alston. T. Wilson, Joseph Dickinson, and Co
Birchy Bank, Silver lead. Alston. T. Wilson and T Crawhall and Co
Brown Gill, Silver lead. Alston. London Lead Co
Brownley Hill, Silver lead. Alston. J. P. Walton & Co
Bulman Hill, Lead. Galligill, Walton & Co
Capel Cleugh. Silver lead. Alston. London Lead Co.
Carrs and Hanging Shaw. Silver lead. Alston. London Lead Co.
Carr's West of Nent, Silver lead. Alston. Wm. Hall & Co.
Cashwell, Silver Lead. Alston. Cashwell Mining Co
Cowper Dyke Head, Lead. Alston. London Lead Co
Crag Green, N. Vein. Silver lead. Alston. J. P. Walton and Co,
Crossgill Head, Silver lead. Alston. W. Clayton & Co
Douke Burn, East End, and Douke Burn, West End or Cashwell, Silver lead. Alston. Dr De Mey and Co
Dowgang Veins, Silver lead. Alston. Jonathan and J. P. Walton
Dowpot Syke. Silver lead. Alston. John Carruthers and Co

East Crossfell, Kirkland. C. Bell and Co
Fletcheras, Silver lead. Alston. London Lead Co.,
Farnberry, Alston. J. P. Walton and Co
Flow Edge, Alston. Josh. Bramwell
Galligill Bents and Galligill Syke. Silver lead. Alston. T. F, Massen
Grassfield, Silver lead. Alston. Joseph Dinning
Guddamgill, Silver lead. Alston. London Lead Co
Guttergill, East End. Silver lead. Alston Moor. Wm Bowcock and Co
Guttergill Vein, West End. Silver lead. Alston Moor. Jonathan Davidson and Co
Holyfield, Silver lead, Alston Moor. J. Dawson and Co
Hudgill Burn. Silver lead. Alston Moor. Thomas Wilson and Co
Lee House Well and Pasture Grove. Silver lead, Alston Moor. J. P. Walton and Co Longcleugh, Silver lead. Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Longcleugh, second Sun Vein. Silver lead. Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Middle Cleugh. Silver lead. Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Nattrass Middle Vein and Nattrass North Vein. Silver lead J. P. Walton and Co
Nentsbury Green, Silver lead, Alston Moor. J. Dinning
Nentsbury Pasture, Silver lead. Alston Moor. J. P. Walton and Co
Park Grove Iron Vein. Alston Moor, J. P. Walton & Co
Peas Stack Hill, Priorsdale. Silver lead. Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Rampgill, Silver lead. Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Rodderup Fell. Silver lead. Alston Moor. Thomas Wilson, I. Crawhall, and Co
Scaleburn, Silver lead, Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Slaggy Burn, Silver lead, Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Small Cleugh, Silver lead, Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Smittergill Head, Silver lead. Ousby. W. Smyth & Co
Sunny Side Vein, Silver lead. Alston. John Richardson and Co
Thorngill, East End. Silver Lead, Alston. Messrs Thos Shaw and Co
Thorngill Slit, Silver lead. Alston. J. Richardson & Co
Thorngill West End, Silver lead. Alston. J. P. Walton and Co
Tyne Bottom, Silver lead, Alston Moor. London Lead Co
Windy Brow, Alston. J. P. Walton and Co

Caldbeck District.

Brandy Gill, Lead. Caldbeck, Leicester, Hutchinson; and Co
Driggith, Silver lead. Caldbeck. Campbell and Jeffery
Red Gill, Copper, Helvellyn. Red Gill Mining Co
Roughten Gill and Caldbeck Fells, Lead and copper. Caldbeck. Caldbeck Fells Mining Company, Limited
Dry Gill, Lead and copper. Caldbeck. Caldbeck Fells Mining Company, Limited
Potsgill, Lead and copper. Caldbeck. East Cumberland Company

Furness District.

Coniston, Copper. Ulverstone. Coniston Copper Mining Co
High Brow, Pyrites, Ulverstone. Walton and Cowper
Millom, Pyrites. Ulverstone. Millom Mining Co.

Keswick District.

Force Craig, Lead and Barytes, Keswick. Straughton and Co
Goldscope, Lead and Barytes, Keswick. Executors of J. Clarke
Helvellyn, Lead. Helvellyn. Withburn Mining Co

Wood End. Silver lead. J.P. Walton & Co
Yewthwaite, Lead. Keswick. Exrs. of A. R. Clarke

Tynehead District.

Calvert, East and West. Lead. Tynehead. Jos. Dickinson and Co
Clargill Head, Lead. Tynehead. John Pigg and Co
Crossfell, South and West. Lead. Tynehead. C. Bell & Co
Dosey and Tyne Bogs. Lead. Tynehead, J, P. Walton & Co
Patter Syke. Lead
Pedder Syke, Lead. Tynehead, Dr De May and Co
Stow Craig, Lead. Tynehead. J. P. Walton and Co
Tees Side. Lead. Tynehead. J. Mawson and Co
Tynehead or Sir John's, Lead. Tynehead, J. Robinson & Co

WESTMORLAND.

Bugle Hill, Lead. Kirkby Stephen. Henry Pease
Dufton and Silverband, Lead. Near Dufton. London Lead Co
Greenside, Silver lead. Patterdale. John Jameson & Co
Hardshins, Lead. Teeside. London Lead Co
Hilton and Murton, Silver lead. Near Hilton. London Lead Co
Nether Hearth, Silver lead. Teeside. Nether Hearth Mining Co
North Stainmore, Silver lead. Near Brough. J. P.Walton and Co

22nd October 1869 (Carlisle Patriot)

VALUABLE DWELLING HOUSES. SHOP, LAND, AND PREMISES IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON, CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mr Graham. Crown Inn, Alston, Friday, November 19th, 1869, at Two for Three o'clock in the Afternoon, by Mr ROBERT PEARSON, Auctioneer, a MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, called SWALLWAY COTTAGE, now occupied as Three Dwelling Houses and Outhouses, a small Plantation behind the same, and Three Closes or Inclosures of Meadow and Pasture LAND adjoining each other, and containing in the whole 6 acres 2 roods and 17 perches, or thereabouts, situate at WEST NENTHEAD, and now in the occupation of Robson Madgen and Frances Hetherington and Ann Walton, as Tenants.

An ALLOTMENT of LAND situate at a place called GREENGILL, near West Nenthead aforesaid, on the Road between Nenthead and Garrigill, containing by admeasurement 85 acres, 2 roods and 31 perches, or thereabouts, now in the occupation of Robson Madgen, Geo. Hetherington, and Wm. Hetherington, as Tenants.

THREE DWELLING HOUSES and OUTHOUSES and TWO CLOSES or INCLOSURES of Meadow and Pasture LAND adjoining each other, and containing 10 acres, 3 roods and 12 perches, or thereabouts, situate Fiddler Street, near West Nenthead aforesaid, and now in the occupation of Wm. Hetherington, Geo. Hetherington, and Thos. Teasdale, as Tenants.

THIRTEEN DWELLING HOUSES, situate at OVER WATER, West Nenthead aforesaid, and now in the occupation of Thomas Hornsby, Robert Percival, Ann Hornsby, Elizabeth Hopkin, Elizabeth Irwin, Mary Watson, Jos. Robinson, William Hall. William Robinson, Mary Ann Hind, Stephen Armstrong, Mary Hill, and James Fitzsimons, as Tenants.

MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, Outhouses, and 10 Acres 3 Roods and 14 Perches, or thereabouts, of Meadow and Pasture Land, situate at Skelgill, within a mile of the town of Alston, and adjoining the road from Alston to Nenthead, and now in the occupation of Isaac Todd as Tenant.
A MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE, now used as TEMPERANCE HOTEL, and MESSUAGE or DWELLING HOUSE and SHOP adjoining thereto, with the Gardens and Stable behind the same. And also a STABLE, BARN, and BYER, and a COTTAGE HOUSE above the Stable, situate in the Potato Market, in Alston aforesaid; and also a CLOSE or INCLOSURE of LAND, containing Two Acres, or thereabouts, situate behind the same, and also extending behind and adjoining the Houses and Premises situate on the whole of the East side of the Potato Market aforesaid. The said premises being now in the occupation of Jonathan Parmley, Joseph Hind, Mrs Little, and Agnes Thompson as Tenants.
The whole of the Premises are of Leasehold Tenure, held for the remainder of terms of 1,000 years, each, which commenced respectively in or about the year 1621. Small yearly Lord's rents are payable for part of the Premises.
The Property in Alston is situate in the most eligible business part of the town; and at Nenthead there is constant demand for houses by the many persons employed about the Lead Mines there. Many of the houses have been recently built, and the whole are in a good state of repair. There is Grouse in the Allotment, situate at Greengill.
The Tenants will show the Premises, and particulars of the lots in which the property will be offered, and other information, may be known on application at the Office of BAINBRIDGE & MILLICAN, Solicitors, Alston. Alston, 9th Oct., 1860,

23rd October 1869 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope, 9th inst. Mr Ralph Tinsdale, to Miss Mary Jacques.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Stanhope, 9th inst. Mr Wm Stephenson of Stone Heap, to Miss Mary Ann Egglestone of Level Gate.

23rd October 1869 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Allendale Town, 21st inst., Mr John Armstrong to Ann, daughter of Mr John Bulman of Carrshield.
In 1861, at Greenly Cleugh, Ninebanks, John Bulman, farmer of 50 acres & blacksmith, aged 49, his wife Margaret 50, children, Henry 14, Barbara 12, and Ann 10.
John Bulman of Carrshield died 21st September 1872 aged 57, his wife Margaret died 10th April 1886, aged 75; burial at Ninebanks.
In 1871, at Carrshield, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann 20, and son Simpson 10 months.
In 1881, at High House Chapel, Allendale, John Armstrong, lead ore miner, aged 40, his wife Ann 30, children, Simpson 10, Margaret Ann 9, and Andrew aged 3.
In 1901, at Greenly Cleugh, Whitfield, John Armstrong, farmer, aged 60, his wife Ann 50,children, Margaret Ann 29, Andrew, coal miner hewer, aged 23, Henry, 16, and Wilkinson 13.

In 1911, at High Greenly Cleugh, Whitfield, John Armstrong, farmer, aged 70, his wife Ann 60, sons, Henry, farmer, aged 26, and Wilkinson, boot maker, aged 23.

Deaths

At Hilltop, Nenthead, near Alston, 15th inst., aged 17 years, Elizabeth daughter of Mr Matthew Pattinson stonemason & Bricklayer.

See 5th April 1879, and 27th May 1882

30th October 1869 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At kirk Houses near Allenheads aged 73 Mr Thomas Shaw.

In 1841, at Kirk Houses, Thomas Shaw, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann (Watson, married 23rd June 1821, Allendale) 40, children Barbara 15, Roger, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Jane 7, Ann 3, and Maria 10 months.

In 1851, at Kirk Houses, Thomas Shaw, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 31, children Mary 27, Roger, lead miner, aged 23, Jane 17, Ann 14, Maria 10, grandsons Thomas Shaw 7, Matthew Robson 7, and visitor Ann Bell, dress maker, aged 19.

In 1861 at Kirk Houses, Thomas Shaw, lead miner, aged 63, his wife Ann 61, daughter Jane 26, grandson Thomas Shaw lead ore miner 17, son in law Joseph Glendining 27, a carter, daughter Mary Glendining 37, and grandchildren Sarah Ann Glendining 4 John W Glendining 2, and Mary J Glendining 3 Months.

2nd November 1869 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 28th ult., aged 34, Mr Robert Doyle, lead miner.

Son of Robert & Agnes Doyle, Robert was born Easington Lane, Durham. In 1861 living at Whitehall, Nenthead with his mother Agnes, the 1861 census gives, Agness Doyle lead ore miners widow aged 50, children Robert lead ore miner 26, Hugh lead ore miner 23, Ann 14, Cowper 11, and Mary 9. His father Robert was born in Dublin, Ireland, and was buried at Nenthead, 29th June 1855, aged 47.

See 22nd April 1882, and 20th May 1893

At Hole, Tynehead, near Alston, on the 24th ult., John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 19 years. *See 1st January 1869, & 28th April 1877*

At Annatwalls, near Alston, on the 25th ult., Jacob Grey, farmer, aged 65 years.

20th November 1869 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Nenthead, 14th inst., Mr Wm. Angus to Miss Mary Ann Walton, both of Nenthead. Mr George Hetherington to Miss Mary Walton, both of Nenthead.

7th December 1869 (Hexham Courant)

SALE OF LEAD ORE IN NEWCASTLE

On Friday last a sale of 100 Bings of lead ore (raised and produced from a very productive lead mine in Alston Moor called Cashwell mine) took place at the White Hart Inn, Newcastle. Messrs Shield & Dinning (offered £4 16s 6d

per Bing), Messrs Jacob Walton and Co (offered £4 16s 6d per Bing), being the highest bidders were consequently declared to be the purchasers of the ore.

11th December 1869 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A Weardale man killed in Australia. The Australian mail just to hand brings the sorrowful news to Weardale of a much respected young man Nathan Race Watson of St John's Chapel, having received a fatal injury in the Nightingale Co's Gold Mine Australia. A fortnight after the accident he died leaving a wife and three children.

Nathan Race Watson son of William & Ann Watson in 1851 William Watson 53, lead miner, wife Ann 51, children, George lead miner 26, William lead miner 24

Joseph lead miner 18, Nathan lead miner 15, Jonathan 12, Susannah 9.

Nathan married to Emma Jane Hopkins (born about 1840) in 1862, Emma (daughter of William, cabinet maker, and Jane) originally from Walcott, Bath, Somerset, died 1890, Melbourne.

The accident occurred in the Nightingale Company mine, in Ballarat, Victoria the accident recorded as occurring on 9th November 1869.

16th December 1869 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

Died

RAMSHAW, Derwent Mines, 1st inst., aged 52 Mr Thomas Currey. Deceased had been assistant agent for the Derwent Mines Company for upwards of twenty years in which capacity he discharged his duties in a manner that gained him the entire confidence of his employers, whilst by the whole of the workmen he was greatly esteemed and respected, and his death is deeply lamented.

In 1851, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, Lodger, Thomas Currey, unmarried, lead mine agent, aged 33, born Hexham.

In 1861, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, Lodger, Thomas Curry, unmarried, lead mine agent, aged 44.

17th December 1869 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, near Alston, on the 4th inst., aged 65, Mr John Pattinson, mason. *See 1st June 1878*

At Alston, at the Workhouse, on the 5th inst., Miss Mary Stephenson, formerly of Nest, near Alston. *Aged 50*

At Elia, Allenheads, East Allendale, on the 7th inst., aged 88, Jane, widow of Francis Phillipson.

22nd December 1869 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE.

On Monday, Mr. William Bainkridge, J.P., expired at residence, Cliff House, Culercoats, after a short illness. The deoeaaed gentleman was the only son of Mr. William Bainbridge, of the firm of Robert and William Bainbridge, old-estabiiahed and highly respectable solicitors, at Alston, and who are still represented in the mountainous region of Alston Moor by the family of the

senior member of he partnership. Mr. Bainbridge received his education at a north-country school, and finished his studies at one of the universities. On the 23rd November 1838, he was called to the bar by the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, and became a member of the Inner Temple. …

In Alston Cemetery

Headstone in Railings
In
Memory
of
William Bainbridge
of Newcastle upon Tyne
Barrister at Law
Born at Alston the 10th of February 1811
Died at Cullercoats the 13th December 1869
also of Francis his son
who died at Sea August 5th 1868
aged 17 years
also of Mary his wife
who died March 17th 1904
aged 89 years

1st January 1870 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

CHARLES LANGHORN'S CHARITY. On Christmas Eve the sum of £22 10s 6d was distributed at Alston amongst a number of poor women, chiefly widows, the amount distributed to each being regulated according to the circumstances and necessities of the respective recipients, and was apportioned in sums varying from about 10s to £1 each. The amount thus divided which is paid every Christmas Eve, and which is laconically called "Charley's money" is the interest of £777 bequeathed (according to will bearing date 26th June 1802) by Charles Langhorn, then of Nenthead near Alston to "such poor persons having legal settlement in the Parish of Alston, as shall not have received Parochial relief within one year next preceding". The will, which, however did not come into operation until about the year 1818, contained a proviso directing his trustees to pay the money only to parties residing within a certain district in the parish. How far the testator's wishes have been carried out in this respect it is needless to enquire, but it is certain the bulk of the money is paid to persons residing at or near Nenthead. Langhorn in his time, was a working miner in the lead mines at Nenthead, was also a bachelor, and it would appear without relatives. It would also appear that lead mining in that period indicated was not like the mining at the present time, but rather perhaps in some respects like gold digging at the present day.

7th January 1870 Carlisle Express and Examiner)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The following report of Mr. Cory, County Surveyor, was read and confirmed: — Gentlemen,— Nenthead and Nenthall Bridges.—A very heavy flood occurred last November and washed away a great part of the penning or paving protecting the foundations of Nenthead Bridge. It also scoured a hole below the abutments of Nenthall Bridge. Steps were at once taken, with the sanction

of the local justices, to prevent any damage arising to the bridges themselves. As soon, however, as the season allows, it will be necessary to construct more permanent protection than that at present put in. The cost for both bridges will be about £57.

8th January 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At St John Lee, 30th ult., George son of Mr George Henderson, mining agent, Acomb, to Elizabeth Jane eldest daughter of Mr Joseph Sharp Innkeeper, of the same place.
At Alston at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, the Rev. J. Hulme jun., Minister of the Alston circuit, to Miss Anna, eldest daughter of Jonathan Walton Esq., of Donks Villa, Nenthead.
See 25th February 1888.
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Nenthead, 1st inst aged 25, Mr John Heslop lead miner.
In 1841, at Byrehope, Allendale, John Heslop, rail plate layer, aged 60, his wife Hannah aged 60, children, Thomas, rail plate layer, aged 20, Joseph, rail plate layer aged 20, and Mary 15.
In 1851, at Byrehope, Allendale, Joseph Heslop, rail layer, aged 30, his wife Jane (Pears, married 1st June 1844, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 29, children, John 7, Isabel 5, Emerson 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1861, at Brownly Hill, Nenthead, Joseph Heslop, joiner, aged 41, his wife Jane 38, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Isabella 14, Emerson, lead miner, aged 12, Joseph 10, Robert N 8, Thomas 5, Mary Jane 3, all born Hexham, Frances Ann 9 months, born Alston, and visitor Mary Walton, widow, aged 56, born Hexham.
John Heslop married Christiana Henderson, 2nd quarter of 1868, they had two children, Rosina Olga. S. A. born 1868, and John born 1870, 3rd quarter.
In 1871 at Cragg Nook, Elizabeth Henderson, miners widow, aged 61, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, daughter, Christiana Heslop, widow, formerly lead miners wife, aged 30, grand children Rosina O S A Heslop 2, and John Heslop 8 months.
See 2nd May 1868, 22nd August 1874, and 1st October 1892
At Garrigill Gate, 22nd ult. aged 52 Mr John Rain lead miner.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Rain, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Nancy, (Wilkinson, married 21st January 1841, St John, Garrigill) aged 20, and daughter Mary aged 1 day, died 3rd quarter of 1843.
In 1851, at Lane Head, John Rain, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Nancy 35, children Robert 8, Mary Ann 5, John 3, and Elizabeth 1 month.
Mary Ann died 1st quarter of 1858.
In 1861 at Garrigill Gate Head, John Rain, lead miner 42, his wife Nancy 46, children, Robert, carter 18, John 13, Elizabeth 10, Henry 6, and Mary Ann born 1846 died 1858.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Ann Rain, lead miners widow, aged 55, children Johnny, lead miner, aged 23, Henry, tailors apprentice, aged 16, Edmond L 4 and mother, Mary Wilkinson, blacksmiths widow, aged 81.
See 14th October 1870.

14th January 1870 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 1st inst., Mr Matthew White, Alston, to Miss Mary Dodd, High Hundy Bridge, Garrigill.
In 1861, at High Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, William Dodd, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Spark, married 15th June 1837, at St John Garrigill) aged 46, children, Edward, lead miner & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 23, Sarah 20, Hugh 16, Elizabeth 13, Mary 11, and John 8.
William Dodd of Hundy Bridge, lead ore miner, died 5th March 1875.
See 13th March 1875
Elizabeth (Betty) Dodd of Hundy Bridge, died 30th August 1893.

In 1841, at the Butts Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 41, (born 9th July 1799, parents Fenwick White and Eleanor Robson) his wife Elizabeth (Henderson, married 26th September 1822, at Allendale) aged 38, children, Nancy 18, Fenwick 13, John 12, Elizabeth 10, Samuel 8, Edward 6, Hannah 4, and Matthew 1.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Samuel White, butcher, aged 51, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth aged 49, born Allendale, children, Fenwick, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Samuel, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 14, Matthew 11, Thomas 9, Sarah 9, and Charlton 7.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Samuel White, formerly lead miner, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 58, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Sarah, house maid aged 19, and Charlton, lead miner, aged 17.
Samuel White died 3rd July 1865, aged 67 years
Elizabeth White died 3rd qtr 1869 aged 66
See 7th August 1841, 7th July 1865, 27th December 1879, 30th May 1885

In 1871, at The Butts, Alston, Matthew White, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Mary 21, and Sarah E 1.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Matthew White, Night watch at woollen mill, aged 41, his wife Mary 31, children, Sarah E 11, Samuel 8, and John 11 months.
Mary White died 1st qtr 1889, aged 39, registered at Alston.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Matthew White, widower, lead miner, aged 50, children, John 11, and Annie 4.
In 1901, at School Terrace, Alston, Matthew White, widower, retired lead miner, aged 61, and daughter Annie, house keeper, aged 14.
Matthew White of the Butts Alston, died 25th October 1907.

15th January 1870 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHALL
George Wilson Esq., of Nenthall, entertained his tenants to supper on the evening of Thursday last, and on the following evening, a similar treat was, by the same gentleman given to a number of youths of the neighbourhood.
NENTHEAD
Industrial Cooperative Society.
This society held its third quarter meeting in the room of the Nenthead band on Saturday evening. The report showed that the discount on members purchases the quarter was 1s 6d in the £1. The old officers were re-elected for the ensuing half-year. A sumptuous repast, open to the public, was

afterward served up and about 230 partook of the beef, ham, and other provisions of excellent quality, which was supplied by the society. …

18th January 1870 (Penrith Observer)

NENTHEAD.—A fire took place at Nenthead Wednesday last, which, although it proved trivial in its consequences, might have been attended with serious results. At Whitehall the London Mining Company have built a number of cottages for the convenience of their workman, and the tenant of one of these, Mr. Thomas Brown, had a greenhouse behind the house he occupies. It appears that a pipe connected with the stove heating the greenhouse had been overheated and had set fire to the woodwork, which, when the fire was discovered at eleven o'clock at night, was all ablaze. It transpired that close to the scene of the fire a quantity of gunpowder used by the miners for blasting purposes was kept by the men, and it was the first object of those who came to render assistance to remove it. This having been affected at considerable risk, the bystanders directed their attention to extinguishing the fire, which, however, destroyed the greenhouse and a large quantity of valuable plants. Mr. Brown was one of the principal prize takers at all the local flower shows.

NENTHEAD PAYS.—The annual pay of the workmen employed by the London Lead Mining Company was made at Nenthead, on Wednesday last. This being the "red-letter" day in the year to the inhabitants of the village and neighbourhood, there was the usual amount of joviality. The stormy weather, however, materially interfered with the various enjoyments. We believe the pays have not this year been so good as in the last few years.

THE HIGHEST INHABITED HOUSE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "PENRITH OBSERVER"

SIR,—In your last week's issue appeared a weather report from what is stated to be "the highest inhabited house in England." It appears that the house referred to is that on Kirkstone Pass, and which the report states to be "1,500 feet above the tide mark." The ordnance survey for the pariah of Alston shews that there are many inhabited houses in that district much more than 1,500 feet above the sea level. For instance, there is a farm-house called Priorsdale which is 1,776 feet ; Little Gill Cottage, Ashgill, 1,612 feet and a house near Nenthead, called Fair View, owned and inhabited by James Dickinson, a miner, at the great elevation of 1,882 feet above the sea level. Believing that there may be some to whom the above facts may be interesting, I shall feel obliged if you will give this letter an insertion in your paper.—Yours, &c., W.

NENTHEAD POULTRY SHOW.

The sixth annual exhibition of the Nenthead Poultry and Bird Society was held in the London Mining Company's New schools, at Nenthead, on Friday last. The number of entries was very large, and altogether this was one of the most successful shows the society has held. As usual, the cage birds, in the rearing of which many of the lead miners in tho locality take so much interest, formed an important attraction; and it may be a subject for consideration whether ere another year the prizes for this class should be increased. The weather, although unpromising in the morning, was favourable, and the number of visitors to the show large. Mr. Hutton, of Leeds, was the judge, and his decisions gave satisfaction. …

22nd January 1870 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

FATAL MINE ACCIDENT. A sad accident occurred here on Monday last. A miner, named Smith Barron, was killed in one of the Lead Company's mines known as Rampgill mine, a very old working. He was crushed to death by a fall of stone and debris. One arm and leg was broken, and his head was crushed in a fearful manner. An inquest was held on Tuesday, at the house of Mr John Walton Innkeeper, Nenthead, before Mr Carrick, coroner for East Cumberland, and a verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned. Deceased was only 28 years of age, leaves a widow and two young children to lament their sudden loss.

See 16th November 1866, 3rd June 1871, and 14th June 1884.

Deaths

Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 56, Mr Walton Wilkinson Lead ore miner.

See 11th October 1861, and 12th December 1868

At Acomb, 15th inst., aged 48 Mr Thomas Walton, late of Alston.

In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary aged 34, sons Christopher 8, born Allendale, John 6, born Allendale, and Thomas 1, born Alston.

In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 45, sons Christopher, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas 11.

In 1871, at Hearty Cleugh, Ninebanks, Allendale, Elizabeth Smith, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 70, sons Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 49, John Smith, lead miner, aged 41, James Smith, lead miner, aged 35, daughter Jane Swindle 50, grandsons, Christopher Walton, lead miner, aged 24

John Walton, lead miner, aged 22, granddaughter Elizabeth Swindle 12, and domestic servant, Ann Swindle, aged 20.

26th January 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE

A

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

In Aid of the Funds for the Erection of a new Wesleyan Chapel in this Town
Will be given on Friday Evening, 28th inst.,
in the
London Lead Company's School Room,
kindly lent for the occasion by
R. W. Bainbridge, Esq.

The programme will consist of Selections from Mozart, Handel, Haydn, and other eminent composers, performed by the Wesleyan Choir, and accompanied on the Pianoforte and Harmonium by the Brothers Mathews, of Liverpool and Glasgow

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

It is almost unnecessary to refer our readers to an advertisement in another column, announcing a musical entertainment in the London Lead Company's School-room, on Friday evening next, as the affair has already gained universal publicity. We would only say that the object of the concert is a good one, and its claims ought to be recognised by all right- minded people, irrespective of sect or creed. As regards the execution of the programme, we

venture to say that none will be disappointed, but many agreeably surprised. The valuable services of Mr M. J. Matthews, of Glasgow, who is at present visiting his friends in this town, prior to his leaving this country for New York, have been obtained, and his performance on the harmonium alone, cannot fail to be a treat seldom afforded in small country towns like Middleton.

29th January 1870 (Hexham Courant)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT NEAR MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE.— Two men killed

On Saturday, an inquest was held at the Cross Keys Inn, Middleton in Teesdale, before Mr Thos. Dean, deputy coroner, on the bodies of two young men named John Beadle, 18 years of age, and John Collinson, 15 years of age, who lost their lives on the Thursday previous under very melancholic circumstances at Coldberry Lead mine. It appeared that the young men were at work in the mine on the above date, and were engaged in filling hoppers with lead ore, when suddenly a stone measuring 12 feet by 8 feet, and 2 feet thick, came down from the roof and completely covered Beadle; Collinson was struck on his back, and partially covered by stone. Assistance was soon at hand, and the stone raised, but both the unfortunate young men were found to be dead, and the bodies frightfully mangled. The stone it appears had been "yowled" only half an hour previously to its falling, and sounded all right, and the place appeared quite safe, and there was plenty of timber close at hand had it been considered necessary to shore it up. There appeared to be no blame whatever to any one, and death had been caused purely by misadventure. The jury accordingly returned a verdict of accidental death.

John Beadle son of Joseph and Ann Beadle of Skears.

In 1861, at Skeers, Middleton, Joseph Beadle, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Nanny aged 39, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 13, John 9, William 6, and Margaret 2.

John Collinson son of William and Jane Collinson of Stoney Gill. In 1861, at Stoney Gill, William Collinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane 36, children George 10, Mary Ann 9, John 6, Elizabeth 3, and Thomas 1 year.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 21st inst. aged 62, very suddenly, Mr Joseph Robson, Tailor.

Skelgill near Alston, 8th inst., aged 41, Mary wife of Mr Thomas Todd, lead miner.

In 1851, at Bruntly Syke, Thomas Todd, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Mary, dressmaker, aged 22, and son Joseph 9 months. In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, Thomas Todd, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary, dressmaker, aged 32, children Joseph 10, Robert 8, Mary A 6, and Frances 2.

In 1871, at Physic hall, Bankfoot, Thomas Todd, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children, Robert, draper, aged 18, Mary A 16, Frances 12, Elizabeth 9, Thomas 7, Maria 5, and John 1

In 1871, the eldest son Joseph was lodging at 15 Adelaide Place, Newcastle, working as a Draper and shop man. In 1881, at Physic Hall, Bankfoot, Thomas Todd, widow, lead miner, aged 54, children, Mary Ann, housekeeper, aged 26, Maria, domestic servant, aged 15, John 11, and grandson, Isaac E. Todd 2.

In 1891, at Scotswood Road, Elswick, Robert Todd, single, draper, aged 38, brothers Thomas, draper, aged 27, John, drapers assistant, aged 20, sisters,

Mary A., housekeeper, aged 36, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 29, Maria, drapers assistant, aged 25, and nephew, Edwin Todd 12. In 1881, at Garden Terrace, Crawcrook, Joseph Todd, draper, aged 40, his wife Hannah 36, children Ernest 13, Marian 11, Elizabeth 9, Frances 8, Annie 5, Dora J C 5 months, and domestic servant, Hannah Janny 16. Thomas Todd snr., died 2nd August 1882, at 5 Hutt Street, Gateshead, aged 56.
See 9th September 1876, 13th January 1883
At Physic Hall, near Alston, 15th inst., aged 53, Mr George Spark, lead miner.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, George Spark, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 35, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Ann 10, Sarah J. 9, Hannah 6, George 4, and Joseph 1 year. In 1871, at Ropery, near Physic Hall, Ann Spark, widow, dressmaker, aged 46, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Hannah, reefer at woollen factory, aged 16, George, winder at woollen factory, aged 14, Maggie 9, William 7, James 4, and Henry 2 years.

5th February 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead 30th ult., aged 29 from an accident in the mines Mr Joseph Bright late of Allendale.
In 1841, at West End, Allendale, Richard Bright (died 3rd quarter of 1848), lead miner, aged 65, his wife Ann 60, sons Richard, lead miner, aged 25, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1851, at West End, Allendale, Richard Bright, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Tamer (Redshaw married 9th December 1848, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 25, children Joseph 10, Mary A 2, and Sarah 1 month.
In 1861, at West End, Allendale, Richard Bright, brakesman at lead mines, aged 49, born Allendale, his wife Tamar 38, born Alston, children Joseph, labourer in lead mines, aged 20, born Alston, Mary A 12, born Allendale, Sarah 10, Thomas 8, Margaret 6, Frances 5, Hannah 3, and Richard B10 months, all born Allendale.
In 1871, at West End, Richard Bright, brakesman in lead mines, aged 59, his wife Tamar 46, children Sarah 20, Margaret 16, Hannah 12, Richard, lead ore washer, aged 11, John 8, and Matthew 3.
In 1891, at West End, Richard Bright, farmer, aged 79, his wife Tamar 67, daughter Margaret 36, son John, lead miner, aged 28, and grandson Matthew Bright, lead miner, aged 23. Richard died 2nd quarter of 1895, aged 83, Tamar died 4th quarter of 1895, aged 72.
At Coating Hill, near Allenheads, 27th ult. aged 43, Mr Jos. Reed, Miner.
In 1851, at Coating Hill, Mary Reed, lead miners widow, aged 81, son Thomas, retired miner, aged 53, grandson Joseph Reed, lead miner, aged 24, and house servant, Ann Hewitson 21.
In 1861, at Coating Hill, Joseph Reed, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary (Jackson, married 9th December 1852, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 26, children Mary J 7, Hannah 5, Sarah 2, Thomas 1 month, and house servant, Jane Jackson 20.
Mary died 1st quarter of 1866, aged 30, Mary Jane died 3rd quarter of 1867, aged 13.

8th February 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, by the Rev. John Newton, Mr John Stephenson, of Hard Struggle, Garrigill, to Miss Sarah Bell, of Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Alston.

In 1851, at Hard Struggle, Garrigill, John Stephenson, formerly a miner, on parish relief, aged 45, his wife Ann 42, children, Sarah 12, Jason 10, John _, lodgers, John Gill, lead miner, aged 32, and William Blades, coal miner, aged 52.

John Stephenson, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 1st December 1857, aged 52.

In 1861, at Hardstruggle, Ann Stephenson, lead miners widow, aged 53, children, Jason, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, and Jane 7.

In 1851, at Farnberry, Alston, John Bell, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Sarah (Hind married 4th April 1835, at Alston) aged 35, son Albany 3, and daughter Sarah 4.

John Bell died 4th qtr 1853, registered at Alston.

In 1861, at Physic Hall Bank Foot, Alston, Sarah Bell, lead miners widow, aged 44, children, Hannah 22, Albany 18, Sarah 14, and grandson, John Bell 1.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 26, and his wife Sarah 24.

See 26th June 1841

Deaths

On the 29th ult., at Alston, Mr Robert Burn, yeoman, aged 87.

In 1851, at Bruntley Syke, Alston, Robert Burn, farmer of 30 acres aged 68, his wife Mary 61, and house servant Mary Kearton aged 24.

Mary Burn died 19th May 1851, aged 61 years.

8th February 1870 (Carlisle Journal)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 25th ult., Isabella Little, wife of Edward Little, draper and grocer, aged 61 years. *See 30th August 1879 & 6th November 1880*

At Ivy House, Garrigill, on the 31st ult., William Bird, cattle dealer, aged 82 years.

At Annatwalls, near Alston, on the 1st inst., Thomas Liddle, aged 66 years *(dry waller)*

At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 29th ult., Margaret Kindred, widow, aged 81 years.

See 20th October 1868

John Kindred (son of Bartholomew) married Mary Bell at St Augustine's, Alston 6th January 1774. Children of John and Mary Kindred:

1. *William son of John and Mary of Rodderup, baptised 9th October 1774, at St John's, Garrigill. William of Howburn, was buried 22nd April 1793, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
2. *Leonard baptised 8th October 1776 at St John's, Garrigill, son of John and Mary Kindred of Slaggyburn. Leonard married Hannah Vipond 18th May 1799, at St Augustine's, Alston. Hannah Kindred, late Vipond, was buried at Garrigill 22nd March 1805, aged 24, Leonard Kindred son of Leonard and Hannah Vipond was buried 9th June 1805, aged 1 year, at Garrigill.*

Leonard Kindred, married Elizabeth Brown 3rd March 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston. Leonard Kindred died at Bailes, Alston, 8th April 1848, aged 74.

3. *Ann baptised 17th December 1778, at St John's, Garrigill, daughter of John and Mary Kindred of Slaggyburn. Ann daughter of John Kindred, of Slaggyburn, was buried, at St Augustine's, Alston, 14th February 1779.*
4. *Mary baptised 10th August 1782, at St John's, Garrigill, daughter of John and Mary Kindred of Slaggyburn. Mary married Thomas Walton Shield, 17th May 1804, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
5. *John baptised 29th January 1785, at St John's, Garrigill, daughter of John Kindred of Howburn. John Kindred, married Elizabeth Pattinson13th July 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston, witnesses Bartholomew Kindred, John Kindred, and Anthony Pattinson.*

6. *Sarah baptised 3nd September 1787, at St Augustine's, Alston, daughter of John Kindred of Howburn, buried at St Augustine's, Alston 7th September 1787.*
7. ***Bartholomew Kindred baptised 27th December 1888, at St John's, Garrigill, father John Kindred of Howburn.***
8. *Elizabeth baptised 25th August 1792, at St Augustine's, Alston, father John Kindred of Howburn. Elizabeth married Jonathan Parmley, 16th April 1814, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
   See 10th June 1882.

***7**. On 21st June 1819, at Gretna Green, Bartholomew Kindred married Margaret Colson, and Margaret Coulson, 10th September 1819, at Kirkoswald. Children of Bartholomew and Margaret Kindred:*

[1].Jane baptised 24th September 1820, at Croglin, Cumberland, married Henry Philipson, 18th September 1841, at Alston.

[2].John baptised 7th November 1822, at Croglin, Cumberland

[3].Joseph born 11th June 1827, baptised 26th December 1827, at Redwing Chapel, Alston

[4].Mary born June 1830, baptised 1st July 1830, at Redwing Chapel, Alston

In 1841, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew, Kindred, Ag. Lab., aged 50, sons, John, Ag. Lab. aged 15, and Joseph, Ag. Lab. aged 10, Margaret Kindred, was at Temple Croft, Alston, in the household of William Bainbridge, solicitor.
In 1851, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew Kindred, husbandman, aged 65, his wife Margaret 63, and son Joseph, Smelter of lead ore, aged 23.
In 1861, at Sheep Riggs, Alston, Bartholomew Kindred, formerly Ag. Lab. aged 72, his wife Margaret 72.
Bartholomew Kindred aged 79, died 13th October 1868, at Alston Workhouse.

1. In 1851, at Park House, Henry Philipson, lead ore dresser, aged 36, his wife Jane aged 30, children, Margaret 6, John 4, and Bartholomew 2.
In 1861, at Park House, Henry Philipson, lead ore washer, aged 46, his wife Jane aged 40, children, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Bartholomew, lead ore washer, aged 12, Henry 9, Sarah 6, Joseph N. 5, and Mary J. 1.
Jane Philipson died 2nd quarter 1863, registered at Hexham.
In 1871, at Park House, Henry Philipson, widower, lead ore washer, aged 55, children, Margaret, housekeeper, aged 26, Bartholomew, lead ore miner, aged 22, Henry, sawyer, aged 19, Sarah 16, Joseph 13, Mary J. 11, and William 8.
Henry Philipson died 4th quarter 1877, registered at Hexham.
2. John Kindred married Sarah Readshaw 4th April 1847, at Alston. See 10th April 1847
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, John Kindred, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Sarah 23.
John Kindred aged 38, and Sarah Kindred, aged 37 (sic), travelled to Victoria, Australia, on the "Great Britain" in December 1863,
John Kindred died aged 54 in 1879, Sarah died aged 66, on 15th September 1893, of cancer of the liver, at Araret Lunatic Asylum, Victoria.

3.Joseph Kindred of Sheepriggs, married Ann Atkinson, of Wanwood, 1st June 1851, Ann died 12th December 1855, aged 28, at Fourdargue, Alston.
See 14th December 1855.
In 1861, at & Glenridding Cottages, Patterdale, Joseph Kindred, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Kirsop, daughter of Lancelot Kirsop of Park, Alston, married 15th May 1859, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 33, children, John3a, lead miner, aged 11, Bartholomew3b 9, Elizabeth3c 7, and Lancelot 1.
Elizabeth Kindred died 11th September 1861, aged 34, at Glenridding, Patterdale, after a short illness, following the birth of her daughter Margaret Jane, Margaret Jane, died 18th April 1862, at Patterdale (West Ward, Westmorland).
Joseph Kindred married Ann Watson, 3rd quarter 1867, registered at Penrith.

In 1871, at Park, Alston, Thomas Kirsopp, lead miner, and farmer of 25 acres, aged 42, brother Edward, lead miner, aged 31, sister Sarah, house keeper, aged 11, and nephew, Lancelot Kindred, aged 11, born, Keswick. In 1891, at the King's Arms, Alston, Lancelot Kindred, general servant, aged 31.
Joseph Kindred emigrated to Australia.
Joseph Kindred died 15th August 1895, at Stawell Hospital, Victoria.

3a.John Kindred married Elizabeth Slorach in 1874, John Kindred, farmer, died 23rd September 1899, buried at Landsborough, Victoria, Australia.
Children of John and Elizabeth Kindred:—

Elizabeth Jane born 1875
John Alexander born 1877
James Henry born 1879
Jessie May born 1882
Albert William born 1883
Robert Ernest born 1887, married Elizabeth Catherine Martin, (Lil) 16th February 1922, at Navarre, daughter of Donald & Elizabeth Martin.
Winifred born 1893
Lillian born 1889
Harold born 1897

3b.Bartholomew Kindred, married Mary Ann Thompson in 1878, Bartholomew drowned 9th July 1883, at Glenorchy, Australia.
Children of Bartholomew and Mary Ann Kindred:
Elizabeth born 1879
John born 1880
Annie born 1881, on the 22nd March 1906 at Melbourne, Albert James, only son of the late James Wilson, Esq., of Sydney, to Annie, second daughter of the late Bartholomew Kindred and Mrs James Stephens of Stawell, stepdaughter of James Stephens, of Stawell, the happy couple leave for England, 29th March.

3c. Elizabeth Kindred married William Perry in 1874. William Perry died in 1916, aged 65. Elizabeth Perry widow, died 28th Sept 1937, aged 83, at Stawell, Victoria.
Children of William and Elizabeth Perry:
William Alfred 1875, William Alfred Perry son of William and Elizabeth (nee Kindred), died aged 31, 29th December 1906, occupation, hairdresser.
Charles John born 1878
Arthur James born 1880
Ernest Edward born 1883
Joseph Garnet born 1886, died 1888
Maude Amelia born 1888
Stanley Garnet 1891
Hilda May Eliz born 1894
Nellie born 1898

THEIR BELOVED DAUGHTER
ELIZABETH JANE
DIED JUNE 7TH 1896
AGED 20 YEARS

IN MEMORY OF
JOHN
BELOVED HUSBAND OF
ELIZABETH KINDRED
DIED 23RD SEPTEMBER 1899
AGED 48 YEARS

SOURCE:BILLIONGRAVES

Magesterial Inquiry held this 13th day of July 1883 at Glenorchy Weir near Glenorchy touching the death of Bartholomew Rundred.

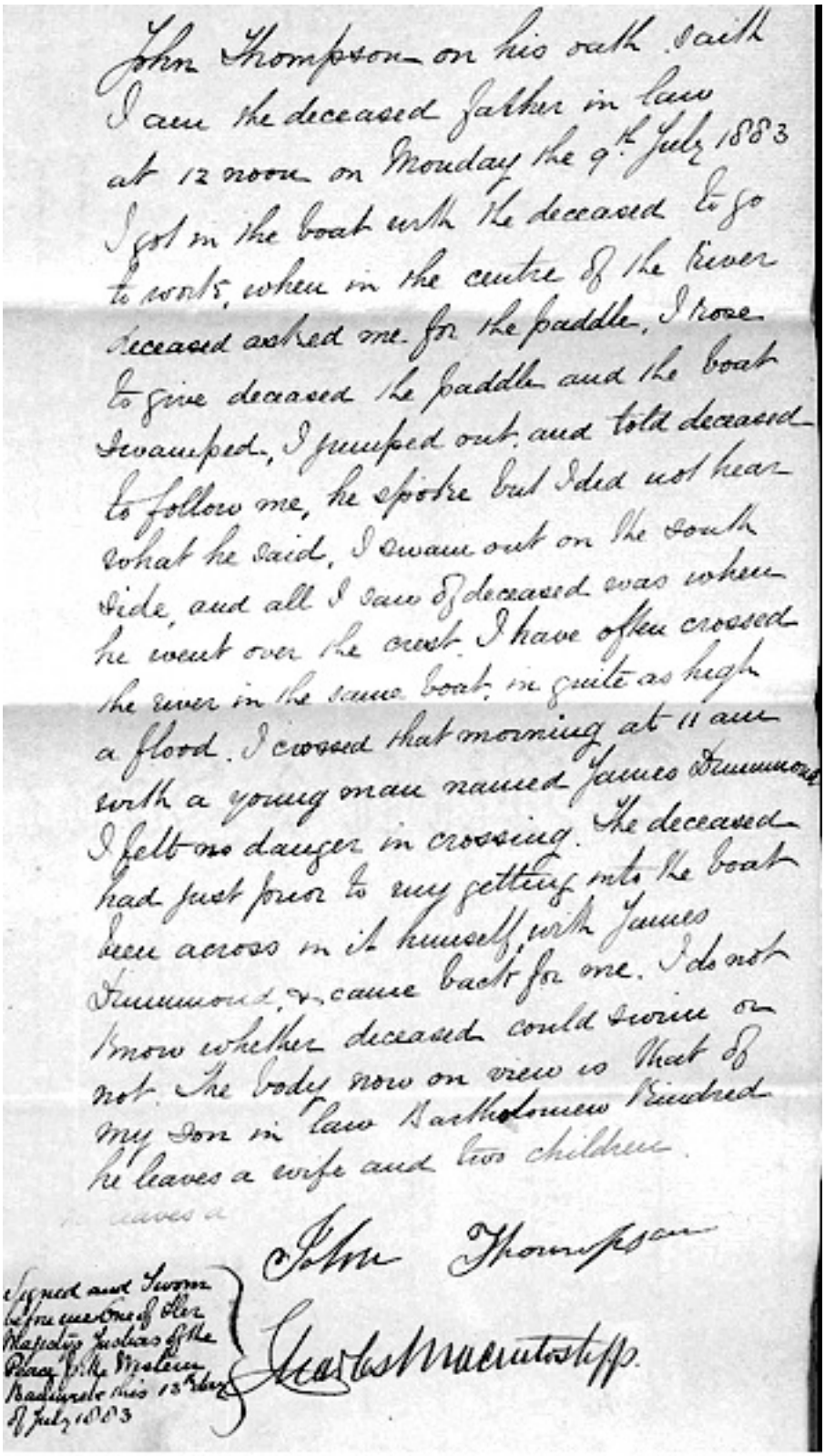
William Drummond on his oath saith; at 12 noon Monday the 9th day of July 1883 I saw deceased and his father-in-law John Thompson get in a boat at the north side of the River Derwent for the purpose of going across to their work at the South side about 8 yards east of the Weir and when in the centre of the River, Thompson stood up in the stern of the boat for the purpose of handing the paddle to Rundred, while doing so the boat lurched backwards and Thompson fell backwards beneath them. Thompson first jumped from the boat & called out the deceased immediately jumped into the water and attempted to swim to the boat I do not think he swam more than about 8 or 9 yards until he sank. They would be about 70 or 80 feet from the South west of the Weir I did not see the body again till I saw it going over the weir, he appeared then to be lifeless.

William Drummond

Signed & Sworn before me One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Western Districts this 13 day of July 1883:

Charles Meredith Esqre.

Image 1. Courtesy of Public Record Office Victoria ©



John Thompson on his oath saith
I am the deceased father in law
at 12 noon on Monday the 9th July 1883
I got in the boat with the deceased to go
to work, when in the centre of the river
deceased asked me for the paddle, I rose
to give deceased the paddle and the boat
swamped, I jumped out and told deceased
to follow me, he spoke but I did not hear
what he said, I swam out on the south
side, and all I saw of deceased was when
he went over the crest. I have often crossed
the river in the same boat, in quite as high
a flood. I crossed that morning at 11 am
with a young man named James Simmons
I felt no danger in crossing. The deceased
had just risen to my getting into the boat
seen across in it himself with James
Simmons, & came back for me. I do not
know whether deceased could swim or
not. The body now on view is that of
my son in law Bartholomew Kindred
he leaves a wife and two children.

John Thompson

Signed and Sworn
before me one of Her
Majesty's Justices of the
Peace for the Western
Boundary this 13th day
of July 1883

Charles Macintosh P.

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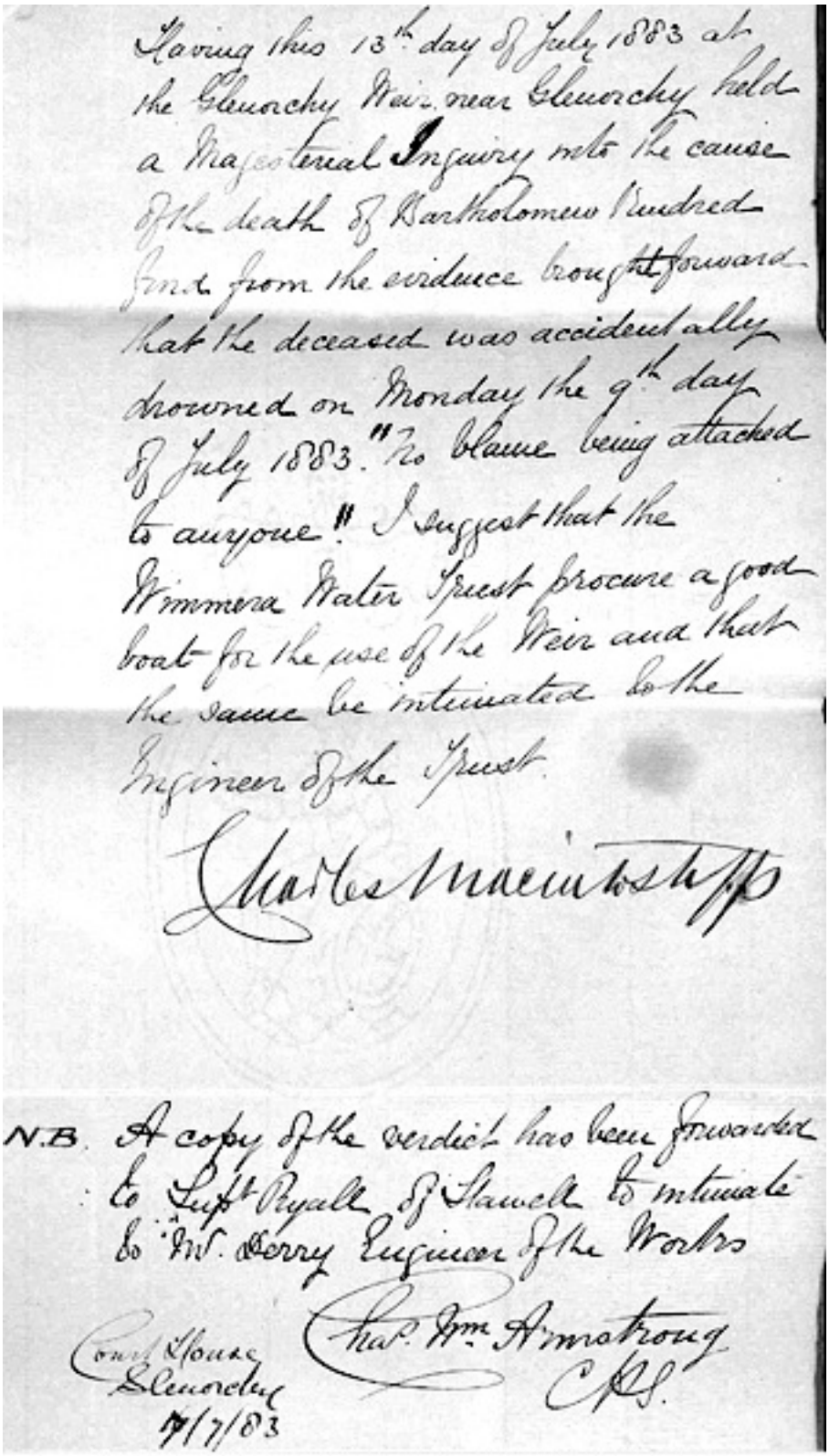


Having this 13th day of July 1883 at the Glenorchy Weir near Glenorchy held a Magisterial Inquiry into the cause of the death of Bartholomew Kindred and from the evidence brought forward that the deceased was accidentally drowned on Monday the 9th day of July 1883. "No blame being attached to anyone" I suggest that the Wimmera Water Trust procure a good boat for the use of the Weir and that the same be intimated to the Engineer of the Trust.

Charles Macintosh J.P.

N.B. A copy of the verdict has been forwarded to Lieut Ryall of Stawell to intimate to W. Berry Engineer of the Works

Court House
Glenorchy
7/7/83

Chas. Wm. Armstrong
C.P.S.

Image 3. Courtesy of Public Record Office Victoria ©

Images 1, 2, and 3, are documents relating to the inquest into the death of Bartholomew Kindred in 1883

12th February 1870 (Newcastle Journal)

ALSTON WOOLLEN MILL

On Wednesday last, a meeting of the inhabitants of Alston and neighbourhood was held in the Town Hall, Alston, for the purpose of considering the desirability of forming a joint stock company, with limited liability, for the purpose of taking and working the woollen mill in that town. Amongst those present were Mr J. P. Walton, of Green Ends; Mr J. M. Paull, W. Bainbridge, solicitor; Mr James Millican; J. G. Millican, solicitor, of Alston; Dr Savage; and the Rev. H. Robinson, of Nenthead.—On the motion of Mr Roddam, of Browngill, seconded Mr J. M. Paull, Mr Bainbridge was elected chairman.—it appeared from the opening statement of the chairman, that a committee had been appointed by a previous meeting of those favourable to the scheme, for the purpose of obtaining all information necessary in deciding upon the possibility of forming such company, and the report of the committee, together with that of Mr E. Bushar, of Kendal (a practical manufacturer, whom the committee had called to their aid), having been read, Mr Paull proposed that a joint stock company (limited) be formed, for the purpose of taking and working the mill upon the basis of the committee's report; and the proposition having been seconded, was unanimously carried. It proposed to make the capital about £8000, in shares of £1 each; and over 2,000 shares were taken at the meeting.

15th February 1870 (Hexham Courant)

EMIGRATION TO CANADA

Sir, - The Ontario Government still offers 200 acres free to bona fide settlers; 100 to unmarried persons over 18. Don't take up the grant on first arrival. Beware of Quebec crimps and land sharks everywhere. Be entirely guided by the Canadian Government emigration agents. Emigration clubs, with weekly payments, are multiplying greatly. Mine in Clerkenwell assisted 651 needy persons last season, - of whom satisfactory accounts have been received, - and should any sympathetic friends send me subscriptions towards raising £1,000 (as some have already done) 427 more poor people will go in April. To intending emigrants I say, go early- and let your motto be "Piety, sobriety, and industry," `strike out into the country - don't hang about the towns. I would strongly advise your going west of Kingston into Ontario. Mr Dixon, the Canadian Commissioner, 11 Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C., will give you all information, and a valuable little book. If you can afford £6 6s (half price under 8) go per Montreal steam ships (Messrs Allan, Liverpool) if not a great boon is now offered, the Canada shipping Company (Messrs Tapscott, Regent Road, Liverpool), are sending on March 25, April 6, and 20, and throughout the season good iron sailing vessels, of 1,400 tons burden, taking 25 days to Quebec, £4 over 12; £2 10s under; babies a year and under 10s. Messrs Montgomery, 5 Ingram Court, Fenchurch Street, will send one of these vessels from London on March 25th, for £4 10s over 12, &c. For ship's kits, &c., see "Emigration for poor folks," written expressly by myself, 2d by post. Take some bacon, sausages, tea &c., for the voyage - remember the guardians have ample power to help poor emigrants - and we pray the government will nobly come forward to aid the unemployed, but well charactered persons, in their present distress.

May God bless the cause I have so much at heart, for the sake of the suffering poor, is the affectionate greeting of

Your obedient servant
A. STYLEMAN HERRING
Incumbent of St Paul's, Clerkenwell
45 Colebrook Row, London, N., Jan. 1870.

19th February 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 15th inst., Mr Thomas Millican of Witton Park Durham to Miss Esther Smith of Alston.
Deaths
At Annetwalls 13th inst., aged 22, Mr Edward Baverstock, Lead Miner.
Son of William John Baverstock and Jane (Wilson marriage registered Penrith, 1844) born in Kirkoswald, his father died in 1850, Jane remarried in 1852 to Jonathan Spark (registered Alston) Jonathan died in 1868. In 1861 Jane was living in Garrigill, with her children: Jane Spark 46, William J. Baverstock 15 Edward Baverstock 14, Joseph Baverstock 12, Elizabeth J Spark 8. Her husband was lodging at Plunda Heath, Haydon Bridge, listed as a lead miner aged 41. The 1871 census has Jane and her family living at Low Annetwalls.

22nd February 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 17th inst., Mr Jacob Blacklock, ironmonger.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Joseph Blacklock, innkeeper, aged 45, his wife Ann (Hall, married 21st December 1815, Alston) aged 40, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, Hannah 10, and Jacob 3. In 1851, at Overwater, Joseph Blacklock, widow, grocer & innkeeper, aged 59, sons Joseph, widow, lead miner, aged 27 (Joseph married Ann Latimer, 24th February 1848, at Nenthead, Ann died 10th March 1848), Jacob 13, and house servant, Martha Robinson 26.
In 1861, at Overwater, Joseph Blacklock, widow, innkeeper and grocer, aged 38, and niece Ann Armstrong aged 12.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
JOSEPH BLACKLOCK, DEPARTED
THIS LIFE JULY 10TH 1855
AGED 64 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN HIS WIFE WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE MARCH 30TH 1849
AGED 52 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN WIFE OF JOSEPH BLACKLOCK
JUN. WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MARCH 10TH 1848
AGED 24 YEARS
ALSO OF
JACOB SON OF JOSEPH AND ANN BLACKLOCK
WHO DIED FEB. 17TH 1870, AGED 32 YEARS

26th February 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St John's Church, Castleside, Durham, 15th inst., Mr Thomas Bramwell lead and coal agent, to Miss Hannah Martindale both of Leadgate Alston.
In 1851, at West Foreshield, Anthony Martindale, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Nancy (Shield, married 25th December 1834, at Alston) aged 43, children Mary 13, Thomas 10, Elizabeth 7, Hannah 5, and Anthony 7 months.
Anthony Martindale died 20th January 1857, aged 50.
In 1861, at Newshield Gate, Nancy Martindale, widow, toll collector, aged 53, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 15, and Anthony 10.
Nancy Martindale, died 1st qtr., 1863, registered at Alston.
See 24th January 1857, 13th December 1884

In 1851, at High Aimshaugh, Alston, Joseph Bramwell, lead Miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret (Lee married 19th July 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 48, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 13, Henry, lead miner, aged 12, Mary 12, William 9, Thomas 7, and Margaret 5.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Joseph Bramwell, widower, lead miner & farmer, aged 57, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Ann 26, Mary 22, William 19, Margaret 15, and granddaughter, Aney E Bramwell 5.
In 1861, Thomas Bramwell, aged 16, was working in a meat & flour shop, for William Richardson, miller & farmer, at Kirkoswald.
Joseph Bramwell of Leadgate died 12th June 1866, aged 64, and Margaret his wife died 6th July 1860, aged 55 years.
In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, coal agent, aged 26, his wife Hannah 25, and son John J 7 months.
In 1881, at Whitlow, Kirkhaugh, Thomas Bramwell, farmer of 360 acres, employing 2 servants, his wife Hannah 35, children, John Joseph 10, Emily Ann 8, Anthony Allen 5, Margaret 3, Edith Mary 4 months, brother Joseph, farm servant, aged 47, and domestic servants, Catherine Dodd 18, and Lily Ann Walton 14.
Hannah Brumwell, died 1st June 1883, at Kirkhaugh
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, widower, coal agent & farmer, aged 46, children, Emily Ann, house keeper, aged 18, Anthony A 15, Margaret 15, and Edith M 10.

In 1901, at High Gill House, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, widower, farmer & coal agent, aged 56, children, A. A., shepherd, aged 25, Emily A 28, Edith Mary 20, and 2 servants.
In 1911, at Gill House, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, widower, farmer, aged 66, son Anthony Allen 35, and daughter Edith Mary 30, and 3 servents.
Thomas Bramwell of Tower Hill, Alston, retired farmer, died 11th March 1919.

1st March 1870 (Penrith Observer)
ALSTON WOOLLEN MILL.—A meeting of the shareholders of the company in course of formation for the purpose of taking the Alston Woollen Mill and working it as a carpet and woollen mill was held in the Town Hall, Alston, on the evening of Wednesday last. There was a large attendance of shareholders. Mr. Bainbridge, solicitor, was elected chairman. The meeting agreed upon a prospectus, and appointed the following gentlemen as provincial directors:—Mr. J. P. Walton of Green Ends House, Alston; Mr. Edward Basher of Kendal; Mr. J. M. Paull, Lowbyer House, Alston; Mr. J. Cowper, Accomb, Hexham; Mr. U. Bainbridge, Alston; and Mr. J. J. Millican, Nenthead House. The Carlisle and Cumberland Banking Company were appointed bankers, and Mr. G. Millican, of Alston, solicitor to the company. There is a considerable increase in the number of shares taken up since the last meeting; and no doubt so soon as the prospectus is in the hands of the public the inhabitants of the district will come forward and join the company. As the prospectus agreed upon states, there are many advantages that the mill possesses calculated to make it a paying investment. It is situated in the midst of a wool district yielding the class of wool that would be used in the kind of manufacture proposed, there is an abundant supply of water power to carry the machinery, labour is cheap in Alston, and the town is now easily accessible by rail.

1st March 1870 (Hexham Courant)
CLUB DINNER AT WESTGATE, WEARDALE.
The anniversary of the Westgate Miners Sick club took place recently, and about 80 of its members sat down to a sumptuous repast, served up in the usually excellent style of Mrs Walton, the worthy hostess of the Miners Arms inn, Westgate. J. J. Roddam Esq of Newton, Stanhope, representative of the ecclesiastical Commissioners, in the district presided, and was supported by J. C. Cain Esq., of Weardale House; Mr V. Hodgson of Wear Villa; and other gentlemen. ...

1st March 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
THE HOLYFIELD LEAD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).
THE FIRST GENERAL MEETING of this COMPANY, which has just been registered, was held at the Registered Office, No. 60. ENGLISH STREET, CARLISLE, on THURSDAY last, the 24th Feb. instant.
Mr. R. PERCY ROBERTS (the Secretary) read the notice convening the meeting.
Mr. HUGH PATTINSON, of Alston, was called to the Chair, and in his opening remarks stated that it afforded him much pleasure to be able to state that the prospect of the Mine had unmistakable evidence of turning out one of the best mines in the Alston district. The present Shareholders are quite aware that the "Holyfield" is not a newly opened mine, but one that from mere surface

working had turned out something like 20,000 binge of ore. What, then, may we not expect of such a mine when worked as we are now doing, in depth? It must also be remembered that the Holyfield is situated in the finest beds of the Alston district, and adjoins the far-famed “Hudgilburn” the shareholders of which Company realised their fortunes, and he believed the “Holyfield” would ultimately prove as satisfactory. I must inform the shareholders that we have had water to contend with, but this only gives additional weight to prove the value of the workings, for I have never heard of a really first-class mine but had water to contend with. Wallace, in his splendid work on mining lays this down, I believe, as a law or certain index; or, in other words, where there is large quantities of lead there is also water. We shall, however, easily I am glad to say, manage to keep the workings free from water, and it is proposed by the manager, Mr. Peart, to put in a Whimsey, which will entail but a trifling coat. As to the number of shares unsold the number is about 3,000, 2,000 of which we can offer to the public and retain 1,000 for shareholders who have expressed a desire to increase their shares.
After which the Directors and Auditors were appointed.
Mr. John Peart, the captain of the mine, stated that his last visit to the area took place about ten days ago, and that the appearance of the mine was very promising indeed. The lead continued to bear through the several strata already cut through in sinking the sump, and lead being in fact discovered in the Quarry Hazle, which he had not expected, specimens of which were shown at the meeting. He considered the prospects of the mine most cheering, and entertained the strongest expectations that the mine would turn out to be a most profitable speculation.
As Mr. Peart is a gentleman of great practical experience in mining matters and has an intimate knowledge of the Alston district his opinion is entitled to great weight.
All the shares already subscribed for were duly allotted.
The usual vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman; and the meeting, which was a most satisfactory one to the shareholders present, then terminated.

2nd March 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)
SHOCKING AND FATAL ACCIDENT at Bollihope Lead Mine.—On Saturday sen., an inquest was held before Mr T. Dean, deputy coroner, at the Black Bull Inn Frosterley, on the body of Ralph Collinson, who met his death in a shocking manner at Bollihope Lead Mine, on the Thursday previous. It appears that the wagons containing waste and bouse are drawn up the mine by the water apparatus, and deceased was employed to push them some distance from the mine along a tramway, and tip them. On Thursday, he and a younger brother had been in the act of tipping a wagon, when, either from deceased being stronger than the other and lifting with more force, or some other means, the wagon swung round and struck the deceased, and they both fell over the team together, amongst the rough slag, a distance of nine or ten feet. A man working near ran and jumped over the team, and found deceased lying on his back, and the wagon resting on the thick part of his thigh. On being extricated, he was found to be sadly mutilated, and quite dead. From the statement of deceased's brother who was employed with him, it appeared that when they coupled the wagon up one of the soles did not hit the rail, and this

caused it to fall down side ways and strike deceased, and he fell down with the wagon over the team. It appears that the platform at the team is not sufficiently wide for a man to stand safely on when tipping, and the jury, in returning a verdict of accidental death, recommended that the platform be made wider.

ARKINGARTHDALE.

Emigration. — Early on Monday sen., twenty-four of the inhabitants of this neighbourhood took their departure on route for America. The reason, as far as can be learned, why so many of the inhabitants are leaving their native place, is through the deficiency of work in the lead mines, and an expected change of lessees. At present the men are only working three days a week, owing to the scarcity of lead ore.

Jonah Collinson baptised 19th April 1818, son of John & Jane Collinson of Stanhope.

In 1841, at Peak Side, Stanhope, Robert Collinson, lead miner, aged 25, Jonah Collinson, lead miner, aged 20, Jane Collinson, aged 20, and Sarah Proud aged 11.

Jonah Collinson married Hannah Gowland (daughter of Ralph Gowland) at Stanhope, 20th May 1844.

In 1851, at Peak Side, Newlandside, Stanhope, Jonah Collinson, farmer of 20 acres, aged 34, his wife Hannah 28, children, John 5, Mary 3, Ralph 1, and niece, Sarah Proud, house servant, aged 21.

In 1861, at Allotment House, Wolsingham, Jonah Collinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Hannah 38, children, John, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 13, Ralph 11, Jane 9, Elizabeth 7, Thomas 5, Hannah 2, and Robert 1 month.

Hannah Collinson died 4th quarter 1870, aged 47.

In 1871, at Allotment House, Frosterley, Wolsingham, Jonah Collinson, widower, lead miner, aged 53, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, Jane 19, Elizabeth 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Hannah 12, Robert 10, and Hopper 7.

In 1881, at Allotment House, Wolsingham, Jonah Collinson, farmer of 150 acres, aged 63, children, John, lead miner, aged 35, Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Hannah, housemaid, aged 22, Robert, lead miner, aged 20, and Hopper, shepherd, aged 17.

Jonah Collinson died 1st quarter 1886 aged 68.

Hopper Collinson died 4th quarter 1889, aged 25.

In 1891, at Harehope Farm, Wolsingham, John Collinson, widower, farmer, aged 45, son John J 10, brothers Thomas, agricultural labourer, aged 34, Robert, agricultural labourer, aged 30, sister Hannah, housekeeper, aged 32, and servant Mary Phillipson, domestic servant, aged 22.

In 1901 at Harehope House, Wolsingham, John Collinson, widower, farmer, aged 55, brothers, Thomas, farmer, aged 44, Robert, farmer, aged 40, son, John J, farmers son, aged 20, sister, Hannah, housekeeper, aged 42, and servant Mary Phillipson, domestic servant, aged 32.

In 1911 at Harehope, Frosterley, Wolsingham, John Collinson, widower, farmer, aged 65, brothers, Thomas, farmer, aged 54, Robert, farmer, aged 50, son, John Joseph, farmers son, aged 30, sister, Hannah, housekeeper, aged 52, and servant Mary Phillipson, dairy maid, aged 42.

8th March 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

IN COURSE LIQUIDATION
WYTHBURN LEAD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).
The MINES in HELVELLYN MOUNTAIN, CUMBERLAND,
FOR SALE, BY TENDER,
On MARCH 18, 1870,

Under the voluntary winding up of the Company, the LEASE OF THE MINES, from Sir HENRY RALPH VANE, Bart., at 1-16th Royalty; the minerals in store; work-men's tools; iron rails laid in the levels; self-acting incline railway, 600 yards long, well laid on wooden sleepers; large drum wheel, and best steel wire rope; iron wagons, &c.; extensive dressing floors; crushing mill, with 30-horse power turbine waterwheel jiggers, buddles, sheds, shops, counting house, ore house, and powder house at distance, well secured; a large well secured reservoir or dam to supply the turbine and dressing floors, &c., &c.

Lithographic plans and sections, and some mineral specimens, may be seen at the offices of JOHN DARLINGTON, Moorgate street-chambers, Moorgate street. London, E.C., also at the *Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser* Office, Penrith; and 17, East Parade, Leeds.

The Liquidator reserves the right of declining to accept the highest or any tender, and, as an inducement to careful inspection if the property, offers £10 each (to cover the cost of sending to have the property examined) to the two highest tenders from those who have actually inspected the mine and works.

Ten per cent, deposit on signing the agreement, and 10 per cent, additional for immediate possession of the works and mine, which are still in operation—an important consideration as to immediate returns, particulars of which can best be obtained by actual inspection.

The purchase to completed within three months from the time signing the agreement.

Some of the heavy shareholders in this company are disposed to take an interest in a new company, to be conducted upon modern and improved principals, whereby speedy profitable results are confidently expected.

Tenders to Mr. W. WHEELHOUSE, liquidator, sent on or before March 18, to the office of Messrs. BUTLER and J. E. SMITH, Solicitors to the Company, 17, East Parade, Leeds.

*Easy access to the Mine, from Windermere or Keswick daily by Coach which passes close to it.

12th March 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

At Swinhope, 5th inst., aged 70, Mr Henry Phillipson, lead miner.

In 1841, at Swinhope Shield, Henry Philipson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Keenleyside, married at St Peter's, Allendale, 1st December 1827) aged 30, children Sarah 11, Jane 9, Nicholas 6, John 4, and Ann 1.
In 1851, Henry Philipson lead miner 51, wife Sarah 44, children Sarah dressmaker 20, Nicholas lead ore washer 16, John 13, Ann 10, Elizabeth 7, Henry 4, Margaret 4 months.
In 1861, at Black Lott, Swinhope, Henry Philipson, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Sarah 53, children Sarah, dressmaker, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged

23, Elizabeth 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 10, and granddaughter, Jane A Philipson 4.

19th March 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 13th inst. Mr John Bell to Miss Elizabeth Yeats, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, John Bell, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Hannah (Vipond, married 22nd August 1858, Alston) aged 22, son Isaac 2, and daughter Jane 1 week. Hannah died 1864/5.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Top, John Bell, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth 23, children Isaac 12, Jane 10, Thomas 7, Hannah 6, and Margaret A 7 months. In 1881, at Iveston, Leadgate, Durham, John Bell, iron stone miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 32, children Isaac, iron stone miner, aged 21, Thomas, driver, aged 17, Margaret A. 10, Dora 8, Eliza 6, Polly 4, and Eunice 2
Jane married John Anderson, 21st October 1882, at Lanchester, Durham, she died 5th March 1890, at Leadgate, Durham.
In 1891, at Iveston, Leadgate, John Bell, coal miner, aged 56, his wife Emma 44 (born Lunedale, Yorkshire), children, Thomas, coal miner, aged 26, Dora 19, John H., pony driver at pit, aged 13, Eunice 12, and Isabella 10.

29th March 1870 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Alston
SERIOUS ASSAULT ON A WIFE.—A lead miner named John Gill of Alston committed a violent assault on his wife on Sunday week. He had been drinking during the day, and his wife, apprehensive of his conduct from her previous experience, had her brother in the house with her. On the return of Gill, his brother-in-law left, and immediately the former took a razor, and rushed at his wife with it. She struggled with him, and having got out of the house, called her brother back. In the meantime Mrs Gill had received three severe cuts on the hand from the razor. and her brother was also violently kicked in endeavouring to rescue her. Gill was taken into custody, and brought before the Rev. 0. James, J.P., on Monday but admitted to bail in the sum of £20 for his appearance at the Alston Petty Session, on the 1st of April.

1st April 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
THE ALSTON CARPET AND WOOLLEN MILL COMPANY, LIMITED.
To be Incorporated under the "Companies' Acts, 1862 and 1867," whereby the liability of the Shareholders is limited to the amount of their Shares.
CAPITAL £8,000, IN SHARES OF £1 EACH, WITH POWER TO INCREASE.
Deposit on application 2s per share; 3s. per share on Allotment; 5s. per share at the end of two months from Allotment, and the remainder if required; but no call to be at a less interval than two months, nor to exceed 5s. per share.
PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.
John Pears Walton, Esq., Green Ends House, Alston.
Edward Busher. Esq., Kendal
John Cowper, Esq., Acomb, Hexham.

Joseph Michell Paull, Esq., Low Byer Houes, Alston.
Utrick Bainbridge, Esq , Loaning House, Alston.
John Joseph Millican, Esq., Nenthead House.

BANKERS

The Carlisle and Cumberland Banking Company.

SOLICITOR.

J. G. Millican. Esq., Alston.

OFFICES

Alston, Cumberland.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

The Company is formed for the purpose of taking on lease, or otherwise acquiring the woollen mill with the machinery, and the dwelling House, land, and premises, held therewith, of Mr. J. P. Walton, situate at Alston, in the County of Cumberland, and for carrying on in the said mill and premises the manufacture of cheap carpets and woollens.

There are many advantages connected with the Alston Wool Mill that recommend it as a profitable investment: —

1. It is situated in the midst of a district which would supple a good proportion of the class of wool adapted to the manufacture it is proposed to carry on.
2. There is a constant and abundant supply of water for working the machinery.
3. Labour is cheap in Alston.
4. Railway communication to all parts of the Kingdom is close at hand.

And the present is considered a most favourable time for entering upon such an undertaking.

Detailed Prospectuses and Forms of Application for Shares may be obtained of the Bankers at their Alston Branch, and the Solicitor.

5th April 1870 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston Post Office, 3rd inst, aged 74 Mrs Isabella Watson, widow of the late William Watson, carrier and lead agent.

In 1841, at Market Place, Alston, William Watson, innkeeper, aged 40, wife Isabella (Lee, married 9th December 1821) aged 40, children Phillis 15, Elizabeth 15, Jane 10, William 6, and Thomas 3.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Watson, grocer and lead ore agent, aged 54, wife Isabella 55, children Elizabeth 26, Jane 20, Isabella 18, William L., carpenters apprentice, aged 15, Thomas 13, and niece Mary Snowden, dress maker, aged 22.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Isabella Watson, widow, grocer, aged 64, children Jane, assistant grocer, aged 30, Isabella, house maid, aged 28, William L. carpenter, aged 25, and Thomas, agent for lead merchant, aged 23.

In 1871, at the Post Office, Alston, Phillis Errington, widow (Husband William Errington, married 1st quarter of 1850, In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, William Errington, draper & grocer aged 28, and his wife Phillis aged 28. William died 1853/55), post mistress, aged 48, brother William L. Watson, joiner aged 35. Also Henry Lupton, draper and grocer aged 38, his wife Isabella, aged 38m, son, William 7, and daughter Isabella 10 months.

5th April 1870 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Friday, at the ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS, before T. Wilson, Esq., Shotley Hall; the Rev. O. James, Clargyll Hall; and T. Horrocks, of Brisco Hill, Carlisle, John Gill was charged with committing violent assault upon his wife, Dorothy Gill, the morning of March 20. Mr. Cant, Penrith, appeared for the defendant. Dorothy Gill stated that at about 12 o'clock on the night of March 19th, her husband came home drunk. Her brother was in the house at time. Shortly after her husband came her brother went to attend to cow which was near calving, and which was in a byre in the neighbourhood. After looking at the cow he returned in company with Thomas Sparke. They sat over the fire and chatted for some time, some of them smoking their pipes; after which her brother and Sparke went out. Her husband then got up and took razor from the place where he usually kept it. She was frightened, and ran to the door and shouted to her brother and Sparke to come back. Sparke took the razor from her husband, and while giving it to her, her husband pushed at her brother with his foot, and hitting Sparke's hand with the razor in it, she got her hand cut. In reply to the Bench, prosecutrix said her husband made no remark when got up and took the razor. He used no threatening language nor violence, nor had previously threatened her with violence; hut she was frightened when she saw the razor. On being pressed as to what she complained of, and why she sent for the police and had her husband apprehended, because she had accidentally cut her hand while taking the razor from another party, she said she did not send for the police, but Mr. Story coming in inquired of her father if the police had not been sent for, on which her father sent for the police, who came and apprehended her husband. She did not send for the police, nor did she want her case known; all that she wanted was to live in peace and quiet. —Mr. Cant argued that there was no case to proceed with. The complainant had slated on oath that no assault had been committed, nor had any violence or threatening language been used, so that there was no necessity for proceeding further. The Bench remarked that was necessary to hear further evidence as to why defendant had been apprehended and brought before them. Unless something more was shown, the police officer might be proceeded against. He ought, at any rate, to allowed state the grounds on which the apprehension was made. Mr. Cant offered, on behalf of defendant, to give written surety that if the case was dismissed at the present stage no proceedings would be entered against the police. It was decided to hear the officer's statement. Police Sergeant Johnstone stated that about hall-past eight the morning of March 20, information reached him that an assault had been committed, and his services were required. On proceeding to where the woman was he received her statement. Witness was proceeding to give her statement when Mr. Cant objected, contending that he must confine himself entirely to what he saw. They already had the woman's statement on oath, and had nothing do with any previous statement. The Sergeant continued — She had three cuts on her hand, which she stated— (Mr. Cant again interposed). He afterwards saw the defendant and took him into custody. The defendant stated that he took the razor and rushed his wile merely to frighten her, and not with the intention of doing her any harm, and that she got her hand cut in the struggle, but he did not state by whom. Defendant was sober when witness first saw him, had been drunk when the assault was said to have been committed. The case was dismissed.

John Gill married Nancy Hetherington, 22nd May 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Ann Gill, was buried 3rd December 1839, aged 36, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John Gill, senior, died 4th quarter 1887, aged 89.

In 1841, at Potato Market, Alston, John Gill, tailor, aged 40, children, Betty 15, Jane 12, and John 7.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, John Gill, widower, tailor, aged 52, daughter, Elizabeth 25, and son John, labourer, aged 17.
In 1861, at Town Head, John Gill, widow, tailor, aged 63, daughter Elizabeth aged 35, and son John, lead miner, aged 27.
John Gill married Dorothy Yeats, 4th quarter of 1862, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Physic Hall Bank Top, Alston, John Gill, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Dorothy 29, children, Mary 8, Edward 6, Annie 5, Tom 3, and John G 8 months.
In 1881, at Physic Hall, John Gill, lead miner, aged 48, wife Dorothy 38, children Mary, domestic servant at home, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Annie E., domestic servant at home, aged 14, Thomas 12, John G. 10, William 6, Henry G. 4, Dora J. 2, and Robert F. 3 months.
John Gill died 3rd November 1890, aged 57.
In 1891, at Clitheroe, Dorothy Gill, widow, aged 48, children, Mary 28, Thomas, coal miner, aged 22, Joh George, lead miner, aged 20, William, butcher, aged 16, Harry, saddler, aged 14, Dora, stocking mender, aged 12, Robert 10, and granddaughter Maud Gill, 7.
In 1901, at 61 Medomsley Road, Consett, Dorothy Gill, widow, aged 59, children, Mary 39, Harry, saddler, aged 24, Dora, dressmaker, aged 22, and Robert, boilersmith, aged 20.
Dorothy Gill died 2nd quarter 1907, aged 63, registered at Lanchester, Durham.
See 29th June 1872, 20th November 1886, and 8th November 1890

8th April 1870 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON.— Amongst the successful public vaccinators who have this year been awarded grants by the Right Hon. the Lords of her Majesty's Privy Council, we are glad to be able to include the name of Mr Stuart Carson, of Alston, the public vaccinator for the Nenthead and Garrigill district, to whom a premium of £9 10s has been granted as an acknowledgment of his great success in this branch of his profession.

13th April 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.
ACCIDENT. —A serious accident occurred on Monday sen., at the Wiregill lead mined, about five miles from this town. Two men, named John Scott and William Edmundson, were preparing a shot for blasting, whilst in the act of charging it, Scott, having got his "scraper" fast in the hole, inserted the "pricker " with the object of loosening it. An explosion was the consequence, and Scott being close to the hole, received the contents in his face, his eyes being so much damaged that it is feared he will lose his sight. Edmundson was also slightly injured. The two men were brought to the town, where the wounds were attended to by Dr. Makens.

16th April 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
Alston, 7th inst Mary Ann, wife of George Eals, Miner.
Mary Ann Shield aged 24, married George Eals 2nd quarter of 1868, at Alston, daughter of John and Mary Shield. Her mother, Mary Hutchinson (daughter of John & Ann) married John Shield 23rd Jan 1845, John Shield died in 1848.
In 1841, at Hundy, Alston, William Els, carrier, aged 40, his wife Nanny 35, children Hannah 14, John 13, Sarah 10, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, William Eals, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 47, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah 19, William, labourer, aged 16, Thomas 12, Nancy 9, and George 6.
William Eals, died 1st quarter of 1859.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Ann Eals, lead miners widow, aged 58, children Sarah, house maid, aged 29, William, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Ann, house maid, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 16, granddaughter Mary A Armstrong 10, grandson, William Armstrong 8, and visitor, Ann Hardy, house maid, aged 18.
In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, Ann Eals, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 68, sons Thomas, gamekeeper, unemployed, aged 28, George, widow, lead miner, aged 25, and granddaughter, Mary A Armstrong, domestic servant, aged 21. In 1881, at Eltringham, Colliery, Mickley, George Eals, coal miner, aged 33, his wife Ruth aged 28, and children William 6, and Margaret 2. In 1891, at Oakwell, Terrace, Haltwhistle, George Eals, coal miner, aged 43, his wife Ruth 36, children William, coal putter, aged 16, Margaret 12, Eizal 9, Elizabeth Jane 8, Harriett 4, and Mary 5 months. In 1901, at Pattinsons Lane, Haltwhistle, George Eals, married, coal hewer, aged 57, daughter Mary aged 10, grandson George William Eals aged 4, boarder John Stephenson, aged 35, and visitor, George Harrison aged 40. In 1911, at Crown House, Main St., Haltwhistle, Thomas Tait, coal miner, aged 49, his wife Maggie (Thomas Tait married Margaret Ann Eals, 4th quarter of 1900, at Haltwhistle) aged 31, children Stanley 12, Ruth 10, John 8, Eva 4, Mabel 2, step son George Eals, brick factory labourer, aged 14, mother in law Ruth Eals, widow, aged 62, sister in law, Mary Eals 20, niece Florrie Eals 7, nephew Arthur Eals 5, and boarder, Thomas Cummings, coal miner, putter, underground aged 17.
George Eals died 1st quarter of 1905, at Haltwhistle, aged 60.
See 21st May 1870 & 3rd June 1871

16th April 1870 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
ELECTION OF PAROCHIAL OFFICERS AT ALSTON.—
The election of parochial officers at Alston has resulted in several changes being made. The following were elected to fill the different offices:—Burial Board: Mr. J. Ramsay, tailor, and Mr. John Davidson, in the place of Mr. J. W. Crawhall, and Mr. A. Walton, who retired by rotation. Way-wardens (all re-elected): Messrs. I Walton, Brownside; J. M. Paull, Lowbyer; J. J. Millican, Nenthead. Overseers : Messrs. John Davidson, Alston; William Parker, Foreshield; Henry Walton, Howburn; and John Raine, Wanwood Hill. Constables: Messrs. Donkin Walton, Rodderhope; Jacob Walton, Alston; Thomas Walton, Alston; Jonathan Vickers, Nenthead; Edward Walton, Garrigill; and Joseph Pearson, Garrigill.

19th April 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Craignook, near Nenthead, on the 8th inst., Thomas Henderson, aged 64 years. *See 18th June 1870.*
At Harbut Lodge, on the 13th inst., John Henry Waugh, aged 3 years.
At Alston, on the 14th inst., the Rev. John Newton, Wesleyan minister, aged 67 years.

19th April 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
NENTHEAD INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.—On Saturday week the fourth quarterly meeting of the Nenthead Industrial Co-operative Society was held for the despatch of business and to report progress, which showed the society to be extending their business. The amount on members' purchases for the quarter was announced to be 1s. 9d. in the pound, which gave general satisfaction. A spirited conversation ensued as to the practicability of building a new shop and warehouses as soon as an eligible site can be obtained.

23rd April 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 30th ult. aged 63, Mr John Walker.
Son of John Walker and Mary Robson (married 16th February 1799, Alston), baptised 21st December 1806, Alston. John Walker of Welgill Dykeheads, was buried at Alston 30th November 1837, aged 68.
In 1841, at Holm Foots, John Walker, lead miner aged 30, and Mary Walker aged 60 (Mary died 3rd quarter of 1845). Also at Holm Foots, James Hill, lead miner aged 40, his wife Margaret, aged 40, children, William, lead miner, aged 20, John lead miner, aged 16, Mary 13, and James 9.
In 1851, at Homes Foot, Nenthead, James Hill, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Margaret (Walker, married 2nd September 1824, Alston) aged 51, daughter Mary 23, son James 19, nephew James Hill 23, and brother in law, John Walker, lead miner, aged 42.
In 1861 listed as a lead miner disabled aged 53, unmarried living at Holm Foot, Nenthead with his sister Margaret Hill 61 a lead miners widow, (her husband James died in 3rd quarter of 1858 aged about 58); nephew James Hill, lead miner 30, niece Mary Walton (married Robert Walton 4th Dec 1852) widow aged 34, and nephew Robert Walton aged 7.
John Walker of Holmes Foot, Lead miner, will dated 4th April 1870, proved at Carlisle 22nd September 1870. Names mentioned in the will: —
Niece Mary Walton, widow of the late Robert Walton of Nenthead, Robert Walton, son of his niece Mary Walton.
At Nenthead 1st inst., aged 25 Mr Robert Hutchinson.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 60, Elizabeth Hutchinson, aged 60, Robert Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 30, and John Hutchinson 8.
In 1851, at Fair Hill, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 34, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Robert 6, Mary Ann 4, Thomas 3, and Elizabeth 5 months.

In 1861 at Fair Hill, Thomas Hutchinson, lead ore miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 44, children Mary A. 14, Robert 15, lead ore washer, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 13, Elizabeth 9, William 6, Isabella 4, and Hannah 4. In 1871, at Fair Hill, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 66, his Mary 55, Jane, domestic servant, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead ore washer, aged 14, Hannah 14, and granddaughter, Mary Jane Hutchinson 9 months. In 1881, at Fair Hill, Thomas Hutchinson, farmer of 8 acres, aged 76, his wife Mary 65, son William, engineman, aged 24, daughter, Isabella 24, and granddaughter Elizabeth Hutchinson 9. Thomas died 13th February 1884, aged 79.
See 10th February 1844, and 16th February 1884
Nenthead at Fiddler Street, 28th ult., aged 56 Mary Hetherington.
In 1841, at Nenthead Village, William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary 25 (Dawson, married 5th December 1835, Alston), children Robert 5, and Nancy 1. In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary 36, children Robert, lead miner, aged 14, Ann 11, George 9, and William 7. In 1861, at Fiddler Street, Nenthead, William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 46, children, Robert lead ore miner 24, Nancy house servant 20, George lead ore dresser 19, William lead ore miner 17, Mary 7, and granddaughter, Elizabeth 2.
In 1871, at West Nenthead, William Hetherington, Manager of the bath and washhouse, aged 57, daughter Mary 17, and granddaughter, Elizabeth 12; the bath and washhouse had been built in 1865 by the Lead Company.
William Hetherington died 24th November 1874, aged 61.
See 7th November 1874, 4th February 1882, and 17th September 1892

14th May 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
On the 10th inst. aged 80, Mr Joseph Watson, Rodderupside, Alston.
Yeoman Farmer of 230 acres. See 10th June 1870.

14th May 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead by license, 7th inst., Mr John Glendenning, to Mary Hutchinson, both of Nentwater.
In 1841, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Martindale, married 9th June 1831, Alston) aged 25, children Mary 8, William 5, Betsey 3, and Hannah 1 month. William Lee died 4th quarter of 1845.
In 1851, at Nent Hall, Hannah Lee, widow, laundress, aged 39, children William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 9, Frances 7, and visitor Elizabeth Martindale, dressmaker, aged 41.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Joseph Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Mary (Lee, married 3rd quarter of 1854, Alston) aged 28, children Anne 6, Elizabeth 4, and William 2.
Joseph Hutchinson, died 1st quarter of 1864 or 2nd quarter of 1865.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Susan 42, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 13, William 5, Robert 3, and Margaret 2. Susan died 2nd quarter of 1856.

In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendening, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 6, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Margret 12, Mary 9, and Susanah 7.

Thomas Glendenning died 4th quarter of 1873, aged 65.

In 1871, at Croft, Nenthead, John Glendenning, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary aged 38, daughter Susanna 8 days, step children Elizabeth Hutchinson 15, William Hutchinson 12, John J Hutchinson 9, Hannah Lee, mother in law, aged 60.
In 1881, at 17 Eldon Terrace, Shildon, John Glendenning, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 48, step sons, William, Hutchinson, coal miner, aged 22, John J. Hutchinson, coal miner, aged 19, daughter Susannah Glendenning 10, son in law John Colling, coal miner, 30, daughter Elizabeth Colling 24, and visitor Elizabeth Colling 26.
At Nenthead, 9th inst, Mr Wm. Dickinson to Miss Sarah Jane Trathan both of Fairview, Nenthead.

14th May 1870 (Darlington & Richmond Herald)
Marriages
At the Primitive Chapel, Westgate, Weardale, on May 4, Mr Henry Wilkinson, of Nenthead, to Miss Mary English of Greenfield.
Henry and Mary Wilkinson, emigrated to Canada on the Peruvian.
See 14th May 1869

21st May 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston at the Congregational Chapel 14th inst., Mr W. Eals of Alston to Miss Tamar Richardson of Garrigill.
In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, William Eals, gamekeeper, aged 33, his wife Tamar 26, sons William 3, and John G 3 months.
In 1881, at Hundy Head, William Eals, labourer, timber, aged 42, his wife Tamar 36, children, William 13, Thomas 8, John George 6, and Jane Anne 3.
In 1891, at 5 Bright St., Haworth, Yorkshire, William Eals, labourer, aged 48, his wife Tamar 46, children William, worsted weaver, aged 23, Thomas, worsted weaver, aged 18, John Geo, spinner, aged 16, Jane Ann, spinner, aged 13, Maud 8, Herbert 5, and Mabel 3.
See 16th April 1870 & 3rd June 1871

ROMAN COINS FOUND IN WEARDALE

A few days ago, three well-preserved Roman coins and several others of less value, and also a massive gold ring, were turned up at Westgate, Weardale, in the bed of the Middlehope Burn, a north running tributary of the River Wear. A party of workmen locally known as “washers,’ in the employment of Mr Beaumont, have been employed these last few weeks in “hushing” the bed of the stream alluded to in order to be enabled to pick up any lead ore from the debris that have come from The Slitt, a lead mine some distance further up the burn. Amongst the several coins found at different times in Weardale are a fine specimen of a golden noble and golden angel, a two-penny piece of Cromwell, one of Charles ll, a penny of James ll, and other similar.

21st May 1870 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
LOCAL EMIGRATION.

Our Alston correspondent writes as follows: -

A respected friend whom I have been often indebted for information, has placed at my disposal a very interesting document containing passing remarks on emigration penned at different intervals during the past 40 years, with nearly a complete list of emigrants from the locality during that period, the vessels they sailed in, date of sailing, their destination, with returns and deaths, so far as has been ascertained. As the document contained much of local interest, I regret that for present I cannot avail myself more fully of its contents. The entire number of emigrants to America 189, to Australia, New Zealand and other parts, 293. The number of emigrants from the locality since 9th March 1870 is 32, the last seven of whom left the Alston station on Tuesday morning last. They were Mr M. Dickinson, who had previously a very successful sojourn of eleven years in Australia and from which country he returned about two years since; Mr Jacob Walton, well known, throughout Hexham circuit, as well as in this locality, as a most acceptable Primitive Methodist Preacher, who with Messrs Robert Martindale, of Alston, and Robert Scott and Robert Davidson of Blaygill were bound for California; the destination of the other two, William Watson of High Plains, and George Dickinson of Nest being America. They were accompanied to the station by a number of friends and acquaintances, who seemed to grieve much more than the emigrants themselves of the prospect of a long separation from home and friends to whom they were ardently attached, and the trial and deprivations to be undergone in search of competence in a foreign clime.

27th May 1870 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr Stephen Shield, Garrigill Gate, to Miss Elizabeth Hodgson, second daughter, of Mr John Hodgson, yeoman, Side House, Tyne Head. *See 30th September 1893*

At Garrigill Church, on the 22nd inst., Mr Walton Shield, of Nether Craig, to Miss Mary Davidson, of the same place.

In 1851, at Pryhead, Garrigill, John Shield, lead miner, aged 64, his wife Mary (Watson, married 8th January 1818, at St John Garrigill) aged 60, children, Elizabeth 25, and Walton, lead miner, aged 18.

John Shield was buried 24th December 1855, aged 69, at Garrigill.

Mary Shield was buried 30th January 1860, aged 69, at St John Garrigill.

In 1861, at Nether Craig, Mary Davidson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 38, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Mary A 15, niece Jane Shield 1, and boarder, brother, Walton Shield, lead miner, aged 28.

In 1871, at Turnings, Garrigill, Walton Shield, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary 32, daughters Sarah 12, and Mary Jane 7 months.

In 1881, at Turnings, Garrigill, Walton Shield, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 42, children, Mary Jane 10, Frances 8, Elizabeth 6, and boarder, Alice Holdon Currah 4 months.

In 1891, at Garrigill Gate Foot, Walton Shield, lead miner, aged 58, and his wife Mary 52.

Walton Shield was buried at Garrigill, 10th January 1899, aged 66.

In 1911, at Garrigill, Mary Shield, widow, aged 72, daughter Mary Jane, domestic servant, aged 40, and granddaughter, Annie Shield 14.
Mary Shield was buried 7th January 1912, aged 72, at Garrigill.

28th May 1870 (Hexham Courant)

ACCIDENT AT RODDERHOPE FELL MINES

An accident of rather a serious nature befell one of the workmen at Rodderhope Fell mine on Tuesday last. It appears that a shot had been fired and Coulson, who belongs to West Allendale, returned to examine the result, when a portion of the roof came down upon him, crushing him very severely. On being extricated from his perilous position, he was conveyed to the house of another workman, and the services of Dr Carson obtained with as little delay as possible, and so far, reports are favourable. The density of the smoke prevented Coulson from observing that the roof had been disturbed.

28th May 1870 (Hexham Herald)

ACCIDENT AT FALLOWFIELD MINES

An accident of a very serious nature happened in the workings of Fallowfield Lead mines on Friday last week. A young man named George Walton who is employed there was when proceeding in a part of the mine with his work severely injured by a large stone which fell upon him, providently, however not striking him with its full force, or the result would in all probability have been fatal, but grazing the side of his head and neck. The scalp was cut across the head and part of it was almost severed from the skull and his neck was also injured in a less degree. Strange to say only about 3 weeks ago the same youth met with another accident, which disabled him from continuing his work for some time. When engaged with some tubs in the mine, one of them tilted up and injured his right hand severely depriving several of the fingers of their tips. Dr Pearson, who attended him when suffering the former accident, has Walton in his charge at present, and under his care and that of his son Mr Henry Pearson, the unfortunate lad is we are lad to learn, progressing most favourably.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 22nd inst. aged 26 Mr James Hind.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Hind, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Ann (Hutchinson, married 8th April 1843) aged 30, children James 7, George 5, William 3, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Hind, lead ore miner, aged 41, his wife Ann aged 40, children James, lead ore washer, aged 17, Thomas 9, Ann 7, and Hannah 3 years. In 1871, at Overwater, William Hind, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann 50, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 13, and granddaughter Sarah Elizabeth Whitfield 2. William died 1st quarter of 1873, aged 53. In 1881, at Overwater, Ann Hind, widow, aged 61, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, daughters Ann, farm servant, domestic, aged 26, Hannah Hind, domestic servant, aged 23, Sarah E. Hind 12, grandsons William J. Hind 5, and John J. Hind 2 months.
See 20th September 1890
Nenthead 23rd inst., aged 66 Mrs Jane Thompson.

In 1841, at Whitehall, John Thompson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane (Hutchinson, married 13th September 1834, at Alston) aged 37, children Jane 6, Hannah 4, Sarah 2, and George 1 month.
In 1851, at Whitehall, John Thompson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Jane 48, children James 15, Hannah 14, Sarah 12, George 9, John 7, and Mary Ann 4.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, John Thompson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Jane aged 58, children Sarah, bonnet maker, aged 22, George, lead ore miner, aged 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, Mary A. 14, daughter Jane Price, miners widow, aged 26, grandson William T. Price 4, granddaughter Elizabeth Price 2. Jane Thompson aged 27, married John Price, aged 23, 20th December 1856, at Nenthead. John George Price died 2nd quarter of 1865. John Thompson died 1st quarter of 1861.

28th May 1870 (Hexham Herald)

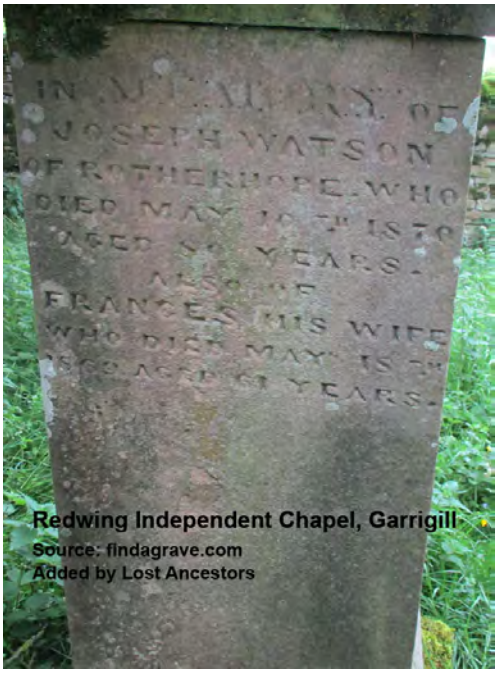
ALSTON

RODDERUP FELL PAY. There are few local events which have been looked forward to with more interest and speculation for the last six months or so, than the Rodderup Fell pay, which event came off on Wednesday last, and which may justly be considered worthy a passing notice, not so much from the amount of cash it put into circulation as the system of payment of workmen's wages which is revealed, and which it is to be hoped is entirely confined to the mine in question. It is considered most convenient to large mining concerns not to make short payments, but to advance a certain sum monthly, which is called "the lenning," the amount of such advance being mostly £2 per month, the reckoning and pay being at the end of the year. The yearly system of payment is generally considered to be an inconvenience, not only to the workmen, but to the tradesmen with whom they deal, as the system of trading commonly pursued is for the workmen to divide the "lenning" among the tradesmen with whom he deals, obtaining credit on the strength of his prospects of pay for goods to the amount which he may require, in addition to what is procurable with the "lenning." When the pay is made, at the earliest opportunity after the "accounts turn" or the year is due, the inconvenience of such a system of payment is somewhat lessened, for the workmen generally finds little difficulty in obtaining credit, more especially when his prospects are good and if he be honest and truthful the tradesmen who speculate on the event can calculate with some amount of certainty on his chances of payment, and also which of his liabilities the pays will enable him to meet. But on the other hand, when there is any great delay and uncertainty, it not only puts the workmen to trouble and inconvenience but also cripples the tradesmen, who are the real sufferers by such unreasonable delays. They cannot meet their liabilities, "commercials" have to leave with their accounts unsettled, and thus the evil spreads. The pays which came off on Wednesday was not only a yearly pay, but two full quarters and more than half of the third quarter of another year has elapsed since the years pay was due. I believe I am correct in the statement that the year's accounts close in October. Thus near the close of May a great number of men are paid for work done during the year preceding last October. It appears incredible that any respectable, wealthy, and influential company, as the Rodderup Fell Company most certainly is, should resort to such a system of payment. If it be necessary, make them at Christmas? Which would allow more than two months after the closing of the

accounts. Or if it is more convenient to have the yearly pay in may, this might easily be done by making a half yearly pay for once, which would be more just than to allow nearly three quarters to stand over when the payment is made. It might further be conjectured that as eight months or so have elapsed since the pay was due, that the men would have been for some time aware of the exact amount due to them, and that there would at any rate, be few days notice when the event would come off, but it would appear that the men have little if any idea what the amount is till a day or two before the pay. The men may be blameless for there ignorance on this point, but at any rate there is a vast amount of ignorance or deception, which at times has very unpleasant results. Other evils, connected with such a system might be mentioned but perhaps sufficient has been said to point out its unreasonableness and palpable injustice.

4th June 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Congregational Chapel Mr Francis Clemintson to Miss Ann Sparke of Physic Hall.
In 1871, at Town Head, Francis Clementson, joiner, aged 23, his wife Ann 20, and daughter Elizabeth 8 months.

10th June 1870 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. George Hepplewhite, Mr Jacob Bell, of Middle Craig, to Miss Isabella Victoria Watson, of High Rotherhope.
In 1861, at High Rotherhope, Garrigill, Joseph Watson, yeoman farmer 230 acres, aged 71, his wife Fanny (Frances Bell married 24th July 1833) aged 53, children, Ada 26, John 22, Fanny 20, Mary 17, Elizabeth 14, and Isabella V 11. See 3rd August 1833, 18th July 1862, 19th December 1865, 14th May 1870.
Frances Watson died 18th May 1869 aged 61.
Joseph Watson died 10th May 1870, aged 80.



Ann Smith married Robert Bell, 5th August 1826, at Caldbeck.
In 1841, at Flatt, Garrigill, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Nanny 35, children, John 14, Robert 13, Joshua 11, Hannah 8, Thomas 6, Elizabeth 3, and Mary 10 months.
Robert Bell was buried 24th August 1849, aged 52, at St John Garrigill.
In 1851, at High Plains, Garrigill, Ann Bell, widow, farmer, aged 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 24, Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Mary Ann 10, Jacob 7, and Esther 4.
In 1861, at Middle Craig, Ann Bell, lead miners widow, aged 55, don Jacob, lead miner, aged 17, and daughter Esther 14
In 1871, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Jacob Bell, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Isabella V 21, and son John W 7 months.
In 1881, at Scarth Lees, Whorlton, Yorkshire, Jacob Bell, farmer of 180 acres, aged 37, his wife Isabella Victoria 31, children, John Wm 10, Joseph Watson 8, Robert Smith 4, Thomas Mulcaster 2, and mother Ann Bell, widow, aged 74.
In 1891, at Scarth Wood, Swainby, Stokesley, Jacob Bell, farmer, aged 47, his wife Victoria 41, children, John Wm 20, Joseph W 18, Robert S 14, Thomas M 7, Alfred 4, Frances 3, Esther 1, and mother, Ann Bell, widow, aged 84.
Ann Bell died 4th qtr 1899, aged 92, registered at Stokesley, Yorkshire.
In 1911, at Manor House, Thornton le Street, Thirsk, Jacob Bell, farmer, aged 67, his wife Isabella Victoria 61, children, Robert Smith 34, Thimas Mulcaster 32, Annie 27, Alfred 24, Frances 23, Esther 21, and Mary Isabella 20.

Deaths
At Alston, on the 4th inst., James Diggles, innkeeper, aged 49 years.
James Diggles, married Elizabeth Clementson, 30th December 1857, at Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, James Diggels, gardener, aged 42, born, Berry, Lancaster, his wife Elizabeth 48, born Alston, step son, Jonathan Clementson, lead miner aged 19, step daughter, Elizabeth Clementson 15,

step son, Francis Clementson 13, and house servant, Margaret Clementson 58. In 1871, the Royal Oak Inn, Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Diggles, Innkeeper, aged 58, son Joseph Clemintson, lead miner, aged 31, and granddaughter, Sarah Ann Bailes, domestic servant, aged 13.

11th June 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Redwing Meeting House, Garrigill, 2nd inst., Mr John Hetherington of Ashgillside to Miss Frances Watson of High Rotherhope.
In 1841, at Hermitage, Garrigill, Thomas Hetherington, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Frances (Teasdale, married 31st January 1828, Alston) aged 35, children John 13, Ann 8, Hannah 6, Thomas 4, and Mary Teasdale 15.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Hetherington, retired publican, aged 58, and his wife Frances aged 59.
In 1861, at Moscow, Alston, William Watson, farmer of 80 acres, aged 31, his wife Ann (Hetherington, married 3rd qtr 1854?) aged 28, children, Elizabeth 7, George 6, Frances A 4, John 2, Ann 1, Thomas 1 month, and visitor, Hannah Hetherington, 26.
In 1871, at Ashgillside, Frances Hetherington, widow, annuitant, aged 71
In 1871, at Ashgill Side, John Hetherington, farmer of 73 acres, aged 39, and his wife Fanny aged 30.
Frances Hetherington of Moscow, aged 70, was buried 7th July 1872 at St John's, Garrigill.

AUCKLAND WEEKLY NEWS Thursday, 3rd September 1914
MARRIAGES
CASSIDY - HETHERINGTON
31 Aug 1914, residence of Mr HUBAND, Lynwood, Maungaturoto, by Rev G A T RICKABY, Albert INCH, 5th s/o late Rev Fredk Cassidy of Donegal, Ireland & Motueka, Nelson, to Eliza, only d/o late John Hetherington of Garrigill, Cumberland and Mareretu, Kaipara. [WN 03.09.1914]
See 8th November 1890

St John's Church Yard, Garrigill

SACRED
TO
THE MEMORY OF
THOMAS HETHERINGTON
OF ASHGILLSIDE
WHO DIED NOV 5TH 1864
AGED 55 YEARS
ALSO OF
THOMAS HIS SON, WHO DIED
AT BALD HILLS, AUSTRALIA
AUG 15TH 1861 AGED 25 YEARS
ALSO OF
FRANCES WIFE OF THE ABOVE
THOMAS HETHERINGTON
WHO DIED JULY 4TH 1872
AGED 70 YEARS

SACRED
TO
THE MEMORY OF
JOHN HETHERINGTON
OF GARRIGILL
WHO DIED AT KAIPARA NEW ZEALAND
APRIL 5TH 1898
AGED 70 YEARS
ALSO OF
FRANCES HIS WIFE
WHO DIED AT KAIPARA AUGUST 22ND
1890
AGED 49 YEARS

At Alston at the Primitive Methodist Chapel 4th inst., Mr Thomas Raisbeck of Fairhill Nenthead, to Miss Jane Walton of Nenthead Fields.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Martha (Henderson, born Stanhope, married 1st September 1825, Alston) aged 35, children George 15, Ann 13, Rachel 11, Mathew 8, Christiana 6, and Mary 2.

Thomas Raisbeck snr. died 3rd quarter of 1850.

In 1851, at West Nenthead, Martha Raisbeck, widow, aged 47, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Matthew, lead miner, aged 18, Christiana 15, Mary 11, Thomas 9, Robert 6, and William 2.

In 1861, at Pasture House, Martha Raisbeck, widow, farmer, aged 57, children, George, lead miner, aged 35, Matthew, lead miner, aged 28, Mary 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and house servant, Christiana Henderson 21. In 1871, at Fair Hill, Martha Raisbeck, widow, aged 67, children George, lead miner, aged 45, Mary 31, and Robert, lead miner aged 26.

In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Jane 25, and daughter Ellen aged 1 year.

In 1881, at Forcett Street, Cockerton, Darlington, Thomas Raisbeck, telegraph workman, aged 39, his wife Jane 34, children Ellen 11, Martha 9, Matthew 8, Violet 5, Tom. 2, and Mary 8 months. Thomas Raisbeck died 2nd quarter of 1890, aged 48.

In 1891, at 26 Pelham Street, Middlesbrough, Jane Raisbeck, widow, aged 44, children Eleanor, school mistress, assistant, aged 21, Matthew, grocers assistant, aged 18, Thomas W, telegraph messenger, aged 12, Florence Jn. 10, Evelyn J 7, and Violet A 15.

18th June 1870 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF MR SPARK WEST ALLENDALE

A veteran Wesleyan and local preacher has just been called to his just reward. Mr Robert Spark well known and much respected in this neighbourhood and in the district of Alston and West Allendale, died at Gillsland on the 10th inst. in the 76th year of his age. …

18th June 1870 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

HOLYFIELD MINING CO LTD. This Company, the formation of which we noticed some weeks since, is now in a fair way to solve a problem, in which not only shareholders but the public at large are interested, and which has often given rise to no small amount of discussion in mining circles. Holyfield has been a productive mine, in the upper beds, and to the workings of which, many miner has turned his attention and energies either as a "bye bargain" or a "put off" till something better turned out, many a luck hit having been made in the "aud yirds" and many a bit nice ore having to be left in the lower beds, because of the heavy flow of water, which was invariably "tapped" when a certain depth was reached. The object of the new company is to ascertain the yielding capabilities of the mine in yet unexplored depths. A powerful engine worked on the "Horse Whimsy" principle has been put in, and so far answers the purpose admirably, so that in a little time we may expect to have a "knotty and watery" question forever set at rest, and the minds of intending speculators will be relieved of the harassing uncertainty as to whether or not there are rich holes below water mark in the said mine. The bare settlement of the question, is well worthy of the money spent, should there never be a single farthing of dividend, as none but an experienced "aud yirder" can realise, the vexation resulting from the abandonment of a nice string after pursuing it for fathoms with the "bouse" sometimes nearly fit for saving and what is still more aggravating, either from the magnifying qualities of water or some other unexplained cause, the pursuit has almost invariably to be abandoned just at the point where there was the utmost certainty of it paying. Independent of its being a promising speculation the spirited venture at Holyfield is watched with interest by scores of old miners not pecuniarily interested, but who have for years borne with them the indelible impression that they knew of a mine if they could only get at it, and we are glad to say it is now in a fair way of being got at.

Marriages

At Nenthead by license, 9th inst., Mr Robert Henderson to Miss Sarah Todd, both of Nentwater.

In 1841, at Lowbyre, Alston, Joseph Todd, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah (Hornsby) aged 45, children Anne 11, Joseph 9, Elizabeth 6, and William 3.

In1861, at Crown Lane, Alston, Joseph Todd, lead miner, aged 73, daughter Hannah, dressmaker, aged 32, son William W, lead miner, aged 22 (born Newcastle), granddaughter Sarah Todd 10, and boarder John Todd, lead miner, aged 60.

In 1851, at Craig Nook, Nenthead, Thomas Henderson, lead miner & farmer of 20 acres, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Armstrong, married 5th March 1829, Alston) aged 42, children George, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 15, Christiane 10, Elizabeth 8, Robert 6, Thomas 4, Agness 1, and mother in law, Hannah Ann Armstrong, widow, aged 78.

In 1861, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, lead miner, aged 55, born Stanhope, his wife Elizabeth 51, born Alston, children Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 14. Thomas Henderson died 8th April 1870, aged 64. See 19th April 1870

In 1871, at Middle Galligill, Robert Henderson, lead miner, aged 26, and his wife Sarah 25.
In 1881, at Nenthall, Robert Henderson, Ag. Labourer, aged 36, his wife Sarah 30, children Thomas 9, Hannah 6, Thomas Henry 4, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1891, at Nenthall, Robert Henderson, farm servant, aged 46, his wife Sarah 41, children Thomas, farm servant, aged 19, Hannah 16, Joseph H. tinsmith apprentice, aged 14, Robert W 9, George 7, Ruth A 5, and Arthur 1.
In 1901, at Nenthall, Robert Henderson, blacksmith, aged 56, his wife Sarah 50, George, lead ore washer, aged 17, Ruth Ann, pupil teacher, aged 15, Arthur 12, Helena 9, and Edmund 5.
In 1911, at Brownfield, Alston, Robert Henderson, farmer, aged 66, his wife Sarah 60, children Hannah 36, Joseph H. plumber, aged 34, George, lead miner, aged 28, Arthur, lead miner, aged 22, Helena, dairy work, aged 19, and Edmund 15.

2nd July 1870 (Hexham Courant)

SUDDEN DEATH AT ALSTON

On Friday week, Mr Robert Bell, masterman washer at Rodderup Fell mines, returned from his work in his usual health at six o'clock in the evening. At seven, he accompanied his daughter a part of the way to the Primitive Methodist Chapel, after which he was taken suddenly ill and died shortly before 10 o'clock.
In 1841, at Overburn, Alston, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Margaret (Surtees, married 16th January 1823) aged 38, children, John, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 13, Jane 11, Sarah 8, Hannah 8, Margaret 6, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1851, at Ramsey's Buildings, Alston, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret aged 47, children John, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret 16, Elizabeth 11, and Nancy 8.
In 1861, at Chapel Street, Alston, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Margaret 57, and daughter Ann 18.
In 1871, at Overburn, Margaret Bell, widow, aged 69.
Margaret Bell died 1st quarter 1874, registered at Alston.

2nd July 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston 30th ult. aged 72, very suddenly Mr John Walton. (*Gardener)*

7th July 1870 (Northern Echo)
Deaths
Readshaw, July 6, at Middleton in Teesdale, aged 90, Mr Jacob Readshaw, washing agent to the London Lead Company.
In 1841, at Middleton, Jacob Redshaw, mine agent, aged 60, his wife Sarah (Bell, married 20th September 1814) aged 60, children Mary 20, Sarah 20, Jacob, joiner 15, and John Redshaw, Mill ?, aged 20.
In 1851, at Masterman Place, Middleton, Jacob Readshaw, widow, lead washing agent, aged 69, daughter Mary 35, grandson John Readshaw, cabinetmakers apprentice, aged 18, and servant Ann Lowes 20. In 1861, at Masterman Place, Jacob Redshaw, agent for London Lead Company, ore

dressing, aged 69, daughter Mary, housekeeper, aged 43, and House servant, Isabella Horn 17.
The Lead company minutes tell us that on 26th March 1829, Robert Stagg the Company Agent in the North was told to give Jacob the Washing Overman at Manorgill, a donation of £10 for his exertions in the last year in establishing the washing place upon the new system.

9th July 1870 (Hexham Herald)

BLANCHLAND

BELDON MINE. We had occasion to report about this mine a few months ago, when the sinking of a new shaft at Reading was mentioned, but owing to the great deluge of water further operations had to be suspended until such time as an engine arrived as hand pumps were quite inadequate to lift the quantity of water which kept continually pouring into the shaft. The engine having now landed and got into capital working order, there is a good prospect of every endeavour being now made to prove the richness of the several veins, which ran through their boundary. Beside the shaft sinking at Reading, an old level has been opened out near Beldon, with the intention of being driven eventually to the Reading shaft, a distance of about 11/2 miles, and as the veins of lead are numerous in that part it is to be hoped that they will be successful in striking a valuable vein, and succeed in finding plenty of ore. We may notify that the shares are all sold (10,000 shares at £1 per share), and we anticipate having the pleasure of reporting favourably of the working of the mine, as the directors appear to be determined to give it a good trial.

Deaths

At Browngill 3rd inst., aged 54, Mr Joseph Roddam, Mining Agent, at Benty Field.
See 4th February 1848, 8th January 1858, 6th September 1873, & 25th November 1882.

12th July 1870 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 10th inst. aged 25, Jane daughter of Mr Thomas Walton.
In 1841, at Town Foot, Margaret Armstrong, Innkeeper, aged 57
Thomas Armstrong, husbands man, aged 20, Margaret Armstrong 15,
Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth Walton 25, Elizabeth Walton 2, and Peggy Walton 3 months.
In 1851, at Alston Brewery, Thomas Walton, labourer at brewery, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth *(Armstrong, married 26th April 1838) aged* 30, children Isaac 9, Jane 5, and Thomas 11 months.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth aged 43, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, Jane 15, Thomas 11, Mary A. 9, Hannah E. 6, Isabella 5, John 3, and Margaret 2 years. In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Mary Ann 19, Hannah E 17, Isabella 16, John, stone breaker, aged 13, and Margaret 12.
In 1881, at 54 Ramsays Buildings, Chopwell, Thomas Walton, widow, coal miner, aged 65, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 30, John, coal miner, aged 22, Isabella 24, Margaret 20, and granddaughter Elizabeth Walton 4. In 1881, at 29 Victoria, Garesfield Colliery, Winlaton, Isaac Walton, coal miner, aged

39, his wife Betsy 39, children John, coal miner, aged 17, Henry, coal miner, aged 14, Mary E. 12, Thomas 9 Jane A. 7, Isaac 4, and Joseph 2 years.
At Shorngate, near Allenheads, 8th inst. Mrs Isabella Heslop aged 75.
Pattinson Heslop married Isabella Head 11th January 1823 at St Peter's Allendale.
In 1841, at Shorn Gate, Isaac Head, quarryman, aged 40, Isabella Heslop 40, Thomas Heslop, lead ore dresser, aged 15, William Heslop 12, Elizabeth Heslop 9, John Heslop 8, and Pattinson Heslop 6.
In 1851, at Shorn Gate, Allendale, Isabelle Heslop, widow, aged 49, sons, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 26, John, wagon driver, aged 18, Pattinson, lead ore dresser, aged16, grandson James 2, and brother Isaac Head, stable groom and cartman, aged 51.
In 1861, at Shorn Gate, Isabella Heslop, lead miners widow, aged 60 Pattinson, lead ore miner, aged 26, grandson James Heslop 12, house servant Margaret Beck 22, and lodger Isaac Head, lead ore miner, aged 61.
In 1871, at Shorn Gate, Pattison Heslop, iron stone miner, aged 35, his wife Mary J 25, children John W 6, Thomas E 3, and Isaac 1. In 1881, at Shorn Gate, Pattison Heslop, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary J. 36, children John W. cartman, aged 16, Isaac 10, Pattison 9, Elizabeth 5, and Robert 2. In 1891, at Shorn Gate, Patterson Heslop, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary Jane 45, Thomas Edward, lead miner, aged 23, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth 15, and Isabella 9.
In 1901, at Shorn Gate, Pattinson Heslop, farmer, aged 67 (died 1st quarter of 1908, aged 74), his wife Mary Jane 55, sons Thomas E, lead miner, aged 33, Pattinson, lead miner, aged 29, daughter Isabella 19, daughter in law Clara Heslop, married, aged 23, born Harlesy, Yorks, grandson, Lewis Heslop 7 months, born Thirsk. In 1901, Pattinson Heslop, single, aged 48, was a boarder at 13 Consett Rd, working as a steelworks labourer. In 1911 at Healeyfield Pattinson Heslop, single, gas producer, at Consett coke works, aged 58, was a boarder at West House, Castleside. In 1911, at Chapel Street, Thirsk, Isaac Heslop, grocer, aged 41, his wife Clara 33, children, Lewis 10, Madge 8, and Frank 5.

13th July 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINE.

WANTED, Miners at the above Mine, also Strong Lads for out-door work. Comfortable Lodgings are provided with good wages and monthly payments. —Apply to Mr Vipond, Riggside, Harwood, or to Mr J. H. Robinson, No. 21, Cumberland Row, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

19th July 1870 (Hexham Courant)

MARRIAGE REJOICING AT ALLENHEADS

On Thursday last, (*14th*) the mountain village of Allenheads was enlivened to an unprecedented extent, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Curry, daughter of Mr John Curry mining agent to the W.B. Lead mines to Mr T. Kidd of Allenheads. *Thomas Kidd married Margaret Curry at Allendale St Peter's*.
In 1901, at Battersea, Thomas Kidd, retired mine engineer, aged 57, his wife Margaret 56, sons, John, mercantile clerk, aged 24, born Allendale, Harold, stockbrokers clerk, aged 22, born Spain, Alwin, stockbrokers clerk, aged 19, born Spain, cook domestic, Emily Hawkins, aged 30, and housemaid Edith

Toms 26. In 1911, at 104 Balham Park Road, Battersea, Thomas Kidd, retired mine manager, aged 67, his wife Margaret 66, son Alwin, member of stock exchange, aged 29, cook Mabel Anne Eaton 25, and housemaid, Edith Margaret Woods 25.
See 9th September 1876, & 31st August 1901.

29th July 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 23rd inst., Isabella Walton, daughter of Matthew Walton, aged 2 years.

30th July 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst., Mr Thomas Hewitson to Miss Hannah Stephenson, both of Nenthead.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, William Stephenson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann (White, married 26th June 1844, Alston) aged 37, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Samuel, lead miner, aged 14, Hannah 12, Ann 8, William 6, Thomas 3, Fenwick 3 months, and boarder John Barron 2.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, Adam Hewitson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Agness (Barron, married 1st October 1836, Alston) aged 48, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 23, Isabella 21, Ann 19, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert Hayton, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary 13, Adam 11, daughter Racheal Hounam, married, lead miners wife, aged 25, and grandson, Abraham Hounam 2.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Hewitson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Hannah 22, wife's daughter, Sarah Jane Stephenson 3, and daughter Agnes A Hewitson, 2 months.
In 1881, at Low Prudhoe, Thomas Hewitson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Hannah 32, Sarah J. 13, Agnes A. 10, Isabella 6, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1891, at Low Prudhoe Village, Thomas Hewitson, coal miner, aged 46, his wife Hannah 42, children Agnes A 20, Isabella 16, Elizabeth 12, and Thomas W aged 9.
In 1901, at School Row, Prudhoe, Thomas Hewitson, coal hewer, aged 56, his wife Hannah 52, daughter Isabel, school teacher, aged 26, and grandson Stephenson Hewitson 6.
In 1911, at 15 School Row, Prudhoe, Thomas Hewitson, coal hewer, aged 66, his wife Hannah 62, daughter Isabel, school teacher, aged 36, and grandson Stephenson Hewitson, grocers apprentice aged 16.
See 16th September 1876 and 3rd August 1878
Deaths
At Nenthall, 25th inst aged 51, Mr Thomas Gill, for many years, teacher of Nenthall School.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Thomas Gill, school master at Ch. of Eng. school, aged 41, born Wetheral, his wife Isabella (Walton, married 17th August 1843, at Alston) aged 41, born Alston, children Mary Isabella 17, Sarah 15, Thomas Walton 12, Margaret Ann 10, Frances C 6, Isabela 4, and Susannah Jane 1. Isabella Gill died 1st quarter of 1862. In 1871, at Kirkoswald, Newbiggin Village School, Mary I. Gill, schoolmistress aged 27, sisters, Sarah,

housekeeper, aged 25, Margaret Ann, visitor, 20, Isabella, assistant teacher, aged 14, and Susannah J. aged 11.
See 11th July 1868, 19th August 1882
At Alston, 28th inst. aged 81, Mr Thomas Elliott. *Tailor*

30th July 1870 (Hexham Herald)

COANWOOD

Workmen's trip. On Saturday last, the workmen employed at Messrs Wilson and Crawhall's Collieries had their annual trip to Tynemouth. The excursionists left Shaft Hill Station about 6 o' clock in the morning.
(*Travelled by train to Newcastle then boat down the river to Tynemouth*)

2nd August 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 23rd ult., by the Rev. William Baitey, Mr Henry Smith, to Miss Elizabeth Raine, both of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, John Rain, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Nancy (Wilkinson, married 21st January 1841, at St John Garrigill) aged 35, children, Robert 8, Mary Ann 5, John 3, and Elizabeth 1 month.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate Head, John Rain, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Nancy 44, children, Robert, carter, aged 18, John 13, Elizabeth 10, and Henry 6.
John Rain of Garrigill Gate died 23rd December 1869, aged 52.
In 1871, at Miles House, Garrigill Gate, Ann Rain, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons, Johnny, lead miner, aged 23, Henry, tailor (apprentice), Edmond L 4, and mother, Mary Wilkinson, blacksmiths widow, aged 81.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Henry Smith, tailor & pedler, aged 22, born Shap, and his wife Elizabeth 20.
In 1881, at Shap, Tailors shop, Henry Smith, tailor, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 29, and son John 8
In 1891, at 2 Church Street, Beswick, Manchester, Henry Smith, tailor, aged 42, and his wife Elizabeth 40.
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 24th ult., Thomas, son of the late Mr Thomas Gill, Wetheral.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Thomas Gill, master of the Ch. of Eng. school, aged 41, born Wetheral, his wife Isabella (Walton, married 3rd qtr., 1843, at Alston) aged 41, born Alston, children, Mary Isabella 17, Sarah 15, Thomas Walton 12, Margaret Ann 10, Frances C 6, Isabella 4, and Susannah Jane 1

3rd August 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)
LETTER FROM THE UNITED STATES. —The following letter has been received by Mr John Hardy, miner, of Middleton-in-Teesdale, who has lately returned from America, and now on a visit to his afflicted father. It is from a person who worked in the lead mines at Nenthead, in Alston Moor, and emigrated to the New World some years ago: —
Shulsburg, La Fayette County, Wisconsin, July 5th, 1870. —Mr John Hardy,
Friend John, —Presuming you are safe over the briny Atlantic, back home to the little garden patch, as the American people say, and enjoying yourself in

the land of Christian liberty; if so, John, don't forget, that you have left behind you the land of the free and the home of the brave. Let us hope that each definition will grow nearer and nearer true, until each become true to the letter. But you are at home, back to the Hude Top, enjoying your self among your friends. That is your native place; mine, as you know, is canny Cumberland, and as Artemus Ward would have said, “So far as being at, your first is concerned, I envy you muchly.” Well John, I hope you are well, and that you found your relatives in the same “fix,” and I am happy to say that I have no complaints to make in that line. Shulsburg stands in the same place where it “used to was,” (beat that for Yankee if you can). The long drought still continues, no refreshing shower has visited us since you left, until this morning we have had a little shower, just sufficient to lay the dust. The clouds are gathering heavier, and we trust refreshing rains will follow. Since you left we have had another importation from Alston Moor. My friend Wm. Kindred and three other young men nave reached here in safety, and we intend to dispose of them as follows: Friend Kindred will enjoy himself till fall; as soon as the crops are gathered, he will enter on brother Thomas' farm, Hewitson enters on wages at the McNulty Mine tomorrow morning: the other two being stone masons, we have given them papers of introduction down to Qu Salle, where masons are wanted, a bridge is building across the Illinois river at that point, several new store rooms are going up; new zinc furnaces are building; and a new school will be commenced at once which is estimated to cost 200,000 dollars. It grieves me very much to hear that the Governor and Company’s Miners at Nenthead are not so good as formerly. It is a pity that industrious men, such as the Cumberland, Durham, and Northumberland miners should ever lack steady employment or good wages. As honest labourers, I question very much whether they have equals. I can very easily imagine, how, under such circumstances, they will be anxious to ask you many questions respecting this country, be honest with them, tell them to assume their manhood, to give up the idea that because they have been brought up to lead mining they cannot learn to live by other labour. I have no doubt that the English people are anxious to do the best they can for their labourers, but their market is overstocked, and if the English labourer could only procure the means to get to the Western States of America, and be determined to begin life anew, to get a living outside mining, to aspire to own a few acres of God’s earth, and to see the first title deeds drawn up in his own name and favour, which is most certainly one of the most honourable aspirations which can have a place in man’s bosom; if he can only get the energy, the “spunk,” and be sober and industrious, and get out to this new country, and come with a determination to do anything to succeed: you can safely say that ten years of such industry and prudence will make independent farmers. Then if they be honest and honourable, as every Englishman ought to be, they may lift their heads and stand on an equal with any man who breathes the free air of heaven. To encourage such energy tell them of our new contemplated Pacific railroad, which is to stretch from the head of Lake Superior and run through Minnesota. Dakota, Nebraska, and on through Washington territory to the Pacific Ocean, opening up for settlement millions of acres of land as productive as ever bird flew over. They can have a choice of climate varying from the dry, cold, healthy, and bracing as that of Minnesota, to the salubrious climate on the Pacific coast, where cattle graze the whole your round, and

where all sorts of fruits can be raised in abundance. Point them to Oregon, a state laying between Washington Territory and California, and which is perhaps the bed grazing and fruit growing country in the world, and where only six per cent of the land has yet passed from the hands of the government. It often grieves me to think so very few of the English people are becoming owners of the soil in America, it would be well for them, and well for the British Government were it otherwise, because the American people are not, to say the least, very favourably disposed towards England The German element, who are settling here by millions, are indifferent on that point, and would be very easily drawn in, in case of any trifling dispute between the two countries. Whilst the Irish element is getting strong, and the feeling very bitter, English people, on the contrary, are generally true to the home government, consequently the more of that feeling scattered through this country where every citizen has a voice in the government, the better able to counteract the feeling in an opposite direction. Perhaps if our Pre-emption and Homestead Law- were better understood, it might prove a stimulus in that direction. Thinking you may have not studied these laws sufficiently to answer all enquirers, I will enclose a copy of them in a condensed form. Any emigrant, on his arrival in this country, can have naturalisation papers drawn in his favour for about one dollar, he will then be a fit subject to take advantage of these laws, and can select for himself 160 acres of unappropriated government land, for merely the expense consequent on making his selection, and perhaps about 12 or 15 dollars expense connected with getting a deed or patent. Of course, parties wishing to obtain land at first or government cost must go West, say on the track of the North Pacific railroad. And the best plan would be for a number to unite and go out together and settle in the same neighbourhood. Another good plan is for parties who intend to come out in a few years, to get trustworthy parties to make selections for them in those districts where the land has been brought into market by government, and offered for sale at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre. When such selections arc well made, it is no uncommon occurrence for such selections to rise from 1.25 dollars to 5, 10, and even 25 dollars per acre in from one to three years after being located. One of the very best plans is for such who have a little means, and have been used to labour, to deposit their means, in safe hands, and procure employment on such a railroad as the North Pacific, to keep up in front, and when climate and soil suited them, to invest their means. I, with others here, have a notion of going out on some such enterprise, next spring, but of course I expect to see you before that time. With kind love to enquiring friends, I remain, respectfully yours, John Green.

(COPY.] PRE-EMPTION LAW.

The Pre-emption Act of Sep. 4th, 1841, provides that “every person being the head of a family, or widow, or single man or woman over the age of 21 rears, and being a citizen of the United States, or having filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen, as required by the naturalisation laws," is authorised to enter at the Land Office 160 acres of unappropriated Government land by complying with the requirements of said act. Which requires parties making an entry to improve it sufficiently to show that the land is appropriated in good faith. Said improvements must be made within six months after filing their declaratory statement. Then after six months actual residence, by paying the government price. Proof of residence must be made

by two witnesses. When a person has filed a declaratory statement for a tract of land, and afterwards relinquishes it to the Government, the right to file again is forfeited.

[COPY] HOMESTEAD LAW.

The Homestead Act of May 20th, 1861, provides, &c., same as in pre-emption. Under this act a person must be an actual settler for five years upon a homestead entry before a patent is issued, Six month's time is allowed to prove a residence, from date of entry. Should the father die, the mother can fulfil the requirements of the law, or should both be dead two years, after making such entry, the homestead may be sold for the benefit of the children of said settler—or they may continue residence and cultivation on the land for the period required by law, and at the expiration of the original entry a patent is issued in their own names. If a homestead settler does not wish to remain five years on his tract, the law permits him to pay for it with cash or military warrants, upon making proof of residence and cultivation as required in pre-emption cases. A party who has proved up and paid for a tract of land under the pre-emption act, can subsequently enter another tract of land under the Homestead Act, and *vice versa*.

John Green *married Elizabeth Shipley, at Allendale, 29th December 1804.*
Children of John & Elizabeth Green:
Mary born 20th November 1805, baptised 30th November 1805, Allendale.
Hannah 17th December 1807
William baptised 10th May 1817
Jane baptised 27th September 1813 or 7th May 1815, Ninebanks
Elizabeth baptised 15th March 1823
John T, baptised 15th March 1823
Ann baptised 11th November 1826
Thomas about 1829

In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Green, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Elizabeth aged 55, and children, Elizabeth 20, Thomas E Green 12, and William Green 1.
William Green married Ann Roddam 1st October 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William Green, lead ore smelter, aged 30, his wife Ann aged 25, and children, Mary 4, and John 3.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, William Green, lead ore smelter, aged 40, born Allendale, his wife Ann aged 38, born Nenthead, children, John 13, William 8, and Elizabeth 5.

Also in 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Green, lead ore smelter, aged 30, born Allendale, his wife Ann aged 26, born Weardale, and daughter Elizabeth Ann 5 months.
Also in 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Green, lead ore smelter overman, aged 72, born Whitfield, his wife Elizabeth aged 66, born Allendale, daughter Ann, dressmaker, aged 24, and son Thomas E, lead ore smelter, aged 22.*
John Green, senior, was buried at Nenthead 19th April 1854, aged 78.
Elizabeth/Betty Green was buried at Nenthead 9th March 1876, aged 91.

Migration to Wisconsin, 1854
Thomas Green married Mary Armstrong (parents William & Jane Armstrong, born England) 16th November 1854, at Shullsburg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, United States.
Mary Green (nee Armstrong) born 18th October 1830, died 28th April 1855 following the birth of her son John W 14th April 1855, John W died 6th August 1855; buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Shullsburg.
Thomas Green married Maria ? before the 1860 Census

United States census of 1860:
At Shullsburg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, William Green, miner, aged 50, his wife Anne aged 48, son, John, miner, aged 22, son William, miner, aged 18, and daughter Elizabeth aged 14, all born in England.
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, John Green, Clerk, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth aged 28, children, Elizabeth aged 9, John L, 7, William H 2, and Catherine 1.
At Shullsburg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, Thomas Green, Smelter, aged 28, and his wife Maria aged 20.
William A Green married Alice Hayes (parents James & Elizabeth Hayes) 18th September 1868, at Dane, Wisconsin.

United States census of 1870:
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, Ann Green, 56, and daughter Elizabeth aged 23.
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, William Green, miner, aged 27, his wife Alice aged 27, and son Raymond .
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, John Green, Merchant, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth aged 37, children, Elizabeth aged 19, John L, 17, William H 12, Kate A 11, and Thomas C 5.
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin,Thomas Green, smelter, aged 38, his wife Maria aged 30, and Wm Alderson aged 9.
Maria S Green, wife of Thomas, born 18 June 1841, died 11th April 1879, buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Shullsburg.

United States census of 1880:
In 1880 at Granby City, Missouri, John Green, superintendant smelter, aged 59, his wife Mary L aged 31, born Ohio, son John, smelter, aged 28, born England, daughter Berthona aged 21, born Wisconsin, and son Thomas E aged 16, born Wisconsin.
At Shullsberg, Lafayette, Wisconsin, Thomas Green, widower, Smelter, aged 50.
At Black Hawk, Gilpin, Colorado, William A Green, miner, aged 37, his wife Alice aged 37, and son Raymond I aged 10.

Colorado State Census 1885, W A Green, silver miner, aged 42, his wife Alice aged 42, and son Raymond, musician aged 15.

Thomas married Sarah Sayer/Brown

Raymond I Green married Minnie Yeldham, 17th June 1896, at Aspen Colorado.

United States census of 1900:
At Precincts 24, 27-29 Goldfield town, Teller, Colorado, William A Green, gold miner, aged 57, and his wife Alice aged 57.
At Precincts17-19 Cripple Creek Ward 3, Teller, Colorado, United States, Ray I Green, gold miner, aged 30, his wife Minnie aged 25, and son Lawrence aged 1.
** At Shullsburg, LaFayette, Wisconsin Thomas E Green, aged 72, immigration date 1854, his wife Sarah B, aged 56, immigration date 1847, born England, daughter, Carrie, aged 10, born Wisconsin, Stepdaughter Nellie Moses aged 18, born Wisconsin, boarder, John Mehan, farmer, aged 24, and boarder, Matthew Sayers, farmer, aged 24.*

Wisconsin Death Records

**Name*	*Thomas Edward Green*
Event Type	*Death*
Event Date	*1902*
Event Place	*Shullsburg, LaFayette, Wisconsin*
Residence Place	*Shullsburg, WI*
Gender	*Male*
Age	*74*
Race	*white*
Occupation	*smelter*
Birth Date	*28 Mar 1828*
Birth Year (Estimated)	*1828*
Birthplace	*England*
Burial Place	*Shullsburg*
Father's Name	*John Green*
Father's Birthplace	*England*
Mother's Name	*Elizabeth Green*
Mother's Birthplace	*England*
Spouse's Name	*Sarrah Green*

Sarah Green born 21st November 1845, died 26th September 1909, buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Shullsburg.

Washington Death Certificates

William Alexander Green

Event Date	*06 Oct 1915*
Event Place	*Snohomish, Snohomish, Washington*
Gender	*Male*
Age	*72 years 8 months 17 days*
Birth Year (Estimated)	*1843*
Father's Name	*William Green*
Mother's Name	*Ann Roddam*

Utah Deaths and Burials

Name	*Raymond Irvin Green*
Gender	*Male*
Burial Date	*10 Mar 1948*
Death Date	*06 Mar 1948*
Death Place	*Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah*

Age	*78*
Birth Date	*08 Oct 1869*
Birthplace	*Schullsburg, Wis.*
Occupation	*Inspector*
Race	*White*
Marital Status	*Married*
Spouse's Name	*Minnie Yelldham*
Father's Name	*William A. Green*
Father's Birthplace	*England*
Mother's Name	*Alice Hays*
Mother's Birthplace	*England*

Utah, Salt Lake County Death Records

Name	*Minnie Yeldham Green*
Event Date	*03 Nov 1948*
Event Type	*Death*
Event Place	*Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah*
Gender	*Female*
Age	*73*
Marital Status	*Widowed*
Race	*W*
Birth Date	*06 Nov 1874*
Birthplace	*Eureka, Kansas*
Father's Name	*Charles H Yeldham*
Mother's Name	*Sarah Clark*
Spouse's Name	*Raymond I Green*
Document Type	*Certificate of Death*

William Kindred *appears on the Wisconsin, state census of 1875, living at Shullsburg, Lafayette (2 males and 2 females).*
In 1880, at Independence, Hennepin, Minnesota, William Kindred, labor, aged 39, his wife Sarah 34, son Thomas 11, daughter Bell, aged 8 (born Wisconsin)
In 1900, at Independence, Hennepin, Minnesota, William Kindred, farmer, aged 60, immigration date 1868, his wife Sarah 56, son Thomas W, farm labourer, aged 33, daughter Lizzie B, aged 26 (born Wisconsin)
In 1910, at Independence, Hennepin, Minnesota, William Kindred, farmer, aged 70, immigration date 1870, his wife Sarah aged 66, and son Tom, labourer, aged 42.

Minnesota Deaths and Burials,

Name	*William Kindred*
Event Type	*Death*
Event Date	*02 Sep 1919*
Event Place	*Hennepin, Minnesota*

Name Sarah Kindred

Death Date	*29 Mar 1930*
Death Place	*Independence, Hennepin, Minnesota*
Age	*86*
Birth Date	*1844*
Marital Status	*Married*
Spouse's Name	*William Kindred*

Father's Name *Richards*
Mother's Name *Unknown*
Source of United States Census date, births, marriages and deaths: FamilySearch.org

6th August 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 1st inst., Mr Leonard Thompson to Miss Jane Thompson both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at High Green Ends, Nenthead, Robert Thompson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Ann 51, children Hannah 17, Mary, dressmaker, aged 14, Elizabeth 14, Ann 12, Frances 9, and granddaughter Jane Thompson 2.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, Robert Thompson, widow, lead miner, aged 63, daughter Mary aged 22, granddaughter Jane Thompson aged 12, and granddaughter Margaret Ann aged 6 months.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Leonard Thompson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Lowe, married 2nd June 1827, Alston) aged 30, Thomas Thompson, lead ore washer, aged 12, Jonathan, 11, Joseph, 8, John, 5, and Woodmass, aged 2.
Leonard Thompson died 3rd quarter of 1849.
In 1851, at Overwater, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 44, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, Woodmass 12, William 8, Leonard 4, Frederick 6, and cousin Cane Lowe 60.
In 1861, at Overwater, Elizabeth Thompson, miners widow, aged 57, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 32, John, lead miner, aged 25, Woodmass, lead miner, aged 22, William, lead miner, aged 18, Frederick, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Leonard, lead ore washer, aged 13.
In 1871, at Hill End, Stanhope, Leonard Thompson, quarryman, aged 22, and his wife Jane aged 20. In 1881, at White Hall, Nenthead, Leonard Thompson, cartman, aged 33, his wife Jane 31, children Thomas 6, John W. 4, (both born Stanhope), and Mary Margrt. 1 born Alston.
In 1891, at West Terrace, Crook, Leonard Thompson, coal miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 43, born Masham, Yorkshire, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 16, John W, coal miner, aged 14, Mary M 11, and Sarah W 5. In 1901, at West Terrace, Billy Row, Crook, Leonard Thompson, coal miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 54, son John, coal miner, aged 24, daughter Sarah 15, married daughter Mary M Payne 21, and son in law Edward, coal miner, aged 30.

9th August 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Primitive Methodist Chapel near Allenheads 6th inst, age 64, Mr George Charlton, lead miner.
In 1841, at Dirtpot, Edward Charlton, independent, 65, his wife Martha (Lee, married 22nd January 1803) aged 60, George, lead ore miner, aged 35, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 20, Joseph 6, George 3.
In 1851, at Dirtpot, Edward Charlton, retired from work, aged 77, his wife Martha 71, son George, lead ore miner, aged 44, grandson Joseph Charlton, labourer in lead ore mines, aged 16, and grandson George, lead ore washer, aged 13.

In 1861, at Dirtpot, Allendale, Martha Charlton, lead ore miners widow, aged 82, son George, lead ore miner, aged 55, daughter Martha Chapman, widow, aged 46, grandson William Chapman, lead ore dresser, aged16, and granddaughter Mary A Charlton 12.

13th August 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Peasemeadows, Allenheads, 6th inst., aged 66, Mr John Bright lead miner.
In 1861, John Bright lead ore miner 57, wife Hannah 62, children Hannah 28 John brakesman 26, Richard mine labourer 23, Thomas mine labourer 21, and grandson, George Henry 6. Joseph his eldest son draper & grocer living at Hude, St John's Chapel, Weardale, aged 30 had married Margaret Teesdale (1857) 25, and had a daughter Mary H. 1 year old. See 23rd May 1885 & 2nd June 1888
At Middleton in Teesdale, 8th inst aged 29, Henry George Bainbridge Esq.
Son of Robert Walton Bainbridge the Superintendent of the London Lead Company. See 15th September 1888.
In 1871, at Masterman Place, Margaret Bainbridge, widow, independent, aged 26 (Barrow, married 4th quarter 1866, reg. Richmond, Yorkshire), daughter Nellie (Helen?) Maud aged 3, son Frank Gascoigne 2, and sister Hannah Barrow aged 24. In 1881, at Dishforth, Thomas Barrow, retired Farmer, aged 75, his wife Elizabeth aged 62, son Charles, farmer of 146 acres, aged 25, and visitor grandson, Frank G. Bainbridge aged 12.
The London Gazette of 2nd November 1888, reported that Frank Gascoigne Bainbridge had been appointed as a clerk in the Museum of Science and Art, Edinburgh. In 191, Frank G. Bainbridge, Civil service, science clerk, aged 22, was a lodger at 1 Argyle Place, Edinburgh.

IN
MEMORY OF
HENRY GEORGE BAINBRIDGE
BORN 16TH JULY 1841
DIED 8TH AUGUST 1870

WHO SO EVER BELIEVETH ON THE
LORD JESUS CHRIST SHALL BE SAVED

ALSO FRANK, SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED IN CENTRAL AFRICA
8TH FEBY 1894 AGED 26 YEARS

16th August 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.—The Wesleyan Methodists of Nenthead, celebrated their chapel anniversary on Friday week, when the Rev. J. H. Morgan, of Newcastle, preached an excellent sermon in the afternoon, and delivered a lecture in the evening, subject: "John Howard, the Philanthropist." The collections were pretty fair considering that the attendance was not large, it being on a week day when many are detained with their work; and the religious element is at a rather low ebb owing to the unsettled state the neighbourhood has been in for the last six months through the mines failing, men and families, during that interval, leaving nearly every week. Those who could raise the needful cash have emigrated to America, and the less favoured and poorer class to other fields of labour, to obtain bread for themselves and families.

PIC-NIC AND GALA DAY,—The first annual picnic in connection with the NENTHEAD Band and Cricket Club, was held in a field at Foulard, on Saturday. The weather was favourable and a large number of people were present front Alston, Garrigill, and other villages, the company being largely composed of the young of both sexes, who manifested every disposition to enter thoroughly into the enjoyments of the evening. The Nenthead and Alston Brass Bands were in attendance, and displaced their wonted ability and talent in providing the music, to which the dancers responded with a vigour and enthusiasm which did them credit. An abundance of tea and cake was obtainable at an easy charge, and every provision was made for the entertainment of visitors. As the time passed the mirth and jollity increased until the thickening shades of night terminated a gathering which seemed to be richly enjoyed by all. After tea, a cricket match was played between an 11 of the cricket club, and 22 of Nenthead and district. Jacob Walton, Esq., was the highest scorer on the 11 side, and C. E. Hudspith on the 22. Prizes were then competed for in running and throwing cricket ball. The foot race was won by Mr. Alfred Atkinson, 1st; T. A. Hudspith, 2nd ; and H. Vipond, 3rd. Twelve entries for throwing tho cricket ball, A. Atkinson, 1st, 88 yds; Wm. Lee, 2nd, 86 yds; and T. A. Hudspith, 3rd, 85 yds.

20th August 1870 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Clog Hall, Nentwater, 5th inst., aged 63, Mr George Wilkinson Lead Miner.

In 1841, at Grassfield, George Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane (Swindle, married 17th December 1835) aged 30, and son Thomas 5.
In 1851, at Galligill, Nenthead, George Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Jane aged 44, son Thomas Wilkinson 15, lodger Henry Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 35, and niece Lydia Wilkinson 14.
In 1861, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, George Wilkinson, lead miner, and grocer, aged 52, his wife Jane 53, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 24. In 1871, at Clog Hall, Jane Wilkinson, widow, grocer, aged 63, and boarder John Swindle, widow, separator at smelt mill, aged 53.
See 13th May 1871, and 10th September 1842.

24th August 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)

WANTED, an experienced CARTMAN, married, but not with a large family. He must be a careful, steady Man, long accustomed to the care of Horses, and will have other Cartmen under his charge. —A Cottage and a good wage will be provided for a suitable man. —Apply to Mr W. Vipond, Agent to the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company, Limited, Riggside, Harwood.

27th August 1870 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Westminster at St Margaret's 23rd inst., William Hollis eldest son of Thomas Luce Esq., of Malmesbury to Emily fourth daughter of Thomas Sopwith Esq., MA. FRS., of 103 Victoria street, Westminster.

2nd September 1870 (Carlisle Journal)

OPENING OF A NEW CHURCH AT ALSTON.

On Tuesday, the new church, which has for some months been in course of erection at Alston, was opened for divine service by the Lord Bishop of Durham. The weather was very favourable and there was a large and fashionable assemblage of ladies and gentlemen. The opening service commenced at eleven o'clock, and was made full choral. Prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Mason, of Whitfield; and the lessons by the Vicar of Alston (the Rev. W. P. C. Baylee) and the Rev. H. C. Barker, of Hexham. The Venerable Archdeacon Bland assisted at the Communion Table. The sermon was preached by the Lord Bishop, who, in appealing to the congregation for contributions, said he marvelled at the courage of those who took part in such a great work as the rebuilding of such a church as this, and venturing to start with it until money sufficient for the purpose was subscribed. £800 was still required, putting aside the completion of the tower which was comparatively unimportant, and he expressed a hope that those who had already subscribed, might yet be able to do so again and again till the good work which had been inaugurated to-day was completed. In the evening, another service was held, and the Ven. Archdeacon Bland preached a sermon. A collection was made at the end of each service, that in the morning amounting to £30. The new church is not yet complete, the gas and warming apparatus being still required as well as some minor matters in the interior ornamentation. The most important deficiency is the tower. As yet this has only been raised a height of thirty feet, but the plan is for it to be fifty-five feet high and topped with a spire of sixty feet. These arrangements will be carried out as funds allow. The church occupies almost the same site as the old one, and while the workmen were engaged in digging the foundation they discovered the foundation of the original church that was erected in the eleventh century. The upturned stones bore traces of very elaborate carving and decoration. The present church is built in the style of the thirteenth century and constitutes of a nave, south aisle, chancel, and transept, the latter forming the vestry and organ chamber. …

3rd September 1870 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Croft, Nentwater, suddenly, 30th ult. aged 24, Mary Ward.

In 1841, at Coalcleugh, Thomas Ward, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Esther 35 Jonah Ward, lead miner, aged 15, Sarah Ward 15, William Ward 11, James Ward 2 months, John Fairless 5, and Thomas Fairless 3.
In 1851, at Coalcleugh, Thomas Ward (born Allendale), lead miner, aged 37, his wife Esther (Fairless, born Stanhope, married Thomas Ward 1st quarter of 1841, registered Weardale) aged 44, children James 9, Sarah 7, Mary 5, Esther 3, Phillis 1, and wife's son Thomas Fairless, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1861, at Hay Ring, Nenthead, Thomas Ward, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Esther 54, children James, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 15, Esther 13, Phillis 11, and grandson, Thos W Hutchinson 1 year. Sarah Ward aged 17, was working as a domestic servant for Jane Robinson, widow, aged 66, at High Brown Gill, Nenthead. Thomas Ward, died in either 1865 or 1867.
James, Esther & Phillis emigrated to Australia.
In 1871, at Croft, Nenthead, Esther Ward, widow, annuitant, aged 65, daughter Sarah, single, aged 27, grandchildren Edward Ward 6, Mary Ann Ward 4, Thomas Ward 3, and boarder Ann Hutchinson 2 months. In 1881, at Hunwick Lane Ends, Hunwick, Durham, Esther Ward, widow, aged 75, grandchildren Edward Ward, coal miner, aged 16, and Mary Ann Ward 14. Also at Hunwick Lane Ends, John Dalton, coal miner, aged 35, and his wife Sarah (Ward, married at Weardale 4th quarter of 1870) aged 37, children Thomas James 13, Isabella 8, John 4, Mary Hannah 2, and boarder Thomas Dawson, married, coal miner, aged 29. In 1891, at Colliery Cottages, Westoe, John Dalton, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Sarah 47, children Thomas J. coal miner, aged 23, Isabella 18, John 14, Mary H 11, Jessie 9, Robert 4, and nephew Edward Ward, coal miner, aged 26.
Esthers death is recorded at Alston, 2nd quarter of 1886, aged about 81.

6th September 1870 Penrith Observer)
SCHOOLMASTER, certificated, **WANTED**, immediately, for **NENTHALL NATIONAL SCHOOL**. A married man whose wife or daughter could teach plain sewing and knitting preferred.— Apply, with references, to The Vicar, Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland. Salary about £70 per annum.

10th September 1870 (Hexham Herald)
FATAL ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE
An accident resulting in death occurred on Wednesday last at Roantree Syke ironstone mine, which is situated near St John's Chapel, Weardale to William Roddam, of Ireshopeburn, Ironstone miner. Whilst following his daily employment at the above mine, a piece of rock fell and crushed some timber upon the unfortunate man. After being extracted by the other miner's he was found to be severely crushed in the body. He died two hours after he was taken home. Deceased had never been married and was about 44 years of age.
Son of Thomas (lead miner died 1843/47)) and Frances. In 1841 Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Frances, aged 45, children, Thomas 20, Joseph 20, William 15, Frances 15, Ann 10, Elizabeth 3 and Mary 11 months, In 1851, at Earnwell, St John's, Frances Roddam, widow, aged 57, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, William, lead miner, aged 27, Ann 30, and Mary 10. In 1861, at Earnwell, Frances Roddam, widow, aged 67, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 40, and William, ironstone miner, aged 37.

12th September 1870 (Public Ledger and Daily Advertiser)
At the **CASHWELL LEAD MINING COMPANY** meeting, the report showed a credit balance of £1299 5s., after payment of an interim dividend of 2s 6d per share; a further dividend of 3s 6d per share was declared.

17th September 1870 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, on the 1st inst., Annie Pickering, daughter of John Pickering, butcher.
In 1861, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Mary Pickering, widow, retired grocer, aged 60, sons, John, Assistant butcher, aged 32, George, butcher & grover, aged 27, and house servant, Mary Smith 14.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Pickering, butcher, aged 42, his wife Mary A (Watson, married 4th qtr 1861, registered at Alston) aged 30, children, Hugh W 9, Mary E 4, and Hannah E 1 month.
At Garrigill Gate, on the 8th inst., James Bell Pickering, son of Geo. Pickering, butcher, aged 5 years.
In 1871, at Lane End, Garrigill, George Pickering, butcher and waller, aged 37, his wife Ann (Bell, married 2nd qtr., 1864, registered at Alston) aged 31, children, George W 2, Adamson 2 months, and servant, Elizabeth Pickering 19.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, George Pickering, butcher, aged 47, his wife Ann 41, children George W. 12, Adamson 10, Maggie H 8, and servant, Annie Crozier, aged 18.
At Low Leadgate, on the 9th inst., Mary Ann Pearson, daughter of Joseph Pearson, aged 20 years.
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 11th inst., William James Ferguson, aged 8 years.

24th September 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wearhead, Weardale, 19th inst, aged 59, Mr Jacob Peart. *Tailor & Draper*

1st October 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 28th ult., Mr George Hetherington of West Nenthead to Miss Ann Hodgson of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Joseph Hetherington, lead miner and grocer, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 34, children, John 11, Ann 9, Hannah 8, Elizabeth 5, Joseph 3, and Esther 1.
Joseph Hetherington was buried at Garrigill, 4th January 1861, aged 46
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Elizabeth Hetherington, widow, grocer, aged 44, children, John, carter, aged 21, Ann, dressmaker, aged 19, Hannah, house maid, aged 17, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 15, Joseph 13, Esther 11, James 9, Pheby 6, Matthew 4, and Jonathan 3 months.
See 8th June 1869
In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Hetherington, Draper & Grocers Assistant, aged 29, his wife Ann, 21, and George Whitfield, 5 months. In 1881, at Overwater, George Hetherington, Draper & Grocers Assistant, aged

39, his wife Ann, 32, George W 10, Robert W 6, Tom Lee, 4, Martha A 2, and niece, Jane Hodgson, nurse domestic servant, aged 14. In 1891, at Byker, Newcastle, George Hetherington, lead ore smelter, aged 49, his wife Ann 41, children, George W, cartman, aged 20, Robert W, engine cleaner, aged 16, Thomas L, sail maker, aged 14, and Frances 9.
Elizabeth Hetherington, was buried at Garrigill, 3rd October 1890, aged 74.
In 1901, at Mosley Street, Byker, Newcastle, George Hetherington, Brass formerly labourer, aged 59, his wife Ann 51, and daughter, Frances 19.
Ann Hetherington, died 1st quarter 1902, at Newcastle.
In 1911, 6 Henry Street, New Shildon, Durham, Robert William Hetherington, Railway Engine Dtiver, aged 36, his wife Betsy aged 39, children, Martha Ann 12, Florence 2, Constance 6 months, and sister Frances, aged 29.

12th October 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE

The late Mr. John Hunt.—A neat pamphlet, entitled "Poems by the late John Hunt, of Middleton-in-Teesdale," has just been issued, and may be had of the booksellers of the district. The object of the publication will be best set forth in the following extract from the preface:— "In bringing the present work before the public, the wishes of the author, unhappily, cannot be consulted. It may be stated that its publication was never contemplated by him. The composer, John Hunt, belonged to the horny-handed working-class, was born and brought up at the picturesque town of Middleton-in-Teesdale, and employed at the extensive mines of the London Lead Company. Leaving school at an early age, he was placed at the ore-dressing floors during his boyhood, after which he worked inside the mines, and his hard-earned wages went to support his widowed mother, who unfortunately became such while her son was but a child. He married when comparatively young, and in due course found himself burthened with a large and helpless family, who, up to the time of his death, were dependent upon his labours for their support. He died at the age of forty-two, and during the last two years of his life suffered from the effects of an insidious consumption, which ultimately terminated his career. A widow and eight children have to mourn his loss, and are left to battle with the world, and eke out a subsistence as best they can. The design in publishing the following poems (the cost of which has been defrayed by private subscription from a few warm-hearted gentlemen) is to render assistance to a truly charitable object in relieving the wants of the fatherless and the widow. In criticising the productions of the author considerable allowance must be made for his opportunities of self-improvement. To the benevolent portion of the community this little work is respectfully commended."
John Hunt son of Richard and Elizabeth (Thompson, married 24th May 1814, at Middleton) Hunt baptised 5th February 1826. Richard Hunt was buried 10th October 1837, aged 54, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
In 1841, at Middleton, Elizabeth Hunt aged 50, children, Mary 20, Richard 20, Nancy 15, Elizabeth 11 and John 15.
John Hunt married Margaret Wearmouth 4th February 1847, at Middleton.
In 1851, at Middleton, John Hunt, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Margaret, aged 23, born St John's Chapel, Weardale, and daughter Margaret aged 1.

In 1861, at Masterman Place, Middleton, John Hunt, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret 31, children, Margaret 11, William 5, John 4, Sarah 2, and George 7 months.
John Hunt was buried 24th January 1867, aged 42, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton
In 1871, Margaret Hunt, lead ore miners widow, aged 40, children, William, lead ore washer, aged 15, John, fireman on engine aged 15, Sarah 11, George 10, Joseph 8, Isabella 6, and Nixon 4.
In 1881, at Town End, Middleton, Margaret Hunt, widow, aged 56, children, William, Whin Quarryman, aged 25, John, Whin Quarryman aged 23, George, lead ore washer, aged 21, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, Isabella, domestic, aged 15, and Nixon 14.
Margaret Hunt died 3rd quarter 1902, aged 75, registered at Tynemouth.

14th October 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. W. Baitey, Mr Robert Rain, of Garrigill Gate, to Miss Mary Carr, of Bunkerhill, Garrigill.
Robert Rain born 1st quarter 1843, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, John Rain, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Nancy 35, children, Robert 8, Mary Ann 5, John 3, and Elizabeth 4 months.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate Head, John Rain, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Nancy 44, children, Robert, carter, aged 18, John 13, Elizabeth 10, and Henry aged 6.
John Rain died 22nd December 1869, aged 52. See 8th January 1870.
In 1871, at Bunker Hill, Garrigill, Deborah Carr, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 70, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, boarders, Robert Rain, cartman, aged 28, and Mary Rain, cartman's wife, aged 35.

In 1871, at Mires House, Garrigill Gate, Ann Rain, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons, Johnny, lead miner, aged 23, Henry, tailor (apprentice), Edmund L 4, and mother, Mary Wilkinson, blacksmiths widow, aged 81.*

In 1881, at Marches Gill, Teesdale, Robert Raine, cartman, aged 38, his wife Mary 45, and son, Edmund, post boy, aged 14.
Mary Raine died 1st quarter 1882, registered at Teesdale.
Robert married Sarah Swindle 2nd quarter 1884, registered at Alston.
In 1891, at Low Craig, Garrigill, Robert Raine, farmer, aged 48, his wife Sarah, 50, and son, Edmund, lead miner, aged 24.

Edmund Raine married Annie Mary Craig 2nd quarter 1897, at Alston.
In 1901, at Low Craig, Garrigill, Robert Raine, farmer, aged 58, his wife Sarah, 60, and son, Edmund, lead miner, aged 34, daughter in law Ann M, aged 21, grandchildren, Violet 3, and Robert 2.
Sarah Raine died 4th quarter 1905, at Alston, aged 65.
Robert Raine died 23rd May 1909.
Probate 1909: Robert Raine of Low Craig, Garrigill, Alston, Cumberland, farmer died 23 May 1909 probate Carlisle 11th June to Edmund Raine, farmer. Effects £271 9s.

In 1911, at Low Craig, Garrigill, Edmund Raine, farmer, aged 44, his wife Annie Mary 31, children, Violet 13, Robert 12, Gertrude 8, Sarah Jane 3, and Alice Edith 1.
Annie M Raine, born 4th quarter 1879, registered at Alston, died 3rd quarter 1917, aged 37
Edmund Rain died 25th March 1939
Probate 1939: Edmund Raine of Low Craig, Alston, Cumberland, died 25th March 1939, probate, Carlisle, 9th June to Gertrude Raine spinster, and William Henry Ord solicitor. Effects £1603 12s 6d.
**"England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975," database, FamilySearch, gives Edmund Larol Dodd baptised 13th September 1866, at Garrigill, mother Elizabeth Dodd.*
See 8th January 1870, 13th April 1872

15th October 1870 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Deaths
At Blagill, near Alston, on the 12th inst., Hannah, daughter of Mr Joseph Thompson, stonemason, aged 17 years.
See 22nd March 1873

15th October 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Swinhope Mill near Allenheads, 9th inst. aged 46, Mr Richard Ward, Miner.
The 1861 census gives, living at Hope Head, Allendale, Richard Ward lead miner 37, his wife, Mary 30, children Ann 7, Sarah 5, John 3, Daniel 1, brother John Wilson lead miner 43, and niece Ann Ward12. Richards also had a daughter Jane aged 9 in 1871.
His wife Mary died either 1862 or 1864, and in 1871, we find the children living with relatives.
In 1871 at Swinhope Mill we have John Wilson, Head, lead miner 53, Ann Ward niece domestic servant, 22, John Ward nephew Cordwainer 13, Daniel Ward nephew 11, Jane Ward niece 9. Sarah was living in Alston with her grandmother Sarah Harrison; Ann was working as a domestic servant for John (farmer of 40 acres) 64, & Isabella Woodmas 65, at Sinderhope Allendale.

29 October 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Foul Loaning near Alston, 6th inst. aged 33, Joseph son of William Kindred, farmer.
See 14th March 1874, 23rd July 1887, & 22nd April 1893

29th October 1870 (Hexham Herald)
HOLYFIELD MINe
… In the formation of the new company a powerful horse whimsy was put in, which by being kept incessantly at work, enabled the workmen to penetrate a depth where they got clear of most of the water. Since which time the various workings have progressed satisfactorily and are now giving promise of being highly remunerative. …

8 November 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Crossgill, Pasture Houses, 25th ult. aged 4 years, John Parmley son of John Vipond.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Parmley, married at Alston 22nd May 1823) aged 35, children Jane 15, John 10, Joseph 8, William 6, Ann 4, James 2, and Hannah 7 months.
John Vipond was buried at Garrigill 5th December 1842, aged 44.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Mary Vipond, farmer of 6 acres, aged 46, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 16, James 12, and Hannah 9. In 1861, at Loaning head, Mary Vipond, miners widow, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 29.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Joseph Vipond, lead miner & land owner, aged 50, and his mother Mary, widow, aged 67.

Mary Vipond was buried at Garrigill 25th December 1880, aged 76.

In 1861, at Pasture Houses, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Jane, children Elizabeth 9, William 7, Mary J. 4, and Archer 1 year.
In 1871, at Pasture Houses, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Jane 39, children William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Archer 11, and Samuel 9 months.
In 1881, at Pasture House, John Vipond, lead miner, unemployed & farmer of 10 acres, aged 51, his wife Jane 49, sons William, lead miner, aged 26, Archer, lead miner, aged 21, and Samuel10.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, John Vipond, lead miner, aged 61, and his wife Jane aged 59.
John Vipond died 2nd quarter of 1897, aged 67.
In 1901, at Loaning Head, Jane Vipond, widow, aged 69, son Samuel, lead miner, aged 30, and daughter Mary Ann aged 25.
Jane Vipond died 1st quarter of 1905, aged 73.

18th November 1870 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON CARPET AND WOOLLEN MILL COMPANY LIMITED,
ON Friday last, the first ordinary meeting of the in this company was held at the Mill, Alston. The meeting was largely attended, The following were elected as directors in place of those retiring—Messrs J. M. Paull, Lowbyer, Alston; J. P. Walton, Green Ends, Alston; U. Bainbridge, Alston; J. Cowper, Acomb; J. J. Millican, and Dr. Savage, of Nenthead; and J. Peart, Alston. From a statement of the present position and prospects of the Company submitted to the meeting by the retiring directors, it appeared that the Mill premises had undergone a complete over-haul, and the machinery in the Mill at the time the company took possession had been put into good working condition, and a quantity of new machinery also procured; also that a large stock of wool suitable for the kind of manufacture which it is intended to carry on, has been purchased at reasonable prices. A large shed has been erected for the carpet and power looms, part of which has been appropriated as a warehouse an saleroom. It is intended to manufacture carpets, hearthrugs, tweeds, &c., specimens of which are already on view at the Mill. it is expected that the Mill will be in full working order by the New Year.

22nd November 1870 Penrith Observer)
Marriages
At St Andrew's Church, Penrith, on the 17th inst., by the Rev. S. J. Butler, Mr Thomas Graham, of Nenthead, Alston, to Miss Hannah Hetherington, of Penrith.
See 27th April 1878

3rd December 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Hilltop, Nenthead, 3rd inst., aged 3, Robert William son of Mr Robert Dixon.
In 1851, at Croft, Nenthead, Jonathan Dixon, lead miner & joiner, aged 39, his wife Mary (Noble, married at Haltwhistle, 18th May 1833) aged 38, children Robert, lead miner, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, Margaret 12, John 10, (all previous born Haltwhistle, following born Alston), Mary 8, William 6, Ann 3, and Jonathan 9 months. In 1861, at Croft, Mary, lead miners widow, aged 47, children Robert, waggoner, aged 27, Joseph, waggoner, aged 25, Mary18, William, waggoner, aged 15, Ann 13, and Jane aged 7.
Jonathan Dixon died in 1855.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Anna (Trathan, married 25th June 1836, Alston) aged 34, children, Nicholas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Martha 11, Isabella 10, William 7, Richard 5, and John 3.
In 1861, Martha Havelock was working as a housemaid, for Dr Carson, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead.
In 1871 at Hilltop, Robert Dixon lead miner 36, his wife Martha (Havelock, married, 8th March 1863, at Nenthead) aged 30, children, Susannah 7, Mary 6, Isabella 4, Catherin 1, Thomas Havelock step son 10. In 1881, at Hill Top, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Martha 43, children Thomas H., lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 15, Catherine 11, Margaret 9, and Ridley H. 5.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Martha Dixon, widow, aged 52, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, Maggie 18, Ridley, lead ore washer, aged 16, and grandson Fred Dixon 6.
Robert Dixon, died 4th quarter of 1886, aged 51.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Martha Dixon, widow, aged 64, daughter Meggie 28, grandsons Frederick Dixon, lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas Dixon 8, and Howard Dixon 8. In 1911, at Nenthead, Martha Dixon, widow, aged 71, grandchildren Fred Dixon, fireman, aged 26, Howard Dixon, labourer on zinc dressing floor, aged 18, and Mabel Dixon 14.
Martha Dixon died 1st quarter of 1920, aged 80.
See 3rd August 1872, 22nd April 1882, and 8th December 1894,
At Garrigill Gate, 5th inst. aged 26, Hannah, wife of Mr George Teasdale, Lead Miner.
George Teasdale married Hannah Parmley 1st January 1860, at St John, Garrigill.
Isaac Teasdale married Elizabeth Erwin, 30th May 1818, Alston.
The burial of Isaac Teasdale, of Beldy, is recorded at Garrigill 8th August 1840.
In 1841, at Red Brow, Elizabeth Teasdale, 41, children, John, mason aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 15, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Jonathan, lead

miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Thomas 8, Joseph 6, George 3, and Samuel 3 months.
In 1851, at Redwing, Garrigill, Elizabeth Teasdale, widow, aged 53, children John, lead miner, aged 31, Isaac, lead miner, aged 27, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 12, George 13, and Samuel 10. See 20th February 1872
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, William Parmely, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Parmely, married 15th February 1834, St John, Garrigill) aged 30, children Jane 6, Elizabeth 4, and Mary 2. William Parmerly was buried at Garrigill 16th December 1848, aged 45
In 1851, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, Elizabeth Parmely, widow, aged 43, daughters Jane 16, Elizabeth 14, Mary 12, Margaret 9, and Hannah 7.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, George Teasdale, lead miner, aged 22, and his wife Hannah aged 17. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, William Coates, provisions dealer, aged 76, his wife Elizabeth 64, step daughter Mary Parmley 32, boarder John Davidson, lead miner, aged 19, boarders George Teasdale, widow lead miner, aged 32, Harriett Teasdale 8, and Elizabeth H Teasdale 6. George Teasdale died 1863, or 1865. In the 1871 census both Harriett and Elizabeth were working as servants.

6th December 1870 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF MR JOSEPH DAWSON

We regret to announce the death of Mr Joseph Dawson of Whitely Shield, West Allendale, which event happened last Wednesday (30th Nov). Deceased was employed at the lead ore mines of W. B. Beaumont Esq. Mp., a “Masterman washer,” which past has been efficiently discharged by members of this family for three generations back. ... He was in his 55th year, ... He leaves a wife and a family of 9, four of whom are now married, to lament his loss.
In 1851, at Whitely Shield Green, Joseph Dawson, lead ore washer and farmer of 14 acres, aged 34, his wife Elisabeth (Hetherington married 28th March 1840, at Ninebanks) aged 32, children Hugh 10, Thomas 8, Jane 4, and Elisabeth 1.
In 1861, at Whitely Shield, Joseph Dawson, lead ore dresser, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth aged 42, children, Hugh lead miner 20, Thomas lead miner 18, Jane 14, Elizabeth 11, Joseph 9, John 6, Ann 4, and Samuel 2.
In 1871, at Whitely Shield, Elizabeth Dawson, widow, occupier of 27 acres, aged 53, children Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 19, John, iron stone labourer, aged 16, Ann 14, Abraham 8, and sister Frances Armstrong, miners widow, aged 56.

7th December 1870 (Teesdale Mercury)

WOODLAND.

A Concert of Vocal and Instrumental Sacred Music was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, Woodland, on Saturday evening, the 3rd inst., by the Wesleyan choir of Middleton-in-Teesdale, under the leadership of Mr Wm. Parkin; Miss Cora Parkin presiding at the harmonium in a very efficient manner. Mr M. Bowman occupied the chair. The services of the choir were tendered gratuitously. Every part of the long programme was ably sustained by the choir, some of the pieces reflecting great credit on them, especially

those sung as duets by Miss Atkinson and Miss Cora Parkin, which were rapturously and deservedly encored. The company was large, and seemed greatly delighted with the pieces, which were rendered in such a creditable manner. Before the close of the concert, Mr J. Collinson, the Lead Mining Company's Agent at Gaunless Smelt Mill, addressed the company in a brief but appropriate speech, in which he eulogised the performance of the choir, and proposed a vote of thanks to them for their services, which was cheerfully accorded them by loud and prolonged acclamation. The Chairman, on behalf of the choir responded, and thanked the company for their appreciation of the services of the choir, and also the ladies who had kindly provided them refreshments on their arrival. The Doxology being sung, the company retired well satisfied with the treat. The money received for admission amounted to £5 12s. which will be appropriated towards the liquidation of the debt incumbent on the chapel.

13th December 1870 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Physic Hall, near Alston, on the 6th inst., John Walton, aged 80 years.

13th December 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the parish church of Allendale town, 10th inst., Matthew Millican Esq., Allenheads to Elizabeth second daughter of Thomas Johnson, Newfield Allendale.
Matthew Millican married Mary Liddle 5th September 1855, at Ninebanks, Mary died 2nd quarter of 1860.
The 1861 census shows Matthew as a widow, and William I. Millican aged 1, is living at Carrshield, Barney Craig, Shop, with his mothers family.
In 1871, at Allenheads, Matthew Millican, contractor, farmer of 80 acres, employing 7 labourers and 6 boys, aged 44, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth 30, and son William I. 11. See 1st May 1867
At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst. Mr William Craig, of Dodberry, to Tamar Holmes of Snappergill, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Snappergill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 38, son William 12, boarder William Craig, lead miner, aged 21, and Tamar Craig aged 18.
In 1891, at Gateshead, William Craig, fitter, aged 41, his wife Tamar aged 38, daughter Elizabeth 16, and son Thomas W. aged 6.
In 1901, at Holly Terrace, Gateshead, William Craig, machine minder, aged 51, his wife Tamar, aged 48, and son Thomas W, drapers assistant, aged 16.
In 1911, at St Cuthberts Road, Gateshead, William Craig, dairyman, aged 61, his wife Tamar 58, and son Thomas, hosiers assistant, aged 26.
See 18th December 1841, and 2nd September 1871
At Garrigill Church on the 1st inst. Mr Thomas Wilkinson of Garrigill Gate, to Margaret youngest daughter of Mr Matthew Bramwell of Redwing Farm.
In 1851, at Blagill, Alston, Matthew Bramwell, lead miner & farmer, aged 39, his wife Jane 40, children Robert, lead miner, aged 16, Ann 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Jane 10, Joseph 8, Mary 6, Matthew 4, and Margaret 2. In 1861, at Redwing, Matthew Bramwell, farmer, aged 50, his wife Jane 51,

children Robert, lead miner, aged 26, Ann 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged14, Margaret 12, and grandson Robert Bramwell 6. In 1861, at Garrigill, John Wilkinson, lead miner, and blacksmith, aged 36, his wife Mary (Bowman, married 21st June 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 36, children Thomas 11, Henry 9, Jane 7, Anne 5, Mary 2, William 8 months, and servant Hannah Watson 15.
In 1871, at Red Wing, Matthew Bramwell, farmer of 140 acres, aged 59, his wife Jane 60, son Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, nephew Robert Bramwell, farm labourer, aged 16, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 21, and his wife Margaret Wilkinson, aged 22. In 1881, at Byers Green, Bishop Auckland, Thomas Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 31, his wife Margaret 32, children Mary J. 9, Matthew H. 6, Elizabeth E. 3, and Margaret A. 1. In 1891, at New Field, Byers Green, Thomas Wilkinson, colliery weighman, aged 41, his wife Margaret 42, children Mary Jane 19, Matthew Henry, drapers assistant, aged 16, Elizabeth, Alice 13, Margaret Alice 11, Sarah Annie 8, Martha 2, and boarder, William Hutchinson, coal miner, aged 28. In 1901, at Primrose Hill, Byers Green, Thomas Wilkinson, Check weighman & oversear, aged 51, his wife Margaret 52, daughter, Margaret 21, and Martha 12. In 1911, at Newfield, Willington, Thomas Wilkinson, check weighman, aged 61, his wife Margaret 62, and daughter Martha 22, the census shows that 9 children were born but 4 died.
At Garrigill Church, Mr John Vipond, eldest son of the late Mr John Vipond, yeoman of Dryburn to Miss Mary Watson, 3rd daughter of the late Joseph Watson, yeoman of High Rotherhope.
In 1871, at Dryburn, Garrigill, John Vipond, Ag. Lab, aged 28, and his wife Mary aged 27. In 1881, at Williamstone, Knaresdale, John Vipond, farmer of 1250 acres employing 2 men, aged 38, his wife Mary 37, children, Thomas 8, John J 6, Frances B 4, and Isaac 11 months.
In 1901, at Cow Byre Farm, Blanchland, Shotley High, John Vipond, farmer, aged 58, his wife Mary aged 57, children, Thomas, farmers son, aged 28, John Joseph, farmers son, aged 26, Frances B, aged 24, Isaac, farmers son, aged 30, and Octavius W, 8.
John Vipond died 6th January 1905, aged 62, registered at Alston.
In 1911, at Cow Byre Farm, Blanchland, Shotley High, Mary Vipond, widow, aged 67, children, Thomas, farmers son, aged 38, John Joseph, farmers son, aged 36, Frances Bell, dairy work, aged 34, Isaac, farmers son, aged 20, Mary Ada 17, and Octavius W, working on farm, aged 18.
Mary Vipond died 3rd qtr 1930, aged 86, registered at Alston.

27th December 1870 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Delaware, Canada, 25th ult. aged 46, Mr Thomas Cowing, late of Bishopside, Allendale.
In 1861, at Shankfoot, Plenmeller, Haltwhistle, Thomas Cowing, farm labourer, aged 25, his wife Mary 19, and son John 10 months. Also at Shank Foot, John Cowing, farmer of 600 acres, aged 49, his wife Ann, aged 47, (Parents of Thomas Cowing), and daughters, Jane, 21, Ann 17, Mary 15, and Elizabeth aged 13.

In 1861, at Bishop Side, Allendale, Thomas Cowing, farmer of 100 acres, aged 35, wife Mary (Heslop, married 20th November 1849, at Haltwhistle) aged 29, children Barbara Ann 8, John 5, Thomas 3, and Jane 2 years.

27th December 1870 (Carlisle Journal)
Married
At Garrigill Church, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr Henry Vipond, of Leadgate, near Alston, to Miss Hannah Ward, second daughter of Mr James Ward, yeoman, of Middle Skydes, Garrigill.
Thomas Vipond born 12th June 1827, baptised 7th December 1827, at Redwing Chapel, Alston, parents John Vipond and Helen Moffatt.
In 1851, at Skydes, Garrigill, Thomas Vipond, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary 27, children, Nellie 3, and Henry 2.
In 1861, at Hartside Plain, Alston, Thomas Vipond, stonemason aged 33, his wife Mary 37, children, Nelly 13, Henry, lead ore washer, 12, Sarah 9, John 8, James 6, Thomas 4, and Joseph 1.
In 1871, at Middle Skides, Garrigill, Henry Vipond, lead miner, aged 22, and his wife Hannah aged 19. In 1881, at Dryburn, Alston, Henry Vipond, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Hannah 30, children, Joseph 9, Thomas W 6, James 4, and Mary E 1.
In 1891, at Quarry House, Lambley, Haltwhistle, Henry Vipond, coal miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah 40, children, Joseph, coal miner, aged 18, Mary Ellen 11, Hannah Lizzie 9, Jane 6, and Matilda 4. (Matilda was born at Coanwood, all others at Garrigill)
In 1901, at Chapel House, Lambley, Henry Vipond, coal miner, hewer, aged 52, and his wife Hannah 57.
Henry Vipond died 2nd quarter 1906, aged 57, registered at Haltwhistle.
In 1911, at Skydes, Garrigill Gate, Hannah Vipond, widow, aged 59, and grandson Allen Vipond 7, born Chapel House, Coanwood.
Hannah Vipond died 4th quarter 1931, registered at Alston.
See 2nd June 1865 and 28th September 1866

31st December 1870 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr Emerson Heslop of Browngill to Miss Sarah Hornsby of Grassfield.
Thomas Dodd Hornsby, son of Isaac Hornsby and Mary Dodd, baptised 23rd September 1795, Alston.
Thomas Hornsby married Sarah Lee 16th June 1814, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Thomas and Sarah Hornsby:

Isaac born about 1816, married Sarah Dixon 25th November 1837, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Thomas Lee baptised 19th February 1816 at St Augustine's, Alston, buried 24th December 1817. Mary born 19th February 1818, baptised 20th February 1818, Wesleyan, Alston, buried at Alston 21st February 1818. Fanny (Frances) baptised 24th July 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston, married George Hetherington 24th June 1837, at St Augustine's, Alston. William Lee baptised 26th December 1820, at St Augustine's, Alston. Thomas baptised 30th August 1822, at Alston, at St Augustine's, Alston, son of Thomas and Sarah Hornsby, Agent. Joseph born 20th December 1824, baptised 18th February

1828, at Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel. John James, born 18th February 1828, baptised 18th February 1828, at Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel. Mary born 1st October 1830, baptised 26th December 1830, at Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mary married Matthew Hetherington, 1st quarter 1852.
In 1841, at New Angerton, Blenkinsop, Thomas Hornsby, colliery labourer, aged
45, his wife Sarah 45 (Lee, married 16th June 1814, at Alston), children Joseph, coal miner, aged 16, John, coal miner, aged 13, and Mary 10.
In 1851, at Low Grassfield, Thomas Hornsby, retired mine agent, aged 55, his wife Sarah aged 55, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, daughter Mary aged 20, and grandson, William Lee Hornsby aged 2. In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Matthew Hetherington, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary 30 (Hornsby married 1st quarter of 1852), son John 3, daughter Sarah A 1, mother in law Sarah Hornsby, lead miners widow, aged 65, and step son, William L. Hornsby, lead miner, aged 12. Sarah Hornsby died 4th quarter of 1864.
In 1851, at High Grassfield, Nenthead, Joseph Hornsby, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth (Holmes, married 21st September 1848, Nenthead, daughter of Thomas & Jane Holmes of Grassfield, Nenthead) aged 22, children Sarah 2, and Thomas 1. In 1861, at Grassfield, Joseph, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 32, children Sarah 12, Thomas 11, Jane 8, Frances Ann 6, Richard Walton 5, Elizabeth 3, and William 1. In 1871, at Grassfield, Joseph Hornsby, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 43, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Richard W, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 13, William 10, Joseph G 7, John E 5, Maggie E 2, and Maria 2 months. In 1881, at 42, Redheugh Rd., Gateshead, Joseph Hornsby, grocers assistant, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Joseph H. house agents clerk, aged 17, Edwin, page boy, aged 16, Meggie 13, and Fred 8. Joseph died 3rd quarter of 1889, aged 64.
In 1901, at West Street, Whickham, William Howeton, colliery blacksmith, aged 41, his wife Margaret 33, children Ethel H10, Edwin 9, Elizabeth 7, Earnest 5, mother in law Elizabeth Hornsby 73 (died 2nd quarter of 1906, aged 77), and niece Florence Hornsby 8.

In 1851, at Byerhope, Allendale, Joseph Heslop, rail layer, aged 30, his wife Jane (Pears, married 1st June 1844, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 29, children John 7, Isabel 5, Emerson 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1861, at Brownley Hill, Nenthead, Joseph Heslop, joiner, aged 41, and his wife Jane 38, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Isabella 14, Emerson, lead miner, aged 12, Joseph10, Robert N 8, Thomas 5, Mary Jane 3, (all born, Hexham) Frances Ann 9 months, born Alston, and visitor, Mary Walton, widow, aged 56, born Hexham. In 1871, at Brown Gill, Nenthead, Emerson Heslop, lead miner, aged 22, his wife Sarah 22, and daughter Lizzie J 2 months. In 1881, at 20 Eton Street, Gateshead, Emerson Heslop, porter, aged 32, his wife Sarah 32, children Lizzy J. 10, John J. 8, Maggie 6, Sarah Ann 4, and Frances M. 2.
Emerson Heslop died at Newcastle, 4th quarter of 1848, aged 40.
In 1891, at 49 Clifford Street, Byker, Sarah Heslop, widow, living on own means, aged 42, children John, butcher, aged 18, Sarah, servant, aged 14, Mary 11, and lodger, Anthony Robertson, butcher, aged 21. In 1901, at

Fourth Ave, Heaton, John J Heslop, butcher aged 28, his wife Maggie aged 34, and daughter Elsie M. aged 1. In the 1st quarter of 1895, Joseph Nelson Paidley married Sarah Heslop, at Newcastle. In 1901, at 13 Richardson Street, Heaton, Joseph N. Paidley, Railway foreman, goods yard, aged 52, his wife Sarah 52, son David aged 11, daughter Annie Heslop, aged 23, and grandson Walter Heslop aged 1.
See 24th April 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 22nd March 1879, 1st April 1882, 23rd February 1901, and 6th April 1901.

Deaths

At Brownside, 27th ult. aged 32, Fanny wife of Mr Duncan Walton, Lead Ore Washer.

In 1851, at Nent Hall, Mary Walton (possibly Liddle, married at Alston 18th May 1823), widow (Husband Joseph Walton), annuitant, aged 46, children Mary 26, Samuel Alexander miner and mining agent, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Duncan, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and granddaughter Sarah Walton 2 years.
In 1861, at Hudgill Rigg, Duncan Walton, lead miner, aged 27, sister Mary Walton, housekeeper, aged 36, and niece Sarah Walton 13.
Duncan married in 1862 (Ann Bramwell?); the 1871 census shows at Brown Side House, Alston, Duncan Walton, aged 37, lead ore washer & farmer of 23 acres, children Mary Jane, 8, Thomas Cameron 6, and Sarah 3. On 5th March 1873, Duncan married Elizabeth Parmley.
In 1881, at Blackburn Mill, Alston, Duncan Walton, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 43, children Thomas Cameron 16, Sarah 13, and Joseph Edward 5 years.

6th January 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)

The GARRIGILL READING ROOM, held its anniversary on Saturday night. The balance in hand on the year is £3 13s. 2d., number of members 64, books circulated in the year, 768.

7th January 1871 (Hexham Courant)

Nicholas Sanderson of Allenheads was summoned for being drunk and refusing to quit a public house at Allenheads on December 2nd. PC Robertson stated "He has been out to New Zealand and only came home lately. He is a quiet man when sober." Fined 5s and costs.

LETTER FROM MR. J. JAMESON, LATE OF HEXHAM

The following letter, which cannot fail to be interesting to the numerous friends of Mr. Jameson in this district, has been handed to us for publication: -

"City of Toronto, 466, Younger Street, Ontario
Canada W., 7th Dec. 1870.

Dear Sir, Before leaving Hexham I promised to several that I would write to them shortly after my arrival here and give them an account of my proceedings, how I like the country, &c., and as I find that I have not time to write to all, will you therefore kindly permit me to address to you the following fragmentary sort of letter, the publication of such portion of that you may think interesting will oblige. After arriving here, about the 14th of June last, we remained in the City one night, and took our departure the following morning by the Northern Railway to Bell Ewart, against the solemn protests of a man who had returned the day previous from the great 'El

Dorado,' the 'Muskoko district.' Arriving at Bell Ewart all safe, we then embarked on board the 'Emily May' for Orillia, the weather being fine, made it quite pleasant sailing on the lakes. From Orillia, we went to Washago; from Washago we went by stage to Gravenhurst. This is the roughest part of the journey. I cannot attempt to give you an idea of it. Fourteen miles I may say through a dense forest, amidst huge boulders and tall pine trees up hill and down dale, and often expecting to reach terra firma sooner than you bargained for, part of the road being what is called 'Corduroy,' but I believe it is now considerably improved, and part of it planked. We reached Gravenhurst late at night and went aboard the 'Wenonah' for Bracebridge, at which place we arrived about one o'clock on Sunday morning. We remained at the Royal Hotel over the Sunday, and left on Monday morning in a team hired from the obliging landlord of the hotel, and reached our destination safe. We remained a month with our friends at Dell Brook and Lee Hall, which is about five miles from Utterston village and Post-office. Bracebridge is quite a rising place, with four large hotels and several large stores; seven or eight years ago, it was not in existence, and now it has a newspaper, the Bracebridge Advocate. I bought a hundred acres of land near to Utterston, and about a mile from Mr Matthew Armstrong's farm (late chemist Hexham), and have about twenty acres clear and under cultivation. I think it will be about two miles from St. Mary's Lake.

The scenery from the lake is beautiful, and all along the river (Muskoko) presents a magnificent scene for the painter; at Reed's Bay it widens out into what appears to be a calm still lake with the motion of the dark waters scarcely perceptible, and when you round the bend you see before you a wild turgid rapid, dashing along with impetuous fury. A little farther down Mr Machie, from Birmingham, has erected a comfortable farmhouse and buildings, and Mr Kay has selected a beautiful spot on the riverbank for his residence, which he calls Inverness House. As I could not get possession of my place until the fall, and for other reasons, I left and came here for the winter, but as we like Toronto, I think it is probable we shall remain here for some time. I have gone into business again and opened out a new grocery and liquor store, and doing much better than I expected. Dr Johnson, who boards with us, was telling me he had some conversation with Col. Maude, of London, England, who has been up to Muskoko examining the country. He is connected with one of the leading English Emigration Societies and he approves of the district being every way adapted for profitable farming. He has purchased property for himself at Bracebridge. I was sorry to read in the Courant the death of Dr Pearson. With respects to yourself and Mrs C., I remain yours obediently,

JAMES JAMESON

P.S. The weather is remarkably fine here, we having had only one fall of snow, which disappeared in a day or two.

In 1861, at Fore Street, Hexham, James Jameson, grocer, provisions dealer, aged 28, his wife Phillis (Reed, married 3rd quarter of 1854, reg. at Hexham), aged 27, and daughter Ida Mary 3 (Ida died 4th quarter of 1866, aged 8).
The Canadian passenger lists suggest that they travelled on the St David from Glasgow arriving at port 15th June 1870. In 1871, James and his family were living in St Patricks Ward, Toronto West, Ontario he was working as a storekeeper. The 1881 census shows them in the same place, James 46 is

working as a Short Hand writer, Phillis his wife aged 46, and children are living with him, James a bookbinder 18, Phillis 15, George 14, Ida 13 and Minnie 8. In 1891, James is listed as a Teacher of shorthand.

21st January 1871 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The Lead Company's Yearly Pay at Nenthead was held on January 11th and has been the poorest that has been experienced for many years. Above £2,000, less has been paid than last and former years, which was sadly felt throughout the district among tradesmen and the labouring poor. It has fallen heaviest on the miners underground, and as the greatest number of the Company's workmen are composed of underground miners, and makes the loss to the trading community felt throughout the district. I think there was little if any interest occurred at the pays. Hawkers and Peddlers suffered a terrible onslaught by the Police, the generality of whom were ignorant of the change, which took place at the beginning of the new-year. Not having certificates, and the Police having to perform their duty, discharged the whole of those unprovided with permits for Hawking. A few who were awake to the recent alterations made a fair thing of it, in getting the business to themselves which others had to suffer, who had provided a stock of goods for the occasion being put hor's de combat, and their stock of goods partly left on hand. Upon the whole, the pays in the Market place were very thin, and also the public houses, though there were no lack of tradesmen, as their numbers was quite up to the standard of former years.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 14th inst. aged 73, Mrs Jane Elliott.

In 1841, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Thomas Elliot (died 1849), lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane (Walton, married 20th November 1819, Alston) age 40, children John 15, Jane 13, Smith 10, Sarah 8, Robert 6, and Mary Ann 3.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Jane Elliott, pauper, lead miners widow, aged 53, children Jane, dress maker, aged 23, Smith, stone breaker, aged 20, Sarah 18, Robert, lead ore dresser, aged 16, and Mary Ann 13.
In 1861, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Jane Elliott, miners widow, aged 67, Smith, outdoor labourer, aged 28, and Mary A. House maid, aged 21.

At Alston, 12th inst., aged 3 months, Anne daughter of Mr Jonathan Walton, Innkeeper.

In 1841, at Four Dargue, John Walton, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary aged 39, children Thomas, Clogg makers apprentice, aged 15, Fenwick 13, William 11, Eleanor 8, Jonathan 4, and John 1.
In 1851, at Four Dargue, John Walton, lead miner, & farmer, aged 48, his wife Mary 49, children Thomas, cartman, aged 25, Fenwick, lead miner, aged 27, Ellen 18, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, John 10, and Mary 7.
In 1861, at Corbygates, Mary Walton, widow, farmer of 70 acres, aged 59, son Jonathan, farmers son, aged 24, and daughter Mary 17.
In 1871, at Corbygates, Mary Walton, widow, farmer of 180 acres, son William, farmer, aged 40, and granddaughter Ellen Teasdale aged 8. In 1881, at Blue Bell House, Alston, Mary Walton, farmers widow, aged 78, and granddaughter Ellen Teasdale, domestic servant, aged 18.

In 1880, at North Ruby Hill, Eureka, Nevada, William Walton, miner, aged 50.

SACRED
TO
THE
MEMORY OF
JOHN WALTON OF CORBYGATES
WHO DIED MARCH 25TH 1861
AGED 58 YEARS
ALSO OF JOHN HIS SON WHO
DIED OCT 29TH 1830
AGED 3 YEARS
AND OF THOMAS HIS SON WHO
DIED IN AMERICA
NOV 27 1837 AGED 33 YEARS
ALSO OF JOHN HIS SON
WHO DIED MAY 19TH 1879
AGED 37
INTERRED IN CROYDON CEMETERY
ALSO OF MARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JUNE 4TH 1881
AGED 79 YEARS
ALSO OF WILLIAM THEIR SON
WHO DIED AT RUBY HILL
AMERICA MAY 16TH 1882
AGED 51 YEARS
ALSO OF JONATHAN THEIR SON WHO
DIED
JANUARY 24TH 1892 AGED 55 YEARS

In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Jane Graham, widow, innkeeper, aged 71, son in law, Jonathan Walton, innkeeper, aged 34, his wife Jane aged 29, grandson, Gilbert E., 3, and granddaughter Mary J. aged 2.
In 1881, at the Blue Bell Hotel, Alston, Jonathan Walton, licensed victualler, aged 44, his wife Jane 39, children Gilbert 13, Mary Jane 12, Lilly 9, Minnie 5, Jonathan H. 4, and Charles F. 1.
In 1891, at Blue Bell Inn, Front Street, Jonathan Walton, hotelkeeper, aged 54, his wife Jane 49, children Mary 22, Lily 19, Minnie 15, Herbert 14, and Charles 11. In 1901, at 12 Balmoral Avenue, Gateshead, Jane Walton, widow, aged 59 (Jane died 2nd quarter of 1909), son Gilbert E. Engine fitter, aged 33, daughter Isabel 29, and son Charles F., Engine fitters labourer, aged 21. In 1901, Jonathan H. Walton, aged 24, is working as a barman, living at 7 Cecil St., Tynemouth.
In 1911, at 49 Kingsley Terrace, Elswick, Jonathan Herbert Walton, Hotel Manager, aged 34, and his wife Bertha aged 39.
See 29th April 1864, 5th April 1873, and 25th July 1874
At Alston, 12th inst., aged 9 months, Sarah Elizabeth daughter of Mr William Tatters.
In 1841, at Smelt Mill, Nenthead, George Irwin, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella (Hewatson), aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Catherine, 15, George, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 10, Isabella10, Anthony 8, Rachel 5, Betty 3, and Hannah 3 months.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella 53, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Joseph,

lead ore smelter, aged 24, Anthony, lead miner, aged 18, Rachel 15, Betsy 13, and Hannah 10.
In 1841, at Mill Lane, Alston, John Tatters, lead miner, aged 55, Sarah Tatters 55, and William Tatters, lead miner 13. John Tatters married Sarah Bailes 3rd February 1811, at Alston. John Tatters died 3rd quarter of either 1843 or 1847.
In 1851, at Front Street, Sarah Tatters, widow, aged 66, sons Thomas, woodman aged 41, and William, lead ore smelter, aged 23, son of John Tatters and Sarah Bailes, born 7th October 1827. In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, William Tatters, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Rachel (Erwin, married at Nenthead, 4th March 1860) aged 25, children John 3 and Sarah 2 months.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, William Tatters, general dealer, aged 43, his wife Rachel 35, sons John 13, George 8, and Thomas W 4. In 1881, at 5 Market Place, Alston, William Tatters, china merchant, aged 52, his wife Rachel 45, children John, letter carrier, aged 22, George, wool spinner, aged 17, Thomas, William, china merchants assistant, aged 14, Elizabeth Sarah 5, Isabella 3, Walton 1, and Ruth 9. William Tatters died 4th quarter of 1888, aged 61.
In 1891, at Front Street, Rachel Tatters, widow, aged 53, children John, postman, aged 31, George, carriage proprietor, aged 28, Thomas W. drapers assistant, aged 23, Walton 11, Ruth, stocking knitter, aged 18, Elizabeth S, stocking knitter, aged 15, and Isabella, pupil teacher, aged 13.
Rachel Tatters died 3rd quarter of 1895, aged 60.

11th February 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 5th inst., Mr Barron Dryden to Miss Ann Watson both of Nenthead.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Caleb Dryden, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Watson, married 21st October 1819) aged 35, children Nanny 20, Watson, washer of lead ore15, Caleb 15, Mary 12, John 9, Jane 6, Barron 3, and Agness 5 months. Caleb Dryden snr. died 20th November 1844.
In 1851, at Donks Hall, Mary Dryden, lead miners widow, aged 51, children Mary 30, Watson, lead miner, aged 28, John, lead miner, aged 29, Jane Dryden 16, Barron, lead miner, aged 14, and Agnes 10.
In 1861, at Overwater, Mary Dryden, miners widow, aged 60, children Nancy, house keeper, aged 39, Watson, lead miner, aged 37, Jane, house maid, aged 26, Barron, lead ore miner, aged 23.
In 1871, at Overwater, Barron Dryden, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Ann aged 21. Barron Dryden died 26th April 1876
See 23rd November 1844, 2nd April 1867, 17th November 1868, 29th April 1876, 6th June 1885, and 20th June 1885
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston 6th inst., Mr John Proud, Merit Hall, Knaresdale, to Ann third daughter of Mr Joseph Teasdale, Black House Alston.
In 1871, at Black House, Alston, Joseph Teasdale, farmer of 144 acres, & lime burner & mason, aged 56, his wife Ann 54, children James 23, Smith 19, Mary 16, Ann Proud 26, and granddaughter Mary Ann Proud 1 month.
In 1881, at 4 Merit Hall, Knaresdale, John Proud, mason, aged 50, his wife Ann 36, children Mary A. 10, Isabella 7, Elizabeth 5, Sarah H. 3, and Jane 1.

Deaths
At The Folly, West Allen, 7th inst., aged 52, Mr Matthew Keenleyside Lead miner.
Matthew was the son of William & Mary (Short) Keenleyside born 27th November 1818 at Ninebanks.
In 1851, at Folly, Mary Keenleyside, widow, aged 64, children William, joiner journeyman, aged 36, Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 33, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 30, and Mary 28. In 1861 at The Folly, William Keenleyside joiner 45, living with his brothers & sisters, Matthew lead miner 40, Joseph lead ore dresser 39, Mary Keenleyside 37.
At Nenthead 7th inst., aged 4, Sarah Jane daughter of Mr Robinson Watson.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Mary Watson, aged 40, children Mary 18 Robinson, lead miner, aged 16, and Jane 13.
In 1851, at Overwater, Robinson Watson, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary Ann (Peart, born Stanhope, married in 1849 at Nenthead) aged 22, and daughter Ann 1. In 1861, at Pipers Row, Nenthead, Robinson Watson, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Mary A., aged 32, children Ann 11, John 9, Thomas 7, Robinson 5, and Roddam 1. In 1871 at Overwater, Robinson Watson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary Ann 42, Thomas shoe maker 17, Robinson lead ore washer 15, Roddam 11, Adam 9, Betsy 6, Mary 1. Robinson Watson died 1st quarter of 1880, aged 54, at Darlington.
In 1881, at 44 Jane Street, Darlington, Mary A. Watson, widow, aged 52, children Roddam, waiter in cocoa rooms, aged 21, Adam, railway porter, aged 19, Betsy, waiter in cocoa rooms, aged 16, and Mary 11. See 24th March 1888

14th February 1871 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 5th inst., Mr John Lowe, master of Alston Workhouse, aged 49 years.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Phebe Lowe, unmarried, house keeper, aged 57, and boarder, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 39.
At Gillhouse, near Alston, Mary Richardson, aged 64 years.
In 1861, at Gill House, Alston, Ann Richardson, unmarried, farmer of 150 acres, emplying 3 labourers, aged 55, sister Mary 50, cousin John, scholar, aged 16, and 3 servants.
At Annatwalls, on the 7th inst., Sarah, daughter of William Walton, aged 16 years.
In 1861, at Annatwalls, Alston, William Walton, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah 28, children Sarah 6, Joseph 4, and Amelia 1. See 31st August 1889

14th February 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON WORKHOUSE.
MASTER WANTED.
THE GUARDIANS of Alston with Garrigill intend at their MEETING to be held on Saturday the 18th March next, to elect a MASTER of the WORKHOUSE at Alston. He must be a Single man or a Widower without encumbrance, as no children can be received into or Boarded in the Workhouse.

Candidates must be fully competent to keep the Workhouse accounts and to perform the duties of Master in accordance with the regulations of the Poor Law Board.
The Salary will be £25 per Annum (subject to the approval of the Poor Law Board) with rations, washing, lodgings, and fuel in the Workhouse.
The Master must give Security in the Sum of £100, for the due performance of his office. Applications in the handwriting of the Candidates— naming age— accompanied with testimonials of recent date are to be sent to me before the 11th March next.
No Candidate need attend unless written to for that purpose.
By order of the Board, JOSEPH DICKINSON, Clerk. Alston, 18th February, 1871.

24th February 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
SANITARY STATE OF ALSTON. —A meeting of the inhabitants of Alston was held in the Town Hall, on Monday last, for the purpose of hearing and considering a report drawn up by a committee appointed at a previous public meeting, for inquiring into the sanitary state of the town. The Rev W. C. P. Baylee was called to the chair. The meeting was numerously attended. The Chairman explained the object of the meeting, after which the report of the committee was read and adopted. The committee recommended several alterations and additions to the present system of sewerage and water supply, and that in connection with the latter, means should be provided for extinguishing fires, if such should unfortunately occur. They also recommended that an effort should be made to raise the necessary funds by a voluntary subscription, and suggested that a memorial, a copy of which was read to the meeting, should be forwarded to the Lords of the Admiralty and the Lords of the Manor, asking them to assist in enabling the inhabitants of the town to carry out the much-needed improvements. The memorial was adopted by the meeting.

1st March 1871 (Teesdale Mercury)
GREEN HURTH LEAD MINE. —This mine is situate in the county of Durham, at the point where this county is divided from Cumberland and Westmorland by the river Tees and Crook bum. The sett is many miles in extent, and the turnpike-road leading from Alston to Middleton-in-Teesdale, passes through it. The quantity of ore raised from shallow pits, &c., about the surface is not known. About twenty years ago a shallow level was driven 120 fms. above the scar limestone, and a rich east and west vein discovered, from which large quantities of lead ore were obtained, and a very handsome return made to the shareholders for the capital expended. In consequence of the level being driven above the limestone a sump had to be sunk into it, and the work and ore were brought to the sump foot in wheelbarrows, &c. As the workings in the vein became more distant the water increased so much, and the air became so impure, that these works were abandoned, with good ore standing both east and west in the vein. A feeble attempt was made to re-win the mine by other works, but the calls necessary to do this were not responded to, and the mine lay idle for some time, and eventually the sett was forfeited. The present company having obtained a new lease and lower dues extended a level under the scar limestone, and have also bought up a deep level between two and

three hundred fathoms. In the upper level they have cut two north and south veins, not known to exist in the sett. Workings on same veins are going on at several points, and the produce from them, although not rich, has enabled the company to erect a large amount of valuable property on the mines, consisting of lodging-houses for men, stables, covered dressing-floors, &c., without any call upon the shareholders. A water-race has been cut for nearly two miles, and sufficient water brought home for a crusher and all dressing purposes, also a branch cart-road partly made for the same distance. Exploring works have been going on to discover the east and west vein, formerly so rich near the surface, and it is believed that this has been accomplished, the vein having been heaved to the south by the north and south veins; however an east and west vein is found, with ore and mineral precisely the same in character as the “old vein’’ and appears likely to be as rich in this level at in the upper one. The same vein must shortly be discovered in the deep level—two veins are already cut, but not explored. The sett is traversed by a great number of east and west veins. Workings carried on north and south in the newly-discovered veins must discover all the east and west veins in the sett. At the north working one east and west vein has just been cut in the level 5 fms, wide, but is not yet explored. As the north and south veins contain more ore than will pay the cost of driving, it follows that all the east and west veins will be cut at no cost to the shareholders, and last year's workings left a profit of 400/., besides fitting up all erections. — *Mining Journal*

7th March 1871 (Penrith Observer)
Marriages
At Nenthead, on the 21st ult., by the Rev. H. Robinson, vicar, Mr George Hopkins, to Miss Ann Tatters, both of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, Elizabeth Hopkins, widow, house keeper, aged 65, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead miner, aged 25, and daughter in law, Ann Hopkins 22.
Joseph Hopkin/Hopton died 3rd November 1871, aged 23. See 11th November 1871.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, George Hopkin, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Ann 31, and daughter Jane 8.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Hopkins, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 41, and son, George Charles 6. In 1891, Jane Hopkin aged 18 was working as a domestic servant for Anthony Bolton, manager of the lead smelting works at Nenthead.
In 1901, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Hopkins, horse keeper, aged 54, his wife Ann 51, and son, George Charles, labourer, aged 16.
In 1911, at Nenthead, George Hopkins, widower, lead miner, aged 64, son George Charles, lead miner, aged 26, and servant, Florence Percival, house keeper, aged 20.

9th March 1871 (Whitehaven News)
ACCIDENT TO A MINER AT NEWLANDS, NEAR KESWICK. —On Saturday morning as John Fisher who is employed at Yewthwaite Lead Mine, was engaged in clearing out the workings of the mine preparatory to its changing owners, he came in contact with the hopper of the engine, by which his was literally smashed above the elbow, and very severely lacerated below it,

causing a great loss of blood. The accident has caused a general feeling regret in the vale, as the poor man was universally respected as a good neighbour, and most sober hard working man, who, upon small wage, has nobly endeavoured to live respectably. He has a family of eight children, six of whom are quite unable from their tender years to earn anything towards their own maintenance. The arm has been set, and he is progressing as favourably as can be expected.

CALDBECK FELLS MINING COMPANY. —The half yearly general meeting of the shareholders in the Caldbeck Fells Lead and Copper Mining Company (Limited) was held on Friday at the offices of the company, Carlisle— Mr. Banks, of Highmoor House, in the chair. The report of the directors, which was adopted, showed that the expenditure on capital account had been £605 14s 10d. The revenue account showed loss of £968 17s 5d. The sales of lead ore during the half-year had amounted to £3,446 9s 9d, and those of copper ore to £728 7s 6d. The report stated that had it been possible to dress the ore obtained from the mine the accounts would have shown profit, but owing to the uncertainty and inadequacy of the water power the ore could not be dressed, and the directors were opinion that a steam engine in connection with the dressing apparatus would be necessary. In his report of the condition of the mines underground, Mr. John Taylor, who inspected them in January last, states that the levels were at that time poor, with one or two exceptions, and must be extended through the bars of unproductive ground before ore will be met with. In the deep adit level the vein had entirely failed, and did not look promising, but it might be reasonably expected that after the level had been extended a certain distance, ore-bearing ground would again be met with. The deep adit level had been driven on the new lode eastwards about fifteen fathoms through a fine piece of ore-bearing ground. A rise had been commenced in the back of the deep adit level near the junction of the north and new lodes, which is now about four fathoms, and has passed for that distance through a very fine lode with three tons of lead ore to the fathom. The rise would be carried up to communicate with the 80 fathom level as quickly as possible. Mr. Taylor said that since his report had been issued he had visited the mines. As to the level going west, which in January was very poor indeed, Captain Hawke and he had thought that in all probability the lode was further to the north, so they had taken away a piece of ground to the north, and now a very fine lode could be seen. The same policy was pursued with the 80 fathom level, and a lode had been found, which, however, he could not say was very rich.—The Chairman announced that the directors had not agreed among themselves as to the erection of a new engine. —No resolution was made on the subject. The retiring directors, Sir Robert Brisco and Mr. Banks, were re-elected, and Mr. Mulcaster was added to the board. Mr. James Irving was re-appointed auditor.

11th March 1871 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

ALARMING AND DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

At five o'clock on Saturday morning last, some buildings belonging to Mr W. B. Beaumont MP. and situated at, and attached to, the Slitt Lead Mine, near Westgate, Weardale, were entirely destroyed by fire. The buildings consisted of a mine shop and stable on the ground floor, and two rooms on the second

storey. ... The fire arose in this way. Three of the workmen who were employed at the engine were heating some coal tar for the purpose of painting or tarring a large pit or shaft rope when in some unaccountable manner the tar got ignited. ...

18th March 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Acomb Forge, 15th inst. aged 55, Mr John Chester, lead miner, late of West Allen.
John was the son of Matthew and Sarah Chester, baptised at Ninebanks, 8th September 1816. Matthew Chester married Sarah Swindale, 20th July 1811, Allendale.
In 1841, at High, Nentsbury, Sarah Chester, farmer, aged 45, Joseph Chester, lead miner, aged 25, John Chester, lead miner, aged 20, Matthew Chester, lead miner, aged 15. In 1851, at Low Craig Nook, Sarah Chester, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 57, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 38, and granddaughter Sarah Shield 12. In 1861, at Nenthall, Sarah Chester, lead miners widow, aged 66, son Joseph, spelter miner, aged 49, and grandson Matthew Ridley aged 6.
Sarah died 1st quarter of 1863. In 1871, at Nenthall, Joseph Chester, retired lead miner, aged 58, son Matthew R Chester, lead miner, aged 16, and cousin Barbara Ridley, house keeper, aged 20.
Joseph died 2nd quarter of 1871, aged 58.
In 1851, at Nentsbury, Matthew Chester, lead miner, aged 28, born America, his wife Jane (Lattimer), aged 29, born Alston, children, Mary 6 (born Brampton), Sarah 5, Barbara 2, and Margaret 8 months, the last 3 girls born at Alston.
In 1851, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, John Chester, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane (Graham, married at Penrith 4th quarter of 1848) aged 37, and Joseph 9 months. Jane Chester died 4th quarter 1869, aged 55, reg. Hexham)
In 1861 at Haggs foot, Nenthead, John Chester, lead miner, aged 44,born Hexham, his wife Jane 47, born Scotland, children Joseph 10, John 9, Elizabeth 8, Sarah 6, Matthew 5, all the children were born at Alston.
In 1871, at Acomb Forge, John Chester, lead miner 19, sisters Elizabeth 18, Sarah 16, and brother Matthew a blacksmiths apprentice. Joseph Chester, lead miner aged 20 the eldest son, was also living at Acomb, he was married to Margaret Isabella (Parker married 1870) dressmaker, aged 19.

24th March 1871 (Newcastle Courant)
EARTHQUAKE IN NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT.— A distinct shock of earthquake was felt in Newcastle and district at a late hour on Friday night. From all quarters we have received communications going to show that the vibration was of a very decided character indeed. One Newcastle gentleman writes: — 'While sitting in my own house on Friday evening, shortly after 11 o'clock, family and servant having retired to rest, the house shook as if persons had been dancing in one of the upper storeys. I listened; but all was quiet. Immediately afterwards, I felt a similar, though much weaker, shock. The whole house quivered under the former visitation, and I felt certain, on reflection, that it must have been the result of some uneasiness on the part of Mother Earth herself." Mr T. P. Barkas writes to us to say that “last night

(Friday), at about 11:15, he, when in bed, felt a distinct shock of earthquake, and remarked at the time: “That is not a local shaking of the house, but a vibration of the earth's crust.” The sensation occupied about two seconds, and was as if the bed had been rendered suddenly flexible, and sank and rose with considerable rapidity, the only other probable hypothesis being that some very heavy weight had fallen in the room beneath, but such was not the case. The vibration appeared to be from North to South but the lateral motion was slight." Mr Ayton, of Hindley, informs us that all the inmates of his house felt the shock very distinctly, and others hear similar testimony to the earthquake having extended as far west as Carlisle. The earthquake, it seems, had also occurred in other parts of the country. A Press Association telegram says: — “At half-past 11 on Friday night, a slight shock of earthquake was distinctly felt in Yorkshire for some seconds. There was a violent shaking of crockery and windows. The symptoms were felt at York, Wakefield, and Doncaster, it being generally looked upon first as a distant explosion.”

1st April 1871 (Hexham Courant)

W. B. LEAD MINES

We are informed that at the end of June next, Mr Sopwith, who for upwards of a quarter of a century has acted as chief agent at the W. B. Lead mines in Northumberland and Durham will cease active connection with them. Mr Sopwith will then have completed 50 years work in his profession, and we are sure few men will have better earned their retirement than that gentleman. His life has been one of energy and industry, and although by no means in the sere and yellow leaf yet, his very active and laborious career has not been entirely without effect upon even his naturally healthy, if not robust constitution. During the past winter, Mr Sopwith has suffered somewhat severely from illness, and his medical advisors recommend cessation of those active duties, which he has so long and so honourably performed. The many hundreds of workmen with the staff generally connected with W. B. Mines will most sincerely regret the cause of retirement of one for whom they have every reason to feel the utmost respect and esteem. We trust however that in the calm and quiet of a well deserved leisure, Mr Sopwith may speedily recruit his energies and be yet spared to assist in the promotion of those educational and other measures of improvement in which he has for so many years taken a deep interest, and by which the district of the W. B. mines in Allendale, Weardale, and elsewhere have been so greatly benefited. We are glad to learn that Mr Beaumont's acquiescence in this arrangement has been of the most generous character, and marked by lasting and solid proofs of his esteem and regret.

HORRIBLE SUICIDE OF A GENTLEMAN.

A sad case of suicide occurred on Thursday at Middleton in Teesdale. Mr Joseph Pattinson agent to the London Lead Co., residing at Hude, Middleton in Teesdale, a gentleman of strict moral habits rose as usual, had breakfast, read a portion of scripture, and had family prayers; after which he went out, and appears to have gone straight into the stables, put off his coat, vest and neckerchief and deliberately cut his throat.

In 1861 living at Masterman Place, Middleton aged 58, with his wife Elizabeth 56, son Joseph 27 clerk for the lead mining company, and daughter Elizabeth 20, both Joseph and his wife originated from Garrigill. The tragedy brought

the family together in Middleton (Hude Street) as the 1871 census shows. Elizabeth Pattinson 67, Mary Readsham daughter 45, Jacob Readsham son in law 46, Joiner; Joseph Pattinson, son 37, accountant; Ann J Pattinson daughter in law 29; Elizabeth Magee daughter 31; John Magee son in law 32, Primitive Methodist Minister; Elizabeth A Pattinson granddaughter 1; Elizabeth A Magee granddaughter 3.

Deaths

At Chain Bridge near this town, 26th ult. aged 17, Sarah daughter to the late Mr William Baty, lead ore miner.

At Allendale Town, 21st ult. aged 63, Eleanor, wife of Mr John Clemitson.

In 1851, at Allendale, John Clemitson, lead ore washer, farmer of 43 acres, and butcher, aged 47, his wife Eleanor (Watson, married 1831) aged 43, children Robert, farmers son, aged18, Mary 15, Jacob J. lead ore washer, aged 13, John 11, Joseph W. 9, Thomas 7, William S. 4, Eleanor E. 2, Rebecca E. 2.

In 1861, at Finney Hill, Allendale, John Clemitson, farmer of 60 acres and lead ore washer, aged 57, his wife Eleanor 53, children Mary 25, John, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Joseph W. saddler, aged 19, Thomas, farmers son, aged 17, Wm Smith 14, Eleanor E. 12, Rebecca E. 12, and niece Mary J. Clemitson, servant, aged 15.

1st April 1871 (Hexham Herald)

Earthquake reported on Friday 23rd March, 2 shocks reported 7pm and 11 pm further shocks reported the following Friday.

Deaths

At Nenthead 29th ult., aged 31, Sarah, relict of Mr Matthew Pattinson.

Sarah Thompson a bonnet maker, daughter of John a lead miner, & Jane of Nenthead, married Matthew Pattinson in 1861, Matthew a lead ore miner died in 1867, aged 30.

5th April 1871 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

London Lead Company's Workmen's Fund. —Some idea of the importance of this fund may be gathered from the fact that the amount of the Members' contributions in 1870 was £1838 2s. 0d. The Lead Company's donation, in 1809, was £100. The expenses of management amount but to £12 19s. 0d. yearly.

Shocking Suicide.—The neighbourhood of Middleton-in-Teesdale evinced considerable excitement on Thursday morning, on its becoming known that Mr Joseph Pattinson agent to the London Lead Mining Company residing at Hude, near Middleton, had committed suicide. The news could hardly for awhile be credited as Mr Pattinson had been so well known as an upright and honourable Christian gentleman, the equal tenor of whose long and useful life seemed to preclude the possibility of an end so tragic. The circumstances of the sad occurrence, so far as they are known are: —Mr Pattinson arose as usual on Thursday morning and had breakfast. He read a portion of Scripture and had family prayers, after which he went out, and appears to have gone straight into the stable, put off his coat, vest, and neckerchief, and deliberately cut his throat. Shortly after his wife went into the stable, and discovered the ghastly spectacle. He was in a kneeling position, with his face on the ground,

quite dead. His clothes were laid on the corn bin, and the razor with which he had committed the awful deed was lying beside him, and also a note written with a pencil on a slip of paper, but evidently whilst in a stale of great excitement, as scarcely a word was legible any further than that it was a farewell address to his wife and family, and kind remembrances to Mr Bainbridge. No reason can be assigned for the perpetration of the horrid deed, but for some few days he was very changed in manner, yet nothing of such a sad nature was apprehended by his family. Deceased, who was sixty-eight years of age, was very highly respected. An inquest was held on Friday, when a verdict was returned that deceased had committed suicide whilst labouring under temporary insanity. The remains of the lamented gentleman were interred on Sunday, and were followed to the grave by the several agents of the Lead Company, most of the workpeople, and a great concourse of the inhabitants generally of Middleton and the neighbourhood.

8th April 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, Mr Joseph Beaumont Hind, to Miss Jane Richardson, both of Alston.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Hind, grocer & bookseller, aged 39, his wife Susan (Armstrong, married 4th March 1841, Alston) aged 30, daughter Mary 10, sons R Newton 7, J B 6, T Coke 3, and Wm A 1. In 1861, at Butts, Joseph Hinde, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Susan 41, children Mary 20, Robert N, lead miner, aged 17, Joseph B, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas L 12, William A 10, John R 7, and Isabella 6. In 1871, at Front Street, Joseph Hinde, angler, aged 58, his wife Susan 50, children Mary 30, Thomas C, coal miner, aged 23, William A, coal miner, aged 20, John R, coal miner, aged 18, Isabella 16, and grandson Ernest A 7. In 1881, at Cottage, Thirlwell, Haltwhistle, Joseph Hind, retired grocer, aged 68, his wife Susan 58, daughter Mary 40, sons Thomas L., coal miner, aged 32, William, coal miner, aged 29, grandson Ernest A. Hind, coal miner, aged 15, and grandson Edward L. Hind aged 2.
In 1851, at Butts, Thomas Richardson, carpenter, aged 33, his wife Margery A 23, and daughter Jane 3.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Richardson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margery A 33, daughters Jane 13, and Frances 5.
Margery Anna Richardson died 2nd quarter of 1861.
In 1871, at Butts, Thomas Richardson, widow, joiner, aged 54, son in law Joseph B Hind, coal miner, aged 25, daughter Jane Hind, mill reeler, aged 23, and daughter Frances Richardson, mill winder, aged 15.
Thomas Richardson died 2nd quarter of 1880, aged 64.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph B. Hind, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Jane 32, children Margaret A. 9, Isabella 6, Thomas 3, and John Js. 1. In 1891, at Butts, Joseph B Hind, coal miner, aged __, his wife Jane 43, children Margery A., stocking examiner, aged 19, Isabella, stocking knitter, aged 16, Thomas, wool winder, aged 13, John S 11, Alfred 6, and Robert W 3. In 1901, at 106 Richardson Street, Caldewgate, Carlisle, Joseph B Hinde, city toll collector, aged 58, his wife Jane 53, children Margaret A 29, Isabella, iron works time keeper, aged 26, Thomas, Railway fitter engineer, aged 23, John

J, stationers clerk, aged 21, Alfred, apprentice die fitter, aged 16, and Robert W P, grocers errand boy, aged 13
Primitive Methodist Chapel, 1st inst. Mr Peter Swindle, of Clog Hall, to Miss Ellen Walton of Nenthead Fields.
In 1881, at Bridge End Cottage, Nenthead, John Swindle, widow, lead smelter, aged 62, also Peter Swindle, lead smelter and farmer of 13 acres, aged 30, his wife Eleanor 30, sons John 9, and Isaac W. 4.
See 10th September 1942
Deaths
At Alston 1st inst. aged 66 Mr Thomas Sanders
In 1841, at Kates Lane, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah (Seatree, married 4th quarter of 1839) aged 20, and son William 9 months.
In 1851, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Sarah (Seatree, married 4th quarter of 1839) aged 34, wife's son Joseph Seatree, lead miner, aged 16, sons William 11, and Thomas 4.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Sarah 45, William, lead miner, aged 20, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1871, at Townfoot, Sarah Sanders, widow, aged 55, son William, lead miner, aged 30, grandson Walton Lowe 6, and visitor Mary Seatre, coal miners wife, aged 51. In 1881, at Crown Lane, Sarah Sanders, lead miners widow, aged 67, son William, coal miner, aged 42, and grandson Walton Sanders, coal miner, aged 16.
At Alston 2nd inst. aged 1 week, Alice daughter of Mr John Bales.
In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, John Bales, lead miner, aged 31, wife Ann (Clementson, married 1st quarter of 1855) aged 24, children Elizabeth 4, Sarah A. 3, and boarder Joseph Clementson, lead miner, aged 21. In 1871, at the Queens Head Inn, Front Street, Alston, John Bailes, lead ore miner, and Inn keeper, aged 61, wife Ann 35, children Elizabeth 15, Isabella 10, Margaret I. 6, Mary 6, John J. 1, and domestic servant Jane Hutchinson 29. Sarah Ann aged 13, was staying with her grandmother at the Royal Oak Inn, Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Diggles, widow, Innkeeper aged 58 and her grandmothers son Joseph Clemintson, lead miner aged 31.
In 1881, at Front Street, Swan Inn, John Bayles, innkeeper & licensed victualler, aged 51, his wife Ann 45, children Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 24, Margaret 15, Mary 13, John 11, Thomas W. 7, and Alfred 2.
In 1891, at Swan Inn, Front Street, John Bales, innkeeper & lead miner, aged 61, his wife Ann 55, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Margaret, domestic servant, aged 25, and Alfred 12 See 19th June 1872

15th April 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 6th inst. John Hutchinson aged 10 years.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Anthony Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 41, born Allendale, his wife Margaret (Charlton?) aged 51, born Allendale, children John, lead miner, aged 19, born Nenthead, Elizabeth, dressmakers apprentice, aged 17, born Kenton, Jane 14, born Stanhope, and Ann 9, born Nenthead.
In 1861, at Elba, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah (Erwin, married 2nd February 1854, at Nenthead) aged32, children Anthony 6, James J. 3, and John 3 weeks.

In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, lead ore smelter, aged 39, his wife Hannah aged 42, children James E. 13, John 10, Joseph 7, Margaret A. 5, and Elizabeth 2. In 1881, at Todhills, Byers Green, Durham, John Hutchinson, plate layer on railway, aged 49, his wife Hannah 52, children Joseph 17, Margaret A. 15, Elizabeth 12, boarder Anthony Hutchinson, widow, retired lead miner, aged 71. In 1881, at Tod Hill, Byers Green, John Hutchinson, plate layer on railway, aged 49, his wife Hannah 52, children Joseph, masons labourer, aged 17, Margaret A. 15, Elizabeth 12, and boarder Anthony Hutchinson, widow, formerly lead miner, aged 71.
Anthony Hutchinson snr., died 2nd quarter of 1882, aged 72; his son John died 1st quarter of 1888, aged 56, both reg. Auckland, Durham.
In 1891, at Tod Hills, Byers Green, Hannah Hutchinson, widow, aged 62, son Joseph, mason, aged 27, daughters Margaret 25, and Elizabeth 22.
See 6th April 1898

18th April 1871 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

TO PROPRIETORS AND SPECULATORS IN LEAD MINING

SECTIONS of the STRATIFIED ROCKS from Nent Force, Alston, in Cumberland, to Middleton-in-Teesdale, showing all the Mineral Veins which cross the river Tyne and the river Tees, Also sections from Brownley Hill Mine, including the Nenthead veins, from thence down Wear Valley to Stanhope Burn, Also sections from Melmerby, passing from thence to Ousby, Skirwith, Blencairn, Milburn, Kirkland, Dufton, Brough, and to the top of Stainmore, Also sections from the Greta river, through Hunderthwaite, Lunedale, Teesdale, Wear Valley to Wardenhill, Weardale; showing the Mineral Veins, their throws, and elevation and above the sea level.
May be had of Jos Walton, late Agent for the London Lead Company: 50 Scott's Temperance Hotel, Castlegate, Penrith, Cumberland,

22nd April 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 11th inst. Ann Hutchinson, widow, aged 72 years.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann (Hallam, married 3rd June 1819) aged 40, children Mary 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth 6, and Ann 3.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 60 (died 1st quarter of 1852), his wife Ann 53, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth 17, Ann 13, and Jane 10 months.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Nenthead, Thomas Huchinson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Betsy 24, children Hannah 4, John 2, mother Ann Hutchinson, widow, needle worker, aged 62, and sister Elisabeth, dress maker, aged 27.
In 1871, Physic Hall, Bankfoot, Alston, Ann Hutchinson, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 72, married daughter Mary Robinson, seamstress, aged 48, granddaughter Elizabeth Shield, domestic servant, aged 22, granddaughter Jane Robinson, domestic servant, aged 19, and granddaughter Anna Robinson 13.
Thomas Hutchinson died 1st quarter of 1866, aged 37.

In 1871, at Galligill, Nenthead, Elizabeth Hutchinson, lead miners widow, aged 33, children Hannah 13 (married Joseph White, February 1879, in 1881, her brother Joseph 15, was living with her family at Headlam St., Stockton), John, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth Ann 9, Thomas W. 7, and Joseph 4.

At Allenheads, 16th inst. aged 78, Mrs Elizabeth Whitfield, late of Swinhope, widow of Teasdale Whitfield.

In 1871, at Chapel Cottage, Allenheads, John Whitfield, clerk at the lead mines, aged 37, his mother Elizabeth Whitfield, widow, aged 78, brother Teasdale Whitfield, ironstone miner, aged 34, and domestic servant, Mary A Philipson 18.

At Redburnshield, Allenheads, 18th inst, aged 40 Hannah wife of Mr William Chatt.

In 1841, at White Rigg, Allendale, Joseph Chatt, lead ore smelter, aged 40, his wife Maria (Marshall, married 14th December 1816, Allendale) aged 45, children Elizabeth 20, Thomas, separator of lead, aged 20, George, lead ore miner, aged 20, John, dresser of lead ore.15 (buried 15th October 1850, aged 26, at St Peter, Allenheads), Joseph 14, Margaret 12, William 10, Robert 7, and James 5.

Joseph Chatt, was buried 23rd April 1843, at St Peter, Allenheads.

Maria Chatt married Thomas Coulson, 20th January 1851, at St Peter, Allenheads.

In 1851, at White Rigg, Thomas Coulson, lead ore miner, aged 37, his wife Maria 51, children David Coulson 11, Rosina Coulson 9, sons in law Robert Chatt, unemployed, aged 16, and James Chatt, lead ore washer, aged 13.

In 1851, William Chatt, labourer, aged 19, was lodging at Dodd Top, Allendale, with John Noble, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth, 25, daughter Ann 7, and son Thomas 1.

William Chatt married Hannah Short 6th January 1855, at St Peter, Allenheads; Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1857.

In 1861, at Dodd Top, William Chatt, widow, lead miner, aged 29, son Joseph aged 5, and house servant Hannah Charlton, aged 30.

William Chatt married Hannah Charlton, 1st quarter of 1863.

In 1871, at Red Brown Shield, Allendale, William Chatt, lead ore miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah aged 40, and son Joseph pupil teacher, aged 15.

William Chatt died 3rd quarter of 1871.

In 1881 at 31 South St., Gateshead, Joseph Chatt, commercial traveller, aged 26, his wife Mary Ann (Armstrong, married 4th quarter of 1876) aged 27, children, Mary Emily Lavina 2, and William 1 month. In 1891, at 1 Rock Terrace, Newcastle, Joseph Chatt, engine fitter, aged 35, his wife Mary A 36, children Mary Emilie 12, Wilfred A 5, and Theodore 1.

29th April 1871 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

RECREATION UNDER DIFFICULTIES

The Alston woollen mills seem not only to have opened up a source of employment, but also a source of enjoyment to the young folks of the locality. It had been proposed by several of the young men and women engaged in the factory to have an exploring expedition up Nent Force on Monday night. A large boat belonging to the Commissioners was to be used for that purpose, and the long dark cavern was to echo with the hum of human if not happy,

voices, but whether from want of nerve or from other considerations on the part of the would be heroes and heroines the expedition did not come off. The fire of romance, however, had been kindled, and young hearts were aglow with the thoughts of adventure. The boat was loosed from its moorings, and about twenty juveniles leaped into it, accompanied by two or three stalwart youths well fitted for the duties of command, and by the light of two candles, fore and aft they threaded their way through the vault for more than a mile. Meanwhile the first party betook themselves to an adjoining field to gaily "trip the light fantastic toe," although the thoughts of the police or a summons considerably damped their enjoyment and awakened feelings of dread in reference to the issue of their frolicking. The youthful explorers were even more unfortunate, for on returning from their subterranean tour they discovered the principle agent of the Commissioners awaiting them. The gallant fellows however did not fancy a "collision" with so important a personage but made a vigorous retreat, waggishly shouting, "will you have a ride?" The agent not to be done dispatched a man to a trap door some little distance above to cut off the retreat, and he arrived just in time to prevent their backward progress. Of course, a scene ensued, the man leapt into the water and tried to lay hold of the boat, but it was suddenly lurched aside, and he found his weight on the water. Meanwhile, an agile youth pitched the lads one after the other to the side of the cave, so they escaped unhurt and without a wetting by the trap door, and skedaddled with the exception of one, who thought he would "launch it," but launched into it to the rather serious cooling of his ardour. By the time the would be capturer gained his equilibrium the boat was minus crew, and he had to convey it alone to the desired haven. We do not believe, however, that the respected agent would feel very furious; we rather fancy he would enjoy the clever strategically exit of his expected prisoners. The above incident, which we got by report, is somewhat instructive as showing the necessity there is for better provision being made for the amusement and recreation of the youthful portion of the inhabitants of the town, more especially now that the woollen factory is brought into operation.

6th May 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Keenleyside Hill, West Allendale, 24th ult. aged 47, Mr John Stobart.
In 1861, at Cuds House, Ninebanks, John Stobart, coal miner, aged 37, wife Jane 36, children Hannah 13, Thomas 12, Ralph 9, Matthew 6, Ann 4, John 1, and lodger Thomas Stobbart, widow, late coal miner, aged 65
In 1871, at Cuds House, Ninebanks, John Stobart, Coal miner, and Wesleyan local preacher, aged 47, his wife Jane aged 46, daughter Ann 14, son John 11, and granddaughter Elizabeth J. Routledge aged 4 years.
At Nenthall, 30th ult. aged 15, Gilbert son of Mr William Lee.
In 1841, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Martindale, married 9th June 1831, Alston) aged 25, children Mary 8, William 5, Betsey 3, and Hannah 1 month. William died 4th quarter of 1845.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Hannah Lee, widow, laundress, aged 39, children William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 9, Frances 7, and visitor, Elizabeth Martindale, dressmaker, aged 41. In 1861, at Galligill Syke, Nenthead, Hannah Lee, widow, Laundress, aged 50, daughter Hannah, aged 20,

granddaughter Mary Lee 6 months, and sister, Elizabeth Martindale, needle worker, aged 51.
In 1861, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 25, wife Isabella 24 (born Allendale), Gilbert 5, William 3, and Thomas 1. In 1871, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 35, wife Isabella 34, children Gilbert E. lead mine labourer, aged 15, William, lead mine labourer, aged 13, Thomas 11, Mary Ann 9, Frances Jane 4, and Joseph E. 5 months. In 1881, at School House, Nenthead, William Lee, game keeper, aged 45, his wife Isabella 43, children Mary A., school sewing mistress, aged 19, Frances I. 14, Gilbert E. 7, Thomas 2, and lodger, George D. Dawson, certificated school master, aged 25, born, Coventry, Warwickshire.
William Lee died 1st quarter of 1888, aged 52.
In 1891, at Nenthall, Isabella Lee, widow, aged 54, children William, draper, aged 33, Frances Jane 24, Thomas 12, and John Willis, elementary teacher, aged 34, born Lumley, Durham.

12th May 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 6th inst., by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr John Hill, of High Craig, to Miss *Mary* Fawcett, of Craig Shield.
In 1871, at Craig Shield, Garrigill, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth aged 56, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, Mary 21, Smith, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Isabella 13. See 5th July 1856, 4th March 1876, 3rd June 1876, 2nd September 1911
In 1871, at High Craig, Garrigill, Matthew Hill, farmer of 39 acres, aged 71, his wife Hannah 63, son John, lead miner, aged 26, and daughter Susannah 21.
Matthew Hill was buried 22nd March 1876, aged 76, at Garrigill.
In 1881, at High Craig, Garrigill, Hannah Hill, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 75, daughter Jane, dairy maid, aged 44, and domestic servant Hannah Little, aged 17.
In 1881, at High Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, John Hill, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 30, children, Elizabeth A 9, Lucy H 7, Matthew 4, William 4, and Joseph 1.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Hill, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 41, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, William, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph 11, and Walter 9.
In 1901, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, John Hill, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 51, children, Lucy Hannah 27, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 24, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1911, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Hill, cartman, aged 66, and his wife Mary 61.
John Hill, died 4th qtr., 1922, aged 78, registered at Alston.
Mary Hill died 2nd qtr., 1928, aged 78, registered at Alston.

13th May 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hill Top, Nenthead, 7th inst. aged 1 year, Jonathan Thompson.
In 1851, at Overwater, Thomas Hopton, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 44, sons in law, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 21, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, daughters in law, Jane Thompson,

dressmaker, aged 14, Mary Thompson 13, and children George Hopton 4, and Joseph Hopton 2.
In 1861, at Overwater, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary Ann (Percival, married at Alston, 1st quarter of 1858) aged 24, children Thomas 3, and Mary Jane 1.
In 1871, at Overwater, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, Mary Ann, 33, children Mary Jane 11, Joseph 9, Elizabeth 7, Isabella 4, and Jonathan 1. Mary Ann Thompson, died 4th quarter of 1874, aged 37, reg. Auckland.
In 1881, at Hunwick Lane Ends, Jonathan Thompson, coal miner, aged 50 Ann (Bowman, married 2nd quarter of 1876, reg. Auckland) aged 61, children Joseph, coal miner, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, Isabella 13, and Hannah 8. Jonathan Thompson died 2nd quarter of 1884, aged 53, reg. Auckland.
See 27th March 1869
At Clog Hall, 8th inst. aged 63, Jane Wilkinson, widow.
In 1871, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Jane Wilkinson, widow, grocer, aged 63, and lodger, John Swindle, widow, separator at smelt mill, aged 52.
See 20th August 1870.
At Alston 9th inst., aged 53, Mr Mark Smith lead miner.
In 1851, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Mark Smith, lead ore miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 23, sons Joseph 2, and Robert 2 months. In 1861, at Ramsey's Buildings, Alston, Mark Smith, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary 33, sons Joseph, lead miner aged 12, Wilkinson 5, and Robert 2 years. In 1871, at Little's Buildings, Alston, Mark Smith, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 43, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, tallow chandler, aged 13, Margaret A. 9, Hannah E. 6, Emily 3, and Mark 2 years. In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Mary Smith, lead miners widow, aged 49, son Robert, lead miner, aged 21, daughter, (married) Maggie L. Pryde, aged 20, son in law, Andrew Pryde, born Scotland, annuitant, aged 39, son, Mark Smith 12, and daughter Emily Smith 14.
In 1891, at Clifford Street, Appleby, Mary Smith, widow, living on own means, aged 63, daughter Maggie, single, household duties, aged 29, niece Mary Smith 3, niece Mary J Smith 19, visitor Andrew Pryde, widow, born fife Scotland, living on own means, aged 49. In 1901, at Kirby Thore, Appleby, Andrew Pryde, widow, retired draper, aged 59, and Margaret Smith, domestic servant, aged 40.

16th May 1871 (Penrith Observer)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 4th inst., Mr Wm. Little, tailor, aged 34 years.
In 1871, at Back Street, Alston, William Little, tailor, aged 34, born Langwathby, his wife Sarah 32, born Greystoke, daughters, Mary A 10, born Ousby, and Sarah J 8, born Greystoke.

20th May 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wanwoodside, Alston, 17th inst. Mr Joseph Gill, lead miner.
In 1851, at High Herbert Lodge, Alston, Joseph Gill (son of William & Elizabeth), lead miner, aged 33, wife Mary (Bramwell, married 29th January 1842) aged 31, children Ann 8, William 6, Elizabeth 3, and Joseph 1.

In 1861, at High Herbert Lodge, Alston, Joseph Gill, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, children William 16, Elizabeth 13, Joseph 11, Robert 9, John 7, and Matthew 4 years.
In 1871, at High Wanwood, Joseph Gill, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 51, sons William, lead miner, aged 26, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 17, Matthew 14, and daughter Elizabeth 23.
See 5th February 1842, 27th March 1866, 28th September 1866, 31st October 1871, & 7th November 1874
At Allenheads, 15th inst. aged 27, Isabella, daughter of Mr Kell.
In 1841, at Dirt Pot Shield, Lancelot Kell, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Pears, married 6th July 1836, at St Peter, Allenheads) aged 35, children Robert 4, Mary 3, Henry 1 month, and Henry Pears, stone mason, aged 44.
In 1851, at the Lodge, Allenheads, Lancelot Kell, labourer in gardens, aged 45, wife Jane 45, children Robert, labourer in mines, aged 14, Mary 12, Henry 10, Isabella 6, Ann 5, Jane 3, Margaret 1, and brother in law, Henry Pears, mason, aged 55.
In 1861, at Dudley, Allenheads, Lancelot Kell (died 1862), messenger in mining office, aged 56, his wife Jane 56, children Robert, stone quarryman, aged 25, Mary 23, Henry, stone quarryman, aged 20, Isabella 16, Jane 14, Margaret 12, and brother in law Henry Pears, formerly stone mason, aged 66.
In 1871, at Dudley, Allenheads, Jane Kell, widow, charwoman, aged 65, and daughter Margaret, charwoman, aged 21. In 1871, at the Lodge, Allenheads, Robert Kell, widow, office porter, aged 44, and Elizabeth Reid, servant, aged 22.
At Alston, Manor House 18th inst., aged 10 *(7)* Rosa *Blanche* daughter of Mr Adam Walton agent. *See 11th June 1882, & 19th March 1887.*

20th May 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 16th inst. aged 4, Jane Ann, eldest daughter of Mr Thomas Milburn.
In 1841, at Hunt Well, George Milburn, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane (Cowin, married 28th June 1817, at Alston) aged 45, children Henry, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 15, Jane 15, Cowin dresser of lead ore, aged 15, Isabella 13, Mary 9, Thomas 7, John 5, and Matthew 3.
George Milburn snr. was buried 20th August 1850, aged 57, at St Peter, Allenheads.
In 1851, at Hunt Well, Jane Milburn, miners widow, aged 56, children Jane 27, Cowin, lead miner, aged 25, Isabella 22, Mary 19, Thomas, cartman, aged 17, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Matthew 13.
In 1861, at High Hunt Well, Jane Milburn, widow, aged 65, children Cowen, retired lead miner, blind, aged 35, Isabella, bonnet maker, aged 33, Mary 29, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, and Matthew, cartman, aged 23. In 1871, at Hunt Well, Jane Milburn, widow, farmer, aged 76, son Cowin, blind, aged 45, daughter Mary 38, and grandson George H Milburn 8. In 1881, at Hunt Well, Cowen Milburn, farmer of 26 acres, blind, aged 55 (died 3rd quarter of 1888, aged 62), sister Mary, dairymaid, aged 49, and niece Jane, domestic servant aged 18.

In 1871, at Overwater, Thomas Milburn, lead miner, aged 35, born Allendale, his wife Elizabeth (Thompson, married 23rd September 1866, Nenthead) aged 30, children Jane Ann 4, John Joseph 2, and Thompson 10 months.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Thomas Milburn, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, children John J. 12, Thompson 10, and Elizabeth 8. In 1891, at Overwater, Thomas Millburn, widow, lead miner, aged 56, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, and Elizabeth 18
In 1891, at Overwater, Thomas Milburn, widow, lead miner, aged 56, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, and Elizabeth aged 18.
See 8th June 1889, & 23rd April 1892

26th May 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Bunkerhill, Garrigill, on the 11th inst., Deborah Carr, widow, aged 70 years.
In 1871, at Bunker Hill, Garrigill, Deborah Carr, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 70, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, boarders, Robert Rain, cartman, aged 28 and his wife Mary 35. See 13th April 1872
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Naomi White, daughter of Edward White, lead miner, aged 1 year.
In 1871, at Snowden's Buildings, Alston, Edward White, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah (Coats, married 1st qtr., 1859, registered at Alston) aged 31, children, John E 11, Lewis F 3, and Naomie 1. See 30th May 1885
Sarah White died 3rd qtr 1873, aged 34.
Edward White married Mary Millican 2nd November 1876.
See 25th November 1876 & 30th May 1885
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Joseph Kindred Hall, son of William Hall, grocer, and farmer, aged 2 weeks.
In 1871, at Front Street, William Hall, grocer, aged 39, his wife Mary (Kindred, married 27th October 1861) aged 30, children, John 9, Elizabeth 7, Hannah 4, brother, Thomas, farm labourer, aged 20, and domestic servant, Sarah Beadle 20.
At Alston, on the 16th inst., Joseph Frederick Walton, son of Joseph Walton, tailor, aged 1 month.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Row, Joseph Walton, tailor, aged 35, his wife Margaret (Richardson, married 7th January 1866, at Alston) aged 29, children, John W 5, Elizabeth 2, and mother in law, Susannah Richardson, widow, formerly laundress, aged 69.
At Alston, on the 18th inst., Thomas Armstrong, aged 49 years. *At the workhouse in 1871*
At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 19th inst., Joseph Richardson, formerly a tailor, aged 75 years.

27th May 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 18th inst. Mr Thomas Moffatt, of Holm Foots, to Miss Isabella Scott of Blagill.
In 1851, at Blagill, John Scott, lead ore smelter, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth (Cousin, married 1st July 1826, Alston) aged 45, children Ann 23, John, lead

miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 15, Isaac 12, Matthew 9, Rodger 7, Robert 5, Elizabeth 3, granddaughter Hannah Scott 3, Isabella Scott 10 months, and lodger Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 11.
John Scott snr. died 1st quarter of 1860.
In 1861, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 55, children William, lead miner, aged 32, Elizabeth 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Rodger, lead miner, aged 17, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Walter 9, granddaughters Hannah Scott 13, Isabella Scott 11, and boarder Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 21. Also at Blagill, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Scott, married April 1857) aged 25, children John 3, and Matthew 3 months.
Joseph Smith died 3rd quarter of 1865, aged about 29.
In 1871, at Blagill, Mary Smith, widow, dressmaker, aged 35, son Matthew Smith10, daughter Margaret A Smith 7, niece Isabella Scott, farm servant, aged 20, nephews Joseph Scott 2, and William Scott 2 months.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Moffatt, smelter of lead ore, aged 20, his wife Isabella (Rain, married 27th April 1837?) aged 25, children Robert 2, Hannah 2, and Elizabeth 4 months.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Miners Arms Inn, Joseph Moffatt, innkeeper & farmer, aged 35, his wife Isabella 41, children Robert 12, Hannah 12, Elizabeth 10, Mary, Jane 6, Thomas 4, and house servant Mary Ann Whitfield 24.
Joseph Moffat died 27th July1858.
Joseph Moffatt, Nenthead, Innkeeper, will dated 30th March 1853, proved at Carlisle 2nd December 1858, effects under £600.
Names mentioned in the will: —
Wife Isabella Moffatt, brother Thomas Moffatt, and brother in law Joseph Beck.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

SACRED
TO
THE MEMORY OF
JOSEPH MOFFATT OF
NENTHEAD WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE JULY 27TH 1858
AGED 43 YEARS
ELIZABETH HIS DAUGHTER
JULY 17TH 1865 AGED 24 YEARS
ISABELLA HIS WIFE DIED
NOV 20TH 1881 AGED 71 YEARS
THOMAS HIS SON DIED NOV 11TH 1875
AGED 29 YEARS
HANNAH HIS DAUGHTER DIED
NOV 20TH 1875 AGED 36 YEARS
ROBERT HIS SON DIED
MARCH 1ST 1876 AGED 37 YEARS

In 1861, at Nenthead, Public House, Isabella Moffatt, widow, innkeeper, aged 51, children Hannah 22, Elizabeth 20, Thomas 15, and house servant, Anne Thompson 12. In 1871, at Overwater, Isabella Moffatt, widow, annuitant, aged 61, son Thomas, cartman, aged 24, and daughter Mary Jane 26. In 1881, at Holme Foots, Isabella Moffatt, farmers widow, aged 71, and daughter Mary J. aged 26. Isabella died 20th November 1888, aged 71.
Thomas Moffatt died 11th November 1875, aged 29.
In 1881, at Blagill Head, Isabella Moffat, farmers widow, aged 30, children, Joseph 11, William 9, John 7, Harry 5, and Hannah E. 4.
Isabella died 3rd quarter 1881, aged 31.
In 1891, at Thirlwell Lane, John Bailey, Ag. Labourer, aged 58, his wife Ann (Scott, married 5th December 1861, Alston) aged 63, grandson Joseph Moffatt, farm servant, aged 28, and grandson John Moffatt, tailors apprentice aged 18.
See 6th December 1867, 28th March 1868, 20th November 1875, 11th March 1876, and 22nd February 1896.

Deaths

At Alston 18th inst, aged 17, Jane daughter of Mr John Walton, Swan Inn.
In 1851, at Town Foot, John Walton, road labourer, aged 30, his wife Jane 29, children Mary 4, and Frances 8 months. In 1861, at Butts, Alston, John Walton, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 39, children Mary 14, Jane 6, and John H 1. In 1871, at Front Street, Swan Inn, John Walton, innkeeper, aged 50, his wife Jane 49, children Jane 17, and John H. 11.
See 24th June 1871
At Alston19th inst aged 4 months Mary daughter of Mr Jacob Walton.
See 23rd November 1864
At Alston, on the 21st inst, aged 89, Mr Anthony Walton, Spirit Merchant.
In 1851, at Front Street, Anthony Walton, wine & spirit merchant, aged 69, his wife Hannah 70, son Michael 36, daughter, Hannah 31, and grandson, William R Little 4.
In 1861, at Main Street, Anthony Walton, innkeeper, aged 79, his wife Hannah (Robinson, married 17th October 1812, Alston) aged 80, son Michael, wholesale wine & spirit merchant, aged 46, married daughter, Jane Patterson, aged 44, and grandson William R Little 14.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Michael Walton, wine & spirit merchant, aged 56, his wife Margaret A 27, son Michael M. 1, father, Anthony Walton, widow, retired spirit merchant, aged 89, nephew William R Little, commercial clerk, aged 24, and sister in law, Emily Mowbray 15.
At Clitheroe near Alston, 11th inst, aged 7 months, John Walton Woodmass, son of Mr Jonathan Woodmass, lead miner.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Fredrick H Woodmas, lead miner, aged 43, wife Mary A. 40, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 14, Robert 11, John 6, Ann 3, and William H. 1 year.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Jonathan Woodman, lead ore miner, aged 27, his wife Jane (Metcalf, married 1st quarter of 1868) aged 27, children Frederick 3, and John 5 months. In 1881, at Butts, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass, lead miner, aged 37, wife Jane 37, Fredrick 12, Thomas Wm. 8, Mary 5, and Jonathan 1 year.
In 1891, at 40 Gill St. Benwell, Newcastle, Jonathan Woodmas, labourer, aged 47, his wife Jane 46, children Frederick Hall, time keeper at ship yard, aged

22, Thomas Wm, painter, aged 18, Mary, dressmaker, aged 15, Jonathan 11, and Robert Walton 5.
In 1911, at 29 Bond Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, Jonathan Woodmass, Chargeman Road makers, aged 66, his wife Jane Woodmass aged 66, and son Robert Walton Woodmass, Pattern Maker, at Shipbuilding works, aged 25.
Jane Woodmass died 4th quarter 1911, aged 67, Jonathan Woodmass died 1st quarter 1923, aged 78. See 13th May 1882

3rd June 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 25th ult., aged 83 Mrs Hannah Stephenson.
In 1871, at Townfoot, Alston, Hannah Bell, widow, grocer, aged 46, son Hugh 14, mother Hannah Stephenson, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 83.
At Alston, 25th ult., Mrs Ann Eals, 69 years. *See 16th April 1870 & 21st May 1870*

3rd June 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 28th ult., very suddenly aged 26, Sarah Barron relict of Mr Smith Barron who was killed in the mines in January 1870.
Smith Barron married Sarah Armstrong on 4th February 1866; the 1871 census has Sarah living at Overwater, Nenthead with her children Sarah 4, and John aged 2. See 16th November 1866, 22nd January 1870, and 14th June 1884

6th June 1871 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Appleby, on the 3rd inst., at the house of Mr Hudspith, draper, from severe inflammation, Sarah Ann, daughter of Mr John Stephenson, Nenthead, Alston, aged 19.
In 1861, at Ruffside, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann 34, children, Margaret 13, James Dover 11, Sarah Ann 9, Frances 7, Jane 5, John Joseph 2, and William Henry 1 month. See 7th August 1880

10th June 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Primitive Methodist Chapel House, Allenheads, 31st ult. aged 92 Martha Charlton.
In 1851, at Dirt Pot, Allenheads, Edward Charlton, retired from work, aged 77, his wife Martha (Lee married 22nd January 1803) aged 71, son George Charlton, lead ore miner, aged 44, grandsons Joseph Charlton, labourer in lead mines, aged 16, and George Charlton, lead ore washer, aged 13.
In 1861, at Dirt Pot, Allenheads, Martha Charlton, lead ore miners widow, aged 82, son George, lead ore miner, aged 55, daughter Martha Chapman, widow, house servant, aged 46, grand son William Chapman, lead ore dresser, aged 16, and granddaughter Mary A Charlton 12.

In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allenheads, Martha Stobbs, widow, charwoman, aged 57, don William Chapman, Iron Stone miner, out of employment, aged 27, and mother, Martha Charlton, widow, aged 92.
At High Shield near Allenheads, 2nd inst, aged 25, Sarah, wife of Mr George Elliott, aged 26, lead ore miner.
Sarah Stokoe married George Elliott on 22nd January 1870 at St Peter's Allendale. The 1871 census showed no children.

10th June 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Pryse House, Weardale, 1st inst., aged 41 years, Margaret Walton relict of the late John Walton of Newhouse.
Margaret & John both from Allendale, see entry 2nd May 1868. The 1871 census showed Margaret living with the young members of her family George N. Articled Clerk aged 18, Mary E. 15, Jane 13, Margaret 10, John W. 8, Isabel 6.

17th June 1871 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE
FATAL ACCIDENT
An accident, which terminated fatally, occurred at Allendale lead mines on Monday night last. A young man named Joseph Rowell, aged 22 was engaged in removing some stone by blasting it with gunpowder. The gunpowder exploded before he could get to a place of safety, and he received such injuries as caused his death on the following morning.
In 1861, at Middle Ridge, Allendale, William Rowell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Whitfield married 18th June 1846, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 35, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 12, Mary A 10, Edward 6 (died 1st quarter of 1866), Margaret 5, John 3, Elizabeth 1, and Jane Rowell 1 month.
In 1871, at Middle Ridge, Allendale, William Rowell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 15, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, Eliz 11, Jane 10, Isabella 6, Matthew 4, Emma 11 months.
William Rowell died 2nd quarter of 1880, aged 60.
In 1881, at Middle Rigg, Elizabeth Rowell, widow, aged 55, children, John, lead miner, aged 23, Jane 20, and Emma 10.
Deaths
At Chicago, Illinois, 21st ult. aged 28 years, Mary relict of Mr Nicholas Brown, and daughter of the late Mr John Walton, watchmaker of Alston, Cumberland.
See 22nd August 1868.

20th June 1871 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Mary Jane, daughter of Wm. Spark, aged 1 year
At Hilltop, Nenthead, on the 10th inst., Henry Edward, son of William Wilkinson, aged 9 months.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Edward Hudspeth, woodcutter foreman, aged 39, born Hamsterley, Durham, his wife Hannah aged 40, born Middleton, children Elizabeth 20, Frances, dressmaker aged 18, William,

woodcutter, aged 15, and Edward 10, all born Middleton. See 31st January 1891, 27th June 1891, & 18th July 1896
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Betty Fawcett, widow, aged 46, children, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 25, William Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Thomas Fawcett 4.
In 1861, at Nenthead, William Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Frances, dressmaker, (Hudspeth, married 3rd June 1860, at Nenthead) aged 28, born Middleton.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, William Wilkinson, lead ore smelter, aged 35, his wife Frances aged 38, children, John 9, Elizabeth H 5, and Henry Edward 6 months.
In 1881, at 89 High Hope Street, Crook, William Wilkinson, colliery labourer, aged 45, his wife Frances 47, and daughter Frances Mary 4.

24th June 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Loaning Head, 19th inst. aged 34, Mr Lancelot Kirsopp.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Alston, John Kirsopp, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Phillis (Anderson, married 3rd December 1829, at Alston) aged 30, children Mary 10, Sarah 9, Thomas 9, Lancelot 5, John 3, and Joseph 1.
John Kirsopp died 1st quarter 1845.
In 1851 at Loaning Head, Alston, Phillis Kirsop, widow, farmer of 15 acres, aged 42, born Brough, Westmorland, children Mary 20, Thomas, lead miner aged 17, Lancelot, lead miner aged 15, John, stone breaker, aged 13, Joseph, stone breaker, aged 11, and Edward 9.
In 1861 at Loaning Head, Alston, Phillis Kirsop, widow, farmer of 15 acres, aged 53, children Mary 30, Thomas, lead miner aged 26, Lancelot, lead miner aged 24, John, lead miner aged 22, Joseph, masons labourer, aged 20, grand daughter Jane Kirsopp 9, and grandson John Place 6.
In 1871 at Loaning Head, Alston, Phillis Kirsop, formerly farm servant aged 65, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 36, Lancelot, agricultural labourer, aged 33, grand daughter Jane Kirsopp, house maid, aged 20, grandsons John Place, stone breaker, aged 16, and Alfred Kirsopp 1 year.
See 11th September 1880, 24th April 1886, and 17th April 1897
At Alston, 15th inst. aged 50, Mr John Walton, Innkeeper.
See 27th May 1871.

24th June 1871 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Weardale pays. On Saturday, last the Weardale Miners half yearly pays were held. The balance due to the lead miners in the employment of W. B. Beaumont Esq., MP. is at this time paid to them at the W. B. lead office at New House, after which the miners repair to St John's Chapel, and after the money is divided amongst the members of the Partnerships, the tradesmen look out for the settling of bills, and the spice, nuts, oranges, and fancy toy dealer cast an eye to the loose coppers which find their way into the hands of the children. The Weardale pays however, are not what they used to be years ago, when the Clothier from Newcastle, and the Hatter from Hexham were regular attenders, and when it was the only chance for the venturesome youth purchasing a gold wedding ring. In those days, the pays continued for three

days, and were held at New House where a large number of tents were erected and numerous stalls. Very few trades were represented in this country, consequently tradesmen from other parts flourished and the Weardale pays, were pays, but now there are very few trades but what have representatives on the dale, and the peripatetic local dealers anticipate all markets, and in them the foreign merchants find considerable opposition.

Deaths

At Grassfield, near Alston, 15th inst. aged 66, Mr Thomas Holmes mining agent.

See 5th June 1886

At Garrigill Gate, near Alston, 16th inst. aged 45, Mr John Irwin Lead miner.

Jonathan Erwin, married Mary Walton, a widow (previous husband probably Joseph Walton) 3rd August 1819, Alston.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Irwin, aged 50, Jonathan Irwin lead miner, aged 20 (married Jane Greenwell, 24th May 1849, St John, Garrigill), John Irwin lead miner, aged 15, and Hugh Irwin aged 10. In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Mary Erwin, miners widow, aged 61, unmarried daughter, Alice Walton, dressmaker, aged 38, son John Erwin, lead miner, aged 26, Hugh Erwin, lead miner, aged 22, and niece Isabella Walton 7 (born South St., Durham).

In 1851, at Gate Garrigill, Jonathan Irwin, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 24, and daughter Ann 10 months. Jonathan Irwin died 4th quarter of 1851.

In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, John Irwin, lead miner, aged 35, his brother Hugh, lead miner aged 32, and servant, Maryah (Mary Ann?) Walton, housekeeper, aged 22, born Gateshead.

At Garrigill Gate in 1871, John Irwin, unmarried, lead miner aged 45, his brother Hugh, unmarried lead miner aged 41, niece Mary Ann Walton aged 30, housekeeper, her daughter Alice Walton aged 8, and Cousin Thomas Pickering, unmarried, master butcher, aged 45, born Alston. In 1881, at Front Street, Howden, Bishop Auckland, William Vipond, school board officer, aged 46, born Alston, his wife Mary A. (Walton, married 1st quarter of 1873, Alston) aged 42, born Gateshead, children, children John, tailor, aged 23, born Alston, Mary J., dressmaker, 4 pupils, aged 19, born Alston, Alice, dressmaker, aged 18, born Alston, Hugh Irwin, coal miner, aged 51, born Alston, and William Snaith, coal miner, aged 25, born Alston. Hugh Irwin, died 2nd quarter of 1882, aged 52; William Vipond died 4th quarter of 1889, aged 55, both deaths reg. Auckland, Durham. See 29th March 1873

1st July 1871 (Hexham Courant)

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO T. SOPWITH ESQ.

Yesterday, T. Sopwith Esq., MA. FRS., completed his 26 year as Chief agent in connection with the W.B. Lead Mines, Allendale and Weardale, and terminating his engagement at the same time, the principle agents of the above extensive works, to show their appreciation of that gentleman's worth and character, invited him to dine with them at Allenheads Inn, on Thursday, amongst those present being Mr J. C. Cain, Mr J. M. Fothergill, Mr W. J. Johnson, Mr J. Coats, Mr J. Curry &c. ...

Deaths

At Allendale, in Dawson Place, 17th ult. aged 80, after a protracted illness Mr John Stephenson. *Retired farmer & landowner.*

At West Nenthead, 24th ult. aged 2 months, William son of Mr John Archer, yeoman.
At Hill Top, Nenthead, 27th ult. Mary Ann, infant daughter of Mr Jonathan Thompson.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plains, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Anna (Harrison, married at Alston, 12th June 1824) aged 35, children William, carters labourer, aged 14, Agnes 13, Thomas 10, Anna 5, and Daniel 4 months.
Daniel Thompson snr. died at Skelgill, 12th April 1844, aged 47.
See 20th April 1844
In 1851, Skelgill Plains, Alston, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Anna 15, Daniel 10, Jonathan 7, and Henry 2.
Ann Thompson died 3rd quarter 1852, at Alston.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston Daniel Thompson, single, lead miner, aged 20, and his brother Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Jane (Elliot, married 1st quarter of 1866) aged 27, children Agnes 5, Anna 3, and Daniel 1. In 1881, at Iveston, Leadgate, Durham, Jonathan Thompson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 36, children Agnes 14, Anna 12, Daniel 11, John J. 9, Jonathan 7, Thomas 5, Robert W. 2, and Henry 6 months. In 1891, at Medomsley, Jonathan Thompson, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Jane 45, children Anna 23, Daniel, coal miner, aged 21, John J., coal miner, aged 18, Jonathan, coal miner, aged 17, Thomas, coal miner, aged 15, Robert W. no occupation, aged 12, Henry 10, and Mary 6. Jane died 3rd quarter of 1899, aged 55.
In 1901, at Medomsley, Jonathan Thompson, widow, carter, aged 57, children, Robert W. Coal miner labourer, aged 22, Henry, coal miner putter, aged 20, and Mary 16. Jonathan Thompson died 2nd quarter of 1902, aged 59.
At Nenthead, 24th ult. Sarah infant daughter of Mr Adam Archer.
See 7th December 1860, 8th June 1878, & 17th April 1886

8th July 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Pryse House, Weardale, 25th ult. aged 10 years, Margaret, 3rd Daughter of the late Mrs Walton.

8th July 1871 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Inquest held on Mary Watson who "came to a shocking death" from burning on Monday last. Early on the morning of Sunday, the 2nd inst., deceased deliberately set herself on to the fire and was nearly burnt to death. Deceased Mary Watson who lived at a place called Grain near Cowshill was the widow of Thos. Watson lead miner, who died a few weeks ago, and the loss of her husband had caused her much trouble, which is alleged to have been the cause of the temporary insanity under which she was labouring. … She died from her burns at 7p.m. on the Monday; she was 26 years of age and left 3 children. …

The 1871 census has Thomas and Mary living in the parish of Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, with their two children Joshua T. Watson aged 1 year and John M. aged 5 months.

18th July 1871 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
On the 5th inst., at Alston, Cumberland, by the Rev. W. C. P. P. Baylee, M.A. vicar, Daniel James, Esq., of Beaconsfield, Liverpool, to Ruth Lancaster, only daughter of the late Joseph Dickinson, Esq., of Alston.
See 2nd August 1831

4th August 1871 (Newcastle Courant)
THE RETIREMENT OF THOMAS SOPWITH, ESQ., OF THE W.B. MINES.—
ON Saturday, an interesting ceremony took place in the Miners' Room, at Allenheads, in the presence of a crowded gathering of the agents and employees of the W.B. Lead Mines, a handsome testimonial, of the aggregate value of 200 guineas, being presented to T. Sopwith, Esq., M. A., F.R.S., on his retirement from the chief agency of the W. B. Lead Mines. The testimonial consisted of a massive silver tankard, richly chased with ornaments of fruits and flowers; two silver fruit baskets, each supported by three draped Grecian figures on a silver pedestal; a valuable presentation writing desk; a beautifully illuminated address; and an enlarged photograph of Mr Sopwith. by Mr E. Forster. Newcastle. —Mr Thos. Prest, one of the workmen, made the presentation, which was suitably acknowledged by Mr Sopwith.

19th August 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Swinhope near Allenheads 7th inst., aged 50, Hannah wife of Mr John Bright.
John married Hannah Bell, 27th March 1845, at West Allen, Ninebanks.
The 1871 census gives, John Bright lead miner, aged 50, his wife, Hannah 50, children George lead miner 23, John lead miner 21, Hannah 15, Thomas 12.
In 1881, John is living at High Farm Stanhope, with his son Thomas an Ironstone miner

1st September 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Ashgill, near Alston, on the 27th ult., Jane, the beloved wife of John Parker, aged 27 years.
John Richardson Parker married Jane Ward 1st February 1863, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Ashgill, John R Parker, general labourer, aged 29, his wife Jane 27, children, Hannah 6, Mary M 3, Joshua 10 months, and brother in law, Thomas Ward, lead ore washer, aged 17.
In 1881, at Colliery Row, Pelton Fell, Durham, John R Parker, plate layer railway, aged 39, his wife Hannah (Ward, married 1st qtr., 1876, at Weardale) aged 32, children, Joshua 10 and Sarah L 6
In 1891, at 142 Wilfred Street, Chester le Street, John Parker, plate layer, aged 49, his wife Hannah 42, son Joshua, general labourer, aged 20, and daughter Sarah L, dress maker (apprentice), aged 16.

John Richardson Parker died 1st qtr., 1897, aged 56, registered at Chester le street.
At Low Craig, near Alston, on the 29th ult., Mary second daughter, of the late Joseph Shortridge, aged 20 years.
In 1871, at Low Craig, Garrigill, Mary Shortridge, widow, farmer of 150 acres, aged 46, children, Francis 23, Mary 20, Robert 16, Joseph 13, Margaret 10, John 8, Thomas 4, and granddaughter Isabella Shortridge 3.

2nd September 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 24th ult., Mr Thomas Sparke of Alston to Miss Sarah Wilkinson of Nenthead. *See 1st January 1887*
At Nenthead Church, 24th inst. Mr Allison Stephenson Teasdale, of High Dykeheads, to Hannah Stout of Wellgill.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Jane Vipond, widow, button dealer & lodging housekeeper, aged 48, daughter Elizabeth 18, daughter Hannah 13, and nurse child Allison Teasdale 3 (mother was Nancy Teasdale). In 1861, at Welgill, Dyke Heads, Henty Stephenson, lead miner, aged 51, brothers Joseph, lead miner, aged 43, Matthew, lead miner, aged 36, nephew Allison S. Teasdale, 13, and domestic servant Elizabeth Longstaff aged 28.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Henry Stephenson, unmarried, lead miner, aged 61, brother Joseph, unmarried, lead miner, aged 53, Mathew, unmarried, lead miner, aged 46, son Allison Stephenson Teasdale, unmarried, lead miner, aged 23, domestic servant, Tamar Walton, unmarried, aged 34, and boarder John Walton 9.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Allison Stephenson Teasdale, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah 30, children Elizabeth 10, Frances 9, Henry 5, and Margaret 3.
In 1891, at Horse & Waggon Inn, Nenthead, Alison S Teasdale, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Hannah 40, children Henry S. lead ore washer, aged 15, Margaret 13, and Thomas A 4.
In 1901, at Horse & Wagon Inn, Nenthead, Allison S Teasdale, innkeeper & contractor for team, aged 53, his wife Hannah 50, children Henry, lead miner, aged 25, Margaret 24, Thomas Allison, carter of lead ore, aged 14, domestic servant, Mary Ann Hind 15, boarders, James Pearce, lead miner, aged 41, Richard Hancock, lead miner, aged 23, and George Wm Barron, lead miner, aged 27. In 1910, at Nentsbury, Allison Stephenson Teasdale, inn keeper & farmer, aged 63, his wife Hannah 60, daughter Margaret 34, son Thomas Allison, waggon driver for mining Co., aged 24, granddaughter Isabella Stout 20, boarders Frederick Raven, married, country blacksmith, aged 50, William Benson, single, stone mason for mining Co., aged 37, Joseph Spedding, single, cartage contractor, aged 39, and Robert Reaveley Grover, married, transport superintendent for mining Co., aged 56.
See 29th August 1874, and 19th December 1874
Deaths
At Snappergill near Alston, 18th ult., aged 41, Mr Daniel Holmes, lead miner.
Thomas Holmes married Tamar Coulthard, 12th February 1824, at Alston. Tamar was buried at Garrigill, 31st January 1835, aged 28.
In 1841, at Garrigill, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah 25, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, Daniel, lead miner, aged 11,

Benjamin 9, Nancy 2, and Tamer 1 month. In 1851, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, Thomas Holmes, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Hannah 35, children Benjamin, lead miner, aged 18, Nancy 11, Tamar 9, John 6, and Elizabeth 4. In 1861, at Nether Hearth, Dufton, Thomas Holmes, foreman, lead ore dressing, aged 58, his wife Hannah 46, son, John, lead ore dresser, aged 16, daughters, Elizabeth 14, and Isabella 9 (married Henry Stephenson, 17th May 1868, at St John Garrigill). In 1871, at Crooks, Garrigill, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Isabella 19, son Adamson 8 months (deaf & dumb), father in law Thomas Holmes, formerly lead miner, aged 67 (died 2nd quarter of 1871, aged 67), and nephew Walton Holmes 2. The family moved to Esh in county Durham, Henry working as a coal miner, Adamson became a tailor.
In 1851, at High Crossgill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Hinson, widow, farmer of 50 acres, aged 47, son, William, lead miner, aged 23, and lodger, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary 28, children Tamer 8, Mary Ann 6, Margaret 4, and William 2.
In 1871, at Snappergill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 38, son William 12, boarders, William Craig, lead miner, aged 21, and his wife Tamar aged 18.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Dowson Walton, farmer of 20 acres, aged 58, his wife Mary (Holms married 2nd quarter of 1873, Alston) aged 48, son in law William Holmes, coke drawer, aged 22, and grandson Thomas W. Holmes aged 5. In 1891, at Gateshead, John D Walton, dairyman, aged 71, his wife Mary 58, son in law William Holmes, police constable, aged 32, and grandson in law Thomas W Holmes, jewellers assistant, aged 15.
See 18th December 1841, and 13th December 1870.
At Grassfield near Alston, 27th ult. aged 60, Mr Joseph Bainbridge.
In 1871, Joseph Lead ore smelter 60, wife Ann 60, William lead ore smelter 30, Isabella 26, Christopher lead ore smelter 24, John lead ore smelter 18.

23rd September 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Pry House, Nenthead, 14th inst, aged 24, Mary Graham.
Unmarried daughter of William Graham woodcutter & farmer, William a widow aged 63 his wife Jane died 1863.
At Pry House, Nenthead 15th inst aged 39, Mr Thomas Graham, lead miner.
In 1871 living with his children Jane 15, Hannah 13, & John 11, Thomas was a widow, his wife Mary Cousin who he had married in 1854 died in 1860. Thomas was the eldest son of William and Jane, Mary who died the day before was his sister. See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 28th March 1846, 13th July 1872, 11th December 1875, 27th April 1878, & 22nd April 1882.
At Shieldhill Garrigill, 16th inst, aged 45, Mr John Shield, lead miner.
John of High Shield Hill in 1871 living with his wife Mary 44, and children Thomas a lead ore washer 15, Vipond 14, Elizabeth 12, Mary J. 9, and John J. 9. On the 1881 census Mary had moved the family to Prudhoe, she is recorded as keeping a mangle, and Thomas & Vipond are working as coal miners. In 1901 Mary was living with her son John and his wife Annie, and their son John J. W. aged 9 months, he was living at 53 Welbeck Rd., Walker, a Café proprietor.

3rd October 1871 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
Marriages
At Nenthead, on the 27th ult., by the Rev. H. Robinson, vicar, Mr William Sparke to Miss Margaret Blacklock of Nenthead. *See 31st October 1840*

7th October 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Church, 28th ult. Mr Thomas Watson, Rodderupside to Margaret Wallace, Leadgate.
At Nenthead Church, 5th inst. Mr John Thompson of White Hall to Miss Elizabeth Brown of the same place.
Deaths
At Alston, 1st inst. aged 5 years and 7 months, Mary Helen, daughter of Mr William Craig, late of Garrigill.
In 1851, at Far Turnings, Garrigill, Isaac Craig, blacksmith, aged 61, his wife Mary (Davidson, married 19th June 1819) aged 56, children Sarah 25, William, lead ore miner, aged 15, John, lead ore miner, aged 15, son in law Arthur Hutchinson, widow, draper, aged 32, son Silas Hutchinson 6, and nephew Thomas Davidson, lead ore miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at Garrigill village, William Craig, blacksmith, and Methodist local preacher, aged 25, wife Mary (married 4th quarter of 1859) aged 23, and son Thos Wm 5 months.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, William Craig, drawer in lead mines, aged 35 Mary, temperance hotel keeper, aged 32, children Thomas W. 10, Isaac D. 7, Mary H. 5, and domestic servant Margaret Holmes 14.
In 1881, at Great Ayton, Yorkshire, William Craig, railway platelayer & local preacher, aged 43, his wife Mary 43, sons Isaac D. plumber unemployed, aged 18, and John J. 4 years.
At Alston, 25th ult. Mr Joseph Irving, tailor, formerly of Garrigill. *Aged 66.*

14th October 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston at the Primitive Methodist Chapel 7th inst., Mr Thomas Dodd Brown, of Nenthead to Miss Mary Ann Watson of Skides, Garrigill.
See 21st March 1856, 3rd December 1859, 4th May 1872, 15th February 1873, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882, 21st July 1888.
Deaths
At Nenthead, 10th inst. aged 61, Mr Caleb Cousin.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Margaret Cousin (William Cousin married Margaret Dryden 13th January 1791, Margaret was the daughter of Caleb Dryden and Margaret Barron), independent, aged 65, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 30, servant Ann Dryden 15.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Nenthead, Joseph Wailes lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Stephenson, married 22nd June 1837) aged 25, son Joseph aged 2 years. Joseph snr. died 1st quarter of 1843.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary (Wailes married 1st quarter of 1849) aged 39, mother Peggy Cousin (died 27 May 1853), widow, annuitant, aged 79, stepsons Joseph Wailes, lead

ore washer, aged 12, and Thomas Wailes 9. In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 51, wife Mary 49, son John Dryden 7, step sons Joseph Wailes, lead miner, aged 22, and Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 19.
Joseph Stephenson Wailes, miner, bachelor, died 15th December 1865, at Nenthead.
His will dated 4th December 1865, was proved at Carlisle 13th August 1866, names in the will: — Mother Mary Cousin formerly Mary Wailes, brother Thomas Wailes, and half brother John Dryden Cousin.
Mary died 2nd quarter of 1866.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Caleb Cousin, widow, retired miner, aged 61, son John D. joiner, aged 17, and domestic servant Mary Wailes 17.
See 1st June 1866, and 21st August 1897

17th October 1871 (Penrith Observer)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel Alston, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. John Harker, Mr Aaron Smith, of Clitheroe, to Miss Phoebe Lowe, of Middle Farm.
Teasdale Lowe married Margaret Walton, 23rd September 1832. See 6th October 1832, 21st August 1841, and 28th June 1873
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Margaret Lowe, widow, farmer, aged 59, children, Teasdale, cart driver, aged 29, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Phoebe 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, cartman, aged 19, William 16, grandchildren, Sarah A Lowe 8, and Thomas W Lowe 6.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Aaron Smith, lead miner, aged 44.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Alston, Aaron Smith, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Phoebe 37, children, David 9, Mary 8, John 6, Thomas 5, Joseph 3 and Margaret 5 months.
In 1891, at Clitheroe, Alston, Aaron Smith, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Phoebe 46, children, David, quarryman, aged 19, Mary, stocking knitter, aged 18, Thomas, coal miner, aged 17, John, coal miner, aged 15, Joseph 12, Margaret 10, and William James 7.
Aaron Smith died 4th qtr., 1894, aged 71, registered at Alston.
Phoebe Smith died 3rd qtr., 1922, aged 79, registered at Alston.
Deaths
At Flatt, on the 1st inst., Jon. Davidson, farmer, aged 60 years.
At Alston, on the 6th inst., Joseph Matthew Hind, son of Mr Robert Newton Hind, aged 2 weeks.
In 1871, at Kates Lane, Alston, Robert N Hind, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary J (Robson, married 4th qtr., 1869, registered at Alston) aged 19.
Mary Jane Hinde died 3rd qtr., 1878, aged 27, registered at Hexham.
In 1881, at West Wylam, Prudhoe, Robert Newton Hinde, coal miner, aged 35, and his wife Catherine (Baird, married 4th qtr 1880, registered at Hexham) aged 35.
In 1911, at 3 Beach Grove Ter, Ryton, Robert Newton Hinde, retired coal miner, aged 67, his wife Catherine, confectioner, aged 66, sons Richard, trimmer, aged 28, Thomas W. married, colliery stone mason, aged 26, his wife Annie 24.
Robert N Hinde died 3rd qtr., 1916, aged 73, registered at Gateshead.

20th October 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 18th inst., by license, by the Rev. G. Monkhouse, Mr Jacob Craig, Chief Agent of the Bentyfield Mining Company, to Sarah, younger daughter of the late John Brown, Esq., of Garrigill Hall.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Jacob Craig, lead mine agent, aged 45, born Allendale, his wife Sarah 39, children, John 3, and Alfred 1 month.
Alfred died 27th January 1882, aged 2 years.
Jacob Craig was buried 8th June 1887, aged 53, at Garrigill.
In 1891, at Quatra Bras, Hexham, Sarah Craig, widow, aged 49, and sons John 13, Thomas B 8, and William B 6.
In 1911, at 15 Leazes Crescent, Hexham, Sarah Craig, widow, aged 69, sister, Phoebe Johnson, widow, aged 71, sons, John, warehouseman, aged 33, Thomas Brown, corn merchants clerk, aged 28, and William Bird, solicitors clerk, aged 26.

21st October 1871 (Hexham Courant)
STANHOPE
A shocking accident occurred at Lanehead Quarry, near Stanhope, whereby a man named James Hill came to a frightful death. Deceased was engaged in blasting stone along with several other men, when in firing a shot, the powder ignited before he could get out of the way and deceased was blown back over with great violence, falling over a precipice about 12 feet high. He was picked up at the bottom in a frightful mangled state, by falling among the loose sharp stones, death being of course instantaneous. Deceased was 33 years of age.

In 1861, at Stanhope, John L. Longstaff, lead ore refiner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 41, children Elizabeth 19, John T. labourer, aged 14, Sarah H. 3, lodgers William Brownrigg, stone quarry man, aged 33, James Hill, stone quarry man, aged 28, and John Young, labourer, aged 32.
In 1871, at Stanhope, James Hill, limestone quarry man, born, Northamptonshire, aged 37, wife Hannah 33, children William 6, John 2, and Mary 1 year. In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Ralph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Hannah (Hill, married 3rd quarter of 1876) aged 41, son George Bainbridge, clerk, aged 20, step children William Hill, labourer, aged 15, John Hill 12, Elizabeth Hill 11, and James Hill 9.

Marriages

At Garrigill, 18th inst, Mr Jacob Craig, mining agent to Sarah youngest daughter of the late John Brown Esq., Ivy House, Garrigill.
See 19th February 1881, & 11th June 1887
At Copt Hill Church, Weardale, 12th inst. Mr Richard Bright, coachman, formerly of Peasemeadows, Allendale, to Mrs Mary Holmes, widow of the late Mr James Holmes, Innkeeper, Cows Hill.

Deaths

At Moor House Gate, Allendale, 13th inst. aged 62, Mrs Hannah Hetherington.
In 1851, at Moor House Gate, John Hetherington, lead ore miner, and farmer of 45 acres, aged 48, his wife Hannah 42, children Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 15, Mary 13, Betsy 5, John W. 2, and Margaret 1 month.
In 1861, at Moor House Gate, Hannah Hetherington, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 52, children Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 25, Mary 23, John 12, and Margaret10.
In 1871, at Moor House Gate, Hannah Hetherington, widow, farmer, aged 62, children Joseph 35, John W. civil mining engineer, aged 22, and Margaret 20.
At Park, Allendale, 14th inst. Thomas infant son of Mr William Graham.

28th October 1871 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL GIG ACCIDENT

An inquest was held before Mr Carrick, coroner for East Cumberland, at Alston, on Tuesday, on the body of Thomas Yeats Walton, aged 46 years, whose death was caused by a fall from a gig the previous day. It appeared from the evidence that the deceased was an occasional driver at the Blue Bell Inn, kept by Miss Errington, and on the day of his death drove Mr Boyd, grocer, Carlisle, in a gig to Nenthead and from thence to Garrigill, which later place they left about half past seven o'clock in the evening on their return to Alston. When they reached a place called How Hill, one of the wheels ran upon a heap of stones broken for the repair of the road, and the gig then preceded a distance of 60 feet when it ran upon another stone heap two feet in height, by which the gig was capsized, the driver thrown to the ground, ands alighting on his head, the base of the cranium was fractured. Mr Boyd saved himself by jumping out uninjured as the gig turned over. He at once went to the deceased and found him quite dead. Assistance was brought and the body conveyed to Alston by Sergeant Johnstone of the County Constabulary. The jury and police officers went and viewed the scene of the accident and measured the road from which it appeared that the metalled road at the first heap was 15 feet 1 inch wide, and the broken stones projected so far as to leave no more than 11 feet 7 inches clear roadway, the height of the heap

being over 20 inches. The second heap where the accident occurred projected 2 feet 5 inches, the height of the heap 19 inches, and leaving the width of the unobstructed roadway only 9 feet 10 inches. The coroner in his remarks to the jury observed that the thoroughfare of the road appeared to have been improperly obstructed by these heaps, and that in his opinion the surveyor and contractor for supplying the materials were highly culpable for allowing the stones to encroach so far upon the road, and that the case was one very closely approaching a charge of manslaughter, and would be justified in returning that verdict, but if they took a more lenient view by returning a verdict of accidental death, they, he thought might properly accompany that verdict with an expression of censure on the surveyor in the hope that such obstruction would not, in future, be allowed on that or any other public road throughout the district. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death". They were at the same time of opinion that the death of the deceased was attributable to the obstruction of the thoroughfare of the roadway by the heap of stones, and that the officer having the charge of the road were censurable for permitting that obstruction.

At a later court appearance, the surveyor was fined 5 shillings for each pile of stones that had encroached upon the roadway.

In 1851, at Skelgill Middle, Alston, Joseph Walton, clogger, aged 41, his wife Mary aged 39, children T Yeats, shoemaker, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Henry, lead miner, aged 12, Jacob, lead miner, aged 11, Hannah 9, Nancy 7, Nathaniel 4, and Jane 2.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Thomas Y Walton, cordwainer, aged 30, his wife Susannah (Richardson? daughter of Adam, lead miner & Susannah Richardson) aged 30, children Joseph 5, Elizabeth 4, Mary 2, and Margaret 7 months.

In 1871 living at Town foot Thomas Yeats Walton aged 40, a librarian, with his wife Susannah 40, and children, Joseph a railway clerk, aged 15, Elizabeth domestic servant, 14, Mary 12, Margaret 10, Susannah 7, Jane 5, Thomas 1. See 26th October 1872, for the death of their daughter Alice, aged 11 months. In 1881 they are now living at Railway Station House, Alston, her son Joseph is recorded as the stationmaster.

Susannah died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs J. Lancaster, The Mill House, Alston, on the 5th July, aged 91 years, she left a son who was stationmaster at Hexham station, and three daughters.

See 26th October 1872, 1st June 1889, 6th July 1889, & 10th July 1920

31st October 1871 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Marriages

On the 19th inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, by the Rev. T. Cannell, Mr J. Pickering, of Middle Houses, Garrigill, to Miss Elizabeth Gill, High Wanwood, Alston.

In 1851, at Clargill toll bar, John Pickering, lead miner, and toll keeper, aged 42, his wife Mary (Parker, married 24th March 1832, Alston?) aged 42, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Joshua, lead miner, aged 12, Hannah 8, John 5, and Margaret 1.

See 8th February 1851, & 20th October 1868

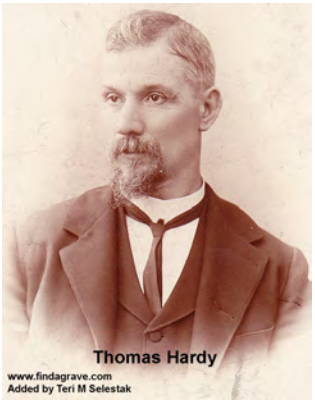
In 1861, at Cowper, Dykeheads, Mary Pickering, lead miners widow (John died 1st quarter of 1855), aged 52, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Joshua, lead miner, aged 22, William, lead miner, & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 20, Hannah 18, John, lead mines labourer, aged 15, Margaret 11, and Jane 9.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 62, and son John, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1871, at High Wanwood, Alston, Joseph Gill, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 51, children, William, lead miner, aged 26, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 17, Matthew 14, and Elizabeth 23.
See 5th February 1842, 27th March 1866, 28th September 1866, 20th May 1871, 7th November 1874
In 1881, at Middle Houses, John Pickering, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth, 33, children, John 8, Nancy 5, and mother, Mary Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 73.
In 1891, at High Skydes, John Pickering, lead miner & farmer, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 43, children John J. farmers son, aged 18, Mary 15, Herbert 9, Hannah, E. 6, Thomas G. 4, and visitor Thomas W. Dowson, power loom turner, aged 23. Also at High Skydes, Mary Pickering, widow, aged 82.
See 7th April 1894
Mary Pickering died aged 87, on the 27th September 1895.
See 12th October 1895.
In 1901, at Skydes, John Pickering, lead miner & farmer, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children, Mary 25, Herbert, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah Eliz 16, and Thomas Gill 14.
In 1911, at Garrigill, John Pickering, farmer, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 63, son in law Percy Ernest Millican, railway clerk, aged 25, and daughter Hannah Elizabeth Millican aged 26.
John Pickering died 1st quarter 1922, aged 76, registered, at Alston.
On the 21st inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, by the Rev. T. Cannell, Mr Thomas Hardy, to Miss Susannah Gill, both of Garrigill Gate.
John Hardy married Elizabeth Nall (daughter of Enoch Nall, baptised 12th May 1822, at Garrigill?) 3rd quarter 1843, registered at Alston.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Enoch Nall, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Tamar, 40, children, Tamar, dressmaker, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, May 11, Enoch 4, and William 1.
In 1851, at Clark Hall, Enoch Nall, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Tamar (Richardson, married 6th May 1819, at St John's, Garrigill) aged 51, children, Mary 21, Enoch, lead miner, aged 14, William, lead miner, aged 11, Matthew 9, and grandson, Thomas Hardy 6 (born 8th July 1844)
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Enoch Nall, lead miner, retired, aged 68, his wife Tamar, aged 61, children, Enoch, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 21, Matthew, lead miner, aged 19, and grandson, Thomas Hardy, lead miner, aged 16.
Enoch Nall senior was buried at Garrigill, 3rd February 1865, aged 72.
Enoch Nall junior, was buried at Garrigill 29th June 1866, aged 29.
Tamar Nall was buried at Garrigill, 7th November 1869, aged 70.

In 1861, at Garrigill Village, John Nall, lead miner, aged 33, and his wife Nancy aged 42. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Nall, lead miner, aged 43, his

wife Ann (Nancy Rain, married 20th August 1857 at Garrigill) aged 52, and boarder Thomas Hardy, lead miner, aged 26. See 8th November 1873

In 1861, at Garrigill, village, Isaac Gill, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth, 37, children, Susannah 9, John 7, Elizabeth 5, Isaac 3, and Hannah 1.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Gill, mason, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 42, children, John, labourer, aged 17, Elizabeth 15, Utrick 8, Maria 6, and Henry S. 4.
1871, Hannah aged 11, and sister Susanna aged 19, were working as servants for Ann Richardson, unmarried farmer of 228 acres, & landowner, aged 70, at Gill House, Alston.



In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Gill, stone mason, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 52, children, Utrick, lead miner, aged 18, Maria 16, and Henry S, 14.
Isaac Gill was buried, at Garrigill, 19th February 1884, aged 60.
See 20th March 1880
Thomas and Susannah Hardy emigrated to the USA, on the Lord Clive, arriving 6th March 1879.
In 1880, at East Huntingdon, Westmorland, Pennsylvania, Thomas Hardy, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Susannah 29, children, John 8, born England, Isaac 6, born England, Elizabeth 5, born England, and Susannah 2, born England.
In 1900, at South Fork, Cambria, Pennsylvania, Thomas Hardy, coal miner, aged 56, his wife Susannah 49, emigration year 1879, children, Isaac G 27, Thomas E 19, Joseph H 16, Clem A 14, Ida May 12, and James E 3.

Thomas Hardy died 27th August 1902.
In 1910, at South Fork, Cambria, Pennsylvania, Susan Hardy, widow, aged 58, children, Isaac, coal miner, aged 38, Ida 21, and James 12.
In 1920, at South Fork, Cambria, Pennsylvania, Susan Hardy, widow, aged 68,and son Thomas, coal miner, aged 38.
In 1930, at South Fork, Cambria, Pennsylvania, Susan Hardy, widow, aged 79,and son Thomas, coal miner, aged 48.
Susannah Gill Hardy died 14th September 1936, at South Fork.
On the 23rd inst., at the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, by the Rev. W. Johnstone, Mr William Matthews, to Miss Mary Ann Walton, both of Alston.
In 1871, at Edmunds Lane Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Mary Ann 19, Hannah 17, Isabella 16, John, stone breaker, aged 13, and Margaret 12.
In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, John Mathews, wool sorter, aged 46, born Acklington Park, Northumberland, his wife Jane (Leak, married 13th October 1848, at Kendal) aged 41, born Kendal, and son William, joiner, aged 21.
Mary Ann Matthews, died 3rd quarter 1877, aged 30, at Kendal.
In 1881, at Castle Street, Kendal, William Matthews, widow, house carpenter, & joiner, aged 31, children, Mary H 11, John W 8, Marg J 6, father, John, wool sorter, aged 56, and mother, Jane 51.
In 1891, at Wildman St., Kendal, Jane Matthews, widow, fish monger, & _____ dealer, aged 61, granddaughters, Mary H, domestic servant, aged 21, and Margaret J, machine knitter-stockings, aged 16.

4th November 1871 (Herald)

LATE FATAL GIG ACCIDENT NEAR ALSTON.

Thomas Yeats Walton aged 40 was the oldest son of our respected townsman Mr Joseph Walton relieving officer for Alston with Garrigill, … the mind at times naturally reverting to the wife and seven children thus suddenly bereaved, the painful interest being if possible intensified when it became known that Mrs Walton had given birth to her eighth surviving child as the last mournful rites were being performed over the remains of her late husband. … a subscription having been got up on their behalf, and although we do not know the exact amount realised we are assured that the appeal has been very generously responded to so that they will for a time at least be placed beyond the reach of immediate want. *See 28th October 1871*

Deaths

At Pasture Houses, Garrigill, 27th ult., aged 47 Mr John Watson.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Jonathan Spark, lead miner, unmarried, aged 38, sister Jane, unmarried, aged 33, George, lead miner, unmarried, aged 30, and nephew William Spark 6.
In 1851, at Snappergill, Garrigill, John Watson, retired lead miner, aged 67, his wife Jane (Stout, married at Alston, 9th November 1811) aged 60, children John 27, Isaac 20, Christopher 17, Esther 17, and grandson John Slack 7.
John Watson snr died 10th January 1857 aged 73.
In 1861, at High Snappersgill, Jane Watson, widow, farmer, aged 71, granddaughter Ann Watson 8, sons John, lead miner, aged 37, Isaac, lead miner, aged 30, Christopher, lead miner, aged 27 and house servant, Elizabeth Johnson 25.

In 1871 at Pasture Houses, John Watson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Jane (Spark, married 27th April 1867, Alston) aged 43, and stepsons William Spark, lead miner 15, & Thomas Spark 7. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Jane Watson, miners widow, aged 53, and son Thomas, shoe maker, aged 17.
See 16th January 1857, 2nd February 1866, 18th August 1883, 22nd December 1883, & 30th September 1893

7th November 1871 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Deaths
Richard Parmley married Sarah Walton, 14th October 1809, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Richard Parmley, died 2nd qtr., 1845, registered at Alston.
At Clitheroe, near Alston, on the 30th ult., Sarah Parmley, widow, aged 83 years.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Sarah Parmley, widow, aged 83, son William, no occupation, dumb from birth, aged 62, daughter, Mary A, domestic servant, aged 40, and grandson, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 33.

11th November 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Alston
A young man named Teasdale formerly residing at Cocklake went out to California. It appears, a short time since he has been on a visit to other acquaintances from Alston, Mr Jacob Walton and Robert Martindale. On his way, home a firearm which he was in the habit of carrying when on a journey accidentally went off, wounding the unfortunate man in the knee. Amputation of the leg was found necessary and hopes were entertained that his life may be saved which was not realised.
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 9th inst., Mr Joseph Readshaw of High Blagill to Miss Hannah Davidson of Aimshaugh.
In 1841, at Water Greens, Alston, John Readshaw, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Isabella 30, children Jane 9, Mary 4, and Joseph 2.
In 1851, at Water Greens, John Readshaw, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children Mary 14, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 12, and Isabella 8. In 1861, at Water Greens, Jane Pearson, widow, farmer of 30 acres, aged 70, grandson Joseph Readshaw, miner & farmer, aged 22, and granddaughter Isabella Readshaw, dairymaid, aged 18. In 1871, at High Blagill, Joseph Readshaw, lead miner & farmer, aged 33, and general servant Mary A. Metcalf, aged 23. In 1871, Hannah Davidson aged 38, was working at Aimshaugh as a general domestic servant, for William Harrison, landowner and farmer of 71 acres.
In 1881, at Brown Gill, Joseph Readshaw, farmer of 29 acres, aged 42, and his wife Hannah aged 50. In 1901, at High Nentsbury, Joseph Readshaw, grazing farmer, aged 62, and his wife Hannah aged 79. Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1901 aged 79, and Joseph died 1st quarter of 1904, aged 65.
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 3rd inst., aged 23, Mr Joseph Hopton, Lead Miner.
In 1851, at Overwater, Thomas Hopton, lead miner, aged 34, born Wakefield, Yorkshire, his wife Elizabeth (Thompson, married 1st quarter of 1846, Alston)

aged 44, born Alston, sons in law, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 21, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 20, Jane Thompson, dressmaker, aged 14, daughter in law Mary Thompson 13, sons George Hopton 4, and Joseph Hopton 2.
In 1861, at Overwater, Thomas Hopton, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 55, sons George, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 12, and Thomas 2.
Thomas Hopton snr., died 1st quarter of 1869, aged 49.
In 1871 Joseph is living at Overwater with his mother Elizabeth aged 65, and his brother George aged 25, a lead miner, and George's wife Ann a dressmaker aged 22. In 1881, at Holme Foots, George Hopkin (sic), lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ann aged 31, and daughter Jane aged 8.
See 7th March 1871

18th November 1871 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Nicholson's Square, Edinburgh, 11th inst., Mr Stephen Walton, foreman in connection with W.B. Beaumont Esq., MP. Lead Mines, Weardale, to Annie daughter of the late Mr Joseph Walton of Galligill House, Alston.
In 1881, at Elm Street, Benwell, Stephen Walton, lime agent, aged 41, his wife Mary A. 36, sons Joseph 8, Thomas A. 6, Jonathan 3, and Albert N. 1.

24th November 1871 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nentsbury, on the 18th inst., Hugh Spark, aged 33 years.
See 25th November 1871
At Alston, on the 12th inst., Annie Grey, widow, aged 74 years.
In 1861, at Temple Croft, Alston, Ann Gray, unmarried, domestic servant, aged 63, and Phillis Craig, domestic servant, aged 15.
At Forge Green, Garrigill, on the 15th inst., Mary Ann Thomason, daughter of Joseph Thomason, aged 1 year. *See 22nd January 1864*

25th November 1871 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
A man named William Middleton died at Bolts Burn, near Stanhope on Saturday from the effects of injuries received by foolishly attempting to get on some railway waggons whilst in motion at Bolts Burn on Thursday.
In 1871, at Boltsburn, William Middleton, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Sarah (born Hexham) aged 48, and daughter Margaret 16. In 1881, Sarah was living with her daughter Margaret; at Kidds House, Allendale, Thomas Renwick, lead ore miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret 26, daughter Elizabeth A. 1, and mother in law Sarah Middleton, widow, aged 60.
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 19th inst. Mr William White to Miss Margaret Dickinson, both of Alston.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 56 (died 1st quarter of 1880, aged 66), his wife Ann 48, children Robert, joiner, aged 26, Hannah, domestic servant, aged 24, Margaret, domestic servant, aged 22,

Sarah A, domestic servant, aged 18, and Thomas, joiners apprentice, aged 13.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Thomas White, formerly lead miner, aged 61 (died 2nd quarter of 1880, aged 71), his wife Margaret 57, sons Samuel, coal miner, aged 28, William, woollen spinner, aged 26, and Pattinson, lead ore washer, aged 15.
In 1881, at Prospect Terrace, Prudhoe, Margaret White, widow, aged 68, son William, married, brickyard labourer, aged 36, daughter Jane Ann 30, son Walton, coal miner, aged 27, granddaughter Ruth White 7.
In 1881, at Kates Lane, Margaret White, woollen spinners wife aged 49, children, Annie 9, Polly 7, John 5, and Alice 2. In 1881, at Front Street, Prudhoe, William White, brick maker, aged 44, his wife Margaret 42, children Ann, dressmaker, aged 19, Thomas Wm, coal miner putter, aged 17, Mary Jane 14, Alice 11, Robert Walter 9, Alfred 5, and James Dickinson 2.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 15th inst. Mr John Davidson to Miss Hannah Graham, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Crown Lane, Alston, John Davidson, widow, proprietor of houses & land aged 53.
In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, John Davidson, widow, land owner, aged 63.
In 1881, at Front Street, John Davidson, retired lead miner, aged 73, and his wife Hannah (daughter of Arthur & Sarah Graham) aged 50.
In 1891, at Blagill High House, John Davidson, living on own means, aged 83 (died 2nd quarter of 1881, aged 83), and his wife Hannah aged 61.
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 16th inst. Mr Thomas Peart to Miss Mary Smith, both of Garrigill Gate.
In 1851, at Gate Head, John Peart, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Tamar 54, children George, lead miner, aged 34, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 30, Mary, milliner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, grandsons William Peart 10, Thomas Peart 6, and Joseph Peart 5. John Peart snr., died 4th quarter of 1856.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate Head, Tamar Peart, widow, aged 65, children George, lead miner, aged 44, Tamar 37, John, lead mine agent, aged 30, grandsons William Peart, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 16, and Joseph Peart, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1871, at Mines House, Garrigill Gate, George Peart, unmarried, lead miner, aged 54, nephews Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, and servant Mary Smith, house keeper, aged 25.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 35, children John G. 9, Jacob 7, and Albert 1.
In 1891, at Gate Head, Thomas Peart, engine driver, aged 46, his wife Mary 45, children John G, lead miner, aged 19, Albert 11, Jane A 9, Tom 5, and Joseph 3.
In 1901, at Gateshead, Thomas Peart, farmer, aged 56, his wife Mary 55, children Albert 21, Jane A 19, Tom 15, and Joseph 13.
In 1911, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Thomas Peart, farmer aged 66, his wife Mary 65, children Jane Ann 29, and Joseph, working on farm, aged 23.
Both Thomas and Mary died 4th quarter of 1919, Thomas aged 75, and Mary aged 74.

Deaths

At Fourdargue, near Alston, 15th inst. aged 51, Mr John Pearson. *See 20th October 1888*

At Garrigill Gate, 10th inst, aged 44, Mr John Richardson, lead miner.

Joseph Richardson married Margaret Watson, 24th October 1822, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Richardson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Margaret 45, children, Tamar 18, Martha 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 11, and Joseph 8.

In 1851, at Clark Hall, Garrigill, Joseph Richardson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Margaret 58, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 18.

Joseph Richardson was buried at Garrigill 16th April 1860, aged 62.

In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, Margret Richardson, widow, aged 68, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 28.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Margret Richardson, widow, housekeeper, aged 78, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 38.

Margaret Richardson was buried at Garrigill 18th September 1872, aged 79.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Martha Robinson, farmers widow, aged 56, and brother Joseph Richardson, lead miner, aged 48.

In 1891, at Clark Hall Row, Joseph Richardson, retired lead miner, aged 58, and his sister Martha Robinson, widow, domestic servant, aged 66.

Martha Robinson was buried at Garrigill, 8th May 1897, aged 72; Joseph Richardson was buried at St John's, Garrigill 29th December 1897, aged 65.

In 1851, at High Shield Hole, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Hannah (Alison, married 24th May 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 22, and daughter Elizabeth aged 2.

In 1861, at Fewsteads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah aged 32, children Elizabeth 12, Joseph 8, Albany 6, and John 1.

Elizabeth Richardson was buried at St John's, Garrigill 16th February 1864, aged 15

Hannah Richardson was buried at St John's, Garrigill 12th June 1866, aged 37.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Richardson, widow, lead miner, aged 44, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Albany, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 5, and domestic servant Elizabeth Shield aged 45.

John Richardson, died 10th November, and was buried at St John's, Garrigill 12th November 1871, aged 44.

In 1881, at Garrigill gate, Albany Richardson, lead miner, aged 26, his sister Elizabeth aged 15 and domestic servant Elizabeth Shield aged 55.

In 1891, at Clark Hall Row, Garrigill, Albany Richardson, lead miner, aged 36, sister Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 25, nephew James E V Richardson, 6, and servant, Elizabeth Shield, domestic servant, aged 65.

In 1901, Garrigill, Albany Richardson, lead miner, aged 46, sister Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 35, nephew James E V Richardson, lead dresser, aged 16, and boarder, Elizabeth Shield, living on own means, aged 75.

In 1911, at Garrigill, Albany Richardson, retired lead miner, aged 56, sister Elizabeth 45, and nephew James V. Richardson, Barytes miner, aged 26.

Albany Richardson was buried at St John's, Garrigill 11th March 1914, aged 59, his sister Elizabeth Richardson of Clark Row was buried at St John's, Garrigill 19th March 1924, aged 58.

25th November 1871 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

FATAL ACCIDENT. An accident occurred on Tuesday, the 14th inst, in one of the Lead Companies mines known by the name Dowgang mine, (named as Capelcleugh mine, in another article on this subject in the same paper) Mr Hugh Spark had been engaged in driving waggons upward of 20 years and had been exceedingly fortunate until the above named date. It is generally considered that he had been very careful, and exercised thought, when at his employment, in avoiding any mishap on his part. The accident by which he lost his life, happened about 162 yards from the mouth of the mine, and the height of the level in that part is 5ft 7in, from the top of the rail. It appears that where the accident happened there is a curve, and a new rail had been laid on one side, and when the waggon, in which the young man was riding, had been going over the new rail, it is surmised that it was jerked to one side. By this, he had been led off his guard, and in the momentary absence of mind, he had not paid attention to the attitude necessary in riding through this part of the level. Thus the fatal blow came. The Doctors in attendance pronounced his back broken, and that there was only one-way for him. He suffered until Saturday night when his mortal life terminated at the age of 33 years. The deceased was the eldest son of Joseph Spark, of Nentsbury. A Coroners inquest was held at Mr Spark's on Monday afternoon. The jury returned a verdict of "accidental death," as no blame could be attached to any party in connection with the mine. The funeral took place on Wednesday. The remains were interred in the family's burying place.

Horse Levels and Their Dangers. The following addressed to a Cumberland contemporary refers to the subject of the foregoing paragraph: - "We hear a good deal said from time to time about the necessity that exists for mine inspection, but from among all the remarks that have been made on the subject I have seen or heard none referring to "Horse Levels" in lead mines. Now I do not think that there is any department in mining of any class that requires inspection more than this. The risks incurred every day to both limb and life; by waggon, drivers in Horse levels are not simply great but monstrous! As witness the fact that the roofs of the levels are in very many instances far too low to allow the driver to sit on the top of the waggon with any degree of safety. If an inspector was to get into any of the mines in Alston Moor on any working day he would see a boy, or perchance a man sitting on the top of one of these waggons, which position he is obliged to assume in order to be able to drive the horse which draws the waggon, and, owing to the lowness of the roof, he is obliged to stoop his head low as the position of knees will allow in order to be able to pass without coming into contact with it. The inspector would also notice that the horse is often driven at a trot, while the driver peers out from beneath his cap, as well as his crouching position will allow, to see what projections to avoid, first on this side then on the other. In the ordinary avocations of life, a more perilous position cannot be conceived. One of the results of this state of things is as follows: - A man, named Hugh Spark, of Nentsbury, near Alston, while drawing waggons at Capelcleugh Mine Level on Tuesday last was caught by the collar of his coat from the roof, and being dragged backwards was frightfully injured. The Doctors say his back is broken, and there is no hope of recovery. I have heard that while repairing the waggon way at the point where the accident occurred, the workmen had

raised the rails a little higher than they were before, and the consequence is, that though the man had, in all probability, stooped as low as usual, the additional height of the rails deceived him, and hence the accident. How fearfully near he has been to such an accident during the many years that he has driven waggons in that same level is evinced by the fact that the raising of the rail an inch (more or less) has caused it now. Would it not be better if all levels were driven in future sufficiently high to enable the driver to sit safely on his seat? Furthermore, would it not be well if the proprietors of existing levels would enlarge them at the points where they are miserably low? And thus make the office of waggon driver as desirable as other ordinary ones, instead of allowing it to remain what it is, namely, the most dangerous one in connection with lead mining as practised in this country. In connection with this I would suggest that the driving of good roomy levels will cost no more than that of small ones; indeed, it may be proved that it will cost less."

Hugh Spark died 18th November 1871 aged 33 years, unmarried son of Joseph a farmer & Sarah Spark living at Nentsbury.

In 1851, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, Innkeeper, and farmer of 30 acres, aged 40, wife Sarah (Pickering, married 19th February 1835, at Garrigill) aged 36, children Mary A. 15, Hugh, employed in lead mines, aged 12, Joseph 3, and brother James, lead miner, aged 26.

In 1861, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, publican, aged 51, wife Sarah 45, sons Hugh, leads miner, aged 22, Joseph 13, grandson James Graham 6, and domestic servant Jane Brown 21.

In 1871, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, farmer, aged 61, wife Sarah 54, sons Hugh, farmers son, aged 32, Joseph, farmers son, aged 22, James, farmers son, aged 16, granddaughter Sarah Ann Glendinning, general servant, aged 11, visitor Mary Archer, widow, aged 50.

See 4th April 1874.

Marriages

At Nenthead, 14th inst., Mr Jonathan Hutchinson *(widower)* to Miss Margaret Bright *(marriage registered under the name Martindale)* both of Nenthead.

In 1871, at White Hall, Margaret Bright, widow, aged 28, sons George Bright 5, and Thomas Henry Bright 3.

In 1881, at Foulard, Jonathan Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margaret (born Hexham), aged 39, son James Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 19, sons George Martindale, lead ore dresser, aged 15 (born Allendale), Thomas H. Martindale 13 (born Allendale), and Robert W. Hutchinson, aged 8 (born Alston).

See 14th May 1867, & 2nd August 1873

28th November 1871 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

We (*Penrith Observer*) understand that hematite iron ore of excellent quality has been discovered upon Melmerby High Common, near what is commonly called Eglonby Beck, and that a mine has been opened, and a line or tramway is about to be made connecting the mine with the Alston turnpike road near Hartside. The ground has been surveyed, the owners of the property agreed with, and the work will commence immediately.

2nd December 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Westgate, Weardale, at the primitive Methodist Chapel, 23rd ult., Mr Cuthbert Nattrass of West Black Dean, to Mrs Hannah Coulthard of Level Gate.

9th December 1871 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
On Sunday morning last Mrs Frances Thompson of Cows Hill, Weardale, was found dead. Deceased was at St John's Chapel on the previous day, Saturday which was the Weardale miners half yearly pays and was in perfect health, having walked from a distance of three and a half miles and when she returned to bed was quite well. Deceased leaves a family all of whom are come to maturity. Her husband is dead.
In 1861, at Pry Hill, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Thompson, lead miner, aged 63, wife Frances 55, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 27, Emerson, lead miner, aged 24, Frances 20, Martin, lead miner, aged 15, Featherston, lead miner, aged 13, Sarah 7, and grandson Joseph Brown 7.
In 1871, at Cows Hill, Featherstone Thompson, lead miner, aged 24, mother, Frances Thompson, widow, annuitant, aged 63, sister Frances 28, nephew Joseph Brown, ironstone miner, aged 17.

9th December 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Independent Chapel, 25th ult. Mr William Holt to Miss Sarah Vipond, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Low Park, Alston, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella (Walton, married 17th March 1840, Alston) aged 43, children Sarah 19, John, lead miner, aged 13, Edward 11, William 8, Isabella 6, and Mary A 3. In 1871, at Physic Hall Bank top, Edward Vipond, stone waller, aged 58, his wife Isabella 50, children John, coke drawer, aged 23, Edward, coke drawer, aged 21, Isabella 15, Mary A 13, and Walton F 6, and Thomas Walton, unmarried, labourer, aged 40. In 1871, at Temple Croft, Alston, Elizabeth Bainbridge, widow, annuitant, aged 76, servants Phillis Craig 25 and Sarah Vipond 28.
In 1881, at No. 3 Physic Hall Alston, Edward Vipond, stone mason, aged 68, his wife Isabella 64, children John, general labourer, aged 33, Mary A. 23, Walton F. lead miner, aged 15, Albert 1, and boarder Thomas Walton, millers labourer, aged 50. Edward Vipond died 12th July 1881 aged 68.
In 1881, at Cemetery Road, Heckmondwike, Yorks., William Solomon Holt, carpet weaver, woollen, aged 47, born Scotland, his wife Sarah 38 born Alston, sons James Glasford Holt, boot and clog maker, aged 16, and Edward Holt 6.
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th ult., Mr John Wilkinson to Miss Ann Hetherington both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 34, born Garrigill, his wife Hannah (Parmley), aged 34, born Park, Alston, children Mary 10, Jonathan 8, Henry 6, John 4, and Elizabeth 1.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 44, his wife Hannah 44, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth 11, and Thomas 8.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith at smelt mill, aged 54, his wife Hannah 54, sons John, lead miner, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 18.
In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Wilkinson, general labourer, aged 34, his wife Ann 34, and son George H. 8. In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Wilkinson, labourer mines, aged 44, his wife Ann 44, and son George H., lead ore washer, aged 28. In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Wilkinson, general labourer, aged 54, his wife Ann 54, and son George H., lead miner, aged 28. John Wilkinson died 3rd quarter of 1910, aged 63.
In 1911, at Overwater, Ann Wilkinson, widow, private means, aged 64.
See 14th May 1869, 5th July 1890

Deaths

At Albany, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 24, Elizabeth daughter of the late Mr Ralph Teasdale, Stone Mason. *In 1851 at Pasture House, Nenthead, Ralph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Isabella (Bramwell, married 14th July 1836, Alston) aged 38, children Lidia 13, Frances 11, Isabella 8, Mary 6, Elizabeth 3, and Joseph 1. Ralph Teasdale died 4th October 1852. In 1861, at Elba, Nenthead, Isabella Teasdale, stone masons widow, aged 47, children Elizabeth 13, Joseph 11, Ralph 9, nurse child Margaret A Bramwell 4, born Acomb, and nurse child May J Bramwell 8 months, born Alston. In 1871, at Elba, Isabella Teasdale, widow, farmer of 5 acres, aged 58, children Isabella 27, Elizabeth 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Ralph, lead miner, aged 19, and grandson William Teasdale 3. In 1881, at Elba, Joseph H Teasdale, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary J. aged 30, children Ralph 6 and Isabella 1. Also at Elba, Isabella Teasdale, widow, land owner, aged 68.*
See 7th December 1872

16th December 1871 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 11th inst. Mr Jacob Peart to Miss Annie Bell both of Alston.
In 1841, at Hudgill Rigg, Alston, John Nicholson, lead miner, aged 55, Hannah Nicholson 30, John Nicholson, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph Nicholson, lead miner, aged 20, Nancy Nicholson 15, and Jacob Peart, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Scale Bank, Alston, Jacob Peart, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Isabella aged 26, and daughter Ann 2.
Isabella Peart died 1st quarter 1861, registered, at Alston.
In 1861, at Ropery Cottages, Alston, Jacob Peart, widower, lead miner, aged 44, children, Ann 12, Hannah 9, Elizabeth 5, and Isabella 5 months.
In 1871, at Front St., Alston, Jacob Peart, widower, assistant overseer, aged 44, children, Ann, housekeeper, aged 22, Elizabeth, pupil teacher, aged 15, and Isabella 10.
In 1881, at Flora St., Byker, Jacob Peart, clerk, aged 54, his wife Annie 36, children, Robert Wm 8, and Margaret Annie 2.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 11th inst. Mr Walton Thompson to Miss Sarah Craig, both of Alston.

In 1881, at Prudhoe, Walton Thompson, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Sarah 29, children, Tom 7, Jonathan 4, and Joseph 1.
In 1891, at Prudhoe, Walton Thompson, coal miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 39, children, Tom, coal miner, aged 17, Jonathan, coal miner, aged 14, Joseph W 11, and Elizabeth 3.
In 1901 at Castle Row, Prudhoe, Walton Thompson, coal hewer, aged 54, his wife Sarah 49, children, Jonathan, coal hewer, aged 24, Joseph W, green grocer aged 21, and Elizabeth 13.
In 1911, at Castle Row West, Prudhoe, Walton Thompson, coal hewer, aged 64, his wife Sarah 59, and grandson Joseph W aged 9.
Probable death of Sarah Thompson, 4th quarter 1927, aged 75, registered at Hexham,
Probate 1935, Walton Thompson of 4 Aged Miners Homes, Edgewell, Prudhoe, Station, Northumberland, died 27th October 1935, Probate Newcastle upon Tyne 30th November to Jonathan Thompson labourer and Joseph William Thompson, butcher. Effects £141 10s 7d.
See 21st November 1868

16th December 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Coalcleugh, 12th inst., of Small Pox, aged 55, Mr Joseph Renwick, 14th inst Jane his wife of small pox about the same age.
Joseph married Jane Bell, 18th May 1844, at West Allen, Ninebanks.
In 1851, at Far Shield Rigg, High West Allen, Joseph Renwick, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres with 2 stints, aged 33, his wife Jane 32, children William 8 Mary 6, and Ann 1.
In 1861, at Far Houses, West Allendale, Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Jane 43, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 10, John 8, Hannah 6, and Joseph 3. In 1871, at Shield Ridge, Joseph Renwick, lead ore miner & farmer of 8 acres, aged 53, his wife Jane 52, sons John, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 13, and David 6.
In 1881, at Shield Ridge, William Renwick, lead ore miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 33, nephew David Renwick, lead ore washer, aged 14, visitors, Robert Routledge, outfitters assistant, aged 26, and his wife Isabella Routledge 25.

23rd December 1871 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 10 months, George William Rutherford.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann 39, children William, lead miner, aged 19, Rachel, house servant, aged 17, Betsy 13, Ann 9, David 7, and George 4.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 50, born Penrith, his wife Ann 49, born Alston, children, William, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth, servant, aged 23, George, labourer, aged 12, Jane 9, Frances 5, Dinah 2, grandson George Wm Rutherford 2 months, born Stanhope.
George Rutherford died 1st quarter of 1881, aged 60.
In 1871, at Fell House, Haltwhistle, Roger Price, farmer of 470 acres, aged 61, his wife Rachel aged 26, daughters Mary 3 and Bessy 1.

In 1881, at Dykeheads, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 38, his sisters Rachel Price, married aged 36, Jane Rutherford 27, Frances Rutherford 15, and Diana Rutherford 12.
In 1881, at Castle Bank, Haltwhistle, Roger Price, retired farmer, aged 72, daughters, Bessy 11, Annie 5, Deborah 4, and Jane 2. In 1891, at Roughside, Nenthead, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary A (Smith, married 3rd quarter 1882) aged 34, son George W 5 months. In 1901, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary A aged 45, son George W 10. In 1911, at Dykeheads, Mary Ann Rutherford, widow, aged 56, and son George William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 20.

13th January 1872 (Hexham Courant)

A WEARDALE MAN KILLED IN AUSTRALIA

The Australian mails have just brought the melancholy news of a Weardale man, named William Watson, brother to Featherstone Watson, of the King's Head Inn, St John's Chapel, and of Mrs Emerson, of the Duncow Inn, Newcastle, having been killed in a most shocking manner whilst working at Knight's Claim, Hawkin's Hill, Sydney. The "Tambaroora Times" of October 28th says: - "On Monday last, a man named Watson, working in (Knight's) one of the claims down Hawkin's Hill was at the bottom of the shaft when a bucket with two slabs inside fell from a height of about 100 feet, splitting the poor fellows head completely open, and resulting in his death in a very short time. The deceased who was Recording Scribe of the Sons of Temperance, was very much respected and his funeral which took place the following day was very largely attended." Weardale men have been singularly unfortunate in Australia. Within these last dozen or sixteen years about ten have been killed in the Australian Gold fields.
The Sydney Morning Herald *Saturday 28 October 1871. On the 23rd instant, a man named Watson was killed in Knight's shaft, Hawkins' Hill, Hill End.*

23rd January 1872 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

NENTHEAD PAYS.—The London Lead Company's workmen's yearly pay was held on the 10th inst., and during the week—an event looked forward to with anxiety and interest, by both workmen, and men, and women of nearly every trade, from the commercial man down to the orange and nut hawkers. The pays being much in advance of last year made the time more cheerful and satisfactory. All passed off very quietly, with no broken heads, though there might be a few aching ones.
CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.—The Nenthead Industrial Co-operative society have held their annual meeting in the new store buildings, for settling their accounts, and electing the officers and committee for the ensuing year. The business done in goods sold amounted to £2,117 6s 5d, the balance of profit for the year, being £57 14s. The dividend on £656 12s 6d, worth of members' purchases was 1s 9d in the £. Since January 1st, 1871, three members have been enrolled, whilst on the other hand, three have withdrawn. The society is in healthy and prosperous state, and is now fully settled in the new and spacious building. The dividend on the last quarter was 1s 6d in the pound.

27th January 1872 (Hexham Courant)

BLANCHLAND

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

An inquest was held at Blanchland on the 22nd inst., on the body of a miner named Thomas Bell, aged 37 years who was killed through accidentally falling down Readon Lead Mine shaft on Friday, the 19th inst. Verdict accidental death. *(Readon Mine also known as Reeding mine see Geology of The Northern Pennine Orefield, K. C. Dunham, and British Mining No. 65 R. A. Fairburn)*

Thomas married Elizabeth Oliver on 14th May 1857, at Blanchland.

In 1871 Thomas Bell, lead miner aged 36, living at Blanchland with his wife, Elizabeth 37, and children George O. 13, Mary H. 11, Lane A. 9, Thomas H. 6, Eliza 3.

27th January 1872 (Cumberland and Westmorland Herald)

Deaths

At Whitehall, Nenthead, 20th inst., aged 64, Mr Cowper Barron, Miner.

In 1841, at White Hall, Nenthead, Cowper Barron, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary (Wallace, married 1st April 1830) aged 31, children Joseph 11, Cowper 9, Hannah 7, Betsey 5, and Mary 3.

Mary died 1st quarter of 1843.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Cowper Barron, widow, lead miner, aged 41, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Cowper, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, Elizabeth 15, Mary 13, Agnes 8 and house servant Mary Trathen aged 43. In 1861, at White Hall, Cowper Barrow, widow, lead miner, aged 53, daughters Hannah, housekeeper, aged 27, and Agnes, dressmaker, aged 18. In 1871, at Whitehall, Cowper Barron, widow, retired lead miner, aged 63, and daughter Agness, dressmaker aged 28.

At Whitehall, Nenthead, 21st inst. aged 41, Grace Robson.

In 1841, at Spring House, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margaret (Trathan, married 20th February 1825, Alston) aged 38, children, John 15, Thomas 14, Grace 10, Michael 8, Joseph 5, and Nicholas 3.

Thomas died either 2nd quarter of 1842, or 1st quarter of 1846.

In 1851 at Spring House, Margaret Robson widow, aged 48, children, Thomas lead miner 23, Grace 21, Michael lead ore washer 18, Joseph lead ore washer 15, Nicholas lead ore washer 12.

In 1861, at Spring House, Margaret Robson, lead miners widow, aged 58, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, Grace 30, Joseph lead miner, aged 26, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson John Robson, aged 1.

In 1871, at Spring House, Margaret Robson, widow, farmer of 6 acres, aged 69, son Thomas lead miner, aged 42, daughter Grace aged 40, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 35, grandchildren John Robson aged 11, and Jane Robson aged 7. See 16th April 1842, 13th January 1877, 22nd October 1881, 9th November 1895

At Alston, on the 17th inst., Jane Parker, widow, aged 89.

In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, lodger, Jane Parker, widow, stocking knitter, aged 78

In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, Jane Parker, aged 87.

At Alston, on the 18th inst., Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, aged 71.

In 1851, at Marks Close, Alston, Thomas Hodgson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth (Lee, married 15th April 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 52, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, James, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 17, Elizabeth 13, and Whitfield 8.
Thomas Hodgson died 4th qtr., 1852, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at the Butts, Alston Thomas Hodgson, butcher, aged 60, and his wife Elizabeth aged 60. In 1871, at the Butts, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, keeper of lodging house, aged 70, and lodger, Thomas Walker, pedlar, aged 49.

31st January 1872 (Teesdale Mercury)
Letters to the Editor
DEAR Sir, —I send you the following reminiscence of the late Mr Stagg (of Middleton House), and one of his agents, which you can insert in the columns of your paper if you think proper. The first agent appointed by Mr Stagg, after he took charge of the Lead Company's affairs, was Mr John Pinkney, whom he preferred from the condition of a working miner to an office of considerable trust and responsibility. During the early part of his career, Mr Pinkney had to fight the battle of life under difficulties, his parents being in very humble circumstances. His education, obtained during the years of boyhood, was exceedingly limited, but knowing that it was both the key of knowledge, and, when accompanied by industry and perseverance, the prospect to success in life, he, with indomitable courage, applied himself to the task of self-improvement, and, by attending night-schools and embracing every other opportunity that presented itself, by the time he reached manhood he had made progress in various kinds of useful knowledge that rendered him more intelligent than most workmen of that period. During the principal portion of this time he was working sub-bargains, or labouring for the pittance of ten shillings a-week for other parties who took bargains and reaped the principal advantages but, after Mr Staler took the reins or administration, this evil, along with others of a similar character—such as sub agents or overmen being shopkeepers—was swept away; so that every workman reaped, along with his partners in the contract, the full advantage accruing from the ore they raised, according to the price fixed, and, after the money was paid, they could, without any pressure, lay it out to the best profit. Shortly after this change, Mr Pinkney obtained a bargain on his own account, and was cheerfully working the same along with his partner, when, one day, Mr Stagg sent a message by his brother-in-law. Mr Elliott, that Mr Pinkney had to wait upon Mr Stagg, who (Mr Elliot believed) was about to discharge him from the duty in which he was engaged. The industrious workmen, conscious of his own rectitude, wondering what be had done to forfeit Mr Stagg's confidence, and gravely affected at the probability of losing his work, called upon Mr Stagg at the appointed time. Mr Stagg received him affably, conversed with him upon his work, and then said his services would no longer be required in that capacity. The miner was anxious to know the reason of this—he had always done his best for his employers' interests—and he was proceeding further to urge his case, when Mr Stagg stopped him and told him, with a friendly smile, that he had done so well, that the Company had released him from his daily toil in order that he might serve them in the much more dignified position of an agent! It is scarcely necessary to say that the revulsion of feeling on the part of Mr Pinkney was great; and, after expressing his heartfelt thanks, he returned home. His

pleasure at his exaltation was shared by his numerous friends, and from that day to the moment of his death the wisdom of the choice was proved by his unswerving integrity, and the consistent course of action through which he gained the approbation of the Company and the esteem and respect of the workmen. The miners made him their confidant in their troubles, and always sought his influence as a friend to extricate them from any difficulties in which they had become involved. One anecdote, illustrative of this, I venture to give. At this time the Earl of Darlington had some of the mines on his Teesdale manors in his own hands, and wrought by his own workmen. As is frequently the case, a degree of rivalry existed between these men and those employed by the Company, and it hardly needed the stimulus of alcohol to make them blaze up in angry controversy, and words often ended in blows. The determined way in which Mr Slagg set himself against drinking and fighting, made these of less frequent occurrence than they otherwise would have been, but some of the more reckless of the Company's men occasionally forgot the proverb that "Discretion is the better part of valour," and, yielding to their pugilistic propensities, had the prospect of paying a heavy penalty, by losing their employment. Amongst those placed in this dilemma was a well known character, called Jos. Toward, brother to the one who figures in Watson's poem of "Will Toward and the Bailiff." On a certain monthly pay-day, Toward went to Mr Pinkney's house, and, being admitted, he stated to the agent that he had come to ask his advice: that "t' Lord's men" (Lord Darlington's miners) were bent on getting him into mischief, and had insulted, taunted, and "challenged " him, till he could brook it no longer. "If that be the case," replied Mr Pinkney, "give one of them a thrashing, and it will be a lesson to the rest." "Why, if ye please. Maister," rejoined the supplicant, "that's just what I've done, and I want ye to explain t' matter to Mr Stagg, so that I mayn't be turned off." After a hearty laugh at the ingenious manner in which Toward had stated his case, Mr Pinkney promised to shield him from the consequences, and succeeded in doing so. Mr Pinkney was a member of the Wesleyan Society, and a local preacher among that body. On the last Sunday of August 1824, he preached from the text, "For the great day of His wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand." On Thursday, the 2nd of September, in the midst of a thunderstorm, he was returning, with Mr Elliott, from an inspection of the mines at Middleside, and while the lightning was flashing around them, and thethunder reverberating over hill and dale, he exclaimed. "This is awfully grand," and the next moment he and his horse were struck by the lightning, and killed on the spot. The mule Mr Elliott bestrode could not be reined in, and galloped off with its rider, and never stopped until it reached its stable-door, clearing a six-barred gate on the road. Mr Pinkney's mournful death caused a profound feeling of sorrow, and the members of the deputation of the Lead Company, together with all in their employment, from the agents down to the humblest workmen, united in a sincere manifestation of sympathy with the bereaved family of the deceased. Mr Pinkney left a widow and five children, the eldest of the children being but thirteen years of age; but the Company, with the generosity which has so largely characterised their history, settled upon the widow a pension of £20 per annum, which she enjoyed for about forty years.

I am, Yours, &c.

January 25th. 1872. A SUBSCRIBER.

3rd February 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead, 26th ult., Mr Thomas Dickinson, Clitheroe, Alston, to Miss Mary Armstrong of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Sarah Parmley, widow formerly, domestic servant, aged 83, son William 62, dumb from birth, daughter Mary A 40, and grandson Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 33.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 42, children John 8, Sarah J. 6, Margaret 2, and Mary A. Parmley, unmarried, seamstress, aged 50. In 1891, at Clitheroe, Thomas Parmley, coal miner, aged 52, his wife Mary 52, children John, labourer, aged 18, Sarah Jane aged 16, and Margaret aged 12. In 1901, at Clitheroe, Thomas Parmley, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary 62, children John, lead miner, aged 28, Sarah Jane aged 26, and Margaret aged 22. In 1911, at Clitheroe, Thomas Parmley, old age pension, formerly lead miner, aged 73, son John, quarryman limestone aged 37, and daughter Sarah Jane 35. Thomas Parmley died 2nd quarter of 1913, aged 75.
At Nenthead, 26th ult., Mr Thomas Harrison to Miss Mary Thompson both of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Nenthead, William Harrison, lead ore smelter, aged 49, his wife Sarah (Liverick, married 3rd January 1847, Nenthead) aged 52, sons Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 22, and John, lead ore washer, aged 18.
In 1881, at West Nenthead, Thomas Harrison, lead ore smelter & farmer of 19 acres, aged 32, his wife Mary 32, daughters Sarah 8, and Margaret 5. In 1891, at Pleasant Houses, Nenthead, Thomas Harrison, lead ore smelter & farmer, aged 42, his wife Mary 42, daughters Sarah, dressmaker, aged 18, and Margaret 15. In 1901, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Thomas Harrison, _____for lead and zinc, aged 52, his wife Mary aged 52, daughters, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 28, and Margaret, schoolteacher aged 25. In 1911, at Holmesfoot, Nenthead, Mary Harrison, widow, aged 62, and daughter Margaret, elementary school teacher, aged 35. Thomas Harrison, died 2nd quarter of 1903, aged 55.

9th February 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 7th inst., by licence Mr John Watson, yeoman, of High Rotherhope, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr Henry Earl, of the parish of Thursby.

10th February 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Providence, Rhode Island, America, 14th ult., aged 24, Mary Jane wife of Mr John H Forster, and only daughter of Mr Wm Roddam, St John's Chapel, Weardale, Durham, also on the 15th ult., aged 5 days, the daughter of the above.
In 1861, living at St John's Chapel, William Roddam aged 39, Victualler, his wife Ann aged 41 and children Mary Jane 13, Joseph 11, Thomas 9.
At St John's Chapel 16th inst, John Henry Forster of Carlisle married Mary Jane Roddam only daughter of Mr W Roddam of Kings Arms Inn St John's Chapel Weardale

16th February 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)

VALUABLE FREEHOLD COMMERCIAL HOTEL AND PREMISES, IN ALSTON, FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the BLUE BELL in ALSTON, on Friday, the 1st day of MARCH next, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon, Mr WILLIAM CARRICK, Auctioneer, all that old established and excellent FREEHOLD, COMMERCIAL, and PRIVATE HOTEL, situate in ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, and known by the sign of the BLUE BELL, for many years occupied by the late Jane Errington, deceased, and now by Sarah Errington, comprising an excellent Commercial Room, Private Sitting Rooms, Kitchens, Cellars, a convenient and spacious Yard, Stables, Two Coach Houses, Barns, Outhouses, and every other convenience. The Premises are capable of great enlargement, are most conveniently situated in the Town of Alston, within five minutes' walk of the Railway Station, are easily accessible and well accustomed, and altogether form a most desirable and advantageous investment The projected Cumberland and Cleveland Railway, and the working of the various Iron Mines now being opened out in the district, will afford a considerable accession to the trade of Alston, and materially enhance the value of property in the neighbourhood. Every particular may be known on application to Mrs COCHRANE, the owner, or Messrs J. and J. DICKINSON. Solicitors, Alston.

A portion of the purchase money may, if required remain on mortgage on the premises Alston, 7th February, 1872.

ALSTON TURNPIKE ROADS TOLLS TO BE LET

NOTICE is Hereby Given, that the TOLLS arising at the following Toll Gates and Bars upon or belonging to the above Roads, and called or known by the respective names of Cornriggs, Skelgill, Loaning-head, Mark Close, Town Green and Hall Bank, Hartside, Melmerby, Edenhall, Nattrass, and Newbiggen Gates, will be LET by AUCTION, to the best bidders, at the Town HALL, in ALSTON, in the County of Cumberland, on THURSDAY, the 14th day of MARCH next, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon.

And the TOLLS arising at the Toll Gate and Bar also upon or belonging to the above Roads, and called or known by the name of West Boat Bridge Gate will also be LET by AUCTION, to the best bidder, at the New Court House in Hexham, in the County of Northumberland, on TUESDAY, the 19th day of March next, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon—in the manner directed by the General Acts "For regulating Turnpike Roads"—which Tolls produced the last year the several Sums following, that is to say :— Lot 1.—Cornriggs £80

2.—Skelgill and Loaninghead	240
3.—Mark Close Town Green, and Hall Bank	129
4.—Hartside and Melmerby	139
5.—Edenhall	501
6.—Nattrass	147
7.—Newbiggen	231
8.—West Boat Bridge	126

Above the expenses of the same, and will be put up to be Let in the above Lots, or in such other Lot or Lots; and at such respective Sums, and subject to such conditions as the Trustees present shall think fit.

Whoever happens to be the best bidder for any Lot or Lots must, at the same time, pay One Month in advance of the Rent at which such tolls may be Let, and give Security with sufficient Sureties to the satisfaction of the Trustees, for payment of the rest of the Money Monthly—and such Sureties are required to be present to sign the Securities. UTRICK BAINBRIDGE,
Clerk to the Trustees of the said Turnpike Roads. Alston. 12th February, 1872.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD ESTATE, IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON, CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE.

THE LEASEHOLD ESTATE, situate at HIGH GALLIGILL, in the Parish of Alston, Cumberland, formerly belonging to the late Mr Joseph Walton, and consisting of an excellent Dwelling House, Outbuildings and about 198 Acres, or thereabouts, of Meadow, Pasture, and Allotment Land, will be OFFERED for SALE, in or about the month of AUGUST next. Particulars in future advertisements.—Apply to EDWARD WALTON, High Galligill. High Galligill, February 12th, 1872.

Marriages

At then Primitive Methodist Chapel on the 4th inst., by the Rev. Wm. Johnston, Mr Richard Johnston to Miss Ann Teasdale, both of Alston, same place on the 16th by the Rev. Wm. Johnston, Joseph Walton, of Hayrigg, to Miss Mary Varty, of Carrshield; same place on the 11th by the Rev. Wm. Johnston, Mr Christopher Bainbridge, of Low Grassfield, to Miss Margaret Glendinning, of Haggs.

20th February 1872 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

Deaths

At Redwing, Garrigill, on the 9th inst., Elizabeth Teasdale, widow, aged 73 years.

In 1871, at Redwing, Garrigill, Elizabeth Teasdale, lead miners widow, aged 73, children, John, mason, aged 51, Joseph, lead miner, aged 35, and Samuel, mason, aged 30. See 3rd December 1870

At Gossipgate, Alston, on the 13th inst., John Lovatt, aged 53 years.

In 1871, at Gossip Gate, Alston, John Lovat, farmer, aged 52, born Wark, his wife Ann (Stephenson, married 4th qtr 1860, registered at Hexham) aged 38, born Knaresdale, children, Barbara 9, born Warden, Margaret Ann 6, born Alston, and George F 5, born Alston.

20th February 1872 (Penrith Observer)

DESIRABLE PROPERTY IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON, CUMBERLAND.

FOR SALE, by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the house of Mr. JOHN WALTON, the *Miner's Arms*, NENTHEAD, on FRIDAY, the 8th day of MARCH next, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon precisely.

Lot 1. All that ESTATE, called "GUDDAMGILL," otherwise "ROUGH-SIDE," situate near Nenthead, in the Parish of Alston, consisting of Two Messuages or Dwelling Houses, with excellent Barns, and other Suitable Out-buildings, and 215 Acres(by the Ordinance Survey) of Meadow and Pasture LAND, with small Belts of Plantation thereon immediately adjoining; and also Herbage of about 23 Acres of Public Peat Moss and Quarry

Ground; all now in the occupation of JOHN STEPHENSON and GEORGE BLACK, as yearly tenants. There is good Grouse Shooting on this Estate.
Lot 2. All that ENCLOSURE of PASTURE LAND, called “BLACK-HILL ALLOTMENT," (by the Ordnance Survey) 19 Acres, and situate immediately adjoining the said Guddamgill Estate. A Lime Kiln adjoining this allotment will be sold along with this lot.
Lot 3.—All those 4 CLOSES of Excellent MEADOW and PASTURE LAND, lying together, and situate at Foulhard, near Nenthead aforesaid, and adjoining the Alston Turnpike Road. with the stone-built Shed and small clumps of Woodland thereon, containing together (by the Ordnance Survey) 36½ Acres, and now in the occupation of John Walton. as yearly tenant.
The whole of the above Lots were formerly Allotment Land, set out under the Alston Moor Commons Inclosure Act. 63 acres of the Guddamgill Estate are Freehold Tenure; the whole of the remainder is leasehold for 1000 years, commencing in or about the year 1621.
Further particulars may be had, of Mr. R. W. BAINBRIDGE, Middleton House, Teesdale, by Darlington; or of Mr. U. BAINBRIDGE, Solicitor, Alston, Cumberland.

23rd February 1872 (Newcastle Courant)
DEATH OF THE OLDEST INHABITANT OF WEARDALE. —The remains of the oldest inhabitant of Weardale, Elizabeth Carrick, better known as “Old Betty Carrick,” were one day recently interred at St. John’s Chapel. She resided at Burtree, near Cowshill, where she died on the 9th inst., in the 100th year of her age. She was born at Ninebanks, West Allen, and went early to service at a boarding school, where she had her fortune told by a deaf and dumb gipsy, who prophesied that she would go into another country and get married to a man who had no hair on his head. She went to Weardale, and was engaged as servant by Mr. Tinniswood, mining surveyor. Here she first made the acquaintance of her future husband, who, strange to say had been bald headed from the effects of fever since he had been seven years old. She was 41 years old when she married, was 29 years a wife, and 29 years a widow. Once she was in a stage coach and once in a railway carriage, otherwise her journeys were all done on foot. She was tall, strong, active, and had an excellent memory. She was 17 years of age when John Wesley paid his lust visit to Weardale, and, born in the reign of Geo. III., she lived during the reigns of Geo. IV. Wm. IV., and died in the 35th year of Queen Victoria’s.
Joseph Carrick married Elizabeth Craig, 26th March 1814, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at Stonedrass, St John’s, Stanhope, Nicholas Dawson, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Jane aged 20. (Jane Carrick married Nicholas Dawson, 2nd quarter 1841, registered at Weardale)
In 1841, at Stonedrass, St John’s, Stanhope, Joseph Carrick, lead miner, aged 55, and Elizabeth Carrick aged 65. Joseph Carrick died 1st quarter 1843.
In 1851, at Middle Black Dean, Stanhope, Elizabeth Carrick, widow, annuitant, aged 77, born, Allendale.
In 1851, at Burtreeford, Nicholas Dawson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane aged 36, children, Thomas 9, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 5, Mary Ann 3, and Jane 11 months.

In 1861, at Burtreeford, Heathercleugh, Weardale, Jane Dawson, widow, aged 51, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, Jane 10, Sarah 8, Pheby 5, and boarder, Elizabeth Carrick, widow, aged 86.
There are 4 possible dates for the death of Nicholas Dawson between 2nd quarter 1853 and 2nd quarter 1857.
In 1871, at Burtreeford, Heathercleugh, Weardale, Jane Dawson, widow, aged 46, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 28, Mary Ann 23, nephew, Edward, lead miner & landowner, aged 31, and mother Elizabeth Carrick, widow, aged 98.

24th February 1872 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

FATAL ACCIDENT IN THE MINES

Early on Tuesday morning, the inhabitants of the upper part of Weardale were shocked to hear the melancholic tidings of Joseph Fleming, lead miner, of Weardale, being killed that morning in the Burtree Pasture lead mine. It appears the unfortunate man, in the company with his partner, Thomas Pattinson, had been engaged in letting some "work" down a "rise," when it had burst through the partition into where the men were standing and crushed Fleming down covering him up with the material and bruising him in a most shocking manner, inasmuch as death must have been almost instantaneous. Pattinson, his partner, miraculously escaped, and as early as possible informed some other miners in another part of the working of what had taken place, and they hastened to render assistance, and succeeded, after considerable labours in extracting the poor fellows mangled body. Deceased practised bone setting and cow-doctoring successfully, and was a member of the Wesleyan Society. He was about 48 years of age, was well respected, and leaves a widow to mourn his loss.

In 1841, Joseph was lodging with Joseph Mulcaster lead miner, aged 55 and his family (Mary aged 50, Mary aged 28, and Thomas, lead miner aged 25) at Black Dean, St John's, Weardale.
In 1851, at Blackdean, Joseph Mulcaster, widow, lead miner, aged 67, his daughter Mary 37, and lodger Joseph Fleming, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1861, at Wearhead, Joseph Fleming, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Jane (James, married 1855) aged 37.
In 1871, at Wearhead, Joseph Fleming, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Jane aged 48.

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 15th inst., Mr Alexander Furness Pattinson to Miss Sarah Graham both of Alston.

In 1841, at Eive Hill, Arthur Graham, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah (Martin married 7th May 1827, Alston) aged 38, children William 12, Hannah 10, Jane 8, and Sarah 5. Arthur Graham died 2nd quarter of 1849.
In 1851, at Lovelady Shield, Sarah Graham, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 49, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Sarah 15, Mary Ann 18, and mother, Hannah Martin, widow, aged 78. In 1861, at Physic Hall Bank Foot, Sarah Graham, charwoman, aged 58, daughters Sarah, dressmaker, aged 25, Mary A, dressmaker, aged 19, and grandson William Graham 6.

In 1871, at Bruntly Syke, Sarah Graham, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 68, daughters Sarah, dressmaker, aged 35, Mary Ann, dressmaker, aged 28, and grandson William Graham, drapers apprentice, aged 16.
John Pattinson married Isabella Walton 14th February 1813, at Alston.
Children of John & Isabella Pattinson: —
Sarah Ann baptised 11th July 1813, Sally baptised 5th March 1815, Hugh baptised 15th December 1816, Betsy baptised 14th March 1819, Thomas baptised 13th May 1821, Sarah baptised 15th June 1823, John baptised 8th May 1825, Isabella baptised 17th June 1827, Alexander Furnace baptised 14th June 1829, Joseph baptised 8th May 1831, Jane baptised 12th March 1833, John Walton baptised 15th February 1835, and Mary baptised 20th March 1836.
There is a record of the burial of Isabella Pattinson 22nd February 1837, aged 41, at Alston.
In 1841, at Edmunds Lane, John Pattinson (parents Hugh Pattinson and Sarah Furnace, married at Alston 29th January 1786), lead miner, aged 50, Hugh Pattinson, joiner carpenter, aged 20, Sarah Pattinson 15, Isabella Pattinson 14, Alexander Patterson 12, Joseph Pattison 10, Jane Pattison 8, and John Pattison 6. In 1851, at Bulmans Lane, John Pattinson, widow, lead miner, aged 61, children Isabella, dressmaker, aged 24, Alexander F., lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 18, and John Walton, apprentice blacksmith, aged 16
In 1861, at Thirlwells Lane, Alexander F Pattinson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Esther F 27, children Isabella 3, and John 1.
Esther Pattinson died 1st quarter of 1865.
In 1871, at Townfoot, Alston, Alexander F Pattinson, widow, lead miner, aged 41, children Isabella 13, John 11, and George 8.
Alexander Furness Pattinson, died 4th quarter of 1878, aged 49.
In 1881, at Front St., Sarah Pattinson, widow, dressmaker, aged 45, and son Henry Furness Pattinson, aged 7. In 1891, at Front Street, Sarah Pattinson, widow, dressmaker, aged 55, and son Alexander F Pattinson, aged 19 (died 2nd quarter of 1892, aged 19.
At Nenthead 11th inst., Mr Thomas Wilkinson to Miss Hannah Urwin, both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella aged 53, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Anthony, lead miner, aged 18, Rachel 15, Betsy 13, and Hannah 10.
Mary Erwine died 2nd quarter of 1855, and George died 1st quarter of 1857
In 1861, at Overwater, Anthony Erwine, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Isabella (Percival, married 21st February 1856, Nenthead) aged 29, children Joseph 4, and Isabella 11 Months. In 1861 at Burn Bottom, Joseph Erwine, smelter, aged 34, his wife Margaret 34, children Robert 4, Margaret 2, and George 4 months. Also at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, smelter, aged 36, and his sister Elizabeth 23. In 1861, at Tyne Head House, Garrigill, Hannah Erwine aged 20, is working as a general servant, for Joseph Vipond, farmer of 270 acres aged 40, and his family. In 1871, at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, unmarried, lead ore smelter, aged 46, sister Hannah, unmarried, aged 30, niece Elizabeth Erwine 1.

In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Mathew Wilkinson, lead ore smelter, aged 46, his wife Mary 44, children Jane 11, Margaret 9, Matthew 6, and Thomas 2. In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Matthew Wilkinson, lead ore smelter, aged 56, born Allendale, his wife Mary aged 52, born Whitfield, children Margery 18, Matthew, lead ore smelter, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 11, lodgers Matthew Forster, married, sawyer, aged 50, born Allendale, and John Forster, single, sawyer, aged 19, born Dufton.
Mary Wilkinson buried at Nenthead, 30th March 1856. See 4th April 1856
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Matthew Wilkinson, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 67, children Jane, house keeper, aged 30, Margery 28, Matthew, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, and granddaughter Sarah Wilkinson 9. Matthew Wilkinson snr., died 19th April 1862, See 29th April 1862.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Matthew Wilkinson, unmarried, lead ore smelter, aged 36 (died 1st quarter of 1914, aged 79), brother Thomas lead ore smelter, aged 31, sister Jane, housekeeper 42, niece Sarah Wilkinson 19, nephew Matthew Wilkinson 7, and niece Mary Jane Wilkinson 5 months.
In 1881, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead ore smelter, aged 41, his wife Hannah 40, children Elizabeth 11, Mary Ann 8, Catherine 6, and George 2. In 1891, at Church Lane, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Hannah 50, children Catherine 16, George 12, and Matthew 8, granddaughter Hannah Jane Erwin 10 months, and lodger George Erwin, retired lead miner, aged 66. In 1901, at Church Lane, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Hannah 60, children Catherine, general servant, aged 26, and Matthew, carter for merchant, aged 18. In 1911, at Church Lane, Thomas Wilkinson, retired lead miner, aged 71, and his wife Hannah aged 70.
Thomas Wilkinson probably died 4th quarter of 1911, aged 72, and his wife Hannah 2nd quarter of 1925, aged 84.
See 7th August 1897

24th February 1872 (Hexham Herald)

LEADGATE ALSTON

PRESENTATION TO T W CRAWHALL ESQ.

On the evening of Thursday (last week), we had the pleasure of attending a large and enthusiastic meeting in the Rodderup Fell Co's school room at Leadgate, convened by the workmen of Rodderup Fell, Blaygill &c, for the purpose of presenting a handsome testimonial to T. W. Crawhall, Esq. Alston House, on his retiring the office of Superintendent of the above mentioned mines. ...

This testimonial was given by the workmen who had formed a committee to organise a collection for Mr T W Crawhall.
He was given a centrepiece for the drawing or dining room table, value £15, Mrs Crawhall was presented with a soup tureen value 5 guineas. He had held his position as Superintendent upwards of 20 years.
The period of 1867 - 1868 had been one of relative depression and falling prices, whereas after this there was an economic boom, and full employment. (In 1869 - 1873 there was an increased availability of credit principally due to the abundant availability of Australian and Californian gold; resulting in a credit boom.) Due to this prices rose quickly and it was mainly this rise in prices, which provoked the demands for increased wages. In the lead mining districts

of the North Pennines, there was a general feeling of discontent, resulting in strikes by the Beaumont miners in Weardale, the London Lead Company miners in Teesdale and the Rodderup Fell miners. These disputes were recorded in the Hexham Courant.

8th March 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)
LEAD MINING IN CUMBERLAND. —The Keswick district, celebrated for its mineral wealth, has lately been enlivened by the opening of the mines in the manor of Thornthwaite, a company having been formed to work them under the title of the "Keswick United Silver Lead Mines Company," limited. From a perusal of the prospectus, and an inspection of the well-executed plan of the ground, accompanying the prospectus. We believe that the combination of advantages which it possesses for profitable mining are not over stated in the reports the mining engineers who have reported upon it. The sett contains at present four mines, and is intersected by "all the best productive lodes of the district," comprising those which have yielded largely in the neighbouring Goldscope. Yewthwaite, Brandlow, and other well-known mines. The ground the sett occupies upwards of five square miles and was worked formerly the Romans. We hail the formation of this company with great pleasure, believing that it will only be a forerunner to others to formed to thoroughly work the rich metalliferous deposits of the country. Till lately, the central mining districts of Cumberland—rich as they are known to be—have neither been explored to any great extent, nor have they attracted the attention they deserve from mining adventurers, owing, doubtless in a great measure, to the drawbacks connected with them consequent upon their want of railway or other communication; and thus, in a district capable, and destined ere long, rival—if not to surpass—any other in the country in mineral productiveness little comparatively has hitherto been done—and that mostly on limited scale—to develop its extensive and rich metallic resources. Since the completion of the Cockermouth, Keswick, and Penrith Railway, however, these drawbacks, so far as this property is situated, are at an end. We understand there is no doubt of its success, the promoters being most influential gentlemen, and most of the shares having been taken up privately.
The allotment takes place early March.

15th March 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. Jonathan Harper, Mr John Craig, Blackburn Banks, to Miss Jane Watson, Shaw House.
In 1871, at Shaw House Inn, Alston, Joseph Watson, lead miner, Inn keeper & farmer of 42 acres, aged 51, his wife Jane 54, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Jane 20, William, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, and granddaughter Jane Watson 3.
In 1871, at Blackburn Banks, John Craig, blacksmith & farmer of 14 acres, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 58, born Kingwater, children, Sarah 31, and John, blacksmith, aged 28.
In 1881, at Blackburn Banks, Alston, John Craig jnr., farmer of 13 acres and Engine smith, aged 38, and his wife Jane Craig 29.
In 1891, at Blackburn Banks, Alston, John Craig, Blacksmith, aged 48, and his wife Jane Craig 39.

In 1911, at Black Burn Banks, Alston, John Craig, Blacksmith, aged 67, and his wife Jane 57.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 7th inst., Thomas Featherston, gardener, aged 24 years.

In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, John Featherston, gardener, aged 49, his wife Jane 50, children, Thomas, gardener, aged 23, Sarah 17, John W, gardener, aged 15, William, gardener, aged 13, and Elizabeth 9.

See 20th March 1880, 24th March 1900

16th March 1872 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

Guddamgill estate was purchased by Jacob Walton Esq., of Green End House for £2,070.

Outdoor operations have been commenced in the lead ore washing works, where all is alive again with the busy tribes of lads. (After a winter, break due to ice &c.)

HAYDON BRIDGE

The boys employed at the Stonecroft mines as washers, to the number of between 50 and 60, struck work on Monday last for an advance of pay and shorter hours on Saturdays. No settlement has as yet been made.

Deaths

At Irestone, Weardale, 13th inst. aged 61 years, Ralph Watson Esq.

Landowner

At Fiddler Street, Nenthead, 6th inst. aged 10 months, George William, son of Mr Joseph Percival.

In 1871, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Joseph Percival, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane (Thompson, widow?, married 3rd quarter 1865, registered at Alston) aged 34, children, Thomas 12, Mary Ann 10, Elizabeth 5, Jane 2, and Isabella 1 year.

In 1881, at Quarry Burn, Hunwick, Durham, Joseph Percival, coal miner, aged 52, his wife Jane 44, children, Thomas, coal miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 15, Jane 12, Meggy 7, Annie 3, and Isabella 11 months.

In 1891, at Hunwick Lane Ends, Joseph Percival, coal miner, aged 62, his wife Jane 54, Meggie, dressmaker, aged 18, and married daughter, Mary A Barker aged 30.

Joseph Percival died, 1st quarter 1897, aged 68, registered at Auckland, Durham.

In 1901, at Rough Lee, Hunwick, Jane Percival, widow, aged 64, daughters, Isabella 30, Meggie, dressmaker, aged 27, and visitor, Jane Blades, married, aged 32.

In 1911, at 10 Chapel St., New Shildon, Durham, Jane Percival, widow, pensioner, aged 75.

Jane Percival died 4th quarter 1913, registered at Auckland, Durham.

See 1st July 1876

30th March 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE W B LEAD MINERS WEARDALE
AGITATION FOR INCREASED WAGES

For some time past considerable dissatisfaction has prevailed among the miners of Weardale in consequence of the low rate of remuneration they

received for their services, and they have determined at this period, having regard to the cost of living, now greatly upon the increase, to follow the example of other classes of workmen throughout the country and adopt a movement having for its object the advance of what is termed “lent money” a stated amount of cash guaranteed to his men by the employer monthly in order to meet the exigencies caused by the peculiar and uncertain nature of the work; and when, but for this “lent money” they would have frequently little or no earnings to draw.

During the past summer an attempt was made to procure an advance from the £2 a month they are now receiving to £2 10s, and some negotiations were commenced which resulted in the formation of a committee of the men, and that committee appointed a deputation to wait upon the masters agent at the New House, and there lay before him what the men wanted. A short time elapsed, when the refusal from the masters was announced, the latter stating that the request could not be complied with, and a rumour got abroad that soon there would be a change in the system of working the mines, and a ready money method of payment to be introduced at some not far distant day. Matters quietly settled down from that time, and things have gone on as usual to the present without any alteration being made. But the miners, latterly, seeing no prospect of their condition being improved, have again resolved to inaugurate an agitation for the increase of the lent money from 40s to 50s per month, and, on Saturday, a crowded and enthusiastic meeting of the W B lead miners was held in the Town Hall, St John’s Chapel, Weardale, for the purpose of adopting resolutions in furtherance of the movement for increased pay. A thousand miners were computed to be present in the hall. ...

THE CHAIRMAN (whose appointment was carried by acclamation) commenced the proceedings; and said: Nearly a quarter of a century had elapsed since a meeting similar to the present had been held at St John’s Chapel. The object then was the same as at present - namely, a struggle for the increase in lent money. (Cheers) Many connected with that movement had passed away; and not one now upon the platform beside him occupied the platform of the past. Since then things had gone on pretty smoothly, and no outward demonstration of lead miners had occurred in Weardale since that day. Every innovation in the shape of change had been received with good grace up to the present. It was during the last summer in June or July that an attempt was made to procure a further advance of lent money. The request was very moderate, and nothing was said about the rise of wages. (Applause) All they asked for was an increase from 40s to 50s per month. The committee that was formed appointed a deputation to wait upon the master’s agent, with a view to the miner’s request. The reply shortly afterwards was that it could not be complied with, and matters in consequence were allowed to drop. But as no change had taken place since then, and great struggle between capital and labour had been going on throughout the country it was time he thought, they should do something for themselves. (Cheers) Many of the masters seemed to have anticipated the wants of their men, and did not wait till requested to shorten their hours of labour or advance their wages, and give them then what they thought they should have. (Cheers) But the lead miners of Weardale had had nothing advanced to them except provisions, coals &c., which latter had considerably advanced, and many a poor man with only £2 a month could not see his way clear to secure a load of coals, and other things

were rising in proportion, so that the men were compelled to make another effort. Six or seven weeks ago, that effort was commenced, and it was arranged that the deputation of the men should see the masters, but before that, it was announced to have also a mass meeting of the men. The masters then sent word for the deputation to appear at Newhouse, and the men were told that a scheme was in progress, which was not complete, but when it was, they would again send for the men and lay it before them. In consequence of that, the mass meeting was put aside for the time being, and the men waited patiently for a new scheme. Resolutions were proposed and presented to the master's agent, but there was an answer from Mr Beaumont that he was determined to stand to the new system (to which as a whole, the men could not see their way clear), and rather than shrink from it would lay the mines in for two or three years. This seemed a very cold answer to moderate requests, especially as Mr Beaumont's workmen stood in a very different relation to that gentleman in the valley than many other classes of workmen did to their masters. (Applause) The miners of Weardale were a class of men that had not been gathered from the four quarters of the globe, as their very fathers were cradled in that valley, and for some time they could trace back their ancestors. Their grandfathers had wrought in the same mines and many a grandson was now working in the place of his forefathers at the present time - (Cheers) - so that the announcement to close the mines was very cold. The resolutions to be submitted for their approval or disapproval were founded on the petition sent to Mr Beaumont after the scheme was laid before the men, and he hoped the appointed speakers would have a fair hearing, and show to the outside public that the miners of Weardale knew how to conduct a mass meeting (Cheers). He then called upon the mover of the first resolution.

A MINER the stepped forward and moved, "That we receive the new system, with the exception of an advance to the unfortunate miner to 50s per month." After referring to the high price of food and other necessaries, he said the men could not do with their small earnings, and they wished to show the reasonableness of their request. ...

THE MOVER of the second resolution advanced to the front of the platform and said he was called upon to move. "That the miners cannot see their way clear to work without some degree of certainty, monthly, as there is so much irregularity in mining, unforeseen circumstances are such that they might have to work for two or three months without making anything, and this they cannot afford, and therefore they have again decided to appeal to the managers of the W B lead mines, Weardale. The object of their meeting together he said was to give public expression to their opinions on the new system. ...

Examples were then given of the unpredictability of lead mining, and how it was that a lead miner may work for long periods without raising very much ore, but with the hope that they would strike a rich load of ore, so that they would be able to redeem the subsistence they had received.

The speaker then said he failed to see how the workmen were to get fair play with the ready money system, except they had so much per fathom or ton for their work, and it to be weighed at the level mouth, so that a man could get what he made, and have the liberty also to remove elsewhere if not satisfied. But through sheer necessity, perhaps, he happened to be unfortunate two or three months, and could not meet the demands of his creditors, and they would refuse to speculate longer with him and his uncertainties and in all

probability he would have to leave his country without a shilling in his pocket to get work elsewhere, where he would be more fairly remunerated for his toil, (Applause.) The proposed ready money system was wrong for both men and master. ...
THE SECONDER of the resolution stood up to address the meeting. He said he had paid considerable attention to the movement in which he had been called unexpectedly to figure. There were three things connected with the agitation with which he had all along been very well pleased, namely, the oneness of opinion that he had obtained amongst them, and extremely moderate views taken, and the gentle manner they had been gone about from the commencement. They had only asked for 12s 6d per week, and this movement was only a step with the times, and a very short one, when compared with what other branches of workmen had done for themselves. ... They (the management) had intended, with respect to the 50s subsistence money, to keep a month in advance at the commencement. An unfortunate miner would under these circumstances, have to labour two months before he received the subsistence. With respect to the ready money system, it favoured the masters too much at the men's expense. It obliged the men to give their labour, and left him open to advance the unfortunate miner what he pleased. It chilled the spirit of enterprise in searching for lead ore, and placed a man too much at the mercy of one individual. After denouncing such attempt to serfdom, he said that if the new system had been really friendly to the men there would have been no need to have kept back the details. A bargain was understood to be an understanding between two men, but it had only to be acted upon in this case at the pleasure of the master, without the men having the power to gain say it. ...
The resolution was then carried amid great applause, and the large meeting separated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

6th April 1872 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
At Hillersdon Terrace. Nenthead. on the 25th alt. Mr. Joseph Hind, butcher, aged 56 years.
See 15th August 1862, & 26th September 1868

12th April 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)

THE KESWICK UNITED SILVER LEAD MINES COMPANY (Limited).

Incorporated under The Companies Acts, 1862 and 1867," by which the liability of every Shareholder is limited to the amount of his Shares.
£30,000, in 6,000 Shares of £5 each. £1 per Share to be paid on application, £2 on allotment, and the remainder as the progress the works may render necessary.
No Call to exceed £1 per Share, nor at an interval of less than three months. It is not anticipated, however, that any Call will be required.

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KESWICK UNITED SILVER LEAD MINES COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the LIST of APPLICATIONS for SHARES in this Company will be CLOSED on Wednesday, the 17th instant, for London, and on Thursday, the 18th instant, for the Country. By Order. JAMES FARIE, Secretary. 1 and 2, Great Winchester Street Buildings, London, E.C., April 10th, 1872.

13th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF THE WEARDALE MINERS.
OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT BY A NEW MASTER.

The people of Weardale are roused to the highest pitch of excitement, and on Wednesday evening, the most enthusiastic meeting ever held in this otherwise quiet district took place in the Town Hall, at St John's Chapel. Since the last mass meeting at which it was resolved to accept the new ready money system, it has clearly come out to the miners that this new system is devoid of any redeeming quality, and worthless for both men and master, and as it was announced that Mr Beaumont had arrived in Weardale for the purpose of having an interview with the delegates at the W. B. offices, at Newhouse, on the above evening the miners considered that they should meet at once at St John's Chapel and reject the New System altogether. Consequently, at the preliminary meeting of the delegates, which took place at one o'clock at the Golden Lion Inn, it was arranged that a mass meeting should take place that evening to reject the New System, and also to learn the terms, which Mr Beaumont proposed. ... After an interview of three hours, (*with Mr Beaumont at Newhouse*) the representatives of the miners returned to town, when a rush to the Town Hall took place, and in a few minutes not less than a thousand people were packed together anxious to learn the result of the interview. ... The chairman was sorry to say they had not been able to get a final settlement

with the proprietor of the Weardale mines. However there was one thing he had pleasure in stating, namely, that after the great disadvantages of the new system had been explained properly to their employer, he had swept the abhorred new system entirely away. Mr Beaumont promised 10 per cent advance in wages, but would not say that he would give them 50s lent money they had asked. He thought however, that if a little were given way on both sides they might ultimately get a settlement about the subsistence money. After making the above statement, the chairman called upon Mr Philipson, their secretary to read a paper which had been written at the direction of their employer, and which was as follows: -

"Newhouse office, April 10, 1872. The men can have their bargains on the old system if they desire it, with a view of giving time for an arrangement about lent money."

A statement, which meant that the men might take their bargains as usual, and trust to an arrangement being made about the lent money in a few weeks hence, but this statement was not well received. ... It was also remarked that a trades union existed among the employers in this district. When a person thought proper to leave Mr Beaumont's works he was debarred from getting employment under any other master in the neighbourhood. It is alleged that an agreement of some kind exists among the employers, that they are not allowed to employ one another's men. ... A gentleman, who had come up into Weardale to offer employment to the whole of the Weardale miners, was requested to step onto the platform. On rising to address the meeting, he stated that his object in coming up into the dale was to offer them employment as he had heard they were on strike. He did not wish to induce any one of them to leave his native hills, but if their master and them could not agree, he would guarantee constant employment at Haswell, Shotton, and Castle Eden Collieries. The yearly bond was done away with and they would take fort nightly agreements, so any person could leave by giving fourteen days notice. Workmen with their families who stayed twelve months would have their expenses of removal paid, and those workmen who stayed six months would receive some consideration in addition to their wages. The pitmen in his collieries worked eight hours, and made per day in the five-quarter seam 6s, in the Low main 7s, and in the Hutton seam 8s 6d. The thanks of the meeting were heartily given to the gentleman, ... Several young men, the flower of Mr Beaumont's mines, had already left the dale. As no settlement has been come to between Mr Beaumont and the miners, it was unanimously agreed to hold a mass meeting. The men were anxious for an early meeting but it was ultimately agreed to hold it at twelve o'clock today (Saturday). ... Trade is completely paralysed in the dale.

13th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Nenthead, 6th inst., Mr Jacob Erwin to Miss Hannah Whitfield both of Nenthead.

In 1851, at Overwater, Robert Whitfield, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Barron, married 4th qtr 1844, registered at Alston) aged 26, children, Thomas 6, Jane 4, John 3, and Mary Ann 7 months.

Mary Whitfield was buried 18th April 1858, aged 33, at Nenthead.

In 1861, at Pipers Row, Nenthead, Robert Whitfield, widower, lead miner, aged 40, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jane 14, John, shoemakers apprentice, aged 13, Mary A 10, Hannah 8, and Sarah 6.
In 1871, at Piper Row, Nenthead, Robert Whitfield, widower, unemployed lead miner out of health, aged 50, daughter, Mary Ann, house keeper, aged 20, granddaughter, Mary Jane 3, and nephew, John Barron, tailors apprentice, aged 12. Robert Whitfield was buried 2nd June 1873, aged 53, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allendale, George Percival, plate layer, lead ore mines, aged 64, his wife Jane 58, and servant, Hannah Whitfield, domestic servant, aged 18.

In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwin, smelter, aged 50, his wife Ann (Hall, married 20th July 1826, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 44, daughter, Hannah, straw bonnet maker, aged 22, son James 11, and grandson, Jacob, aged 2.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwin, smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann 55, son James, smelter, aged 21, and grandson, Jacob, aged 12.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, James Erwin, smelter, aged 70, his wife Ann 64, and grandson, Jacob, lead miner, aged 22.

Hannah Erwin died 2nd quarter 1876, registered at Auckland, Durham

In 1871, at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, Thomas Dalton, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Isabella (Graham, married 2nd qtr 1841, at Stanhope) aged 56, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 18, and Hannah 13.

Jacob Erwin married Isabella Dalton 4th quarter 1878, registered at Auckland, Durham.

In 1881, at Church Hill, Crook, Auckland, Jacob Urwin, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Isabella 28, and daughter Mary A 8.
In 1891, at George St., Westoe, South Shields, Jacob Erwin, coal miner, aged 42, and his wife Isabella 38.
In 1901, at Cowpen, Blyth, Jacob Erwin, coal miner, aged 55, and his wife Isabella 48.
In 1911, at George Potts St. South Shields, Jacob Irwin, coal miner, aged 63, and his wife Isabella 58.
Jacob Irwin died 2nd qtr 1925, aged 76 at South Shields.
Isabella Irwin died 3rd qtr 1929, aged 76, at South Shields.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 4th inst. Mr Thomas Carr of Bunker Hill Garrigill, to Miss Margaret Davidson of Blagill, Hill Top, near Alston.
In 1861, at Bunker Hill, Garrigill, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Deborah 60, daughter Mary 25, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1871, at Bunker Hill, Garrigill, Deborah Carr, widow, aged 70, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, boarders Robert Rain, cartman, aged 28, and his wife Mary Rain 35. See 26th May 1871
In 1881, at Front St. South, Thomas Carr, provisions dealer, aged 43, his wife Margaret 43, and visitor Hannah Stout, lead miner's wife, aged 41. In 1891, at Physic Hall, Thomas Carr, retired grocer, aged 53, and his wife Margaret aged 53. Thomas Carr died 3rd quarter of 1896, aged 59.
In 1901, at Ivy Cottage, Alston, Margaret Carr, widow, living on own means, aged 63.

Deaths
At Rodderup Fell, 9th inst. aged 87, Martha Walton Widow.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Martha Walton (Vipond, married William Walton 9th October 1806, at Alston, children, John, William, Whitfield, Elizabeth, Thomas, Nancy and James), lead miners widow, aged 76.
In 1871, at Rodderup Fell, Elizabeth Parmley, widow (married 29th June 1837 to Edward Parmley lead miner, Edward died 1st quarter of 1864), formerly farmer, aged 54, son Thomas, lead mine time keeper, aged 28, Isabella dressmaker (apprentice) aged 15, mother Martha Walton, formerly farmer, aged 86.
See 22nd January 1864, and 6th February 1897
Alston, 7th inst. aged 75 Frances Walton, wife of Mr Toward Walton.
See 10th July 1886

20th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE STRIKE OF LEAD MINES IN WEARDALE
GREAT MASS MEETING OF THE MEN

On Saturday (*13th*) afternoon a mass meeting of the Lead Miners of Weardale now on strike, was held at St John's Chapel. The meeting had been announced to commence at twelve o'clock, but in consequence of the long distances, many of the miners had to travel before reaching St John's Chapel; the chair was not taken till one o'clock. ... Although many of the miners had walked their six, eight or a dozen miles, to the place of meeting - upwards of 1,500 persons had congregated by one o'clock in the afternoon ...
MR NATHAN RACE occupied the chair, and in opening the proceedings said he could not help but on that occasion returning the meeting thanks for their kindness in again choosing him to preside over the present one. ...
They had at last secured an interview with Mr Beaumont, and that interview was satisfactory so far. They could not accomplish all that was desired but ultimately the dispute would be settled. At the mass meeting held on the 23rd of March, he (the speaker) made a statement to the effect that Mr Beaumont had said he was prepared to stand by the new system, and that rather than shrink from it he would throw the mines in. Now he was happy to tell the meeting that day that that statement made on the 23rd of March was not true. When he (the chairman) uttered those words he firmly believed they were true; the committee believed they were true; and there was no doubt but that every workman in the WB lead mines believed those words were true. But he heard the other night from Mr Beaumont's own lips that that gentleman had never said he would fling the mines in, nor ever dreamt of flinging them in for two or three years. But he wished it to be thoroughly understood by the meeting that he had every confidence in Mr Featherstone Philipson, who had communicated the intelligence to the committee. (Hear hear) ... There would he believed, soon be a settlement brought about, but in the meantime they were struggling for the 50s a month lent money, and they would have it. (Great applause)
MR JOSEPH WATSON, Hasswicks, Westgate. Up to that time they had been battling with the new system, which seemed to have been a bubble blown by one man, and which burst in his own hand on that memorable night. (Laughter and cheers) Mr Beaumont said he never wished to push any new system upon them, and to use his own words, "they had been fighting with the wind."

But the new system was held up to them as an absolute reality by Mr Cain, and as one, which would come into operation at the beginning of the present quarter. They therefore, never went to Newhouse to take their bargains on Monday last. He heard Mr Cain say that Mr Beaumont was willing to let the men have the benefit of the mines for two or three years in the hope of something better turning up in the future, but that he was not prepared to suffer any loss by the mines. Since this, however, he had heard Mr Beaumont declare that he never said anything of the kind, and never thought so. (Loud cheers) Mr Featherstone Philipson said that Mr Cain told him that Mr Beaumont would close the mines for two or three years rather than grant 50s lent money, or shrink from the "new system." But he himself heard Mr Beaumont say that he never said so, and never even dreamt of such a thing - (cheers) - and he wrote out a declaration to that effect, and declared that it might be published to the world. As regard to the promised interview he believed Mr Beaumont knew nothing about it till the Monday, when he found the letter sent by the committee, and that he then went to Newhouse on Wednesday; but he heard Mr Cain tell the deputation twice in one interview that if the men had not confidence in their master the sooner they parted the better. (Laughter) Another contradiction he might refer to was an equally glaring one. When the deputation were up some time ago hearing the document read, Mr Cain told them that lead had fallen £2 per ton during the last two or three years, and was still tending downwards in price. Well they introduced the subject on Wednesday evening to Mr Beaumont, and told him that they knew from good authority - from a person of their acquaintance, who did business in lead that the value had risen £2 per ton during the past twelve months. In reply to that, Mr Beaumont said he must admit that lead had an upward tendency. ...

Mr WILLIAM GIBSON, of Hasswicks, Westgate. At the interview on Wednesday with Mr Beaumont, he was exceedingly happy to ascertain that the gentleman was not, in point of fact their enemy. They found that their true and real enemy was Mr Cain. He had the impression that Mr Beaumont was a gentleman; he received the deputation very courteously, and listened to all they had to say with great patience, and answered nearly all that came before him in a straightforward and honourable way indeed. Mr Beaumont told them that he had long been of opinion that a little ready money in Weardale would be a very acceptable thing. No miner objected to getting plenty of ready money. Mr Beaumont told them that he had never thought of pushing the new system against the wishes of the men. ...

MR WILLIAM EMMERSON, of Westgate ... There was a sort of agreement or understanding, existing between the agents of Mr Beaumont and certain neighbouring employers say, for instance, the iron stone mines. So that it was necessary for a man to have his clearance, which is often refused by Mr Cain on the plea that a working man had no right to one. ("Mr Cain is not a man") So for Mr Beaumont to be their last employer was sufficient with but few exceptions to debar men from getting work until they had been elsewhere working, either east, west, north, or south, within seven miles of where that meeting was being held. That was tyranny. (Hear hear)

MR JOHN FEATHERSTONE, Middle Rigg. ... The price of living had so much increased since those days (when Mr Sopwith was agent) that it had become necessary that there should be a general advance of wages, and he was glad

that their master, Mr Beaumont, was willing to grant it. They would observe that he (the speaker) was in favour of the system of ten percent, as introduced by Mr Sopwith, only he would have it to take place after the miner had earned £1 per week instead of 15s. That was like each man helping his brother. ... Mr Beaumont had not thought of the system of paying the miners monthly. He never approved of it; first, because there was a deal of ground that was not payable in three months. Plenty of lengths in the Burtree Pasture Mine were not payable in three months; and not only there but in all other mines, there was unproductive ground that had to be cut through. Secondly, in the high part of Weardale, there were seasons when it would be impossible to get it washed up for months, and it would cause endless difference when the work was to be valued. Thirdly, there would be far more wood used, making a greater cost, as well as rendering the mines more unsafe; and in fact, the mines would be ruined, because it would destroy all enterprise on the part of the miners, which enterprise was of more value to Mr Beaumont and the landed proprietors and tradesmen of the dale, and to all who were interested in it, than all the agents, that ever were at Newhouse since the days of old Maughan. (Loud cheers)...

The following resolutions were then put to the meeting, and carried by unanimous vote, amid great enthusiasm.

First, “That no ‘bargain’ be taken at Newhouse until the 50s lent money be granted.”

Second, “That £1 be the standard to base the ‘bargain’ upon, and no man to be percented till he makes that sum.”

Third, “That the thanks of this meeting be given to Mr Beaumont for the gentlemanly manner in which he received the deputation.”

The “Percent System”

In 1845 when Thomas Sopwith took over as agent of the Beaumont Company mines, he increased the bargain rate so as to give an average wage of 15s a week, and raised the monthly subsistence to 40s. It was also decided that miners who were in debt at the end of the year would in future only be responsible for half their arrears. The other half was to be met by those miners who earned more than the 15s per week. These miners were to have 10 percent of their excess earnings deducted from their end of year settlement of pay. So a miner earning for example 30s per week on average would contribute 78s in that year (10 per cent of 15s x 52 weeks) to help pay off half the debt of the less fortunate miners. If these “percent” payments did not meet, the amount owed the Beaumont Company would cover the remaining amount.

The “New System”

The system suggested was that the miners were to work for £3 per Bing of ore raised, and that money, which they earned, was to be paid at the end of the month (ready money). The miners were to be paid a month in arrears, that is they would have to work two months before they received their first payment for one month. The miners found this system to be unacceptable and at the mass meeting, examples were given why this was so. “The ready money system with £3 per Bing seemed all very well; but there were many mines where if they had £6 a Bing they could not make way, and no man could work for a whole quarter of a year and make

no money - merely depending on future success. A partnership might set to work in any mine and work very well; and yet they might work a month or eight weeks without making what would pay for a "charge." What would the ready money system do for men in such a case?"

20th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

CONCESSION OF THE DEMANDS OF THE WEARDALE MINERS

On Thursday evening, owing to the arrival of a letter from Mr Beaumont, a meeting of the delegates was summoned at St John's Chapel. In reply to the resolutions passed at the meeting of the miners on the 13th inst., Mr Beaumont offered 50s lent money, bargains to be based on £1 per week, and the percentage to be done away with after June first. The delegates however resolved to hold this proposition in abeyance until the statements made by Mr J. C. Cain to the select deputation be cleared up. A mass meeting of the miners will be held at St John's Chapel today "Saturday".

Mr J. C. Cain and Mr W. B. Beaumont

Sir will you be kind enough to insert the following letter, and oblige yours respectfully.
J. C. Cain
Weardale House St John's Chapel
Darlington April 17, 1872

144 Piccadilly, London 16 April 1872

Sir From what took place at the Weardale mass meeting I infer that the lead miners think you proposed the new system without my cognizance. Now it must be clearly understood that the whole system had my approval, and that it was put before the deputation of miners with my sanction. It was originally intended, as a ready money system, in the interests of the men; but as it meets with little favour, and will be much more difficult to work out than was first anticipated, I have had little hesitation in authorising its withdrawal.
It is hardly necessary for me to add that there never was nor, is there, the slightest difference of opinion between us; and that I am thoroughly satisfied of your single mindedness of purpose, and of the truth of all your statements, both to me and to the men. Those who think I can accept compliments at your expense are quite mistaken, and little know me.
Believe me, as always, yours very truly. Wentworth B Beaumont

27th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE MINERS STRIKE

Another mass meeting of the miners now on strike in Weardale, in connection with the W B lead mines took place on Saturday, for the purpose of receiving from the delegates a report of what had taken place since the last meeting, and of determining upon the steps to be taken in the altered circumstances of the case.
... the fifty shillings lent money was granted- (cheers) - that £1 a week to be the basis of the bargains was granted - (cheers) - and that the percentage system was to be entirely swept away - (cheers) -...
This could well have been the end of the strike, but, in a letter from Mr Beaumont to Mr Cain published in the Durham Chronicle, and Hexham

Courant Mr Beaumont had stated to Mr Cain that he was thoroughly satisfied of his single-mindedness of purpose, and of the truth of all his statements both to him and the men. This to the miners implied that Mr Beaumont was saying that the miner's delegates had in fact misled the men. The letter referred to being that printed in the Hexham Courant on the 13th April.

On the 17th April, Mr Beaumont sent another letter to Mr Cain in which he concedes to the wishes of the men.

"144, Piccadilly, London, 17th April, 1872

Dear Sir, I am very glad to observe from the resolutions passed at the meeting of miners last Saturday that the good feeling which has so long subsisted in Weardale is still unimpaired, and I have therefore felt the greatest pleasure in approaching the present unhappy differences, with a full desire to meet fairly the difficulties as change of time and circumstances may require some modification of arrangements which have existed for about a quarter of a century.

"Having come to a conclusion clear and definite in my own mind, I will not delay informing you that there is no longer any objection on my part to give the men fifty shillings a month lent money; the standard basis of all bargains being one pound per week, instead of fifteen shillings as at present. There is so much complication and difficulty about the percentage system that it will be better to abolish it altogether after next June; it is questionable in principle, and does not exist (so far as I know) in any other mines.

"As I am detained here on a Parliamentary committee, I cannot explain my views personally to the men; but I think it right to state that the decision at which I have arrived has been mainly influenced by advice and assistance derived from yourself. You have always acted with loyalty and kindly feeling towards the men; and I am perfectly confident that what has been recently said against you at the miners meeting is the result of unfortunate misunderstanding, and that good will and peace will be speedily restored in our mining districts among all parties.

Believe me, very truly yours.

"W B Beaumont"

MR NATHAN RACE, chairman. ... He must say that in the Durham letter Mr Beaumont wanted to clear Mr Cain, and expressed to him his entire concurrence in that new system which was laid before the men. (Hisses) Now, he must say that staggered him (the chairman) more than everything else he had heard, because he happened to be one of the deputation who waited upon Mr Beaumont at Newhouse, and distinctly heard him say that there was no new system; he never intended that any new system should be brought before the men, and they had been battling with the wind, and so on. (Laughter) And he (the chairman) was struck when he read in the Durham letter that that the new system had his entire approval. (Hisses) If they would read the fore end of Mr Beaumont's letter to the committee, and the back end of his Durham letter, they would observe that there was such a contradiction, as he never saw in his life. (Applause) At the fore end of the miners committee letter he praised their loyalty, and said he was pleased that the good feeling which had existed for such a long time in Weardale was still unimpaired - (loud ironical laughter and cheers) - but at the back of the Durham letter he said he could not think of receiving compliments at the

expense of Mr Cain. (Loud laughter and hisses) Now he (the chairman) thought there was a flat contradiction there. ... The deputation had told the men the truth and nothing but the truth, and on that they took their stand. (Applause) The struggle had assumed a form, which they never expected (hear, hear). He would far rather have been battling that day for the wage question than on that personal question. It was a question of character - (loud cheer) - although they were workingmen. ... The meeting would be aware that the committee were gathered together at once, after they got the document first read, and drew up three resolutions which they forwarded to Mr Cain, and a copy of which was also telegraphed to London to Mr Beaumont, as follows: -

1st. That the acceptance of Mr W B Beaumont's proposal, received to-day, be held in abeyance until a proper understanding be arrived at between Mr Cain and the miners delegates.
2nd. That our character and that of our delegates has been falsified to such an extent that we cannot as honourable men submit to take any more bargains of Mr Cain until Mr Cain has fully cleared Mr Philipson and his co-delegates from all falsehood.
3rd. That if Mr Cain does not at once come forward and clear our delegates we must take legal proceedings, and let the law do that for us. (Loud cheers)

He had received from Mr Cain the following reply: -
"Dear Sir, (laughter) I have received your letter of the 18th inst., with the resolutions passed at the miners committee meeting last evening, and which I will forward to Mr Beaumont by to-day's post. On receiving a reply from that gentleman, I will again communicate with you.
Meantime I remain dear sir, yours truly J C Cain." (Laughter)

By to-day's post, the committee had received the following letter from Mr Beaumont: -

"144, Piccadilly, 19 April 1872

"Sir, - In reply to your telegram, I can only express a hope that calm consideration will lead you to receive the letter I sent on Wednesday in the kindly spirit in which it was written. "I remain yours faithfully "W B Beaumont
"Mr Featherstone Philipson"

There then followed a discussion as to what should be done next and the following resolutions were passed.

1. That this meeting is perfectly satisfied with the past conduct of the committee and the select deputation, and hereby express its unbounded confidence in their honour and truthfulness, and consider them perfectly blameless in the complications which have taken place between the owner and the manager of the W B lead mines.
2. That we request the owner of these mines to withdraw from the union which exists amongst the employers of labour in the neighbourhood for the purpose of preventing any miner obtaining employment who is necessitated or chooses to change his employment, as we consider the object of such union unfair and despotic to the workmen, and dishonourable to the employer.
3. That we should appoint a miners standing committee, to consist of forty members, including chairman, treasurer, and secretary, whose duties shall

be to watch over the interests of the workmen; and represent any grievances that may exist, between masters and men, to the owner of the mines; and that we the lead miners of the W B Mines do hereby promise, and sign our names to support to our utmost ability the aforesaid committee.

4. That fifty shillings a month be granted to men who work one month whether fortunate or unfortunate, without exception.
5. That as a bargain is an engagement entered into between two parties, that it in future be conducted on the principle of contracting, pure and simple; and not by dictation as has been in the past.
6. That advertisements be inserted in all the local papers, asking that subscriptions in aid of our movement be sent to their respective offices.

27th April 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE TEESDALE MINERS

The case of the Teesdale miners is not yet satisfactorily settled. They have had an interview with Mr Bainbridge, the resident agent, and have been advised not to press for an advance of "lent money," and have been told that the average wages last year had been 17s 6d per week, and that the whole of their earnings can be drawn every month if they choose, and that they (the masters) placed no bar upon any man who wished to leave the Company from procuring employment elsewhere. The impression existing in Teesdale, that miners leaving the Company's works lost all interest in the Miner's Fund, which is said to have a capital of several thousand pounds, appears to be unfounded. Workmen, who leave, in a proper manner, can retain their membership if they choose, and still be entitled to the benefits accruing from the fund.

MASS MEETING IN ALLENDALE

A mass meeting of the workmen in the Allendale section of the W B Lead Mining Districts was held in the Miner's Room, Allenheads, on Wednesday evening last, the object of which was to take into consideration the generous offer of their employer W B Beaumont, Esq., MP. to augment the standard wages of his miners and workmen generally. The meeting was of a very enthusiastic character, and many points in the past history of the mining enterprises of this district were very ably adverted to men with locks white with age were moved with animation as they contrasted the present with the past, and scarcely could find the language to express their grateful feelings for the almost unprecedented advance of wages now so kindly granted them. Many whose long lives have been spent amongst the surrounding heath clad hills alluded to the strong attachment they felt to their native place, and referred in glowing terms to the Beaumont family, in whose service they, and their grand-sires had been exclusively engaged. Though for some time past the earnings of lead miners have not been subject to those fluctuations and migrations which are so common in other fields of industry, and their constant employment seemed to them as an equivalent to wage in the long run. A fixity of residence amongst the scenes and associations of their earliest days materially enhances and greatly contributes to their general contentment in their secluded sphere of labour, and strangers from the din and bustle of town life cannot but admire their neat and comfortable-looking homesteads, and be led to eulogise their immunities. The advance of wages now offered on the

standard basis for bargains is over 33 per cent, and taking the abolition of the percentage system into consideration may be deemed in the aggregate an augmentation seldom surpassed in the history of trade. The meeting not only gave their expressions of good feeling towards Mr Beaumont, but also to the resident agent Mr Curry, whose uniform kindness and attention to their wishes has been unremitting, and who without any ostentation has taken every opportunity to secure to them any real benefit. This good feeling and understanding that exists between him and the workmen will ever tend to inspire confidence and united effort to promote the interest of their employer, Mr Beaumont. The following resolutions were unanimously passed and ordered to be sent to Mr Beaumont: -

W B Beaumont Esq., MP.

Sir, It is with the greatest of pleasure and satisfaction that we, the undersigned on behalf of the whole of your employees in the Allenheads mining district take this mode of conveying to you the following resolutions unanimously passed at a public meeting of miners, &c., held at Allenheads, 24th April 1872.

1st. That the intimation (communicated through our respected resident agent, John Curry, Esq.) of the definite and substantial manner in which you have so generously proposed to improve our position merits the deepest gratitude and heartfelt thanks of all your employees in this section of your mining district.

2nd. That the increase of monthly subsistence money to 50s to contract men, together with the £1 per week as the standard basis of all bargains, and the liberal remuneration of every other class of labourers, accompanied with the great benefit of payment in full each month are boons which cannot be too highly appreciated, and for which we wish to tender to you our most sincere thanks.

3rd. That the kindly sentiments - or what may be more properly termed loyalty - which have ever been cherished towards yourself and family by the inhabitants of this district will, if possible, be more strong and binding after the generous expression of your liberality and considerate efforts to promote the welfare of your workmen.

Signed, on behalf of the meeting
John Stobbs, chairman
Thomas Prest, secretary

3rd May 1872 (Durham County Advertiser)

THE HYSEHOPE SILVER LEAD AND BARYTES MINING COMPANY, LIMITED

INCORPORATED UNDER THE “COMPANIES” ACTS 1862 AND 1867

Whereby the liability of the Shareholders is limited to the amount of their Shares

CAPITAL, £6,000 IN 1,200 SHARES OF £5 EACH,

Payable—£1 per Share on Allotment—£1 per Share at the end of 6 Months—and the remainder by payments of 10s per Share at intervals of not less than 3 Months.

DIRECTORS

ROBERT REED, Esq., Knitsley, near Consett, Durham

WILLIAM REED, Esq., Knitsley, near Consett, Durham
THOMAS RICHARD DOLPHIN, Esq., The Delves, near Consett, Durham
(With power to add to their number).

BANKERS

THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, DURHAM.

SOLICITORS AND SECRETARY

JOHN PORTER DOLPHIN, Esq., Wolsingham, via Darlington.

THIS Company is formed to acquire and work a Vein of Lead Ore and Barytes, which has been discovered in a tract of ground belonging to the Dean and Chapter of Durham, lying near Castleside, in the County of Durham, and held upon extremely favourable terms.

The Mining ground in question is bounded by the Hysehope Burn and the River Derwent on the North, by the productive Royalty held by the Healeyfield Lead Mining Company on the East, and the Hysehope Born divides it from the well-known Silvertongue Mining District on the West.

A Vein, rich in Lead Ore and Barytes, has already been proved; but the present proprietors require additional Capital fully to develop it. And as they believe that at a comparatively small outlay the Mine will become highly remunerative, they have determined to offer only one half of the Shares to the public for the purpose of providing working Capital, retaining to themselves the other half of the Shares as fully paid-up Shares.

The same Vein, which has been proved, is now being worked in a Royalty adjoining, and within a distance of a few yards from the Northern Boundary of the ground to be worked by this Company, and large quantities of ore are being raised.

It is believed there are other good Veins of Lead Ore within the tract of ground secured, but supposing no other veins should be discovered, it is confidently expected that the vein already proved will return a large profit to the Shareholders in a very short time.

The Lead Ora produced, in the District is extremely rich in Silver.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association may be seen at the Office of the Solicitor; and Forms of Application for Shares may be obtained from any of the Directors, or from the Solicitor.

Application for Shares must be made on or before the1st day of June, 1872.

WEAR FISHERIES ASSOCIATION
POLLUTION OF THE RIVER

Mr DOLPHIN (of Wolsingham): I would like to ask the Secretary if he can tell me If there has been a great falling off of ticket holders residing westward of Auckland.

The SECRETARY (Mr John Caldcleugh): I should say there has been no falling off.

Mr Dolphin: Because I know that the river in the upper reaches is in such a filthy state that it is useless to fishermen, and it is getting worse every day, from Bolihope Burn downwards to Auckland. There is not a day out of one hundred that a person can fish. The river is worse now than it has ever been. Mr Sopwlth promised, at one of our meetings, to put in subsiding ponds, but I believe be has not done so. When there is a flood all the rubbish, which has been put on the banks of the river, and allowed to accumulate, is carried downwards.

The SECRETARY: There is no doubt whatever that the river is worse than ever it was.
Mr DOLPHIN: I know for a certainty that the London Lead Company have opened a great many more mines in Weardale, and in consequence of the refuse thrown into the river by them, the water is utterly useless for ticket holders. This state of things made me ask if they had not got tired of taking out tickets.
Mr RICHARDSON: Formerly Bolihope Burn was a very clear stream of water.
Mr DOLPHIN: The water streaming down from Daddryshields is also much polluted.
The CHAIRMAN: Since the increase in the number of lead mines the pollution of the river has proportionally increased, and the “hush," or pulverised stone, is denser at Durham now than ever it was. Ten years ago it was a rare circumstance to see hush in the Wear at Durham, but now few days pass away without it being too plainly visible.
Mr DOLPHIN: Miners accumulate their hush on the edges of streams, so that when a flood comes it clears it all away; and for two or three days after the subsidence of a flood the river is comparatively clear.
The CHAIRMAN: It seems to me that it is almost impossible to get rid of the pollution except by filtration; and the clogging of the sand or gravel beds would be so continuous that the expense in their perpetual removal would be too serious an item for the owners of the mines to tax themselves with.
Mr DOLPHIN: I think lead miners ought not to be allowed to deposit their rubbish within watermark.
The CHAIRMAN: I should be very severe upon such cases; I do think that the lead miners might prevent their wash coming down the river in such a thick state. If numerous troughs, or subsiding ponds, were erected, in which heavy particles would fall, the water in some degree would approach purity. If such a system of purification could be adopted, it certainly should be.
Mr DOLPHIN: Both Mr Beaumont and Mr Bainbridge promised most faithfully to see that they were erected at their respective works, but I don’t know whether they have done so or not. There is no doubt whatever that if sufficient quantity of deposit ponds were erected, it would obviate all the pollution that was going on; and, besides that, a large quantity of lead, now lost, would be obtained.
The CHAIRMAN: It now becomes a question whether we should not have another inspection of the whole mines bordering on the upper reaches of the river. There is no doubt on the last occasion the parties put their houses in order to receive us.
Mr DOLPHIN: I know that the London Lead Company did so.
Mr RICHARDSON instanced a case in point, which came under his own immediate notice.
Mr DOLPHIN said “hush’’ was not lead ore, but the stuff that came from it.
The CHAIRMAN: It is fine pulverised debris.
Mr RICHARDSON: But I know there is lead in it.
The CHAIRMAN: One of the evils, which the Sunderland people complain of, is that the staff, which the miners quarry out is not put through the mill, but great boulders are laid in the watercourse and carried away down the river to sea. The bed of the river at Durham is considerably higher now then it was some years ago. The owners of lead mines trust to nature doing the work of

their own cartmen. During the winter season, when the water is high, thousands of tons of stones and rubbish, which have been heaped up on the banks of the river, are carried away by high floods.
Mr Richardson: Can Mr Dolphin name any particular place where the practice of making large heaps of rubbish is carried on?
Mr DOLPHIN: Yes; there is Park House Pasture, for instance. A level was bored there, and Mr Beaumont's miners took thousands of tons of rubbish out of the earth and laid it on the riverside, and the very next high flood carried it away.
The CHAIRMAN: No man has a right to put earthy rubbish on the side of the river for the express purpose of it bring carried out to sea. The best thing would be to ask the Pollution of Rivers Commission— to inspect what is going on. It would be rather invidious for a private individual to go to the mines for the purpose of detecting the malpractice going on.
Mr DOLPHIN: The last time the Commissioners were down, Mr Beaumont and the London Lead Company promised to do everything that could be done to prevent the pollution of the river; but since that time I have seen no improvement in the aspect of the water.
The CHAIRMAN: Mr Sopwith showed me an extensive plan, which he intended carrying out, for the purpose of increasing on a large scale, the number of deposit ponds, which would be made quite perfect. It was true in soma isolated places, works had been carried out to prevent, and did prevent, the pollution of the river; but in the bulk of places nothing whatever had yet been done, and a visit, in my opinion, would only be an act of justice to those who had used every exertion to keep the Wear clean, while an exposure would fall on those who had culpably neglected it. Is there not a bill before Parliament, which will deal with all these matters?
Mr DOLPHIN: I believe its enactments have no reference to the upper reaches of rivers, but have only reference to the pollution of rivers by town sewage. I believe the Commissioners when in Durham, promised that on a future occasion they would come down to take evidence on the general pollution of the river.
The CHAIRMAN: As far as I know the present bill does not touch the question of mines.
Mr RICHARDSON: The Commissioners said a future bill would be introduced into Parliament, affecting lead and other mines.
The CHAIRMAN: All that I have read of the bill is, that it relates to sewage of towns. I am afraid it does not go beyond that. It does not even apply to pumping foul water out of coal mines into rivers, or to "hush" water. The bill has certainly references to persons putting stones or rubbish into rivers. It will prevent boulder stones coming down, and that will be something gained. A bill may hereafter be brought forward with reference to other matters.
Mr DOLPHIN: The largest proportion of the rubbish from the mines is sent down the river.
The meeting then came to a resolution, which would, they hoped, tend to lessen the present filthy state of the river.

4th May 1872 (Hexham Courant)

FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THE WEARDALE MINERS STRIKE

On Monday last, the deputation of Weardale miners had an interview with Mr Beaumont's lead agent Mr Cain, in order to arrange the details, as Mr Beaumont wished in connection with the resolution passed at the mass meeting on the 20th ult., and so bring the three week's strike to a satisfactory settlement. In the evening, the whole of the 34 delegates who represent the workmen of the mines known as Pasture Grove, Killhope, Grove Rake, Boltsburn, Stanhope Burn, Green Laws, Slitt &c. met at the committee room, St John's Chapel, to consider the arrangements made by the head agent and the deputation of eight of their number. On these arrangements being laid before them, they were heartily approved of, and all was consequently settled up in a satisfactory manner. The strike of Weardale miners is thus now finally closed. Before the committee rose, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the press for the full and impartial manner, which the proprietors have reported the proceedings in which the miners have been engaged. The miners took their bargains at the W B office, at Newhouses, on Thursday and yesterday, and work will be resumed on Monday. Hitherto, the wage men, or those who work for wages at the W B Lead mines have been receiving subsistence money monthly like the pickmen, and lifting the balance at the half yearly pays. In future, these workmen will be paid off once a month.

The attempt by the management to get rid of the "lent" money system at this time did not succeed, but, the Weardale bargain books show a change to the method of paying subsistence to the miners beginning with the bargains let on the 1st April 1875. In these it was said that the "money to be advanced according to quantity of ore raised". This new wording did not apply to all bargains, but only those that were to work "old ground," or poor ground.

"1st April 1875 Slitt"
"Thomas Furnail 2prs agree to raise ore in old ground east of Slitt shaft @ 50/- per Bing - Money to be advanced according to quantity of ore raised - till 30th June 1875."

"1st April 1875 Greenlaws"
"Mark Nattrass 4prs agree to raise ore in their old ground at 50/- per Bing - Money to be advanced according to quantity of ore raised."
"1st April Boltsburn"
"Tho. Middleton 4prs agree to rise 1 fathom in Pattinson sill at £6 contract and raise ore at 50/- per Bing - money to be advanced according to the quantity of ore raised."

This system continued through 1876 becoming more common by 1877, and in 1878 out of 107 bargains, 69 were of this type.

In 1879, the bargains let on the 27th August show yet a further change, and all bargains were let according to ore raised, but also on a percent basis; the miners were "to be paid 80 percent monthly on this contract and the balances at the half yearly pay in July 1880."

"27 August 1879 Burtree pasture"
"Jos. Thompson 4 partners agree to raise ore in 6 fathoms of ground in Nich James length at 75s per ton of ore till the 31 December 1879 to be paid 80 per

cent monthly on this contract and the balance at the half yearly pay in July 1880."
This method continued up to the closure of the mines by the Beaumont Company.

"6 January 1883 Grove Rake"
"Thompson Robinson 4 prs agree to raise ore in their old ground @ 90/- per ton of ore as directed or till 31st March 1883 to be paid 80 per cent monthly on this contract and the balance at the half yearly pay in December 1883."
This would mean that a miner who did not raise any ore would have received no subsistence; it is little wonder that the miners were so opposed to it.

4th May 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston 25th ult., William Milburn Esq. of Mishawake, Indiana, US, to Jane Eldest daughter of the late William Dickinson Esq., of Spency Croft.
See 10th May 1879, 20th August 1887, 6th July 1889, & 23rd April 1892
At Nenthead Mr John Armstrong to Miss Agnes Thompson, both of Nenthead.
In 1861, at Brownley Hill Bank, Nenthead, John Armstrong, widower, lead miner, aged 41, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, Mary, dressmaker, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah, housemaid, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, Margaret 13, Thomas 10, Jane 1, and granddaughter, Sarah Armstrong 1 year.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 25, and his sister Mary, domestic servant, aged 32.
In 1881, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Agnes, 35, children, William 8, Margaret 7, Matilda 4, Thomas 2, and Matthew 4 months.
In 1891, at 11 Duke Street, Haworth, Yorkshire, John Armstrong, wool comber, aged 46, his wife Agnes, 45, children, William, worsted weaver, aged 18, Margaret, wool drawer, aged 17, Matilda, worsted spinner, aged 14, Thomas, worsted spinner, aged 12, and Matthew 10.
In 1901, at 16 Lora Street, Haworth, Yorkshire, John Armstrong, wool comber, aged 56, his wife Agnes, 55, children, Margaret, mender of worsted goods, aged 27, Matilda, mender of worsted goods, aged 24, and Thomas, labourer in machine shop, aged 22.
Agnes Armstrong died 1st quarter 1906, aged 60, registered at Keighley.
In 1911, at 56 Prince Street Brow, Haworth, Yorkshire, John Armstrong, widower, wool comber, aged 66, daughters, Margaret, mender of worsted goods, aged 37, and Matilda, mender of worsted goods, aged 34.
John Armstrong, died 2nd quarter 1921, aged 76, registered at Keighley.
Deaths
At Alston, 1st inst. aged 80, Mrs Rebecca Charlton, widow. *Annuitant*
See 21st March 1856, 3rd December 1859, 14th October 1871, 15th February 1873, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882, 21st July 1888.
At Pasture House, 30th ult. aged 59, Mr Robert Nicholson.
In 1871, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Robert Nicholson, widow, lead miner, aged 58, children John, lead miner, 27, Mary 22, and Tom, draper & grocer, aged 17.
See 11th January 1868, 29th May 1869, 15th November 1873, and 21st April 1883

At Newcastle at 37 Eldon Street, 28th ult. Mary relict of Mr W. Reed, glass merchant.

4th May 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 23rd ult. aged 65, Mr John Armstrong, Miner.
In 1851 living at Bank Head, Nenthead, John lead miner, 44; his wife Elizabeth (Rowe, married 8th May 1830) aged 40, children Robert born Kenton, Northumberland 18, Elizabeth 14, Mary Ann 12, Margaret 9, John 7, Edward 4 and Jane 2. In 1861, at Pipers Row, Nenthead, John Armstrong, lead ore miner, aged 54, wife Elizabeth aged 51, children Margaret 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, Edward, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jane 11, Isabella 9, and Isaac 6. See 25th January 1867
His eldest son Robert a lead miner was living at Nenthall with his wife Sarah. John's wife Elizabeth died 20th January 1867, see . In 1871, at Pipers Row, Nenthead, John Armstrong, widow, lead miner, aged 64, daughter Isabella, housekeeper, aged 19, son Isaac, lead ore washer, aged 16, and grandson William Armstrong 8.
Nenthead, 2nd inst. aged 9 months James Simon, youngest son of Mr John Hyslop, Teacher of the Lead Company's School, Nenthead.

11th May 1872 (Hexham Courant)
THE TEESDALE LEAD MINES
Another interview has taken place between the delegates of the lead miners and Mr R W Bainbridge, the superintendent of the Lead Company's Works, which occupied four hours. A fortnight ago, a petition was presented asking for an advance in the subsistence money from 44s to 54s per month, which the men considered very reasonable. The request not being granted, a discussion followed, in which the superintendent reminded the men of other privileges they enjoy - namely, a doctor free, and schooling at a nominal charge. The men contended that these were no greater than those of coal miners who pay a doctor 6d per fortnight, house rent and coals free, 6d per fortnight cartage of coals, 2d per week average for two children at school, amounting to £2 7s 8d per annum. Compare these charges with the lead Company, namely, doctor free; school (2) 8s; house rent £3 10s; coals £3 5s; total £7 3s; a comparison putting, the men think, their privileges into the shade. Another cause of complaint was the way in which bargains are let. Suppose a partnership, by extra hours and hard labour, earn a few shillings more per week, the men complain that at the end of the quarter their prices may be lowered, and this encouragement is given to what the Company mean to destroy idleness. What the men want seems to be to have a fair remunerative price per bing, and then for the masters to allow the men to earn as much as will support their families. They think that if the ordinary work of the miners bring profit to the Company, the extraordinary work must do much more so. Notwithstanding the powerful reasoning of the delegates on these and other points Mr Bainbridge still stood strongly opposed to the petition. Urging another weeks' consideration, the delegates kindly requested the Lead Company, through Mr Bainbridge, to give the petition their most earnest consideration, and to sympathise with the men in their difficulty, stating that if the men did not get their request granted they intended to get up another

petition which would contain a rate of wages, the basis of which would range higher than at present; that other classes would be in all probability embraced; and that if the men were obliged to leave the Company's works, the latter would be unlikely to get another lot of men to do the work at similar rates.

11th May 1872 (Hexham Herald)

FALLOWFIELD

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On Monday, about twelve o'clock at noon, a serious accident occurred to a boy 2 years of age, son of John Robson; joiner of Hexham at Fallowfield Mines. It appears that he was going along the level with the wagons full of ore and he jumped on to one of the wagons and through some circumstances in turning round, he slipped his foot and falling broke his left leg. He was immediately conveyed home to Hexham, and medical assistance procured under which he is progressing favourably.

Deaths

At Boltsburn, Rookhope, 3rd inst., aged 11 years, William son of John Westgarth.

In 1871, at Boltsburn John Westgarth, mason, aged 31, children Mary J. 30, William 9, John 8, Henry 3, Elizabeth H. 11 months, lodgers John Dixon, master tailor, aged 36, and Henry Smith, tailor journeyman, aged 23.

St Peters, Allendale, 7th inst., aged 61, Mary Wife of John Heslop.

In 1871 John Heslop, School master aged 61, his wife Mary (Spark, married 3rd November 1836, St Peter's Allendale) aged 60, children Thomas Green, schoolmaster 33, John iron stone miner 29, and Mary Ann 22.

See 9th March 1878.

25th May 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THREATENED RENEWAL OF THE STRIKE IN WEARDALE

Not withstanding the settlement that was recently come to between Mr Beaumont and his workmen, when all grievances were supposed to have been removed we are informed that there are still about 100 men off work in Weardale. During the first two days when the bargains were taken, all went on smoothly the prices being considered by the men generally fair, and those who had taken these bargains resumed work at once. Unfortunately, during the two last bargain days, the prices offered to the miners were not nearly so good, and they were consequently refused. There is a great deal of dissatisfaction amongst the men on this account, as they fancy that it has been a scheme on the part of the agent to get part to commence work, and so dissolve the unity which has hitherto existed. There is another point which has also been freely commented upon, viz, that those set to work at first are composed entirely of men who have votes, whilst those who are likely to be debarred from another month's subsistence money, are nearly all non-electors, and belong as a rule, to the poorer class of miners, who can worst afford to do without subsistence money. Their more fortunate brethren however are likely to resist this sort of treatment very bitterly. Already, meetings have been held in different mines, and a mass meeting is intended to be held shortly, and unless some satisfactory arrangement come to, another strike is likely to occur. The men who have not yet resumed work say

that according to the scale of prices offered, they could not earn 10s per week; numbers are still continuing to leave the district.

Marriages

At St Peter's Church Allendale, 23rd inst., Mr John Curry, mining inspector son of Mr John Curry, agent of the W. B. Lead mines Allendale, to Margaret only daughter of the late Mr Joseph Coats, Hammershield, Allendale.

See 21st December 1864, 17th March 1868, 6th July 1869, 18th July 1870, 9th September 1876 and 24th June 1899.

At Rookhope in the parish Church, Mr John James Allison, of Allendale to Susannah, youngest daughter of the late Mr G. Oliver, Redburn, Rookhope.

1st June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD MINERS MEETING

A meeting of the lead miners of the district was held in the Band room, at Nenthead on Thursday week, for the purpose of deliberating upon the action to be taken in order to secure better remuneration for their labour. The meeting resulted in the formation of a committee of twenty and out of that number; a select committee of eight were delegated to confer with the resident agent J. J. Millican Esq. of Nenthead house. The first conference took place on Friday night at the offices, the delegates being very courteously received by Mr Millican, who expressed himself warmly attached to the workmen, and nothing would be lacking on his part to advance their welfare. The result of this interview were communicated to the miners at another meeting held on Tuesday night last. Six delegates from Garrigill attended this meeting and informed them that the Garrigill miners had resolved to stand by the conclusions arrived at by their Nenthead brethren. The meeting however could arrive at no resolution, and it was left to the committee assisted by the Garrigill committee to arrange matters, as they deemed best. Our correspondent suggests that the committee should seek an interview with R W Bainbridge Esq. the superintendent of the works as that gentleman controls the rate at which the bargains are let. The attitude of the Nenthead and Garrigill men does not foreshadow a strike to which they are greatly opposed. The markets have gone up and other companies are advancing 50s and 72s under the same royalty, which has lowered the duty on the ore but the men do not participate in the boon. The men adds our correspondent must be united in their efforts to secure a greater amount of lent money and £1 per week on which to base their bargains. At present the standing wage is 15s 9d; surely they should have advanced the odd 3d. The miners should have the same privileges as those obtained by their brethren in Teesdale.

LOCK OUT OF THE TEESDALE LEAD MINERS
GREAT MASS MEETING OF THE MEN AT MIDDLETON

Middleton in Teesdale was the scene of much excitement on Saturday, on the occasion of a great mass meeting of the men in the employ of the London Lead Company. The men as most of our readers will be aware, have recently been agitating for an increase of "lent" money, and like their brethren in Weardale they succeeded after some difficulty, in obtaining it, but they had only been at work a short time on the new arrangement when the washer-boys sent in a petition for an advance in wages, and as the masters refused to make any concession, the lads turned out on strike on Wednesday last. At the quarterly bargains on Friday, it was intimated that those miners having either

sons or brothers employed as lead washers, and out on strike, would not be allowed to take their usual places until the boys resumed work. This, as a matter of course, created immense excitement, and it was decided by the men to hold a mass meeting with reference to this and a few other matters on the following day. The town during the night was placarded with numerous squibs, and on Saturday morning, long before the time arranged for holding the meeting at Middleton, the village was thronged with miners from the outlying districts. The meeting was held in the open air, and on the temporary platform, the two delegates took their places shortly after twelve o'clock. Mr Wm Parkin occupied the chair and in opening the proceedings narrated the result of the interview the miners had had with the superintendent, Mr Bainbridge, which ended in a letter being read at an interview on the 15th May, to the effect that their request of 54s was granted by the Company, and for which a vote of thanks forwarded. They likewise returned a vote of thanks to the superintendent for consenting to advance them money earned over and above the 54s when earned. There was now a new feature in the movement. After the struggle had partly subsided and the men were going to try on awhile with the advance of subsistence money, although not satisfied with the basis for bargains, the washer boys came out on strike for an advance of wages, and Mr Bainbridge had locked the men out, as there was no one to wash the produce of the mines. The following is a copy of the notice which had been posted in the office: - "Agreeing with a remark made by one of the company's miners, that the washer boys have at present as much ready money as is practical hereafter, a very well conducted and industrious party will have his monthly subsistence money advanced 1s per week beyond his present year's wage, leaving his present year's wage ready to be fixed in the autumn as usual; the 'back' 1s per week from the beginning of this year's ore dressing will be paid on the 29th of June.-signed, R W Bainbridge, Middleton House." They would all understand the purport of that notice, and as there were several speakers to follow, and several resolutions to submit to the meeting, he would not detain them farther.

The meeting was then addressed by Messrs R Hutchinson, Isaac Parkin, Jacob Nixon, Ezra Lowes, William Dawson, Joseph Richardson, John Watson, George Armstrong, and John Scott, the tone of their remarks being to the effect that not withstanding they were locked out in consequence of the strike of the washer boys, they should support the boys, their demand being reasonable.

The following resolutions were then passed: -

1. That the London lead Company's miners in Middleton in Teesdale, being locked out in consequence of the washers strike for advance of wages, and not being permitted to work unless the boys resume their employment, we consider ourselves disconnected with the Company's works, and that if we go to work again it must be on new conditions.
2. That if we go to work again we have 54s lent money per month, and £1 per week as the basis.
3. That a protection committee be formed to look after the interests of the workmen.
4. That the starting of the boy's wages be 10d instead of 8d at 12 years of age, and to be raised at not less than 3d per day per year, and to be paid off as Mr Bainbridge had suggested.

In the course of some conversation which followed, it was decided that Mr Birch, the head governor, should be requested to come down from London, and that the delegates have an interview with him in reference to the present state of affairs.
The meeting then separated.

7th June 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD ESTATE IN THE PARISH OF ALSTON, CUMBERLAND, FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD, by AUCTION, at the House of Mr JONATHAN WALTON, the BLUE BELL INN, ALSTON, on Friday, the 5th day of JULY next, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon punctually, Mr ROBERT PEARSON, Auctioneer,—

All that Valuable LEASEHOLD ESTATE, situate at HIGH GALLIGILL, in the parish of Alston, in the County of Cumberland, containing, according to the Ordnance Survey, 197a. 3r. 37p, or thereabouts of Land, with the Excellent Modern Built Dwelling House, Stable, Two Barns, Two Coalhouses, and other necessary Outbuildings thereon, and Yard, Garden, and Small Plantations adjoining thereto, as the same is now in the occupation of Mr Edward Walton, or of his under tenant.

The Dwelling House is now let as two Houses, and contains Eight Rooms. About 26a. 1r. 1p. of the Land is Meadow, 27a. 2r. 30p. Pasture, and 141a. 3r. 0p. of it is Allotment Land. The Owner of the adjoining Estate of Pryhead possesses Six Stints in the Allotment, and the property is sold subject thereto.

The Estate is situate about Three Miles from the Market Town of Alston, and at a short distance from the Nenthead Road, from which there is a good way to it. It lies in a ring fence, and is well watered, and the fences are in good repair. A large portion of the Meadow and a part of the Pasture Land has been drained and improved, and a considerable part of the Allotment has been limed.

There is a Seam of Crow Coal in the Pasture, and a deposit of Limestone and a Limekiln in the Allotment.

The property is of Leasehold Tenure, held for the remainder of a term of 1,000 years, which commenced in or about the year 1621.

Mr EDWARD WALTON will show the property, and further particulars may be obtained from Messrs BAINBRIDGE & MILLICAN, Solicitors, Alston, at whose Offices a plan of the Estate can be seen. Alston, 6th June, 1872.

8th June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE LOCK OUT OF THE LEAD MINERS IN TEESDALE
CONFERENCE BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR AND THE MEN.

On Saturday morning, a conference took place between Mr Birch, the governor of the London Lead Company's court of directors, and the general body of the locked out miners at Middleton in Teesdale. Before the holding of the conference, which was fixed to take place at eleven o'clock, the men assembled in large numbers on "The Hill," and decided after some conversation to leave their case in the hands of the delegates. The men then proceeded to the Lead Company's Schoolroom, when they were met by Mr Birch, who was accompanied by Mr Wigram (barrister), Mr R W Bainbridge (local superintendent), Mr C Bainbridge, and a few other gentlemen.

The Governor, after referring to the last time he had the pleasure of meeting a large body of Teesdale miners, which was under much happier auspices, said it had always been the principle of the court to act fairly towards the men. It was never intended by the court that any one of them should get himself irrecoverably into debt. It should not be forgotten, however, on the part of the men, that the company had of late not been successful. During the past two years they had been obliged to take a paltry 10s a share out of a little reserve fund they had to distribute, and he was not aware that they had discharged a single workman during their period of depression. He related to them the history of what he knew of the present movement, and read extracts from a lengthened correspondence between himself and Mr Bainbridge, to show that it had been the desire of the court to do their utmost for the welfare of the men, and that no time had been lost in considering the position for an advance of "lent" money. A few days afterwards, on the 23rd of May, he received a letter from the men thanking the court for the increase of subsistence money, which had been granted. He confessed he was considerably surprised on reading a newspaper with an account of a mass meeting of the men on the previous Saturday, the 27th of May. He never thought there could have been so much injustice shown towards the company, and he pointed out fallacies, which he could not believe the majority of the men could agree with. The governor referred to other suggestions made at the mass meeting and denied nearly the whole of them, adding that the company's wish was to deal fairly with their men in every way. With respect to the education of the miner's children, he said the school in which they were assembled cost the company £2,000. As to the washer boy's strike, it appeared to him exceedingly hard that their fathers and others connected with them should be locked out in consequence of the step they had taken. But it was one of those things that could not be avoided, and until the ore in the team was washed up, they could not get any more out of the mines. There was one point on which he differed from Mr Bainbridge, when he said that there was work for the single men, but none for the parents of the boys on strike. That was very unjust. The company had contributed about £10,000 towards the Miner's Fund, and as treasurers to the fund, they had always allowed interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, whilst from their money in the Consols they were only receiving 3 per cent.

A petition from the men was handed to Mr Birch, in which they asked - "1. That £1 per week be the basis of our bargains. - 2. That we have, as you have already kindly granted, 54s per month subsistence money. - 3. That the money be advanced monthly over and above the 54s when earned, which Mr Bainbridge, our superintendent, has always consented to advance if required. - 4. That the working hours be reduced from eight to seven per day. - 5. That the starting point of the washer boys wages be 10d instead of 8d per day at twelve years of age, and to be raised at the rate of no less than an average of 3d per day per year. The boys at present employed being advanced accordingly. - 6. That the hours of labour be reduced six per week."

The Governor said he was quite surprised at such a petition after the one they had so recently presented requesting an advance of "lent" money, and one or two other matters which the court at a considerable sacrifice had granted. They had written a letter thanking the company for the concessions made and yet within a week they were presenting again another petition. If they thought,

the court was going to be influenced in that way they were mistaken. It was unfair to think that because they had granted one thing they were going to grant another. He considered that when they gave 10s advance, they made a considerable concession. To the request that £1 per week would be the basis of their bargains, he emphatically said it would not be given. Of course, if they did not like a bargain they were not obliged to take it. The company were not taskmasters. They were not slave drivers. The men could take a bargain or leave it alone. With regard to the worth of the washer boys, it had been suggested that the company should revert to the old method of letting the washing by public competition, which would not be done; and as to the request for reducing the number of working hours he did not think it was fair, as it was an equivalent to an increase of wages.

After a few words from Mr Parkin, the chairman, in which he said the boys going on strike had thrown them into confusion again, but however much some might at first attribute blame to the parents in not controlling their children and sending them back to work, he thought that idea would have subsided, seeing that it was the duty of every father and son to try and earn as much as would keep them out of debt, for the good old book said "owe no man any thing."

Mr Birch said he had already stated the course the company intended to pursue; and with a few speeches from some of the delegates, the conference terminated.

A meeting of the men was afterwards held and it was arranged to hold another mass meeting.

On Thursday a mass meeting of the miners, now locked out in Teesdale was held in the long room of the Rose and Crown Inn, Middleton in Teesdale. There was a large attendance, the room being crowded to excess. Mr Wm Parkin, presided, and spoke at some length on the necessity of looking emigration in the face unless their demands were conceded. He was followed by several other miners, and at the close of the proceedings a series of resolutions were adopted, pledging the men and washer boys to remain out until the Lead Company agreed to make £1 a week instead of 17s 6d the amount paid at present the basis of the "bargains." It was also resolved that a deputation of three miners should proceed to London, to lay their grievances before the Governor, in consequence of the men having been refused a private interview by Mr Birch, when he was down at Middleton last week. On the meeting breaking up a collection was made to defray the expenses of the deputation.

8th June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD MINERS MEETING AT ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

The representatives of the lead miners in Weardale have just held their first meeting at St John's Chapel, for the purpose of establishing a standing committee "whose duty shall be to watch over the interests of the workmen, and represent any grievances that may exist between the master and the men to the owner of the mines," and to appoint chairman, select committee, district secretaries, and general secretary and treasurer. The standing committee is formed by the men chosen by the miners of the different mines to represent them, and the miners of the W B lead mines, on the 20th April, in this year, signed their names to support to the utmost of their ability the said committee.

After the selection of officers, it was resolved that the W B lead miners in Weardale subscribe at once 6d each towards the funds and it was resolved to open correspondence with the manager of the W B mines, and to point out to him "with feelings of deep regret, that such a number of men have been necessitated to leave their country, when a number of places are standing, and that the £3 per bing has not been generally given. We (the committee) think all men who are at work ought to have their "lent money". Their lateness of commencement of work was the managers blame and not theirs." Several other resolutions were passed, amongst which was that the next meeting be held on Saturday after next "bargain."

15th June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

LEAD COMPANY'S ALSTON MOOR MINERS

Upon Mr Bainbridge the Company's superintendent arriving at Nenthead on Thursday for the purpose of arranging the bargains, opinions for the rates given by the viewers were awaiting him. Delegates from the body of miners called upon him, and presented a petition praying for the same privileges which had been or might in the future be granted to the Teesdale miners be extended to them. They stated that on the Company's workmen finding the "strike" among the Teesdale washer boys was in danger of imitation by their boys, a general meeting was held whereat they agreed that their boys should not "strike", but continuer under a confidence that the masters would give them as high an increase of wages at their Autumn fixing as circumstances allowed. Mr Bainbridge at once frankly told them that the Company's Court intended that the increased monthly subsistence advances granted on the Teesdale application should apply to their other districts, and that the right minded action of the men of Alston Moor in respect of their boys tended to confirm him in the disposition to give the boys the contemplated double rise in the years wages intimated at the Middleton meeting on the 1st inst.; and that the protective new condition against "strikes" which had been inserted into the bargains for Teesdale and Weardale (and accepted by the latter) would also cover the Alston Moor district.

The result of this conference appeared on the ensuing day when every person came forward and took the bargains offered.

15th June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

LENT MONEY AND CLIPPINGS

It would appear that the disaffection is to pervade nearly the whole of the extensive mining field comprised in the hilly regions of South Northumberland, North Durham and East Cumberland, for as one dispute or grievance is disposed of, another appears on the surface, so that few mines of any importance seem destined to escape the general discontent with things past and present. Things, which up to the present have been submitted to as a matter of course, and with scarcely a murmur, are now found to be insupportable, and redress is eagerly sought. This change is doubtless partly attributable to the additional pressure put upon the labouring classes by the great advances made in the prices of every-day necessaries, such as house rent, firing, wearing apparel, and food, all having participated in the almost general advance. Thus our mining population aver that, under present

circumstances, their condition requires some amelioration, as what would do a few years since will not do now. A short time ago we mentioned the fact that Rodderup Fell Company had, unsolicited increased their workmen's lent or subsistence money from £2 to £2 10s per month, but it appears that this concession had been made on the understanding that the inside workmen were to stand five eight hour shifts per week, which some of the men say it is impossible to do in some of the lower workings. Since the advance in the amount of lent money, things have apparently gone on smoothly, and the Rodderup Fell workmen have been looked upon as a docile and contented race of beings, but we are sorry to say a change has come over the face of things. On the last "lenning day" it was found that the "lennings" had undergone a process known as "clipping," or in other words, the amount advanced to each man had been reduced, not according to one uniform scale, but sums varying from 7€d to 2s 6d per week, and it is said that only two men's "lennings" had escaped the "clipping" process. A feeling of dissatisfaction having consequently sprung up amongst the men, a meeting was lately convened in a spacious chamber in the mine, when it was resolved to memorialise the masters with a view to having the system of "clipping lennings" altogether abolished, it being a thing of which they as a body of workmen have the most unqualified abhorrence. A memorial has been drawn up and signed by most, if not all, of the inside workmen. They also request that the present system of long payments may have the careful consideration of their employers, and they likewise suggest the advantages, as well as the practicability, of half yearly instead of yearly pays. We are glad to know that the men, feeling aggrieved, have adopted the sensible course they have, as by a little negotiation there will be more likelihood of having the matter properly adjusted than if other means had been resorted to.

15th June 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, 9th inst., Mr Hugh Dodd to Mary Cousin, Silly Hole, Garrigill.
In 1861, at High Hundy Bridge, William Dodd, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Spark, married 15th June 1837, St John, Garrigill) aged 46, children Edward, lead miner, & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 23, Sarah 20, Hugh, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Mary 11, and John 8.
In 1871, at High Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, William Dodd, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth aged 55, sons Hugh, quarry labourer, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 18, daughter Sarah Antchinson, lead miners wife, aged 30, and grandson John Antchinson 3 months.
William Dodd died 5th March 1875 aged 63. See 14th January 1870, & 13th March 1875.
In 1881, at 30 Front St. Browney Colliery, Durham, Hugh Dodd, master coke burner, aged 36, and his wife Mary 37. In 1891, at 30 Front St. Browney Colliery, Durham, Hugh Dodd, coke burner, aged 46, and his wife Mary 47
At Westgate, Weardale, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 6th inst., Mr Ralph Featherstone of Ireshope Burn to Miss Ann Rutherford of Wearhead.
In 1881, at Crawcrook Village, Durham, Ralph Featherstone, coal miner, aged 33, his wife Ann 32, children, Mary H 8, William 6, Joseph R 5, Michael 2, and Elizabeth 1.

17th June 1872 (Northern Echo)

THE LOCK-OUT OF THE TEESDALE LEAD MINERS.
ANOTHER MASS MEETING OF THE MEN.

On Saturday morning, the men employed under the London Lead Company, who have been locked out during the past few weeks, held another mass meeting near the entrance to the Station-road, at Middleton.

Mr. WILLIAM PARKIN again occupied the chair, and, in opening the business, said he hoped they were still united in their object, which, he need not tell them, was merely to procure an honest living. (Hear, hear.) It was impossible for them to live on the low wages they had been receiving, and he hoped that the firmness and determination which had all along been manifested would continue to the end. (Applause.) He was glad to say that they had the sympathy of the public with them, and that during the short time their appeal for aid had been before the public, they had received between £20. and £30., which would enable many of them to leave for another field of labour, in the event of its being necessary to do so. A few members of their committee had been down the country, in the neighbourhood of Bishop Auckland, and the promises of work which had been held out showed that there was plenty of employment for both men and boys, and money in abundance. The wages offered for coal hewing were from 6s, to 8s. per day; whilst -boys, who had been earning 1s. 6d. per day as washers in Teesdale, could procure as much as four shillings per day. [A Voice: That is true.] They would be aware that at their last mass meeting it was resolved that a deputation should wait upon the Company's Court in London, in order to have an interview with their employers, This being refused was the cause of their meeting that day. They had not only been refused an interview, but there seemed to be no desire to meet the men in their reasonable request. He would like to make an observation with regard to the action by the Nenthead and Alston Moor miners. He thought they did not appear to any great advantage in taking their bargains in the manner they bad done. They appeared to have been skulking behind the baggage waggons whilst the Teesdale men had been in the front of the battle, and after twelve weeks' hard fighting had taken what little spoil they had obtained. Not content with that, the Nenthead and Alston Moor men now said—there could not be too much praise due to Mr. Bainbridge, his worthy son Charles, and Mr. Millikin. Now, what was the fact? Did Mr. Bainbridge grant the 54s. lent money? He (the Chairman) said no. They were just as far from obtaining it at the end of ten weeks' hard fighting as they were at the beginning of it. And what about the boys' wages? Mr. Bainbridge would not advance a penny, which, as they were all aware, was the cause of the present agitation; but as soon as Mr. Birch came down from London 2d. per day was granted to the boys. Mr. Bainbridge certainly said that he contemplated, early in the spring, giving the boys a rise of wages, but the boys could not live on that contemplation any more than they could live on the London correspondence which was read to them from time to time during the interviews. (Loud laughter.) Mr. Bainbridge, however, gave the Nenthead boys a positive promise that they would be advanced, and they had consequently continued to work, and, as a matter of course, there had been no lock-out. During a short and pointed interview the delegates had on the previous Saturday with Mr. Bainbridge, there was some conversation as to the cause of so much poverty in the neighbourhood. The delegates' opinion was the company's low wages. Mr. Bainbridge thought it arose from the

shopkeepers' great profits; whilst Mr. Charles Bainbridge considered the men wore too many fine clothes! (Laughter.) Coming to the main point, what is there between us and Mr. Bainbridge in regard to the settlement of our dispute? There are but two requests on our petition since it was revised, and these are £1. per week to be the earnings of an ordinary man, and seven hour shifts instead of eight. He had ventured to say once or twice (but without authority) that he believed his fellow-workmen would concede their request for the seven hours if the company would grant the £1. per week. That, he thought, was a fair way of settling the dispute with honour on both sides. If their employers still refused, they might then obtain employment elsewhere. After several short speeches, it was resolved that neither men nor boys go back to work until their request was granted. It was suggested by one of the speakers that Mr. Scarth, agent for the Duke of Cleveland, and Mr. Monkhouse, agent for Mr. T. Hutchinson, should wait upon Mr. Bainbridge as mediators in the dispute; and in the course of the afternoon Mr. Monkhouse procured an interview with Mr. Bainbridge, but the latter gentleman declined to make any further concession to the men. A meeting of men was subsequently held at the house of Mr. Raine, Cross Keys Inn, Middleton, when arrangements were made for a number of the men to start work on Monday, as coal miners, labourers, game keepers. platelayers, and railway porters, at various places in South Durham.

22nd June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE LOCK OUT OF THE TEESDALE LEAD MINERS

Another mass meeting was held. Mr Scarth agent for the Duke of Cleveland and Mr Monkhouse agent for T Hutchinson Esq. should visit upon Mr Bainbridge as mediators. An interview with Mr Bainbridge took place but no concession given.

Arrangements were made for some men to start work in the coalmines.

STONECROFT MINE

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

An accident of an alarming character occurred in the Greyside shaft at the above named mine on Wednesday. It would appear that three workmen were ascending the shaft and it was necessary that one of them, named Atcheson, should go into a higher level. In attempting to signal the engineman, he was caught and forced from the cage, and there being suspended by one foot for some time. His fellow workmen by great exertion managed to release him from his dangerous position. When examined by Dr Stainthorpe, of Hexham, several of his ribs were found broken. His escape from falling to the bottom of the shaft is miraculous.

WEARDALE MINERS PAY

The Weardale miners half yearly pay took place on Saturday last. The miners as usual lifted their balance due to them at the W B offices Newhouse, after which they repaired to St John's Chapel, where trades people were looking out for the settlement of their bills, and toy dealers, and vendors of nuts and spice for loose coppers. The pays passed off quietly.

29th June 1872 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Loaning House, Hexhamshire, 21st inst., aged 3 months, James son of Mr John Dinning, lead ore smelter.

At Physic hall, Alston, 18th inst., aged 5 days, Alfred son of Mr John Gill, lead miner.
See 5th April 1870, 20th November 1886, and 8th November 1890

29th June 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Stanhope at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 20th inst., Mr Joseph Rutherford to Miss Mary Ann Roddam, both of Ireshope Burn. – 22nd inst., Mr Stephen Maddison of Dry Gill to Miss Jane Lowes of Black Cleugh, same day at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mr William Watson to Miss Margaret Rowell, both of Wolsingham.
Deaths
At Alston, 13th inst., Mary Whitfield, aged 67.
In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Mary Whitfield, unmarried, confectioner, aged 66.
At Alston on the 22nd inst., Hannah Milburn; widow of Mr John Milburn aged 83.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Hannah Milburn, widow (John Milburn married Hannah Slack, 24th December 1814; John died 28th February 1834), lodging house keeper, aged 70, daughter Hannah, house servant, aged 32, grandson John Milburn 5, lodgers Andrew Mitchel, agricultural labourer, born Scotland, aged 45, Jane Mitchel born Scotland, aged 40, Elizabeth Mitchel 10, Margaret Mitchel 1, James Mitchel 8, and Joseph Hodgson, married, lead miner, born Weardale, aged 40. In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Hannah Milburn, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 76, and grandson, John Milburn, lead miner, aged 15.
At Alston on the 23rd inst., William son of Mr John Bales, aged 7 weeks.
In 1861, at Town Head, Alston, John Bales, lead miner, aged 31, wife Ann (Clementson, married 1st quarter of 1855) aged 24, children Elizabeth 4, Sarah A. 3, and boarder Joseph Clementson, lead miner, aged 21. In 1871, at the Queens Head Inn, Front Street, Alston, John Bailes, lead ore miner, and Inn keeper, aged 61, wife Ann 35, children Elizabeth 15, Isabella 10, Margaret I. 6, Mary 6, John J. 1, and domestic servant Jane Hutchinson 29. Sarah Ann aged 13, was staying with her grandmother at the Royal Oak Inn, Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Diggles, widow, Innkeeper aged 58 and her grandmothers son Joseph Clemintson, lead miner aged 31.
At Windy Hall, Alston, 17th inst., aged 18 Mary Hall.
In 1841, at Windy Hall, Charlton Hall, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Renwick, married 23rd December 1837, at St John, Garrigill) aged 25, sons Joseph 2, and John 1.
In 1851, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Charlton Hall, lead miner, aged 42, wife Mary aged 36, children Joseph 12, John 11, Charlton 8, Ann 6, Jane 5, Thomas 3, David Rennick 1, mother Ann Hall, widow, annuitant, aged 70, and niece Ann Coats, servant, aged 15.
In 1861, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Charlton Hall, farmer of 20 acres, aged 52, his wife Mary 46, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 21, Charlton, lead miner, aged 18, Ann Hall 16, Jane Hall 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, David R. 11, Mary 7, and Isaac 3.
In 1871, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Mary Hall, widow (Husband Charlton died 27th June 1863), farmer of 31 acres, aged 56, children John, farm labourer, aged

31, Ann, dress maker, aged 25, David R. farm labourer, aged 21, Mary 17, and Isaac 13.

St John churchyard, Garrigill

In Memory of
Charlton Hall of Windyhall
who died June 27 1863 aged
54 years
Also of Mary his wife who died
November 26 1890 aged 76 years
Also Robert son of Charlton and
Mary Hall who died Jany 16 1861
Aged 11 months
Also Thomas their son who died
May 12, 1869 aged 21 years
Also Mary their daughter who died
June 16 1872 aged 18 years
Also Isaac their son who died
April 30 1877 aged 19 years
Also Annie their daughter who died
April 21 1900 aged 65 years

In 1881, at Windy Hall, Mary Hall, widow, farmer of 21½ acres, aged 66, son John, cartman, aged 41, daughter Annie, dressmaker, aged 36, and granddaughter Mary F. Fawcett 9.
See 21st May 1869, & 5th May 1877
At Alston Workhouse, 21st inst aged 49, Elizabeth wife of John Knott. *Listed as a lunatic, see 6th December 1873*

6th July 1872 (Hexham Courant)

TEESDALE

THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY MINERS

On Saturday 26 Teesdale miners who lately declined the renewal of their bargains - all let with the like intention in the Company's Weardale Bollihope Mines - were paid the balance of their earnings since October last. Which amounted on the average to 20s 6d per week per man. Upon analysing the account, it was found that the individual weekly earnings were as follows: -

Two above 29s per week
Two above 28s per week
One above 24s per week
Five above 22s per week
Four above 21s per week
Two above 19s per week

One above 18s per week
Two above 17s per week
One above 16s per week
Four above 14s per week
Two above 13s per week

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Allendale Town, 4th inst. Mr William Graham of Allenheads to Miss Mary Charlton of Bolts Burn, Rookhope.
At the Wesleyan Chapel, Allendale Town, 4th inst. Mr Alexander Walton, of Juniper Farm, Allendale, to Mrs Rowell of High Wooley, Allendale.

12th July 1872 (Carlisle Patriot)

LEAD MINE IN CUMBERLAND.

TO BE SOLD, a LEAD MINE, situate near Keswick, in Cumberland, and known as the GLENDERATERRA MINE. The Mine has been carried upon limited scale by the present proprietor. In the development, openings have been made upon two of the veins which traverse the sett, and machinery for pumping and winding is also erected, and is in good working order. For particulars, as to leases and royalties, and for orders to inspect, apply Messrs John Taylor and Sons, 6, Queen Street Place, London, E.C., who are empowered to treat for the Sale of the same.

13th July 1872 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston, at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 6th inst., Mr George Angus of Nenthead to Miss Ann Graham of Pry House Nenthead.

In 1861, at Pry House, Nenthead, Thomas Graham, lead ore smelter, aged 45, born Allendale (buried at Nenthead 5th September 1892, aged 77), his wife Sarah (Erwin, married 13th June 1839, Alston) aged 44, born Alston (buried at Nenthead 4th May 1899, aged 82), children Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Agnes 18, George, lead miner, aged 15, Ridley 13, Ann 10, Sarah 8, Joseph 6, William 4, and John 4. In 1871, Annie Graham, aged 21, was living at Green Ends, Nenthead, working as a house maid for Phoebe Walton, widow, annuitant, aged 59.
In 1871, at Hill Top, William Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 51, born Stanhope, his wife Esther 51, born Alston, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 22, Mary Jane 16, and William J 13.
In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, George Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Annie 29, children Esther A. 8, Sarah J. 7, Thomas W. 3, and George E. 7 months. In 1891, at Eastern Cottage, Nenthead, George Angus, joiner, aged 42, his wife Ann 40, children Esther A 18, Sarah T 16, Thomas William 12, George E 10, Minnie 8, Meggie 7, Ethel 4, and Amy 1 month. In 1901, at Eastern Cottage, George Angus, married, joiner & carpenter, aged 52, children Esther S 28, Thomas W. joiner & carpenter, aged 23, Ethel 14, Meggy 17, and Amy 10. In 1911, at New Houses, Nenthead, George Angus, married, joiner, zinc mines, aged 62, daughters Margaret, housekeeper, aged 27, and Ethel, elementary school teacher, aged 24. John Angus died 1st quarter of 1919, aged 71. Annie Angus died at Garlands, Carleton, Carlisle, 4th quarter of 1915, aged 65.

See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 28th March 1846, 23rd September 1871, 11th December 1875, 27th April 1878, & 22nd April 1882.

Deaths

At Ruffside, 4th inst. aged 79, Mrs Elizabeth Brown, relict of the late Henry Brown.

Deceased has 11 children, 51 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren.

In 1841, at Ruffside, Edmondbyers, Elizabeth Brown, Ag. Labourer, aged 45, children Eleanor 20, Henry, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, Matthew 14, Elizabeth 13, Thomas 11, and William aged 8.

In 1861, at Roughside, Edmondbyers, Durham, John Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 34, children Elizabeth 9, Henry 7, Mary Ann 4, and Jane 2. Also at Roughside, Elizabeth Brown, widow, aged 68, and son John lead miner, aged 38.

In 1871, at Roughside, Edmondbyers, John Hutchinson, labourer, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 42, children Elizabeth 19, Hannah 9, John 7, Charles William 3, and mother in law Elizabeth Brown, widow, aged 77.

At Moscow, near Alston, 4th inst. aged 70, Mrs Frances Hetherington, widow.

At Nenthead, 4th inst, aged 9 years Johnny son of Mr Ridley Walton.

In 1841, at High Rotherhope, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 50, wife Hannah (Ridley, married 10th July 1813) aged 50, children Robert, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 15, Ridley, lead miner, aged 13, John, lead miner, aged 10, and George 6.

In 1851, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Hannah Walton, lead miners widow, aged 59, children, Robert, retired miner, aged 34, Hannah 29, Ridley, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 16, and nephew John Walton, lead miner aged 14.

In 1861, at Nenthead, Ridley Walton, leas ore miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Stout, married 7th May 1854, at Nenthead) aged 27, children Jane 8, Hannah 6, Margaret 3, and Robert W. 8 months.

In 1871, at Nenthead, Ridley Walton, lead miner, aged 43, wife Elizabeth 38, children Hannah 16, Robert W. 10, Johnny 8, Henry 4, Margaret 2, and boarder Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 19. In 1881, at Nenthead, Ridley Walton, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 46, children Robert Wm., lead miner, aged 20, Henry, lead miner, aged 14, and Margaret 12.

In Weardale, at Weardale House, 5th inst., aged 54, Hannah wife of Mr J. C. Cain, mining agent.

See 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

20th July 1872 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

THE MINERS DISPUTE

A few weeks since we intimated that the Rodderup Fell miners were aggrieved on account of their subsistence money being reduced when they had not the prescribed number of shifts per month, and that a memorial had been drawn up for the purpose of being signed by the men and presented to the masters. At the same time, we expressed hope that an amicable settlement might be come to, but such has not been the case. The memorial was duly signed and

presented; meetings of the men have been held with the local representatives of the company, without any settlement being come to. A deputation from the men had an interview with Mr Crawhall on the evening of Friday week, at the close of which the points of difference, so far as we have been able to ascertain were that the masters required the men to work 20 shifts per month, while the men would only guarantee to work 18. The men also wanted two weeks during hay time, without any reduction from the subsistence money, while they were offered one week, and if they stopped off longer, a portion of the subsistence money to be withheld. The men also objected to being required to acquaint the resident manager when they wanted a day from work. On Monday there was a meeting of the men, from which meeting we have no report, but it must have been unfavourable as there has since been a lockout, a door having been placed on the mouth of the level, and the men are for the most part engaged at hay making.

TEESDALE

SETTLEMENT OF THE MINERS STRIKE

Through the mediation of Mr W T Scarth chief agent to His Grace, the Duke of Cleveland an amicable settlement was come to on Saturday between Mr Bainbridge the Lead Company superintendent, and the miner's delegates. The men are to resume work on 20s per week average, instead of 20s per week basis, as asked for and the miner's bargains are in future to be by the fathom instead of per bing of lead (8cwt) as hitherto. On Sunday evening, a band of music paraded the streets of Middleton in Teesdale, and very general satisfaction was expressed amongst all classes at the termination of the prolonged struggle.

WEARDALE

On Tuesday afternoon last a melancholy fatal accident occurred at one of the Weardale Iron Company's ironstone quarries at Levelgate, near St John's Chapel. A young man named Lancelot Robinson of Dry Gill, Weardale, was employed in "baring" and whilst excavating the clay at the bottom a large quantity of clay dropped from the face and buried him up to the shoulders crushing him so severely that he died immediately. *Aged 19 years.*

Deaths

At Nenthead, 9th inst. aged 68, Mrs Martha Raisbeck.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 40, wife Martha (Henderson, born Stanhope, married 1st September 1825, Alston) aged 35, children George 15, Ann 13, Rachel 11, Mathew 8, Christiana 6, and Mary 2. In 1851, at West Nenthead, Martha Raisbeck, widow (Husband Thomas died 3rd quarter of 1850), parish relief, aged 47, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Matthew, lead miner, aged 18, Christiana 15, Mary 11, Thomas 9, Robert 6, and nephew William Raisbeck 2.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Martha Raisbeck, widow, farmer, aged 57, children George, lead miner, aged 35, Matthew, lead miner, aged 28, Mary, household work, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and house servant, Christiana Henderson unmarried, aged 21. In 1871, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Martha Raisbeck, widow, formerly house maid, aged 67, children George, lead miner, aged 45, Mary, domestic house maid, aged 31, and Robert, lead miner, aged 26. See 26th September 1891.

At Alston, 16th inst. aged 63, Mr Thomas Walton.

In 1841, at Upton, Caldbeck, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 30, wife Hannah (Humble, married 20th June 1831, Alston) aged 30, children John 8, Sarah 6, Jane 3, and Thomas 11 months.
In 1851, at Hartley Village, Westmorland, Hannah Walton, agricultural labourers wife, aged 41, John, agricultural labourers son, aged 18, Sarah 16, Jane 13, Thomas 10, and Maria 3.
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 52, wife Hannah 51, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret A. servant 16, Maria 13, and Besse 7.
In 1871, at Temple Croft, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 62, wife Hannah 61, son Thomas, lead miner aged 30, and daughter Bessie, domestic servant, aged 17.
See 23rd November 1872.
At Red Brow, Garrigill, 16th inst. aged 20, Mr John Archer.
In 1861, at Red Brow, Garrigill, William Parker, stone mason, aged 54, wife Sarah J. 54, nephew John Archer 9. In 1871, at Beldy, Garrigill, William Parker, stonemason, aged 64, wife Sarah J. 64, adopted son John Archer, stonemason, aged 19.

3rd August 1872 (Hexham Courant)

THE TEESDALE MINERS

A settlement of the long pending dispute between the Teesdale miners and their employers has been arrived at. The meeting at which this result was accomplished was held at the Cross Key's Hotel, Middleton in Teesdale on Saturday evening last (*27th July*). Mr W. Parkin presiding. Four of the delegates were chosen to wait upon Mr Bainbridge to fix for letting bargains. On their return, it was announced that bargains would be let on Monday morning, at nine o'clock, to all the workmen who wished them.
The following resolutions were passed: -

1st That the men resume work under the conditions laid down by Mr Bainbridge.
2nd That every man give to the protection committee a just and truthful account of his earnings, not later than one month after the expiration of each quarters bargains, at the same time stating the mine he works at, and who his overman is.
3rd That the working hours of the boys be six hours per week less than they have been working.
4th That there be no rate of wages decided by the committee, but that the parents and the boys themselves hire to the best advantage.
5th That every boy give to the protection committee a just and truthful account of his earnings at the end of each year, not later than the last day of January in the year following, stating which mine he works at and who his masters are.

Deaths

At Coldcoats, Allendale, 27th ult. aged 82, Caroline widow of the late Mr John Glenwright. *In 1871, at Stone Style, Allendale, Caroline Glenwright, widow, farmer, aged 81, son Wilson, farmers son, aged 55, and daughter Jane 46.*
At Nenthead 28th ult., aged 45, Mr Stephenson Price miner.
In 1841 at Holmesfoot Nenthead, Thomas Price lead miner age 46, his wife Elizabeth (Blacklock, married 21st November 1816, Alston) aged 44, children

John 23 lead miner, Thomas 18, lead miner, William 16, lead miner, Stephenson 14, lead miner and Joseph 6.
Stephenson Price married Ann Cousin 1st quarter of 1850, registered at Alston. In 1851, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Stephenson Price, lead miner aged 24, his wife Ann aged 23, and daughter Elizabeth 11 months. In 1861, at Foulard, Nenthead, Stephenson Price, lead miner, aged 34, wife Ann 33, children Elizabeth 11, Mary Ann 8, Hannah 6, Thomas 10 months, and lodger Matthew Cousin, lead miner, aged 25. The 1871 census shows, Stephenson Price lead miner 44, living at Foulard, Nenthead, with his wife Ann 42, children Elizabeth 21, Mary Ann 16, Thomas 10, William 8, Phoebe 5, Lucy 4. In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Ann Price, lead miners widow, aged 53, children William, lead miner, aged 17, Phoebe, domestic servant, aged 15, and Lucy, domestic servant, aged 14.
See 27th April 1866, 3rd December 1870, 3rd May 1873, 22nd April 1882, and 8th December 1894,

3rd August 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nenthead 27th ult., Mr George Hutchinson to Miss Sarah Whitfield both of Nenthead.
In 1881, at 81 Victoria Street, Crook & Billy Row, George Hutchginson, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Sarah aged 26, children, Hannah 8, Mary 6, Jane 6, Elizabeth 4, and James 4.
In 1901, at Bridge Street, Crook & Billy Row, George Hutchinson, bricklayer, labourer, aged 58, his wife Sarah 48, children, James, bricklayer, labourer, aged 23, Elizabeth A 21, Robert, bricklayer, labourer, aged 17, Sarah J 14, Edith A 10, and Edward 8.
George Hutchinson, died 4th quarter 1902, aged 60.
In 1911, at 3 Bridge Street, Crook. Sarah Hutchinson, widow, aged 59, children, Robert labourer at brick works, Edith A, domestic servant, aged 28, Edward Hutchinson, labourer, brickyard, colliery, aged 18, and niece Edith A Ogg, shop assistant in book shop, aged 17.
See 2nd August 1873

9th August 1873 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Deaths
At Leadgate, near Alston, on the 25th ult., James Nixon, lead miner, aged 60 years.
In 1841, at Leadgate, Alston, Susan Nixon, 70, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 45, Robert, lead miner, aged 40, John, lead miner, aged 30, Hannah 25, and James, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1861, James Nixon, lead miner, aged 42, was lodging at Leadgate, Alston with Hannah Walton and family.
In 1871, at Threlkeld, James Nixon, lead miner, aged 50, born Alston.
At Nenthall, near Alston, on the 5th ult., Mary Bell, wife of John Bell, butcher, aged 53 years.
In 1871, at Nenthall, Alston, John Bell, butcher, aged 61, born Allendale, his wife Mary (Clementson, married 4th qtr., 1857 at Alston) aged 49, born Alston, and son John 10.

In 1881, at Mill House, Nenthead, John Bell, widower, farmer of 15 acres, aged 71. See 22nd July 1876

10th August 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Stanhope, at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst., Mr George Richardson of Daddry Shield to Miss Mary Peart of Pryes.

17th August 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, 6th inst., George Edwin, infant son of John Millican, Draper. *See 22nd March 1879*
Westgate, Weardale, 11th inst., aged 44, Elizabeth wife of Jonathan Wearmouth
In 1871 Jonathan Wearmouth (son of Thomas [lead miner] & Ann Wearmouth), Lead miner aged 46, was living at Swinhope Burn, Westgate, Stanhope with his wife Elizabeth (Roddam, married 1845) aged 43, and children, James lead miner 24, Adah 17, Jonathan 12, Jane E. 10, Elizabeth 9, and Oliver 6.

24th August 1872 (Hexham Courant)
TERMINATION OF THE MINERS STRIKE
On Friday last, the letting of the bargains usually held at the Rodderup Fell mines took place, when the men who had been out on strike for some time past accepted their bargains on the old, or as they term it, masters terms. The affair at the commencement created a great deal of excitement, and many were the conjectures that they would not be able to hold out, the masters barring the entrance to the mine, but we are informed that on the above named day the men took their bargains as usual without saying a word as to "clipped lennings" or other grievances, so that the strike may be now considered ended.
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Alston, 17th inst., Mr John Ward of Middle Syke to Miss Elizabeth Dodd of Alston.
In 1861, at Middle Skides, James Ward, lead miner & farmer, aged 49, his wife Hannah (Elliot, married 23rd June 1836, Alston) aged 42, children Mary, house maid, aged 23, Robert, farmers son, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, William 13, Hannah 9, Martha 9, Thomas 6, and Joseph 8 months.
In 1871, at Middle Skides, James Ward, married lead miner, and landowner, aged 59, children Mary 33, John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 23, Martha, dressmaker, aged 19, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, and granddaughter, Jane Ward 1. James wife Hannah was visiting Elizabeth Pattinson, widow, annuitant, aged 67, at Hude Street, Middleton.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Ward, lead miner, aged 36, and his wife Elizabeth 38. In 1891, at Garrigill, John Ward, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 48, and domestic servant Mary Palmer 28. In 1901, at Garrigill, John Ward, widow, lead miner, aged 56. John Ward died 4th quarter of 1907, aged 63.

24th August 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Allendale Town, aged 60, Ann, widow of the late Mr Isaac Holden, Tea Dealer.
See 22nd April 1853, 23rd November 1855, & 24th August 1872.

31st August 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 29th inst., Mr Joseph Watson of Shaw House to Miss Frances Richardson of Farnberry.
In 1871, at Shaw House Inn, Joseph Watson, lead miner, innkeeper & farmer of 42 acres, aged 51, his wife Jane, aged 54, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Jane 20, William, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, and Jane E 3.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Frances 35, children Joseph 7, Alfred 4, Elizabeth 11, and Thomas W. 2.
In 1891, at Physic Hall, Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Frances 45, children Elizabeth S 22, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 18, Alfred, lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas Wm, stone breaker, aged 12, Frances 9, Jane 7, John 5, and Walton 6 months.
In 1901, at Clitheroe, Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Frances 54, children Elizah S 31, Joseph, lead miner, aged 27, Alfred, road labourer, aged 24, Thomas W, road labourer, aged 22, Frances 19, Jane, hosiery worker, aged 17, John, hosiery worker, aged 14, and Walton 10.
Joseph Watson, died 2nd quarter, 1904, aged 55.
In 1911, at Kates Lane, Alston, Frances Watson, widow, aged 64, children Elizabeth Sarah 41, Joseph, lead miner, aged 36, Thomas, county council road man, aged 32, Frances 29, Jane 27, John, lead miner, aged 24, Walton, limestone quarryman, aged 19, and grandsons Donald Watson 3, Ivan Watson 2, and Cyril Watson 1.
At Nenthead, 24th inst Mr Joseph Teasdale to Miss Mary Jane Tatters both of Nenthead.
See 27th February 1869, 28th March 1874, 12th May 1877, 14th June 1884, 5th March 1887, & 20th August 1887.
At Westgate, Weardale at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst, Mr John Humble of Mount Pleasant, Heathery Cleugh, to Miss Sarah Lowes of Killhope.—24th inst., Mr John Hodgson of Heathery Cleugh to Miss Annie Bright of Intake Cottage Allendale.

7th September 1872 (Hexham Herald)
THE METALLIFEROUS MINES BILL
The Metalliferous Mines Bill will come into operation on the 1st of January next, and will apply to all mines that do not come under the Coal Mines Regulation Act. Its main provisions are: -
Women and girls and boys under 12, are not to work underground. No males between 12 and 16 are to work underground more than 54 hours per week, or more than 10 hours at any one time, with intervals in some cases of not less than 8 hours, and in others not less than 12. A register of all such must be kept. Males below 18 are not to be put in charge of winding machinery in shafts, though in the case of Horse Whims &c., the actual driver may be 12.

Parents who misrepresent the ages of their children to evade these regulations will be subject to penalties. Wages are not to be paid in or about a public house or beer shop. Annual returns of the minerals raised, and the number of persons employed in any mine, in a given form, are to be made by the owner or his agent. Notices of accidents are to be sent within 24 hours to the inspector of the district. Inspectors are not to be in any sense land agents, mining engineers, or engaged about any mine, and are to have full power of examination of any mine under the act, at all reasonable times, but not so as to impeded the working. They may give notice to remedy causes of danger not provided for by the rules, whereupon the owner may appeal to the Home Secretary, and the matter settled by arbitration. Inspectors are to make annual reports, and plans are to be kept on all mines brought up to within six months. Arbitrators are to be practical men. The proceedings at all inquests arising out of mines are to be attended by an inspector or some other representative of the Home Secretary. ...

Deaths

At Swinhope, aged 66, Mary Charlton, same place aged 29, Margaret Milburn.

In 1841, at Lane Side, Allendale, George Milburn, lead ore miner, aged 25, wife Jane (Coulson, married 27th October 1838, at St Peter, Allenheads, this was her 2nd marriage, Jane Waugh married George Coulson, 20th August 1825 at St Peter, Allenheads) aged 35, children Jane 2, children in law, Hannah Coulson 15, John Coulson, dresser of lead ore, aged 13, Robert Coulson, dresser of lead ore, aged 10, and Ruth Coulson 7.

In 1851, at Pasture Nook, Allendale, George Milburn, grocer, aged 39, wife Jane 46, children Jane 11, William 9, Margaret 5, Mary Ann 3, Ellenor 1, children in law, John Coulson, lead ore miner, aged 22, Robert Coulson, agricultural labourer, aged 19, and Ruth Coulson 17.

George Milburn died 1st quarter of 1852.

In 1861, at Pasture Nook, Allendale, Jane Milburn, widow, grocer, aged 56, sons Robert Coulson, excavator, aged 29, William Milburn, excavator, aged 19, daughter Margaret Milburn 15, Mary A Milburn 13, and grandson John Philipson 1. In 1871, at Swinhope, Allendale, Jane Milburn, widow, grocer, aged 66, son William, iron stone miner, aged 29, daughter Margaret 25, grand children, John Coulson 11, and Margaret Milburn 3.

14th September 1872 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

FATAL ACCIDENT. The Coroner (Mr L M Cockcroft) held an inquest on Monday, at Allenheads relative to the death of a lead miner, named John Frost, 33 years. Whilst ascending a ladder in the mine at Allenheads on Saturday a stone fell from a height of 20 feet striking him on the back inflicting such injuries as to cause his death on the following day. Verdict “accidental death”.

John Frost was christened at St Peter’s, Allenheads, on 6th May 1839, son of John Heatherton & Elizabeth Frost.

The 1841 at West End, Allendale, John aged 2, is living with his grandparents John Frost, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary (Curry married 9th December 1809, Allendale) aged 60; also living with them is their daughter Elizabeth aged 30. Mary Frost died 3rd quarter of 1845

Elizabeth Frost married John Armstrong 19th June 1847, at St Peter's, Allenheads.
In 1851, at Far West End, Allendale, John Frost, widow, lead ore miner, aged 69, his unmarried daughter Jane aged 45, grandson John Frost, lead ore dresser, aged 12, and granddaughter Mary Frost 5 (Mother Jane Frost).
John Frost snr., died 2nd quarter of 1856
In 1861, at Low Wolfcleugh, Stanhope, Roger Armstrong, unmarried, lead miner, aged 60, his brother John, married, lead miner, aged 49, his brothers wife Elizabeth, aged 49 (died 4th quarter of 1866, aged 56), John Frost, son, lead miner, aged 23, and nephew James Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 12.
In 1861, at West End, George Craven, iron stone quarryman, aged 45, his wife Jane (Frost, married 30th June 1856, at St Peter's, Allenheads), aged 47, and daughter in law Mary aged 15.
Mary Frost married Matthew Varty 2nd quarter of 1865, reg. Hexham.
Matthew Varty, lead ore miner, died 5th November 1877, aged 42.
In 1871, at Weir End, Allendale, George Cravin, surface labourer, aged 55, born Pontefract, Yorks., his wife Jane aged 56, and nephew John Frost, lead ore miner, aged 31.
George Craven died 4th quarter of 1879, aged 64.
In 1881, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, John G. Dodds, cabinet maker, aged 31, his wife Mary (Varty, married 4th quarter of 1878, Reg. Hexham) 35, son in law John Varty, cabinet maker, aged 13, son in law Matthew Varty 10, daughter in law Mary A. Varty 8, daughter in law Elizabeth J. Varty 5, son Thomas H. Dodds 2 months, and mother in law Jane Craven, widow, aged 67.
See 17th November 1877

AT LEADGATE
TREAT TO SCHOOL CHILDREN AND TENANTS

On Friday last, the children attending the Leadgate school and the wife's of the tenants of the Rodderup Fell Mining Company, were entertained to tea by Mr & Mrs Crawhall of Alston House, as representatives of the above company. About 80 children partook of tea after which their places at the table were filled by the wife's of the tenants. …

21st September 1872 (London Daily News)
An extraordinary meeting of the **Derwent Mines Company** (Limited) will be held on the 16th October, to consider the advisability of winding up the undertaking voluntarily.

28th September 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, 17th inst., Mr Thomas Pickering of Nenthall, to Miss Ann Walton of Galligill.
In 1861, at High Spency Croft, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary (Latheran, married 21st December 1820, Alston) aged 60, daughters Mary 35, Ann 27, son Stephen, Ag. Labourer, aged 21, and granddaughter, Emily Walton 12. In 1871, at Middle Galligill, Stephen Walton, surface labourer, sisters Mary 45, and Ann 36. Jonathan Walton died 2nd quarter of 1869, aged 70, Mary died 4th quarter of 1870, aged 68.

In 1851, at Low Nest, Mathew Pickering, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann (Stephenson, married 7th June 1827, Alston) aged 41, children Thomas lead miner, aged 22, Joseph lead miner, aged 20, Teasdale lead miner, aged 6, Margaret 13, John 11, Hannah 7, Mathew Ralph 5, and William 2. In 1861, at Nenthall, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 50, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Naomi 28, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 26, Mary A 19, Hannah 17, Matthew, lead ore dresser, aged 15, William, lead ore dresser, aged 12, Sarah 9, and Elisabeth 5.
In 1871, at Nenthall, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 60, sons Thomas, lead miner & farmer of 20 acres, aged 42, William, lead miner, aged 22, and daughter Elizabeth 15.
In 1881, at Station Lane, Haltwhistle, Thomas Pickering, grocer, aged 52, and his wife Ann, aged 47. In 1891, at Main Street, Haltwhistle, Thomas Pickering, grocer, aged 62, his wife Ann, aged 56, and visitor, niece Emily Walton, aged 39.
Thomas Pickering died 1st quarter of 1895, aged 66.
See 24th September 1866, 23rd July 1867, & 13th August 1892

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr Wm. Walton, Alston, to Miss Jane Irwin.

In 1861, at Main St. Alston, Joseph Walton, tin plate worker, aged 50, his wife Jane (Armstrong, married 15th December 1836, Alston) aged 48, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth13, Mary A 10, John 8, Joseph 6, and Hugh 1.
In 1871, at Alston Gas House, Joseph Walton, married, tin plate worker, aged 60, children William, gas manager, aged 27, John, tin plate worker, aged 18, Joseph, labourer, aged 16, Hugh 11, and domestic servant Sarah Jane Angus, aged 18.
In 1881, at Gas House, Alston, William Walton, gas manager, aged 38, his wife Jane 27, born Allenheads, children James 7, Joseph 6, Mary E. 4, and Henry 1.
See 23rd August 1890 & 5th October 1895.

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 23rd inst., Mr John Spark to Miss Mary Smith both of Alston.

In 1851, at Rise View, Garrigill, David Smith, lead miner, aged 30, born Garrigill, his wife Ann (Wilkinson, married 21st May 1846, Alston) aged 27, born Allendale, children Thomas 3, Sarah 2, and Ann 11 months.
David Smith died 2nd quarter of 1854.
In 1861, at Town Head, Ann Smith, widow, laundress, aged 37, children Sarah 12, Ann 10, Mary 8, and David 6. In 1871, at Townhead, Ann Smith, widow, laundress, aged 47, born Allendale, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah, domestic servant, aged 23, Mary, domestic servant, aged 18, David, coal miner, aged 16, and granddaughter Margaret A. Smith 5.
In 1851, at Clog Hall, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 58, born Allendale, his wife Sarah aged 38, children George L., 7, Rachael 17, and John 4.
In 1861, at Kates Lane, Sarah Spark, lead miners widow, aged 47, sons George, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 14, and grandson Thomas Richardson 3. Sarah Spark died 1st quarter of 1862.
In 1871, at Townfoot, Thomas Walton, ostler, aged 45, his wife Rachel (Richardson married 3rd quarter of 1865) aged 37, son in law Thomas Richardson 13, daughters in law Margaret Richardson 8, Ann Richardson 7,

son Utrick Hugh Walton 4, son Robert Walton 5 Months, boarders George Spark, coal miner, aged 27, and John Spark, shoe maker, aged 24
In 1881, at George St., Whitehaven, John Sparks, life insurance agent, aged 34, his wife Mary 28, children Joseph W. 8, Emily A. 7, David 5, Esther 3, John 1, George E. 2 months, and niece Margaret A. Smith, domestic servant, aged 15.
In 1891, at Derwentside, Medomsley, Mary Sparke, widow, aged 38, children Joseph, coal miner, aged 18, David, coal miner, aged15, Ethel 13, John 11, George E 10, Margaret R 7, and Thomas W 4. In 1901, at Low Westwood, Joseph Spark, labourer in coal mine, aged 28, brother John, labourer in coal mine, aged 21, brother Ernest, labourer in coal mine, aged 20, sister Margaret 17 and brother Thomas 14.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nentsbury, on the 23rd inst., Mr Joseph Hardy to Miss Mary Millican both of Greenends.
This was the first marriage solemnised in the chapel, the bride and groom were presented with a bible & hymnbook to celebrate the occasion.
Vipond Millican son of William and Mary, born 3rd April 1810, Vipond was buried at Garrigill, 6th September 1855, aged 45.

In 1841, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Vipond Millican, lead miner, aged 30,his wife Mary aged 25, children Frances 1 year, and Joseph aged 1 month.
In 1851, at Low Green Ends Vipond Millican lead miner 40, his wife Mary (Brown married last quarter 1840) aged 39, children Fanny 11, Joseph 9, William 8, Robert 3, and Mary 1.
In 1861 at Green Ends, Mary Millican, widow, farming 12 acres aged 48, children, Francis 21, Joseph 19, William 18, Robert 13, Mary 10, John 7, grandson Jonathan Millican aged 3, her mother Isabella Brown, widow, annuitant 84, (died 1863).

In 1851 Isabella Brown aged 74, lead miners widow was living at Green Ends, Alston, with her grandson Thomas Brown aged 15, employed at the lead mines and Thomas Brown lead miner, 25. In 1841 Isabella Brown at Green Ends was listed as a widow (Husband Thomas), farmer living with her son Robert Brown lead miner aged 30, Thomas Brown aged 5, and family servant Ann Smith aged 16.
In 1871, at Greenends, Mary Millican, lead miners widow, aged 59, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Mary aged 21, John lead miner, aged 18, grandsons Jonathan Millican, lead ore washer, aged 13, and Vipond Millican aged 2.

In 1841, at Greenends, George Smith, aged 40, his wife Mary 34, children Mary 14, Thomas 7, John 6, George 4, and Jonathan 1. Ann Smith, aged 16, was working as a family servant for Isabella Brown, see above.
Ann Smith married Thomas Hardy 30th July 1843, at Alston.
In 1851, at High Greenends, George Smith, lead miner, aged 50, born Allendale, his wife Mary (Hodgson, married 4th January 1824, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 48, born Allendale, children Mary 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 15, Jonathan 10, and grandson Joseph Hardy 5, and granddaughter Frances Hardy 2.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, Ann Hardy,married, lead miners wife, aged 37, born Hexham, children Joseph Hardy lead miner, aged 15, William Smith Hardy 9, Mary Smith Hardy 6, and Frances Smith Hardy 3.

Joseph Hardy married Mary Bell 4th quarter of 1867, Mary Hardy died 3rd quarter of 1870, aged 25.
In 1871, at Greenends, Ann Hardy, widow, aged 47, children Joseph, widow, lead miner, aged 25, William, coal miner, aged 19, Mary Ann 16, Frances 13, Thomas 8, and granddaughter Frances Hannah Hardy 2.
In 1881, at Prudhoe, Joseph Hardy, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 31, daughter Frances H. 12, step son Vipond Millican 12, son Thomas W. 7, daughter Mary Ann 2, and son John George 2 months.
In 1891, at Low Prudhoe Village, Joseph Hardy, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 41, children Frances, H, coal miner, aged 22, Vipond Millican, coal miner, aged 22, Thomas W, coal miner, aged 17, John G 10, Annie M 5, and Emily 10 months.
See 5th November 1867, 21st November 1868, 8th July 1876, 12th May 1883, 30th March 1889, and 11th October 1884.

Deaths

At Alston 13th, inst aged 46, Mr Wm. Dickinson, Grocer.

28th September 1872 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Penrith, 23rd inst., aged 68 years, Margaret wife of Utrick Vipond.
In 1871 Utrick aged 63, Assistant rate collector and his wife Margaret aged 66, were living at Sandgate Penrith with their son Joseph Vipond born Alston, aged 31, rate collector, agent & accountant, also with them Utrick's daughters, Esther 29, and Mary A. 26 Joseph Vipond was born at Romaldkirk Yorkshire, and his wife Whitfield, Northumberland.
Utrick was by profession a miller & corn dealer who had lived and brought up his family at Main Street, Alston, he married Margaret Dickinson on 3rd September 1837 at Whitfield, Northumberland.
At Garrigill Gate, 15th inst aged 79, Margaret Richardson, widow.
The 1841 at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Richardson lead miner aged 43, wife Margaret (Watson, married 24th October 1822, Alston) aged 45, children Tamar 18, Martha 15, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 11, and Joseph 8.
In 1851, at Clark Hall, Garrigill, Joseph Richardson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Margret, 58, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 18.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Margaret Richardson, widow, aged 68, and unmarried son Joseph a lead miner, aged 28.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Margaret Richardson, widow, aged 78, and unmarried son Joseph a lead miner, aged 38.
At Boltsburn, Rookhope, 18th inst., aged 28, Susannah, wife of Mr Matthew Hetherington.
Matthew Hetherington son of William Hetherington lead miner & farmer, and Elizabeth in 1851 & 1861 living at Loud Side Ninebanks.
In 1871 Matthew Hetherington lead ore smelter aged 23, born Allendale, living at Chapel Row, Stanhope with his wife Susannah (Currey married in 1868, at Weardale) aged 27, and Jane Currey aged 14, sister in law. Susannah was the daughter of Joseph and Margaret Curry the 1861 showing the family living at Red Burn Stanhope, Joseph Currey lead ore smelter aged 48, with his wife Margaret 44 and children William lead ore smelter & Methodist local preacher 23, Margaret 19, Susanna 17, Elizabeth 6, Jane 4, Barbara 1.

11th October 1873 Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. William Johnson, Mr George Havelock, of Nenthead, to Miss Lucy Elliot, of Ashgill.
In 1871, at Low Level, Nenthead, John Havelock, cart man & labourer, aged 56, his wife Hannah 46, children, George, lead ore miner, aged 25, Jane, dressmaker, aged 22, John, lead ore miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, and William 10.
In 1881, at Foulard, Nenthead, George Havelock, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Lucy 27, children, Florence H 6, Sarah J 5, Lucy C 3, (Lucy married Harry H Ridinger, 2nd January 1896, at Wellsville, Ohio) and John G 1.
The 1900 census shows George Havelock and family emigrated to America in 1889.
In 1900, at Wellsville, Columbiana, Ohio, George Havelock, day labourer, aged 53, his wife Lucy 45, children, Wilfred, labourer, aged 15, and Bert 13.
Lucy Elliott Havelock died 7th Junee 1931, at Wellsville, Columbiana
See 1st February 1845, 9th January 1875, 22nd April 1882
Deaths
At Alston,. on the 20th ult., Elizabeth Jane Pickering, daughter of Waltor Pickering, stone mason, aged 5 months.
In 1881, at New Buildings, Penrith, Walton Pickering, stone mason, aged 33, born Alston, his wife Hannah, (White, married 3rd qtr., 1869, at Alston) aged 32, born Alston, and children, Ann Alice 10, born Alston, Ralph 6, born Derham, N.land, Thomas Walton 5, born Alston, Sarah 4, born, Carlisle, and Margaret Ann 1, born, Alston.
At Alston, on the 28th ult., Tom Graham, son of John Graham, innkeeper, aged 8 months. *See 28th January 1899*
At Annatwalls, on the 3rd inst., Nancy Bramwell, wife of Robert (*sic William)* Bramwell, aged 29 years. *See 14th January 1890*

12th October 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Toronto, Canada on 29th ult. Mr Edward Schuch to Miss Fanny Walton, daughter of the late Mr Thomas Walton, Greenend House, Nenthead, Alston.
Edward Washington Schuch, aged 24, parents Charles and Anna Schuch, married Fanny Walton aged 28, parents Thomas and Margaret Walton, at Toronto, York, Ontario.

12th October 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 30th ult., Mr John Hutchinson, aged 77, late of Canada, originally of Nenthead.
In 1861, at York, Ontario, Canada west, John Hutchinson, farmer, born England, aged 68, Methodist, wife Hannah, born England, aged 60, daughter Hannah, born West Canada, aged 22.
In 1871, at East York, Ontario, John Hutchinson, widow, Methodist, gentleman, aged 78. Ancestry (jlmorris196 family tree) gives the following information: Malvern Primitive Methodist Cemetery; John Hutchinson who emigrated to this township in 1831 and after his residence of nearly 41 years returned to Nenthead, his native place County of Cumberland, England and

died Sept 30 1872 in the 78th year of his age; also Hannah L. wife of the above who died March 28 1870 in her 80th year.

IN MEMORY OF
JOHN HUTCHINSON
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED MARCH 15TH 1813
AGED 48 YEARS
ALSO ANN HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JANUARY 21ST 1827
AGED 58 YEARS
ALSO JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED AT SAME PLACE
SEPTEMBER 30TH 1872
AGED 77 YEARS
A RESIDENT IN CANADA
FOR 40 YEARS.

19th October 1872 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Weardale, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 12th inst., Mr Isaac Peadon, of North Grain to Miss Eliza Ann Peart of Copt Cleugh.

26th October 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nenthead 15th inst., Mr Vickers Thompson to Miss Isabella Grey, both of Nenthead. *Nenthead parish records give Isabella Smith*
Isabella Thompson died 3rd quarter of 1875, aged 22.
Vickers Thompson married Elizabeth Barron 2nd quarter of 1878.
In 1851, at Fiddler Street, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 46, children Williams, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 17, Jane 15, Ann 14, Joseph, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth 10, Daniel 8, James 7, and Vickers 8.
In 1861, at Foulard, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 56, children John, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth 20, Dan, lead miner, aged 18, and Vickers 12. In 1871, at Nenthead, Ann Thompson, widow, aged 66, and son Vickers, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1881, at Overwater, Vickers Thompson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth, 42, children Jane A. 7, Jonathan 6, and boarder Jacob Patrick 11.
In 1891, at Overwater, Vickers Thompson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 53, step daughter Mary Barron 28, daughter Jane Ann 18, son Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 17, and grandson John Joseph Barron 5.

In 1901, at Wellgill, Mary Barron, single, aged 40, son John Js Birbeck, labourer at lead mines, aged 15, lodger Vickers Thompson, widow, lead ore washer, aged 52. Vickers Thompson died 2nd quarter of 1908, aged 59.
See 14th May 1869, 13th March 1875, 27th December 1873, & 9th January 1875
At Allendale Town, at the parish church, 22nd inst. Mr Joseph Johnson, Hay Leases to Miss Stobart of Burn Tongue, Keenly.
At Allenheads, 24th inst. Mr John Stokoe, Shield Close to Ann, daughter of Mr Benjamin Irwin of Allenheads.
At Alston Wesleyan, Methodist Chapel, 21st inst. Mr Joseph Cousin of Greenends to Miss Dorothy Walton of Hudgill.
In 1851, at Wellgill Dykeheads, William Cousin land owner farming 12 acres, aged 51, born Allendale, his wife Hannah (Todd, married 14th May 1825) aged 46, born Alston, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Matthew, lead miner, aged 11, Phebe 12, Isaac 10, Jonathan7, Henry 5, and Margaret 1.
In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Nenthead, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres, aged 62, his wife Hannah 56, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer on farm, aged 15, and Margaret11.
William Cousin was buried at Nenthead 30th April 1861, aged 62.
Hannah Cousin was buried at Nenthead 26th June 1864, aged 58.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

IN MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH COUSIN, OF GREEN ENDS
WHO DIED OCT 16TH 1869, AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO OF ROBERT WILLIAM HER SON
WHO DIED OCT. 11TH 1862, AGED 4 YEARS
ALSO OF ROBERT WILLIAM HER SON
WHO DIED MARCH 21TH 1870 AGED 6 MONTHS.

In 1861, at Low Greenends, Nenthead, Joseph Cousin, farmer of 100 acres, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Bell, married 20th May 1852, Hexham) aged 33,

children, Mary Ann 8, Hannah 6, Robert William 2, and visitor Elizabeth Bell, widow, annuitant, aged 62.
In 1871, at Hudgill, William Walton, farmer of 39 acres, aged 70, his wife Elizabeth 67, daughters Dorothy aged 29, and Mary A. aged 27.

In 1871, at Green Ends, Joseph Cousin, widow, farmer of 400 acres, aged 45, children, Mary Ann 18, Hannah 16, Elizabeth 7, and Phebe 5. In 1881, at Hole, Corbridge, Joseph Cousin, farmer of 7 acres, aged 55, his wife Dorothy 44, children Phoebe 18, Joseph 7, and Annie 4.
See 4th April 1874, 3rd February 1883, 10th December 1887, and 28th April 1900

Deaths

At Alston 12th inst. aged 30, Nancy wife of Mr Joseph Haldon.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Foster Haldon, lead miner, aged 61, wife Margaret (Coulson, married 30th April 1833, Alston) aged 49, children John, lead miner, aged 35, Hannah, servant, aged 32, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Foster, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, labourer, aged 15, William, labourer, aged 13, and Colson 6. Foster Haldon's 1st marriage was to Elizabeth Simpson, 31st October 1824, at Alston.
In 1871, at Over Burn, Nenthead, Joseph Haldon, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Nancy (Whitfield, married 3rd quarter of 1870, at Alston) aged 27. In 1881, at 20 Delaval Terrace, Benwell, Joseph Haldon, coal miner, aged 35; his wife Jane (Graham, married 1st quarter of 1875, at Alston) aged 28, children James Wm. 5, Lizzie J. 3, and Margaret 1.
See 30th January 1875, 18th December 1875, & 15th March 1884
At Alston 22nd inst. aged 11 months, Alice daughter of the late Mr Thomas Yeats Walton. *See 28th October 1871, 1st June 1889, 6th July 1889, & 10th July 1920*

2nd November 1872 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Glen Hill, Allendale town, 28th ult. aged 72, Mary relict of Mr Thomas Dawson of Far Pasture, West Allen.
In 1841, at Battle Green, Garrigill, Thomas Dawson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 40, and daughter Margaret aged 12.
In 1851, at Far Pasture, Thomas Dawson, proprietor of land farming 23 Acres, aged 51, born Garrigill, and Mary his wife, aged 51, born Garrigill.
In 1861, at Far Pasture, Thomas Forster, farmer of 20 acres, and Agricultural labourer, aged 34, wife Margaret 32, children Mary J. 11, Margaret 8, Thomas 4, and mother in law Mary Dawson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 60.
In 1871, at Glen Hill, Allendale, Thomas Forster, farmer of 107 acres, aged 44, wife Margaret 42, daughters, Mary J. 21, Margaret 17, Clara L. 5, mother in law Mary Dawson, widow, annuitant, aged 70, and sister Hannah Forster, dressmaker, aged 25.

7th November 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)

Deaths

At Alston. on the 2nd inst., Matilda Milburn, daughter of Thomas Milburn, aged 1 year.
Possible family see 20th May 1871

9th November 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Thornley Cottage, near Allendale town, 26th ult. aged 83 years, Mary widow of the late Mr Thomas Lee of Black Bank, Allendale.
In 1851, at Black Bank, Thomas Lee, gamekeeper, aged 69, wife Mary 62, granddaughter Margaret Moore 5, and house servant Jane Shipley aged 20.

11th November 1872 (London Evening Standard)
THE ROOKHOPE MINING COMPANY have again sold today 30 tons of lead ore at £13 2s 6d. The drawing engine is expected to be at work on the 12th inst., and the new dressing machinery will be ready on the 19th inst., so that the sinking of the shaft (now 9 fathoms below the 25) will be proceeded with faster, and the returns will soon be considerably increased.

23rd November 1872 (Hexham Courant)
On the 7th October, last a person named George Featherstone who left Weardale 40 years ago for America died there aged 91 years. His wife survives him and is 90 years of age.
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 17th inst., Mr William Bainbridge of Low Grassfield to Miss Elizabeth Dowson.
In 1861, at Welgill, Nenthead, Richard Dawson, plate layer, aged 41, his wife Mary 40, children Elizabeth 14, James 9, Jane 6, Mary 2, and nurse child Isabella Millican 2.
In 1871, Elizabeth Dowson, aged 24, was working as a domestic servant for Thomas Richardson, farmer of 944 acres, aged 42, and family, at Coatley Hill, Alston.
In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead crystalliser, aged 50, his wife Ann (Jackson, married 8th June 1839, Alston) aged 50, children William, lead ore roaster, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Isabella 16, Christopher, lead miner, aged 14, and John 9.
In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann 60, children William, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Isabella 26, Christopher, blacksmith, aged 24, and John, lead ore smelter, aged 18. Joseph Bainbridge died 3rd quarter of 1871, aged 60.
In 1881, at Low Grassfield, Nenthead, William Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 44, children John J., lead ore dresser, aged 12, James 7, Mary A. 6, William 4, Elizabeth 2, and Margaret 1.
In 1891, at West Nenthead, William Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 44, children John Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 22, James, lead ore smelter, aged 17, William Bainbridge, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth Jane 12, Christopher 7, and Ralph 5.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, William Bainbridge, farmer, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 54, sons James, lead miner, aged 27, William, lead miner, aged 24, Christopher, lead manufacturer, aged 17, and Ralph, drapers assistant, aged 15 In 1911, at Nenthead, William Bainbridge, retired lead miner, aged 70, and his wife Elizabeth aged 64.
Deaths
At Alston, 5th inst. aged 62, Hannah widow of Mr Thomas Walton Lead miner.
See 20th July 1872

30th November 1872 (Hexham Courant)

LETTER FROM A WEARDALE EMIGRANT IN AMERICA

Stanhope Farm, Wakefield, Clay County, Kansas

Dear Father and Mother,

Having written several letters to you from our new home in the far west, intended for none but yourselves, I think it is now quite time to venture a letter through you to all who desire land to make for themselves farms of such beauty and excellence as none of you who have lived only in Weardale can possibly imagine. To all who wish to =be independent of servitude, to reap the fruit of their own labours, to all who wish to have charming homes of their own in such a beautiful climate on soil so deep and rich, homes from which nothing but the hand of providence can uproot or eject them, and which may descend to their latest posterity, the enduring monuments of the self-denied courage, industry and perseverance of their forefathers, to all such I would now address myself feeling that I am only to them as I would, if our relations reversed, that they should do unto me. Perhaps I should have done this sooner, but if I have erred, it has been on the side of caution and safety, and in a matter of such great importance, I hope I shall be forgiven. Thousands are coming here into the various portions of this State in response to letters of information from those already here, and all I wish to do now is to try to stimulate my fellow dalesmen to inquire whether their condition at home is better than it might be here. I believe there are hundreds in Weardale who would be glad to own such land as we have here, and from what I know of their temperance, frugality, industry, and indomitable perseverance, I have often said since we came here that none are more likely to succeed here and to settle down as permanent dwellers, than emigrants from Weardale. As I cannot say, anything like all that ought to be said in this letter. I must confine myself for the present to the statement of a few prominent particulars.

First land here is free. The Government of the United States gives to the head of every household, and to every person of both sexes who are twenty one years of age 160 acres of land, on condition that they live on the said land for a term of five years and are not absent therefrom at any one time for more than six months, and who will have in cultivation at the end of five years not less than ten acres of land, and for which they have only to pay the paltry sum of 14 dollars. You will thus see that any father or widowed mother who has sons and daughters can have 160 acres each for all of them. I know you will have some difficulty in comprehending the magnitude of this gift. The fact of several hundreds acres coming into your possession with a clear indisputable title to each 160 acres seems almost too big to get in all at once; and this is all freehold land. There are no restrictions, no reservations in our deed at all… We may fly as high above it or dig as deep into it as ever we please. Secondly how much is the land worth? If I had it, just as much as you wish to make it. The soil is from one to three feet deep. You may plough a fifty-acre piece without finding a stone. It requires no fencing until you can grow your own fences, for we have a law which compels every owner of stock to herd or take care of them all the year round, so that farmers have only to look after their own stock. This is done by putting several small herds together and employing one or men or boys to herd them. So far as I know, we can grow everything grown in England, and things almost innumerable, which you cannot grow. Our climate is almost tropical, but taking all the year, is healthful

and most enjoyable. The clear skies, the pure exhilarating air, the glorious sun sets, the lovely Indian summer, and even the bright bracing early parts of winter, which is not wintry, can be described only in language which strangers would deem exaggerated. We often say it could not be better if we had the making of it ourselves. Harvesting is nothing like the harvesting in England. Cut your wheat here and stack it in a few days; cut grass in the morning, start the horse rake about eleven o'clock, and begin stacking immediately after dinner. We have no need for draining, or ditching, or griping, as you call it. We farm on the principal of catching and retaining all the moisture we can. We have no ridge and furrow -. I level cultivation. As I never farmed in England, perhaps it would be improper for me to speak of the comparative merits of the two places, but you must not forget we pay no rent, and very little tax for the first five years. Thirdly if land is so free and valuable, the question arises, which is the best way of making possession of it? I have at great expense travelled thousands of miles in America on foot, by stagecoach, by steamboat, on these magnificent rivers and by railway. I have watched closely, and I have listened attentively, in order to prepare myself to give the proper answer to this question, and I have now no hesitation whatever in advising the formation of a colony of emigrants who would agree to put themselves under the care of a properly qualified person, who should go out by his self first and select land, making a conditional agreement with the Land Office and have a temporary home erected to receive the pilgrims when they arrive, to make the wilderness and solitary places glad. Such a person, if properly chosen, would save far more to the colony than he would cost, beside the pleasure and satisfaction of knowing that, all was being done right and in the most economical way. If a colony of fifty in number were to agree to pay such a person five pounds each, this would not be more than one tenth of what it would cost to settle them as single individuals, and with no experienced judgement but their own. The precautionary measures which I adopted previous to settling here as an isolated person cost me more than one hundred pounds. I can only say that I have never had any cause to regret that expenditure. I shall be ready to give any help I can to all from my native dale by letter or otherwise. To write all I could wish you to know would require several letters and much more time than I could spare just now. You can make any use of this letter you please. I wish you were here just now to see our splendid crops of corn. We are having the most delightful season.
Our Father in heaven seems determined to fill our hearts with gladness.
(Signed) Nicholas Emmerson.

The 1841, census pages are unreadable but the IGI gives Nicholas Emerson christened 3rd October 1823, at Stanhope, parents John Emerson & Mary Wilkinson.

Nicholas married Matilda Mary Philippa Barbera Couper in the fourth quarter of 1845 at Auckland.

In 1851, at Bishop Auckland, Durham, Nicholas Emmerson, brakeman, aged 27, his wife M P B Emmerson, aged 28, children John 4, and William 3, his sister in law D J A Cooper, aged 24

Nicholas married Diana Jane Hannah Couper in the 3rd quarter of 1858, at Guisborough.

In 1861, at Omesby, Yorkshire, Nicholas Emmerson, engine driver, born Stanhope, aged 37, his wife Diana J H, aged 33, born Willington, Durham,

children, William, pupil teacher, aged 13, Mary Jane 7, George 2., and mother Hannah Couper, farmers widow, aged 61.
The family do not appear on the 1870 Federal census, the 1900 Federal census gives 1870 as the year of arrival.
The 1875, Kansas State census has the family at Exeter, Clay County, Nicholas listed as a farmer & engineer, aged 51 years, his wife's name is given as Jane, aged 48.
The 1880 Federal Census shows, at Exeter, Clay County, Kansas, Nicholas Emmerson, farmer aged 56, his wife Diana J.H. aged 53, children George 21, Alfred 15, Jonathan N. 13, Albert E. 11, all born in England.
The 1885 Kansas State Census has the following, at Five Creeks, Clay County, Nicholas Emmerson, aged 61, his wife Jane, aged 58, children, Alfred 19, Jonathan 18, and Albert E. 16.

Marriages

At Alston at the Independent Chapel, 24th inst. Mr Michael Richardson to Miss Mary Ann Haldon, both of Alston.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 20th inst. aged 7 weeks, Jacob Garrett Spark.
At Nenthead 20th inst., aged 53 Mr William Bright, lead miner.
John Bright, lead miner married Isabella Barron 6th January 1824.
In 1841 at Spring House, Nenthead, John Bright lead miner 45, his wife Isabella 58, children William 21, christened 22nd January 1820, John 17, Hannah 15, Sarah 12, Smith 10. In 1851, at White Hall, Nenthead, John Bright, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Isabella 68, children William, lead miner, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged 27, Sarah 22, Smith, lead miner, aged 20, and Catherine 14.
Isabella Bright died 3rd quarter of 1852, John Bright died 4th quarter of 1856.
In 1861, at Overwater, William Bright lead ore miner, aged 41, and his sister Sarah Bright aged 32 are living with their sister Isabella Bond, lead miners widow aged 50 and her children Mary Bond 17, Thomas Bond, 15, and George Bond 12. In 1871, at Nenthead, William Bright, lead miner, aged 51.
Thomas Bond married Jane Blacklock at Nenthead on 30 November 1822, they had 3 children Ann born 11 Jan 1830, Jane born 17 June 1832, John born 5 June 1834. Jane died 4th October 1839. Thomas married Isabella Barron 17th May 1840, who had a child Catherine born 7th May 1837.
In 1841, at Welgill, Dykeheads, Thomas Bond, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Isabella 30, children Jane 8, John 6, and Catherine Barron 4
The 1851 at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Bond, blind, pauper lead ore miner 49, born Newton, Yorkshire, his wife Isabella Bond 40, children John lead ore washer 16, Mary 7, Thomas 5, George 2, William 2.
Thomas Bond died 1st quarter of 1859, Isabella Bond died 2nd quarter of 1864.

30th November 1872 (Morpeth Herald)

Marriages

At St Cuthbert's Church, Gateshead, 28th inst., Mr. John G. Cranston, engineer, Alston, to Agnes, youngest daughter of Mr. John Pattinson, Alston.
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, John Pattinson, stationer, aged 47, his wife Frances (Edger, married 1st May 1817, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 44, children, William, shoe mk App, aged 17, John 13, Frances 11, Jane 6, and Agnes 3.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Pattinson, printer & book binder, aged 57, his wife Frances 54, children, William, printer & book binder, aged 27, Frances 21, and Agnes 13.
Frances Pattinson, died 31st July 1856, aged 62, at Alston.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Pattinson, widower, Printer & book seller, aged 67, daughters, Frances, house keeper, aged 31, and Agnes, house maid, aged 22.
In 1871, at Raise House, Raise, Alston, John Pattinson, widower, book seller & stationer, aged 77, son, William, widower, printer, aged 47, daughters, Frances 41, Agnes 33, grandson John Pattinson, 12, visitor, John Pattinson, analytical chemist, aged 43, his wife Mary Jane 38, and their daughter Alice 2.
John Pattinson died 23rd April 1876, aged 82, at Alston.

In 1851, at Priest Popple, Hexham, James Cranston, Innkeeper, aged 49, his wife Jane aged 47, children, George, plumbers apprentice, aged 20, Thomas, stone mason apprentice, aged 17, Euphemia 15, Christiana 12, and John Grey 6.
In 1861, at Low Byre, James Cranston, innkeeper, aged 59, his wife Jane 57, daughter, Euphemia 24, and niece, Jane Davidson, house maid, aged 24.
In 1861, at Blenheim St, Westgate, Newcastle, boarder, John G Cranston, engine fitter, aged 16.

In 1871, at Low Byre, James Cranston, farmer, aged 69, his wife Jane 66, married daughter, Christiana Stewart, farmers wife, aged 31, grandchildren, Alexander Stewart 12, and Margaret Stewart 10, grand children born at West Derby, Lancs.
In 1871, at Bilton Banks, Lesbury, Northumberland, boarder, John G Cranston, civil engineer, aged 26.

In 1881, at Low Byer, James Cranston, farmer of 60 acres, aged 79, and his wife Jane 77. James Cranston died 4th quarter 1883, at Alston, Jane Cranston died 3rd quarter 1886 at Alston.

In Memory of
John Pattinson
Printer of Alston who died April 23rd 1876
Aged 82 years
Also of Francis his wife
Who died July 31st 1858
Aged 62 years
Also of William their son
Who died Feby 10th 1906
Aged 82 years
Also of Frances their daughter
Who died Nov 25th 1905
Aged 75 years

Agnes Cranston died 2nd qtr 1878, aged 39, registered at Newcastle.
In 1881, at Grove Street, Elswick, John G Cranston, widower, mining engineer, aged 36, and servant, Elizabeth Bramwell, housekeeper, aged 25.

John Grey Cranston married Margaret Gallon 6th July 1893, at At Paul, Elswick.

In 1891, at Grove Street, Elswick, John G Cranston, widower, mining & mechanical engineer, aged 46, and servant Margaret Gallon, domestic servant, aged 28.
In 1901, at Grove Street, Elswick, John G Cranston, mining & mechanical engineer, aged 56, his wife Margaret 39, sons, John 7 and George 4.
In 1911, at 52 Grove Street, Elswick, John Grey Cranston, agent fancy goods, aged 66, his wife Margaret 48, sons, John James, engine fitter, aged 17 and George Grey 15.
Margaret Cranston died 27th February 1913, at Elswick.
John Grey Cranston of 52 Grove Street, Newcastle upon Tyne died 23 May 1931, Probate Newcastle upon Tyne 27th August to John James Cranston and George Grey Cranston. Effects £17453 4s 2d.

26th January 1872 The London Gazette
On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 16th day of January, 1872.
143. To John Grey Cranston of Low Byer, Alston, in the county of Cumberland, for the invention “of improvements in apparatus for the holding rock drills in mines and tunnels.”

2nd May 1873 The London Gazette
On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 21st day of April, 1873.
1455. To John Grey Cranston, of No. 75, The Side, in the borough and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for drilling or boring rock, stone, and other minerals, and for boring or cutting
coal."

24th March 1874 The London Gazette
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between us the undersigned, John Grey Cranston and John Pattinson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Engineers, under the firm of J. G. Cranston, was this day dissolved by mutual consent; and that from this date the said business will be carried on by the said John Grey Cranston alone.—Dated this 19th day of March, 1874.
J .G. Cranston.
John Pattinson

4th January 1879 The Mining Journal
“The 'Cranston' Rock Drill”
The "Cranston" Rock Drill is driving levels 200 linear feet per month in hard quartz rock.
"Eberhardt" Tunnel now driven in over 3,842 linear feet with these Drills and Compressors.

It can be seen in Daily Practical Operation drilling 60 feet of Blast Holes per day in Limestone Rock at one-fifth the cost of Hand Labour.
For other particulars and prices, apply to --

J.G. Cranston,
22 Grey Street,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

North Of England Institute of Mining and Mechanical Engineers, Transactions Vol. XLIX. 1899-1900, extract from "The Driving of a Stone-Drift at the West Wylam Collieries" by Sidney Bates:

" …The installation consisted of an air-compressor, an air-receiver, and 3 Cranston rock-drills. The Cranston air-compressor had a steam-cylinder 16 inches in diameter and 20 inches stroke, with an air-cylinder 18 inches in diameter and 20 inches stroke: the cylinders were placed parallel to each other with a heavy fly-wheel between them. The air-cylinder was surrounded by a water-jacket, and there were four inlet- and two outlet-valves at each end of the cylinder (Figs. 2 and 3. Plate V.). Steam was used at a pressure of 80 pounds per square inch, and compressed the air to a pressure of 60 pounds per square inch. The air-receiver was 4 feet in diameter and 13 feet long. The air-compressor was fixed at the surface, about 1¾ miles from where the drift, B D, was commenced, the air being conveyed in 4 7/8 inches metal pipes, fitted with the Forster joint and an indiarubber ring, a, (Fig. 4, Plate V.), with the exception of about 240 feet near to the face, where steel pipes, about 30 feet in length, were used (Fig. 5, Plate V.). The metal pipes were quickly laid, and there had not been more than one or two instances of a blown joint during the five years of working. The steel pipes, in 18 feet lengths, were opened at the ends so as to form small flanges, after 2 loose rings had been slipped on the tube. The loose rings were made with a spigot and faucet, which was drawn together by 4 bolts, and thus made to enclose an india-rubber ring, *a*, between the two pipes (Fig. Plate V.)
The drift commenced in September 1894, …"

"…The Cranston percussive drilling-machine is shown in Figs, 6, 7 and 8 (Plate V.), The air-cylinder was 4 inches in diameter by 5¾ inches stroke. With an average air-pressure of 55 pounds per square inch, the rock-drill made 400 strokes per minute. Fig. 6 exhibits a longitudinal section, and Fig. 7 a cross-section through the collar-head of the piston-rod. The rock-drill is speedily raised and lowered on a pedestal (Fig. 8, Plate V.) by means of a ratchet-lever to any desired position. The drill is fitted with a universal movement, *a*, and the machine can be fixed to drill at any angle. The drilling-machines are strong, and as they had no complicated parts, the workmen soon become accustomed to their use: the cost of repairs was very low.
The drills commenced with a diameter of 3 5/8 inches, and diminished by three or four successive sizes to 2 1/8 inches in diameter. The full depth of holes bored in blue metal (shale) was in some cases 8 feet. The depth of holes bored in harder stone was less, and varied considerably

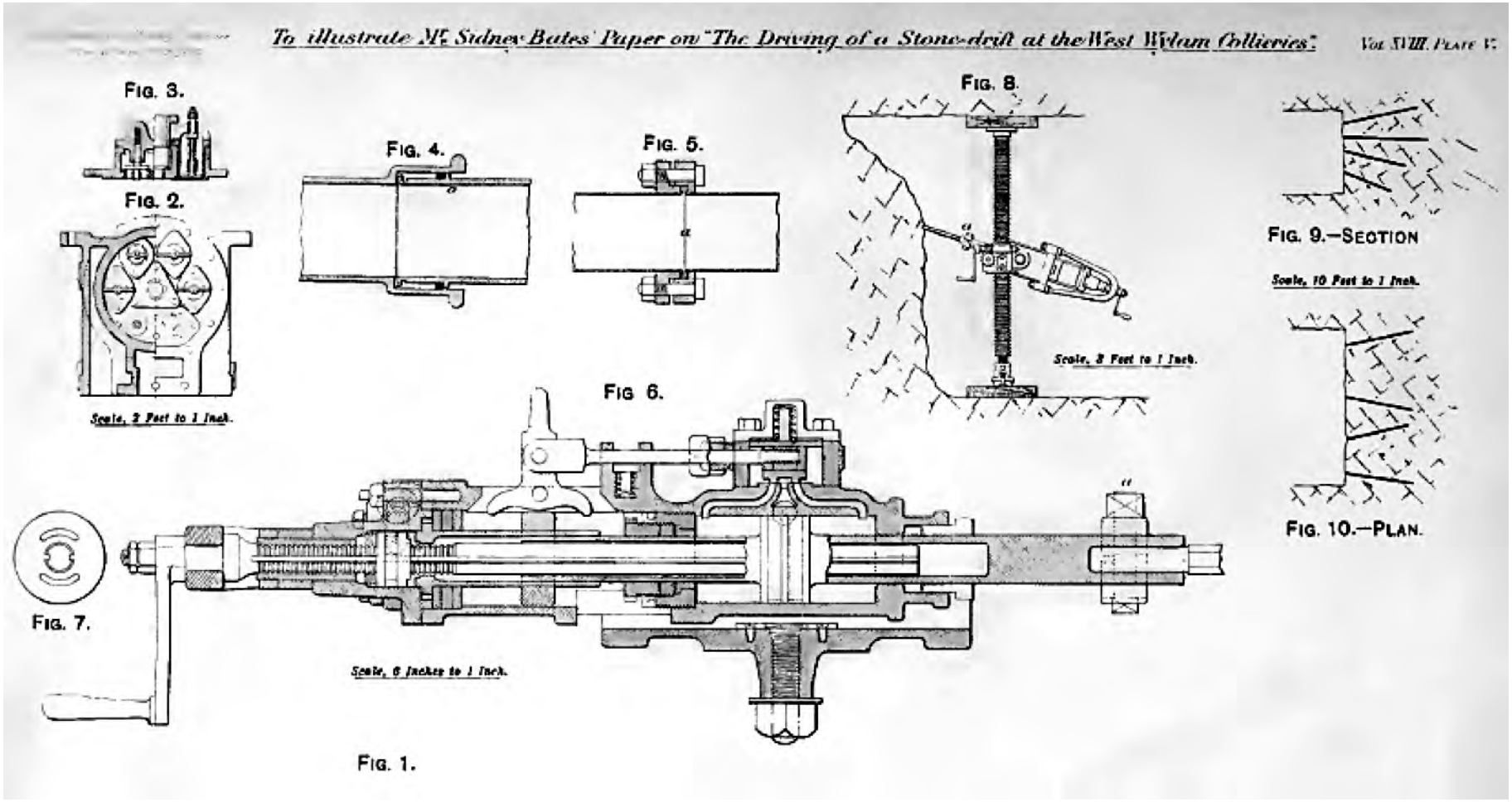
To illustrate Mr. Sidney Bates' Paper on "The Driving of a Stone-drift at the West Wylam Collieries."
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Fig. 3.
Fig. 4.
Fig. 5.
Fig. 8.
Fig. 2.
Scale, 2 Feet to 1 Inch.
Scale, 8 Feet to 1 Inch.
Fig. 9.—Section
Scale, 10 Feet to 1 Inch.
Fig. 6.
Fig. 10.—Plan.
Fig. 7.
Scale, 6 Inches to 1 Inch.
Fig. 1.

according to the position of joints, etc. Only two forms of drill-bits were used, namely, the cross-bit and X-bit, but after a time the workmen found that the former pattern gave the best results.
The Cranston machine was hand-fed, and where the strata changed frequently the writer found that hand-fed machines were most efficient, as the workmen could regulate the feed to suit the nature of the stone. Drills, which advance automatically, had been used in some cases, but as a rule nowadays the automatic feed had been almost discarded. …"
See 26th June 1875

7th December 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston 30th ult., Mr Ralph Teesdale of Elba to Mrs Hannah Blacklock of Overwater.
In 1871, at Alba, Nenthead, Isabella Teasdale, widow farmer, of 5 acres, aged 58, children Isabella 27, Elizabeth 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Ralph, lead miner, aged 19, and William 3.
In 1881, at Overwater, Ralph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Hannah 38, step daughter, Hannah Blacklock 13, children Polly 7, Freddie 5, Isabella 3, and Minnie 7 months. In 1891, at Harrow St. Gateshead, Ralph Teasdale, plainer, at engine works, aged 38, his wife Hannah 40, children Polly 17, Fred, apprentice tinsmith, aged 15, Isabella 13, and Minnie 10. In 1901, at Ravensworth Terrace, Gateshead, Ralph Teasdale, board school caretaker, aged 49, his wife Hannah 54, children Fred, tin smith, aged 24, Isabel, shop assistant, aged 22, and Minnie 20. In 1910, at 8 Swinburn Place, Gateshead, Ralph Teasdale, Town Hall keeper, aged 57, his wife Hannah aged 68, son in law Alfred Richardson, musician & insurance agent, aged 37, and daughter Polly Richardson aged 37.
See 9th December 1871
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston 30th ult., Mr Thomas Swindle of Whitehall to Mrs Sarah Latimer of Holmfoot.
In 1841, at Welgill, Thomas Swindle, smelter, aged 30, his wife Mary (Hall, married 2nd March 1837, Alston) aged 30, children Hannah 2, and Peter 6 months (buried 4th March 1851, at Nenthead, aged 10).
Mary Swindle died either 4th quarter of 1846, or 3rd quarter of 1850.
In 1851, at Low Dyke Heads, Thomas Swindle, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 40, daughter Hannah aged 12, and house servant, Frances Teasdale 21.
Thomas Swindle married Ann Hodgson, 3rd July 1853, at Nenthead.
Ann Swindle was buried at Nenthead 7th August 1858, aged 38.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Thomas Swindle, widow, lead smelter & farmer, aged 51, sons Thomas 7, John 5, and house and dairy maid Mary Coats 28.
In 1871, at Wardway Foot, Thomas Swindale, lead ore smelter, aged 62, son Thomas lead ore smelter, aged 17, domestic servant Mary Coats 37, and general servant Matthew Coats 13. Thomas Swindle snr. was buried at Nenthead 29th March 1877, aged 67.
In 1881, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Swindle, farmer of 150 acres, aged 27, his wife Sarah 31, children Annie 6, Hannah L. 4, John H. 2, Dianna 1, and domestic servant Mary J. Thompson 21.

Thomas Swindle of Dykeheads, lead ore smelter, will dated 17th February 1877, proved 7th June 1877 at Carlisle, effects under £800, sole recipient his son Thomas Swindle.
See 31st March 1877, and 2nd May 1885

14th December 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Kansas at Junction City, 19th ult. aged 27, Elizabeth wife of Mr James Howey, formerly of Alston.
At Angonchind South Australia, 7th inst. aged 17, Wm Robson, elder son of the late Mr Joseph Swan of Newcastle. *(Died at the residence of his Uncle Mr Henry C Swan of Angonrichina)*
Joseph Swan, baptised 9th October 1825, at Longbenton, Northumberland, son of Henry and Margaret Swan. Joseph Swan married Jane Ann Robson, daughter of Wm. Robson, 16th March 1854. Joseph Swan died in Australia 14th March 1860.
In 1871, at 26 Crown Street, Elswick, Jane A Swan, widow, annuitant, aged 42 (died 4th March 1872), children William R 16, Henry C 14, Ann R 12, and Helen 11.
At Jesmond Old Cemetery Newcastle there is the following memorial: —
THE BURIAL PLACE OF WILLIAM ROBSON, DRAPER, OF DEAN STREET, AND ANNA HIS WIFE.
WILLIAM THEIR BELOVED SON DIED ON THE 14TH FEBRUARY 1847, AGED 26 YEARS.
THE ABOVE WILLIAM ROBSON, DIED 22ND FEBRUARY 1858, AGED 75 YEARS.
THE ABOVE ANN ROBSON, DIED 5TH MAY 1863, AGED 69 YEARS.
JANE ANN SWAN THEIR DAUGHTER DIED MARCH 4TH 1872, AGED 42 YEARS,
WIDOW OF JOSEPH SWAN WHO DIED IN AUSTRALIA MARCH 14TH 1860, AGED 35 YEARS.
HELEN THEIR DAUGHTER DIED JUNE 10TH 1872, AGED 12 YEARS.
WILLIAM ROBSON THEIR SON DIED IN AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER 8TH 1872, AGED 17 YEARS.

21st December 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston House 14th inst, aged 13, Edith Maria, eldest surviving daughter of Mr T W Crawhall. *Edith Marie Christened 7th Sept 1859 parents T W Crawhall & Fanny Portmore.*
The 1871 census gives Thomas Wilson Crawhall (born Stanhope) aged 45; Mine Agent and Proprietor, his wife Fanny Portmore Crawhall aged 40 (born Middlesex) and children, Lucy Ann Alice 8, Ethel Portmore 5, Lionel Wm T 2. In 1861, the children listed were Alice Ann Mary 5, Thomas F. W. 4, Edith M. 1, Fanny E. 1 month. Also staying with them at this time was Thomas's Uncle George Wilson 59, of the East India Company, retired on half pay.
See 22nd April 1864, 5th June 1875, and 10th January 1880

28th December 1872 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Alston, 5th inst. Mr William Simon Richardson to Miss Hannah Parmley of Aimshaugh.

In 1881, at Flatt, William S. Richardson, lead miner, & Methodist local preacher, aged 35, his wife Hannah 32, children Margaret A. 7, William 6, Mary E. 4, Foster 2, and Thomas 8 months.
In 1891, at Leadgate, William Richardson, coal miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah 40, children William 16, Mary E 14, Foster 12, Tom 16, Fanny 8, Hannah 5, and relative Florence H Parmley 12.
In 1901, at Garrigill, William S Richardson, lead miner & farmer, aged 55, his wife Hannah 52, children Foster, masons labourer, aged 22, Mary E 24, Tom, labourer, aged 19, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 15, and Harold 8.
In 1911, at Low Dryburn, Alston, William Simon Richardson, farmer, aged 65, his wife Hannah 62, children William, shepherd, aged 35, Tom, lead miner, aged 29, Hannah 27, Harold, apprentice at cooperative store, aged 17, granddaughters Maud 7, Ethel 7, and visitor Annie Lodge, nurse, aged 40.
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Alston, 22nd inst. Mr William Nattrass to Miss Maria Storey, both of Tynehead, Alston.
In 1871, at Hole Farm, Hannah Nattrass, widow, aged 62, children Mary 28, William, shepherd, aged 20, and grandson John aged 5.
In 1881, at Tynehead, William Nattrass, shepherd, aged 30, his wife Mary M. 26, children, Margaret A. 8, John J. 6, Thomas W. 4, Robert S. 1, and George E. 8 months. In 1891, at Ropery, Alston, William Nattrass, insurance agent, aged 40, his wife Mary M 35, children Margaret A 18, John Jos., general labourer, aged 16, Thos Wm., hosiery knitter, aged 14, Robert S 12, George E 10, Charles N 8, Mary M 5, Elizabeth J 3, and Henry H 4 months. In 1901, at Allendale cottages, Medomsley, William Nattrass, coal miner, aged 50, his wife Mary Maria 45, children Margaret Ann Oxley, widow, aged 28, Thomas Wm. coal miner, aged 23, Robert S. coal miner, aged 21, Charles M. coal miner, aged 18, Mary Maria 15, Elizabeth Jane 13, Henry Hodgson 10, James Albert 8, grandchildren John Wm Nattrass 2, and Eva Mary Oxley 2
Deaths
At Middle Skides, 18th inst. aged 34 years, Mary Ward.
In 1841, at Turnings, Garrigill, James Ward, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Hannah (Elliot, married 23rd June 1836, Alston) aged 20, children Mary 3, and Robert 1.
In 1851, at Far Skydes, James Ward, lead miner, and farmer, aged 39, his wife Hannah 32, children Mary 13, Robert 10, James 8, John 6, William 3, and house servant Rebecca Lancaster 30.
In 1861, at Middle Skides, Garrigill, James Ward, lead miner & farmer, aged 49, his wife Hannah aged 42, children Mary, house maid, aged 23, Robert, farmers son 21, James, lead miner aged 18, John, lead miner aged 16, William 13, Hannah 9, Martha 9, Thomas 6, and Joseph 8 months.
In 1871, at Middle Skides, Garrigill, James Ward, leads miner & land owner, aged 59, children Mary Ward 33, John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 23, Martha, dressmaker, aged 19, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, and granddaughter Jane Ward 1 year. James wife Hannah was visiting Elizabeth Pattinson, widow, aged 67, at Hude Street, Middleton, during the 1871 census.
James Ward was buried at Garrigill, 27th December 1871, aged 60.
In 1881, at Middle Skides, Hannah Ward, married?, farmer of 26 acres, aged 62, son William, lead miner, aged 33, daughter Martha 29, grandchildren Jane Ward 11, and Sarah A. Ward 1. In 1891, at Middle Skides, Hannah Ward,

widow, living on own means, aged 72, son William, farmer, aged 43, daughter Martha 39, granddaughter Jane Ward 21, granddaughter Sarah A Ward 11, and grandson Thomas W Vipond, Ag. Labourer, aged 17.

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Hannah Ward died 4th quarter of 1898 aged 79.
See 5th October 1866
At Alston, 18th inst. aged 52, Catherine Walton, widow.
In 1851, at Church Lane, Egremont, Cumberland, Catherine Walton, iron ore miner's wife, aged 31, and daughter Mary 8.
In 1861, at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, John Walton, lead miner, aged 47, wife Catherine 41, children Mary Ann, housemaid, aged 18, Thomas, blacksmith, aged 16, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 6, and Phebe J. 5 months. In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Catherine Walton, widow (John died 2nd quarter of 1869, aged 54), formerly domestic servant, aged 50, son Thomas, blacksmith, aged 26, and daughter Phebe J. 10.
At Garrigill Gate, 4th inst. aged 19, Stephen Smith.
In 1871, at Feusteads, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, retired farmer (previously farmed 202 acres), aged 48, wife Mary 44, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Stephen, lead miner, aged 17, Ann 12, and Elizabeth 6.

30th December 1873 (Penrith Observer)

SALE OF PROPERTY AT ALSTON.—On Friday last, Mr Robert Pearson offered for public sale, at the Blue Bell, Alston, a large and valuable estate, situate at Nentsbury, in the parish of Alston. The estate was first offered in parcels, and the bidding became at once pretty brisk. The first lot offered consisted of an allotment of common land, containing about 257 acres. The first offer of £1,000 for this was made by Mr. Dickinson, solicitor; this was quickly succeeded by an offer of £1,100, and another of £1,200. The biddings for this lot then quickly advanced to £1,800, at which sum the lot was laid down, and lot 2 then offered. This consisted of a dwelling house and four out-buildings, and about 38 acres of land, 21 of which was allotment land. The first offer of £600 was made by Mr. John Armstrong, of Nenthead, followed by £620, £700, £720, and the biddings quickly ran by offers of £10 and £20 to £980, at which sum the lot was laid down. Lot 3, consisted of a dwelling house, farm out-buildings, and about 55 acres, were next offered, and was put up at £1,200, and laid down again, after being bid to £1,460, at which Mr. Jos. Jackson, of Nenthall, was the highest bidder. The property was then offered together at £4,180, and £4,200 was at once bid by Mr. Thomas Harrison; this sum was quickly increased to £4,400 by Mr. Harrison, at which the property was laid down and again offered in lots. Lot 1 rose by rapid strides to £1,950, the highest bidder being Mr. Dickinson. Lot 2 was bid to £1,000, and lot 3 to £1,460. The property was again offered together for the last time, but did not reach a higher sum than £4,420. It was ultimately sold in lots, lot 1 realising £2,100, at which sum Mr. Dickinson purchased it; lot 2 at £1,000, which was knocked down to Mr. John Armstrong; lot 3 at £1,460, to Mr. Joseph Jackson. The total sum realised, it will be seen, was £4,560.

J. G. Millican, solicitor, acted for the vendors.

4th January 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston at Loaning House on the 27th ult., aged 54, Utrick Bainbridge.

Utrick son of Robert & Elizabeth (Walton married 17th June 1804) Bainbridge baptised 13th August 1818. In 1861, Utrick Bainbridge aged 42 solicitor; his wife Hannah (Emerson married 1856, Weardale) aged 30, children Elizabeth 2, Jane E. 2 months.

In 1871 Utrick Bainbridge 52, his wife Hannah 40, children Elizabeth 12 Jane E. 10, Anna M. 7, Ethel 6, Utrick E. 4, William R. 2, George W. E. 4 months.

Hannah & Utrick's infant son Henry Victor died on 31st January 1873 aged 15 weeks.

See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 5th April 1861, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

1st February 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, 11th ult., aged 3 years and 2 months, John Joseph fourth son of Errington Gibson formerly of Alston.

In 1851, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Gibson, house carpenter, aged 37, his wife Jane 37, children Errington, lead mine labourer, aged 13, James, lead mine labourer, aged 10, John 8, and Elizabeth 6.

Errington Gibson married Elizabeth Walton, 1st quarter of 1860, reg. Alston.
In 1861, at Main St., Alston, Mary Walton, widow, furniture dealer, aged 65, son in law, Errington Gibson, joiner, aged 23, daughter Elizabeth Gibson 23, and grandson Fulton Gibson 6 months.
The Census for Canada, 1871, at Dartmouth, Halifax East 197, Nova Scotia,

Everington Gibson	*M*	*32y*	
Fulton Gibson	*M*	*10y*	
Jane Gibson	*F*	*8y*	
Edwin Gibson	*M*	*6y*	
Jos John Gibson	*M*	*1yr*	*born Nova Scotis died 11th January 1873*

At the same place, Elizabeth Gibson aged 32, and Arthur Thomas Gibson aged 3 years, born Nova Scotia. Arthur Gibson died 30th December 1872.
The Canadian census of 1881 has the family living in Ward No. 1 Halifax Nova Scotia, and records that all were born in England.

Errington GIBSON	*41*	*Sash And Door Maker*	*Methodist*
Elizabeth GIBSON	*41*	*Methodist*	
Fulton GIBSON	*20*	*Sash And Door Maker*	*Methodist*
Jane GIBSON	*18*	*Methodist*	
Edwin GIBSON	*16*	*Methodist*	

7th February 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)
MELANCHOLY DEATH IN A PIT.—A young man, 28 years of age, named Anthony Wilkinson, of Ashgill, Garrigill, near Alston, met a more than usually melancholy death in a coal mine on Saturday. During the day he was working what is called “crow” coal, and while engaged in this—though it is not known at what time —a portion of the roof came in upon him, and crushed him to death. He was found about eight o’clock in the evening quite dead. It was not considered necessary hold an inquest.

8th February 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 3rd inst., Mr Thomas Bell of Alston to Miss Mary Jane Wilkinson Whitewell House.
In 1851, at Front Street, Hannah Bell, widow, confectioner, aged 25, daughter Mary 5 and son Thomas 3. A Thomas Bell married Hannah Featherstone 31st December 1843, at Alston.
In 1871, at Physic hall, Bankfoot, Robert Bell, unmarried, lead miner, aged 65, nephew Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 22, and domestic servant, Mary Jane Bell, aged 18. In 1881, at Herrons Hill, Corbridge, Thomas Bell, general labourer, aged 32, his wife Mary aged 28, children Robert 7, Matthew 5, Hannah 3, and Mary 4 months. See 15th March 1873
Deaths
At Nenthead, 4th inst., in her 90th year, Mrs Phillis Hind.
In 1841, at Smelt Mill, Nenthead, Robert Hind, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Phillis (Shield, married 7th January 1808, Alston) aged 55, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 16, and Robert, washer of ore, aged 15.

In 1851, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Phillis Hind, widow (Robert was buried 19th June 1850 See 28th June 1850), pauper, aged 68, and daughter Tamar aged 37
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Hind, lead ore smelter, aged 34, his wife Hannah 34, and daughter Mary 2 years.
In 1861 Phillis Hind (lead miners widow) aged 78 was living at Hillersdon Terrace with her son Joseph Hind aged 45, widow, working as a smelter, and his children, Mary 12, Robert 9, Phills 7, Ann 4, also living with them was Phillis unmarried daughter Tamar Hind 48. In 1871, Phillis aged 88 and Tamar aged 58 were living at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead. Joseph her son had remarried in 1862 to Agnes Dixon, and was still living at Hillersdon Terrace. His first wife was Hannah Dobson married at Garrigill 10th December 1846.
At Garrigill Gate, 28th ult., Stephen Shield aged 73.
In 1871, Stephen Shield former lead miner was living at Garrigill Gate with his wife Lucy (Dobson, married 17th February 1825, Alston) aged 68. In 1841 the family was living at High Redwing Stephen Shield aged 40, lead miner, his wife Lucy 35, Elizabeth 13, Joseph 11, Lucy 5, Stephen 3; further census searches suggest that they had no more children.

8th February 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Loaning House, Alston, 31st ult., Henry Victor, infant son of the late Utrick Bainbridge, Esq., aged 15 weeks.
In 1851, at Loaning House, Robert Bainbridge, solicitor, aged 72, his wife Elizabeth aged 69, son Utrick, solicitor, aged 32, granddaughter Louisa Jane Stagg, aged 7, servants Sarah Jane Grey, aged 44, and Nancy Parmley aged 19.
In 1861, at Loaning, Alston, Utrick Bainbridge, solicitor, aged 42, his wife Hannah (Emerson, married 3rd quarter of 1856, at Weardale) aged 30, born Stanhope, daughters Elizabeth 2, and Jane E. 2 months. Robert William, son of Utrick and Hannah baptised 27th August 1857, died 25th March 1861, aged 3 years and 9 months.
In 1871, at Loaning House, Alston, Utrick Bainbridge, solicitor & landowner, aged 52, his wife Hannah 40, children Elizabeth 12 (Elizabeth died 2nd September 1878, aged 19), Jane E. 10, Anna M. 7, Ethel 6, Utrick E. 4, William R. 2, George W. E. 4 months, house maid Elizabeth Smith 18, cook Margaret Birket 34, and nurse maid Tamar Robson 20. Utrick died 27th December 1872, aged 54.
In 1881, at Loaning House, Alston, Hannah Bainbridge, widow, landowner, aged 50, children Jane E. 20, Anna M. 17, Ethel 16, William R. 12, George W.E. 10, general domestic servant, Mary A. Coates 30.
At Alston, cemetery: —

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT WILLIAM SON OF UTRICK AND HANNAH BAINBRIDGE OF LOANING HOUSE WHO DIED MARCH 25TH 1861 AGED 3 YEARS, ALSO HENRY VICTOR THEIR SON WHO DIED JANUARY 30TH 1873, AGED 15 WEEKS ALSO ELIZABETH THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 2ND 1878, AGED 19 YEARS.

IN MEMORY OF UTRICK BAINBRIDGE SOLICITOR, BORN JUNE 29TH 1818, DIED DECEMBER 27TH 1872, AND OF HANNAH HIS WIFE DIED AUGUST 31ST 1900 AGED 69 YEARS, ALSO ETHEL THEIR DAUGHTER BORN FEBRUARY 7TH 1865 DIED DECEMBER 22ND 1891, AND OF UTRICK EDWARD THEIR SON BORN NOVEMBER 26TH 1866, DIED DECEMBER 24TH 1880.

See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 25th March 1861, 4th January 1873, 7th September 1878, 2nd January 1892.

At Alston, 22nd ult. aged 63, Mr William Gibson.

In 1861, at Butts, Alston, William Gibson, clog maker, aged 51, his wife Mary 56, son John, clogger, aged 20, daughters Ann E. 14, and Jane 12.

In 1871, at Butts, Alston, William Gibson, clogger, aged 61, wife Mary aged 68, and daughter Jane aged 22.

At Alston 28th ult. aged 65, Ann wife of Mr Matthew Tindle.

In 1871, at Townfoot, Matthew Tindle, engine smith at railway shop, aged 60, born Long Benton, Northumberland, his wife Ann aged 60, born Long Benton, Northumberland, son Martin, shop-man grocer, born Greenhead, Northumberland, aged 24. In 1881, at McAdams Building, Matthew Tindle, engine smith, aged 70, his wife Elizabeth 47, and niece Ann J. Davidson 11.

At Nether Park, 28th ult. aged 15 years, Eleanor Teasdale.

In 1861, at Low Green Ends, Alston, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 36, wife Mary 35, children John 8, Isaac 6, Eleanor 3, and Robert 2.

In 1871, at Park, Alston, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, landowner, and farmer of 51 acres, aged 45, wife Mary 44, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Elenor 13, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas 8, George 5, and nurse child, John Coats 1 year.

Isaac Teasdale died 1st quarter of 1873 aged 48, Mary died 4th quarter of 1875 aged 49.

In 1881, at Park, John Teasdale, farmer of 47 acres & lead miner, aged 28, brothers Isaac, farm servant, aged 26, Thomas, tailor & draper, age 18, George, no occupation, aged 16, and domestic servant Hannah Ellen Robson 20.

14th February 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)

CUMBRIAN METALLURGY.—The Mining Journal is issuing a series of articles on this subject. The first, which appeared last Saturday, treats of the Greenside Lead Mines, situate on the southern slope of the outspurs of Helvellyn. These mines, it says, are the most successful in the district in point of quality of produce, it having for nearly quarter of a century yielded enormous profits to the fortunate adventurers. The produce of 1871 was 1,912 tons of galena, which yield 1,434 tons of lead and 28,000 oz. of silver, or an average of 20 oz. to the ton, which is nearly double the average of the Cumbrian mines. In owing to the peculiar cutting off of the vein stuff rock, the produce of the ore has not kept up, and the profits will, undoubtedly, suffer proportionally. Approximately, we learn, the produce of the year just closed amounts to 1,500 tons of lead and about £6,000 worth of silver. A remarkable feature of the mine and we observed the same the neighbouring mines—is the great richness of the argentiferous galena in the upper portion as compared with the lower part of the vein. The yield is present in the highest level 17oz. of

silver to the ton, in the second level 14 oz., and in the lowest adit scarcely exceeds 6 oz. The present reduced output, however, need not seriously or permanently effect the value of the mine. There is every probability that both onward and downward the vein will again be productive, and the company will show its wisdom by pushing vigorously forward explorations at various points, and especially in depth. The arrangements of the mine are highly spoken of.

15th February 1873 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

Miners Average Wages. On Saturday evening last the Weardale mines committee held a meeting at the Kings Head Inn St John's Chapel, Mr Nathan Race in the chair. According to the sheets prepared by the said committee, the following are the average wages at the different WB lead mines for the half-year ending June 30 last

	s	d	
Bolts Burn mine	29	1	per week per man
Burtree Pasture	22	3 ½	per week per man
West Pasture Stanhope	21	2 ¾	per week per man
Craigs Pasture Stanhope	21	0	per week per man
Killhope	19	1	per week per man
Stanhope Burn	18	7	per week per man
Grove Rake	17	5 ¾	per week per man
Green Laws	16	3	per week per man
Slitt	12	1	per week per man
Total averages	20	2	per week per man

15th February 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 8th inst aged 53, Betsy wife of Mr Anthony Dodd Brown.

Anthony Dodd Brown the son of Isabella Dodd and Anthony Brown, Isabella baptised 1st August 1879 the daughter of Thomas Dodd and Mary Hill, Thomas was the Chief agent for the London Lead Company.

In 1841, Isabella a widow was living with her son Anthony a lead miner at Spring House Nenthead. Anthony married Elizabeth Hetherington at Alston 18th August 1842.

In 1851 the family was living at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead Anthony Dodd Brown lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth 32, children Rebecca 7, Thomas 5, Mary 3, Isabella11 months, and Isabella Brown lead miners widow aged 72.

In 1871, there are 3 further additions to the family, Matthew 1854, Isaac 1855, and Jacob 1860.

Isabella, Anthony's mother died at Alston in 1859, Anthony died at Nenthead 23rd September 1873.

See 21st March 1856, 3rd December 1859, 14th October 1871, 4th May 1872, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882, and 21st July 1888.

More information can be found in "THOMAS DODD HIS FAMILY AND HIS DISPUTE WITH ROBERT HAYTON" Article by D. McAnelly 2018

15th February 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 7th inst., aged 9 weeks, William son of Jane Ann Hodgson.
At Alston, 11th inst., aged 2 years, Rachael daughter of Elizabeth Dickinson.
In 1871, at Kates Lane, James Denwood, woollen spinner, aged 26, his wife Margaret 22, daughter Elizabeth 6 months, mother in law Elizabeth Milburn, widow, aged 72, boarder John Helton 8, and boarder Rachael Dickinson 11 months, born Haltwhistle.

21st February 1873 (Newcastle Courant)

IN LIQUIDATION.
SALE OF A VERY VALUABLE MINING PROPERTY,
PLANT, MACHINERY, &c,
HENRY GILPIN,

By order of the Official Liquidator, G. E. Swithinbank. Esq., will SELL BY AUCTION, at his Sale Offices, George Chambers, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February 1873.

ALL that Valuable Property called THE TYNE HEAD MINES, situate on the northeast slope of Tyne-head fell, Alston, Cumberland, in the heart of the richest lead-producing district in England. It is bounded on the north and west by the River Tyne; on the south by the Clargill-Head Mine; and on the east by the valuable mines belonging to the Greenwich Hospital. The site extends 1,000 yards over Sir John's vein, and from the river Tyne to the Clargill Head boundary, or Clargill Burn, on the great sulphur vein, with the usual Chords on each side of the said veins. It is considered by some of the best authorities in England to be an extraordinary trial. Many thousand pounds have been spent in laying down rails, erecting machinery, providing plant, and driving to the point at present attained, which is believed to be within twenty fathoms of the place intended to be driven to when first these expensive operations were commenced. The Sale will take place at One o'clock on WEDNESDAY, February 26th, 1873.

Full particulars can be obtained from the liquidator G. E. SWITHINBANK, Esq. Royal Arcade Newcastle-on-Tyne, and 11, Clements' Inn, Strand, London, and W.C.; or at the AUCTIONEER, George Chambers, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle.

22nd February 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 20th inst., Mr Joseph Armstrong of Dykeheads to Miss Isabella Little of Alston.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Christopher Little, blacksmith, aged 48, his wife Hannah 45, children Annie, milliner, aged 20, Isabella 17, Mary Jane 12, John, Thomas 9, Louis 6, and Christopher 3.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary (Blacklock, married 22nd October 1835, Alston) aged 52, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 28, daughter Ann 22, and grandson John 4.
Joseph Armstrong died 28th June 1877, aged 34.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Isabella Armstrong, widow, seamstress, aged 31, daughter Annie aged 7. In 1891, at Front Street East, Thomas Millican,

lead miner, aged 44, his wife Isabella (Armstrong married 5th October 1882) aged 41, children Lily 8, Wilfred 1, and stepdaughter Annie Armstrong aged 17. In 1901, at High Physichall, Thomas Millican, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Isabella 57, daughter Lillie, hosiery worker, aged 18, son W L Millican 11, and unmarried sister Hannah Millican, domestic servant, aged 50.
Thomas Millican died 2nd quarter of 1907, aged 60.
In 1911, at 4 Victoria square, Alston, John Joseph Birkett, stone waller, aged 28, his wife Lily aged 28, daughter Evelyn 7 months, and mother in law Isabella Millican aged 62.
See 7th July 1877, and 7th October 1882

Deaths

At Nenthead, 14th inst. aged 75, Mrs Elizabeth Beck.

In 1841, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, Elizabeth Beck, widow (Elizabeth Tingate married Joseph Beck 5th June 1819, at Allendale), farmer, aged 40, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Sarah 9, Mary 5, and Jane aged 3.
In 1851, at Moor Cock Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Beck, lead miner aged 29, his wife Jane aged 28, and daughter Isabella 1 year, also at Moor Cock Hall, Elizabeth Beck, widow, farmer of 19 acres, aged 53, daughter Jane Beck 12, grandson Matthew Beck 2, and daughter Mary Beck 15.
In 1861, at Moor Cock Hall, Nenthead, Elisabeth Beck, widow, farmer, aged 64, daughter Jane 23, granddaughter Mary Beck 1, lodger James Robson, lead miner, aged 36.

22nd February 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Nenthead, at St John's Church, on the 13th inst., George Barron of White Hall to Esther Hall of West Nenthead.

In 1871, at Overwater, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 59, his wife Hannah 47, children Henry, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Emerson C., lead miner, aged 20, Esther 19, William, lead ore washer, aged 17, John 12, Stephen 10, Jane 7, and Margaret Ann 5.
In 1851, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth (Hutchinson, married 14th July 1828) aged 45, children Betsy 20, Hannah 18, Agnes dressmaker 17, Robert lead miner 14, Mary Ann 12, Sarah 9, George 5, and Cowper 3.
In 1861, at White Hall, Robert Barron, lead ore miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 55, children Elizabeth, house maid, aged 30, Hannah, house maid, aged 28, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, George, lead ore washer, aged 15, Cowper 13, grandchildren Henry Barron 5, and Elizabeth Barron 3.
In 1871, at White Hall, Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 65, children Betsy 40, George, lead miner, aged 25, Couper, lead miner, aged 23, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 15, grandchildren Elizabeth Barron 13, and Margaret Barron 2.
Elizabeth Barron died 8th September 1877, aged 72, and Robert Barron died 22nd September 1878.
In 1881, at Turners Terrace, Wallsend, George Barron, lead smelter, aged 34, his wife Esther 29, children William 7, Robert 5, Hannah E. 3, lodger Michael Carrick, lead smelter, aged 28, and visitor Margaret A. Hall 15.

In 1891, Kendel St., Byker, George Barron, lead smelter, aged 45, his wife Esther 39, children William, joiners apprentice, aged 17, Robert, telegraph messenger, aged 15, Hannah L 13, George A 9, and Emerson C 6. In 1901, at Kendel St., Byker, Esther Barron, widow, aged 48, sons George A., bricklayer, aged 19, and Emerson C., printers clerk, aged 16.
See 17th March 1865, 25th July 1874, 15th September 1877, 2nd March 1878, 28th September 1878, 19th June 1880, 29th July 1882, 21st July 1888, 29th April 1893, and 11th November 1893.

8th March 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 1st inst. aged 8, Alfred son of Mr Wm. Walton, Boot & Shoe Maker.

15th March 1873 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS
Isabella Coats, charged Joseph Kirsop with being the father of her illegitimate child. Margaret Green stated that to her knowledge the parties had kept company for the past seven years. Complainant had been in her service for two years, during which time they were together nearly every night. … He was ordered to pay 3s per week and 16s expenses.
John Coats of the Butts Alston, married Mary Lattimore of the Three Crowns Inn, Alston, 26th December 1840, at Gretna Green.
In 1841, at Circus Lane, Alston, John Coats, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary aged 25, and son Thomas 3 months.
In 1851, John Coats, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary aged 34, children Thomas 10, Isabella 7, Joseph 3, and Mary A. 9 months.
John coats died
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Mary Coats, widow, house keeper, aged 44, children Thomas, masons labourer, aged 20, Isabella, servant, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, Mary A. 10, and William 3. In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Mary Coats, widow, charwoman, aged 56.
In 1871, at Shull, South Bedeburn, Durham, lodger, Joseph Kirsopp, quarryman, aged 29.
Joseph Kirsopp married Isabella Coats, December 1875, at Alston Congregational Church.
In 1881, at Thirlwells Lane, Joseph Kirsopp, lime burner, aged 39, his wife Isabella 38, children Mary Jane 8, John 5, Annie 3, and nephew John Coates aged 11.
In 1891, at Thirlwells Lane, Joseph Kirsopp, general labourer, aged 49, his wife Isabella 44, children Mary T 18, John, general labourer, aged 14, Annie 11, Thomas 9, William E 6, and nephew John Coates, general labourer, aged 21. Joseph Kirsopp died 1st quarter 1900, at Alston.
In 1901, at School Terrace, Alston, Isabella Kirsopp, widow, aged 55, children, John, labourer, aged 24, Thomas, railway porter, aged 19, William 16, Annie 22, and nephew, John Coates, lime burner, aged 30.
In 1911, at Church View, Alston, Isabella Kirsopp, widow, aged 68, son John, limestone quarryman, aged 34, and daughter Annie, aged 32.
Isabella Kirsopp died 2nd quarter 1911, aged 67, at Alston.
See 24th June 1871, and 3rd July 1875, and 10th December 1887

15th March 1873 (Hexham Herald)

SERIOUS GUN ACCIDENT

On Saturday last, Robert Hodgson a lead miner of East Black Dean, Weardale, was standing with his gun in a lane in the outskirts of the village. He held his gun by the muzzle having his hand over it, The stock rested on the ground and one of his feet resting on the wall, when a little boy who was playing about, came up to him and it is alleged fired his gun, which blew off one of Hodgson's fingers and shattered his hand in a fearful manner.

THE MINES

On Saturday evening last the Weardale miners committee held a meeting at the Kings Head Inn, St John's Chapel, when it was resolved to hold a general meeting of the miners in the Town Hall in a fortnights time from the above day.

Deaths

At Alston, 4th inst., aged 67 Robert Bell, Lead Miner.

Son of Albany & Mary Bell, born 8th May 1806; in 1841, at Nattrass, Mary Bell farmer, aged 55, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 20.

In 1851, at Nattrass, Mary Bell, widow, farmer, aged 71, son Robert, lead miner, aged 45, grandchildren Albany Bell, lead miner, aged 14, and Hannah Bell 12.

In 1861, at Nattrass, Mary Bell, retired farmer, aged 83, Robert, Ag. Labourer, aged 54, Thomas Bell 13, and Mary Bell 15.

In 1871, at Physichall Bankfoot, Robert Bell, unmarried, lead miner, aged 65, nephew Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 22, and domestic servant, Mary Jane Wilkinson aged 18.

See 8th February 1873

22nd March 1873 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

STRIKE OF IRONSTONE MINERS

On Wednesday a mass meeting of the ironstone miners and cartmen employed under the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, took place in the Town Hall, St John's Chapel. The mines and quarries of ironstone worked by this company are situated in various parts of the dale, and are known as Burtree Slitts, Grove Heads, Rowantree Syke, Heights, Levelgate, West Slitt, Slitt Pasture, Fraser, Grove Rake, Rookhope, and Red Vein, Stanhope, and a large number of cartmen are employed in leading the material from several of these places to the depot at Westgate, whence it is taken by rail to Tow Law. The workmen and cartmen have recently made application to the principal of the company for an advance in their wages of 20 percent. In answer, an advance per ton for working the ironstone, representing eight or ten per cent has been offered by the company but has not been accepted. Meetings have been held at the various mines, but as the result varied, it was deemed necessary to have a mass meeting in order that the workmen might come to a proper understanding. The delegates met at the Kings Head Inn, St John's at eleven o'clock on Wednesday, and at once proceeded to the Town Hall. The meeting was well attended, nearly the whole of the workmen being present. The cartmen left off work on Monday, and Tuesday was the last day for the miners until the result of the mass meeting was known. A resolution was unanimously agreed upon to stand out for 20 per cent, and to suspend work

from Thursday. In the meantime, a deputation was appointed to wait upon Mr Crone, the head agent. Accordingly, at the close of the meeting, the delegates had an interview at Westgate with Mr Crone, who met them courteously, but was not in a position to concede more than had been already offered, namely 10 percent. The delegates, however adhered to their original request of 20 per cent on the present prices per ton and per fathom. The interview consequently came to nothing, except that another interview was fixed to take place this morning at Westgate, when Mr Crone would be able to state to the delegates what the company's intentions were. On Thursday, all work in relation to the winning and carting of Ironstone was suspended at the ironstone mines and quarries in the Park and Forest of Weardale and Rookhope.

In 1851, at Kirkley, Suffolk, Edward Crone, engineer, aged 52, born, Longbenton, Northumberland, aged 52, his wife Susanna aged 48, born Denton Burn, Northumberland, children Susanna 17, Louisa 13, and Joseph Robert aged 7.

In 1861, at Killingworth House, Killingworth, Northumberland, Stephen Crone, mining engineer, aged 35, his wife Jane 30, children Edward W. 8, Jane H. 6, Stephen C. 4, Frederick E. 3, Eveline A. 1, and brother Joseph R. mining engineer pupil, aged 17.

In 1871, at Paradise Row, Killingworth, Joseph R Crone, unmarried, mining engineer, aged 27, and domestic servant Margaret Fothergill aged 31 years.

In 1881, at Castle Hill House, Iron Works road, Wolsingham, Joseph R Crone, aged 37, married Mining Engineer, aged 37, and domestic servant Margaret Fothergill aged 41 years, his wife and daughter were visiting his brother Stephen and his family who were living at Longbenton.

In 1891, at Tudhoe, Durham, Joseph R. Crone, mining engineer, aged 48, born Kirkley, Suffolk, his wife Margaret aged 38, born Birtley, Durham, and daughter Ethel H. aged 16, born Stanhope.

Marriages

At the Independent Chapel, Alston, 13th inst. Mr Joseph Thompson, Blagill to Miss Mary Kearton *(Registered name Kirton)* of Physic Hall.

In 1841, at Physic Hall, John Kerton, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 45, children Elizabeth, straw bonnet maker, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 14, Joseph 12, and James 9.

In 1851, at Physic Hall, John Kearton, widow, lead ore miner, aged 60, children Elizabeth 30, John Kearton, lead miner, aged 28, Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 19, and visitor Fanny Walton 16. Mary Kearton died 1st quarter of 1851.

In 1851, at Bruntly Syke, Robert Burn, farmer & owner of 30 acres, aged 68, his wife Mary 61, and domestic servant Mary Kearton, aged 24.

In 1861, at Physic Hall, John Kirton, widow, retired lead miner, aged 72, daughter Mary 34, sons Joseph, lead miner, aged 32, and James, porter at railway station, aged 29. In 1871, at Physic Hall Bank Top, Mary Kearton, unmarried, landowner, aged 44.

In 1861, at Blagill, Joseph Thompson, stone mason, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Cousin, married 1st quarter of 1847) aged 34, children Joseph, mason, aged 12, John 10, Hannah 7, William 5, Jane 3, and Mary A 10 months.

Hannah Thompson died 3rd May 1869, aged 42. See 14th May 1869

Hannah Thompson aged 17, died 12th October 1870. See 15th October 1870.

In 1871, at Blagill, Joseph Thompson, widow, stone mason, aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 21, William, lead miner, aged 15, Mary A 10, Robert 9, Elizabeth 5, and house keeper Hannah Lee 23.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Joseph Thompson, farmer of 50 acres, aged 55, his wife Mary 54, daughter Mary A. 20, son Robert, coal miner, aged 17. In 1891, at Bleagate, Joseph Thompson, farmer, aged 65, his wife Mary 64, and domestic servant Sarah Walton 14.
Joseph Thompson died 2nd quarter of 1900 aged about 74.

Deaths

At Pasture House, Nenthead, 13th inst. aged 19, Mr Thomas Hornsby, Draper.

22nd March 1873 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Tuesday last, a serious accident occurred at the London Lead Company's Mine, at Bollihope, Lancelot Colling, of Fair Hills, near St John's Chapel, Weardale, whilst following his employment at the above mine, was seriously crushed by the falling of a mass of the roof, one arm being severely bruised and the shoulder dislocated. Medical aid was immediately on the spot, and after the wounds were dressed, the unfortunate miner was taken home in a cart.

Lancelot Colling in 1871, living at Fairhills, Stanhope, aged 45, married, working as an Ironstone miner.
The 1881 census shows Lancelot age 55 living in Wolsingham working as a coal miner, living with him his wife Jane aged 47, with sons Whitfield aged 25, Emerson 10, and William 8.

Deaths

At Leadgate, near Alston, 9th inst., aged 4 years, Margaret Alice Goodfellow, daughter of Wm. Goodfellow.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Sarah (Price, married 27th June 1829, Alston) aged 64, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Mary Ann 24, William, lead miner, aged 23, granddaughter Mary Armstrong 9, and grandson Thos Goodfellow 4.
In 1871, at Mill House, Alston, William Goodfellow, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Margaret (Branwood, married 4th May 1867, at Alston) aged 25, children Margaret Alice 2, and Joseph Wm. 11 months. In 1881, Margaret Goodfellow, lead miners wife, & farming 7½ acres, aged 35, son Joseph William aged 10. In 1891, at 41 Stone Street, Westgate, Newcastle, William Goodfellow, labourer general, aged 51, his wife, Margaret 45, and son Joseph W. fitter, aged 20.

At Flowedge near Alston, 10th inst. aged 13, Ralph Pickering, son of Ralph Pickering Yeoman.
In 1851, at Flow Edge, Ralph Pickering, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Bainbridge, married 31st October 1840, Alston) aged 30, children Thomas 10, Peter 8, Ann 6, Matthew 4 Walton P 3, and John 1.
In 1861, at Flow Edge, Ralph Pickering, Ag. Labourer, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Peter, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 16, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Walton 13, John 11, Elizabeth 9, Joseph 7, Ruth 5, Margaret 3, Ralph 1, and house servant Ann Thompson 22. In 1871, at Flow Edge, Ralph Pickering, farmer of 60 acres, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Matthew, dry waller, aged 26, Joseph,

dry waller, aged 17, Ruth 15, Margaret 13, Ralph 11, Adam 9, and grandson Frederick Pickering 2. In 1881, at Flow Edge, Ralph, farmer of 60 acres, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 60, son Joseph, stone mason, aged 27, daughter Margaret 23 and grandson Frederick Pickering 12.
Ralph Pickering died 3rd quarter of 1881, aged 63.
At Alston, 15th inst., aged 9 years, John Snowdon, son of Thomas Snowden, Stonemason.
See 5th April 1873
At Alston, 17th inst., aged 5 years, Florence Mary Pattinson daughter of Thomas Pattinson, Tailor.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Pattinson, tailor, aged 67, his wife Ellen 44, children Tom W, tailors apprentice, aged 16, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 19, Emily 7, Florence M 2, and Lillian 8 months.
At Alston 18th inst., aged 53, Matthew Hetherington.
See 3rd March 1888

25th March 1873 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. George Monkhouse, Mr Thomas Walton, of Kirkoswald, to Sarah, youngest daughter of the late Jacob Smith, of Bleagate, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Low Cow Gap, Garrigill, Jacob Smith, farmer of 96 acres & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 68, his wife Fanny 63, children, Joseph 37, Frances 35, Jacob W, draper & grocer, aged 32, Sarah 24, and Margaret A 22.
Jacob Smith of Bleagate, died 19th January 1868, aged 63
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Catherine Walton, widow, aged 50, born Skelton, son Thomas, blacksmith, aged 26, born Caldbeck, and daughter, Phoebe 10.
Sarah Walton died?
In 1881, at Haltwhistle, Thomas Walton, widower, blacksmith, aged 35, children, John 7, Jacob S 5, Ian 3, and Alfred 1.
Deaths
At Alston, on the 11th inst., Jane, daughter of Thomas Martindale, aged 18 months. *Possible family see 13th December 1884*

29th March 1873 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 23rd inst., Mr William Vipond to Miss Mary Ann Walton, both of Garrigill Gate.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, William Vipond, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Ann (daughter of Thomas and Isabella Bond, married 3rd qtr 1857, at Alston) aged 31, son John 3, and lodger, John Bond, lead miner, aged 26.
Ann Vipond was buried 30th June 1865, aged 35, at Garrigill.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, William Vipond, widower, lead miner, aged 36, children, John, tailor (apprentice) aged 13, Mary J 9, and niece, Elizabeth Vipond, domestic servant, aged 19. See 24th June 1871

29th March 1873 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES
ANNUAL MEETING AT ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

The first annual meeting of the Weardale lead miners was held on Saturday, in the Town Hall St John's Chapel, and was attended by an exceedingly large and enthusiastic assemblage. With regard to the present position of the lead miners in relation to their employers, it might not be considered out of place to recapitulate shortly the events which have transpired within the last twelve or eighteen months in the lead measures in Weardale. It was during the preceding summer of 1871 that the miners first made a move towards obtaining an advance of their subsistence money, or as it is more popularly called, "lent Money." Some negotiations at that time were commenced, and a committee of the men to manage their proceedings was formed; but the agitation was destined to last only a short time, as the demands which they sought when they waited upon the master's agents with their case were refused. The cost of living continued still to increase without any proportionate advance of pay, it was determined, as soon after winter as possible, to set on foot another and firmer agitation for the 50s subsistence money instead of 40s which they were then receiving, and the first great mass meeting was held under most encouraging auspices, in the month of March last year, at the Town Hall, St John's Chapel. It was the first meeting of the kind, which had been held in the locality for nearly a quarter of a century. In conjunction with their application last year they were informed of some new scheme that was being propounded and shortly to be introduced in connection with the working of the mines upon a different system to what had been pursued in the past. The scheme, however, was never actually initiated, although the men were led to understand that Mr Beaumont was determined to stand to it even if it involved the grave consequence of laying in the mines. This the men considered would be very harsh, seeing that they stood in a somewhat different position in relation to their employer from that existing between capital and labour in most other branches of industry. The 50s would meet their requirements and as it was only a matter of 2s 6d a week increase of subsistence money; they deemed they were not making an unreasonable request. Altogether, three large mass meetings were held upon the subject, and among the numerous resolutions adopted at these gatherings was one to the effect that the miners should accept no more bargains at New House until their just demands had been conceded. In the course of the strike, which lasted a month, various correspondences based between the miners, their employer, and his agent, resulting finally in the men obtaining all they wanted - 50s lent money and bargains based upon £1. There still existed, however considerable dissatisfaction with Mr Cain, the head agent, the miners asserting that whilst he managed everything exclusively in the interests of Mr Beaumont he pressed too severely upon them. The nature of the bargains offered would not suffice, it was said, to maintain them and their families, and the only alternative in case of refusing to accept these bargains was leaving Weardale altogether, in order to obtain a livelihood elsewhere. In a great number of instances this already has taken place several of the lead miners having betaken themselves to the pit and iron districts, where they have found employment. To the great majority of the dalesmen however, it is exceedingly difficult for them to have to leave their beautiful and native place, where for

generations before them their forefathers were wont to spend their happiest days. A great many of them posses a little land, and keep a cow or two, and rather than forego these and the accompanying enjoyments which they afford, they prefer taking these “bargains” in the hope that the little farming and mining combined may be sufficient to maintain them in something like a position of respectability. A short time ago it was determined to hold annual meetings for the purpose of discussing questions relating to capital and labour, and matters generally affecting their own condition and the first of these was held on Saturday. Mr Nathan Race presided and he was accompanied upon the platform by several members of the standing committee, including the secretary Mr F Philipson, Mr Walton, Mr John Emerson, Mr Whitfield, Mr Joseph Kellett, Mr Thos Peadon, and Messrs Crawford and Wilkinson from Durham, who together with some of the members of the Weardale Miners Committee, were announced to deliver addresses bearing upon “ The present position of the Weardale miners, the advantage of working men’s unions, capital and labour,” &c.

The CHAIRMAN, in commencing the proceedings thanked them for the great compliment they had paid him in electing him to preside over their meeting that day. After the present committee was elected, it was resolved to hold the annual meeting of the whole of the miners when a statement would be made with respect to the monies, which had been collected, and how they had been expended. It was further resolved that the standing committee, should be elected for one year, at the end of each year, after the annual meeting had been held at the different mines, to elect members to serve on the committee. Masters had rights and so did workingmen, and it was their duty as workingmen to protect their rights. But he had to tell them they could not do this single-handed. What chance had any of them against Mr Beaumont’s capital? None whatever; but if they combine themselves and formed a union the grievances of any of them would be quickly redressed, because the matter would be taken up by the whole body of the miners at once. His own opinion was, if there had been a standing committee twenty years ago many a change for the better would have been effected, and many of their men who had left the dale would never have required to have done so. He counselled them all to be united. The old motto was “united we stand, divided we fall.” (Applause)

He advised them to elect a standing committee, and to form a union of all the lead miners in Weardale, Teesdale, and surrounding dales, to take in also the ironstone miners. Their interests were pretty identical with the lead miner’s interests. Whatever they did, let them be united and he, for one would give his last sixpence to support it. When they resumed work after the late strike, one condition was that £1 a week ought to be the basis to let bargains upon so far as that was concerned, it had been fulfilled. He had no fault to find with that except as to the modes of distribution. In instancing the averages he showed that one man averaged 29s 1d, another only 12s 1d and another 16s 1d, working in different mines. They were Mr Beaumont’s workmen, and they were all inspected by one set of inspectors, and taking their bargains all at one office. How did it happen, therefore, that there was this difference? He was not speaking of single partnerships, but of one mine against another. How was it that there should be so great a disparity in the wages? He did not say that the 29s a week man got too much. He thought they could all take that at least, when the present price of coal was taken into consideration. (Applause)

It had been a cold winter, and coal had been very scarce, with them. He did not even find fault with the 20s men, but the 16s and 12s 1d men were decidedly receiving to little. All he asked for was fairplay, but he did not think the 12s 1d man had had fairplay during the past year. There had been a system going on of closing the old mines altogether. They seem to have been trying to wreck all the old mines, and so effectually as to the baffle future speculators, and they had succeeded in stamping out all the old mines. If the ancestors of Mr Beaumont had adopted the same sort of system lead mining in Weardale would long have been a thing of the past. He believed that the advisors of Mr Beaumont thought it would be the means of bringing Mr Beaumont most profit. He would say that it was a mistaken policy, ruinous both to the proprietor and to the inhabitants of the valley. What was the use of having £3 per Bing for old mines if they wrecked and closed them? He believed if they would keep a few old men on the superannuation list the lead miner in Weardale would still speculate as his forefathers of old did. (Applause) He believed there was many a mine closed that would and could have been a regular-going mine. (Applause) Looking at the present position in Weardale the prospect was very dark, and he had heard the remark made that there was a bitterer feeling existing in Weardale that day than ever existed during the strike. (Applause) The way that many of the men had been dismissed and required to leave the place was most unfortunate. They had literally been hungered off. (Applause) If a master had any charge against him, and wanted him dismissed, he would much prefer that it were brought before him when he would have the opportunity of defending himself. What the Future of Weardale would be he could not tell. Perhaps things would brighten. They had heard it said that when things were at their darkest signs of brightness began to set in. He hoped such were in store for Weardale. All they wanted was fair play. They might probably be called agitators, and be charged with keeping the people in a state of agitation. He was not an agitator, he liked peace and harmony between masters and men, and he wished harmony were again restored between the proprietor and his workpeople. (Applause) Let their requests be in harmony with reason, and do the thing that was right, and God would defend the right. (Applause)

Mr T PEADON (one of the secretaries) read the report of the committee, which stated that the committee was formed in March of last year, at which time it was decided that their financial and other affairs should for the future be conducted with official order. It was thought requisite at first to levy the sum of sixpence per quarter on each man, the surplus of which was to go towards the formation of a union. The subject of the formation of a union not, however, meeting the views of the men in general, it had been allowed to remain stationary. At the commencement, there were 23 members of the committee; four have since left, and one successor has been appointed. The receipts have been £39 2s; the expenditure, £20 5s 4d; and there was with the balance of £21 8s 4d at the beginning, a balance of £21 5s. If the men were desirous that the committee should be continued, it would be necessary for the general election to take place- the members to be taken from the different mines. It seemed (the report concluded) a great pity that so many were necessitated to leave their dale-a dale with such resources, where nature with her bountiful hand had provided enough for all, could it have been reasonably divided, and when men were willing to put forth their labour for a moderate competency.

The report was adopted.
Mr FEATHERSTONE PHILIPSON, one of the secretaries in the course of his remarks, and after having referred to the necessity of an improvement in their condition, asked: What are the best measures we can adopt to secure a fair remuneration for our labour? I would propose no scheme that would be unfair to an employer. Our interests are identical; but we should form a union. (Applause) Now, in order to have a union we must have a test, and that test must be a monthly subscription, which will both prove our sincerity and also put us in a true position for action. (Hear, hear) What are you going to do? I trust you will give permanently to the union, sand be prepared to stand to each other. I have heard it said but I can scarcely give it credence that the young men stand in the way of a union, affirming that they may have to leave the dale. What a poor reason is this for any one to urge. I would be ashamed of myself to put forward such a plea. I cannot think it of you; you will not discredit your blood, your training, the traditions of our dear native dale. I do trust you will take up time question heartily and fearlessly, and I have no fear of success. Difficulties no doubt stand in the way, but let them be bravely faced and they will disappear, and better days will dawn. Remember the words so many of you have learned concerning another matter-"stand like the brave with your face to the foe." (Loud Applause) I must express to you the deep sorrow and grief with which I have observed cart after cart, day after day, bearing away furniture and families of my old fellow workmen and companions. I have watched them with a sad heart and, as I thought of the future, a dark shadow has come over my mind. Do not think that it was a light matter that has led these men to leave the valley. Here are the houses and hearths of their childhood, where they learned at their mother's knees their prayers. Here are the graves of their kindred and friends for generations. Here are all the associations of childhood and youth. Here are all the ties that bind the heart to home and friends. These are ties that only men who live in secluded dales like this ever know. I have asked why such an exodus? Is the valley exhausted? Is there no more bright ore hid in its heart? Can it no longer provide labour for its sons? I believe hid in the hard rocks there is treasure enough to repay the capitalists who will speculate and yield a comfortable living to all its inhabitants; and I tell you this, the day comes when its riches must be developed and there is no class of men that can be found who are more capable of this than the miners of the W B lead mines. And if we be but united and firm, no more need go forth to wander, but living at home, all may be comfortable and happy. (Loud Applause)
Mr WILKINSON (the secretary of the Durham Miners Association) said he had, like Mr Crawford, to express his astonishment at the condition of things in Weardale. As to the lending system, no man ought to be compelled to borrow money. In their case, however, it was not borrowed money. They ought not to be compelled to subsist on 12s a week. They ought not to be speculators. The capitalist ought to be the speculator. He believed it would be rather premature to ask for stated wages; but he held that the speculative system was the worst system that ever existed, and ought to be abolished. If it was much against the interest of the master as it was against the interests of the men, it would be abolished without twenty-four hours notice. They must be combined. They might attempt everything; but until they spoke as one man, they spoke in vain. (Applause)

Mr JOHN EMMERSON, Lowburn, said that the lead mines in Weardale had given to the capitalist great interest or gain. Thousands upon thousands had been realised both by Mr Beaumont and his ancestors. They stood second to none as lead miners. Go to the coal mines and other places where the Weardale miners had gone, and you would find they were getting as much money as any other man employed at the same work. Look at their position as regards income and outlay. They knew that their agreement with Mr Beaumont last summer was a pound per week as a basis for letting or grounding their bargains. When the average was taken, it was found that they had averaged one pound and two pence per man per week for the half year ending June 30th, 1872. Now, compare this income with the outlay on food, clothing, house rent and coals. They were aware that food, clothing, and coals, and every other thing they had to buy had risen greatly in prices, and they would find one pound per week very poor living for a man, his wife, and family. Whilst they were running the risk of not taking one pound per week, their near neighbours were making 25s per week and upwards, and had their coals driven to Westgate at half price.

Mr JOSEPH KELLETT said that they were now, in a certain sense, an organised body of workmen. The masters had fulfilled the condition under which they had returned to work last year, but they could not but remember, with their gain, what they had lost, and they asked where were many friends and neighbours who were with them last year. Some scores had by necessity been driven to seek employment in other places, and were now scattered all over the country. Yet, they were glad to hear they had not sought in vain, but had found better remuneration. Some had doubled the average they had here, besides having coals and house found.

Mr WHITFIELD said they must put forth united effort. Not to have a union would be to stand-alone. Nearly every class of men around them were in unions, and he held to be their duty to make as much of their occupation as they could. He did not say it was wrong to go to other fields of labour, but, on many grounds, the justness of it might be questioned. He admitted that they had been treated with coldness; they heard again and again that Mr Beaumont had too many men. Was not the dale still rich in mineral? They hesitated not to say that it was. Now rather than the dale should become a wilderness, it would be more honourable on Mr Beaumont's part to let the mines fall into other hands, as no doubt many would be ready to speculate in them. They must have a large income, or must be provided with coals at a lower rate, which would be of great advantage to them. (Applause)

It was then resolved to continue the standing committee, the election to take place in the manner proposed in the report.

The CHAIRMAN: The next thing is a Union. What do you say about this? Are you all for a Union? Let those for a Union hold up their hands. [All hands were instantly raised]

Mr JOSEPH WATSON (Haswick) said he thought unionism was absolutely necessary for all classes of workmen at the present time, and especially workingmen in Weardale. If all the lead miners in these neighbouring dales would unite and stand true to each other, they would protect their labour and keep pace with the onward march of civilisation and commerce. (Applause)

The usual votes of thanks were passed, and the meeting separated.

WEARDALE

On Friday delegates of the Weardale Iron Stone Miners, had an interview with Mr Crone head agent at Half Moon Inn, Westgate, and ultimately an amicable settlement was come to. The miners at the West Slit mine get an advance of sixpence per ton, and at Rowantree, five-pence, the other mines to be regulated by these prices, which represent about eighteen and a half percent. The day labourers get an advancement of six pence per day. The cart-men also came to a settlement, having got something like five-pence per ton advance. The strike is consequently at an end, and work will at once be resumed.

4th April 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 30th ult., Joseph second son of Mr William Fawcett, of Craig Shield, yeoman, to Susannah, youngest daughter of Mr Matthew Hill of High Craig, farmer. *See 27th January 1912*

5th April 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 29th ult. Mr Thomas Smith, Annfield Plain, Durham, to Miss Elizabeth Hodgson, of Garrigill Gate.
Deaths
At Alston, 24th ult. aged 66, Mrs Agnes Thompson, widow.
See 21st November 1868, and 19th June 1869.

5th April 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 20th ult., aged 4 years, Emily Snowdon, daughter of Thomas Snowden, Stonemason.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Thomas Snowdon, mason, aged 57, his wife Eleanor (Featherstone, married 15th August 1818, Alston) aged 55, children Thomas, mason, aged 28, Phillis 26, Robert, mason aged 24, Jane 22, John, mason, aged 19, and Mary Ann 16.
Thomas Snowden snr, died 2nd quarter of 1857 or 1858.
In 1861, at Main St., Alston, Thomas Snowden, builder & innkeeper, aged 36, his wife Sarah (Johnson, married 30th December 1852, Alston) aged 32, children Thomas Johnson 7, Eleanor 6, Joseph 4, Sarah A 4 Months, and servant Tamar Armstrong 17.
In 1871, at Snowdon's Buildings, Alston, Thomas Snowden, mason, aged 48, his wife Sarah 43 (died October 20th 1878 aged 51), children Thomas, masons apprentice, aged 17, Ellen 16, Joseph 14, Sarah A 10, Elizabeth 9, John 7, Robert 5, and Emily 2.
In 1881, at Nenthead Road, Thomas Snowdon, widow, stone mason, aged 57, children Thomas, stone mason, aged 27, Ellen 24, Joseph, stone mason, aged 23, Sarah Ann, dressmaker, aged 19, Elizabeth, bonnet maker, aged 17, and Robert 14.
Thomas Snowden died 9th June 1886, aged 63.
In 1891, at Front St. East, Thomas J. Snowden, stone mason aged 37, sisters, Ellen 35, Sarah A. 29, and Lizzie, stocking knitter, aged 28.

IN
LOVING
MEMORY OF
THOMAS SNOWDON
STONE MASON ALSTON
WHO DIED JUNE 9TH 1886
AGED 64
ALSO OF SARAH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED OCTOBER 20TH 1878
AGED 51 YEARS
ALSO OF ROBERT THEIR SON
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 12TH 1860
AGED 2 YEARS
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED MARCH 15TH 1873
AGED 9 YEARS
ALSO EMILY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED MARCH 20TH 1873
AGED 5 YEARS
ALSO THOMAS JOHNSTON
THEIR SON WHO DIED
SEPT 7TH 1895 AGED 41 YEARS

At Alston, aged 5 weeks, John Walton, son of Jonathan Walton, Innkeeper.
See 29th April 1864, 5th April 1873, and 25th July 1874

11th April 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, on the 5th inst., Mr Thomas Dowson, of Harwood, in the parish of Middleton-in-Teesdale, Durham, to Esther, fourth daughter of the late Mr Jos. Hetherington, grocer and farmer, Garrigill Gate.
In 1881, at Force Green, Alston, Thomas Dowson, lead miner & farmer of 19 acres, aged 36, born Barnard Castle, his wife Esther 32, children, John W 7, David 5, Mary J 3, and Elizabeth H 10 months.
In 1891, at Ashgill side, Garrigill, Esther Dowson, farmers wife, aged 42, children, John W, lead ore washer, aged 17, David, lead ore washer 15, Mary J 13, Lizzie H 10 and Joseph 7.
In 1901, at Peythorn Lodge, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Thomas Dowson, farmer, aged 56, his wife Esther 57, son David, lead miner, aged 25, son in law, Edward Brumwell, lead miner, aged 24, and daughter Elizabeth 20.
Esther Dowson died 1st qtr., 1903, aged 53.
Thomas Dowson died 2nd qtr., 1912, aged 67, registered at Auckland, Durham.

19th April 1873 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

MASS MEETING OF THE LEAD COMPANY 'S WORKMEN.

The lead miners of Nenthead working under the London Lead Company held a mass meeting on Tuesday evening last, in order to ascertain the best way of trying to better their circumstances, the present monthly pay of £2 14s being considered too little to live upon, at the present high rate of provisions, &c. It was resolved to draw up a petition to be signed by the lead miners, asking that the monthly pay be raised so as to place them at least, on an equal footing with the other lead miners of the district. The Lead Company's miners at Nenthead are not paid so much as the miners employed by other companies. There are three different mines worked in the same village, belonging to different Company's and they are all paying the men £4 per month, some of them having got this sum without asking for it. It was considered also that the London Lead Company ought to see that their workmen were paid for doing their work, as their mines are far richer than the others are.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 13th inst. aged 44, Mr John Pattinson, Stonemason.

See 5th December 1885

26th April 1873 (Hexham Courant)

STANHOPE

STRIKE OF QUARRYMEN

Not withstanding the recent advance made to the quarrymen employed at the Stanhope and Frosterley, Limestone quarries, considerable dissatisfaction exists in as much as on Monday the workmen at Broadwood Quarry, belonging to J. Pease and Co., and at Parsonbyers, belonging to Bell Brothers, struck work and are now out on strike, and it is expected a strike throughout all of the quarries in the district will take place if their request of 1s per ton for winning the stone is not acceded. The number of workmen now out on strike is about 200. The whole of the men employed at the quarries in this district numbers 500.

26th April 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Births

At Alston House, Cumberland, 19th inst., the wife of Thomas W. Crawhall Esq., a son.

Marriages

At Stanhope at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 19th inst., Mr Jacob Burn to Miss Annie Vickers, both of Stanhope. 19th inst., Mr William Peterson of Wearhead to Miss Sarah Ann Lowe of Haswicks. 19th inst., at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Mr George Garthwaite of Hole House to Miss Mary Stephenson of Harrow Bank.

3rd May 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Coalpits, near Allenheads, 19th ult., aged 60 years, Mr Tingate Varty.

On 11th June 1836 Tingate Varty married Jane Bainbridge, at St Peter's Allendale, in 1851, Tingate aged 38 was working as a lead miner, living at

Coal Pitts Allendale with his wife Jane aged 44, and children Elizabeth 11, Matthew 9, and Joseph 4 (died 1852).
In 1871, Tingate is an out of work labourer; his son Matthew is a clerk at the lead mines. See 27th November 1880.

St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

At Allenheads, 19th ult. aged 87, Mr Wm. Heslop.
William Heslop, baptised 24th April 1786, at St Peter's, Allenheads, son of Thomas and Mary Heslop, brother of Pattinson Heslop. Pattinson Heslop was the father of Thomas Heslop of Furnace Cottage, Allendale.
In 1841, at Ealing Rectory House School, William Heslop, teacher, aged 50.
In 1851 lodging at Brighthlmstone, Sussex, William Heslop, unmarried, teacher, of languages writing, geography, history & mathematics, aged 65, born Allendale.
In 1871, at Furnace Cottage, Allenheads, Thomas Heslop, attending air furnace for lead mines, aged 46, his wife Sarah 41, daughter Sarah E 8, and lodger, William Heslop, unmarried, retired teacher of mathematics, aged 85.

3rd May 1873 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE LEAD MINERS AND UNION.

The first meeting of the Weardale Miners Committee newly elected since the annual meeting on Saturday 23, last was held at Mr Dawson's' Black Bull Inn, ST Johns Chapel on Saturday last, Mr Nathan Race in the chair. …

3rd May 1873 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT NENTHEAD

Last Thursday week, a boy named Thomas Price, 11 years age *(burial records give the age, 12 years)*, residing at Nenthead, died from injuries sustained in an accident which occurred to him on the previous Monday. On that day he was working amongst the waggons at the washing mills belonging to the London Lead Company, when he fell between the waggons, and had his head severely crushed. He was attended by Dr. Horder, but medical skill was of no avail, and he died on Thursday. The coroner did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest.

In 1871, at Foulard, Nenthead, Stephenson Price, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 42, children, Elizabeth 21, Mary Ann 16, Thomas 10, William 8, Phebe 5, and Lucy 4.

See 27th April 1866, 3rd December 1870, 3rd August 1872, 22nd April 1882, and 8th December 1894,

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 27th ult., Mr Joseph Richardson, of Milkwell Burn, to Miss Jane Bowness, of Alston.

In 1861, at Low Bailes, Alston, Isaac Dowson, Ag. Lab., aged 61, his wife Grace aged 45, born Shap, stepson, John Yeats, tailor, aged 19, born Patterdale, stepdaughter Jane Bowness 9, born Knaresdale, and son Thomas Dowson 5.

In 1881, at East Chevington, Northumberland, Joseph Richardson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 29, children, John E 7, Annie N 5, Grace H 3, Joseph 11 months, mother Margaret Richardson, widow aged 64, and brother, John, coal miner, aged 25.

Jane Richardson died 1st qtr., 1899, aged 47, registered at Morpeth.

Joseph Richardson of South Broomhill, Morpeth, died 5th October 1908, aged 64

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston on the 30th ult., Mr Jonathan Davidson, to Mrs Jane Walton, both of Alston.

Possible death of Jane Davidson 3rd August 1879, aged 57.

10th May 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst, Mr Joseph Peart of Bent Houses to Mrs Jane Fleming of Wearhead.

10th May 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Correspondence to the Editor of the Hexham Herald

Sir The miners of Nenthead and Alston Moor district after holding two mass meetings, formed a committee to draw up a petition and get it signed for presentation by J. J. Millican Esq., resident agent, to R W Bainbridge Esq.,

Middleton, head Superintendent, for an increase of advance cash monthly from £2 14s to £4, also stating the wistfulness of the miners should be let on the basis of £1 per week. A few have been making more than that sum. The petition was duly presented by Mr Millican to Mr Bainbridge, who courteously said that, if they persisted in their demands, he would forward them to London, but he was afraid it would make a bad job of it, and lead the Company to close the mines altogether; a fear which I think is groundless. They might do so, and, if they did, they could not keep them closed long, as the Lord of the Manor would compel them either to work them or give them up. There is plenty however, in the event of such being the case, ready to take them up. ... A mass meeting, however will be held tonight (Wednesday the 7th inst) when no doubt, resolutions will be passed for Mr Bainbridge to send the petition to London. ... I am &c. ZETA

Deaths

At Haydon Bridge, 28th ult. aged 60, Mr John Douglas, Lead Ore Miner, late of Patterdale.

In 1841, at the Butts, Alston, John Douglas, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Ann (Walton, married 23rd August 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 55, son John, lead miner, aged 30, and daughter, Mary 15.

John Douglas snr., died 3rd qtr., 1847, registered at Alston.

See 15th September 1868

At some time between 1841 and 1851, he moved to Patterdale.

In 1851, at Hartsop, Patterdale, Edmund Irving, farm labourer, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth 35, lodgers William Bell , lead miner, aged 37, and John Douglas, lead miner, aged 36. John Douglas was lodging with the same people in 1861.

The 1871 shows John Douglas, unmarried, lead miner aged 60, born Alston, lodging with the Johnson family in Patterdale, Glenridding.

16th May 1873 (Carlisle Patriot)

PARISH OF ALSTON, WITH GARRIGILL

MASTER AND MATRON WANTED

THE BOARD of GUARDIANS propose at their MEETING to be held at the BOARD ROOM, in the TOWN HALL, ALSTON, on SATURDAY, the Seventh day of JUNE next, at the hour of Ten o'clock in the Forenoon, to appoint a Man and his Wife as MASTER and MATRON of the WORKHOUSE for the said Parish. The Salary of the Master is £25, and that of the Matron is £20 per annum, with Rations and Apartments in the house.

The person appointed will be required to perform the duties prescribed by the Local Government Board, and subject to whose approval the appointment will be made. Applications, in the handwriting of the Candidates, stating age, and number and ages of children (if any) dependent upon them, with copies of recent Testimonials as to character and qualification, must be sent in to me on or before the Thirtieth day of May instant. No Candidate need attend personally unless specially requested to do so, and no travelling expenses will be paid. The persons elected will be required to enter on their duties forthwith, and the Master will be called on to give approved security in the sum of £100 for the due performance of his duties. By Order of the Board of Guardians, JOSEPH DICKINSON, Clerk. Dated 15th May, 1873.

17th May 1873 (Hexham Courant)

FALLOWFIELD MINE
SAD ACCIDENT.
ONE MAN KILLED AND ANOTHER SERIOUSLY INJURED

On Thursday about 12 o'clock noon, an unfortunate double accident occurred in the mine at the above place, known as the "Old Engine shaft," by which an elderly man, named Thomas Ritson, lost his life, and his mate Thomas Cook was seriously injured. From inquiry on the spot it appears that the miners above named were engaged in sinking a "sump" from one drift to another directly below it and at about 27 feet perpendicular distance, and had nearly accomplished their object when they put in a shot, and is supposed had put in an extra large quantity of powder with the hope of completing the perforation designed, and then retired "back" until the explosion should take effect. After waiting some time and not hearing the usual report, Cook desired his mate to let him by the "jack roll" in order that he might examine and ascertain the state of matters below. When near the bottom of the sump 27 feet as above stated, he seems to have been overpowered with the "stythe" and to have fallen out of the loop. Two other miners, who were on their way to relieve the two above named, arrived at this juncture, and Ritson having explained the state of affairs to them desired them to let him down that he might ascertain the state of Cook. They immediately complied with his request, but when he got near the bottom, he called out for them to draw him up, as the gas was still too strong for him to proceed. When he had nearly reached the top of the sump, however, he also fell out of the loop - cross stick suspended in a triangular or forked rope - and falling to the bottom appears to have been killed on the spot; but Cook could be heard moaning, so that attempts to save him were still persevered in. In the meantime Mr Henderson, the manager had arrived on the spot, and instantly dispatched men to another shaft for an air machine and tubes, which were put down with all the expedition possible. The blast of fresh air seemed to revive Cook, as he could be heard speaking incoherently and saying, "that's right Tommy." After about two hours exertions, the air in the sump was sufficiently pure to allow the men to descend, and the body of Ritson, and Cook, in a semi-conscious state, were brought to bank as speedily as possible. Mr Henderson, on being appraised of the state of matters, had with his usual promptitude, dispatched a messenger to Hexham for medical aid, which he judged, even at the best would be necessary, and Dr Kendall arrived at the scene of the accident soon after the unfortunate subjects of so much anxiety and solicitude were got out were being carried towards their homes. When our reporter left Acomb Cook continued in much the same state suffering partly from the fumes of the powder and partly from the fall, and still talking incoherently so that his true position in reference to life or death could scarcely be ascertained. Both men had their heads cut near the Coronal region, and much in the same manner something like a roughly formed cross, the distance fallen apparently making the only difference in favour of Cook. The last named is a young man between 20 and 30 years of age, is married, and has a young family of two children, a third being shortly expected. Ritson is the father of a large family, but his surviving children are all arrived at mature years and have left the parental home. Both were men of exemplary habits and lives, Mr Cook having been for some year's secretary of the Sunday school of the Wesleyan chapel in his native village, and our

readers may remember his name being mentioned in our report of their late anniversary. Mr Ritson, too was present on that occasion, and appeared to take a deep personal interest in everything, which concerned the spiritual and temporal welfare of the children belonging to the school of which he was joint superintendent with Mr Wilkinson. Under the careful and judicious treatment of Dr Kendall, Cook recovered consciousness on Thursday evening when the exact extent of his injuries were more accurately ascertained. Up to that time, he had suffered considerably from concussion of the brain, an extensive scalp wound near the crown of the head, his shoulder and side being also severely bruised. He consequently required a good deal of rallying, but on inquiry last evening, Dr Kendall stated that he was progressing as favourably as possible.
The 1861 census shows Thomas Ritson aged 45, a lead miner born Allendale living at Acomb with his wife Sarah aged 46, born Hexham, and children Ann aged 17, St. John Lee, Acomb and Joseph 4 years, St. John Lee, Acomb. John his son aged 23 is living with his wife Jane Ann aged 21, and son Henry 2 months; Jane Ann died in 1866.
The 1871 census lists Thomas Ritson living at Acomb a lead miner aged 55, married, born in Allendale, living with his son John aged 33 a coal miner and John's son Henry 10.

The 1871 census gives Thomas Cook (born St John Lee) aged 29 a lead miner, living at Acomb with his wife Isabella (born Garrigill) aged 25 and children Joseph Hedley aged 2, and Amelia 2 months.

17th May 1873 (Darlington & Richmond Herald)

THE STRIKE IN WEARDALE

THE STRIKE IN WEARDALE. The strike continues. 450 men are out. £2,400 in wages has been lost. Last Saturday at Beverley Old Quarry the men met to consider whether or no they should go in on the old terms. The meeting was largely attended, and after some discussion, it was proposed that (with the masters' consent) the men go to work at the old price, meanwhile submitting their case to arbitration, the men to stand by the decision of the arbitrators; but this was overruled, and ultimately a resolution was passed to the effect that they stand out for their original demands. A great many of the quarrymen have left the district, and on Saturday the secretary filled up many more removal certificates, consequently a large number of the remaining workmen are about to seek other fields of labour. On Saturday three men arrived from Norfolk, in answer to advertisements wanting men; but on hearing that the men had an association, and were on strike, they took a speedy departure.
See 30th January 1875

17th May 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 11th inst., Margaret, daughter of Mr Havelock Latimer, aged 6 years.
In 1871 Havelock Lattimer, draper & grocer, Nenthead, aged 34, married to Isabella (Watson married 1862), children Jane 10, Matthew 8, Margaret 4, and Thomas Havelock 6 months.
The 1881 census shows another son born in 1874 Ridley Cranmer Lattimer.
See 28th May 1877, 22nd December 1877, & 29th April 1882.

IN MEMORY OF
MAGGY THE BELOVED DAUGHTER
OF HAVELOCK AND ISABELLA LATTIMER
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MAY 11TH 1873.
AGED 6 YEARS AND 11 MONTHS.
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED MAY 17TH 1877,
AGED 1 YEAR AND 9 MONTHS.
ALSO OF SARAH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED DEC. 10TH 1877,
AGED 5 YEARS AND 2 MONTHS.
ALSO OF ISABELLA WIFE OF
HAVELOCK LATTIMER WHO DIED
APRIL 27TH 1882 AGED 42 YEARS.
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
HAVELOCK LATTIMER
WHO DIED OCT. 29TH 1807, AGED 70 YEARS.

24th May 1873 (Hexham Courant)

A SERIOUS MINING ACCIDENT AT GARRIGILL

A serious accident on Monday last at Garrigill near Alston to two brothers named Thomas and Ralph Winskell. They are employed in the mines of the London Lead Mining Company, and when the accident occurred were charging a hole with powder in order to blast. Thomas was doing this part of the work, while Ralph was sitting by preparing the material. Before the hole was charged, the powder ignited and exploded. Thomas was much burned about the lower part of his face, one hand was bruised and his eyes were also so seriously burnt that the sight of one of them is in some danger. Ralph sustained a deep cut right along the top of the head and one of his hands was also much bruised. They are both attended by the medical gentleman employed by the Company, and are doing favourably according to latest accounts.

In 1851, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Elizabeth Winskell, widow, parish relief, aged 30, children Thomas 10, Ralph 8, and Frances 6.
In 1861, at Fewsteads, Garrigill, Elizabeth Winskill, lead miners widow, aged 39, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, and Ralph, lead miner, aged 17.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Elizabeth Winskill, widow, house keeper, aged 50, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, Ralph, lead miner, aged 27, and Frances, house maid, aged 25. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Winskill, grocer aged 39, blind, his wife Margaret aged 39, son John W. 5, and mother in law Elizabeth Coats, lead miners widow, aged 74. See 3rd May 1874.
In 1881, at Meeting Slack, Muggleswick, Durham, Ralph Winskill, general labourer, aged 33, and his sister Fanny, housekeeper, aged 30.

Marriages
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 17th inst. Mr John Carter to Miss Elizabeth Coulthard, both of Stanhope.

24th May 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Garrigill, 19th inst. aged 94, Mrs Mary Slack, formerly of Crossgill.
At Redwing, Garrigill, 20th inst., Mr Matthew Bramwell aged 60.
In 1861, at Red Wing, Matthew Bramwell, farmer aged 50, his wife Jane 51, children Robert, lead miner, aged 26, Ann, house maid, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 12, and grandson Robert Bramwell 6.
In 1871, at Red Wing, Mathew Bramwell, farmer of 140 acres, aged 59, wife Jane 60, son Mathew, lead miner, aged 24, and nephew Robert Bramwell, farm labourer, aged 16.
In 1881, at Red Wing, Mathew Bramwell, farmer of 70 acres, aged 35, his wife Mary 24, children Sarah J. 4, Elizabeth A. 1, Mathew H. 2 weeks, mother Jane Bramwell, widow, aged 70, and nephew Robert Bramwell, labourer lead mine, aged 25
20th inst. at Howgill Syke, M. E. Wilkinson aged 3 months, daughter of Annie and Henry Wilkinson. *In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Wilkinson, blacksmith and general dealer, aged 43, his wife Margaret, shop woman, aged 40, son Henry, clock and watch makers apprentice, aged 17, mother in law Mary Pickering, annuitant, aged 75, and general servant Annie Wilkinson, aged 15. In 1881, at Office Row, Shotton, Durham, Henry Wilkinson, watchmaker, aged 27, his wife Annie (Watson, married 1st quarter of 1873, registered at Alston) aged 21, and daughter Margaret H. 2 years.*

31st May 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist chapel, Alston, 20th inst., Mr William Hindmarch to Miss Mary Simpson both of Alston.
In 1871, at Town Head, John Simpson, worsted spinner, aged 67, born Lancashire, his wife Jennet aged 49, born Lancashire, daughter Mary aged 18, born Preston, Lancashire.
I*n 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Matthew Hindmarch, lead miner, aged 38, born Stanhope, his wife, Margaret (Spotswood, married 11th May 1845, Alston) aged 40, born Alston, children Ann 15, Elizabeth 13, William 10, James 5, and Matthew 8 months.*
In 1871, at Front St, Matthew Hindmarch, lead ore mine engineer, aged 48, his wife Margaret 50, children Elizabeth 23, William, lead ore miner, aged 20, and James, lead ore dresser, aged 15. In 1881, at Cashwell, Matthew Hindmarch, married, mining engineer, aged 58; and at Front St, Alston, Margaret Hindmarch, lead miners wife, aged 60, daughter Elizabeth 33, grandsons Matthew Hindmarsh 9, and Robert Hindmarsh 3. Matthew Hindmarch died 3rd quarter of 1884, aged 62, Margaret died 2nd quarter of 1888, aged 67.
In 1881, at 17 Edmunds Lane, William Hindmarch, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 28, born Preston, children John Wm. 9, Margaret 7, James 5, Matthew 3, and Ann Alice 5 months. In 1891, at 15 Oswald St., Ashton,

Preston, William Hindmarsh, firelights manufacturer, aged 40, his wife Mary 38, children Margaret J., cotton weaver, aged 17, James, cotton weaver, aged 15, Matthew, labourer, aged 13, Ann Alice 10, Andrew 8, and Janet 5. In 1901, at Ashton, Preston, William Hindmarch, general labourer, aged 50, his wife Mary 49, married daughter Ada Walker, cotton winder, aged 22, son Andrew, general labourer, aged 19, daughter Jennet, cotton winder, aged 17, and son W T 9. In 1911, at 27 Waterloo Terrace, Ashton, William Hindmarch, joiners labourer, aged 60, his wife Mary 58, and son William T. compositor, newspaper, aged 18.
William Hindmarch died 4th quarter of 1932, aged 81.

31st May 1873 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
Deaths
At Beldy, on the 27th inst., William Elliott, Grocer, aged 45 years.
In 1871, at Beldy, Garrigill, William Elliott, grocer, aged 44, his brother, John, retired game watcher, aged 49, and servant, Elizabeth S,ith, domestic servant, aged 32.
At Garrigill Gate, on the 28th inst., Joseph Pickering, Grocer, and yeoman, aged 72 years.
Joseph Pickering married Rachel Walton, 25th November 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Rachel Pickering was buried 13th February 1857, aged 58, at Garrigill.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Pickering, widower, grocer & farmer of 55 acres, aged 6/9, children, Adam, farm labourer, aged 43, Ann, housekeeper, aged 41, George, grocer & shopman, aged 39, married daughter, Mary Winthrop, house maid, aged 32, and servant, Ann Smith, domestic servant, aged 19.
At Greenends, on the 27th inst., Isabel Moffatt, daughter of Robert Moffatt, general labourer, aged 1 year.
In 1871, at Greenends, Nenthead, Robert Moffatt, masons labourer, aged 31, his wife Sarah (Armstrong, married 26th March 1868, at Nenthead) aged 26, children, Joseph 3, and Margaret 1.
Robert Moffatt was buried 4th March 1876, at Nenthead, aged 37.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Sarah Moffatt, lead miners, widow, aged 37, children, Joseph 13, Maggie 11, and Hannah Lizzie 6.
In 1911, at 194 Buddle Road, Benwell, Joseph Moffatt, clerk at ordance works, aged 43, his mother Sarah Moffatt, widow, aged 67, and niece, Beatrice May Glover, aged 13.
Sarah Moffatt died 25th June 1921, at Benwell.

7th June 1873 (Hexham Herald)
WALLISH LEAD MINING CO.
A very favourable report of the prospects of this mine has just been issued. The mine is situated on the bank of the river Derwent, and a lease has been taken by Sir Arthur Monck, Bart of Belsay Castle, Northumberland. The company have already expended on the mine since 1871, £1,286, having erected first class machinery. The ore is of excellent quality, 13 ounces of Silver to the ton and 801/2 per cent lead, and the company are warranted from the smallness of the outlay, and the good yield of the mine, in anticipating a large percentage on the capital expended.

7th June 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allendale, Dunedin, New Zealand, February 19th 1873, George son of the late Jonathan Harle, of Wooley Burn Foot, Allendale, (*aged 57*).
In 1841 living at Wooley Burn Jonathan Harle 55, a joiner his wife Elizabeth 50, children William 21, Mary 15. In 1841 George Harle living at Spital, Newcastle working as a grocer with his wife Sarah (Little married 1837 at Newcastle) aged 22, children Jonathan 3, Sarah 6 months and brother Jonathan Harle aged 17 apprentice grocer.
In 1851, Jonathan (died 31st December 1864 left £100 in his will) listed as a Farmer of 38 acres, and proprietor of land his son Jonathan aged 27 unmarried is a grocer, living with them is their grandson Jonathan Harle aged 12.
There is a record of a George Harle aged 44 travelling to Melbourne arriving September 1859, on the ship Saldanha, port of departure Liverpool.
The New Zealand paper Bruce Herald 4th March 1873 records "At Owake Flat, Catlin's River, on the 19th ult. George Harle, aged 58 years. The same paper records on 7th September 1870, the death of George's wife's mother in Newcastle, "Died 25th November, 1869, Sarah Little, of Newcastle upon Tyne, aged 82, mother of Mrs George Harle, Catlin's River, Otego.
In 1872 10th August the Otago witness published the following: -
***"George Harle** was admitted to the Dunedin Hospital on July 25th, suffering from the effects of a very rare disease — aneurism of the left carotid artery. As his case did not admit of the use of chloroform, he submitted to the operation of putting a ligature on the artery, without showing the least sign of pain. A large fungoid tumor was also removed from a female patient. In these operations the Provincial Surgeon was assisted by Drs Alexander and Harding, and Resident Surgeons, Drs Yates and Brown both patients are doing well."*

14th June 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 6th inst., Mr William Archer of Fidler Street to Miss Mary Ann Price of Foulard, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Foulard, Stephenson Price, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann (Cousin, married 1st quarter of 1850) aged 42, children Elizabeth 21, Mary Ann 16, Thomas 10, William 8, Phebe 5, and Lucy 4.
Stephenson price died 3rd quarter of 1872, aged 45.
In 1841, at Ashgill, John Archer, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 40, children William, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 13, Joshua 11, Isaac 9, Edward 6, Adam 4, and Hannah 2.
In 1851, at Priorsdale House, Garrigill, John Archer, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Margaret (Stout, married 4th July 1846, Nenthead) aged 24, sons Henry 4, and John 1.
In 1861, at Overwater, Margaret Archer, lead miners widow, aged 34, children Henry, lead ore washer, aged 14, John 11, William 9, Stephen 7, Margaret 5, and nurse child Jane Stout 1 months.
In 1871, at Fiddler Street, Thomas Bowman, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Margaret (Archer, married 29th November 1866, at the Primitive Methodist

Chapel, Alston) aged 44, stepchildren Henry Archer lead miner, aged 24, John Archer, lead miner, aged 21, William Archer, lead miner, aged 19, Stephen Archer, lead miner, aged 18, and Margaret Archer 15.
In 1881, at Overwater, William Archer, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary A. 28, children John S. 7, Margaret A. 5, and Elizabeth A. 3. In 1891, at Overwater, William, lead & zinc miner, aged 39, his wife Mary Ann 38, children John Stephenson 17, Mary Ann 15, Elizabeth 13, Lucy 9, and William Henry 1.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, William Archer, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary A 48, children John S, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret 24, Elizabeth 23, Lucy, dressmaker, aged 19, William H 11, and Thomas A 1.
William Archer died 3rd quarter of 1902, aged 51.
In 1911, at Bank Foot, Nenthead, Mary Ann Archer, widow, aged 58, children Maggie Ann 35, Elizabeth 33, William Henry, lead & zinc miner, aged 21, and grandson, Thomas Allen Archer, aged 11.
See 4th December 1866 & 31 October 1874

At the Wesleyan Chapel, 11th inst, Mr John Archer to Miss Betsy Stephenson both of Fiddler street, Nenthead.

In 1861, at Coalvert, Garrigill, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 42, born Allendale, children James, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 8, Henry, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, Adamson, lead miner, aged 12, Frances 11, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 7, Joseph 5, Matthew 1, and grandson, Robert Stephenson 6 month. In 1871, Betsy Stephenson, aged 19, was working as a domestic servant, at Low Lee House, Garrigill, for Jonathan Spark & family.
In 1881, at Bloomsberry Hall, John Archer, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Betsy 29, children Frances 4, and John Joseph 1.

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston 7th inst., Mr John White of Rice Head to Miss Mary Ann Lee of High Plains.

In 1861, at Main St., Thomas Lee, married, butcher, aged 42, daughter Mary A. housemaid, aged 17, and son Thomas aged 14. In 1871, Mary Ann Lee aged 27, was working, at High Plains, Garrigill, as a servant for John Elliot and family.
In 1871, at Rice Head, Garrigill, John White, proprietor & farmer of 113 acres of land, aged 72, his wife Jane 62, children John, lead miner, aged 34, Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Sara, dressmaker, aged 36, Mary, general servant, aged 24. In 1881, at Front St., Alston, John White, grocer, aged 43, his wife Mary A. 37, and boarder Bessie Bushby, schoolmistress (assistant), aged 23. John White died 1st quarter of 1889, aged 52.
In 1891, at Front St., Mary A. White, widow, grocer, aged 47, and domestic servant Annie Fawcett, aged 18.

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 21st ult. aged 72, Ada relict of Mr John Readshaw, Washing Agent, Nenthead.

Adah Lee married John Readshaw at Allendale on 4th June 1829. In 1841, Adah was living at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead with her daughter Mary aged 11 years. In 1851, they had moved to Allendale, Adah a landed proprietor living at Wentworth Place with her daughter Mary.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, Adah Readshaw, washing agents widow, aged 70, and her daughter Mary aged 41.

The London Lead Company Minutes record: -
26th March 1829 LLC 21
Robert Stagg attended the Court; he had shown the Court the Working Plans of the Mines. He was commended for his work and the economic running of the mines. The Court approved of his continuing the various trials but they did not want a great accumulation of stock ore and wished the raising of ore from such trials to be strictly regulated. They gave the following instructions to Robert Stagg.
To give a donation of Ten pounds to John Readshaw the Washing Overman at Nenthead for his exertions in the last year in establishing the washing place at Rampgill upon the new system.
At Ashgillside, near Alston, 10th inst. aged 50, Mr Christopher Armstrong, Lead miner.
Son of Isaac and Ann Armstrong (Armstrong, married 1st June 1822), in 1841 living at Middle Ashgill, Isaac Armstrong lead miner aged 40, his wife Ann 35, children Christopher, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 13, Mary 11, Sarah 8, William 5, and Isaac 3.
In 1851, at Ashgill, Isaac Armstrong, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children Christopher, lead miner, aged 28, Sarah 18, William, lead miner, aged 13, Isaac, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth 9, and John 7.
Isaac Armstrong died 2nd July 1860. See 14th July 1860.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 38, brother Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, sister Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 19, and brother John, scholar, aged 17.
Christopher married Mary Ward 23rd May 1867, at St John, Garrigill.
See 28th May 1867
In 1871 at Ashgill Susannah Ward, widow, farmer of 11 acres, aged 75, son John Ward, lead miner, aged 44, son in law Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 48, daughter Mary Armstrong, 42, and granddaughter Nanny Armstrong 3.
Mary Armstrong died 1st quarter of 1875, aged 46.
In 1881, at Pasture House, Alston, Ann Watson, widow, charwoman, aged 45, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, daughter Mary aged 12, and niece Nannie Armstrong aged 13.
At Alston 8th inst., aged 6 months, Elizabeth daughter of Thomas Lee.
At Nenthead, 31st ult., aged 2 years, Joseph Emmerson son of William Lee.
In 1841, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Martindale, married 9th June 1831, at Alston) aged 25, children Mary 8, William 5, Betsey 3, and Hannah 1 month.
William Lee died 4th quarter of 1845.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Hannah Lee, widow, laundress, parish relief, aged 39, children William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 9, Frances 7, and visitor Elizabeth Martindale, dressmaker, aged 41.
In 1861, at Nenthall, William Lee, lead miner, aged 25, wife Isabella 24, children Gilbert 5, William 3, and Thomas 1 year.
In 1871 at Nenthall, Nenthead, William Lee, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 34, children Gilbert E. lead mine labourer, aged 15, William. lead mine labourer, aged 13, Thomas 11, Mary Ann 9, Frances Jane 4, and Joseph E. 5 months. In 1881, at Nenthead, School House, William Lee, gamekeeper, aged 45, his wife Isabella 43, children Mary A., school sewing mistress, aged

19, Frances J. 14, Gilbert E. 7, Thomas 2, and George D. Dawson, certificated school master, aged 25, born Warwickshire, Coventry.
William Lee died 1st quarter of 1888, aged 52.
In 1891, at Nenthall, Isabella Lee, widow, aged 54, children William, draper, aged 33, Frances Jane 24, Thomas 2, and boarder John Willis, elementary teacher, aged 34.

14th June 1873 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE
FATAL MINE ACCIDENT

On Saturday an inquest was held before Mr T. Dean, deputy coroner, at the Queens Head Inn, Stanhope, on the body of Thomas Wilkinson, who came to his death in a most shocking manner on Friday. Whilst following his employment at the Red Vein Ironstone Mine, the property of the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, part of the roof fell and crushed the unfortunate miner in so dreadful a manner that his body was nearly cut in two and he died immediately. Deceased was 46 years of age and leaves a wife and child to mourn his loss.

In 1861 living at Crawleyside, Stanhope, Thomas a lead miner aged 34, Hannah (Jaques married 1846) his wife 40, children, Lancelot Jacques son in law age 15, lead ore washer, Ann Wilkinson aged 13, and Joseph aged 9.
In 1871 at Martin Street, Stanhope, Thomas is not listed at home, those listed are his wife Hannah Wilkinson aged 50, son Joseph aged 19 a labourer, living with Hannah is Jane Gibson her sister aged 56, a widow, and niece Martha Readshaw aged 18, a dress maker. In 1881 Hannah a widow, is living with her son Joseph working as a limestone quarryman his wife Ellen aged 26, their son Thomas aged 1 and daughter Margaret 2 months, Hannah's sister Jane Gibson is also living with them.

21st June 1873 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
ANOTHER FATAL MINE ACCIDENT.

On Friday, a fatal accident occurred at Grove Heads, one of the WB lead mines in Weardale. John Emerson of Wham, near Weardale, whilst working at his employment at the above mine as woodman, was crushed to death in a shocking manner. A "rise" is a perpendicular passage in a mine, one half being for the men to travel by means of ladders, and is called a way gate, and the other is used to put down the material excavated. Emerson was in the "way gate" when the material in the rise burst through the partition and crushed him to death. Deceased was upwards of 50 years of age, and unmarried.

The 1871 census gives John Emerson of High Wham aged 55, lead miner & farmer of 4 acres, born Stanhope, Durham.

21st June 1873 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE MAN KILLED IN AUSTRALIA

The Australian mail has just brought news into Weardale of a fatal accident which occurred on the 18th April of the present year, to a Weardale man well known and much respected, Thomas Peart, who left Weardale some nineteen years ago for Australia met with his death whilst working at Hill End

Tambaroora, New South Wales. He was many years a member of the Weardale Harmonic Band, was a cheerful companion and was a Good Templar, deceased was 48 years of age and leaves a widow and three daughters.

The Independent order of Good Templars was a temperance organisation, below is an extract from the Australian Press.

The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW)
Friday 4 April 1873

A Fatal Mining Accident: - Another fatal mishap occurred at Beard and Tallentyre's claim, on Hawkins Hill. The Observer states that the deceased, a very respectable man, named Peart, was the contractor for certain work required to he done in the claim. He was at the time of the accident below in the shaft that had been sunk in the tunnel, and whilst in this position a heavy wooden bucket fell upon him from the top of the shaft, fracturing his skull and causing almost instant death. From the evidence taken at the Coroner's inquest, it seems that the unfortunate man's attention was only a few hours previously called to the state of the hook that attached the bucket to the chain, and he replied it would do for a while.

His temerity has cost him his life, and this instance of a want of caution should impress itself on our mining friends in the discharge of their labours, particularly those-who, have wives and families dependent on their existence.

21st June 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

At Newcastle, at 55 Hawes Street, aged 71, Jane, Widow of James Spottiswood of Alston.

In 1841 living at Physic Hall, James Spottiswood, lead miner 35, his wife Jane (Martindale married 17th May 1827 at Alston) 35 and children James 10, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 4, Hannah 4, Sarah 1.

In 1851 living at Physic Hall, Jane Spottswood a lead miners widow (Husband James died 1845) aged 49, children, James lead miner 20, Joseph lead miner 17, Hannah 14, Sarah 11.

In 1861, Jane a Widow is living in Elswick with her son James listed as a lead miner and daughter Sarah a dressmaker.

In 1861 living at Teynham Place, Elswick, Joseph Spottiswood a foreman at Elswick lead works, 27, his wife, Elizabeth 24, and children Margret 6, James 4 From census information I believe Joseph married Elizabeth in 1858, and that their first two children Margaret and James (1868?) died before the 1871 census as did Elizabeth (1868?).

In 1871 at 55 Hawes Street, Elswick, Jane Spottiswood widow, aged 69, sons James (a stoker) 40, Joseph widower, (a stoker) 39, daughters Hannah 34, and Sarah 31,also living with them are Josephs children Jane A. 9, and James T. aged 3.

Jane Spottiswood died in 1873 aged 71. Sarah married in 1875; I believe she married a Thomas Martindale, Sarah Martindale born 1840 died at Gateshead in 1878.

In 1881, James is a boarder in Elswick working as a Boiler Fireman; Joseph is living at Hawes St. with his two children working as an Engineman driver at works. Hannah is living in Whickham, Gateshead, with her sister Elizabeth,

married to George Masterman (married in 1868) a mason; they have a daughter Mary Jane aged 9.

Elswick, Hawes Street, 1963
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West Newcastle Local History

28th June 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Wesleyan Chapel, 23rd inst., Martin son of Matthew Tindle, to Hannah third daughter of Joseph Walton, Alston.
See 2nd September 1876
In 1881, at Front Street, South, Alston, Martin Tindle,, grocer master, aged 34, born Greenhead N'land, his wife Hannah 39, sons, Matthew Henry 6, and Joseph 5.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Martin Tindle, grocer, aged 44, his wife Hannah 49, daughter Annie M F 9, and nephew, Matthew H Tindle 15.
Hannah Tindle died 4th qtr., 1929, aged 82, at Alston.

28th June 1873 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
GRANT OF MORE "LENT MONEY" TO THE MINERS.

The great struggle of last year marked the concession of ten shillings per month more "lent money" to the Weardale miners, making it 50s instead of 40s. The miners committee, at a meeting held at St John's Chapel in April last taking into consideration the high price of coals and other household necessities passed a resolution to the effect that they would petition their employers for an advance of 10s per month lent money making it £3 and the request has been granted through Mr Cain by Mr Beaumont, who in a letter expressed his wish to consider at all times the requirements of his men.

Marriages

At Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel,19th inst., Mr Wallace Millican, of Garrigill Gate, to Miss Elizabeth Watson of Crossgill.

In 1881, at Crossgill Hall, Wallace Millican, farm bailiff of 300 acres, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 29, born Appleby, children Alice M. 7, George C. 5, Annie J. 7 months, and mother Sarah Millican, widow, annuitant, aged 72.

See 18th August 1865

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th ult., Mr John Lowe to Miss Mary Ann Spottiswood.

In 1861, at Middle Skelgill, James Spottswood, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Phebe 33, daughters Mary Ann 8, and Jane 7 months. In 1871, at High Skelgill, James, lead miner, and farmer of 7 acres, aged 44, his wife Phoebe 43, Jane 10, James 8, William 3, and Hugh 2. In 1881, at Blagill Head, James Spottiswood, farmer of 40 acres, aged 54, his wife Phoebe 53, children James, coal miner, aged 18, William, coal miner, aged 13, Hugh 12, and John Joseph 9. In 1891, at Milestone House, Ouseby, Low Moor, James Spottiswood, farmer & innkeeper, aged 64, his wife Phoebe 63, sons William 23, Hugh 22, John 19, and domestic servant Fanny Reed aged 13.

James Spottiswood died 1st quarter of 1894, aged 67.

In 1851, at Low Farnbury, Teasdale Low, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Margaret (Walton, married 23rd September 1832, Alston) aged 33, children Susan 12, Teasdale 9, Phebe 7, Thompson 4, and John 1.

In 1861, at Low Farnbury, Teasdale Low, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Margaret 47, children Eunice 23, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, John, lead miner, aged 11, and William 5.

Teasdale Lowe died 1st quarter of 1867, aged 70.

In 1871, at Clitheroe, Margaret Lowe, widow, farmer, aged 59, children Teasdale, cart driver, aged 29, Thomas T, lead miner, aged 27, Phoebe 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, cartman, aged 19, William 16, grandchildren Sarah A Lowe 8, and Thomas W Lowe 6.

In 1881, at 2 Middle Skelgill, John Lowe, carter, aged 30, his wife Mary A. 28, children Margaret 6, Phoebe 5, James T. 3, and Mary A. 1. In 1891, at Skelgill, John Lowe, pit man (coal) & farmer, aged 40, his wife Mary Ann 34, children Minnie 19, James, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 17, William 14, Hugh 12, Thompson 10.

In 1901, at Skelgill, John Lowe, farmer, aged 51, his wife Mary Ann 48, children Margaret 16, James S. driver of pit pony, aged 13, Mary Jane 11, Minnie 9, John 7, Willis 4, Hugh 2, and Thompson 1 month, Joseph 4, and wife's brother Joseph Spottiswood, lead miner, aged 29.

In 1911, at Skelgill House, John Lowe, farmer, aged 61, his wife Mary Ann 58, children Mary Jane, dairy work, aged 31, John, coal miner, hewer, aged 27, Hugh, shoemaker, aged 22, Thompson, working on farm, aged 20, and Joseph, tailors apprentice, aged 14. John Lowe died 4th quarter of 1931, aged 82.

See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896.

Deaths

At Juniper House, Hexhamshire, 16th inst., aged 85, Mary Dixon, widow of Thomas Dixon Lead Agent, Dukesfield Hall, Slaley.

At Alston, 24th inst. aged 61, Mr Thomas Lowe, Lead Miner.

In 1851, at Front St., Alston, Phoebe Lowe, unmarried, aged 40, son John Lowe, lead miner, aged 18, nephew Thomas Lowe, lead miner, aged 42, and nephew John Lowe, lead miner, aged 29.
In 1861, at Town Head, Thomas Lowe, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth aged 34, and his mother Ann Robson, widow, aged 75.
In 1871, at Town Head, Thomas Lowe, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth, 44, children Mary 8, and Elizabeth 5.
Elizabeth died 20th March 1876 aged 49; in 1881 the two children are boarding at Hundy Head, Alston with Thomas Johnson aged 66, a Tailor and his wife Mary aged 60, Mary Ann aged 18 working as a domestic servant and Elizabeth 15, a scholar.
See 25th March 1876

1st July 1873 (Penrith Observer)
ALSTON.—BOARD OF GUARDIANS. —At the fortnightly meeting of the Alston Board of Guardians, held at the Board Room, Town Hall, Alston, on Saturday, Mr. Richard Dixon, of Allendale, was appointed master, and Mrs Dixon (his wife) matron of the Alston Workhouse, the salary of the master being £25, and that of the matron £20 per annum, with rations in the house.—At the same meeting, Mr. John Dixon, auctioneer, Crosslands, Alston, was appointed inspector of nuisances for the parish of Alston, with Garrigill, the appointment being for one year only, at a salary of £20 per annum.

5th July 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Reported the death of Matthew Lowes of Queensbury, Weardale, interred at Copt Hall, He died at the early age of 26 and was 6 feet 7 inches in height, he was unmarried.
Son of William a lead miner and Mary Lowes, William died in 1860, in 1871 he was living with his mother Mary Lowes aged 54, a farmer of 4 acres at Queensberry, Heather Cleugh, Matthew a lead miner aged 24, and his brothers Thomas lead miner 20, William lead miner 18, Cuthbert lead miner 15, and John J. scholar11.
Marriages
At Nenthead, 29th ult., Mr Thomas Swindle, Merchant Tailor, Nenthead to Miss Frances Hayton, Dykehead, Nenthead.
In 1871, at White Hall, Elizabeth Hayton, widow, aged 50, children, Jonathan, lead miner, unemployed, aged 29, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 27, Jane 16, and William, lead ore washer, aged 14.
In 1871, Frances Hayton aged 19, was working as a servant, for John W. Maltby, retired doctor, and his family, at Framwellgate, Co. Durham.
See 15th June 1850, 20th October 1865, 30th June 1877, & 14th July 1877

In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Francis Swindle, lead smelter, aged 35, his wife Mary (Henderson, married 29th June 1828, Ninebanks) aged 30, children Joseph 12, Peggy 10, Jane 7, Francis 5, and Thomas 1.
Mary Swindle died 30th September 1846, aged 37.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Francis Swindle, widow, lead smelter, aged 49, born Allendale, children Joseph, lead smelter, aged 21, Margaret 20, Francis, lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas 11, and Mary 8.
Francis Swindle married Jane Erwin, at Nenthead, 6th March 1853
Francis Swindle died 4th quarter of 1859

Margaret Swindle married John Hutchinson, 25th November 1854, at Nenthead.

IN
LOVING
MEMORY OF
THOMAS SWINDLE
WHO DIED 6TH JUNE 1886
AGED 46 YEARS
ALSO OF HAYTON HIS SON
WHO DIED 24TH APRIL 1885
AGED 2 YEARS AND 6 MONTHS

In 1861, at Willinton Quay, John Hutchinson, smelter of lead ore, aged 27, his wife Margaret 30, and Thomas Swindle, merchant tailor, aged 21.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Thomas Swindle, tailor, aged 31, and boarder, Christopher Ridley, tailor, aged 26.
In 1881, at Overwater, Thomas Swindle, tailor, aged 41, his wife Frances 29, children Mary E. 5, Jane 2, and Frances 4 months.
Thomas Swindle died 6th June 1886, aged 46.
In 1891, at John Cavindish Rd, Sunderland, Percival Hall, laundry vanman, aged 24, born Ponteland, his wife Frances (Swindle, married 4th quarter of 1887, reg. Alston) aged 40, step daughters, Jane Swindell, 12, and Frances Swindell 10.
In 1901, at Sorley St., Sunderland, Percival Hall, laundry vanman, aged 36, his wife Frances aged 48, step children Mary Lizzey Swindell, dressmakers apprentice, aged 15, Jane Swindell, laundry clerk, aged 21 and Frances Swindell, laundry clerk, aged 20 (married Ernest Paterson 4th quarter of 1904, reg. Sunderland).
Percival Hall died 4th quarter of 1901, aged 36, Frances Hall died 3rd quarter of 1911, aged 60.
See 3rd October 1846.

12th July 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 5th inst., Mr Joseph Cousin of Herdley Terrace, Coanwood, to Miss Mary Ann Trathan of Alston.
In 1851, at Overwater, Walter Trathen, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Mary Ann, aged 25, daughters Mary 2, and Margaret 1.
Walter Trathan, son of Richard Trathan & Martha Tatters, died 1st quarter of 1858

In 1861, at Overwater, Mary A Trathan, miners widow, aged 36, children Mary 12, Margaret 10, Nanny 7, and James 5.
In 1881, at Herdly Terrace, Lambley, Haltwhistle, Joseph Cousin, coal miner, aged 58, born Allendale, his wife, Mary Ann 54, sons William, coal putter, aged 18, and Joseph, coal putter, aged 14.
See 27th October 1865, and 3rd August 1878

19th July 1873 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
SHOCKING DEATH

A young man, named John Charlton met with a shocking death on Tuesday morning at Boltslaw in Weardale. The deceased was engaged to attend to the wire rope at the Boltslaw standing engine and was keeping it in its proper place on the drum, when from some cause or other which is not at present satisfactorily explained he was taken up by the rope, and carried, before any assistance could be rendered him, twice round the drum between it and the rope. On being extracted, he was found to be quite dead. The deceased was 18 years of age.
In 1871, at Bolts Burn, Stanhope, William Charlton, railway engine stoker, aged 55, his wife Sarah 54, children William, railway platelayer, aged 17, John, railway gatekeeper, aged 15, and Elizabeth A. 12.

Deaths

At Auckland, New Zealand, 14th April, in her 47th year, Elizabeth, wife of Mr John Holmes and daughter of the late Mr George Charlton of Newbrough near Hexham.

Daily Southern Cross 18th April 1873: On April 14, at her residence, Beach Road, Devonport, after a painful illness extending over 15 years, borne with true Christian resignation and fortitude, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Mr. John Holmes, in the 47th year of her age. Her end was peace.

26th July 1873 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE MINERS

On Saturday last, the quarterly meeting of the Weardale Miners Association Committee was held at St John's Chapel, at the Black Bull Inn. At their last meeting in April, it was agreed, "That they petition W B Beaumont Esq., MP. to advance them 10s per month 'lent money', and that the bargain be based upon 25s per week." The secretary acted accordingly to the wishes of the committee, their request for 10s advance per month, subsistence money was readily granted, through Mr Beaumont's chief agent, Mr J C Cain, but Mr Beaumont would not admit of any basis for bargains. The committee accepted the advance from 50s to 60s lent money with thanks, and conveyed their sentiments in a letter to Mr Cain, expressing their feelings of gratefulness to that gentleman and their employer, Mr Beaumont, for considering so generously the interests and welfare of their workman. The first £3 lent money will be advanced on July 25. Once upon a time, the Weardale miners got a guinea per eight weeks to subsist upon. In the early part of this century they had 30s per month, on February 12, 1846, 40s per month was advanced, and on May 31, 1872, 50s.

26th July 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 16th inst. aged 46, Hannah Erwine, wife of Mr Joseph Erwine of Hillersdon Terrace.
Thomas Urwin married Tamar Thompson 5th February 1825.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Tamar Erwine, widow, aged 50, and son Joseph, smelter of lead ore, aged 15.
In 1851, at Welgill Dykeheads, Joseph Erwin, lead ore smelter, aged 25, his wife Hannah (Cousin married 1849) aged 23, daughters Tamar 1, and Mary Ann 2 months. In 1861, at Hill Top, Joseph Erwine, smelter, aged 35, his wife Hannah aged 33, children Tamar 11, Mary A 10, Hannah 8, Thomas 5, Catherine 4, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Erwine lead ore smelter 45, his wife Hannah 43, children Mary Ann dress maker 20, Thomas lead ore washer 15, Catherin 14, Elizabeth 11, Isabella 8, Phoebe 6.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Erwine, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 55, daughters Mary A. dressmaker, aged 30 and Phoebe 16.
Joseph Erwine died 3rd quarter 1885, aged 58.
At Nenthead, 17th inst. aged 63, Jane Armstrong, relict of Mr Robert Armstrong.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Atkinson, married 4th September 1828, Alston) aged 30, children Ann 12, and John 10.

IN
MEMORY OF
ROBERT ARMSTRONG
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
AUGUST 22ND 1870
AGED 66
ALSO OF
JANE HIS WIDOW
WHO DIED JULY 17TH 1873
AGED 63
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON WHO
DIED JANUARY 6TH 1890, AGED 59
ALSO OF ANN, WIFE OF THE ABOVE
JOHN WHO DIED AUGUST 29TH 1903,
AGED 67
ALSO ANN HODGSON THEIR
DAUGHTER,
WHO DIED AT MAUGHANBY JULY
21ST 1911
AGED 83.

In 1851, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Jane 40, son John, lead miner, aged 20, aunt in law Mary Pearson, unmarried, aged 61, and lodger Adam Walton, lead mine overman & clerk, aged 27.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Armstrong, lead ore miner, aged 56, his wife Jane 50, and son John, lead miner, aged 30.
Robert Armstrong died August 22nd 1870, aged 66.
Robert Armstrong of Nenthead, Lead ore miner, will dated 31st July 1869, proved at Carlisle 25th April 1873. Names mentioned in the will: —
Wife Jane Armstrong, son John Armstrong, miner, grandson Robert Hodgson and daughter Ann wife of Thomas Hodgson.
In 1871, Jane is living at West Nenthead, an annuitant with her son John aged 40 a rail layer in the lead mines and Robert Hodgson her grandson aged 6.
Her daughter Ann had married Thomas Hodgson (at Lazonby 18th May 1864) the 1881 census has the family living at Langwathby Thomas Hodgson farmer of 137 acres aged 43, his wife Ann 50, children, Robert 16, John James 13, Tom 12, and Margaret Jane 10.

2nd August 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 24th ult. aged 61, Mr James Hutchinson.
In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, James Hutchinson, lead miner, formerly, aged 39 (blind), his wife Hannah, (Hayton, married 6th April 1837) aged 34, children Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 13, Elizabeth 10, George 8, James 5, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, James Hutchinson, lead miner, blind, aged 49, his wife Hannah aged 44, children, Jonathan, lead ore miner, aged 23, Elizabeth, house servant, aged 20, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, James, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary 12, Ann 8, and Joseph 5.
Jonathan Hutchinson married Eleanor Pattinson, 3rd quarter of 1861, Eleanor died 9th May 1867, aged 25 years; she was the daughter of John (Stone Mason) & Jane Pattinson, of Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead.
In 1871, at White Hall, Nenthead, James Hutchinson, lead miner, disabled, aged 59, his wife Hannah 54, children Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 30, George, lead miner, aged 28, James, lead miner, aged 25, Mary, dress maker, aged 21, Ann, domestic servant, aged 18, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, grand daughter, Hannah Hutchinson 3 Days, Son and boarder Jonathan Hutchinson, widow, lead ore miner, aged 33, grandson James Hutchinson 9, grand daughter Jane Hutchinson 7, and grand son John Hutchinson 5.
Jonathan married Margaret Martindale on the 14th November 1871.
In 1881, at Foulard, Jonathan Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margaret (born Hexham), aged 39, son James Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 19, sons George Martindale, lead ore dresser, aged 15 (born Allendale), Thomas H. Martindale 13 (born Allendale), and Robert W. Hutchinson, aged 8 (born Alston). Jonathan's daughter Jane was working as a domestic servant and his son John was living with his uncle James at North Bedburn, Durham, he and his uncle working as coal miners. In 1891, at 20 Chandrs St., Gateshead, Jonathan Hutchinson, hardware warehouseman, aged 52, his wife Margaret 50, sons Thomas, whitesmith, aged 23, and Robert W. pupil teacher, aged 18. Jonathan died 1st quarter of 1901, aged 61.
See 25th November 1871.

At Nenthead 25th ult., aged 17, Elizabeth Liddle daughter of Thomas Liddle.
In 1841, at the Market Place, Nenthead, Joseph Liddle, blacksmith, aged 45, his wife Catherine 42, children Elizabeth 18, Mary 15, Thomas 5, and Hannah aged 3.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Joseph Liddle, blacksmith, aged 55, his wife Catherine (Erwin, married 19th December 1816, Alston) aged 52, son Thomas, blacksmith, aged 16, daughters Hannah 14, and Ann 9.
In 1861, at Adelaide Place, Poplar, Tower Hamlets, London, Robert Morris, warehouseman, aged 26, born Liverpool, his wife Hannah aged 24, born Nenthead, and mother in law Catherine Liddle, widow, aged 63.
In 1871, Catherine was living close to her son Thomas at Nenthead.
In 1881, at Broad Street, Tower Hamlets, London, Robert Morris, Clerk Oil & _____ works, aged 46, his wife Hannah aged 44, children Catherine A. 17, Robert Wm. 11, Rose E. 13, Joseph H. 9, Thomas A. 7, and mother in law, Catherine Liddle, widow, aged 82 (death registered at Stepney, London, November 1881).

EAST SIDE
SACRED
TO THE
MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH DAUGHTER
OF THOMAS AND MARY
LIDDLE OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED JULY 25TH
1873 AGED 18 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY BELOVED WIFE OF
THOMAS LIDDLE WHO DIED FEB
14TH 1906 AGED 95 YEARS

SOUTH SIDE
ALSO
TO THE
MEMORY OF
JOSEPH LIDDLE
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED JUNE 27TH 1853
AGED 57 YEARS
ALSO OF
CATHERINE HIS WIFE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
8TH NOVEMBER 1881
AGED 83

In 1861, at Nenthead, Thomas Liddle, blacksmith, aged 26, his wife Mary 41, and daughter Elizabeth aged 5.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Thomas Liddle aged 36; Blacksmith farming 11 acres, married to Mary aged 50, born Hesket Newmarket, and Elizabeth their daughter aged 15.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Thomas Liddle, blacksmith, aged 47, and his wife Mary aged 60. Also Catherine Liddle, widow, confectioner, aged 72.

In 1891, at Front Street, Nenthead, Thomas Liddle, Blacksmith, aged 57, and his wife Mary aged 80. In 1901, at Nenthead Street, Thomas Liddle, Blacksmith, aged 66, and his wife Mary aged 70.
In 1911, Thomas Liddle, widow, blacksmith, aged 76, was lodging at the Butts, Alston.

9th August 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Langley Mill, 31st ult. aged 34, Mr Robert Robson, Lead Ore Smelter.
In 1861, at Langley Mills, Frances Robson, widow, housekeeper, aged 54, and her son Robert Robson, cartman, aged 24.
In 1871, at Langley Mills, Ann Waggott, widow, aged 73, boarders Robert Robson, lead ore smelter, aged 32, and John Lee, lead ore smelter aged 31.
At Loatburn, near Alston. 31st ult., John James Snowdon, son of Jacob Snowdon (deceased) aged 7.
In 1851, at High Lovelady Shield, Ann Snowden, widow (Husband Thomas died 1st quarter of 1840), landed proprietor, aged 30, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 26, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Jacob, lead miner, aged 19, and house servant Mary Wallace aged 16.
In 1861, at High Lovelady Shield, George Snowden (died 4th quarter of 1861?), farmer of 33 acres, aged 36, brother Jacob Snowden, lead miner, aged 29, and house servant Tamar Walton aged 25.
In 1861, at Blagill, Nenthead, William Hilton, widow (William married Margaret Stephenson 3rd May 1832 at Alston, Margaret died 19th September 1838, aged 23), lead miner, aged 55, daughters Ann 28, and Jane 19. Jane aged 26 married Robert Snowdon aged 38, 19th May 1868 at Alston, Robert died 2nd quarter of 1875, Jane Snowden married Thomas Walton 4th quarter of 1877.
In 1881, at Cocklake, Nenthead, Thomas Walton, farmer of 222 acres, aged 45, is wife Jane 40, daughter Frances Louisa 2, step children Thomas. Will. Snowden, farmers assistant, Ag. Labourer, aged 19, Annie Snowden 11, Sarah Jane Snowden 7, and niece Mary Jane Walton, dairymaid, aged 18.
In 1871, at Loatburn, Nenthead, Ann Snowden, widow (Ann Hilton married Jacob Snowden 2nd quarter of 1861, Jacob died 1st quarter of 1869), landowner of 31 acres, aged 38, sons Thomas W. 9, George 7, John J. 5, and boarder William Hilton, retired lead miner, aged 65. Ann Snowden married Jonathan Parmley 2nd quarter of 1873, registered at Alston.
In 1881, at Lot Burn, Nenthead, Jonathan Parmley, farmer of 35 acres, aged 59, his wife Ann 48, sons Thomas W. Snowdon, draper and grocer 19, and George Snowdon, farmers son, aged 17.
See 10th June 1882

16th August 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston on the 9th inst., Mr Joseph Walton of Lovelady Shield to Miss Mary Ann Kindred of Low nest Alston.
In 1851, at Front St., Henry Kindred, shoemaker, aged 25, his wife Isabella, (Bramwell, married 4th quarter of 1848) aged 24, children Mary A 5, William 1, and Margaret 1 month.
In 1861, Main St., Alston, Henry Kindred, cordwainer, aged 35, his wife Isabella 34, children Mary Ann 15, Margaret 9, John 4, and Isabel 1.

In 1871, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Henry Kindred, farmer of 25 acres, aged 45, his wife Isabella 44, children Mary A 25, John 14, Isabella 11, Henry S 9, and Elizabeth S 3. Henry Kindred died 29th September 1874, aged 49.
In 1861, at Lovelady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Martha (Stevenson, married 9th June 1842, at Alston) aged 38, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, and Henry 10.
In 1871, at Low Love Lady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Martha 48, daughter Ann 26, sons Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Henry, joiner, aged 19. In 1881, at Love Lady Shield, Roland Walton, farmer of 18 acres, aged 66, his wife Martha 58, and daughter Ann Kindred, widow aged 36.
Rowland Walton died 2nd quarter of 1884, aged 69.
In 1881, at Moss Hill Mansion, Farlam, Joseph Walton, gardener & groom, aged 34, and his wife Mary Ann aged 35.
Joseph Walton died 1st quarter of 1890, aged 43.
In 1891, at Gloucester Road, Elswick, Mary A Walton, widow, aged 45, cousin John J Bramwell, telegraphist, aged 20, boarders Wilhelm G Larsen, civil engineer, aged 28, H H Longbottom, grocers assistant, aged 25, Annie Short, hat box maker, aged 35, and Sarah Brimer, married aged 44.
In 1901, at Gloucester Rd, Elswick, Mary Ann Walton, widow, private boarding house, aged 55, boarders, John W. Walton, drapers assistant, aged 28, Walter Dickinson, clerk, aged 19, and Stephen Dickinson, clerk aged 18, all born Alston.
See 8th August 1874.

6th September 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Browngill, 1st inst. aged 79, Margaret widow of Joseph Roddam.
Joseph Roddam married Margaret Bell 1th June 1815, at Alston.
Children of Joseph & Margaret Roddam: —
Joseph born 13th December 1816, John Roddam born 15th August 1820, Albany born 11th October 1823, William born 12th September 1826, Elizabeth born 28th April 1831, Hannah born 25th September 1833, and Thomas born about 1839.
In 1841, at Browngill, Joseph Roddam, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Margeret aged 45, children John 20, William 13, Elizabeth 10, Hannah 7, and Thomas aged 2.
Joseph Roddam died 2nd February 1848.
In 1851, at Browngill, Margaret Roddam, widow, annuitant, aged 57, children Elizabeth 19, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 17, and Thomas 11. In 1861, at Browngill, Margaret Roddam, widow, annuitant, aged 65, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 21.
See 4th February 1848, 8th January 1858, 9th July 1870, & 25th November 1882.

13th September 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 8th inst. Mr Watson Taylor to Miss Ann Little, both of Alston.

In 1881, at 1 John Little Buildings, Alston, Watson Taylor, carpet manufacturer, aged 30, born Barnard Castle, his wife Ann 29, children Grace Ann 5, and Edith Mary 3. In 1891, at Skerwith, Penrith, Watson Taylor, carpet maker & dealer in hosiery & wool, aged 40, hid wife Annie 39, children Edith, pupil teacher, aged 13, Alice 10, Watson 7, and William 1.

Deaths

At Alston, 9th inst. aged 73, Margaret Armstrong, widow of Mr Joseph Armstrong, cooper.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, Joseph Armstrong, cooper, aged 40, his wife Margaret (Robinson, married 22nd June 1822, at Knaresdale) aged 40, children Mary 18, Hugh, watchmakers apprentice, aged 14, Thomas 12, Ann 10, Joseph 8, Jane 5, and John 1. In 1851, at Front St. Joseph Armstrong, cooper aged 52, his wife Margaret aged 51, children Thomas, cooper, aged 22, Ann, dressmaker aged 20, Jane 15, and John 11.

In 1861, at Town Head, Joseph Armstrong, cooper, aged 62, his wife Margaret 61, daughter Jane 25, son John, cooper, aged 21, and visitor Margaret Bell aged 14.

In 1871, at Town Head, Joseph Armstrong, master cooper, aged 72, his wife Margaret 71, and grandson Robert Bell, lead ore washer, aged 20.

Joseph Armstrong died 2nd quarter of 1872, aged 73.

27th September 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 23rd inst aged 55, Mr Anthony Brown, Miner.

See 15th February 1873

4th October 1873 (Hexham Herald)

STRIKE AT MR BEAUMONT'S LEAD WORKS

The whole of the men who were employed as separators at Mr Beaumont's Lead Works both at Allen Smelt works and Rookhope Mill, have come out on strike in consequence of the non compliance with their request for an increase in wages. The workmen had 4s 3d for seven hour shifts. They now demand 5s for the same hours and the same work.

11th October 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, Mr Thomas Hutchinson, Lanehead, Garrigill to Frances Jane, third daughter of Joseph Watson Esq. Crossgill House, Garrigill.

In 1881, at Cummersdale, Carlisle, Thomas Hutchinson, farmer of 108 acres aged 31, his wife Frances 27, children Isabella 6, Jane 4, and James 2.

11th October 1873 (Hexham Herald)

MR BEAUMONT AND THE SEPARATORS

It appears that the dispute with Mr Beaumont and the separators still exists though the statement that the men were on strike has been contradicted. The separators, we understand made an application to work 5 tons in 6 hour shifts at 5s each shift having previously received 4s 3d for doing 6 tons in 7 hours, and they argue that it is almost beyond human endurance to work that length of time and that they frequently arrive home in a most exhausted condition.

This was represented to the agent of Mr Beaumont, who in reply to their request has offered to give the men 4s 6d for shifts of 6 hours, but the quantity of lead 6 tons as previously must be worked in that time. Considering that the men have found themselves unable to work 6 tons in 7 hours, the concession of an hour – or rather the concentration of work, for of this there is no abatement – and an advance of 3d per shift is not regarded with any favour by the men who have determined not to accept it, at the same time offering to take the same wage that separators in other firms may now receiving. Meetings e been held, only with the same result not to accept the offer. Had this offer been accepted by the men the little that is offered to them by way of increased wage would have been more than counter balanced by the saving in fuel.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 4th inst, aged 6 weeks, Robert Whitfield.

18th October 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Hexham Registry Office, 16th inst. Mr William Milburn to Miss Margaret Reed, both of Coating Hill, Allendale.

Deaths

At Bridge End Mill, Allendale Town, 13th inst. aged 65, Mr John Little.
Miller & farmer, born Scotland. See 30th May 1874.

18th October 1873 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

MINING BARGAINS. The Lead Company's mining bargains for the Alston Moor district were held at Nenthead on Friday last. For a considerable time the mines have been in a moderate condition and as a natural consequence, the earnings of the men have been below the market price of labour. During the last ten years, numbers have left for other districts, and on Friday, last it seems to have reached its climax. The Garrigill men must have given a heavy blow to their side by reducing their number, when upwards of 30 are remaining this time. The Nenthead side will be about a dozen less, making a total of upwards of 40 men and their families. The men with small families no doubt feel the pinch of the times, and the young men cannot afford to lose the golden opportunity of improving their social conditions. The inducements offered in other districts afford the men in these poor districts the opportunity of bettering their condition, and develop their powers of industry. If the tide of migration flows on, Alston Moor district will present a lonely aspect. However, the batch who have departed will not materially affect their old employers, but rather relieve them at the time when the mines reopen.

Deaths

At Wentworth Place, Allendale Town, 21st ult., Frances third daughter of Mr Thomas Roddam, Cattle Dealer.

25th October 1873 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON IMMIGRATION

The poverty of the lead mines in the Alston district has frequently being referred to in these columns. The mines have at length become so poor, the masters cannot allow wages in accordance with the high price of most of the

necessaries of life. Hence, large numbers have left for other places where better remuneration for their labour is to be obtained. On the morning of Tuesday last between fifty and sixty including miners and their families left the Alston station for the coal mines in East Lancashire. They were mostly from Garrigill where the average earnings has for some time been poor. It is expected that if good reports come from the immigrant's numbers more will follow their example.

Many returned complaining of the working & living conditions in Lancashire

WEARDALE

A farewell service and presentation was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, High House, on the 14th inst. A gold watch was presented to Rev Joseph Race on his leaving Weardale as a missionary to China.

See 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.

25th October 1873 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE SEPARATORS AND THEIR WAGES

A meeting was held on Thursday night at Allen Bridge, which was attended by a large number of the workmen in the neighbourhood, when a deputation, consisting of Messrs Johnson and Dickinson, was appointed to wait upon the agent Mr Johnson, to explain to him what the separators required, so that a just and fair settlement of the case could be arrived at. This deputation were to meet the men on Saturday night at an adjourned meeting held at Thorney Gate, and report how their requests were met. They stated that the result of their labours had been that the agent would make no further concessions further than allowing them to work the same six tons in seven hours and give them 4s 6d per shift, which offer was not accepted, they wishing to work 6 tons in seven hours at 5s per shift. Failing this they are agreed to abide by the same regulations under which the Rookhope men work, appoint a deputation to settle these matter or leave them to arbitration. … Meanwhile they remain on strike.

1st November 1873 (Hexham Herald)

GARRIGILL

Mr William Nall was accepted for admission into the University of Durham, "… who must have passed a very good examination, as the examiners have recommended him for an exhibition of £30."

7th November 1873 (Newcastle Courant)

DEATH OF MR FAIRBRIDGE SURGEON.

The inhabitants of Blanchland and surrounding district have sustained a heavy loss by the death of Mr John Madgin Fairbridge, surgeon, which took place at his residence in the above village, on the 1st inst. Mr. Faribridge has resided in the locality for about thirty years, during which period he has had a very extensive practice, and by his great ability as a surgeon, and his uniform kindness to all with whom he came in contact, he had secured many friends. He was engaged by the Derwent Mines Company, Limited, as surgeon for the mines, at a monthly stipend, in 1848, and from that period up to the time of his death he faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties of the office. The

deceased gentleman, who was fifty-six years of age, leaves a widow and several children to mourn after a kind husband and affectionate father.

8th November 1873 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, Mr Thomas Hymers of Hudgill, to Mary Graham of Fairhill, Alston.
John Hymers married Elizabeth Coulson, 15th April 1839, at Alston Church.
In 1841, at Blagill High House, Alston, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth 20, children, Hannah 3, and Sarah 1
In 1851, at West Foreshield, Alston, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 36, children, Hannah 13, Sarah 11, Robert 7, Thomas 4, Jonathan 2, and William 4 months.
In 1861, at Hudgill, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 45, children Hannah 23, Sarah 21, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jonathan 12, William 10, Elizabeth 8, John 6, Emmerson 3, and nephew Joseph Hall 9.
In 1871, at Hudgill, Elizabeth Hymers, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 55, children Robert, lead miner, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 22, William, lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth 18, John 16, and Emerson 13.

Thomas Hymers died 2nd quarter of 1878, aged 31.

In 1881, at Bowes Hill, Bishop Auckland, Mary Hymar, widow, laundress, aged 35, daughters Elizabeth 9, and Esther 7, all born Alston.
In 1891, Esther Hymers aged 17, was working as a domestic servant in Witton le Wear. Elizabeth Hymer aged 18, in 1891, is working as a domestic servant at Stanhope Gate, Middleton.

8th November 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Garrigill Gate, 23rd ult. aged 46, John Nall.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Garrigill, John Nall, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary, aged 28, and daughter Tamar 2 months.
Mary Nall was buried at Garrigill 28th March 1852.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, John Nall, lead miner, aged 33, and his wife Nancy aged 42. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Nall, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Ann (Nancy Rain, married 20th August 1857 at Garrigill) aged 52, and boarder Thomas Hardy, lead miner, aged 26.
At Haggs, 27th ult. aged 65, Thomas Glendinning.
In 1851 at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning lead miner, aged 42, born Knaresdale, his wife Susan (Liddle, married 29th December 1842, at Alston) aged 42, children John lead miner 16, Jane 13, William 5, Robert 3, and Margaret 2.
Susan/Susannah his wife was buried 20th April 1856, aged 47, at Nenthead
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendining, widower, lead miner, aged 52, children, John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 16, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Margaret, house keeper, aged 12, Mary 9, and Susannah7.

In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendining, widower, lead miner, aged 62, children, William, lead miner, aged 25, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Margaret 22, and Susannah 17.

15th November 1873 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

THE SEPARATORS

Another meeting of the separators at Allen Smelt Mill was held on Wednesday night, when it was resolved to continue the struggle, which has now lasted eight weeks. The agent remains inflexible and will neither compromise nor allow a settlement by arbitration.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 11th inst., after a lingering illness (consumption) aged 25, Miss Mary Nicholson.

See 11th January 1868, 29th May 1869, 4th May 1872, and 21st April 1883

At Allendale at Holly Bush, 3rd inst. aged 80, Margaret, widow of Henry French, Wood Agent. *See 2nd August 1864, & 19th June 1869*

22nd November 1873 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE TRACTION ENGINE. The long looked for and long talked of engine arrived in Weardale last week, and was taken to the W. B. lead mines at Breckon Syke, where it had to undergo the test of its usefulness. On the day of the trial several influential gentlemen connected with these mines, as well as a large number of the inhabitants of the dale, whom curiosity led to see the iron monster which was to replace the old fashioned, slow cumbrous carrier's cart, by which lead ore has hitherto been taken to Allendale. The fire was soon ignited, and steam began gradually to rise, until the desired pressure had been attained, when the carriage was loaded with about 51/2 tons of lead ore. ... though the leviathan is restive, reels and staggers a little it does not move a great deal - only a little, and after a mile had been passed over, it failed to climb a steep bank. ... a mistake, and most assuredly so in Weardale, where the roads are not so level or so good as they are in southern counties. The carriers we understand have got instructions to resume their usual work, and the engine is left "under consideration."

ALLENDALE

The Separators held a meeting on the 15th inst., when a deputation of three of their number was appointed to wait upon the agent (Mr W. J. Johnson) and ascertain if there was any likelihood of their terms being accepted. ... On Monday, the deputation waited on him, and explained the nature of their business to which he listened in good part, until the moot point at issue was touched, and when he said they knew his terms, and if they liked they could go in on them. After a good deal of discussion, W. Ridley, one of the deputation and one of the oldest workmen on the works, said if he would not listen to them they would go to the fountain head, and let Mr Beaumont know how the case really stands. The deputation then left, with the understanding that a petition explaining their case, is to be drawn up and forwarded to Mr Beaumont for the gentleman's consideration. Application, we understand has been made in several quarters for men to come and supply the places of those who have left, but without success, under present circumstances. We

also hear of influences having been used in sundry places to stop employers from obtaining the services of those leaving Allendale.

ROOKHOPE

We have to record the death at Lintz Garth, Rookhope on Monday 10th after a few days illness Miss Hannah Foster daughter of Mr John Foster agent Rookhope Lead Mill, had just attained the 17th year of her age. ... She was attacked with Scarlatina of a malignant type and diphtheria supervening, baffled the skill of Mr Davis her medical attendant.

Scarlatina also called, Scarlet fever is due to a throat infection caused by the bacterium called streptococcus. Sore throat and fever (high temperature) are the typical first symptoms.

A bright red rash soon develops; toxin that is made by the streptococcal bacteria causes this. The toxin gets into the blood from the infected throat. The rash starts as small red spots, usually on the neck and upper chest. It soon spreads to many other parts of the body. The face may become quite flushed. Other common symptoms include: headaches, vomiting, being off food, and feeling generally unwell.

Diphtheria is a contagious bacterial infection that mainly affects the nose and throat. Less commonly, it can also affect the skin. The symptoms of diphtheria include: high temperature (fever) of 38°C (100.4°F) or above, sore throat, and breathing difficulties.

The most serious cases of diphtheria can be fatal.

Today an estimated 5-10% of people who get diphtheria will die from complications that arise from the condition, such as breathing difficulties or inflammation of the heart (myocarditis).

Deaths

At Aimshaugh near Alston, 18th inst. aged 90, Hannah Watson, widow of the late Mr Emerson Watson of Hudgill.

In 1841 at Lovelady, Emerson Watson, lead miner aged 45, Hannah Watson (Hymers, married 10th June 1822, at Alston), aged 60, and Hannah Watson, 15. In 1851, at Hudgill, Hannah Watson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 72, daughter Hannah, dairymaid, aged 25, and house servant Elizabeth Hymers aged 15. In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Hannah Watson, widow, landowner, aged 86, and granddaughter, Hannah Hall, housemaid, aged 22.

29th November 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Chapel, 22nd inst. Mr Stephen Teasdale to Miss Mary Lowes, both of Stanhope.

In 1881, Stephen Teasdale, widower, limestone quarryman, aged 47, and son John Lowes aged 12.

At Stanhope Primitive Chapel, 22nd inst. Mr Charles Emerson of Stanhope to Miss Sarah Douglas of Daddry Shield.

On Sunday, November 2nd 1873, Mr James Davison to Miss Sarah E Raine, both of Nilsonville, Ohio.

Deaths

At Alston, 20th inst. aged 84, Mr James Fisher.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Thomas Cawthorn, draper and china shop keeper, aged 40, born South Wales, Abergavenny, his wife Jane (Smith, married 16th March 1852, at Newcastle upon Tyne) aged 42, born Shotley

Bridge, children, Elizabeth 10, born Knaresdale, Thomas 8, born Knaresdale, William 5, born Knaresdale, John 3, born Alston, and Jane 1, born Alston. In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Jane Cawthorn, widow (her husband Thomas, died 4th qtr 1870, aged 50), general dealer in hardware, aged 51, children Elizabeth, general dealer daughter, aged 20, James, general dealer son, aged 19, William, pupil teacher, aged 15, John 14, Jane 11, Mary A. 10, and visitor James Fisher, formerly paper maker, aged 79, born Hexham.

At Alston 27th inst aged 76, Hannah Philipson.

In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Hannah Phillipson, widow, grocer, aged 73, her son William, iron ore agent, aged 43, wife Mary 46, children Ellen, pupil teacher, aged 18, William F. pupil teacher, aged 14, Anne 11, and Mary P. 8 years.

At Catton, Allendale, 18th inst., aged 30, Mary wife of Mr Wm Parker, 24th inst., aged 19, Mr Edward Beck, farmer and lead ore carrier.

In 1871, William Parker aged 28, railway platelayer, living with his wife Mary aged 27, and children Isabella 1, and John William 5 months. William remarried and in 1881, he was working as a butcher and living at Medomsley with his wife Ann aged 33, children Isabella 11, John William 10, and Jane 2.

29th November 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Allendale

The separators remained on strike, and at a meeting: -

… Mr Wm. Ridley, one of the separators informed the meeting of the nature of their employment and their present wages being 4s 3d per shift for seven or eight hours labour, during which time they had to put through the process of disuniting or separating six tons of lead with a heavy iron ladle; and they now asked for s for the same labour and time to work it in." … *They agreed to petition Mr Beaumont and remain on strike.*

Births

At Stonecroft, Lead Mine, 26th inst., the wife of Thomas Ware, Agent, of a son.

See 27th November 1886

Deaths

At Mill Cottage, Allenheads, 22nd inst., aged 69, Mr Robert Todd.

In 1851, at Mill Cottage, Allendale, Robert Todd, lead ore weigher, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Bowman, married at Hexham 14th November 1825), aged 45, sons George, lead and silver separator, aged 19, and Joseph 11 years. In 1861, at Mill Cottages, George Todd, lead ore smelter & joiner, aged 29, his wife Mary Anne (Robson, married 22nd May 1858, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 26, and daughter Elizabeth 1 year. Joseph Todd, lead ore smelter, aged 21, his wife Hannah (Stephenson, married 2nd quarter of 1859) aged 25, daughter Jane 1, and son Robert 3 months. Robert Todd, foreman in lead ore smelting works, aged 56, wife Elizabeth, aged 55, and house servant, Elizabeth Hetherington aged 30. In 1871, at Mill Cottages, Robert Todd, annuitant, aged 66, and his wife Elizabeth 65.

At Middlehope Green, Allenheads, 24th inst., aged 27, Mr Joseph Stokoe.

In 1861, at Mill Cottages, Allenheads, John Stokoe, Blacksmith, aged 55, his wife Ann 52, son Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 16, and granddaughter Ann Stokoe 8. In 1871, at Middlehope Green, Joseph Stokoe, lead ore smelter, aged 26, and his wife Jane (Robson, married 14th November 1868, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 28.

6th December 1873 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE TOWN

Yesterday the strike which has been existing between the separators of Allen Mill Lead works and their employer for the past nine or ten weeks, terminated. At a meeting of the men held yesterday afternoon it was resolved that they should commence work upon the old terms.

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 29th ult. Mr Fairless English of Cows Hill to Miss Mary Ann Maddison of Hawkwell Head.

At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr Ralph Dalkin of Island House, Westgate, Weardale to Miss Mary Jane Nixon of Field Head, Newbiggin, Teesdale.

Deaths

At the Fellside, 28th ult. aged 64, Susannah wife of Mr W. Forster, Lead miner.

In 1861, at Dipton Mill, William Forster, innkeeper, and lead ore miner, aged 58, wife Susannah (Carr, married 3rd March 1835) aged 51, children William, lead ore miner, aged 21, Susannah, house maid, aged 19, Isabella 12, Henry 10, and John 8. In 1871, at East Petrel Field, Susannah Forster, married, shepherdess, aged 61, daughter Isabella, domestic servant, aged 22, son Henry, woodman, aged 20, and granddaughter Elizabeth Jane Forster 1 year.

6th December 1873 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

THE SEPARATORS.

The strike of the separators continues at Allen Smelt Mill without any sign of settlement. It is thought the agent is in the wrong, in as much as he will not allow the dispute to be settled by arbitration. Some of the oldest and most experienced men have left the works to go in no more. …

Deaths

At Alston 27th ult., aged 10 months, Anne, daughter of Joseph and Jane Slack.

In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, Joseph Slack, tailor, employing 2 apprentices, aged 39, wife Jane 31, children Margaret A. 5, Mary H. 2, and Harriet 4 months.

On the 3rd inst., aged 30, suddenly Mr George Sparke.

In 1851, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 58, wife Sarah aged 38, children George L. 7, Rachael 17, John 4 years.

In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, Sarah Spark, lead miners widow, aged 47, sons George, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 14, grandson Thomas Richardson 3, and John Knott, married, boot and shoe maker, aged 30.

In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Sarah Spark, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 55, and boarder John Knott, married, shoe maker, aged 40. See 29th June 1872.

In 1871, at Town foot, Thomas Walton, ostler, aged 45, wife Rachel aged 37, sons Utrick Hugh Walton 4, Robert 5 months, step children, Thomas Richardson 13, Margaret Richardson 8, Ann Richardson 7, boarders George Spark, coal miner, aged 27, and Joseph Spark, shoe maker aged 24.

13th December 1873 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston, Wesleyan, Methodist Chapel, 29th ult. Mr Walter Scott of Blagill, to Miss Elizabeth Hutchinson of Fourdargue.

In 1861, at Annatwalls, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary aged 34, children Mary A 10, William 8, Elizabeth 6, and Joshua 2. In 1871, at Fourdargue, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 52, his wife Mary 44, children, William, lead miner, aged 18, Joshua 12, Isabella 9, Barbara 6, and Thomas 3. In 1871, Elizabeth Hutchinson aged 16, was working as a domestic servant, for George James, lead miner, and family at Copt Hill, Stanhope. In 1881, at Chapel Yard, Swainby, Stokesly, Yorkshire, Thomas Hutchinson, grocer & draper, aged 62, his wife Mary 54, children Barbara 16, and Thomas 14. In 1891, at High Street, Swainby, Mary Hutchinson, widow, grocer & draper, aged 65, and her daughter Barbara aged 26.

Thomas Hutchinson died 1st quarter of 1884, aged 65.

In 1851, at Blagill, John Scott, lead ore smelter, aged 51, born Knaresdale, his wife Elizabeth (Cousin, married 1st July 1826, Alston) aged 45, born Allendale, children Ann 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 15, Isaac, lead miner, aged 12, Matthew 9, Rodger 7, Robert 5, Elizabeth 3, granddaughters, Hannah Scott 3, Isabella Scott 10 months, and lodger Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 11.

John Scott died 1st quarter of 1860.

In 1861, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 55, children William, lead miner, aged 32, Elizabeth, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Rodger, lead miner, aged 7, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Walter 9, granddaughters Hannah Scott 13, Isabella Scott 11, and boarder Matthew Lee, lead miner, aged 21.

In 1871, at Blagill, Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer, aged 66, children William, lead miner, aged 42, Walter, lead miner, aged 20, granddaughter Elizabeth Scott 12, and farm servant Jane Spottswood 16.

In 1881, at Blagill, Walter Scott, Ag. Labourer, unemployed, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth 26, and lodger John Milburn, Ag. labourer, aged 24. In 1891, at Blagill

William Scott, unmarried, lead miner, aged 60, his brother, Walter, limestone worker, aged 39, and his brothers wife Elizabeth aged 38. In 1901, at The Raise, Walter Scott, Lead miner, aged 49, and his wife Elizabeth 46.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate 30th ult., aged 65, Mr Isaac Vipond.

In 1851, at Gatefoot, Garrigill, Ralph Vipond, widow, cattle dealer, aged 60, niece Hannah Vipond, house keeper, aged 45, nephew Isaac Vipond, mines agent, aged 43, nephew Ralph Vipond, lead miner, aged 35, and niece Elizabeth Vipond 14. In 1861, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, Isaac Vipond, joiner, aged 53, brother Ralph, lead miner, aged 45, sister Hannah Little (married John Little 4th quarter of 1853, John Little died 2nd quarter of 1858), widow, aged 55, nephew Ralph Rain, lead miner, aged 18, niece Ann Rain 15, and niece Elizabeth Rain 11.

In 1871 at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Vipond a joiner unmarried aged 63, his brother, Ralph lead miner unmarried aged 55, his sister Hannah Little a widow aged 65, and niece Elizabeth Rain unmarried aged 20.

13th December 1873 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE TOWN

At a meeting on the 5th, the separators agreed to return to work on the Agent, Mr Johnsons terms, by a vote 19 to 1, they agreed to return to workmen on Monday 8th.

… "Mr Johnsons terms – to melt or run down and separate 18 tons of lead in 6 hours with 13 cwt of poor lead remaining in one pot for 4s 6d per shift and 9d for kindling or lighting the fires which will be about 1 1/1 d per week for one man only during six weeks, or the men to work the seven hours with the same wage but the poor lead to be put into pans. The workmen had no other alternative but to submit after a strike of 11 weeks, and accept the terms offered or leave their nature dales for work elsewhere. The lead works are now in full play.

20th December 1873 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 20th inst Mr Joseph Maddison of Chapel Pasture to Miss Hannah Lowe of Roan Tree Foot; 24th inst. Mr Joseph Emerson of Burtreeford to Miss Sarah Rutherford of Low Bents.

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mr William Watson of Haswicks to Miss Elizabeth Batey of Broad Dale House.

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Westgate, Weardale, 18th inst. Mr Joseph Ridley, to Elizabeth 3rd daughter of Margaret Elliott; also Mr John Peart to Sarah Ann, 2nd daughter of Mr Thomas Thompson, Weardale.

Deaths

At Ramshaw, at the Derwent Mines, 24th ult. aged 66 John Oliver.

St James Church, Hunstanworth

In 1851, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, John Oliver, gamekeeper, aged 43, his wife Hannah (Curry, married 23 January 1830, at Hunstanworth) aged 37, lodger Thomas Currey, lead mine agent, aged 33, lodger James Paul, lead ore miner, aged 22, and servant Joseph Thompson, labourer and cartman, aged 21.
In 1861, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, John Oliver, lead mine labourer, aged 53, his wife Hannah 48, nephew William Murray 14, house servant Phoebe Rodham aged 19, and lodger Thomas Currey, lead mine agent, aged 44.
In 1871, at Ramshaw, Hunstanworth, John Oliver, gamekeeper, unemployed, aged 63, his wife Hannah 58, nephew William Murray, mason, aged 24, and servant Mary Ann Pears aged 45.

27th December 1873 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 12th inst. aged 62, Mr Smith Barron, Lead Miner.
Smith Barron son of Robert Barron and Mary Elliot born 3rd December 1811, Robert and Mary married on 4th December 1806, at Alston.
In 1871 living at Low Dyke Head, Smith Barron lead miner aged 59, his wife Hannah (Erwine married 28th November 1835 at Alston) 61.
See 26th October 1872, 13th March 1875, & 9th January 1875

27th December 1873 (Hexham Courant)
LETTER FROM A WEARDALE MAN IN NEW ZEALAND
The following letter from a Weardale man at present in New Zealand will be perused with considerable interest by our readers: -
Auckland, August 25th 1873.
Dear Sir, You will have thought me a long time in writing, but your turn has come at last. We arrived at Melbourne on the 26th of May, after a splendid passage of fifty-eight days.
We had two deaths on board, and with this exception nothing particular occurred except a ship that hove in sight of us about eight o'clock on the morning of the 15th of May, the wind at the time blowing very hard and the strange vessel kept running alongside of us all day causing great excitement aboard our ship. The Captain and Mate said the "Brisbane" had never been passed, so they put out "Stancils," but some of the passengers found fault as it was blowing a gale at the time. A fair wind, however, at five o'clock that night brought her within five or seven miles of us and coming right on our course bid fair to pass the "Great Brisbane." Next morning at daylight found her two miles off, but she still kept up to us until two o'clock in the afternoon when she made off to the seaward of us. She ran up her flag, but as the wind was blowing from us, we could not make her out. We parted at dark the second night about broadside on, after running between 315 and 316 miles the two days after they were in sight of each other. We stayed nearly a week in Melbourne, and then left by rail for Bendigo, which I arrived at safely the same night. I had not got Bob's address, so I stayed all night at a hotel and started out next morning to enquire after him. I saw a school of 500 scholars let loose at noon but none of them new my friend. I even went to the headmaster, but learned nothing. I next retraced my steps to another school and there found his son John Bunting. He escorted me to his father's house, telling me his father was at home. I passed by the door, and his mistress spied me and came out to meet

me. Bob was struck speechless, as he had never heard of my leaving the “Old Country.” We set out together to the hotel for my luggage, and on our return enjoyed a good chat. Bendigo is a grand place, the streets and shops being fully equal to those of Melbourne, being built on a flat by the Old Poles Camp, in fact the whole of the flat is laid out in towns and is nearly all built upon. There is a town between Long Gully and Eagletroke; it is nearly all town from Bendigo to Sailor’s Gully. An omnibus leaves Bendigo for Eagletroke every fifteen minutes, besides lots of cabs. I walked over to Mines Flat and saw the old place. The place where you and Scotty worked is all removed and a lot of gold in it. Where your tent formerly stood in Sailor’s Gully is now a neat row of brick houses, at the foot of which is a steam engine at work. Making down for Mires Flat way you come to Pegleg, which is cut out from the surface many feet down before the miners sunk a shaft, which proved very rich. Bendigo is also very rich in ore, for I stood on a ridge and counted fourteen reefs at work, running across the gulley’s, some of the shares not fifty yards apart, with steam engines at work. From fifty yards apart, the reefs extend to half a mile, and even some to six or eight miles in length, while some of the claims are eight hundred feet deep, paying well. Bob is working at a claim that nearly all belongs to one Lazareth, a Dutchman. It all belonged him at one time, and he made so many and sold about fifty thousand pounds worth, and then had one hundred thousand bid for the remainder, but answered that he had no use for the money, and would rather keep them.

He has a large brick house near the mine, and lives there a very happy old man. There is a person named Bell from about Haltwhistle, or near Carlisle, who has done very well in Bendigo. He has a share in two very rich claims, and has bought a station and other land, in old Lazareth’s claim where Bob is working; the head superintendent belongs to Middleton in Teesdale, and the head manager is a Weardale man. House rent is very high in Bendigo, five to seven shillings per week being paid for a two-roomed cottage. The land is all bought up, except what is held by the company, and if you want to build on their ground, you have to pay so much a year. I stayed a week at Bendigo and then left for Ballarat by way of Castlemaine and thence to Keswick Creek, Castlemaine is a very nice town. I stayed a week at Ballarat, and saw Jonathan Featherstone. He is a storekeeper, and seems to be doing very well although lame on the hip joint. I went and saw John Clennel, in his house on the swamp. He has a fine looking woman for his wife, and has a good house and garden. He also grows a great deal of fruit and cabbages. Last year he sold over twenty pounds worth. He sends his respects to you and Joseph Taylor. I left Ballarat and went to Smith Creek and Pigrest, and onward to Linteneo. I also visited Thomas and Joseph Milburn. Thomas is a thriving butcher while Joseph and William have six hundred acres of land near Hamilton. They went on to the farm about ten years ago and paid for it at the rate of two shillings per acre per year. He has now got it clear and obtained the title deeds. He has upwards of five hundred sheep. He has been offered £3 per acre but declined it and is about to buy more. The landowners or farmers are best off here, at least they appear to have most money, are well dressed and all ride a good horse accompanied by a greyhound or dog. When we crossed Keeler Plains we had a full view of the greyhound coursing which was at its height, about fifty horsemen passing us at the gallop, some of whom cleared the fences well and a few had to seek the gates. The hares are very

numerous, and have bred well, one I had hold of weighing ten pounds. After we got back to Melbourne, we stayed a week and visited all the principle places in the town.
Leaving by way of Model Island in a steamer called the Alabama on the 29th June, we arrived at a place called the Bluff on the South Island on the 5th July, and stayed eight hours. Our next stoppage was at Port Chalmers where we lay two days. I took the railway and went up to Duneadery. It is a very pleasant town with 1700 inhabitants. We next put into Port Lyttleton where we stayed two days, then Port Wellington where we changed vessels at the end of a couple of days, and proceeded to Port Picton, and thence to Nelson where after lying three days we made New Plymouth and Manukan Harbour about six miles from Auckland. I took a coach and arrived thither, and after a brief sojourn engaged a passage on board a steamer northwards to a place named Matakana in order to visit my brother. I next journeyed to Tamhou on Mount Hamilton, the highest mountain north of Auckland. This was the mountain where the Maoris had their camp and stronghold. It has a very sharp peak on top, and around its summit are rifle pits four feet deep studded with trees. I next shipped to an island called Kawau, where the Governor Mr George Gray owns 500 acres of land, and employs thirty men. He has a very pleasant residence in the bay close to the sea. At the time of my visit, his men were engaged in making a road around the island by the shore. I was in the back apartment of his house and enjoyed a short chat with the doctor and the girls. I would have seen Mr Gray only the boatman would not wait as our ship was laid out in the stream. They told me the old gentleman was very fond of conversation with strangers. The land in this country is very poor, being badly drained, the topsoil being red clay and under a white clay with sandstone under that. The clay is as fine as soap, and not a stone in it. Where my brother is it is very heavily wooded, one tree measuring 37 feet in girth. The timberland is said to be the best as after it is cleared and sown-down in grass the grass dies out and esparto and dandelion overruns the land. The dandelion has roots on it as large as any carrot ever I saw grown in Weardale, and some of the tops measure a foot in breadth. Sheep fatten well on the dandelion; in fact, some of the best sheep I ever saw came to this market. I could buy 400 acres of land adjoining my brother for £2 0, but the labour seems too great.
There is lots of land for sale from 100 acres at 1s 6d to 1000 acres sold by auction the other day at 3s per acre. I could not tell what sort of land it was as a man like me arriving in a strange country has to begin life anew. There are some good chances to buy land cheap but a person will have to reside in this country a while before he can discern where the best land lies. I intend to go up to Wicaioa in a few days time, as I hear the best land lie there, but the Maoris dwell in that direction and hold the best land. Speaking of sheep, those in the market I mentioned before weigh from 100 to 130 pounds, and the fat has to be cut off the ribs before they can sell the meat. The natives are a fine, strong race of people and very friendly with each other. When they meet they often kiss each other, but they do not kiss in the same form as we do, they put their nose ends together and press for a minute, and sometimes cry “Opiley.” Well I have taken a house in Auckland, till I see what I am going to do. Auckland is a very nice place standing on rolling hills and gulley’s nearly surrounded with little bays or arms of the sea jutting in, the breadth of the land

from shore to shore being only six miles from east to west. Mrs A. joins me in kind love to Mrs Lee and all at Stocksfield hoping she may early recover from her illness. Since we left the country, we have had no news from home, so you must write and address your letter to Mr Joseph Vipond, Matakana, Marsden County, Auckland, New Zealand. (*Daily Southern Cross 30th September 1875, Deaths: At his residence, Matakana, Mr Joseph Vipond, late of Tynehead, Alston, Cumberland, England; aged 55 years. Home papers please copy.)* It may happen that I will have removed ere your letter arrives. Bob has not seen William Walton for about a year. He has seen Parker about three weeks before I landed. He had been at Bendigo and had seen the claim where Bob works. We have had nice weather. Good-bye at present.
I am yours truly, THOMAS ANDERSON
In 1841, at Rigg Side, Middleton in Teesdale, Nancy Heward John Heward married Nancy Airey, Nancy died 4th quarter of 1846) aged 50, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Jacob, lead miner, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 20, Henry, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Nanny 14, James 12, Elizabeth 10, Dinah 8, and Nanny 3.
In 1851, at Rigg Side, Forest of Frith, George Heward, unmarried, lead miner, aged 30, his brothers Henry A., lead miner, aged 28, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, James, lead miner, aged 22, sister Elizabeth Heward 20, and niece Isabella Heward 18.
In 1861, at Wearhead, Stanhope, Thomas Anderson, land proprietor, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth (Heward, married 3rd May 1852, at Middleton in Teesdale) 29, and border Robert Heward, returned gold digger, aged 34.
In 1871, at Wearhead, Stanhope, Thomas Anderson, landowner, aged 44, and his wife Elizabeth aged 40. Thomas & Elizabeth travelled on the "Great Brisbane" which left from the port of Liverpool arriving at Melbourne 26th May 1873.

3rd January 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 27th ult. Mr William Rutherford, of Black Cleugh to Miss Elizabeth Lowes of High Hotts.

10th January 1874 (Hexham Courant)
MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE
The London lead Company's annual payday was held yesterday (Friday) at Middleton in Teesdale, and the usual monthly pays today (Saturday).
Marriages
At Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst. Mr Mark Proudfoot, of Westgate to Miss Elizabeth Currey of Snitter Hill.
Deaths
At Nenthead, 4th inst. aged 20, after a lingering illness Hannah, eldest daughter of Mr John Hill, Nenthead.
In 1841, Robert Hetherington, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Jane (first husband John Hill died 15th October 1826, aged 36, Jane married Robert Hetherington, 13th April 1833) aged 50, children Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Richard, lead miner aged 20, step children John Hill, lead ore washer, aged 15 and Hannah Hill aged 14. In 1851, at High Fair Hill, Nenthead, Jane Hetherington, widow, aged 62, and son John Hill, lead miner, aged 25.

In 1861, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 35, wife Elizabeth 29, children John 9, Hannah 7, Phebe 5, Thomas V. 3, and Jane 1 year. In 1871, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth 39, children John, lead ore washer, aged 19, Hannah, domestic maid, aged 17, Phebe, domestic maid, aged 15, Thomas Vipond 13, Jane 11, Jacob 9, William E. 6, Joseph 4, and Matthew H. 2 years. In 1881, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 49, children John, lead miner and Primitive local preacher, aged 29, Phoebe, house maid, aged 25, Jane, house maid, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Jacob, lead miner out of employment, aged 19, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 14, Matthew H. 12, James 9, and William 3 years.

10th January 1874 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Mr Thomas Stubbs has been appointed master of Nenthall schools in place of Mr Tomlinson and enters on his duties on Monday next.

17th January 1874 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD PAYS

The annual pays of the Governor and Co's workmen in this district was held at Nenthead on Wednesday, 7th inst. We understand the amount paid was about £5,000. The place was as usual visited by a number of tradesmen from adjoining places, the public houses were well patronised, although the Good Templars have been for some time been exercising a very beneficial influence. Things passed over very quietly.

17th January 1874 (Alston Herald)

TINDALE FELL

We regret to learn that typhoid fever is at present raging in the neighbourhood of Tindale Fell Spelter Works, four deaths having occurred during the past week.

Typhoid fever is a serious and potentially fatal bacterial infection. It can cause symptoms of fever, abdominal pain and constipation. If they are not treated, symptoms can rapidly get worse and lead to serious complications, such as internal bleeding.

Typhoid fever is caused by bacteria called Salmonella typhi (S. typhi). It can be contracted by eating food or drinking water that has been contaminated by the S. typhi bacteria. Risk factors include, overcrowding, poor sanitation/untreated water, and poor personal hygiene.

The incubation period of Typhoid fever is usually one to two weeks, and the duration of the illness is up to six weeks. (www.nhs.uk)

Symptoms

- *poor appetite,*
- *headaches,*
- *generalized aches and pains,*
- *fever 39 - 40 °C*
- *sweating*
- *sometimes a rash of rose-coloured spots.*
- *lethargy, and*
- *diarrhoea.*

24th January 1874 (Alston Herald)

MINERAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1872

	Tons	cwt
W.B. Mines	9,894	19
London Lead Company	6,874	1
Old Gang Yorkshire	2,759	16
Stonecroft and Greyside	2,719	0
Greenside in Patterdale	1,516	0
TOTALS	22,763	16

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead 19th inst. aged 49 years Mr George Tatters Lead Miner.

George born about 1825 son of Thomas Tatters and Elizabeth Hetherington (married 10th December 1814, Alston).
Thomas was buried at Alston on 27th July 1836 aged 50.
In 1841 at West Nenthead, Elizabeth Tatters, widow, aged 50, children Mary 20, James, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 20, and George, lead miner, aged 17.
In 1851 at Holms foot, Elizabeth Tatters, lead miners widow, aged 62, sons James, lead miner, aged 32, and George, lead miner, aged 27.
Elizabeth died in 1856.
In 1861, at Overwater, Thomas Tatters lead miner aged 43 (died 13th September 1869, aged 51), his wife Jane (married 1st February 1845) aged 40, children Thomas 13, Ann 11, Elizabeth 3, and his unmarried brothers James, lead miner, aged 42, and George, lead miner, aged 37.
James Tatters aged 47, married Sarah Emmerson aged 34, at Alston on 8th June 1868.
In 1871, at Overwater, Jane Tatters, widow, aged 50, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, daughter Elizabeth 13, and boarder George Tatters, lead miner, aged 47.
See 18th September 1869

24th January 1874 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 17th inst. Mr John Craig of Pinfold House to Miss Isabella Herdman of Windyside.

At Westgate at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 17th inst. Mr John Gibson of Newcastle to Miss Isabella Teasdale of Westgate.

31st January 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 27th inst., aged 85 years, Ann Liverick.

See 9th June 1848

At Nenthead, 27th inst., aged 80, Mrs Mary Elliott.

In 1841, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Isaac Elliott, lead miner, aged 40, wife Mary (Walton, married 18th December 1811) aged 45, children John 15, Smith 10, Ann 15, and Isabella 5.
Isaac died 2nd quarter of 1842.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Elliott, lead miners widow, aged 58, and son Smith Elliott, lead ore miner, aged 19.

In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Elliott, miners widow, aged 69, son Smith Elliott, lead ore miner, aged 30, and brother Robert Walton, lead ore miner, aged 20. In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Elliott, widow, housekeeper, aged 78, and son Smith Elliott, lead miner, aged 39.
At the Froler Meadows, Allendale, 29th inst., aged 77 Mr Francis Little.
In 1861, at Froler Meadows, Thomas Little, unmarried, farmer of 26 acres, aged 67, brother Francis Little, unmarried, lead ore smelter, aged 63, niece Ann Little, house maid, aged 31, brother in law James Newell, carter, aged 65, wife, Jane Newell, house keeper, aged 55, children Sarah Newell 20, Jane Newell 16, servant Jane Little, aged 60, lodger William Timmins, drainer of land, aged 32.
In 1871, at Froler Meadows, Francis Little, farmer, aged 74, servant, Jane Little aged 73, and servant, Thomas Hall, cartman, aged 21.

14th February 1874 (Alston Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Church, Mr Robert Walton, Alston to Miss Jane Woodmass of Low Bayles, Alston.
I*n 1841, at Bales, John Woodmass, innkeeper, aged 40, his wife Ann (Clementson, married 18th October 1827, Alston) aged 40, children Margaret 13, Sarah 12, John 10, Ann 8, Jonathan 6, Mary 5, and Jane 1.*
In 1851, at Low Bayles, John Woodmass, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann aged 54, children John, lead miner, aged 20, Ann 18, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Jane10, Elizabeth 6, and Margaret 32.
John Woodmass died 1st quarter 1853.
In 1861, at Low Bailes, Ann Woodmass, widow, innkeeper, aged 65, daughters Mary, dressmaker, aged 24, Elizabeth 17, and grandson John Hodgson 6.
In 1861, Jane Woodmass aged 20, was working as a domestic servant, at Priestpopple, Hexham, for Thomas Riddle, innkeeper, aged 65, and family.
In 1871, at Low Bayles, Jane Woodmass, housekeeper, aged 30, and nephew John Hodgson, lead ore washer, aged 16.
In 1881, at Low Bayles, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Jane 40, children Annie Maria 5, John Jos. 1, Mary Elizabeth 1 month, and boarder Henry Woodmass, lead miner, aged18. In 1891, at Spency Croft Cottage, Robert Walton, Hind, aged 57, his wife Jane 50, children Annie M 15, John J 11, and Mary E. 10.
Robert Walton died 4th quarter 1897, aged 63.
In 1901, at Clitheroe, Jane Walton, widow, aged 60, children Annie Maria 25, John Jos, quarryman limestone, aged 21, and Mary Lizzie 29. In 1911, at Clitheroe, Jane Walton, widow, aged 70, daughters Annie Maria, hosiery knitter, aged 35, and Mary Lizzie, shop assistant, aged 30.

21st February 1874 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENDALE TOWN
FATAL ACCIDENT
An inquest was held at the Kings Head Inn on Saturday last before Mr Cockcroft coroner on the body of Henry Stobbs *(Aged 23),* Miner, who was killed at Carts Bog pit, by a tub having gone over him and injured his spine. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death

7 March 1874 (Alston Herald)
Marriages
At St James, Piccadilly, 4th inst, by the Rev H Robinson vicar of Nenthead, brother in law of the bride, Mr Richard Halliday of Middle Temple, barrister in law, to Sarah youngest daughter of the late Jacob Walton Esq. of Greenends House, Alston. *See 23rd November 1864*

7th March 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Garrigill, near Alston, 26th ult., aged 48 years, Miss Mary Walton.
Servant, born Scotland.

14th March 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston 7th inst. aged 71 Margaret Bell widow.
Robert Bell married Margaret Surtees, 16th January 1823, at Alston.
In 1841, at Overburn, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Margaret aged 38, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 13, Jane 11, Sarah 8, Hannah 8, Margaret 6, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1851, at Ramseys Buildings, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 47, children John, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret 16, Elizabeth 11, and Nancy 8.
In 1861, at Chapel Street, Alston, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 60, wife Margaret aged 57, and daughter Ann, dress maker, aged 18.
Robert Bell died 2nd quarter of 1870, aged 70.
In 1871, at Overburn, Margaret Bell, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 69.
At Foul Loaning, 9th inst. aged 79, Mr William Kindred.
In 1871, at Foul Loaning, Alston, William Kindred, farmer of 187 acres, aged 76, wife Elizabeth 56, son Swinburn, landowner, aged 50, and domestic servant, Sarah Elliott, aged 21.

21st March 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 18th inst, Hannah Longstaff widow.
Hannah aged about 80, living in Kings Arms Lane, Alston with her daughter Ann aged 28, and grandson William aged 3. Her husband William a stonemason had died in 1859 aged about 67, she had 5 children, John, Matthew, Elizabeth, Margaret and Ann.

21st March 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr William Dawson of Ireshopeburn to Miss Isabella Hill of Drygill

28th March 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthall, 13th inst aged 2 years, Thomas Jackson, son of Mr Joseph Jackson.

In 1851, at Blagill Hill Top, George Jackson, landed proprietor, aged 57, wife Isabella (Hetherington) aged 42, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, George, lead miner, aged 11, Mary 9, and Ann 7.
In 1871, at Blagill, Nenthead, Joseph Jackson, farmer and lead miner, aged 37, wife Mary (Harrison, married 3rd quarter of 1864) aged 29, children George H. 6, Matthew 5, Isabella 2, and Joseph 9 months.
In 1881, at St John's Chapel, Joseph Jackson, farmer and inn keeper, aged 46, wife Mary 30, children George, cartman, aged 18, Matthew, cartman, aged 15, Isabella 12, Joseph 10, Mary Ann 7, John James 5, and Sarah Jane 3.
In 1891, at Blagill, Hill Top, Joseph Jackson, farmer, aged 56, wife Elizabeth (Teasdale, married 1st quarter of 1885, at Newcastle) aged 27, children John James, assistant on farm, aged 15, Sarah Jane 13, Caroline Rose 3, and Thomas 6 months.
At Alston 18th inst. aged 79, Hannah Longstaff, widow.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, William Longstaff, mason, aged 57, his wife Hannah 56, children, John, mason, 23, Matthew, labourer, aged 21, Eliz 18, Magtt 15 and Ann 9.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Row, Alston, Hannah Longstaff, widow (husband William Longstaff, stone mason, died 1st quarter of 1859), formerly domestic servant, aged 77, daughter Ann, servant, aged 28, grandson William M. Longstaff 3, lodger Thomas Jackson, plasterer, aged 22, and lodger George Hodgson, plasterer, aged 21.

28th March 1874 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

DEATH OF ALLENDONIAN AT THE ANTIPODES.

Reported that Mr Matthew Carr one of the oldest and most respected residents of Stawell, died on Friday night 16th January, a little after 9 o'clock; from typhoid. His origins were as a lead miner from Allendale, Northumberland. "Being a hard working, frugal and intelligent man he became possessed of valuable mining property on the Cross Reef, best known as Carr, Dixon and Company; claim which for a number of years yielded very well and is still likely to give good returns at a greater depth. We understand that his wife and family are fully provided for. …"
The following press report mentions Matthew Carrs claim:
The Argus (Melbourne) Saturday 21 July 1866
Mining in Ararat
*Out of claim No. 7 North Cross Reef (held by Messrs. **Dixon** and **Carr**) sixteen tons of trial stone were crushed, taken in-discriminately from the reef, and it would from the result appear that this stone bids fair to yield for the present ten pennyweights per ton; this is the first stone they have raised in this claim out of the deep reef (remake), and it is taken from a depth of 460 feet from grass.*

The Argus (Melbourne) Thursday 22 January 1874
IN the SUPREME COURT of the COLONY of VICTORIA In its Probate Jurisdiction-In the Will of MATTHEW CARR, late of Stawell, in the Colony of Victoria, Miner, Deceased -Notice ' is hereby given, that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof application will be made to the Supreme Court in its Probate Jurisdiction, that PROBATE of the WILL of the above named Matthew Carr, late of Stawell aforesaid, miner, deceased, be

granted to Matthew Dixon, of Stawell aforesaid, miner, Edwin James Bennett, of Stawell aforesaid, surgeon, and Isabella Carr, of Stawell aforesaid, the widow of the said deceased, the executors and executrix named in and appointed by the will of the said deceased
Dated this 22nd day of January, 1874

Deaths

At Blagill, Hilltop, 21st inst, aged 73 years, Mrs Ann Hilton widow.
In 1841, at Blagill Hill Top, Thomas Hilton, lead miner, aged 40, wife Ann (Jackson, married 9th November 1826) aged 40, children Jonathon 13, William 12, George 7, Thomas 5, John 2, and Ann 3 months.
In 1851, at Blagill Hill Top, Thomas Hilton, landed proprietor, aged 51, wife Ann 49, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 21, George, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas 14, John 12, Sarah 7, James 4, and visitor Hannah Hilton, dress maker, aged 25.
Thomas Hilton died 3rd quarter of 1854.
In 1861, at Blagill Hill Top, Ann Hilton, widow, occupier of land, aged 61, children George, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah, dress maker, aged 17, and James 14.
In 1871, at Blagill Hill Top, Ann Hilton, widow, farmer, aged 70, sons George, lead miner, aged 37, Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, and James, lead miner, aged 23.
At Elba, Nenthead, 21st inst., aged 5 weeks, John son of Mr Joseph Teasdale, lead miner. *In 1881, at Elba, Joseph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary J. (Tatters, married 3rd quarter of 1872) aged 30, children Ralph 6, and Isabella 1.*
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 12th May 1877, 14th June 1884, 5th March 1887, & 20th August 1887.
At Alston, 22nd inst., aged 1 year, Annie, daughter of Thomas Spark

31st March 1874 (Cumberland and Westmorland Advertiser, and Penrith Literary Chronicle)

SUDDEN DEATH at NENTHEAD.—A case of sudden death occurred at Elba, Nenthead, on the morning of Saturday week. Mrs. Teasdale, wife of John Teasdale, lead miner, left her child, John Teasdale, six weeks, in bed. She noticed that it looked pale, but though it was sleeping soundly, and she would not disturb it. At about eleven o'clock in the forenoon her sister-in-law went in and the mother asked her to go and look at the child. On doing so she found that life was extinct.

4th April 1874 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

At the quarterly meeting of the committee of the Weardale Miners Association held on Saturday evening at the Black Bull Inn, St John's Chapel, the following average wages (made out from sheets prepared by the committee) for the half year ending June 30, 1873, were laid before the meeting: -

Killhope mine	average per week per man	24s	9d
Hilltop mine		24s	9d
Craigs Level		26s	4 ¼ d
Boltsburn		20s	3 ½ d
Stanhope		23s	0 ½ d

Slitt	27s	8 ½ d
Green Laws	30s	
Burtree Pasture	20s	5d
Grove Rake	29s	1d
Total per week per man	**24s**	**3 ½ d**

4th April 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Browngill 30th ult., aged 64, Mr Joseph Spark.
See 25th November 1871
At Dykeheads, 27th ult., inst., aged 1 month, Frank Cousin, son of Jonathan Cousin.
In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Nenthead, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres, aged 62, wife Hannah (Todd, married 14th May 1825) aged 56, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer on farm, aged 15, and Margaret 11 years. William Cousin died 2nd quarter of 1861.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 27, wife Mary (Richardson, married 28th April 1867, Nenthead) aged 24, sons Jacob 4, and John 2.
In 1881, at Cotterill, Dykeheads, Jonathan Cousin, farmer of 10 acres, aged 37, wife Mary 34, children Jacob 14, John 12, Mary Jane 9, Hannah 5, and Jonathan 1 month. In 1891, at Dykeheads, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 47, wife Mary 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 20, and William 8. Jonathan Cousin died 2nd quarter of 1903 aged 59.
See 28th April 1900

8th April 1874 (Teesdale Mercury)
TEES SALMON FISHERY BOARD
… Mr Waistell called attention to the injury done to the fishery in the upper part of the river by the practice of hushing, which had very much increased of late. The only time they could depend on finding the Tees in a fit state to fish was on a Monday. The hushing came down as far as Darlington, It principally took place on the property or the Duke of Cleveland and Mr Bowes, and he thought that representations on the subject should be made to the agents of these landowners. By a new process of washing which had lately been commenced near Middleton-in-Teesdale, a lot of rubbish was allowed to come down and fill up the holes below Middleton Bridge. If catch-dams were made so as to get the water to settle down, and then let it be run off when there was a flood, they would be able to get the rubbish away. —The Chairman said all kinds of suggestions had been made to the Duke of Cleveland and Mr Bowes on the subject of hushing the river. The only really good suggestion would be an indictment. (Hear, hear). —In reply to Lieut, Col. Scurfield, the Chairman said that further had been done in the matter of Dinsdale Dam. It was in a state of "grim repose."—Lieut. Col. Scurfield then gave notice that be would bring the question of the compulsory purchase of Dinsdale Dam before the next meeting of the Board. —The Deputy-Secretary announced that the amount received for licenses for Hartlepool, Stockton, and Darlington, since last meeting was £154.—The other business was unimportant.

11th April 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Donks Hall 4th inst., aged 2 years, Matthew Stout, son of John Stout.
In 1871 at Donks Hall, John Stout lead miner and farmer aged 44, wife Hannah 40, children Jane 16, John 14, Mary Ann 12, Stephen 9, Henry 6, William 4, Margaret 1. See 1st May 1869, 29th May 1869, & 31st March 1883
At Whitehall, 4th inst. aged 22, James Dawson, Lead Miner.
In 1861, at Welgill, Richard Dawson, plate layer, aged 41, his wife Mary (Day, married at Newcastle 4th quarter of 1847) aged 40, children Elizabeth 14, James 9, Jane 6, Mary 2, and nurse child Isabella Millican 2. In 1871, at White Hall, Richard Dawson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 50, children James, lead miner, aged 19, Jane 17, Mary 12, Ann 7, grand son John Joseph Dawson 2, and boarder Isabella Millican 12.
In 1881, at Welgill, Richard Dawson, lead miner, retired, aged 61, (Richard is recorded as being blind), his wife Mary 60, married daughter Mary Ridley, general labourers wife, aged 22, and granddaughter Mary J. Dawson 1. In 1891, at Kates Lane, Richard Dawson, aged 71, and his wife Mary aged 70. Richard died 2nd quarter of 1895, aged 75.
See 15th August 1885
At Grassfield, 6th inst., aged 13 years, James Richardson, son of Hugh Richardson.
In 1861 at Middle Skelgill, Hugh Richardson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Ann aged 39, children, Michael, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 13, John 11, Frances 8, Jane Ann 5, Hugh 2, and James 9 months.
Hugh Richardson died 2nd quarter of 1869, aged 51.
In 1871, at Butts, Ann Richardson, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 49, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 23, Fanny, house maid, aged 18, Jane A, spinner, aged 15, Hugh 12, and James 9.
In 1881, at Milkwell Burn, Mickley, Ann Richardson, widow, aged 60, son Hugh, coal miner, aged 22, son in law Abraham Hounam, coal miner, aged 24, daughter Jane Ann Hounam 25, and boarder Jos. Richardson, coal miner, aged 24. In 1891, at Low Westwood, Medomsley, Abraham Hounam, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Jane A 35, and mother in law Ann Richardson, widow, aged 69.
James's father had died in 1869. See 27 June 1874 & 6th July 1878.
At Alston, 9th inst. aged 73, Elizabeth Featherstone.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Hugh Walton, blacksmith, aged 45, wife Sarah 47, son Thomas F. 13, mother in law Elizabeth Featherston, widow, seed dealer, aged 70. Her husband Thomas a gardener died 3rd quarter of 1851.
At Alston, 2nd inst., aged 6 months, Rupert Edmund son of John Millican, Draper. *See 22nd March 1879*

18th April 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Weardale
Fatal accident at an Ironstone Mine.
On Friday, a fatal accident occurred at an open ironstone mine at Level Gate, near St Johns Chapel, Weardale.
On a shot, being fired a piece of rock flew from the shot and struck one of the workmen named Samuel Bird on the side. He died shortly after the blow.

Deceased was a middle aged man resident at Daddry Shield. He leaves a wife and family.

Mary Walton married Ralph Walton 10th June 1843, at Middleton in Teesdale.
Ralph Walton died 1852-1855
In 1851, at Daddry Shield, Ralph Walton, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary 35, children, Featherstone 7, William 5, Jane 4, and Mary Ann 11 months.
In 1861, at Daddry Shield, Samuel Bird, labourer, aged 33, his wife Mary (Walton, married 4th qtr 1857, at Weardale) aged 44, son Joseph 7, son in law, Featherstone Walton, labourer, aged 17, son in law, William Walton, labourer, aged 15, daughters in law, Jane Walton 13, and Mary A Walton 11.
In 1871 living at Daddry Shield, Samuel Bird age 41, Iron Stone miner & shopkeeper, born Kirkoswald, Cumberland, married to Mary aged 54, born Durham, Stanhope, son in law William Walton unmarried aged 24, Iron Stone Miner, Mary Walton, daughter in law unmarried 20, sons Joseph Bird age 11, and Samuel age 9.
In 1881, at Daddry Shield Mary Bird, widow a Draper & Grocer, aged 65, son, William Walton,widow, iron stone miner, aged 35, sister Ann Walton aged 50, son, Joseph, pedlar, aged 22, son, Samuel, Ironstone miner, aged 20, and granddaughter, Jane Ann Walton aged 7.
Mary Bird died 1st quarter 1887, registered at Weardale.

Deaths

At Alston 12th inst., aged 19, Mary Kirton, daughter of John Kirton.

In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, John Kirton, stationer & newsagent, aged 48, wife Ada 47, daughter Mary 16, Jane A 14, and visitor James M Walton 7.
See 11th September 1875

25th April 1874 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 22nd inst aged 72, Sarah Smith widow of the late Thomas Smith.

IN
MEMORY
OF
THOMAS SMITH
OF ALSTON
WHO DIED 20TH SEPTEMBER 1865
AGED 67 YEARS
ALSO OF SARAH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED 20TH APRIL 1874
AGED 70 YEARS
ALSO OF SARAH THEIR
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED 4TH AUGUST 1839
AGED 3 YEARS
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON
WHO DIED 4TH APRIL 1845
AGED 8 YEARS
ALSO OF JAMES THEIR SON
WHO DIED 31ST JANUARY 1875
AGED 31 YEARS
AND OF JOSEPH THEIR SON
WHO DIED 16TH SEPTEMBER 1875
AGED 46 YEARS

In 1861, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Smith, road labourer, aged 63, wife Sarah 58, sons Joseph, road labourer, aged 30, William, blacksmith, aged 20, and grandson John, road labourer, aged 13.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Sarah Smith, widow, confectioner, aged 64, sons William, railway blacksmith, aged 30, James, labourer on Alston Turnpike Road, aged 27, grandsons John, labourer on Alston Turnpike Road, aged 23, and Joseph Rutherford 11. See 18th September 1875.
At Leadgate, 17th inst aged 66, Mr Thomas Wallace.
In 1841, at Bales, Alston, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 70, his wife Mary (Chester, married 27th December 1794, Alston) aged 68, son John lead miner, aged 35, son in law Thomas Wallace, lead miner, aged 25, and married daughter Elizabeth Wallace aged 25.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, William Fawcett, widow, lead miner, aged 79, son John Fawcett, lead miner, aged 53 (died 2nd quarter of 1872, aged 74), son in law Thomas Wallace, married, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth aged 42.
William Fawcett died 3rd quarter of 1851.
In 1861, at Brown Side, Alston, Thomas Wallace, lead ore miner, aged 50, and his wife Elizabeth 48. Elizabeth died 3rd quarter of 1869.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Alston, Thomas Wallace, lead ore miner, aged 62, and lodger Samuel Walton, landowner, aged 58.

25th April 1874 (Hexham Herald)
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WEARDALE LEAD MINERS ASSOCIATION.
The annual meeting of this association was held on Saturday evening in the Town Hall, St John's Chapel, Mr Nathan Race presiding. ...
At their annual meeting held in that place last year certain resolutions were passed, which were left in the hands of the committee to carry out. The first with which they had to deal had regard to the "lent money" that they make a request to Mr Beaumont for an increase in "lent money." They presented this request to Mr Beaumont's mining agent, and he was happy to say it was no sooner made than it was granted. (Applause) He believed there was not a lead miner in Weardale but who had received this boon with thankfulness, (applause) and this act of generosity on the part of Mr Beaumont had done more to bring about a better state of feeling between that gentleman and his workmen than had obtained for a long time. Mr Beaumont was also requested to raise the standard wage (as the basis upon which to make bargains) to 25s a week. This however, was not granted like the other; but looking at the average wages for the last half year, they saw that they had nearly come up to 25s a week something over 24s a week, a great improvement upon the past, as the average wage two years ago were only 14s 2d. This last half year it had been 24s 4d. It was also resolved that they form a lead miners association in Weardale. On the 3rd May, the association was established, and so far, it had been a success. They had experienced a most peaceful year, and if it were properly conducted, there would yet be a better understanding between Mr Beaumont and his workmen. ...
During the year, 363 members had been booked, and they hoped by another year to have considerably added to their number. ...
Mr Joseph Kellett moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to Mr Beaumont, and Mr Cain, the manager, for their kind assistance in the past.

The proposition was heartily seconded, and carried by acclamation.
The proceedings then terminated.

2nd May 1874 (Hexham Courant)

SALE OF LEAD ORE

On the 28th ult., the sale of 100 bings of lead ore took place at Alston, when the following parties competed for the purchase of the same, namely, Messrs Shield and Dinning offered the sum of £5 1s 6d per bing, Walker, Parker, and Co., £4 10s, Jacob Watson and Co., £4 18s 6d and the London Lead Co., £4 15s per bing. Messrs Shield and Dinning having made the highest offer became, therefore, the purchasers. The lead ore was the produce of a lead mine called Dowpot Syke, near Alston, but which is better known by the name Lapboard.

2nd May 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Alston at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th ult. Mr George Hind of Whitehall, to Miss Ann Lee of Alston.

In 1881, at Thirlwell Lane, George Hind, road labourer, aged 27, his wife Ann 37, daughter Elizabeth 6, and visitor Isabella Lee 39.

At Stanhope at the Wesleyan Chapel 30th ult., Jacob Matthew Peart, Draper, Wearhead, to Martha, 2nd daughter of the late Mr Thos. Phillipson, Eastgate, Weardale.

Deaths

At Wellgill, Alston, 26th ult., Elizabeth Stout, infant daughter of Henry Stout.

See 1st May 1869, 24th February 1877, and 29th April 1882

At Loaninghead, Garrigill, 29th ult., aged 4, Margaret Ann Raine, daughter of Ralph Raine.

In 1841, at Dry Burn, John Rain, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Margaret, aged 20, and son John 1.

In 1851, at Dry Burn, Garrigill, Margaret Rain, widow (Margaret Vipond married John Rain at St John Garrigill 1st June 1839, John died 2nd quarter of 1849), domestic duties, parish relief, aged 33, children Ralph 8, Ann 5, and Elizabeth 1.

Margaret Rain died 3rd quarter of 1854.

In 1861, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, unmarried Isaac Vipond, joiner, aged 53, brother Ralph Vipond, lead miner, aged 45, sister Hannah Little, widow, aged 55, nephew Ralph Rain, lead miner, aged 18, niece Ann Rain, house servant, aged 15, and niece Elizabeth Rain 11.

In 1871, at Pry Head, Garrigill, Ralph Rain, lead ore miner, aged 28, his wife Betsy (Stout, married 4th quarter of 1869) aged 26, and daughter Margaret Ann 11 months.

In 1881, at 58 Trumpet Terrace, Cleator Moor, Ralph Rain, iron ore miner, aged 38, his wife Betsy 35, children Abigail 6, Simon 2, lodgers Daniel Thompson, married, iron ore miner, aged 26, his wife Ellen 26, and daughter Elizabeth 4.

9 May 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst. Mr Thomas Sanderson of Stanhope to Miss Elizabeth Gibson of Bewdales.
At Westgate, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 4th inst. Mr Joseph Lee of Binchester, New Houses, to Miss Sarah Ann Elliott, of Westgate.
Deaths
At Alston, 23rd ult. aged 62, Mary Greenwell.
In 1871, at Sun Inn, Front Street, Alston, Blackett Greenwell, Inn keeper and animal preserver, aged 63, wife Mary 54, daughter Isabella 29, granddaughters Cora Doyle 10, and Bertha Doyle 7.
At Garrigill Gate, 5th inst. aged 55 Elizabeth Winskell, widow.
See 24th May 1873

9th May 1874 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
BOARD OF GUARDIANS.
... A letter was read from Mr Bainbridge, Middleton in Teesdale with respect to a communication received from the Committee of Council on Education that an infant school was to be provided with a certificated teacher at Nenthead to accommodate 89 children. Mr J. J. Millican stated that the mines were at present very poor and the population was diminishing. The London Lead Company's school had accommodation for 358 scholars, but they had now, in consequence of the reduction of population, only 195 on their registers, and the schools were a heavy expense to them at present, letting alone providing an infant school and mistress. The rules of the Company admitted children even six years of age, but they were not refused if they were under that age. The boys were allowed to leave at 12 years of age and the girls at fourteen years. At present, there were at least forty houses empty. In 1871 there were 337 children in the Nenthead district (including Nenthall) between the ages of six and fifteen, and they intended to take the census of the children again, so as to present further facts of the decline of the population to the Committee of Council. Mr Millican stated that from a census taken in January 1873 there were only 261 children in Nenthead between the ages of 5 and 13 years, so that in their present school there was ample room for the whole. ...
The Board of Guardians agreed there was no need for an infant school and wrote to the Committee of Council for Education accordingly.

16th May 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston 13th inst. aged 19, Sarah Elizabeth Dickinson, daughter of John Dickinson.
In 1861, at Raise, Alston, John Dickinson, draper, aged 41, his wife Hannah 41, children Mary 7, Sarah E 6, Frances H 4, and Phillis Errington, widow, annuitant, aged 38. In 1871, Sarah aged 16, was at school in Poulton le Fylde, Lancashire.
At Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, 11th inst., aged 47, Hannah Watson, wife of Thomas Watson, Lead Mine Overman.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Thomas Watson, lead mine overman, aged 43, his wife Hannah aged 34, and daughter Ann aged 18.

In 1871, Thomas Watson, lead mine Overman, aged 54, living at Hillersdon Terrace with his wife Hannah (Parmley married 2nd quarter 1842) aged 43. On 30th June 1868 Ann, married Matthew Raisbeck a lead mine Overman and in 1871 they were living at Hillersdon Terrace. In 1881 the census shows them living at Beldy House, Matthew a lead mine agent.
See 4th July 1868, 21st October 1893, & 25th March 1899
At Garrigill Gate, 8th inst. aged 72, John Gill, Grocer.

23rd May 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 16th inst, Mr Thomas Forster of Hill House to Miss Jane Allison, of Windyside; 16th inst. Mr Gavin Parkin of Stanhope to Miss Jane Lowes of Frosterley.

23rd May 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Allenheads 17th inst., aged 1 year and 8 months, Elizabeth Hetherington, *(christened 8th December 1872, at St Peter, Allenheads)* daughter of Mr Joseph Coats, Land Agent. *See 2nd October 1867.*

29th May 1874 (Northern Echo)
DEATH OF JOSEPH MOORE, OF WESTGATE, WEARDALE.
It is our duty to record the sudden and melancholy death, which took place at Westgate, Weardale, on Sunday last, of Mr Joseph Moore, one of Weardale's literary men. In the afternoon he was cheerful and hearty, and had a long chat with a neighbouring friend, who left just before tea time, having, in the meantime, an invitation to come in again in the evening. After his friend had left, Mr Moore went up stairs whilst tea was being prepared, and just as his mother called him to come down he had fallen from his chair, where he sat at the table writing. The unusual noise called the attention of his brother, who, on going up stairs, found him lying on the floor. He held his hand to his heart, said, “Oh dear," and in about ten minutes expired. Every valley has its worthies, and Joseph Moore was one of those of whom we are all proud. Mr Moore, bred and born in the dales, and brought up to follow the occupation of a lead miner, rose to be an inspector of lead mines under W. B. Beaumont, Esq, a position he filled for many years. He was a self-taught man, and had an excellent knowledge of lead mining, both practically and theoretically, and was well versed in geology. He was also a talented musician. Of literature he was very fond, having written extensively, but published sparingly one article, we may remark, “An etymological hunt," in *Weardale Forest* was from Mr Morris’s *(Sic)* pen. He was an extensive reader, and took great interest in politics and social topics of the day, those of an antiquarian bearing being his specialty. He was warmly respected by all who knew him, and he had many deeply attached friends, who, with his relations, and his wife and two children, sincerely mourn and feel his great loss. Deceased was 50 years of age, and was interred on Wednesday, at St. Andrew’s Church, West gate.
In 1851, at Stanhope Forest Quarter, Benjamin Moore, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann 49, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 27, Ann 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Sarah, 14, Elizabeth 12, and Benjamin 8.

Benjamin Moore died 2nd quarter 1860, registered at Weardale.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Ann Moor, widow, aged 59, children, Joseph, inspector of lead mines, aged 37, George, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 36, and Elizabeth 22.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Ann Moor, widow, aged 69, sons, Joseph, mining agent, aged 47, and John, lead miner, aged 36.

30th May 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 26th inst. aged 73, Mr Thomas Vipond, saddler.
At Bridge End Mill, Allendale Town, 29th inst. aged 28, Mary Ann only daughter of the late John Little. *See 18th October 1873.*

6th June 1874 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENDALE
FATAL ACCIDENT.
An inquest has been held at Allendale on the body of an infant about six months old named James Heslop, which met its death by falling out of bed. Verdict accidental death.
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 31st ult., aged 4 years, Joseph Richardson, son of James Richardson.
In 1841, at Low Dykeheads, Ellen Richardson, widow, aged 35, William Richardson, joiner, aged 18, Ann Richardson 13, Dorothy Richardson 11, Jane Richardson 8, John Richardson 6, Thomas Richardson 5, Joseph Richardson 2, and James Richardson 7 months.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ellen aged 47, children Dorothy, woollen realer, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Joseph 12, James 9, and lodger Charles Linfoot, railway labourer, aged 21.
In 1861, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Ellen Richardson, miners widow, aged 59, and son James, lead miner, aged 19.
The 1871 census shows, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, James Richardson lead miner aged 29, his wife Agnes (Doyle married 19th February 1865 at Nenthead) aged 29, children Robert W. 8, Jane 6, John 4, and Joseph aged 1.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Richardson, lead miner, aged 38, wife Agness 38, children Robert W., lead miner, aged 18, John 13, Hannah 8, Joseph 6, Ellen 4, and Thomas 1 month. See 10th January 1880

13th June 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Durham Wesleyan Chapel, 3rd inst. Mr William Shield of Esh (youngest son of the late Mr James Shield of Alston) to Isabella Forster of Castleside.
Deaths
At Newbrough, 7th inst. aged 74, Mr George Brown, lead ore miner.
In 1871, at Newbrough Village, George Brown, lead ore miner, aged 70, his wife Elizabeth 68, son John, lead ore miner, aged 27, daughter Elizabeth, Ag. Labourer, aged 23, and boarder Frances Makepeace, dressmaker, aged 16.

13th June 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Births
At Allendale Town, 8th inst., the wife of George Arnison of a daughter.
Deaths
At Hilltop, Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 54, Esther wife of W. Angus. Aged 54.
In 1871,at Hill Top, William Angus, born Stanhope, aged 51 working as a lead ore smelter, wife Esther (Wilkins, married 25th December 1847, at Nenthead), born Haltwhistle, aged 51, children George 22, a lead ore smelter, Mary Jane 16, and William 13. They had a son Matthew born in the last quarter of 1849 who died in the last quarter of 1851. In 1881, at Hill Top, William Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 61, daughter Mary J 26, and son William J, lead ore smelter, aged 23. In 1891, at Hill Top, William Angus, retired lead ore smelter, aged 71, daughter Mary Jane 36, and son William James, lead ore smelter, aged 33.
William Angus died 18th August 1898, aged 78. See 20th August 1898

20th June 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At High House Wesleyan Chapel, 17th inst., John William Featherston, Cowshill, to Margaret only daughter of the late Mr Jacob Peart, Wearhead, Weardale.

27th June 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 21st inst., Mr Isaac Richardson, Grassfield, to Miss Isabella Bainbridge, Low Grassfield.
I*n 1861, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead crystalliser, aged 50, his wife Ann 50, children William, lead ore roaster, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Isabella 16, Christopher, lead miner, aged 14, and John 9.*
In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann 60, children William, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Isabella 26, Christopher, blacksmith, aged 24, and John, lead ore smelter, aged 18.
Joseph Bainbridge died 3rd quarter of 1871, aged 60.
In 1881, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Isaac Richardson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Isabella 35, and daughter Frances A. 6.
In 1891, at Hayring Cottage, Isaac Richardson, carter, aged 43, and his wife Isabella, aged 45. In 1901, at Hayring Cottage, Isaac Richardson, farmer & carter, aged 53, and his wife Isabella, aged 56.
In 1911, at Nettle Hall, Alston, Isaac Richardson, general labourer, zinc Co. works, aged 63, and his wife Isabella 66.
Isabella Richardson died 2nd quarter 1915, aged 70. A probable date of death for Isaac Richardson is 1st quarter of 1920, Isaac aged 73.
See 11th April 1874, & 6th July 1878
Deaths
At Alston, Low Nest, 24th inst. aged 47, Mary Craig, widow of Joseph Craig.
Joseph Craig married Mary Bainbridge 22nd May 1851, at Alston.
In 1861, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Mary Craig, lead miners widow, aged 36, son William 9, and daughter Ann 8. In 1871, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Mary Craig, widow, seamstress, aged 44. In 1871, William Craig, lead miner aged 19,

born Garrigill is lodging at Newbrough. In 1871, Ann Craig, aged 18, is working as a domestic servant at Nenthall.

27th June 1874 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
BOARD OF GUARDIANS

... From the statement of Mr Millican it seems that the Government insist on the establishment of an infant school at Nenthead, to which the managers object, as being entirely useless to the district, but they were quite willing to meet the requirements of the Education Department if possible. ...

1st July 1874 (Teesdale Mercury)

TO LEAD MINERS:

TEN OR MORE EXPERIENCED MEN IMMEDIATELY WANTED for Teesdale Mine, East Cow Green, Dubby Syke Mine, and the Isabella Mine, in Harwood, Upper Teesdale. Miners will also be wanted in a short time for the Tees Side Mine, Tyne Head Manor. Labourers and Stonebreakers are also wanted for the construction of a Road from Langdon Beck to Green Hurth Mine. —Apply to Mr Wm. Vipond, Agent, Green Hurth Mine; Mr John Kneebone, Teesdale Mine, Harwood; or Mr J. H. Robinson, 232, Westgate Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne

4th July 1874 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 25th ult. Mr Joseph Martindale of Windyside to Miss Hannah Fairless, Waterside.

At Alston, Primitive Methodist Chapel, on the 2nd inst. Mr Joseph Lowe, Clitheroe to Miss Elizabeth Swindle, formerly of Wellhope.

See 17th November 1868, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, & 8th June 1889

At Durham Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, on the 20th ult. James son of the late Mr J. Shield of Alston to Miss Mary, youngest daughter of J. James, draper, Leadgate.

Deaths

At Allendale, Lane Head, 30th ult. aged 43, Mr Joseph French.

In 1861, at Keenley Well House, Joseph French, woodcutter, aged 32, wife Jane (Dinning, married 2nd quarter of 1853) aged 30, children Margaret 6, John 4, and Henry 3. Jane died 1st quarter of 1867 aged 36.

In 1871, at Holly Bush, Joseph French, widow, woodcutter, aged 42, children Margaret, housekeeper, aged 16, Margery 9, Joseph 7, and William 5. See 2nd August 1864.

11th July 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Waitara, New Zealand, 7th May, John third son of the late Robert Carrick of Croft House near Haltwhistle.

In 1852 at Croft House, Melkridge, Robert Carrick, wine & spirit merchant, aged 55, wife Mary 48, children, William wine & spirit merchant 23, John Chemist 21, Mathew wine & spirit merchant 17, Henry 14, and Joseph 8.

In 1855 John Carrick Chemist & Druggist New Plymouth, is advertising in the Taranaki Herald.

15th August 1855.

"To the Inhabitants of New Plymouth: — I HAVE the honour to inform the Ladies and Gentlemen of New Plymouth and its neighbourhood, that I intend opening the premises in Devon-street lately in the occupation of Mr Stutterd, as a GENERAL STORE, combining the sale of Genuine Chemicals and Drugs, a business long wanted in this settlement. I may observe that I have lived as Assistant in the Firm of Gilpin & Sons, Chemists of Newcastle, and also in the old established House of Dobson & Sons, 30, Coleman-street, London. Trusting my endeavours may meet with your approval and support, I have the honour to be, Your obedient servant, JOHN CARRICK, Associate of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain."

By 1858, he had two shops one in Devon Street the other in Brougham Street. The following appeared in the **Taranaki Herald of 22nd October 18723**

WAITARA EAST. Suburban Property for Sale. The FARM of Mr. John Carrick (who is resuming business) comprising about Forty-seven Acres of Land, adjoining the Township, fenced and cross fenced, with a stream boundary. Forty Acres of the Land are in permanent pasture; the rest is in garden, orchard, and shrubbery. The Dwelling house contains seven rooms. The outbuildings include a cart shed, piggery, and fowl house. For terms, apply to the owner, on the promises, or to W. HALSE Solicitor. Now Plymouth, October 17, 1873.

18th July 1874 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

On Saturday last, the Weardale Lead Miners half yearly pays were held at St John's Chapel.

18th July 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Alston at the Independent Chapel, 5th inst, Mr Thomas Featherston to Miss Hannah Robinson, both of Alston.

In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Mary Featherstone, lead miners wife, aged 35, son Thomas 10, and daughter Jane 2. In 1861, Thomas Featherstone, lead miner was lodging with John Spark lead miner, at Brokenheugh Hill, Haydon.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Featherston, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 45, children Thomas, general labourer, aged 20, Jane 14, Annie 9, and boarder Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1881, at Butts, Thomas Featherstone (Sen), lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 55, daughters Jane, reeler at woollen mill, aged 22, Annie, reeler at woollen mill, aged 19, and adopted daughter Elizabeth Robinson 13. In 1891, at Butts Thomas Featherstone, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Mary was visiting her daughter Annie. In 1891, at Southey St., Gateshead, William Henderson, general labourer, aged 33, born Scotland, his wife Annie Henderson (Featherstone married) aged 2, lodgers George Miller, joiner, aged 28, James Miller, joiner, aged 25, Alfred McKew, general labourer, aged 20, mother in law Mary Featherston 65 and nephew John Featherstone 12.
Mary Featherstone died 2nd quarter of 1899, aged 73, Thomas died 1st quarter of 1902, aged 77, he had been living with his daughter Annie & her husband.

In 1881, at Butts, Thomas Featherstone (jnr), brewers labourer, aged 30, his wife Hannah 23, born Renwick, children Mary Eliz. 6, Thomas 4, and John 2. In 1891, at Railway Terrace, Gateshead, Thomas Featherstone, general labourer, aged 42, his wife Hannah 33, children Mary E. domestic servant, aged 15, Thomas, errand boy, aged 14, Hilda 9, Joseph W 8, Allen 5, and Rupert E 3. In 1901, at Macadam Street, Gateshead, Thomas Featherston, joiners labourer, aged 51, his wife Hannah 44, children Thomas, bricklayers labourer, aged 24, Hilda 19, Joseph W., builders carter, aged 18, Allan, upholsterer, aged 16, Robert E 13, George C 8, Harold 5, and Blanche 3. Thomas Featherstone, died 2nd quarter of 1903 aged 51.
In 1911, at East Humber Terrace, Hirst, Morpeth, Hannah Featherstone, widow, aged 52, children John, coal miner, aged 32, Joseph, cartman, aged 28, Rupert Edmund, coal miner, aged 23, George Clarence, cartman, aged 19, Harold, coal miner, aged 15, Blanche 14, and son in law, James Edward Chalton, married, coal miner, aged 33, James Edward Charlton married Hilda Featherstone, 4th quarter of 1902 at Gateshead.

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel 6th inst., Mr Robert Parker of Clitheroe to Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson of White Well House.

In 1851, at Bankfoot, Alston, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth (Parker, married 10th June 1837, Alston) aged 35, children Mary, spinner at factory, aged 12, John, lead ore washer, aged 11, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 6, Jane 2, and nurse child William Dalton 1.

Joseph Parker died 2nd quarter 1852.

In 1861, at Physic Hall, Bankfoot, Elizabeth Parker, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 45, born Blyth, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth, spinner at woollen mill, aged 15, Jane, spinner at woollen mill, aged 12, Robert 9, and James 2.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Elizabeth Parker, widow, nurse, aged 55, born Jarrow, children, Robert, coal miner, aged 19, James, lead miner, aged 12, and nurse child, Jones Davidson 3.

In 1861, at Swinhope Mill, Allendale, Matthew Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth, aged 38, children John 9, Mary J 7, Hannah 5, and Elizabeth 4, all born Allendale.
In 1871, at White Well House, Matthew Wilkinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth aged 48, children John, lead miner, aged 19, and Elizabeth 16.
Matthew Wilkinson died 1st quarter of 1881, aged 52.
In 1891, at Blagill Hill Top, Elizabeth Wilkinson, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 59, married son John, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Sarah 22, born Haltwhistle, children Margaret 9, and Matthew 9 months.
In 1881, at Roddymoor, Crook & Billy Row, Robert Parker, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 24, born Allendale, children Mary E. 6, John J. 4, and Robert 3.
See 4th March 1876

Deaths

At Alston, 7th inst., infant daughter of Tom Haldon.

Thomas Haldon married Margaret Robson in 1871; the 1881 census shows the family at Physic Hall, Thomas Haldon lead miner 46, his wife Margaret 39, Margaret Ann 8, Isabella 4, and Frances Mary 9 months.

In 1891, at 33 Allendale Cottages, Medomsley, Thomas Halden, widow, coal miner, aged 56, daughters Maggie 18, Frances 10, and Sarah J 8.
See 26th October 1872, 18th December 1875, & 15th March 1884
At Hillersdon Terrace, 12th inst aged 78, Wm. Angus.
In 1871 William Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 76, born Stanhope, his wife Mary aged 75 of Stanhope, children Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 45, born Stanhope, Elizabeth 37, born Alston, and granddaughter Hannah 14. In 1851, the family living at Hillersdon Terrace consisted of William Angus lead ore smelter 56, wife Mary 56, children Nicholas 33, Joseph 26, Mary 23, Elizabeth 17, Jane 15, Ann 12. They also had a married son William, see 13th June 1874, & 28th August 1875.
At Donkshall, 13th inst. aged 15, Margaret Robinson.
See 23rd December 1876

25th July 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 23rd inst., Mr Henry Hall of Nentwater to Miss Sarah Tatters of Nenthead.
In 1841, at Nenthead, Hill Top, William Hall, smelter lead ore, aged 29, his wife Hannah (Stephenson, married 21st June 1834, at Alston) aged 30, children Jane 5, Sarah 5, Phillis 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1851, at Overwater, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 39, his wife Hannah aged 27, children Sarah 15, Phillis 13, Joseph 10, Ann 9, Hannah 6, Henry 3, and Emmerson Carr 9 months.
In 1861, at Overwater, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 49, his wife Hannah 37, children Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 20, Hannah 16, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 13, Emmerson Carr 10, Esther 9, William 7, John 2 and Stephen 8 months. In 1871, at Overwater, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 59, his wife Hannah aged 47, children Henry, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Emerson C., lead miner, aged 20, Esther 19, William, lead ore washer, aged 17, John12, Stephen10, Jane 7, and Margaret Ann 5.
William Hall died 11th June 1880, aged 68.
In 1881, at Overwater, Hannah Hall, widow, bookseller & stationer, aged 57, son Stephen, lead miner, aged 20, and daughter Jane, dressmaker, aged 17.
In 1891, at Front St., Nenthead, Hannah Hall, widow, aged 67, son Stephen, postmaster and lead smelter, aged 30, daughter Margaret Ann, telegraphist, aged 25, and grandson Newman Hall 6.
In 1881, at Overwater, Henry Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Sarah 33, children Hannah L. 4, and John 1.
See 22nd February 1873, 19th June 1880, 29th July 1882, 21st July 1888, 29th April 1893, and 11th November 1893.

25th July 1874 (Alston Herald)
Deaths
17th inst. aged 77, Mr Joseph Walton, who was during a period of 35 years in the employment of the Governor and Company as mining agent at the different mining fields of Nenthead, Garrigill, and Middleton in Teesdale.
In 1861, Joseph Walton, born Garrigill, aged 64, agent to the lead company, living at the District House Middleton, with his wife Rachel (Elliott, married 28th October 1845, at Middleton in Teesdale) aged 44, children, Jane 14, Ruth 12,

Mary Elliott 11, Emma 6, Robert Elliott 2, sister in law, Mary Elliott, unmarried, aged 41, and house servant, Sarah Peacock, aged 22.
In 1881, at Rose Terrace, Middleton in Teesdale, Rachael Walton, lead mine agents widow, aged 63, and daughter, Mary Elliott Walton aged 31.
In 1891, at Town Head, Middleton in Teesdale, Mary Elliott, single, living on her own means, sister Rachael Walton, widow, living on her own means, aged 74, and niece Mary E. Walton, single, living on her own means, aged 41.

Deaths

At Leadgate, Alston, 17th inst., Jane infant daughter of Joseph Dargue.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Joseph Dargue, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Hannah (Parmley, married at Alston, 3rd quarter of 1858) aged 24, children Margaret A. 3, and Thomas E. 1.
In 1871 at Leadgate, Joseph Dargue, lead ore miner and farmer of 6 acres aged 67, born Allendale, his wife Hannah aged 34, born Middleton, children Margaret Ann 12, Thomas lead ore washer 11, Joseph 9, Edward 6, John 4, and Elizabeth S. 1. In 1881, at Rotherhope Fell, Joseph Dargue, lead miner, aged 77, his wife Hannah 46, children Margaret A. 22, Thomas E., lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Edward, lead ore washer, aged 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth S. 11, and Hannah 7.
Joseph Dargue died 3rd quarter of 1883, aged 79.
In 1891, at Tamworth Rd., Elswick, George C Forster, wholesale draper, aged 39, his wife Ann E 34, son Joseph Dargue, Commeswork (sic) agent, aged 29, son John Dargue, labourer, aged 24, daughter Elizabeth S Dargue 21, and daughter Hannah Dargue 17. In 1900 at 1 Armstrong St., John A Kirkpatrick, goods porter, railway, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth S aged 31, and sister in law, Hannah Dargue, dressmaker, aged 27.
At Ashgill, 17th inst. aged 89, Elizabeth Liddle, widow.
In 1841, at Ashgill, Elizabeth Liddle, independent, aged 55, John Liddle, gamekeeper, aged 20, Ralph Liddle, game watcher aged 20, and Mary Liddle aged 17.
At Alston, 20th inst., aged 5 months, Emma Walton, daughter of Jonathan Walton, Blue Bell Inn. *See 21st January 1871.*
At West Nattrass, 22nd inst. aged 31, Annie Kirsopp, wife of Edward Kirsopp.
Edward Kirsopp married Anna Lee at Nenthead on 16th November 1868
In 1851, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Frances aged 47, children Jane I 23, George, lead miner, aged 19, Frances 13, Joseph, lead miner, aged 12, Isabella 9, Anna 6, and Elizabeth 5. In 1861, Anne Lee aged 17, was working as a domestic servant at Bleagate for John Watson and family.
In 1871, at High Spency Croft, Edward Kirsopp, road surface man, aged 29, his wife Anne aged 27, daughters Anna M 2, and Isabella 4 months.
In 1881, at 4 Physic Hall, Edward Kirsopp, road labourer, aged 39, his wife Mary (Stephenson, married 6th November 1876, Alston) aged 35, children Isabella 10, Jane 7, and Ethel 1. In 1891, at Workington, Edward Kirsopp, road & street foreman, aged 49, Mary 44, Jane 18, Ethel 11, Albert 7, William H 3, and mother in law Hannah Stephenson, widow, aged 72.
Edward Kirsopp died 3rd August 1891 aged 49.
In 1901, at Workington, Mary Kirsopp, widow, confectioner, baker, aged 53, sons Albert, bread maker, aged 17, and William H, aged 13. In 1911, at 21 Hawthorn Rd., Heaton Messey, Cheshire, Thomas William Newton, general

labourer, aged 27, his wife Jane aged 37, son Edward Aeron aged 3, mother in law Mary Kirsopp, widow, aged 64, brothers in law, Albert Edward Kirsopp, Iron moulder, aged 27, and William Ewart Kirsopp, joiner, aged 23.
See 24th June 1871, 11th November 1876, and 8th August 1891.
At the Workhouse, Alston, 22nd inst, aged 49, Elizabeth Hodgson.
At Homesfoot, 23rd inst. aged 32, Hannah Wallace, wife of Watson Wallace.
Watson Wallace Married Hannah Greenwell on 7th January 1871, at Alston. The 1871 census gives Watson Wallace aged 26, Blacksmith, his wife Hannah 27, and daughter Sarah aged 1 year. Watson re-married and the 1881 census shows him still at Holms Foot, Watson Wallace, blacksmith 37, wife Rachael (Rutherford married 1878) aged 24, children, Sarah 11, Joe 8, Thomas 3, and William 1; also his mother Ann Wallace 76, an annuitant.
See 5th April 1884

IN
AFFECTIONATE REMEMBERANCE
OF EDWARD KIRSOPP
THE BELOVED HUSBAND OF MARY KIRSOPP
WHO DIED AUG 3RD 1891
AGED 49 YEARS
ALSO MARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED SEP 13TH 1924
AGED 78 YEARS
JOE THEIR SON DIED APRIL 25TH
1878 AGED 10 MONTHS
JOHN THEIR SON DIED IN INFANCY
ALBERT THEIR SON DIED IN
GERMANY. JUNE 21ST 1818
FROM WOUNDS RECEIVED IN FRANCE
MARCH 21ST 1818. AGED 35 YEARS
DUTY NOBLY DONE

8th August 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At High House, West Allen, 3rd inst., aged 58, William Keenleyside, joiner.
See 7th December 1901.
At Low Nest, Garrigill, 29th ult. aged 49, Henry Kindred, farmer.
See 16th August 1873

22nd August 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nenthead by license 15th inst., Mr Thomas Henderson Nentwater, to Miss Ann Toppin, Nenthead.
In 1851, at Catton, Catherine Toppin, unmarried aged 63, son William, joiner, aged 41, and granddaughter Ann Toppin 3.

In 1861, at Bankfoot, Nenthead, Catherine Toppin, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 73, son William, joiner, aged 51, and granddaughter Ann Toppin aged 13.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, William Toppin, unmarried, joiner, aged 60, born Allendale, and niece Ann Toppin aged 23.
In 1851, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, lead miner farming 20 acres, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth, aged 42, George, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 15, Christiane 10, Elizabeth 8, Robert 6, Thomas 4, Agness 1, and mother in law Hannah Ann Armstrong, lead miners widow, aged 78.
In 1861, at Crag Nook, Thomas Henderson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 51, children Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 14.
Thomas Henderson died 2nd quarter of 1870, aged 64.
In 1871, at Cragg Nook, Elizabeth Henderson, miners widow, aged 61, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, daughter Christiana Heslop, widow of a lead miner, aged 30, grandchildren Rosina O S A Heslop 2, and John Heslop 8 months.
Anne Henderson died 3rd quarter of 1874, aged 27.
In 1881, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, widow, lead miner, aged 34, sister Christiana Heslop, widow, aged 40, niece Rosina Heslop 12, and nephew John Heslop 10.
In 1891, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, widow, lead miner, aged 44, sister Christiana Heslop, widow, aged 51, niece Rosina Heslop 22, and nephew John Heslop, foreman lead ore washer, aged 20.
In 1901, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, widow, lead miner & grazing farmer, aged 54, sister Christiana Heslop, widow, aged 60, and nephew John Heslop, aged 29. In 1911, at Craig Nook, Thomas Henderson, widow, lead miner, aged 64, sister Christiana Heslop, widow, aged 70, and nephew John Heslop, labourer at lead & zinc mines, aged 40.
Thomas Henderson died 3rd quarter 1927, aged 80.
See 2nd May 1868, 8th January 1870, & 3rd October 1874

29th August 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nenthead by license, 23rd inst., Mr Matthew Stephenson, to Miss Tamar Walton both of Dykeheads, Nenthead.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Matthew Stephenson, farmer of 60 acres aged 57, his wife Tamer 44, daughter Mary Ann 6, boarder John Walton, lead miner, aged 19, and domestic servant Elizabeth Barron 20.
In 1891, at Nenthead, Matthew Stephenson, farmer, aged 66, his wife Tamer 54, and daughter Mary Ann 16.
Matthew Stephenson died 4th quarter 1892, aged 68, Tamar died 4th quarter of 1893, aged 57.
See 2nd September 1871, and 19th December 1874

5th September 1874 (Alston Herald)
NENTHEAD
The new Wesleyan chapel at Nenthead was opened for divine service on Thursday week.

12th September 1874 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A HALTWHISTLE MAN IN NOVA SCOTIA.

We cull from a Nova Scotian newspaper the following account of the death of John Jackson on the 14th August last, at the Albion Mines, Nova Scotia. The deceased was the son of Mr William Jackson, of Redpath, near Haltwhistle, and went out to Nova Scotia four years ago. He was at Stonecroft and Greyside lead mines previous to his going abroad. He was 36 years of age.

"Sad and fatal accident; two men instantly killed at Foord Pit, Albion Mines. A terrible accident occurred at Foord Works, Albion Mines, on Saturday last causing the death of two men, John Jackson and John Potts. They were about to descend the pumping shaft; Jackson being in the tub and Potts stepping in, when the hoist rope parted and both were instantly precipitated down the shaft. Jackson fell a distance of 650 feet and ended a lifeless corpse in a tank of water nine feet deep. Potts struck on a "butting" timber about 30 feet down the shaft, to which he clung for a few seconds, then fell 60 feet further striking his head on another "butting" timber, and then fell across another timber 50 feet further down, where it remained; falling in all a distance of about 140 feet. The unfortunate men, by the fall had their clothing and shoes stripped of them, and yet strange to say their bodies were not nearly so much mangled as would be expected.

The accident was of course caused by the breaking of the hoisting rope, which was comparatively a new one, and had been most thoroughly tested before being put into use. The strands of wire, where they parted, appeared to have rusted away. The rusting is supposed to have been caused by a piece of Marline which had been wrapped around the rope at that point, (serving the purpose of a "token") holding water which caused the wire strands to rust off. This however, is in some doubt. One of the men who assisted to bring the copses up out of the shaft informed us that only a week previously he had descended the shaft by the same rope when it appeared quite firm, giving no indication whatever of weakness.

Both of the unfortunate men leave sorrowing wives and helpless children, Jackson leaving five and Potts four. … Works were suspended during the day of the funerals in the works of the Halifax Co.

12th September 1874 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

FATAL ACCIDENT AT AN IRON STONE MINE.

On Tuesday, a fatal accident occurred at the Weardale Iron and Coal Company Iron Stone mine at Red Vein, Stanhope. It appears that the workmen fired a hole or shot and one of them Thomas Golightly of Stanhope along with his son had gone to work out the rock after the shot and a quantity of debris had fallen and crushed him to death. Deceased was about 60 years of age and leaves a family.

In 1851, at Sunderland, Stanhope, Mary Golightly, widow, aged 70, son Thomas, farmer, aged 25, his wife Frances aged 25, and daughter Mary 1.
In 1851, at Sunderland, Stanhope, Mary Golightly, widow, aged 84, son Thomas, farmer of 70 acres, aged 39, his wife Frances aged 39, their children, Mary 11, Frances 9, George 7, Elizabeth 4, and Ann 1.

In 1861, at High Farm, Stanhope, Thomas Golightly, iron miner, aged 48, his wife Frances 48, children Frances 19, George, iron miner, aged 17, Elizabeth 4, and Anne 11.
In 1871, at Eastgate, Stanhope, Thomas Golightly, ironstone miner, aged 58, wife Frances 58, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Annie 21, and William, Ag. Labourer, aged 16.
In 1881, at Front Street, Stanhope, Frances Golightly, widow, formerly dress maker, aged 69, daughter Annie 30, and son William, blacksmith, aged 26.
Frances Golightly died 3rd quarter 1884, aged 72, registered at Durham.

George Golightly married Sarah Ann Hewitson 1st quarter of 1873; Sarah Ann Golightly died aged 29, 2nd quarter of 1877.

George Golightly widower married Frances Ward, 29th June 1879, at Stanhope.

In 1881, at Graham Street, Stanhope, George Golightly, manager of ironstone mine, aged 37, his wife Frances aged 36, born Allendale, children John Thos. 7, Frances Mary 5, and George E. M. 1 year.
In 1891, at Gas House, Stanhope, George Golightly, gas stoker, aged 47, his wife Frances 46, children, John Thomas, limestone quarry labourer, aged 17, George Ernest Mowbray 11m William 8, and Jane 7.
In 1901, at Front Street, Stanhope, George Golightly, Spar miner, aged 57, his wife Frances 56, and son George Ernest Mowbray, clerk in Co-op store, aged 21.

George Golightly died 27th July 1902, at Stanhope, aged 58.
Frances Golightly, died 30th April 1909, aged 64, at Stanhope.

Deaths

At Alston, 9th inst aged 36, Jason Watson.
In 1851, at Dodd Berry, Garrigill, Thomas Watson, lead miner, aged 40, wife Elizabeth (Stephenson, married 10th November 1836?) aged 37, children Jason 13, Mary Ann 10, Elizabeth 7, and Bella 1.
In 1861, at Howgill Syke, Elizabeth Watson, widow, farmer of 15 acres, aged 47, children Jason, lead miner, aged 23, Bella 11, and Hannah 8.
In 1871, at Howgill Syke, Garrigill, Jason Watson, farmer of 25 acres, aged 33, his wife Ann (Hall, married 24th December 1864) aged 30, children Elizabeth Ann 4, Thomas William 8 months, and brother in law Joseph Hall, lead ore miner, aged 19.
At Hundyhead, Alston, 24th ult., aged 46, Wm. Whitfield *(born at Cawthorne, Yorkshire, England)* son of George Whitfield *retired innkeeper.*
In 1861, at Dunford Bridge, Penistone, Yorkshire, George Whitfield, innkeeper, stone merchant, & farmer of 6 acres, aged 65, born Alston, wife Mary 65, children William, grocer, aged 32, Jonathan M., butcher, aged 25, Margaret M. 25, Teasdale, traveller, aged 23, servant Sandy Mc Lean, ostler, aged 67, servant Jonathan Marsh, carter, aged 26, house servant Harriet Hickett 17, and house servant Elizabeth Brixon 17.
In 1871, George Whitfield, retired innkeeper, aged 73, his wife Mary 73, and son Jonathan, butcher, aged 35, were living at Hundy, Alston.

19th September 1874 (Alston Herald)

TEESDALE

Mr R. W. Bainbridge said “the London Lead Company contemplated working the mines by machinery, and his son was then in Germany watching operations with a view to the introduction of the appliances at home”.

19th September 1874 (Hexham Courant)

DEMISE OF A NATIVE OF ALSTON IN AUSTRALIA

We have had forwarded to us the appended notice from the Ballarat Star of June 20, of the funeral of Mrs. Lakeland, who was a native of Alston. Her husband, Mr. Lakeland, a native of this town was formerly a clerk to Mr. W. A. Temperley, after which he commenced business in Hexham, along with Mr. James Watts, as grocers and provision dealers. About twenty years ago Mr. Lakeland emigrated to, Ballarat in Australia, where by perseverance and enterprise he has been very successful in business. He married the subject of the subjoined remarks in Australia, but we may state that Mr. and Mrs. Lakeland paid a visit to their nature country some two years ago. The following is the extract referred to: -

" The funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. Lakeland on Friday afternoon was largely attended, between forty and fifty: carriages filled with the most influential citizens forming the solemn cortege.

Before the funeral started from the residence of Mr. Lakeland, Victoria Street, service was conducted in St. Paul's Church by the Ven. Archdeacon Stretch, the Revs. R. T. Cummins and Allanby being present. Amongst those who followed the remains of the deceased was the president and members of the committee of the Orphan Asylum, of which institution the husband of the deceased has been for some years, and is still, the honorary treasurer, also the committee of St Paul's Church. The pallbearers were Messrs Robson, Pinnell, Towl, Twentyman, Thompson, and Hall, and the burial service at the Old Cemetery, was read by the Rev. R. T. Cummins. The arrangements connected with the funeral were undertaken by Mr. F. Atkins. The deceased lady for many years took an active part in promoting, the welfare of several charitable institutions, amongst others, the Ladies Clothing Society, the Female Refuge, and the Lying in Hospital. Her services were also given to the superintendence of the boarding-out of children from the Industrial Schools and she was most active in promoting the welfare of St. Paul’s Church especially at the time when heavy liabilities had to be incurred through the damage done by a mining company. The district has lost an active worker in the cause of charity, and one it could but ill spare.”

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 19 June 1874
Deaths.

LAKELAND -On the 17th June, at her residence, Victoria Street, Ballarat, Mary, the beloved wife of William Lakeland, aged 46 years

26th September 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Westgate, Weardale, 17th inst. Mr Joshua Philipson, Swinhope Shield, Allendale, to Miss Ann Harrison of Newhouses, Allendale.

26th September 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At California, at San Andreas, 1st August, Elizabeth wife of Humphrey Hetherington, late of Leadgate.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Durham, Humphrey Hetherington, boot & shoe maker, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth, aged 44, children William A. post master, aged 24, Humphrey, boot & shoe maker, aged 20, Edward, leather cutter, aged 19, Martin, joiner & cabinet maker, aged 14, Joseph 9, George 7, and Robert 3. In 1880, at Watsonville, Santa Cruz, California, Humphrey Hetherington, widow, shoe maker, aged 58, children Humphrey, shoe maker, aged 29, Joseph, printer, aged 18, Robert 12, and Elizabeth 14.

3rf October 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hillersdon Terrace, Alston, 23rd ult., Annie wife of Mr Thomas Henderson, Lead miner, aged 27. *Thomas married Annie Toppin in the 3rd quarter of 1874. In 1881 he is living at Craig Nook, Nenthead aged 34, a widow, lead miner and farmer of 23 acres, living with him are his sister Christina Heslop, aged 40, a widow, his niece Rosina Heslop 12, and nephew John Heslop aged 10. See 2nd May 1868, 8th January 1870, & 22nd August 1874*
At Grassfield, Alston, 28th ult. Jane widow of Mr Thomas Holmes, mining agent, aged 69. *See 5th June 1886*

10th October 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Alston
It is with extreme regret that we chronicle the death of Mr William Dalton, manager of the Smelt Mills at Nenthead. He had been ailing in health lately, and had resorted to Ilkley in Yorkshire for the benefit of his health. ... on Wednesday evening, his remains were brought to the station and conveyed thence to Nenthead.
The internment we believe takes place today (Saturday). The deceased was a member of the Society of Friends, and was universally respected. He expired 3am on Tuesday (*6th*) aged 49 years.

IN
REMEMBERANCE
OF
LUCY MILLICAN DALTON
DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM
AND FRANCES DALTON
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DECEMBER 13TH 1864
AGED 2 YEARS AND 6
MONTHS

ALSO IN
REMEMBERANCE OF
WILLIAM DALTON
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
OCTOBER 6TH 1874
AGED 49 YEARS

ALSO
IN REMEMBERANCE OF
FRANCES DALTON
WIDOW OF THE SAID WILLIAM DALTON
WHO DIED 13TH APRIL 1913
AGED 80 YEARS
INTERRED AT THE FRIENDS
BURIAL GROUND, WANSTED, ESSEX

In 1861 at Foulard, William Dalton born Kirkby Thore, Westmorland, assistant mill agent, smelting lead, 35, his wife Frances 28, children William T. 6, John J. 4, and Joseph C. 2.
In 1871 living at Foulard, Nenthead, William Dalton aged 45, born Appleby, Westmorland, lead smelting agent, his wife Frances 38, Elizabeth 5, Millican 3, Henry J. 2.
William Dalton, lead ore smelting agent, Nenthead, will dated 26th May 1874, proved at Carlisle 31st December 1874, died 6th October 1874 at Ilkley, effects under £1500. Names mentioned in the will: — Wife Frances Dalton.
The 1881 census shows that Frances moved to Hornsey, Middlesex, living at 3 Brownswood Rd, Frances Dalton aged 48, annuitant, widow, children Joseph C. insurance clerk, aged 22, Elizabeth C. 15, William 13, and Henry G. aged 12. See 10th December 1881, and 10th November 1883.

Deaths

At Wellgill, 3rd inst., aged 2 months, Anne Cousin, daughter of Wm. Cousin.
See 7th August 1880

24th October 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Holmefoots, 20th inst., aged 6 months, Annie Wallace, daughter of Watson Wallace, Blacksmith.
See 25th July 1874, 5th April 1884, & 14th December 1889

24th October 1874 (Manchester Courier and Lancashire General Advertiser)

TROUTBECK MINING COMPANY LIMITED
CAPITAL £30,000, in £1 SHARES

It is the intention of this company to acquire mining properties at Dufton Fell, Westmoreland. The subscribers are: —

	Shares
Tom Whiting, St Benet's place, E.C.	1
T. White, 6 and 7, Park road, Clement's lane	1
G. H. Rogan, Park road, Croydon	1
W. F. Austin, St Benet's place,	1
J. R. Neale, St Peter's road, Mile End	1
J. H. S. Davids, 126 Bishopgate street	1

The London Gazette of 17th March 1885 gave notice that after a period of three months this company would "unless cause is shown to the contrary", be

struck off the Register of Joint Stock Companies, and the company dissolved. The London Gazette of 17th July 1885 recorded that the company had been struck off the register and dissolved.

31st October 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 29th inst., Mr Stephen Archer, Fiddler Street, Nenthead to Miss Hannah Watson, Dryburn, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Doddberry, Garrigill, Thomas Watson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Jason 13, Mary Ann 10, Elizabeth 7, and Bella 1. Thomas Watson was buried at Garrigill, 8th April 1860, aged 49.
In 1861, at Howgill Sike, Garrigill, Elizabeth Watson, widow, farmer of 15 acres, aged 47, children, Jason, lead miner, aged 23, Bella 11, and Hannah 8. In 1871, Hannah Watson aged 18, was working as a domestic servant, for John J Millican, at Nenthead House.
In 1881, at Holmes foot, Stephen Archer, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Hannah 28, children John 5, and Elizabeth 2. In 1891, at Etherley, Bishop Auckland, Stephen Archer, coalminer, aged 38, his wife Hannah 38, children John, colliery labourer, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Henry 6, and Thomas 9. In 1901, at Etherley Lane, Stephen Archer, stoneman in coalmine, aged 48, his wife Hannah 48, children Elizabeth 22, Henry, assistant cabinetmaker, aged 16, and nephew Thomas Watson, book sales assistant, aged 19. In 1911, at Helena Terrace, Cookton Hill, Bishop Auckland, Stephen Archer, colliery stone man, aged 58, and his wife Hannah 58.
See 14th June 1873
At Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst. Mr John Archer to Miss Mary Jane Jacques, both of Stanhope.
In 1881, at Martin St, Stanhope, John Archer, lead ore smelter, born Bishoply, aged 32, his wife Mary Jane, born, Crawleyside, children, Elizabeth 5, Thomas Wm 3, and Mary Hannah 5 months.
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 27th inst. Mr George Thompson to Miss Henrietta Carr, both of Stanhope.
In 1881, at Front Street, Stanhope, Joseph Carr, shoemaker, aged 67, his wife Jane 74, and daughter, Henrieta Thompson, widow, aged 40.

7th November 1874 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 14th inst., Mr Robert Gill, of High Wanwood, to Miss Jane Spottiswood of Redwing.
In 1861, at Low Skelgill, Thomas Spotswood, lead miner, aged 25, sister Catherine Spotswood, housekeeper, aged 18, and niece Jane Spotswood 5.
In 1871, Jane Spottiswood, aged 16, was working as a farm servant, for Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer, at Blagill Hill Top.
In 1871, at High Wanwood, Joseph Gill, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary (Bramwell, married 29th January 1842, Alston) aged 51, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Elizabeth 23, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 17, and Matthew 14.
In 1881, at Mark close, Alston, Robert Gill, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Jane 25, children Mary 5, Elizabeth 3, Joseph 1, brothers John Gill, lead miner, aged 27, and Matthew Gill, no occupation, disabled from birth aged 24.

In 1891, at Physic Hall, Robert Gill, coal miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 36, children Mary, stocking knitter, aged 15, Elizabeth, stocking knitter, aged 13, Joseph 11, Alice 9, Edith 6, Railton 3, Allan 3 and lodger Matthew Gill, aged 35. In 1901, at Midgeholme, Robert Gill, coal miner hewer, aged 49, his wife Jane 45, Joseph Gill, coal miner putter, aged 21, Alice 18, Edith 16, Railton 12, Allan 10, Ethel 7, and Wilfred 2.
In 1911, at Villa East St., Chopwell, Robert Gill, coal miner hewer, aged 59, his wife Jane 55, children Alice 28, Railton, coal miner hewer, aged 22, Allan, coal miner hewer, aged 21, Ethel 17, and Wilfred 12.
See 5th February 1842, 27th March 1866, 28th Sept 1866, 20th May 1871, & 31st October 1871.

Deaths

At Alston, 20th inst aged 83, Sarah Watson, widow.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Robert Watson, grocer, aged 56, and his wife Sarah, aged 59. Robert died 4th quarter of 1859. In 1871, at High Love Lady Shield, Sarah Watson, widow, formerly grocer, aged 79.
At Alston 14th inst, aged 59, Ann Fawcett, spinster,
At Alston, 23rd inst. aged 64, Mary Fawcett.
At Front Street, Alston, Mary Fawcett, unmarried, seamstress, aged 60, and sister, Ann Fawcett, unmarried, seamstress, aged 55.

At Alston 24th inst., aged 76, Margaret Kirk, widow.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, George Kirk, woollen draper, aged 60, his wife Margaret 51, children John P. 15, Mary 13, and house servant Jane Walton aged 21 years. George Kirk died 4th quarter of 1854. In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Margaret Kirk, widow, draper & grocer, aged 73, and daughter Mary, assistant grocer, aged 33.
At Overwater, 24th inst aged 61, William Hetherington, Lead Miner.
See 23rd April 1870.

21 November 1874 (Alston Herald)

Deaths

At Nenthead 15th inst., aged 54, Tamar, wife of Mr William Lee Hornsby.

SACRED
TO THE
MEMORY OF
TAMAR
WIFE OF WM LEE HORNSBY
NENTHEAD WHO DIED NOV 15TH 1874
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO THOS WILLIAM THEIR SON
WHO
DIED IN INFANCY

William Lee Hornsby (son of Thomas & Sarah Hornsby born 26 December 1820) Draper & Grocer West Nenthead. He married Fanny Cain, of Galligill, Alston, at Trinity Church Darlington, 5th April 1877. See 16th November 1864, 7th April 1877, 6th April 1901, & 26th October 1912.

5th December 1874 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Keswick, 30th ult. aged 74, Ann Widow of Mr W Keenleyside formerly of Alston and Nenthead, and sister of Mr John Atkinson, Lowbyer.
In 1861, at Main Street, Keswick, Ann Keenleyside, widow, laundress, aged 60, and son John, pencil maker, aged 25.
In 1871, at 5 Greta Terrace, Keswick, William Keenliside, pencil maker, aged 46, born Alston, his wife Jane aged 42, born Borrowdale, children William A. 15, Tom 11, Jane E. 5, Mary A. 8, Sarah 4, Robert 1, and Ann Keenliside, widow, laundress, aged 70, born South Shields.
At Nenthead, 2nd inst. aged 56, Sarah wife of Mr William Harrison.
See 15th August 1885, & 9th November 1889

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
SARAH
WIFE OF WILLIAM HARRISON
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DECEMBER 2ND 1874
AGED 56 YEARS
ALSO OF WILLIAM LIVERICK
THEIR SON
WHO DIED MARCH 17TH 1859
AGED 1 YEAR AND 11 MONTHS
THE ABOVE WILLIAM HARRISON
DIED NOVEMBER 1ST 1889
AGED 68 YEARS

At Nenthead, Swalway Cottage, 3rd inst. aged 82, Ann Walton, widow.
In 1841, at Broomsbury, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 58, wife Ann aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 27, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Caleb 15, Margaret 13, Sarah 12, and George 9.
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Ann Walton, lead miners widow, aged 58, children William, lead miner, aged 37, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Caleb, lead miner, aged 26, Margaret 24, Sarah, dress maker, aged 22, and George, lead miner, aged 19. In 1861, at Low Dykehead, Ann Walton, widow, house keeper, aged 69, son William, lead ore miner, aged 47, daughter Sarah, dress maker, aged 33, grandson John Erwine 6.
In 1871, at West Nenthead, Ann Walton, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 73, daughter Sarah, dress maker, aged 42.

12th December 1874 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF AN ALSTON WOMAN IN AUSTRALIA.

Afternoon of Thursday, 17th September 1874 at Piggoreet, Mrs John Liddle died of Typhoid aged 41 years. *Piggoreet, South West of Ballarat, Victoria*
Also reported the death of Ralph Coulthard who was smothered in the New Golden Stream Company Mine, at Smythesdale.
(Ralph originated from Allendale, killed aged 36 years, 17th June 1873)

19th December 1874 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Westgate, Weardale, Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mr John Egglestone, to Miss Annie Maria Ellwood, both of Westgate, Weardale.

Deaths

At High Plains, Alston, 10th inst. aged 76, Mrs Mary Elliott, widow.
In 1851, at Silly Hall, Garrigill, Mary Elliott, farmer & land proprietor, aged 52, children Hannah 29, John, farmers son, aged 23, Mary Ann 20, Rebecca, dress maker, aged 17, Jane 15, and visitor Robert Eliott Rowe 12.
In 1861, at High Plains, Alston, Mary Elliott, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 62, son in law, Joseph Thomason, leads miner, aged 30, and daughter Jane Thomason aged 25. See 22nd January 1864, 10th June 1864, 13th May 1876, 27th April 1889, & 30th May 1891.

19th December 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Alston Independent Chapel, 17th inst, Mr Thomas Walton, Alston, to Miss Margaret Walton, Low Byers.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, 10th inst, aged 1 year, Matthew Stephenson Teasdale, son of Allison Stephenson Teasdale.
The 1841 census shows Ann Stephenson aged 50, widow, children Henry 30, Joseph 20, Martha 15, and Matthew 10.
The 1871 census gives at Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson lead miner 61, brother, Joseph lead miner 53, sons Mathew lead miner 46, and Allison Stephenson lead miner 23. Allison married Hannah Stout in 1871, and in 1881, they have daughters Elizabeth 10, Frances 9, Margaret 3, and a son Henry aged 5. See 2nd September 1871, and 29th August 1874.
At Whitehall, 11th inst., aged 8 months, Annie Hannah Erwine.
At Bayles, 11th inst. aged 30, Joseph Kindred.
See 29th April 1882, and 19th April 1884
At Allenheads, 10th inst. aged 45, Mr John Dixon, Storekeeper at the W. B. Lead Mines.
In 1871, at Wentworth cottage, John Dixon, lead ore washer, 41, brother Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 39, brother Stephen, joiner, aged 37, cousin Elizabeth Dixon, housekeeper, aged 23.

26th December 1874 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Alston, 21st inst aged 5 years, Henry Wilson Walton, son of Samuel Walton.
Henry Wilson Walton born 23rd November 1869, at Kilmorack, argyleshire, Scotland, son of Samuel Walton and Mary McNiven.

Samuel Alexander Walton, born 29th November 1827, baptised 11th December 1827, at Redwing Chapel, Alston, son of Joseph Walton and Mary Cameron.
In 1841, Mary Walton, aged 35, born Scotland, children, Mary 15, born Scotland, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 15, born Alston, Samuel, lead miner, aged 13, born Alston, Henry 11, born Alston, Joseph 9, born Alston, and Duncan 7, born Alston.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Mary Walton, widow, annuitant, aged 46, daughter Mary aged 26, sons, Samuel A. C., mine and mining agent, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, 19, Duncan, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and granddaughter, Sarah Walton aged 2.
In 1871, at Strontian, Argyll, Samuel Alexander Walton, mine agent, aged 43, born, Cumberland, his wife Mary (MacNiven, married 7th June 1859, at Glenorchy, and Inishail) aged 34, born Argyll, children, Mary 10, Donald 8, John 6, Silli (sic) Ann 4, and Henry W 1.
At Garrigill Gate, 24th inst., aged 4 years, Mary Shield, daughter of Elizabeth Shield.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore dresser & grocer, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, Alfred 14, John 11, Elizabeth 18, Harriett 9, and Mary 5 months.

2nd January 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr John Wilkinson Sinclair, of Barnard Castle to Miss Hannah Lathren of Newshield, Alston.
Deaths
At the Kings Arms Inn, Alston, 30th ult. aged 18, Miss Isabella Lee, niece of Mr Robert Lee.
In 1871, at Kings Arms, Front St, Alston, Robert Lee, innkeeper, aged 47, his wife Frances 34, children John W 7, Mary E 6, Alfred 5, Beatrice W 4, niece Isabella Lee 15, and domestic servant Mary Ann Walton 18.

5th January 1875 (Northern Echo)
The London Lead Company's yearly pays in connection with the Bolihope Lead Mines and Stanhope Smelt Mills were held at Stanhope yesterday.

9th January 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Leadgate, 31st ult., aged 34, Mr Thomas Walton, lead miner.
In 1841, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Walton 55, Hannah 35, Ann 13, Mary 12, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 6, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, pauper, aged 43, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, Hannah 10, Sarah 8, William 4, and lodger John Mc Hallan, lead miner, aged 16.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Hannah Walton, widow, farmer of 4 acres, aged 49, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Hannah, house maid, aged 12, Mary Ann 8, and boarder James Nixon, lead miner, aged 42.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Alston, Thomas Walton, lead miner and farmer of 6 acres, mother Hannah Walton, lead miners widow, aged 57, and sister Mary Ann domestic servant, aged 18.
At Clitheroe, 1st inst. aged 39, Mr John Barron, coal miner.

See 26th October 1872, 13th March 1875, & 27th December 1873
At Whitehall, Nenthead, 1st inst, aged 66, Ann Hayton. *Unmarried daughter of Jonathan & Mary (Teasdale married 13th April 1805, died 1824, buried at Alston 25th January 1824) Hayton. The 1841 census shows Jonathan a lead miner aged 63, children Joseph lead miner aged 35, Ann, 32, and Mary 31.*

9th January 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 31st ult., John Havelock, Nenthead to Mary Hetherington, Nenthead.
In 1861, at Fiddler St., William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 46, children Robert, lead miner, aged 24, Nancy 20, George, lead ore dresser, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 7, and granddaughter Elizabeth 2.
In 1871, at Nenthead, William Hetherington, widow, manager of bath and wash house, aged 57, daughters Mary 17, and granddaughter Elizabeth 12.
William Hetherington died 4th quarter of 1874, aged 61.
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, John Havelock, cartman, aged 46, his wife Hannah 35, children George, lead ore washer, aged 15, Jane 12, John 8, Mary A 4, and William 6 months.
In 1871, at Low level, Nenthead, John Havelock, cartman & labourer, aged 56, his wife Hannah 46, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Jane, dressmaker, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, and William 10.
John Havelock snr., died 12th April 1882, aged 67. See 22nd April 1882
In 1881, at Overwater, John Havelock, lead miner, aged 28, and his wife Mary 27.
In 1891, at West Nenthead, John Havelock, lead miner, aged 38, and his wife Mary 37.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Havelock, wood sawyer, aged 48, and his wife Mary 47. Mary Havelock died 4th quarter 1903, aged 50.
In 1910, at Nenthead, John Havelock, wood sawyer for Zinc Co., aged 58, and his wife Hannah (Madgen, married 4th quarter 1905, reg. Newcastle) aged 49.
John Havelock died 4th quarter 1925, aged 72.
See 14th August 1875, 22nd April 1882, and 11th October 1884
Deaths
At West End Allenheads, 4th inst., aged 28 Mr John Lee.
In 1871, at West End, Allendale, Thomas Lee, lead ore washer, aged 54, his wife, Leah 51, children John clerk in mining office aged 23, Mary A 22, Thomas stone mason, 20, Matthew blacksmiths apprentice, 16, Nicholas lead ore washer, 12, Sarah E 11, Joseph P 9, and Thompson 7.*
Thomas senior died in 1872.
In 1881, at West End, Leah Lee, widow, aged 61, children Matthew mining blacksmith, 26, Joseph P. lead ore washer, out of employment, aged 19, Thompson leads ore washer, aged 17, and granddaughter Leah J. Wilkinson aged 2 years.
In 1881, at St Giles, Durham, Thomas Lee, aged 30, mason, his wife Margaret, aged 29, and daughter Lillian aged 1 year.*
See 19th April 1884.

9th January 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the members of the above Board was held in the Board Room, Town Hall, on Saturday last, the Rev. O. James, Clargill Hall, occupying the chair. The other guardians present were—Mr Thos. Dickinson, Spency Croft, Alston; and Mr Jos. Renwick, Garrigill. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read by the Clerk (Mr Jos. Dickinson), and confirmed, the members proceeded to sign the cheques for the day. Respecting the notice of motion which was moved at last meeting, the Chairman moved that the appointment of medical officer for the higher or No. 2 district (Nenthead) be postponed until next meeting. Agreed to.—The Workhouse Master's (Mr Dickinson's) report was then read by the Clerk, from which it appeared that the house was in a satisfactory condition. The Board then proceeded to consider the out relief cases.

SANITARY AUTHORITY.

At the termination of the above meeting, a meeting of the Sanitary Board was held. The usual routine of business was transacted, the Inspector having nothing to complain of, the town being in a healthy condition.

HIGHWAY BOARD.—The usual quarterly meeting of the waywardens of this district was held in the Board Room, Town Hall, Alston, on Saturday last, but owing to the severity of the weather there was not sufficient attendance to transact business.

16th January 1875 (Northern Echo)

SEASONAL BENEVOLENCE. —At Middleton-in-Teesdale, during the past week, Mrs Bainbridge, of the of the Middleton House, has distributed to widows and the deserving poor about thirty cart loads of good coals.

16th January 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

GARRIGILL

The members belonging to the Garrigill Beading Room Institute held a coffee supper in the old School-room, on Saturday evening last. The weather was highly unfavourable, a more dreary and gloomy night we could scarcely have, the atmosphere being thick and cloudy, accompanied by a heavy rain. Notwithstanding this drawback a large company assembled, presenting a lively and vigorous scene, among whom was a goodly number of the fair sex, with their costly winter garb, and smiling faces giving additional lustre to the occasion. The proceedings commenced by holding a public meeting in the Wesleyan Chapel, (kindly granted by the trustees for the occasion), the chair being taken at six o'clock, and ably occupied by Mr Adam Walton, of Alston, formerly a native of Garrigill, who, after a few very appropriate remarks, characteristic of reading and improvement, called upon the secretary to read the report, which was as follows:—Number of members 95, being an increase since last anniversary of 11. Number of volumes in the library 397, average circulation each month 45, newspapers and periodicals which are taken into the room.:—Newcastle Daily Chronicle, Carlisle Journal, Public Opinion, Hexham Herald, Alston Herald, Newcastle Weekly Chronicle, Cumberland and Westmoreland Advertiser, Illustrated London News, Punch, Bow Bells, Chambers Journal, Leisure Hour, and Bible Educator. Papers and periodicals presented to the room—Carlisle Patriot, Daily Standard, Gardener's Chronicle,

and Blackwood's Magazine. The financial income was £24 15s 2½d and the expenditure being £12 0s 5½d, leaving a balance in the hands of the treasurer of £5 14s 9d. The chairman came forward and gave out the hymn" Come let us join our cheerful songs With angels round the throne, Ten thousand are their tongues, but all, their joys are one," which was sung with delight by the whole congregation.—Mr Thomas Ramsay of Alston, next followed with an eloquent address, giving encouragement to reading to the young and rising generation.—Mr George Peart, of Alston, in an address rivetted the attention of the whole audience with the most fluent oratory, and sublime language, on the improvement of the mind. Rev W. Johnson, superintendent minister of the Primitive Methodists of Alston, gave a most, interesting speech, touching upon the pamphlet written by Mr Gladstone on the Papal Church.—Votes of thanks to the speakers and Chairman were given, the singing of the doxology, the benediction was then pronounced, and this interesting meeting was brought to a close. Then followed the supper in the school room, the tables being filled with the most splendid cake and tea, literally tottering beneath their load, being a sight such as is seldom seen on such occasions, when upwards of 150 partook of the excellent spread. The tables were gracefully presided over by Miss Jane Stephenson, Miss Annie Hall, Miss Sarah Davidson, and Miss Isabella Hutchinson, assisted by Mr Friend Hardman, Mr Guy Walton, Mr John Dodd, and Mr William Shield. The Garrigill Brass Band were in attendance and discoursed some pieces of music, in first class style, adding greatly to the evening's entertainment.

23rd January 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Clitheroe, 1st inst aged 39, John Barron, Coal Miner.
In 1871 John Barron (son of Smith Barron & Hannah Erwine) coal miner aged 35, wife Ann (Anne Angus married 29th May 1859) aged 32, children, Mary J. 11, Hannah 10, Joseph W. 6, Frances E. 5.
See 27th Dec 1873 & 17th May 1878.
At Alston, 19th inst aged 35 Jane Slack wife of Joseph Slack Tailor.
In 1871, at Hundy, Alston, Joseph Slack, tailor employing 2 apprentices, aged 39, his wife Jane (Parmely, married 1st qtr 1864, registered, at Newcastle) aged 31, children, Margaret A 5, Mary H 2, and Harriet 4 months.
In 1881, at Hundy, Alston, Joseph Slack,widower, tailor, aged 48, daughters, Margaret 15, Mary Hannah 12, and Harriet 10.
Joseph Slack died 2nd quarter 1886, aged 54, at Alston.
See 6th December 1873
At Prospect Hill, Allendale, 18th inst., aged 50, Thomas Milburn, Mason.

23rd January 1875 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE AT ST JOHN'S CHAPEL.
At half past nine on the morning of Saturday last, (16th) the marriage of Mr John Watson Roddam of Newtown, Stanhope, Ecclesiastical Commissioner, Land Agent, and eldest son of John J. Roddam, with Miss Annie Cain, the only surviving daughter of Mr J. C. Cain Chief Agent of the W. B. Lead Mines (of Weardale). ...

See 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 13th March 1867, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, 7th September 1895, 6th April 1901, and 3rd August 1907.

Deaths

At Alston, 17th inst., aged 79, Toward Walton, landed proprietor.

See 10th July 1886.

In Memory of
Toward Walton of Alston
who died January 17
1875
aged 79 years
also of Francis his wife
who died April 7 1872
aged 77 years
also of John their son
who died June 15 1871
aged 50 years
Also of Henry their son
who died July 7 1886
aged 62 years

23rd January 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

APPOINTMENT OF PAROCHIAL MEDICAL OFFICER AND MEDICAL OFFICER TO THE SANITARY AUTHORITY FOR THE HIGHER OR NO 2 DISTRICT

The appointment to the above offices was left over from the last meeting, as there were only three guardians present.—Mr J. J. Millican said that Dr Carson had been appointed (by the London Lead Co.) as successor to Dr Horder for a period of six months; he would reside at Alston, but keep an assistant at Nenthead.—Dr Gill applied (by letter) for the vacant appointments, but he did not wish his application to be prejudicial to any other qualified medical practitioner, should one come to reside in the higher district.—It was remarked that when Dr. Carson previously held the appointment under the Lead Co. he also held that under the parochial authorities.—Mr T. Dickinson very forcibly recommended his re-appointment, but he was met with the very plausible objection that Dr. Carson had not applied for it, while they had an application from Dr. Gill.—Mr Millican explained that the former gentleman had not had time to make an application since he heard of his appointment by the Governor and Co.—A discussion followed, which resulted in a farther postponement till next meeting; the difficulty in the way of Dr. Gill's appointment being a clause to the effect that where a parish is of sufficient extent to cause it to be necessary to divide it for municipal purposes no medical officer should be appointed over a district exceeding in area of 1,500 acres. Alston with Garrigill, containing about 36,000 acres, had been divided so as to form two districts,

and the medical officer for the lower district could not also hold the appointment in the higher district should a properly qualified person come to reside in it, the area of the two being too great, although the population was far below the prescribed number. It was stated that there was scarlet fever at Nenthead, which circumstance would necessitate immediate action.—Mr Millican said there was only one case of fever, and the person was entitled to the services of the company's doctor, as was the case with most of the poor in Nenthead, as disabled workmen and their families together with the widows of former workmen, were entitled to such services.—The matter was allowed to stand over till next meeting. Mr Mulcaster said that he visited the Workhouse on Friday last, and found all very orderly and satisfactory. There was a woman in the house who had been removed from the Hexham Union, who intimated a desire to go and live with her brother at Nenthead, if the Board would allow anything towards the maintenance of herself and a girl she had at present residing with her brother.—Mr Dixon said he had heard nothing further of it.—Mr Walton, relieving officer, said that the brother had called upon him to make enquiries as to the maintenance of the girl, but did not say anything about wishing to have his sister to go and live with him; the probability was that he could not do anything for her further than giving her house room. The case was allowed to stand over in order to give the brother an opportunity of appearing before the Board and making his request.—Mr Dixon said that there was a stranger in the workhouse who was very ill, but there was no fever as yet; he was in a very bad state, but would likely be better when the medicine he had got operated, for he had had a good quantity of it.

27th January 1875 (Northern Echo)

CUTTING A NEW LEAD MINE
AT EDMONDBYERS.

The quiet village of Edmondbyers is likely to become much livelier than it has hitherto been, as, a few days ago, a lead mining company carrying on operations at Swandale, about half-a-mile from Edmondbyers, struck a rich lode of ore. The vein is a cross one, or north and south, and appears to be extensive, being in some parts where it is cut a foot wide of solid ore. The mine is worked by the Hexham and Edmondbyers Lead Mining Company, and has been in operation over four years, the outlay being over £8,000. It is a new trial, and was thought by many to be a failure, but the enterprising manager, Mr William Dodd, pushed on through all difficulties, and though he had a large quantity of water to contend against, he persevered, in full confidence of opening a mine, his labours have been crowned with success, and a mine has been cut quite beyond his expectation. Pieces of ore have been got four and six stones weight, two specimens, weighing seven stones, are exhibited at Mr Thompson’s Inn. They are nearly solid ore, of a first-class quality. Lead ore is the topic at Edmondbyers.

30th January 1875 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
LIMESTONE QUARRYMEN AND THEIR WAGES

A meeting of the owners of limestone quarries in Weardale was held on Tuesday at the offices of Messrs. J. W. Pease and Partners, Darlington, for the purpose of considering a contemplated reduction in the wages of their

workmen. There are about 2000-limestone quarrymen employed in Weardale by Messrs. J. W. Pease and Partners, Messrs Bell Brothers, Bolckow, Vaughan and Co.; Messrs Ord and Maddison of Darlington, and other firms represented at the meeting. A resolution was passed after some discussion to the effect that the price paid for quarrying should be reduced one penny per ton; that the price paid for "bearing", that is, the removal of the sand and other rubbish overlying the limestone, should be reduced not less than 5 per cent; and that the wages of quarrymen working by the day, platelayers, horse drivers, engine drivers, firemen, blacksmiths, and general labourers be reduced 1s per week; horse drivers not to be reduced below 21s, nor blacksmiths below 22s per week. The price paid at the present time for quarrying limestone is 8d to 8½d per ton. The wages of the quarrymen have been advanced altogether 66 ¾ per cent upon the standard of 1871; or in other words, they rose from 6d per ton in the latter year to 10d per ton in 1875. In April last, however, a reduction took place of 24 per cent, leaving wages still 41¾ above the rates of 1871. This difference will now be still further diminished by 16¾ per cent, so that the wages will after the reduction just resolved upon comes into force be 25 per cent higher than the prices of 1871. The changes proposed in the wages of the limestone quarrymen of Weardale will be likely to take place in other parts of the North of England where limestone is quarried for the purposes of the Cleveland iron trade.

Marriages

At Alston, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 27th inst, Mr Joseph Haldon to Miss Jane Graham, both of Alston.

In 1881, at Delaval Terrace, Benwell, Joseph Haldon, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 28, children James Wm. 5, Lizzie J. 3, and Margaret 1.
Joseph Haldon died 2nd quarter of 1890, aged 45, at Alston.
In 1891, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Jane Haldon, widow, laundress, aged 37, James Wm, stocking knitter, aged 15, Foster 9, and Louisa M 4. In 1901, at Lord St., Westgate, Newcastle, Dorathy Archer, widow, aged 71, visitor Jane Halden, widow, aged 47, boarder Forster Halden, leather harness maker, aged 19, and boarder John Thompson, slaters cartman aged 34. In 1911, at 169 Beaconsfield St., Newcastle, Jane Haldon, widow, aged 57, daughter Margaret 31, son Foster, saddler, aged 29, and adopted daughter May Haldon, shorthand typist, aged 18. See 26th October 1872, 30th January 1875, 18th December 1875, & 15th March 1884

Deaths

At Alston, 28th inst. aged 20, Mr William Graham.

In 1871, at Buntly Syke, Alston, Sarah Graham, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 68, daughters Sarah, dress maker, aged 35, Mary Ann, dress maker, aged 28, and grandson William Graham, drapers apprentice, aged 16.

At Coanwood, 24th inst. aged 39, Mr Thomas White, formerly of Alston. Deceased was secretary to the miners union.

In 1861, at Ramsey's Buildings, Alston, Thomas White, lead miner, aged 25, wife Mary (Bowman, married 15th July 1858) aged 22, children Margaret J. 2, and James 2 months.
In 1871, at Lambley, Thomas White, coal miner, aged 35, wife Mary 32, children Margaret Jane 11, James 10, Mary Elizabeth 8, Ann Isabell 5, Hannah 5, Alice 3, Sarah 3 months, and lodger Thomas Armstrong, coal miner, aged 16.

In 1881, at Labne Head, Haltwhistle, John Tallentire, coal miner, aged 49, wife Mary A. (White married 4th quarter of 1878 at Haltwhistle) aged43, children Robert J. Tallentire, coal miner, aged 17, Mary Eliz. White, general servant 17, Annie Isabella White 14, Hannah White 14, Sarah Tallentire 11, John W. White 7, and John Tallentire 1.

At Leadgate, Durham, 19th inst. aged 65, Jane widow of Mr Matthew Glendinning, Allendale.

In 1861, at Studdon, Matthew Glendinning, farmer of 16 acres & stonemason, aged 73, wife Jane 52, son Matthew 10, grandson James Glendinning, stonemason, aged 24.

Matthew Glendenning died 4th quarter of 1869, aged 81.

In 1871, at Walk Hill, Allendale, Jane Glendinning, widow, seamstress, aged 62.

30th January 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

SANITARY REPORT.

The following is the report of Dr Gill, referred to in our last week's in the report of the Alston Board of Guardians' meeting

"The Sanitary Board of the Parish of Alston."

Gentlemen,—According to instructions as Sanitary Medical Officer for No. 1 district, I have made out a separate tabulated form of the mortality, and as it is impossible to give any tabular form of sickness occurring, I may take this opportunity of mentioning as far as I am enabled what has come under my own observation. Since my appointment there has not been any remarkable prevalence of contagious or infectious diseases. A few cases of scarlatina and diphtheria came under my notice, but they were isolated and erratic, probably disinfection and fumigation with isolation of the sick, may have been serviceable in stamping out the disease. Those complaints most frequently occurring may be said to arise from the vicissitudes of our climate on of its high elevation above sea level (1000 to 2000 feet) and high range of temperature from 90 deg. Fah„ the highest point during the hottest period last summer, and 30 deg Fah. of frost or 1 deg below zero.

Bronchitis, pneumonia, pleuritis, consumption, and catarrh, rheumatism, and remittent fever of children will goitre may be considered significant in forming my conclusions.

The chief part of my duties as you are aware have been in the inspection of any nuisances which might be considered injurious to the health of the people. Having been appointed in March last, I have since that period visited nearly every inhabited house with its surroundings in the district. In doing so I am glad to inform you that so far I have found nothing disagreeable from the occupants, and generally they have been civil and obliging. In one case of impure water, that of Jane's Well, which was contaminated by various noxious customs, I am enabled to give a good account. Through the kind attention of others, that opening at the head of the town has been closed in, and a good supply of water is now conveyed to the Butts for the use of the neighbourhood. In one instance there was a spring conveyed by an imperfect conduit under the floor of an inhabited house which produced bad smells, (strange to say, a case of diphtheria occurred in that very house) but by the owner I believe, Mr Millican, laying the conduit down with earthenware pipes at our suggestion, he has completely prevented dead rats from becoming a source of disease, a suitable

grating where the conduit terminates in the chief sewer being effectual in stopping the live one's going up to the spring. I have previously reported the various ashpits, privies, and manure steads which have been inspected, and very satisfactory action in every case has been the result. Such, gentlemen, are the cursory observations I have now made, and I trust that in future reports you will perceive that there is great progress going on towards improvements in the health of the people, and that material aid towards preventing disease will result. (Signed) RAILTON GILL, M.D., and L.R.C.S., of Edinburgh.

6th February 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Allendale, At Hindley Hill, 30th ult., aged 4 months, George son of Nicholas R. Forster. *Farmer of 117 acres*
At Allerwash, near Newbrough, 29th ult. aged 62, John Nattrass, formerly Miner.
In 1851 living at Chesterwood, Haydon John Nattrass aged 38, Iron ore miner, born Weardale, his wife Dorothy aged 37, born Lanchester, children Elizabeth 12, Ralph 10, Thomas 7, and John 2.
In 1861 living at Page Croft, Haydon John Nattrass lead miner aged 48, his wife Dorothy 47 (Hall married 1840, died 1863), Thomas 17, John 12, and Dorothy 9.
In 1871, at Allerwash, John Nattrass widow, aged 58, lead miner, Dorothy (his daughter aged 19 born North Warden), and grandson Ralph aged 9 months.
Ralph married Jane Watson 1861, they had 4 children, Ann, William, Mary and Thomas in 1871; Jane died in 1875.
Ralph re-married in 1876 to Elizabeth Race in 1871 living at Crook Billy Row, Ralph Nattrass, coal miner aged 42, his wife Elizabeth 30, children William coal miner 17, Mary 15, Thomas coal miner 13, and John 4.

12th February 1875 (Northern Echo)
THE NEW LEAD MINE AT EDMONDBYERS.
Hidden away, amid the moors and fells of Hexhamshire, and secluded from the ordinary track of every-day life, on a bleak hill-side, with hardly a trace of human life visible, and shut in by beetling fells, overgrown with brown and shaggy gorse, are the very insignificant-looking workings of a small mining Venture—to say workings is perhaps to dignify the wooden shed or two, and the small water-race close by, with a title which would excite the risibility of a more extensive projector of schemes for exploring the bowels of the earth. But taken in conjunction with the value of the mineral below, any cynic would grant, that they deserve the title much more than many of the pretentions structures which abound in mining districts.
The history of mining explorations at this spot, which is known in the neighbourhood as Swandale, dates back for a number of years. From time, immemorial the villagers of Edmondbyers—about three-quarters a mile distant—could tell tales of how an ancient load seeker, familiarly styled among themselves "Th'owd chap," spent lots of money in his search for wealth, and left behind him nothing but the traces of his labours. The spot has not proved so secluded as to be hidden from the eyes of London projectors, and some years ago a company was formed for the purpose of following up the search, but their efforts were fruitless. After their failure, it seemed as though the fell

side would be left at peace. Apparently, every effort had been made to make the earth disgorge its treasure, but hitherto, instead of doing so, it had only swallowed the money spent in each attempt. In the face of all this discouragement however, a native of the neighbouring village, and foreman mason at the Derwent Lead mines, some two miles away over the fells, determined to try his hand in the search. He prospected after his own fashion, and became satisfied that if the work was gone on with, with right good will, lead—and this valuable metal in abundance— would be the reward.

Mr William Dodds, of Edmondbyers, offered his services and the information he possessed to the right people, and shortly a company was formed, having Mr Pearson, of Newcastle, as its principal shareholder, and distributing its shares in the venture—at the modest sum of twenty-five shillings each—over a large area, some finding their way on to the Continent.

The work now proceeded under different auspices, having the advantages of a local man, one whose knowledge of the nearest mines was turned to the best advantage, Tho new manager explored the old workings, and while doing so discovered three shafts on the top of the fell, and one horizontal, driven in the same mound. Having calculated his chances, he commenced, nearly three years ago, to sink a shaft on the south-east, and made an oval opening of nine feet by seven feet. The work went on but slowly; for, in the first place, the sinkers came on an immense bed of millstone grit, and was much troubled and impeded with water.

The venture proceeded so slowly, and the prospects of success seemed so obscure, that Mr John Cain, of Hartley, Kirkby-Stephen, one of the mining managers of the Messrs Pease, was invited to prospect the mine. He went to Swandale about two years ago and "dialled" the shaft from the Derwent mines. His advice simply amounted to a suggestion continue the work, and the sequel will show of how much value this opinion really was. The venturers did proceed. A water-wheel was rigged alongside the shaft, the water-power was obtained from a river adjacent, known as the Burnhope, and in the rear of the wheel a trench 25 feet deep, from the top of the shaft was dug
through shale and clay to carry off the pit water, and to act as a tail-race.

In the meantime, Mr Dodds, the manager, met with nothing but discouragement from his neighbours. Hard names were used, and he was accused of digging a hole and throwing people's money into it. He still persevered, however, and at length passed the millstone stratum. and then met with signs of success, He had now got sixteen fathoms deep, and then put into force the information he had; obtained by exploring "th' owd chap's " workings. Unknown to many he had there met with traces, sufficient to satisfy himself, of three lodes of lead, running east and west, and in searching for these blasted and dug his way from the bottom of the shaft due west for ten fathoms.

About the middle of January last, when the frost abated sufficiently to allow the water apparatus to work, the men went down as usual one day, and, after a short time, the long hidden treasure—a mine of lead—flashed in the light of their candles, It was not till the first day in February, however, what with weather hindrances and the rocky difficulties of the drive, that the ore could be properly got into, and now it is found that the lode runs from north to south, to an unknown extent while the height up and down in the way that lead usually lies, and the thickness of the seam has not yet been ascertained. It is need

less to add that the “croakers” now have nothing more to say, for the lead, apparently, is abundant, and of a most excellent quality. Things have taken a considerable turn the immediate locality, and the shares in this mine—which so far has only cost between £2,000 and £3,000-—cannot be bought for £20 a piece.

The working of the Edmondbyers Lead Mine bids fair to become one of the staple industries of the neighbourhood. The present condition of affairs is as follows: —Four men are employed as miners, and a like number at the top of the shaft, bringing the ore to the surface by means of a windlass. The large waterwheel, which has supplanted the smaller one first worked, is 30 feet in diameter, is connected with the perpendicular spear by four cranks, and conveys the water out of the mine to the trench with two buckets 11. and 9in. respectively. Nine or ten strokes a minute can be obtained, and the displacement is between one and two hundred gallons in the same time. The ore seems to improve, if possible, as the work proceeds, and as an attempt is being made, by cutting northward through the ore, to reach one of the east and west veins, a junction may be made, and then the company will feel still safer in enlarging their operations. As it is, more men are being put on, and a better road made through the soft and hillocky ground which runs along the foot of Swandale Fell to the highway about half-a-mile distant. When this is completed, the way will be open for steam machinery and all the paraphernalia of crushing and smelting mills, and soon, as the mine shows every sign of continued richness, the quiet fell side will be as busy a scene of life as “th’ owd chap" himself would have wished to see in his day. It may be mentioned here that the Derwent Mines, which still continue to yield, are worked at a very much greater depth than 16 fathoms, but it is suggested that if the different altitude of the two workings were taken into consideration, the seams would be found to be about the same depth. The nearest railway station is Burnhill, about five and a half miles from the mine; the line is continued from there on the one side to Waskerley, about a mile nearer, and on the other aide to Benfieldside and Shotley Bridge, about six miles off. Stanhope, on the Weardale side, is farther away still, being seven miles. The roads are well made, however, but perhaps the company, should their venture develop, may make some advantageous arrangement for the carriage of their lead. The company have taken the precaution to reserve a large plot of ground for their mining operations.

The project of the Hexham and Edmondbyers Lead Mining Company has to all appearance turned out most prosperous. We are sure no one will deny that their perseverance, and particularly that of their manager, deserved such a result, and it will be some satisfaction to them to think that their adventurous spirit, with a comparatively small pecuniary outlay, should have been rewarded with a mine which may surpass with its richness even their utmost expectations.

13th February 1875 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Alston, 5th inst. aged 77, Irving Watson, widow.

In 1841, at High Rotherhope, Garrigill, Thomas Watson, lead miner, aged 55 wife Irving (Thomas Watson married Irwin Ramshaw, 25th January 1817, at

Alston) aged 45, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, and Isabella 14.
Thomas Watson was buried at Garrigill 20th February 1844, aged 57.
In 1861, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 34, brother John, lead miner aged 32, and servant Irving Watson, lead miners widow, aged 65. In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Irving Watson, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 75.
At Ivy House Garrigill, 6th inst., aged 5 hours, Phoebe, and aged 5 hours, and Rebecca, aged 15 hours twin daughters of William Bird Brown, Yeoman.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, William Bird, cattle dealer, aged 50, and his wife Sarah aged 50. In 1851, at Ivy House, Garrigill, William Bird, landed proprietor, aged 63, his wife Sarah 64, servants Robert Hawthorne 41, Mary Slack 22, and lodger, Eliz Beckton, elementary teacher, aged 27.
Also at Ivy House, in 1851, Elizabeth Brown, widow, proprietor of houses, aged 37, children Phebe 11, Sarah 9, and William B. 8.
In 1861, at Ivy House, Garrigill, William Bird, widow, landed proprietor, aged 73, born Skirwith, Cumberland, boarder Rob Hawthorn, carter, aged 56, niece Phebe Brown, house maid, aged 21, niece Sarah Brown, dairy maid, aged 19, and servant Ann Bell18.
In 1871, at Ivy House, Garrigill Gate, Elizabeth Brown, head, widow, annuitant, aged 58, son William Bird Brown, farmer of 255 ½ acres, aged 28, servant Elizabeth Earl aged 25, servant John Smith aged 15, and Mary Bird, widow (William Bird aged 76, married Mary Slack aged 59, 20th December 1863, at St John, Garrigill), annuitant aged 67.
In 1881, at Ivy House, William B. Brown, farmer of 144 acres, aged 38, his wife Sarah B. (Pickering, married 4th quarter 1871, East Ward, Westmorland) aged 33, children Julia P. Brown 8, Lucy F. 7, Evangeline 2, Sarah E. 6 months, and farm servant Thomas W. Atkinson 15. In 1891, at Rope St., Penrith, William B Brown, retired farmer, aged 48, his wife Sarah B 43, Julia 18, Lucy F 17, Evangeline 12, Sarah E 10, Phoebe 8, Josephine P 7, and Victoria T B 5.
Garrigill Epitaphs give: —

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM BIRD OF IVY HOUSE WHO
DIED JANUARY 31ST 1870
AGED 82
SARAH, WIFE OF WILLIAM BIRD
OF IVY HOUSE, GARRIGILL WHO
DEPARTED THIS LIFE SEPTEMBER 6TH 1855
AGED 69;
ALSO OF MARY HIS SECOND WIFE
WHO DIED AT HOWBURN, HALTWHISTLE
APRIL 28TH 1875, AGED 71.

See 21st November 1835, & 8th July 1876
At Low Dykeheads, 5th inst., aged 1 year, Margaret Richardson.

13th February 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

REFUSING TO QUIT A PUBLIC HOUSE.

Peter Swindle was charged with refusing to quit a licensed public-house when requested to do so by the police on the night of January 7. Charge admitted. P.C. McDermot stated that at a few minutes past 10 o'clock on the night of the 7th ult., he was on duty at Nenthead, when his attention was called to a disturbance at the Board Arms. On proceeding thither he found defendant drunk and wanting to fight one of the attendants. He put him out and order was again restored. He went back about 20 minutes past 10 when he was there again, but went away quietly on being requested to do so. —By the Chairman: He was making a great disturbance, and the landlord requested him to put him out.—Sergt. Grisdale explained that it was during the time the Nenthead pays were held when there was an extension of time granted to the public-houses at Nenthead. There was no previous complaint.—Fined 10s and costs, and advised to refrain from resisting the police, more especially when there was a disturbance.

TO MINERS

TO BE LET

THE SINKING of an AIR SHAFT at GRASSFIELD MINE near Nenthead, Alston Moor. For further particulars apply to Mr JACOB CRAIG, Mining Agent, Garrigill, near Alston, who will receive Tenders for the same up to March 7, 1875.

20th February 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

DISSOLUTION OF AN OLD MINING COMPANY, AND PRESENTATION TO THE MINING AGENT, AT NENTHEAD.

One of the oldest mining companies in this district, "Carrs West of Nenthead Mining Company," has been dissolved, the interest in the mine having been purchased by the London Lead Company. A meeting of the shareholders was held at the house of Mr Joseph Blacklock, Crown Inn; Nenthead, on Friday, the 12th inst., when the consideration money was divided. A substantial dinner was served up in Mrs Blacklock's usual commendable style. The chair was occupied by Thos. Shaw, Esq., of Shield Hill, Garrigill, who has been connected with the above mentioned directly and indirectly for near 60 years. The cloth being removed, the venerable and respected Chairman said it was his pleasing duty to present to Mr Blacklock a slight token of the estimation in which he was held by the Carrs Mining Company, and of the appreciation of the manner in which he had fulfilled his duties as their agent during the 16 years he had held the appointment. The shareholders of the company also wished to manifest their high appreciation of the worthy hostess, Mrs Blacklock, and of the kind-heartedness she had always shown towards them since he had the pleasure of her acquaintance. The articles presented were two handsome pieces of plate, procured for the occasion by Matthew Smith, Esq., Battle Hill, Hexham. The presentation to Mr Blacklock was a handsome cup, bearing the inscription—"Presented to Jos. Blacklock by the Shareholders of Old Carrs Mine, 1875." The article presented to Mrs Blacklock was a handsome gravy spoon, with her initials inscribed thereon.—Mr Blacklock returned thanks on behalf of Mrs Blacklock and himself for the kindness manifested towards them. Alluding to the articles which had been presented to them, he said they would take care of them, and treasure them up while they

lived, and would hand them down as heirlooms to their family.—The health of the Chairman was proposed by Mr Wm. Hall, coal agent, Alston, who alluded to the many years they had gone hand in hand in mining speculations. The business of the Old Carrs Mining Company was then brought to a close by drinking to the health and prosperity of Matthew Smith, Esq., of Hexham, amid expressions of regret on account of his unavoidable absence. He was also honoured with a vote of thanks for the trouble he had taken in procuring the articles which had been presented to their mining agent and his partner in life.

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 17th inst. aged 27, William, second son of Mr George Stobbart.

In 1871, at Allendale Town, George Stobart, cordwainer, aged 55, wife Margery 48, children William, cordwainer, aged 23, Jane A. 19, Harrison, labourer, aged 15.

27th February 1875 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Clitheroe, 23rd inst. aged 65, Mr William Parmley.

In 1841, at Town Head, Sarah Parmley, widow (Richard Parmley married Sarah Walton), aged 50,William, lead miner aged 30, John, lead miner aged 25, Jonathan, lead miner aged 20, Joseph, lead miner aged 15, Sarah 13, Mary 10, and Thomas 3.

In 1851, and 1861, William does not have an occupation listed, merely stated as deaf and dumb.

In 1871, at Clitheroe, Sarah Parmley, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 83, son, William, no occupation, dumb from birth, aged 62, daughter Mary A., domestic servant, aged 40, and grandson, Thomas Dickson, lead miner, aged 33.

27th February 1875 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th inst., Robert Woodmass to Miss Mary Ann Spottiswood, both of Clitheroe.

Robert Woodmass born 1849, son of Frederick Hall Woodmass & his wife Mary Ann. Robert & Mary Ann, emigrated to Queensland, Australia on the Nairnshire arriving Brisbane 24 June 1878 with Matthew aged 2 and Frederick aged 1.

See 27th May 1871, 29th October 1887, 3rd December 1887, & 17th August 1889.

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th inst., Isaac Brownrigg, Police Constable of Kirkbride, to Miss Phoebe Dickinson of Alston.

In 1881, at De Lacy St., Clitheroe, Lancashire, Isaac Brownrigg, police sergeant, aged 31, born Shap, Westmorland, and his wife Phoebe 30, born Alston, children Thomas Bulman 5, born Alston, Mark Dickinson 2, born Lancashire, and Elizabeth Ann 1, born Lancashire.

6th March 1875 (hexham Herald)

Marriage

At Newcastle, at St Nicholas church, 24th ult., John Dryden, Alston to Deborah Forrest, formerly of Dykeheads, Alston.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger, and sub postmaster, aged 65, daughter Jane 25, sons Thomas 19, John 14, and house servant Isabella Pearson 35. John Dryden snr., died 4th quarter of 1866, aged 71. In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger, aged 25, and domestic servant Deborah Forrest, aged 35.
In 1881, at Front St., Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger, aged 34, his wife Deborah 43, and nephew Thomas W. Armstrong 10. In 1891, at Front St., Alston, John Dryden, living on own means, aged 44, and his wife Deborah 56. In 1901, at Butts, John Armstrong, railway porter, aged 29, his mother Elizabeth Armstrong, widow, aged 63, and boarder John Dryden, widow, retired ironmonger, aged 54. John Dryden died 3rd quarter of 1910, aged 64.

13th March 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Garrigill, at High Hundy Bridge, 5th inst., aged 60, Mr William Dodd.
See 14th January 1870, 15th June 1872

13th March 1875 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
DEATH FROM BURNING AT NENTHEAD.
On the afternoon of Friday last, Elizabeth Barron of Nenthead, had occasion to leave the house for a short time. During her absence her daughter, Maria Barron, a girl about 7 years of age, attempted to take the kettle of the fire when her clothes ignited. Her cries attracted the neighbours, who hastened in, and lost no time in extinguishing the fire. ... The girl gradually succumbed to the effects of the injuries she received, and died about 10 pm on Monday last.
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 11th inst. Mr Matthew Tindle to Miss Elizabeth Dawson, both of Alston.
In 1881, at McAdams Buildings, Alston, Matthew Tindle, Engine smith, aged 70, born Longbenton, his wife Elizabeth, aged 47, and niece Ann Davidson aged 11.
At Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mr John Bainbridge of Stanhope to Miss Jane Harker Waller, of Wards Villa.
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr James Coulthard of Burtreeford, to Miss Phoebe Fairless of Cows Hill.
At Alston, at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr William Lee Hornsby, of Hilltop, Nenthead to Miss Mary Ann Whitfield of Overwater.
See 16th November 1864, and 31st December 1870
Deaths
At Nenthead, 8th inst., aged 7, Maria Barron, daughter of Elizabeth Barron.
John Barron lead miner married Elizabeth Dixon on 19th July 1857 at Nenthead.
In 1851, at Overwater, Smith Barron, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah 41, son John, lead ore washer, aged 14, daughter Hannah 12, and son in law John Erwin, lead miner, aged 18.
In 1861, at Nenthead, John Barron, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Elizabeth 23, and daughter Hannah 1.

In 1871, at Nenthead, Elizabeth Barron, married, aged 34, born Haltwhistle, children Hannah 11, Mary 8, Maria 3, nurse child Rebecca Patrick 5, and nurse child Jacob Patrick 1.
John Barron died 1st January 1875 aged 39.
Elizabeth remarried in 1878 to Vickers Thompson.
The 1881 census shows Vickers Thompson aged 32, a lead miner, Elizabeth 42, Jane Ann Thompson daughter 7, son Jonathan Thompson 6. In 1891 Mary Baron aged 28, Elizabeth's daughter is living with them along with Elizabeth's grandson John Joseph Barron aged 5.
See 26th October 1872, 27th December 1873, & 9th January 1875

20th March 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

VACCINATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board, in reference to the alterations recommended to be carried out as to the arrangements for official vaccinations in the districts comprised in the parish of Alston. The Local Government Board had duly considered the matter; they had consulted Dr Airey on the points raised in the letters of the vaccinating officers of the districts comprised in the parish; and they were convinced of the necessity for the arrangements as recommended being carried out. Similar arrangements had been carried out in districts or parishes similarly situated, and wherever such recommendations had been adopted they had been found to produce good results. As to the objections of vaccinating officers that a great number of children would be presented for vaccination on the first day of each stated period, and would have to be vaccinated with preserved lymph, the recommendation was that only what was considered a sufficient number should be vaccinated on the first day, and from them lymph would have to be taken for those who came on subsequent days. The recommendations are that instead of vaccinations being performed at frequent intervals they shall be confined to two period, of three weeks each, in April and October, at stated times and places. At Alston at residence of Dr Gill, at Nenthead and Garrigill at convenient places selected by Dr. Carson. At Alston the attendances are recommended to be on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Mondays in April and October; at Nenthead on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, and at Garrigill on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Mondays of the said months, the attendance at Garrigill being on the same day as at Nenthead but at a later hour, so that after the first week lymph may be procured at Nenthead to be used at Garrigill; the charges being fixed by Act of Parliament as follows:—For every successful vaccination performed at the residence of the vaccinating officer or within one mile of such residence, 1s. 6d ; over one mile and within two miles, 2s; beyond that distance for every successful vaccination 3s. It was explained that Dr Carson had previously held the appointment of vaccinating officer for the No. 2 district while there was a resident medical practitioner in the district, the arrangements being that he —(Dr Carson) performed the duties on the same terms as if he was residing in the district, but there now being no medical practitioner residing in the district, and both stations where vaccinations were to be performed being more than two miles from the residence of Dr Carson, he would now be entitled to 3s for each successful vaccination.—An application from Dr. Carson for

reappointment under the new regulations, as vaccinating officer for the No. 2 district, was then, read and the appointment made.

STANHOPE

PRESENTATION.— On Saturday evening last, the workmen employed at the London Lead Company's works at Stanhope and other friends assembled at the Good Templars Lodge Room, Stanhope, for the purpose of presenting Mr Anthony Bolton with a testimonial on his leaving the works, where he had been foreman for ten years, for Nenthead. A tea was prepared, the trays being under the management of Mrs A. Bolton; Mrs T. D. Bolton; Mrs Rote. Walton; Mrs Maddison and Miss Bainbridge. After the company had done justice to the excellent cakes and tea, Mr T. D. Bolton was voted to the chair. Having opened the proceedings with a few well timed remarks he called upon Mr Nixon Coulthard, one of the oldest "mill hands," to make the presentation, which consisted of a black marble time-piece, ornamented with gilt, and beautifully inlaid with Russian malachite. The time-piece, which was artistically built, was from the establishment of Messrs. Reid and Son Newcastle-on-Tyne, cost £9 9s., and was inscribed "Presented to Anthony Bolton by the workmen employed at the London Lead Co's Works, Stanhope, as a token of respect on the occasion of his leaving for Nenthead." Mr Coulthard, on making the presentation spoke in most eulogistic terms of their foreman, and assured the company that he felt proud of his duty in making the presentation, but at the same time deeply regretted Mr Bolton's leaving; however, he hoped that the testimonial would not only tell him the time of day, but keep in remembrance the respect in which he was held by his old workmen. After a few more imitable remarks he made the presentation. Mr Bolton kindly accepted the handsome testimonial, and assured them that it would be prized highly, and would ever be valued as a mark of their respect and esteem. In thanking them be said that during the ten years he had been foreman at the Stanhope Mills, he had always acted honestly and fairly between man and master. The chairman next gave a humorous description of his trip to the continent, after which a choice selection of songs, duets, recitations, readings, &c., were given by Miss Maddison, Miss Normanson, Mr Moores, Mr McGee, and Mr E. D. Bolton. The whole of the proceedings passed off satisfactorily.

Anthony Bolton (born 1844, at Dufton, son of William and Hannah Bolton) had been the foreman at Stanhope Mills, he was leaving to take up the job of Manager at Nenthead Lead Works. The 1871 census, gives him aged 26, born, Dufton, Westmoreland, he was married to Rebeka aged 26, a schoolmistress, born Leeds, Yorkshire. In 1881 Anthony's sister Mary Bolton, aged 49, was living with them at Nenthead, they had no children. See 16th July 1910

LOCAL NOTES

As will be seen by referring to our advertising columns the inhabitants of Garrigill have decided upon having a suitable building as a public School room. This has long been felt to be a serious want, for the present building is declared to be not only unhealthy, but otherwise unsuitable for the purpose to which it has been for so many years devoted. …

TO LET,

THE several works of BUILDING a NEW SCHOOL at GARRIGILL. Plans and Specifications may be seen on application to Mr JOSEPH WATSON, Crossgill, who will receive sealed Tenders for the Contracts, either together or separate,

up to Monday, the 5th day of April, 1875. The Managers do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any offers. THOMAS SHAW, Chairman. Garrigill, 17th March, 1875.

Deaths

At Clitheroe, 12th inst., aged 10 months, Margaret Ellen, daughter of Mr Watson Robinson.

Thomas Robinson married Mary Thompson 26th February 1807, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Thomas Robinson, died 3rd qtr., 1841, registered at Alston.

In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 63, sons, Watson, labourer on land, aged 23, and John, lead miner, aged 16.

In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Mary Robinson, widow, housekeeper, aged 74, son Watson, lead miner, aged 33, grandson, Thomas Robinson 12, and servant, Mary Bell, house servant, aged 29.

Mary Robinson, died 3rd qtr., 1867, aged 81, registered at Alston.

In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Watson Robinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary (Woodmass married 2nd qtr., 1867, at Alston) aged 24, children, Mary A 4, Elizabeth J 2, and Frederick W 1 day.

In 1881, at 7 Clitheroe, Alston, Watson Robinson, coal miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 34, children, Mar Ann 14, Elizabeth J 12, Frederick W 10, Thomas 6, Ellen 4, and Margaret 10 months.

In 1891, Clitheroe, Alston, Watson Robinson, stones merchant, aged 63, his wife Mary 44, children, Elizabeth Jane, stocking knitter, aged 22, Frederick W, stone breaker, aged 20, Thomas, stone breaker, aged 16, Ellen, stocking knitter, aged 14, Margaret 10, Robert Wm. 8, Louise 5, and John 5.

In 1901, at 98 Clara St., Benwell, Watson Robinson, retired coal miner, aged 73, his wife Mary 54, children, Elizabeth J, stocking knitter, aged 32, Frederick W., time keeper on shipyard, aged 29, Thomas, milling machine minder shipyard, aged 26, Ellen, stocking knitter, aged 23, Margaret, stocking knitter, aged 20, Robert William, apprentice copper smith, aged 18, Louisa 15, and John, office boy at shipyard, aged 15.

Watson Robinson died 2nd qtr., 1901, aged 73, registered at Newcastle.

Mary Robinson died 3rd qtr., 1923, aged 77, registered at Newcastle.

At Garrigill Gate, 13th inst., aged 76, Mr Joseph Lancaster.

See 29th November 1861, & 8th June 1878

At Nether Craig, 16th inst., aged 78, Mr John Davidson, butcher.

John Davidson married Sarah Gill.

In 1851, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, John Davidson, farmer & butcher, aged 54, his wife Sarah 49, children, Sarah 18, Jonathan 15, Mary 12, Jane 2, and brother in law, Isaac Gill, lead miner, aged 27.

In 1861, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, John Davidson, landed proprietor & butcher, aged 64, his wife Sarah 49, children, Mary 22, Jonathan 25, John 6, and granddaughter, Sarah Davidson 2.

In 1871, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, John Davidson, farmer & butcher, aged 74, his wife Sarah 59, sons, Jonathan 34, and John 16.

In 1881, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Sarah Davidson, butchers widow, aged 69, sons, Jonathan (imbecile from birth) aged 45, john, farmer of 45 acres, aged 26, and granddaughter, Sarah Davidson, dairy maid, aged 22.

Jonathan Davidson, of Nether Craig, was buried 22nd December 1881, aged 46, at Garrigill.

Sarah Davidson, of Nether Craig, was buried 5th May 1889, aged 77, at Garrigill.

27th March 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 23rd inst. Mr William Craig, Crosslands, to Miss Sarah Ann Robson, Silly Hole.
In 1881, at Sandhill, Alston, William Craig, stonemason, aged 35, his wife Sarah Ann 31, children Ann Alice 5, and John Joseph 3. See 2 February 1878

27th March 1875 (Northern Echo)
MINING IN THE EDMONDBYERS DISTRICT.
The cutting of the rich vein of lead ore at Swandale by the Hexham and Edmondbyers Mining Company, Limited, has been the cause of much excitement in the immediate neiglibourhood, and also in the towns of Hexham and Newcastle, where, we believe, the shareholders chiefly reside, and from which towns numbers of people have visited the scene of operations. We understand that the company's shares have changed hands at almost fabulous prices, and that now the prices that are being obtained would show that the value of tbe mine is £80,000. It is, we believe, the intention of the directors to push on the operations at the mine with vigour, dressing floors and machinery for preparing the ore for market will be proceeded with at once. It is the opinion of practical men that the mine will bear still better at a lower depth than that already attained. It is intended to put down a powerful steam engine for pumping and winding purposes. This will admit of the mine being sunk to a lower level, when, no donbt, the anticipations of the company will be fully realized. We are informed that the ground on the south side, immediately adjoining the above-named company's operations, has been taken by a party of local gentlemen, and that they have already commenced operations on the course of the same vein. It is generally thought that this vein is the same as that being wrought by tbe London Lead Company, at Bollihope, where it is 15 feet wide, and rich in ore, the output during last year amounting to something like 2,800 tons. Thus, with Swandale on the north, and Bollihope on the south, the new company's undertaking at Harehope Gill can hardly fail to be successful.
The London Gazette of 23rd January 1891, recorded that a meeting was to be held on 23rd February at 7pm, at Newgate Street, Newcastle to show the "Manner in which the winding up of the Hexham and Edmondbyers Mining Company had been conducted" by the liquidator.

3rd April 1875 (Hexham Courant)
GARRIGILL
FATAL ACCIDENT
On Monday, the 29th ult., an accident occurred in the Ladies' Walk portion of the Gov. and Company's Browngill mine, by which a young man named William Slack, of Leehouse, Tynehead, unfortunately lost his life. At about one o'clock he was engaged with his partner, John Armstrong in boring a hole for a shot, when the portion of the roof of the mine immediately above them fell upon the two men, a large mass of nearly a ton weight striking Slack and crushing him down. When it was got off him, he was found to be alive but

fatally injured. He was quite sensible and complained of a pain in his back and chest. He was got out of the mine alive, but died on the way home. His partner was not much hurt. Slack was 35 years of age, unmarried, and was the only support of his mother a widow. He was a remarkably quiet, inoffensive man, and deep sorrow is felt at his untimely death. An inquest was held at the house of Mr Thomas Bell, Leehouse, on Wednesday, the 31st ult., by the deputy coroner for East Cumberland, and a verdict of "Accidental death" returned. The foreman of the jury, Mr Watson of Crossgill suggested that the fees of the jury be given to deceased's mother, which was agreed to.
In 1841 the family living at High Lee House James Slack lead miner 35, wife Betty (Lee, married 17th March 1825, at Alston) aged 35, children Jonathan 14, Hannah 11, James 7, William 2, and John 2 months.
In 1851 at Gate, Betty, lead miners widow, aged 45, children James, labourer, aged 17, Wm, labourer, aged 11, J Joseph 9, Thomas 7, and nurse child, Anny Thompson, aged 1 year.
In 1861, at Garrigill, Elizabeth Slack, lead miners widow, aged 55, sons William, lead miner, aged 21, and John J. lead miner, aged 20.
In 1871, at Lee House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Slack, widow, grocer and farmer of 6 acres, aged 66, and son William, lead miner, aged 31.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gare, Elizabeth Slack, widow, grocer, aged 75, died 30th January 1888. See 4th February 1888
At St John, Garrigill: —

JAMES SLACK
OF HIGH LEE HOUSE
WHO DIED JANUARY 12TH 1843
AGED 41
WILLIAM
SON OF JAMES AND ELIZABETH SLACK
WHO WAS KILLED AT BROWNGILL MINE ON
MARCH 29TH 1875
AGED 36;
JOHN JOSEPH THEIR SON
DIED JULY 2ND 1861
AGED 20,
THOMAS THEIR SON DIED
MARCH 14TH 1862,
AGED 18.

10th April 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Low Dykeheads, 1st inst. aged 61, Samuel Teasdale, Stonemason.
In 1861 the family were living at Pottery Lane, Westgate, Newcastle, Samuel Teasdale, cartman, aged 47, his wife Frances 46 (Stobart, born Haydon, Northumberland, married 22nd November 1844) children Elizabeth 15 (born Alston), Frances 13, Mary Ann 11, Philis 9, Joseph 7, these last four children all born at Gateshead. In 1871 at Nenthead Samuel Teasdale stone mason, aged 57, his wife Frances 56, Mary Ann 21, Phillis 19, and Joseph 17. See 30th November 1844, & 2nd April 1897
At Overwater, 3rd inst. aged 58, Ann Robinson.
In 1871 living at Chapel House, Nenthead, with her brother William a lead miner aged 45, a widow, Ann is unmarried.
At Stanhope, 3rd inst aged 55, John Hutchinson.

The census of 1851 gives at Stanhope John Hutchinson a labourer 29, wife, Hannah 26, step daughters Ann Bell 6, Mary H Bell 4, Margaret Bell1.
In 1861 living at Stanhope John Hutchinson born Hurworth, aged 39, stone quarryman, a widow, his son John 9, daughter Jane 6, and step daughter Mary H Bell aged 14.
In 1871 living at 1 Sheraton Street, Darlington, John Hutchinson Labourer in Iron works, 50, John Railway foreman 19, Jane 16, Thomasin 13 and Sarah A. Earl aged 16 a visitor.
At Rumney Co. Kent, Canada West, February 20th aged 60, John son of John and Alice Carr Weardale. Deceased was brother to Joseph Carr, Boot Dealer, Stanhope.
The 1871 Census for Canada, gives the following: - John Carr, aged 55, Wesleyan Methodist, Farmer, of Romney, Kent, Ontario. His wife Nancy aged 45 years, born England, son William aged 9 years born Ontario.
The family are buried at Shanks Cemetery, Romney, Ontario.

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10th April 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.
The fortnightly meeting of the Alston Board of Guardians was held in the Board Room, Alston, on the forenoon of Saturday, 27th., ult. Present—Rev. O. James (chairman), Messrs Walton Vipond, W. Lee , T. Dickinson, J. .J. Millican, Joseph Watson, Wm. Hutchinson, Joshua Mulcaster, and Joseph Renwick. — The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, and cheques signed for quarter accounts.—A letter from the Local Government Board was read; it confirmed the appointment of Mr Stuart Carson, surgeon, Alston, as the parochial medical officer for the higher or No. 2 district of the parish, the said district comprising Nenthead and Garrigill. …

1st May 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Browngill, near Alston, 23rd ult. aged 60, Sarah relict of Mr Joseph Spark, and for many years landlady of the Waggon and Horses Inn at Nentsbury, near Alston.
In 1841, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 30, wife Sarah (Pickering, married 19th February 1835, St John, Garrigill) aged 25, children Mary 5, and Hugh 2.
In 1851, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, innkeeper & farmer, aged 40, wife Sarah 36, children Mary A. at home, aged 15, Hugh, employed at lead mines, aged 12, Joseph 3, and brother James Spark, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1861, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, publican, aged 51, wife Sarah 45, sons Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph 13, grandson James Graham 6, and servant Jane Brown aged 21.
In 1871, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, farmer, aged 61, wife Sarah 54, sons Hugh, farmers son, aged 32, Joseph, farmers son, aged 22, James, farmers son, aged 16, granddaughter Sarah Ann Glendinning, general servant, aged 11, visitor Mary Archer, widow, aged 50.
Joseph Spark died 1st quarter of 1874, aged 64.
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 27th ult., aged 65, Mr Henry Stephenson, yeoman.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

IN MEMORY OF
JOSEPH STEPHENSON
OF WELLGILL DYKEHEADS
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
JULY 2ND 1831
AGED 47 YEARS
INTERRED AT ALSTON
CHURCHYARD
ALSO OF ANN HIS WIFE
WHO DIED APRIL 8TH 1853
AGED 65 YEARS
ALSO OF HENRY THEIR SON
WHO DIED APRIL 27TH 1875
AGED 65 YEARS
ALSO OF JOSEPH THEIR SON
WHO DIED JULY 1ST 1875
AGED 58 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 16TH 1816
AGED 10 MONTHS
AND ZACCHAEUS THEIR SON
WHO DIED IN HIS INFANCY
ALSO OF MATTHEW THEIR SON
WHO DIED OCTOBER 27TH 1892
AGED 68
ALSO TAMAR, WIFE OF THE
ABOVE NAMED MATTHEW
STEPHENSON
WHO DIED DECEMBER 7TH 1893
AGED 57

In 1841, at Dykeheads, Ann Stephenson widow, (Nancy Spotswood married Joseph Stephenson, 30th June 1808, at Alston, Joseph died 2nd July 1831, aged 47) aged 50, Henry, lead miner, aged 30, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Martha 15, and Matthew 10.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Ann Stephenson, widow, land owner farming 8 acres, aged 60, sons Henry, lead miner, aged 41, Joseph, lead miner, aged 33, Matthew, lead miner, aged 26, and general servant Mary Hunter 19.
Ann Stephenson died 8th April 1853, aged 65.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 51, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 43, brother Matthew, lead miner, aged 36, nephew Allison S Teasdale 13, and general servant Elizabeth Longstaff aged 28.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 61, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 53, brother Mathew, lead miner, aged 46, nephew, Allison Stephenson Teasdale, lead miner, aged 23, servant Tamer Walton, house keeper, aged 34, and boarder, John Walton 9.

1st May 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

… Balance on hand, £31 5s 0d. The clerk reported a letter from Dr Horder (late of Nenthead), which contained his annual report, and an apology for not sending it sooner, for reasons over which he had no control. It seemed that the deaths in his district for, the last year were from all causes 61. There were not many from Zymotic diseases, *(term formerly applied to the class of acute infectious illnesses e.g. typhus and typhoid fevers, smallpox, scarlet fever, measles, cholera, whooping-cough, diphtheria, &c.)* but those from diseases of the respiratory organs were more numerous than usual. This was accounted for by the severe winter we had had. He recommended the dry earth system, but the chairman said it could not be carried out, as it had been tried at Nenthead. Dr Carson's report was read, he said there had been a case of typhoid fever at Nenthead, and he had seen the place disinfected. There were also 5 cases of scarlet fever in Garrigill district, chiefly at Ashgill. The sanitary arrangements were defective, he had ordered a drain to be diverted and the sewers flushed. The inspector reported a case of nuisance at Garrigill, caused by liquid manure coming from Hetherington, and which lay on Mr A. Pickering's property without any means of escape. At Mr B. Brown's the liquid was also standing, and several other places had been visited but there were no complaints respecting them. With regard to Pickering's case it was a repetition of an old grievance, there being previously a drain from Pickering's yard through his neighbour's property, but it had been stopped up. The case had been before the magistrates several times, and we believe a manor court also sat upon it. The clerk reported a case similar to it at Dalton, and it was referred to the Assizes. The board recommended arbitration between the parties to bring about a settlement. Mr Mulcaster thought two members, together with the chairman, might suffice to settle it, but Mr Richardson thought the board might do it, and charge the parties with it, bat the clerk said they had not the power. The meeting was then adjourned for a fortnight.

8th May 1875 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 6th inst. Mr Joseph Cousin of Low Silly Hole, to Mary Ann Hetherington of Garrigill Gate.

Deaths

At Nenthall, 29th ult. aged 40, Elizabeth Carr, wife of Mr Thomas Carr.

In 1851, at Nenthall, Sarah Carr, lead miners widow, aged 74, daughter Elizabeth 40, sons Anthony, lead miner, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 31, and grandson Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 15.

In 1861, at Nenthall, Elizabeth Carr, unmarried, charwoman, aged 51, and nephew Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 25.

In 1871, at Nenthall, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 36 Elizabeth (Hutchinson, married at Nenthead 19th November 1865) aged 38, and daughter Elizabeth Ann 2 years. In 1881, at Snowdon's Houses, Alston, Thomas Carr, widow, farm labourer, aged 40, daughter, Elizabeth A. aged 11, and aunt, Betty Carr, housekeeper, aged 70.

At Alston, 29th ult. aged 22 Elizabeth Kearton, daughter of Mr James Kearton, deceased.

In 1851, at Shaw House, Alston, James Kearton, innkeeper & farmer of 110 acres, aged 43, wife Ruth (Bainbridge, married 28th May 1835 at Alston) aged 36, children Peter 14, Mary 11, Tom 9, Ruth 7, John 2, and house servant Isabella Metcalf 17.

James Kearton died 1st quarter of 1861 aged about 52.

In 1861, at Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, Ruth Kearton, lead miners widow, aged 46, children John, Ag. Labourer, aged 12, Elizabeth 8, James 4, and grandson Walton 8 months.

In 1871, at Bailes, Alston, Ruth Kearton, lead miners widow, aged 56, daughter Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 18, son James, lead ore washer, aged 14 and grandson Walton 10.

In 1881, at 5 Nenthead Road, Ruth Kearton, housekeeper, aged 66, son James, quarryman, aged 27, grandson Thomas Kearton 11.

See 6th May 1876, 27th April 1878, and 7th February 1885

At Hill Top, Nenthead, 30th ult. aged 52, Catherine Robson, widow.

In 1851, at Hill Top, Ridley Robson, lead miner aged 36, wife Catherine (Irwine, married 16th March 1843, at Alston) aged 28, children Thomas 8, Mary 6, Ridley 3, Isabella 1 (see 9th January 1869), and brother James Robson, lead miner, aged 23. Ridley Robson died 23rd July 1855, aged 40; see 27th July 1855.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Catherine Robson, miners widow, aged 38, children Tamar, housemaid, aged 18, Ridley, lead ore washer, aged 13, Isabella 11, George 8, and Margaret 5.

In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Catherine Robson, widow, house keeper, aged 49, children Tamer, domestic servant, aged 29, Ridley, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Margaret, house maid, aged 15.

See 5th April 1879, 16th June 1883

At Tower Hill, Alston, 3rd inst. aged 3 months, Catherine Bainbridge, daughter of Mr William Bainbridge. *In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann (Jackson, married 8th June 1839, at Alston) aged 60, children William, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Isabella 26, Christopher, blacksmith, aged 24, and John, lead ore smelter, aged 18.*

In 1881, at Low Grassfield, Alston, William Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 40, wife Elizabeth (Dowson, married 4th quarter of 1872) aged 44, children John J. 12, James 7, Mary A. 6, William 4, Elizabeth 2, and Margaret 1.
At Holmefoots, 2nd inst, aged 24, Mr John Stout, Lead miner.
The 1851 census gives Stephen Stout lead miner 29, his wife Elizabeth 27, children Walton 3, and John 1 day. The 1861 census shows Elizabeth a widow, and three more children, Richard 7, Ann 5 and William 3; Stephen died in 1859.
At Priorsdale House, 5th inst, aged 75, Hannah Archer, widow of Mr John Archer.
The 1871 census has Hannah living at Priorsdale House, Garrigill, aged 71 a farmer, with her daughter Mary, unmarried, aged 50, and son William aged 48, unmarried working as a lead miner.
In 1851 at Priorsdale House, John Archer, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah 51, children Mary 30, William, lead miner, aged 28, Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Adam, shepherd, aged 14, Hannah 11, James Odavious 5, and Elliot 3.
In 1861, at Priorsdale House, Hannah Archer, widow, farmer of 1500, acres, aged 61, children Mary 40, William, mason, aged 30, Isaac, mason & farm manager, aged 28, James, mason, aged 15, and Elliott, shepherd, aged 13.
In 1871, at Priorsdale House, Hannah Archer, widow, farmer, aged 71, Mary 50, & William, farmers son, aged 48.
See 16th September 1876

15th May 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Stanhope, 9th inst., Mrs Elizabeth Stobbs late of Allenheads, 10th inst., Mrs Elizabeth Watson.
At Alston, 12th inst aged 77, Thomas Whitfield.
In 1871, at the Temperance Hotel, Front Street, Thomas Whitfield, temperance hotel keeper, aged 72, born Southwark, Middlesex, wife Anna aged 67, born Alston, general servant, Mary Pearson, aged 16, boarder John B G Graham, second class assistant of excise, aged 23, and boarder William North, carpet weaver, aged 25.

17th May 1875 (Northern Echo)
WEARDALE MINERS' ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING.
On Saturday evening last, the Weardale lead miners held their annual meeting in the Town Hall, St. John's Chapel. There were on the platform Messrs Nathan Race, Westgate; T. Peadon, Secretary, Cowshill; Joe. Walton, Westgate; Joshua Fairless, Wearhead; Isaac Thompson, Bowersheygate; John Emerson, Ireshopeburn; J, Watson, Cowshill; and a good attendance, but not so good as last year. Mr Nathan Race was unanimously voted to the chair, and, in opening the proceedings,
THE CHAIRMAN said that it was their second annual meeting, and, as they were aware, the object of the association was mutual support and protection for their labour in all its branches. Their society was not aggressive in its operations, but for mutual defence. Individually, they were weak and

powerless; but if they were united, they were strong, and would be able to defend the rights of each other. But their association was something more. During the past year they had extended their operations. The benefits had been extended to members who had happened accidents, and those unfortunate members, no doubt, had found it a great boon. During the past year a great deal had been said about the subject of trades unions. The question had often been asked if those combinations of workman were any real benefit to themselves. Men of high authority, and good men, will say no to this question. They tell us unions may do good in prosperous seasons, but as soon as adversity overtakes them, they crumble to the ground. They tell us it will just happen as predicted, that unions, when tried in the balance, wilt be found wanting. But so far these men have been false prophets. Trades onions are standing yet, and look healthy. (Cheers.) Have not trades unions brought about arbitration, and has arbitration not brought about justice? He argued that if onions were properly conducted, there would be a better understanding between masters and men in the present than there had been in the past. In days gone by men groaned under hard taskmasters they sighed for justice, but they did without the right. (Cheers.) Last year they had to announce that their relations with their masters wee peaceful, but this year, during the last mouth, he was sorry to say he had met with men who had got “short lent” money for reasons over which they had no control. Men felt their position a degrading one. There was a time when they had no dread about their “lent money” being stopped if they were able to follow their employment, but if the time was come when, in addition to our daily toll, they lived under the dread of their “lent money“ being stepped, their lot was a hard one. If the article they produced had been falling in the market there might have been a show of reason; but lead was going up. He hoped, however, that things would take a turn, and peace and harmony exist. Let them, as working men, try to do what was right to their masters, what was right to each other, and at all times be united and defend the right; then they would have nothing to fear. (Loud cheers.)

Mr THOS, PEADON read the report, which showed that the total receipts for the year and the balance amounted to £212 16s 1½d; expenditure, £26 6s 1d, of which £16 7s 6d had been paid for accidents; balance, £186 0s 0½d, The speaker thought that owing to the small subscription of 6d per month, and the small number of members, the association was in a satisfactory position. In advocating the onion, he said their present object was to create a benefit fund to assist members in case of accident; and the ultimate object to learn to exercise more fully provident habits, and to look to their independence and not to charity. It was true their funds were small, but accidents were rare. The Mutual Provident Association was on institution that was useful not only to themselves, but to the country at large, and one of its most honourable features was that it would embrace any class of miners. This association would contribute to promote the feeling of brotherhood, which should exist. He believed the time would come when it would have great influence in the dale, and it could not fail to command the respect and assistance of all men, whether workmen or employers, and he had very little doubt but that if the objects of the association were thoroughly placed before the public, a large number would respond and subscribe willingly towards the funds. The labour market has been considerably affected by disputes in various branches, but

has now assumed a somewhat healthier aspect, and several of the larger industries that have been depressed for some time past show signs of revival. They had no such fluctuation of prices for what they produced, nor consequently in wages, lead being about stationary at a high figure. Nobody should object to the capitalist being handsomely paid. If he created work, he was a great benefactor to the community, and he did good in proportion as he exposes and develops the mineral ores. In conclusion, after viewing the question of supply and demand, capital and labour, from different standpoints, he was convinced that employers and employed have interests that should be identical; that one class ought not to flourish without that prosperity being extended to all; and that one class ought not to suffer, and that suffering be confined to themselves alone. (Cheers.)

MR JOS. WALTON moved the adoption or me report,

MR JOHN EMERSON seconded the motion, and, in doing so, spoke at length on the relations between capital and labour, urging that; unity on the part of the men was the only condition under which they could meet the masters on equal terms.

MR JOSHUA FAIRLESS, in supporting the adoption, said that they had met to see if their association was seaworthy for another year. He said there had been many speculations as to whether their society should take in all the clubs and make one society, The association could, no doubt, be extended, and, if so, no better motto could be adopted than “Help to those that need.” He thought the association should continue. It had a committee, and their forefathers, no doubt, regretted that they had net kept a committee; for, sometimes grievances arise, and a committee formed a connecting link between muster and men. (Cheers,)

The report was adopted.

The CHAIRMAN regretted the absence of many workmen. He saw that when they held their first mass meeting, during the strike, the hall was filled, though snow covered the ground. They had got 50s, and they had got 60s lent money, but now the miners were not so ready to come, and he also noticed the absence of tradesmen. They took part with them during the struggle, and if the miners had received a benefit, surely it was for the benefit of the tradesmen, but where were they that night. The Chairman then proceeded to the business before the meeting, and the following were elected as committee-men for the various mines for the ensuing year: —Burtree Pasture—Messrs Joseph Carrick, Thomas Peadon, John Emerson, and John Watson; Kilhope— Messrs T. Fairless, H. Featherstone, and T. Milburn; Greenlaws — Messrs John Lee, Nathan Race, John Wilson, and Joseph Kidd; Grove Heads —Messrs Isaac Thompson and John Lowes; Grove Rake—Messrs John Moor, D. Stanhope, and H. Fairless.

As the society stood, a person who got injured by accident received 5s per week, and a discussion arose as to whether it should not be broader; that any person being injured by accident, at any place or under any circumstances, might receive the benefit. It was ultimately carried that it should be the same as friendly societies in respect to accidents. It was also agreed that £5 be paid when death occurred within two months after an accident.

22nd May 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 15th inst, George Bright Esq., of Bank Top to Hannah third daughter of Wm. Fairless of East Hassacks, West Gate, Weardale.
Deaths
At Peru, 2nd ult aged 40, William Steel, formerly of Allendale.
In 1851, at Thornley Cottage, Allendale Town, Abraham Steel, lead ore smelter, aged 41, his wife Hannah 41, children William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Dorothy 12, Elenor 11, Sarah 12, Hannah 4, Abraham 3, and John 1. Abraham Steel snr., died 1st quarter of 1853.
In 1861, at Thornley Cottage, Hannah Steel, widow, farmer of 4 acres, aged 51, children Hannah 15, Abraham 13, John 11, and Mary Jane 9.

29th May 1875 (Cumberland and Westmorland Herald)
LOSSES of LEAD MINING IN CUMBERLAND.—Mr. Charles G. Grey, late of Dilston, and now of London, who has for many years held the responsible position of Receiver for the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, who possess large estates in the north of England, including the manor of Alston, was entertained to a complimentary dinner on Tuesday night, at the Golden Lion Inn, Alston. A large Company sat down to an excellent dinner, under the presidency of Mr. R. W. Bainbridge, Middleton House (chief agent of the London Lead Company), and the vice-chair was occupied by Mr. T. W. Crawhall, Alston House.—Responding to the toast of his own health, the Chairman said that Alston Moor had been a paying district to the London Lead Company until the last six years. During those six years the produce had fallen off, and the cost of labour increased and the Lead Company's losses had averaged between £7,000 and £8000 a year, and at the present moment the losses were going on at the same pace. He trusted, however, that even on Alston Moor they would yet enjoy better days. In the district of Garrigill the expenditure had exceeded the income for at least half a century, but it looked at the present moment like compensating them for all their perseverance there, and for the mining pluck of the company's agency in that neighbourhood. At Nenthead, although still poor, there were some gleams of hope. He trusted the Lead Company would long remain lessees of the Greenwich Hospital in that neighbourhood.

29th May 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Stanhope, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst, Mr Whitfield Colling of Level Gate to Miss Sarah Cragg, of Fair Hills; 24th inst. Mr James Armstrong to Miss Jane Dodds, both of Wolfcleugh.
Deaths
At Burnhope of Scarlatina, 20th April aged 7 years, John youngest son of William Turton; 24th of the same month, aged 4 years Sarah Jane, only daughter of the above, and on the 25th aged 20 years, William, eldest son of the above.
In 1871, at Burnhope, Holmside, William Turton, groom, aged 55, his wife Margaret 39, sons William 16, George 13, and Thomas 3.

Joseph Mitchell Paull son of William and Ann Paull, baptised at St. Mewan, Cornwall on 1st July 1827. In 1841 he was living at St Austell, with his father aged 45, a mine agent, and his brothers & sisters, Maria 17, Emily 13, William 11 and John 11. In 1861, Joseph was living at Loaning Foot, Alston, Moor Master to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, with his sisters Maria Ann and Emily M. In 1871 Joseph is living at Low Byer, Alston with his wife Elizabeth Mary Drake aged 36, with the children from Elizabeth's first marriage (widow of Frederick Paull, Josephs cousin) Henry Baynham aged 12, and Maria Prideaux aged 7, and their own 1 year old daughter Louisa Michell. Joseph and Elizabeth had married in Bedford on 14th July 1868.
In 1881 the census places Joseph at the Bush Hotel, Carlisle, widower, mineral and land surveyor, with his sisters Maria Ann Paull (unmarried), Emily Michell Wilson widow, (she had married George Wilson of Alston), and his step daughter Maria Prieaux, and his youngest daughter Wilhelmina Constance who was born at Alston in the last quarter of 1871. Josephs wife Elizabeth died aged 47, in 1879, in Devon.
In 1891 Joseph, (living on own means), his sister Maria, and his daughter Wilhelmina are living at Park Terrace, Silloth, Cumberland. Joseph died in 1901, his death is registered in the district of Wigton, Cumbria.
See 1st January 1858, 31st May 1861, 22nd April 1864, 18th July 1868, 21st December 1872, and 10th January 1880

5th June 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

PRESENTATION TO J. M. PAULL, ESQ., AT ALSTON.

J. M. Paull, Esq., of Lowbyer House, Alston, late Moor Master to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for the Manor of Alston Moor, being about to leave the neighbourhood, was on the evening of Friday invited by a number of his friends to meet them in the commercial room of the Crown Hotel, Alston, the object of the meeting being the presentation to Mr Paull of a silver centre piece for dinning room table. The article, which for a very brief period had been exhibited in the window of Mr T. Bramwell, watchmaker and jeweller, Alston, was much admired, and Mr Bramwell was highly complimented on the manner in which he had carried out the views of the committee, after competing with some of the leading firms in the north of England for the supply of the article, which any firm might exhibit with satisfaction and credit. We feel somewhat at a loss in attempting a description, but the following may give some slight idea as to general appearance and design. With centre bowl it was over two feet in height; on the base of the richly ornamented centre pillar were representations of three Griffins, between which were smooth and highly polished surfaces, on one of which was engraved the following inscription;—"Presented as a token of esteem by tenant farmers, mining lessees, and personal friends to Mr Joseph Mitchell Paull, of Lowbyer House, Alston, Cumberland, Moor Master at Alston to the Lords of the Admiralty, on the occasion of his leaving their Lordships' service on the 30th June, 1875." At a few inches from the top were three branches, the ornamentation of which was in keeping with the rest, at the extremity of each branch was a carrier of the Grecian design, richly chased in the highest style of art, and what gave an additional charm to the whole was double rows of silver chains suspended in graceful carves from the various branches. The cost was something over £60. By the time for opening the proceedings the room was filled. Amongst the company we noticed Lieut.

Wilson, Mrs Wilson, and Miss Paull, Nenthall ; Joe. Dickinson, sen., Esq., Lovelady Shield; Dr. Gill; J. P. Walton, Esq., Green Ends; A. Walton, Esq., Manor House, Alston; and Messrs Thos. Bramwell, Alston; John Atkinson, Lowbyer; Richardson, Coatlith Hill; W. Lee, Randle Holme; Jacob Craig, Garrigill; John Walton Park, Robt. Lee, Hugh Pattinson, John Dawson, Joseph Sparke, J. Pattinson, John Lowe, Alston.

The presentation was made by J. G. Millican, Esq., The Grove, Alston, who said they had met to do honour to one who for many years had occupied an important position in their midst. It would have been more agreeable to his feelings had the duty or he might say the honour been conferred on someone who had been longer connected with the affairs of the town and neighbourhood, but of two things he was certain, he had no need to say a single word in order to convince Mr Paull of the estimation in which he was held by those amongst whom he had lived and laboured. He had but to point to the very splendid article upon the table, and there was sufficient proof of appreciation and the highest possible form of respect. On the other hand he need not remind his audience of the many noble and amiable qualities of Mr Paull, and how they were indebted to him for his self-denying labours on behalf of social institutions, parochial and otherwise, for they had given proof of an unmistakeable kind of the respect for the man, and of their appreciation of his conduct while he had been amongst them. He then briefly referred to the cause of Mr Paull having to leave the neighbourhood. The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty recently sold much of the property they held in the Northern Counties, and as a consequence of which with other changes the office held by Mr Paull had been abolished. After further remarks—explanatory and complimentary—he, in the names of the subscribers, presented the centre piece to Mr Paull, who in a most feeling manner and in a speech of some length gave a resume of his connections with Alston Moor, and thanked the subscribers for the manner in which they had shown their appreciation of his conduct. Before sitting down he proposed health, prosperity, and long life to the Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN briefly responded, after which be proposed the health of Mrs Paull and family.

Mr PAULL responded, and, before sitting down, proposed and drunk to the health and prosperity of the subscribers.

Mr WILSON, of Nenthall, gave "The gentleman who constituted the committee."

Mr A. WALTON, in responding, said he believed the committee had really done their work owing to an honest feeling of warm attachment to Mr Paull on their part; for himself he had been connected with Mr Paull in business during the last eighteen years, and thought it would have been strange indeed, if, during that long period, some little tiffs or jealousies had not sprung up between them, such as occasionally occurs between the beat of friends; but still he could confidently assert that, so far as their business relations were concerned, they had never been disturbed by a single jar. So far as any unkind feeling that ever existed was concerned, he could only say that such feelings were, with him, as evanescent as the aerial atoms by which the company were surrounded, and he had no doubt that such would be the case with Mr Paull. He hoped that the future career of that gentleman would be brighter than it had ever been, and that they should hear of his health and prosperity for many years to come.

Mr PAULL next proposed the health of Mr T. Richardson, of CoAtley Hill, neatly complimenting him on the fact of his having made for himself so distinguished a mark among the farming fraternity of the county in so short a time, and confessing to having been very much benefited by the instructive chats which he had held with Mr Richardson on various occasions.
Mr RICHARDSON, in reply, said that when he came into the country he knew very little about farming or agricultural affairs, but he professed to know more about commercial matters. This knowledge he carefully applied to such as he could glean respecting the business of his adoption, and lie believed that this was, in a great measure, the secret of the little success he had achieved.
Mr WALTON next proposed success to the mining interests of Alston Moor, which was ably responded to by Mr MILLICAN.
Mr PAULL then proposed the health of Mr Jacob Craig, which was briefly responded to by that gentleman.
Mr RICHARDSON proposed the health of the "Mining agents of the country," saying that theirs was a profession which required much deep thought and eminent skill in the performance of the several duties involved therein.
Responded to by Mr PEART.
The health of the different tradesmen employed under the Admiralty were next proposed, and responded to by Messrs PATTINSON and DAWSON.
Mr RICHARDSON then proposed the health of Mr Atkinson, forester to the Admiralty in Alston Moor. He characterised him as a christian that had grown grey (being the oldest man) in the service; that his life had been spent in the faithful discharge of his duties; that in all his actions he had proved himself a faithful servant, and that which Burns calls the noblest work of God, "an honest man."
Mr Atkinson had left the meeting previous to the drinking of this toast, but it was warmly supported by several gentlemen present. Mr PAULL remarked that he would, with all his pride, rather receive a blowing up from Mr Atkinson than from any other man. The secretary was instructed to convey the kindest sympathies and good wishes of the meeting to him forthwith.
Mr PAULL warmly complimented the workmen who had been under him, remarking that he had had men from all nations except Russia working for him, but he was proud to say that none whom he had ever known could excel the workmen of Alston Moor. (Cheers.)
Mr JOSEPH SPARK responded.
Mr WALTON said there was one toast which should certainly not he omitted. He considered that when a public subscription was made for any specific object, the committee who were entrusted therewith were bound to lay out the money thus obtained to the very best advantage. This the committee carefully endeavoured to do; they had sent for specimens and patterns of the article required from the most distinguished firms in the North of England, and after judging as impartially as they could, they found, to their intense satisfaction, that their own fellow-townsman (Mr Thomas Bramwell) was able to compete successfully with the best of them, in as much as from him they had been able to procure more for their money, both as regards intrinsic worth and beauty of design, than from all the others. He thought that if the gentry in the country who have money to spend, would spend more of it in the town and country where they themselves earned their money, the tradesmen in the place would have a much better chance of taking smaller profits, and at the same time

earning a livelihood, but he was sorry to say that many in the country think it beneath their dignity to spend their money among those from whom they had earned it. The present instance, however, was a proof that by their own townsmen they could be as well and as cheaply served as by any others. He now begged to propose the health of Mr Bramwell, who had supplied the subscribers with the beautiful epergne now before them. (Cheers.)
Mr Bramwell not being present, the toast was ably responded to by Mr MILLICAN.
The CHAIRMAN then rose and said it was usual on all such occasions as the present to propose the toast of "Our next merry meeting." but was not sure whether, in the present instance, the words "Merry meeting" was a misnomer or not, "seeing that we were about to lose the services and companionship of the gentlemen in whose honour we were then assembled. However, be trusted that Mr Paull would have opportunities of paying us periodical visits, and that we should from time to time hear of his continued welfare and eminently successful career in the world." (Cheers.) He now proposed "Success to our next merry meeting," upon which the really pleasant proceedings of the evening terminated.

UTILISATION OF PEAT

Mr C. E. Bainbridge of Middleton in Teesdale, is now engaged in developing a process of his own for the utilisation of peat for heating and lighting purposes at the works of the Lead Mining Company in Teesdale. Mr Bainbridge has for some time past been making peat fuel for supplying the workmen. The peat is compressed by patent machinery invented by Mr Clayton of Manchester, and capable of yielding highly satisfactory results. The London Lead Company were the first to adopt the machine, but within the last eighteen months or two years, it has made rapid progress in public favour. ...

5th June 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Holm Foots, aged 9 months, John Emerson Teasdale.
At Cocklake, Nentwater, 14th. ult., aged 46, Robert Snowden, Farmer.
The 1871 census shows Robert Snowden, Farmer, aged 41, wife Jane (Richardson married 1858) aged 30, children Thomas aged 9 and daughter Annie aged 1.

9th June 1875 (Teesdale Mercury)
THE RIVER TEES AS A SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY FOR DARLINGTON, STOCKTON, MIDDLESBROUGH, &c.
The Special Correspondent of the Newcastle Daily Chronicle writing on this topic, says;—
"The considerations involved in this matter are of such extreme importance to the people of Tees-side generally, and to the clientele of the Stockton and Middlesbrough Waterworks Company in particular, that I have made them a subject of special and prolonged inquiry. It is an indisputable fact that the Tees is very much polluted from two equally objectionable sources—first, from the sewage of the towns and villages above the point where the Water Company now Impounds its supply; and secondly, from the "hush" that flows into it from the lead mines. The fanciful and far-fetched, although perhaps strictly scientific theory set up by Mr Hawkesley, that the elements of the foulest substance are

the same as the elements of the purest, and that it is only when they become associated that these elements are deleterious, will be little likely lo satisfy the minds of the people, who are told on all hands, in much more sober and intelligible English, that they are drinking diluted them to provide a quality of water which, if not perfectly pure, it is at least quite innocuous. But whatever certificate of character chemical analysis may give to the water supplied to the Tees-side towns, most people will agree that it is at least desirable to have the water impounded, if at all possible, where it is not to encounter any source of pollution; and hence the suggestion made by Mr Dodds, the member for Stockton, and other gentlemen who have given the question patient and careful thought, that the water supplied to the Tees-side should be impounded—if it is to he taken from the Tees at all—at a point so far up the dale as to be out of the reach of contamination.

“Something might probably be gained—there would, at any rate, be some initial cost saved—by impounding the water of the Tees at a point nearer Middleton. Between Cauldron Snout and Middleton, however, a quantity of “hush" from the lead mines is deposited in the river. The “hush” of the lead mines is an evil easily susceptible of remedy. Indeed, it is only fair to the London Lead Mining Company, who own the largest number of mines in Teesdale, to state that they have already applied a remedy which reduces the evil to a minimum. The water which they use in ore dressing, and which is obtained chiefly from the Newbiggin Beck, near its confluence with the Tees, is passed by this company into large ponds, provided with filter beds, in which, after filtration, the greater portion of the sedimentary matter is left; and this is done so effectually that it is difficult to find traces of pollution at Egglestone, only three miles below Middleton. The Pikelaw Mining Company, however, are still accustomed to “hush," under a special arrangement with the Duke of Cleveland, who is the lessor of most of the lead royalties in Teesdale. The Tees Salmon Fisheries Commissioners have succeeded in limiting the days in which “hushing" shall be allowed to three days in the week—namely, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday; but on these days traces of the sedimentary matter carried down by the "hush" may be found considerably below Darlington. It is, however, desirable to avoid contact with this source of pollution, and that can only be done under existing conditions by going up as far as Cauldron Snout. The London Lead Company have two mines—Greenhurth and Hard shins—above the “Snout" but at Greenhurth only a very limited quantity of ore is being washed—so limited as to leave no trace whatever of “die” within a mile of the mine; while at Hardshins the company are only carrying on explorations, and have no dressing floors in operation. I may add that, so far as I can see, there are no engineering or economic difficulties in the way of bringing the water supply of the Tee-side towns from the locality. By constructing reservoirs of sufficient size an unlimited quantity of water could he impounded during times of flood, and the effects of drought would be less felt here at any time than they would be thirty miles further down the river. The cost of constructing the necessary works would, of course, he considerable, but the cost of maintenance would be less than at the present time, seeing that pumping would be superseded by gravitation. In the coarse of my investigations I heard of numerous visits recently made to this locality by prominent men on Tees-side, of corporate “big wigs," accompanied by analytical chemists, who explored the whole valley from Middleton upwards,

and of portable reservoirs being filled with water at different points between Middleton and Cauldron Snout, both inclusive, and then transferred to the care of the railway authorities for transport to towns on Tees-side. All this seems to imply that the question of the future water supply of Middlesbrough and Stockton has yet to be settled; and I have ample means of knowing that the recent defeat of the present company's bill is only a preliminary to further negotiations, if not to further hostilities respecting this important matter.

11th June 1875 (Durham County Advertiser)

THE HYSEHOPE LEAD MINE, CASTLESIDE

A report of the Hysehope silver Lead and Barytes Mining Company (Limited) has just been issued to the shareholders.

The report is by Captain John Peart, mining agent, Alston, who describes the above mine to be situated on the south side of the river Derwent, and close to the river Hysehope, where it joins the former river, and is about four miles from Benfieldside railway station. The mine is bounded by the mines of Healeyfield on the east, Silvertongue on the west, and Wallish on the north. The geological formation appears to be much the same as Silvertongue, viz., hazel or freestone, shale, with a little limestone. Hysehope mine is worked by a shaft from the surface, the water being pumped from the workings by a water wheel, 32 feet in diameter. There is a fair supply of water to the wheel. The shaft is 13 fathoms deep, on an east and west vein, and from the foot of the shaft a cross cut is made 12 fathoms west, cutting through a strong north and south vein nearly 20 feet wide. The east portion of this Vein is composed of coarse Barytes, and the west part is "rider" and "donk," all permeated with ore. The mine is at present being worked in the west part of this vein, southward, and is opened out about 6 fathoms in length, and still has ore mixed in the vein the full width of the drift. The yield, though not wageable, will pay well for dressing. At the forehead, a cross cut is made west. 7 feet in hazel, but nothing discovered. The strata is all standing on it edge, caused by the east and west strength crossing the north and south vein, or it is from some other cause not yet discovered, but by continuing this drift in the vein south, there is a chance of getting out of the trouble, and getting into better and sounder ground, as the hill Is rising very fast, going south in the direction of the vein, and will soon double the depth from the surface to the present water drift, and will get some good strata above, so that by making rises occasionally from the water drift, the company will be able to prove the vein in the upper beds at a trifling cost. Mr Peart's impression is that the vein will be more likely to be productive of lead ore, &c., when the company gets more under the hill and clear of the confusion. The sinking deeper is not at present recommended. The better plan is to continue the present drift southward, as it is a strong and powerful vein, and from appearance would be more likely to carry ore after it gets more weight from the surface The prospect at present is very encouraging, and well worth proceeding further, the vein being all whole, and very little Is known about it, and the few fathoms opened out in it are no criterion of what the vein may prove to be. A cross cut through the vein is recommended; say one in 20 or 30 fathoms. The machinery, &c., is all in good working order, and the only expense to be incurred is simply the opening out of the vein. Captain Peart is of opinion that the company has not yet opened out sufficient ground to show what the mine may be, but having a strong and powerful vein with lead ore

and traces of copper ore, &c, and machinery all in good working order, they are quite justified in expending more capital in proving the vein southward in the strata above. He considers it a good and promising speculation.
Notice of the Winding up of the Hysehope Silver Lead and Bartes Mining Co. Limited appeared in the Newspapers of January 1876.

12th June 1875 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE
DIAMOND ROCK BORING.

A few days ago, a party of gentlemen connected with the lead mining interests in Weardale, met at the Hope Level, Stanhope, to witness work which is now being carried on there by the Diamond Rock Boring Co, under the superintendence of their agent, Mr C Atkin. Major Beaumont, MP. the Managing Director of the Company, and the inventor of the system was present, and explained the mode of operation. Hope level belongs to Mr W. B. Beaumont MP. and is a level or adit driven right into the hillside for the purpose of laying open a vein which crosses at some distance ahead. The work, previous to being taken up by the Diamond Rock Boring Company, was carried on by hand labour, at a speed of from a yard to a yard and a half per week, while now the rate of progress is from 10 to 12 yards per week, thus showing that a speed of eight times that of hand labour can be obtained by the use of this machinery.
A 20 horse power engine was employed outside the mine to condense air to a pressure of 40 pounds per square inch which was conducted along the level by cast iron pipes to within a short distance of the working face, and then a flexible India rubber tube connects the pipe with an air engine which raises and lowers the framework that carries the drills, which when working are gradually advanced by a screw motion. The cutting is done by diamonds, which are set round the end of a steel drill, which is itself, a hollow cylinder. The diamonds overlap the cylinder's edge sufficiently (both inside and out) to enable it to clear itself and bring away a core of the material being drilled. A hole 21/8 inches in diameter was driven 6 inches into an exceedingly hard limestone in 1 minute 35 seconds. Information from the Alston Herald 12th June 1875

12th June 1875 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

Mr Anthony Crawhall died on the 4th of dropsy *(An old term for the swelling of soft tissues due to the accumulation of excess water, now known as congestive heart failure)* at the age of 62 years. He was one of the richest boot and shoemakers in the North of England, hundreds of workmen having been in his employment during the last 40 years.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Anthony Crawhall, unmarried, shoemaker, employing 3 men, aged 58, sister Jane Crawhall, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 54, brother Toward Crawhall, unmarried formerly shoemaker, aged 50, and brother John Crawhall, unmarried, shoemaker, aged 48.

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 2nd inst. aged 19, Thomas Todd, son of the late Thomas Todd Mulcaster.

Thomas Todd's father was Thomas Todd Mulcaster, son of James and Betty (Wallis married 22nd March 1807, at Warden, Northumberland) born 1814, he married Hannah Hodgson on 1st March 1838. In 1851, at Allendale Town, James Mulcaster, widow, retired smelting agent, aged 74, his son Thomas Todd Mutcaster, out of business (smelting agent), aged 37, daughter in law Hannah Mulcaster 36, grandchildren, James Mulcaster 12, John Wallis Mulcaster 11, Susannah Mulcaster 5, Elizabeth Mulcaster 1, and servant, Hannah Rowel, house servant, aged 19. In 1861, at Allendale Town, Thomas Todd Mulcaster, assay master out of office, aged 47, his wife Hannah 46, children, Susannah 15 (born Grenada, Spain) Elizabeth 11, Hannah 9, Esther 7, Thomas Todd 5, and Robert William 5 (died 1864). In 1871, at Path, Allendale Town, Hannah Mulcaster, widow, annuitant, aged 56, children Susannah 25, Elizabeth 21, Esther 17, and Thomas 15.
John Wallis Mulcaster married Annie Holmes on 3rd quarter of 1862, at Newcastle upon Tyne. In 1871, at Woolwich St Mary's, Woolwich Common, John W Mulcaster, principal of military school, aged 31, his wife Annie aged 28 (died 22nd July 1878), sons James 9, John W. W. 6, and sister Hannah Mulcaster 19. In 1881, at Path Head, Allendale, Hannah Mulcaster, widow, aged 67 (died 27th October 1888, aged 76), son John W. (died 26th October 1901, aged 61), widow, schoolmaster, aged 41, daughters Elizabeth Mulcaster 30, Hannah Mulcaster 28 (died 2nd February 1882, aged 30), grandsons James Mulcaster 18, and John W. Wallis Mulcaster 15. See, 3rd August 1878, 11th February 1882, 27th October 1888, & 2nd November 1901.
At Alston, High Plains, 5th inst., aged 17, Sarah Jane White, daughter of Joseph White *(farmer).*

19th June 1875 (Hexham Courant)

TEESDALE

A "Medical Union" has been established in Teesdale to provide the services of a competent medical man. This movement has been occasioned by the London Lead Mining Company having recently ceased to provide medical attendance for their workmen, as they have been accustomed to for years.

Marriages

At St Augustine's Church Alston, 14th inst., William Burns Esq., of Nettlehirst, Ayershire, to Marian Clapinson, eldest daughter of Adam Walton Esq., mining engineer, Manor House, Alston. *See 19th March 1887*

Deaths

At Greyside near Newbrough, 12th inst. aged 29, Mr Edward H. Perrow, engineer (Stoneycroft and Greyside mines) and formerly of Down, St Just, Cornwall.
Edward Hicks Perrow, baptised 7th February 1847, Saint Just, Cornwall, son of Isaac & Alice Perrow, Isaac married Alice Hicks 15th August 1840, at St Just. Isaac died 1st quarter of 1851.
In 1851, at Cupples Hill, St Just, William Hicks, Inn Keeper, aged 59, his wife Margaret 57, children Edward, tin miner, aged 25, Alfred, tin dresser, aged 21, Elizabeth I. 6, daughter Alice Perrow, widow, aged 30, her children Mary A. 10, Isaac 9, Edward 4, and Elizabeth I. 2.
In 1861, at St Just, Cornwall, Alice Perrow, widow, aged 43, children Isaac, tin dresser, aged 18, Edward, tin dresser, aged 14, Elizabeth 12, and William 9.

At Crook, 7th inst. aged 51, Anthony Watson formerly of Flatt near Alston, interred at Garrigill.
In 1851, at Turnings, Garrigill, Anthony Watson (baptised Alston, 13th February 1824, son of William Watson & Hannah Parmley, married 31st August 1820), lead ore miner, aged 27, his wife Ann (Grey, married 26th December 1844) aged 28, children William 4, Hannah 2, and Jacob 4 months.
In 1861, at Turnings, Garrigill, Anthony Watson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Ann 38, children William, lead miner, aged 14, Hannah 12, and Jacob 10.
In 1871, at Flat, Garrigill, Anthony Watson, lead miner & farmer of 26 acres, aged 47, his wife Ann 48, children Hannah, household assistant, aged 22, Jacob, stone mason, aged 20, Mary F. 8, Joseph 6, and Jane A. 2.

19th June 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Weardale at St John's Chapel, 16th inst. aged 50, Wm. Hewitson, surgeon, late of Allendale.

26th June 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, at the Independent Chapel, 23rd inst., Mr Robert Stagg of Hill House, Alston, to Miss Caroline Bennett, of Kentibeare, Cullompton, Devonshire. *See 15th June 1878, & 5th October 1907*
At Stanhope, 19th inst. at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Mr Job Emerson of West Blackdean to Miss Phoebe Featherstone of Burnhope.

26th June 1875 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
THE "CRANSTON" ROCK DRILL.
Recently experiments were made at the London Lead Company's works at Nenthead, with this drill, Messrs C. Bainbridge and J. J. Millican, the Company's agents, being present. The drill was under the superintendence of Mr Cranston himself, and gave every satisfaction. The machine is largely used in boring operations in most of the continental nations. The turbine in this instance was worked from a distance of 42 fathoms, and running at the rate of 800 revolutions per minute. The compressor worked from the turbine at 45 strokes per minute, and great progress was made with the boring. The machine is very portable weighing only 2 cwt., and through Aberdeen granite, it will bore at the rate of 2 - 6 inches per minute. It can be applied to drill at any angle, and can be worked by an ordinary miner with a pressure of 20 lb. of steam or air, and will bore a hole 15 ft deep, if the drilling tool is changed every 2 ft. It is the patent of Mr J G Cranston, 22 Grey Street, Newcastle on Tyne, who is a native of Alston, and therefore a credit to the ingenuity of our town.

3rd July 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, 1st inst. Mr John Wailes of Haggs Foot to Miss Elizabeth Vipond of Crossgill, Pasture Houses. *See 3rd May 1879, & 21st June 1879.*

Deaths
At Alston, 21st ult., aged 58 years, Mary Coats, widow.
See 15 March 1873
At Low Dykeheads, 26th ult. aged 28, Elizabeth daughter of John Richardson.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 23 John, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 15, John 8, Rachael 7, and George 6.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 29, wife Mary aged 24, daughters Elizabeth 4, and Agnes 1 year.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 39, wife Mary 34, children Elizabeth 14, Agnes 11, Mary Ann 5, and John 2.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, wife Mary 45, children Elizabeth 24,. John 12, Frances 8, and granddaughter Frances Mary Richardson 1 year.
In 1881, at Wellgill, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 59, wife Mary 54, John, lead miner, aged 22, and Frances, household work, aged 19. John Richardson died 4th quarter of 1898, aged 76

10th July 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Dykeheads near Alston, 1st inst. aged 58 Mr Joseph Stephenson lead miner.
See 19th December 1874.
At Dykeheads near Alston, 7th inst. aged 58 Mary wife of William Percival lead miner.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, William Percival, lead miner, aged 38, wife Mary aged 43 and son John M. 6.
In 1871, At Dykeheads, William Percival, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary aged 54, their son John aged 16, a labourer.
William Percival died 7th July 1876, aged 53.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, John Percival, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Jane (Pattinson, married 2nd quarter of 1878, Alston) aged 27, daughters Mary M. 2, Agnes Ann 1, and Isabella 1 month.
In 1891 at Roughside, Nenthead, John Percival, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 37, children, Mary M 12, Agnes A 11, Isabella 10, Hannah 8, William 5, Elizabeth 4, and boarder Thomas N Thompson, lead ore washer, aged 20.
In 1901, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Percival, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Jane 47, children William, lead ore washer, aged 15, Lizzie 14, Jane 9, and lodger Thomas Thompson, lead ore washer, aged 34.
In 1911, at Dykeheads, John Percival, lead & zinc miner, aged 56, his wife Jane 57, son William, lead & zinc miner, aged 25, and daughter Lizzie 24.
John Percival died 2nd quarter 1914, aged 60, his wife Jane died 4th quarter 1918, aged 65.
See 1st July 1876, 15th July 1876, and 11th October 1884

10th July 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
NENTHEAD.
SABBATH SCHOOL TRIP.—On Monday morning, the quiet village of Nenthead was the scene of activity and excitement, caused by the children, with their teachers, parents, and friends of the Wesleyan Sabbath school leaving the place for a day's pleasure at the beautiful Gilliland Spa. The village

being about 4½ miles from the Alston Station, the managers of the school were obliged to ask their friends and neighbours for the use of their conveyances to take the children to the railway station in the morning and back to home again the evening, which they very readily granted, it not being the first time they have shown their kindness in the way named. All parties belonging to the institution wish through your valuable paper to tender to all such parties their best thanks for their liberality. Between eight and nine o'clock in the morning they left the village accompanied by the choir, those parents that could not make it convenient to go placing all confidence in the managers of the trip that their children would be taken care of. About 100 children and 25 teachers availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the spa, besides a number of friends. At the railway station they were met by the Nentsberry Wesleyan scholars bound for the same place. All went on nicely, reaching the beautiful spa about one o'clock. The first thing done was to take the children to the well, when all had a draught of the refreshing water. At half-past two o'clock the children were called together on the green, where they sang some of the choice airs out of Sankey' s collection, conducted by Mr G. Angus, in his masterly style. Having done this they then visited the "popping stone," some of the young ladies and gentlemen procured a piece of the stone as the old story says if they can only do that and take it with them into their bed chambers at night they will dream of those that love them. Returning to the green all seated themselves and were served with cake and tea until all were satisfied. After this they were again permitted to strol until at the request of some ladies and gentlemen staying at the place they again sang two or three of Sacker's airs, and bidding the ladies and gentlemen good bye the children were marched once more to the well where all got their last draught of the spa water. Being about half-past five o'clock the children were brought in front of the Shaws Hotel, where they sung two or three hymns, after which they took their departure for the Rose Hill Station, which they left by 7:25 p.m. train and arrived at Alston by half-past eight, amid a great throng of spectators, and reached Nenthead by half-past ten all safe, nothing having happened either scholar or teacher. So ended a day long to be remembered by all that took any interest in it.

17th July 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 8th inst. Mr John Philipson of Windyside to Miss Hannah Moses of the Fold.
In 1841, at Westgate, Weardale, Ann Moses 45, children, Frances 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, Cuthbert, lead miner, aged 15, George, lead miner, aged 15, and Ralph aged 12. In 1851, at Westgate, Weardale, Ann Moses, widow, aged 55, sons, George, lead miner, aged 24, and Ralph, lead miner, aged 21. In 1861, at Brother Lee, St John's, Weardale, Ralph Moses, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary (Forster, married 1st qtr 1852, registered at Weardale) aged 30, children, Hannah 8, Ralph 5, and William 10 months.
In 1871, at Westgate, Weardale, Ralph Moses, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 41, children, Hannah 18, William, lead miner, aged 15, and Ralph 10.
In 1881, at Fold, St John's, Weardale, Ralph Moses, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 50, and son William, labourer, aged 20.
Ralph Moses died 1st quarter 1883, aged 53, registered at Weardale.

In 1891, at Fold, St John's, Weardale, Mary Moses, widow,farmer, aged 60, son William, lead miner, aged 30, and servant, Hannah Moses, domestic servant, aged 16. In 1901, at Windy Side, Westgate, Mary Moses, widow, aged 70, and her son, William, limestone quarryman, aged 40.
Mary Moses died 3rd qtr of 1902, aged 72, registered at Weardale.
In 1881, at Tindale Cres, Bishop Auckland, John Philipson, coal miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah 29, children, Thomas 3, and Ralph 7 months.
In 1891, at Windyside, Stanhope, Hannah Phillipson, widow, aged 38. Sons, Thomas 18, Ralph 10, and John W 6. In 1901, at Constance St., Consett, Hannah Philipson, widow, aged 48, sons, Thomas, steel smelter, aged 23, Ralph, apprentice brick layer, aged 20, and John W, steel works clerk, aged 16.
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, High Houses, Weardale, 10th inst. Mr William Johnson of Byrehope, Allendale, to Miss Mary Featherstone of High Houses, Holts, Weardale.
In 1881, at 27 northumberland, Stranton, Hartlepool, William Johnson, book agent, aged 27. his wife Mary 28, children, Frances 5, Sarah H 3, Elizabeth 2, and Antonio 5 months.

22nd July 1875 (The Hour)
LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN'S MEDICAL UNION.—Alston District—Wanted, November 1st, for the above Union, a MEDICAL PRACTITIONER of experience and ability. Salary £200 per year, with good house, garden, stable, &c., at a nominal rent. An energetic man might also obtain a good Private practice.—Applications, with testimonials and references will be received up to the 31st inst.—Address A. Bolton. Nenthead, via Carlisle.

24th July 1875 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON CHURCH
We understand that the tower and spire of this church is about to be completed at the sole expense of Thomas Wilson Esq., of Shotley Hall, and that the work will be proceeded with immediately. ...
Births
At Rosedale, Australia, 26th April, the wife of Mr William Walton junior, C.E. late of Peasemeadows House, Allenheads, of a daughter.
See below & 14th June 1884.
Deaths
At Wardway Foot, near Alston, 1st inst. aged 7 years, Henderson, son of John Walton.
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, John Walton, lead ore miner, aged 30, wife Jane (Wilson, married 4th quarter of 1852) aged 33, children Robert 7, Mary A. 4, Hannah 3, and Margaret 9 months.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, John Walton, lead miner, aged 39, wife Jane 42, children Robert, lead miner, aged 17, Mary Ann 14, Margaret 10, John 7, and Henderson 2. In 1881, at Wardway Foot, John Walton, lead miner, aged 49, wife Jane 52, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 17, niece Sarah Barrow 14, and nephew John Barrow 12.
In 1891, at White Hall, Nenthead, John Walton, lead ore washer master, aged 59, his wife Jane 62, son Robert, lead miner, aged 37, niece Sarah Barrow 24, and granddaughter Mary Ann Barron 9.

In 1901, at White Hall, John Walton, miner labourer, aged 69, his wife Jane 72, and granddaughter Mary Ann Barron, pupil teacher aged 19.
John Walton died 3rd quarter 1904, aged 73.
See 13th December 1879
In the United States of America, 1st June, aged 38, Edward Lee Walton, twin son of Mr Wm Walton of Peasemeadows, Allenheads.
In 1851 at Peasemeadows, William Walton, born Alston, smelting agent 50, his wife Mary (Lee, married 7th July 1825), born Allendale, aged 52, children Margaret 21, William surveyor 18, Isabella 16, Joseph F. 14, Edward L. 14, and Mary 11. In 1861 at Peasemeadows, William Walton, smelting mill agent, aged 60, his wife Mary 65, children Isabella 26, and Joseph F. lead ore smelter 24. Also with them Mary Lee their granddaughter.
In 1871, at Peasemeadows, William Walton, widow, agent at Allenheads smelt mill, aged 70, daughter Isabella, house keeper, aged 36, Tinniswood Walton, grandson, visitor, aged 6, born St Pancras, London.
William Walton died 30th December 1880, aged 80.
In 1871 Joseph F. is at Park Street, Brighton, with his wife Anne (born Tunbridge Wells, Kent) and their son Frederick T. aged 3, Joseph is working as a coachman, he died in 1901 aged 64.
See 24th July 1875, 15th January 1881, 3rd February 1883, and 14th June 1884.
At Donks hall, 20th inst. aged 23, Mr Robert Robinson Lead miner.
See 18th July 1874.

24th July 1875 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

Scarlet fever is again raging here.
The worst case is that of the family of Sergeant Fowler, who has lost two children, William, 4 days and another is lying ill.
See 7th August 1875

27th July 1875 (Daily Gazette for Middlebrough)

THE UTILIZATION OF PEAT IN THE NORTH.

On Monday, the Cleveland Institute of Engineers had an excursion to Middleton-in-Teesdale for the purpose of seeing in operation the peat fuel works of the London Lead Company, in pursuance of an invitation from Mr C. E. Bainbridge. More than 80,000 square miles of royalty are held by the company, chiefly from the Duke of Cleveland, in Teesdale. Other royalties, however, have come into their possession in Cumberland, Westmoreland, and Yorkshire. The annual production of pig lead is equal to 10,000 tons, worth at the ordinary market rate from £22 to £24 per ton. More than 2,000 hands are employed at or in connection with the company's various mines. The peat works of the company are situated in the centre of a bleak, lonely, and almost trackless moor called Eggleshope Fell, situated at an altitude of 1,700 feet above sea level. They are closely adjacent to the mine called Little Egglesthorpe, to which the members of the institute were conveyed by special conveyance from Middleton-in-Teesdale. For the last two or three years the company have made use of Clayton's patent peat compressing machinery, primarily for the purpose of affording to the men in their employment a cheap and plentiful fuel supply. One of these machines can produce about 20 tons of peat fuel per day at a cost, which was described as being less than that of

coal, after the cost of carriage had been paid, even if the latter were offered at the pit for nothing. An opportunity was afforded of seeing the whole *modus operandi* of the process of manufacture, from digging the peat out of a bog close at hand to its ultimate disposition as fuel. After the peat has been passed through the machine and compressed it contains from 70 to 80 per cent, of water. It is in this condition placed in a series of shelves arranged in tiers one above another, in a building called the drying shed. It is there allowed to remain for a week, by which time a skin is formed on the surface of the peat, which will make it impervious to damp. After this the peat is carried in blocks not unlike the shape and size of pigs of iron to the open air, where it is permitted to remain for another week, and at the end of that time it is fit to be used as fuel, the moisture having been reduced from 70 or upwards to about 15 per cent.

The present cost of production is about 6s per ton. Some very excellent charcoal has been obtained from the utilization of peat for making gas at the company's smelting works at Stanhope, in Weardale. The exceptional hardness and purity of this charcoal was admitted by the visitors, who seemed generally disposed to think that it might with advantage be adapted for the manufacture of charcoal iron in the Middlesbrough district. No such iron is now made in Cleveland, because of the dearness of charcoal and the extreme difficulty of procuring it. No place, however, enjoys better facilities for the importation from Sweden or Norway of iron ores adapted for this branch of metallurgy, and as there is always a good market for charcoal iron, it is quite on the cards that an experiment may be made in this direction. The charcoal made from peat at the works of the London Lead Company does not cost more than 30 per ton for production, and Mr Bainbridge has an offer of £4 or £5 per ton for as much he can produce. In view of the demand that may be expected to spring up for this product, that gentleman has recently invented and patented two machines, the first to make the peat fuel, with several important improvements on Clayton's machine; and the second to effect the carbonisation of the fuel for smelting purposes. Models of these machines were inspected by the visitors with much interest. The adjacent lead mines of the company were then visited, and the company afterwards made an excursion to High Force, where they partook of an excellent dinner, under the chairmanship of Mr Wrightson, the president of the institute. Before leaving again for home the members of the institute cordially united in thanking Mr Bainbridge for his kind and cordial reception, and for the valuable information he had placed at their disposal.

31st July 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths

At Donks hall, 23rd inst aged 6, Margaret, daughter of John Stout.

In 1861, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, John Stout, late lead miner, aged 70, his wife Margaret (Madgen, married 25th June 1818, Alston) aged 63, unmarried son William, lead miner, aged 38, married son John, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Lee, married 7th May 1854, at Nenthead) aged 30, sons children Jane 6, John 4, and Mary 2. John Stout died 2nd quarter of 1869, aged 78.
In 1871, at Donks Hall, John Stout, lead miner & farmer, aged 44, wife Hannah 40, children Jane 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, Mary Ann 12,

Stephen 9, Henry 6, William 4, Margaret 1, and boarder William Stout, lead miner, aged 48.
In 1881, at Donks Hall, John Stout, farmer of 27 acres & quarryman, aged 54, wife Hannah 50, Stephen, quarryman stone, aged 19, Henry, cartman, aged 16, William 14, and brother, William Stout, quarryman stone, aged 58.
John Stout died 1st quarter 1890, aged 63
See 1st May 1869, 29th May 1869, 31st March 1883
At Dykeheads, 22nd inst aged 44, Mr Thomas Rutherford, Lead Miner.
See 5th April 1884

31st July 1875 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Wednesday the months notice given to the ironstone miners under the employment of the Weardale Iron and Coal Company expired and their works at the different mines in Weardale and Stanhope have ceased for the present. At the limestone quarries and ironstone mine at Stanhope above 100 men are off, and at the different ironstone mines and open quarries in Weardale about 300 men are out of employment. … How long the works will be closed is not known, but it is said for 6 months at least. Some 2 months ago about 100 ironstone miners were paid off in Rookhope under the same company.

7th August 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 31st ult. Mr Ralph Phillipson to Miss Jane Smith of Westgate.

7th August 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Allenheads, 18th ult., aged 4 Thomas son of Sergeant T. Fowler, 25th ult., Maria daughter of the above, 30th ult., Rhoda, all the children of Sergeant Thomas Fowler.
The register of deaths shows Maria to be 1, Thomas 3, and Rhoda 5 years old.
In 1861, at Castlegate, Grantham, Thomas Fowler, sergeant, Grenadier Guards, aged 32, born Lingfield, Surrey, his wife Mary aged 28, and daughter Mary A 5 months.
In 1871, at Chapel Cottages, Allendale, Thomas Fowler, Sergeant Instructor 1st Ad. Br. N.R. Volunteers, aged 42, his wife Jane (White married 3rd quarter 1869, Alnwick) aged 31, and daughter Rhoda 9 months.
In 1881Thomas (Sergeant Instructor of the 7th Northumberland Volunteers and pensioner from the Grenadier Guards) is living at Chapel Cottage, St Peter's, Allendale, with his wife Jane aged 40, and their children Rhoda aged 5, Harry aged 2, and Boarder, John White, widow, retired porter, aged 78.
In 1891, the family had moved to Crockham Hill, Westerham, Kent, Thomas Fowler, aged 62, his wife Jane aged 50, children Rhoda, dressmaker, aged 15, Harry aged 12, and Father in law, John White, widow, aged 88. In 1901, at Crockham Hill, Thomas Fowler, retired army pensioner, aged 72, and his wife Jane aged 60.

14th August 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Fairhill, Nenthead, 4th inst., Mr Ridley Havelock lead miner aged 51.
In 1841, at Low Hill Top, Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Jane (Elliot, married 26th December 1811, at Alston) aged 52, children John lead miner, aged 25, Mary 20, Smith 20, Jane 15, Ridley 15, Thos 13, and Betsy 10.

In 1871 Ridley Havelock lead miner, unmarried aged 47, living at Fair Hill with his unmarried brother and sister, Thomas, aged 43, lead miner, and Elizabeth aged 40.
See 9th January 1875, 22nd April 1882, and 11th October 1884

14th August 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At High Spency Croft, 7th inst. aged 15, Susanna Currah.
In 1861, at Low Crossgill, Matthew L Currah, unmarried, lead miner, aged 35, his unmarried sister Catherine 29, nephew Walton, lead miner, aged 8, niece Frances 6, and niece Susanna 9 Months.
Matthew Lee Currah, died 3rd quarter of 1864, aged about 38.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Catherine Currah, unmarried charwoman, aged 33, daughters Susan 11, and Jane 7. In 1881, at High Spency Croft, Catherine Currah, charwoman, aged 47.
At Dykeheads, 11th inst. aged 66 years, Jane Wilkinson wife of Thomas Wilkinson, Lead Miner.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 44, wife Jane (Percival, married 28th January 1832, Alston) aged 42, children Margaret 22, Anthony 12, Thomas 9, Mary 6, and Elizabeth 4.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 52, wife Jane 52, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann, house maid, aged 16, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 14, and Jane 9.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 62, wife Jane 62, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 32, Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, Jane, dressmaker, aged 19, and granddaughter Mary Ann 9 months. In 1881, at Dykeheads, Thomas Wilkinson, widow, lead miner, aged 72, son Anthony, lead miner, aged 40, daughter Jane, house keeper, aged 27, granddaughter Mary Ann Wilkinson 10, and grandson Robert William Wilkinson 7.
Thomas Wilkinson died 1st quarter of 1886, aged 77.

14th August 1875 (Alston Herald)
LEAD MINING IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND
THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY'S WORKS.
THE WORKS OF THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY, IN THE North of England, are the largest of their kind in the United Kingdom. ... The London Lead Company has a most interesting history. It was founded in the reign of Queen Anne (*Incorrect it was formed in 1692, reign of William & Mary, what is probably being referred to is the second period of the company when it was reformed in 1705. Previous to the 1st January 1752 the New Year began on Ladyday, 25th March. The first recorded meeting of the Company was on 10th February 1704, which using when using the modern calendar would be 1705*) from whom it received a special charter of incorporation, and it is worthy to

note that it is the only company in Great Britain, except the Bank of England, that holds a charter direct from the crown.
Tradition and the archives of the Company together afford the following particulars as to the origin of the company. A Quaker lady, of the name of Fox, in travelling from the North to London in the old stagecoach regime, had her attention called to the fact that in the hills and dales of the northern counties there were valuable minerals, which it only required capital to develop. At the same time, she saw for herself that there was a sturdy, but poverty-stricken population available for working the mines, and to whom the chance of employment in such an industry would be a positive boon. She therefore on her arrival in London, laid the matter before several of her Quaker friends, who were induced to aid her in subscribing the necessary capital, and the company was thus projected (*There is no evidence in the Company records to support this nice story*). Some of the mines which the newly formed corporation undertook to work on Alston Moor had been worked in the time of the Romans. In the Silver Band Mine, on the Alston Hills, traces of Roman workmanship have been found together with a number of Roman coins, ...
Within the last few years a great development has taken place in Spain, which now annually throws into the English market nearly as much lead as the total quantity at home, while the extensive lead mining operations carried on in America by such companies as the Richmond Consolidated, has also exercised an appreciable effect in discounting the influence of English firms. …
Generally speaking the miners are very comfortable - the result sobriety and steady industry. They usually work 40 hours per week; and in order that they may have two clear days in each week for the cultivation of the small holdings which most of them have acquired on the moors or in their immediate vicinity, they compress their 40 hours per week into four days - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday - thus leaving the two last days entirely free. Their average earnings will be about 24s per week *(a little high?)* free of all extras and deductions. They had a mode of managing their affairs, which is as successful as it is exceptional. Every year they hold a meeting, and appoint one of their number to act as the medium of communication between themselves and their employers. It is the duty of the delegate to see that as far as possible, the men do their duty to their employers, and the employers fulfil their obligation to their men. There is a set of rules and regulations for the conduct of the miners. A breach of these rules, or dereliction in any other way, is generally attended by a specific fine, but the employers instead of inflicting the fine on the culprit - whose culpability they might possibly fail after infinite trouble to establish - impose it upon the delegate who acts as the vicar of the men, and whose business it is to ascertain as best he can the offender, for whose offence he is thus made responsible, and then deduct the penalty from his wages. If it is found impossible to trace the offence to its real source the amount of the fine is generally distributed over all the men in the mine or colony, where the offence occurred. This plan has hitherto been found to answer remarkably well. It relieves the employers from a deal of harassing trouble and is calculated to put the men on their good behaviour. ...
Under the able and energetic management of Mr Bainbridge,...
The modus operandi of winning the lead is much similar to that adopted at other mines in the North.

The drifts are made 6ft 6in high, and 4ft 6in wide, and for the purpose of securing greater safety they are always arched except when driven through solid rock. For the purpose of making the arching more easy, the drifts are generally driven through shale formation. The lead ore is broken up by Marsden's patent Blake's stone and ore crusher. The Company have seven or eight of these machines in operation at their different mines, and they answer the purpose of their application better than anything yet devised.

After the ore has been crushed, it is carried from the bottom of the trough of Blake's ore crusher by a series of vessels, which are placed at much the same angle, and are moved in much the same way, as the buckets of a dredging machine. These vessels deposit the ore in a trough, which is worked by an automatic motion, and where with the application of water the precious mineral is separated from the base matter in combination with which it is found. ... Within the past few weeks, the company have adopted a new process for the desilverisation of lead, which is entitled to notice from the valuable economy, which it promises to introduce. ...

It is now rather more than two years since M. Rozan, a Frenchman, introduced to the world the new process for the desilverisation of lead, which bears his name, but it was not adopted in this country until it was taken up last year by Mr Cookson, of Newcastle, and Mr Cookson reported so favourably on its results that the London Lead Company were induced to give it a trial. The principle of the Rozan process is much similar to that of the well known process of Mr H. L. Pattinson, ... The Rozan process, however, is carried out by the mechanical agency of steam. Two separate pots are made use of - the one containing 20 tons and the other 6 tons. At the bottom of the 20-ton pot, which may be described, as the working vessel there is a steam pipe, with a valve through which the steam is let into the molten lead at pressure. The pressure at which the steam is applied is about 55 lbs., which is found sufficient to support the lead, and prevent it from going down into the steam pipe while it is being desilverised. By this process a considerable saving in labour is effected, which must necessarily vary according to the percentage of silver contained in the lead, but which Mr Bainbridge has estimated all round at fully a third, while it is also proved that desilverisation of the lead is more completely effected than by the Pattinson or any other process in use. ...

Blake's ore crusher from:
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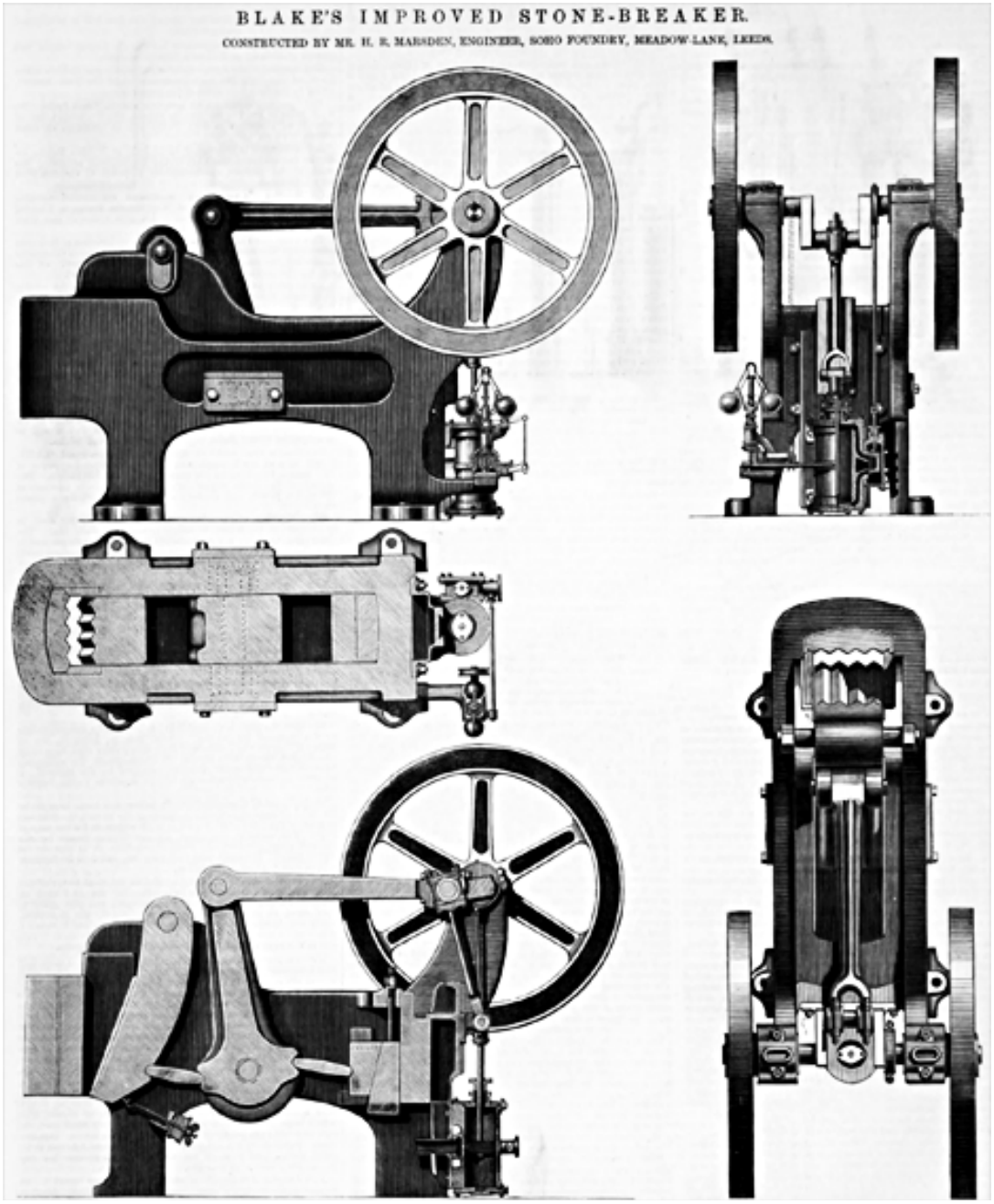
> WE illustrate in the accompanying engraving an improved arrangement of the now universally-known Blake's stone and ore breaker, which is so clearly shown in the drawings as hardly to require a word of description.

It will be seen that a rocking or vibrating upright lever is combined with two toggles and a movable and fixed jaw, the rocking lever being supported on a cross-pin extending between the two side standards, and passing through a horizontal slot in the boss of the lever. On the opposite sides of this vibrating boss there are formed two curved notches, corresponding notches being formed in the back of the movable jaw, and in the toggle block, in which notches are fitted the correspondingly rounded ends of the two toggle levers. The toggles are so placed that on rocking or vibrating the actuating lever they will alternately assume a straight line and an angled position on opposite sides of a

right line drawn between the notch on the movable jaw and the notch in the toggle block.



For example, when the lever is vertical the two toggles will be straight, and consequently the greatest force will be exerted just at the termination of each forward stroke of the movable jaw by reason of the toggles passing over or across their points of greatest resistance. Instead of driving by a belt, an engine is combined direct with the machine, to one end of which is bolted a vertical bed-plate containing the slide block guides of the engines, the vertical cylinder of which is bolted to the face of the plate. The side standards of the machine are prolonged sufficiently to form brackets for carrying the bearings of a crank shaft, upon which is mounted one or a pair of fly-wheels. The piston-rod is coupled to the crank by a connecting rod, and the crank

is further coupled by another connecting rod to the upper or free end of the actuating rocking lever. The entire arrangement is very neat and compact.

21st August 1875 (Alston Herald)

WEARDALE

DREADFUL SUICIDE

On Tuesday, an inquest was held by Mr T. Dean Deputy Coroner, at the House of Mr Robert Maugens, Miner Arms Inn, St John's Chapel, on the body of Joseph Coulthard who was found dead with his throat cut at noon on Sunday last in a wooden shed near his residence at Hill Top, St John's Chapel. Deceased was a very respectable lead miner, renting a small farm at Hill Top. He had a family of five sons grown up and a daughter. He was an intelligent and well respected man. He had been a member of the Primitive Methodist Society for many years and on Sunday morning had had family worship. He had been out of health for some weeks and during some days before the melancholy event and expressed himself as having felt in a rather low way. … Verdict Temporary Insanity.

In 1861, at Ireshope plains, Joseph Coulthard, lead miner, aged 46, wife Sarah 43, children Mary 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Sarah Ann 13, John, lead miner, aged 12, Joseph, lead miner, aged 10, William 9, Jane 7, Jonathan 4, Ralph 2, and Edward 5 months.

In 1871, at East Hotts, St John's, Joseph Coulthard, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Sarah (died 2nd quarter of 1872) aged 53, children Mary 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Sarah A. 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 14, Ralph12, and Edward 10.

In 1881, at Low Hill Top, Thomas Coulthard, lead miner, aged 36, sister Mary, housekeeper, aged 38, and brother Edward, labourer, aged 20.

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 18th inst. Mr John Wearmouth of Westgate to Mrs Sarah Muschamp of Brotherlee.

Thomas Wearmouth married Ann Lowes 19th August 1820, at Stanhope.

In 1841, at Burn Foot, St John's, Weardale, Thomas Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann aged 40, children, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, John, 14, Thomas 12, Richard 10, Ann 7, Jane 5, William 3, and Joseph 1.

In 1851, at Cherry Tree House, St John's, Weardale, Thomas Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann aged 49, children, Richard, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 15, Joseph 11, William 6, and visitor, Jane Wearmouth, widow, aged 61. In 1861, at Burnfoot, St John's, Weardale, Ann Wearmouth, lead miners wife, aged 61, children, Jane 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 16, Margaret 8, and Mary Wearmouth 3.

Ann Wearmouth died 4th quarter 1864, registered at Weardale.

Thomas Wearmouth died 3rd quarter 1870, aged 72, registered at Weardale.

John Wearmouth married Frances Walton, 1st quarter 1849, registered at Weardale.

Jefferson Walton married Esther Brown, 2nd June 1827, at Stanhope.

In 1851, at High Hill House, St John's, Stanhope, Jefferson Walton, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Esther, aged 44, children, Jefferson, lead miner, aged 17, Sarah 14, Mary 12, Martha 12, Thomas 9, Jane 7, Anthony 5, Ann 5, sin in

law, John Wearmouth, aged 24, his wife Frances 20, and their son John Walton Wearmouth aged 11 months (died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 51, registered at Auckland, Durham).

Jefferson Walton died 2nd quarter 1859, registered at Weardale.
In 1861, at Jigh Hill House, St John's, Weardale, Esther Walton, widow, aged 54, children, Jefferson, lead miner, aged 27, Sarah, lady's dress maker, aged 24, Jane 17, Anthony, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Ann, lady's dress maker, aged 15.

Esther Walton died 2nd quarter 1884, aged 77, registered at Weardale.

In 1861, at Westgate, St John's, John Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Frances 30, children, John Walton 10, Anne 8, and Margaret 5.
Frances Wearmouth died 3rd quarter 1866, aged 36, registered at Weardale.
John Wearmouth married Elizabeth Thompson, 3rd quarter 1868, registered at Weardale.
In 1871, at Westgate, St John's, John Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, children, John W, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret 15, and Thomas 1.
Elizabeth Wearmnouth died 4th quarter 1872, aged 41, registered at Weardale.
1881, at Wearhead, St John's, John Wearmouth, Iron miner, aged 54, and his wife Sarah, aged 41.
Sarah Wearmouth died 2nd quarter 1885, aged 45, registered at Weardale.
John Wearmouth married Phoebe Emerson 4th quarter 1890, registered at Weardale.
In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Weardale, John Wearmouth, store keeper at lead mines, aged 63, his wife Phoebe 42, and children William H 9, and Mary J aged 4.
John Wearmouth died 2nd quarter 1896, aged 69, registered, at Weardale
In 1901, at Newhouse, Weardale, Phoebe Wearmouth, widow, aged 52, and son in law, William, farm cartman, aged 20.
Phoebe Wearmouth died 2nd quarter 1910, aged 61, registered at Weardale.

28th August 1875 (Alston Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, Thomas Hodgson, High Earn Well, Stanhope, Weardale, to Mary Martin, Ashgill, near Alston.
In 1841, at Ashgill, Polly Martin, aged 60, John Martin, lead miner, aged 25, Nancy Martin 20, and John Martin, lead miner, aged 13, born West Allen. In 1851, at Grow Gill, (probably Grue Gill, east of Low Ashgill), Garrigill, Henry Craig, labourer, aged 68, and nephew John Martin, lead miner, aged 23; also at Grow gill, Polly Martin, widow, aged 78, daughter Nancy aged 29, and house servant, Mary Martin aged 17, born West Allen.
In 1861, at Ashgill, John Martin, woodman, aged 33, his wife Martha 30, children Mary 7, Susanah 6, Elizabeth 3, and visitor James Purves, married, watch & clock maker, aged 39, born Scotland. In 1871, at Ashgill, John Martin, farmer & lead miner, aged 43, his wife Martha 40, children Mary 17, Elizabeth 13, Henry 11, William 7, John J 3, and Martha 1 week.
John Martin died 4th quarter of 1879, aged 52.

In 1881, at Little Gill Cottage, Ashgill, Martha Martin, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 50, children Elisabeth, domestic & dairy work, aged 23, Henry, carrier, aged 19, William, carrier, aged 16, John J. 13, and Martha 10.
In 1881, at West Black Dean, Stanhope, Mary Hodgson, coal miners wife, aged 29, and son Martin Thomas aged 4.
In 1891, at West Black Dean, Thomas Hodgson, grocer, aged 41, his wife Mary 37, and son Martin 14.
See 16th October 1875.

Deaths

At Blagill, 17th inst. aged 63 John Holmes, Blacksmith.
In 1861, at Blagill, John Holmes, blacksmith, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 53.
In 1871, at Blagill, John Holmes, widow, blacksmith, aged 58, his sister Jane Scott, widow, housekeeper, aged 50, and visitor Elizabeth Holmes aged 9, born Haltwhistle.
At Nenthall, 18th inst. aged 55, Jane Harrison, widow.
William Harrison, married Mary Colling, 10th June 1809, at St Augustine's, Alston. William Harrison was buried at Alston, 10th November 1824, aged 50.
Matthew Harrison, baptised at Alston, 6th September 1818, son of William & Mary Harrison.
Matthew Harrison married Jane Atkinson, 4th June 1840, at Alston
In 1841, at Blagill, Matthew Harrison, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Jane 20, daughter Mary 3 weeks, and Mother, Mary Harrison, widow, independent, aged 60.
In 1851, at Blagill, Matthew Harrison, lead miner, aged 32, his wife, Jane 31, children, Mary 9, Ann 7, William 6, Thomas 3, Matthew 1, and mother, Mary Harrison, widow, parish relief, aged 72.
In 1861, at Blagill, Matthew Harrison, lead miner, aged 42, wife Jane aged 40, children, Mary, dressmaker, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Matthew, lead miner, aged 11, Jane 9, Elizabeth 7, Hannah 4, John 1, and mother Mary Harrison, widow, aged 79.
Matthew Harrison died 1st quarter 1864, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Blagill, Jane Harrison, widow, formerly farm servant, aged 50, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 19, John 11, and Ruth 7.
See 27th October 1865, & 6th May 1876
At Alston, 21st inst. aged 50, Mary wife of Pattinson White.
James White married Mary Pattinson, 31st May 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Pattinson White, baptised 22nd May 1825, at Alston, son of James White a butcher, and Mary.
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, James White, butcher, aged 55, his wife Mary 55, children, Samuel, butcher, aged 30, James, cart driver, aged 25, Isaac cart driver, aged 15, Pattinson, lead miner, aged 15, and Jane 13.
James White died 3rd qtr., 1842, registered at Alston.
In 1851 Mary White, widow 68, children Samuel lead miner, aged 43, James railway labourer, aged 24, Isaac railway labourer, aged 25, Pattinson lead miner & butcher, aged 25, and Jane 23.
Mary White died 9th November 1853, aged 71.
In 1861 at Town Head, Alston, Pattinson White, lead miner, aged 36, and his wife Mary 37.

In 1871 at Front Street, Alston, Pattinson White, Iron ore miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 45, and nephew, Ellis Keenlyside 4.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Pattinson White, widower, lead miner, aged 55, and nephew, Ellis Keenlyside, 14.
In 1891 the census shows Pattinson White, widower, butcher, aged 64, visiting his brother Isaac who is living at Tynemouth with his family. Isaac White aged 67, general labourer, his wife Ann aged 53, children John 23, a cartman, William 17, drapers assistant, and visitor, Pattinson White, widower, butcher, aged 64.
Pattinson White died 3rd qtr., 1891, aged 65, registered at Alston.
See 11th November 1853, 23rd May 1856

28th August 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hillersdon Terrace, 25th inst, aged 72, Mary Angus, widow.
See 13th June 1874, and 18th July 1874.
At Galligill, near Alston, 23rd inst. aged 86, Ann, widow of the late Mr John Cain, mining Agent of the former place.
The 1841 census shows John Cain aged 50 (died 15th March 1845), mine agent living at Middle Galligill with his wife Nancy aged 50, children Thomas mine agent aged 25, John 20, Fanny, 10 and Tamar 5. See 13th July 1872. In 1851, at Galligill, Ann Cain, widow, annuitant, aged 62, and daughter Tamar 17. In 1871, at Middle Galligill, Ann Cain, widow annuitant, aged 82, and daughter Fanny, annuitant aged 41.
See 24th December 1842, 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 7th September 1895, and 6th April 1901.

4th September 1875 (Hexham Courant)
At the Registry Office, Hexham, 28th inst., Mr Charles Craig Lead ore smelter, Allendale, to Miss Agnes Paxton, Nilstone Ridge.
In 1861, at Stone House, Catton, Allendale, John Craig, smelter and farmer of 12 acres, aged 65, his wife Mary 57, children John, coal miner, aged 29, Jacob, lead ore dresser, aged 26, Susannah, house maid, aged 7, Margaret 13, and grandson Charles 4.
John Craig snr., died 4th quarter of 1864.
In 1871, at Round Meadows, Allendale, John Craig, unmarried, lead ore smelter and farmer of 40 acres, aged 39, his son Charles, labourer, aged 14, and mother Mary Craig, widow, aged 67 (died 1st quarter of 1879, aged 75. In 1881, at Round Meadows, John Craig, unmarried, farmer of 60 acres and lead ore smelter, aged 49, and domestic servant Jane Philipson aged 20. In 1891, at Round Meadows, John Craig, unmarried, farmer, aged 59, and domestic servant Charlotte J Philipson aged 29. In 1901, at Round Meadows, John Craig, unmarried, farmer, aged 69, and domestic servant Charlotte J Philipson aged 37.
John Craig died 2nd quarter 1910, aged 78.
In 1911, Charlotte Philipson, single, domestic servant, born Allendale was living with her brother Thomas Philipson, railway guard, aged 44, born Allendale, his wife Margaret, aged 44, born Allendale, and their daughter Mary aged 12, at St Mark's Street, Heaton, Newcastle.

In 1881, at Langley Mills, Haydon Bridge, Charles Craig, lead ore smelter, aged 24, his wife Agnes 22, and son John Thomas 5.
In 1891, at Caledonian Rd., Monkton, Jarrow, Charles Craig, labourer, aged 33, his wife Agnes 32, children John T, labourer, aged 15, William 7, George 4, and Frances 2. In 1901, at McIntyre St, Jarrow, Charles Craig, labourer at shipyard, aged 43, his wife Agnes children John T, labourer at shipyard, aged 25, William, blacksmiths striker, aged 17, Alexander, clerk in _____ office, aged 14, and Frances 12.
In 1911, at McIntyre Street, Jarrow, Charles Craig, foreman at Lead works, aged 54, his wife Agnes aged 52, children William, blacksmiths striker at engine works, aged 27, George A., time keeper for building contractor, Frances, housework, aged 22, and Mary, housework, aged 15. Mary Craig aged 5, was a patient at Primrose Hill, Hospital, near Monkton, Jarrow, in the 1901 census. Of 6 children 1 had died before the 1911 census.

4th September 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Stanhope at the Square, 27th ult. aged 25, Annie wife of John Crawhall.
See 6th March 1886

4th September 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
NENTHEAD.
FLOWER SHOW.—The Nenthead floral and horticultural show was held in the Lead Company's Schoolroom, on Friday, the 27th ult., when the display of flowers, fruit, and vegetables was up to previous years, and the attendance as numerous as on former occasions. The Nenthead Union Brass Band enlivened the proceedings with a selection of first class music. The exhibitors were nearly the same as those who have carried off the prizes in former years, with a sprinkling of new ones.

11th September 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 6th inst., John Kirton, stationer & news agent
See 18th April 1874

18th September 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 11th inst. Mr John Noble of Dodd Top, Allendale to Miss Hannah Milburn of West Falls, Weardale.
Deaths
At Alston, 16th inst. aged 46, Mr Joseph Smith.
In 1871, at Front Street Alston, James Tatters, lead miner, aged 52, wife Sarah, dressmaker aged 40, boarder Joseph Smith, day labourer, aged 40, and Mary Ann Smith aged 8. See 25th April 1874.

25th September 1875 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At West Holloway at St Luke's, 22nd inst. John Pears Walton of Greenends House Alston, to Francis Mary 2nd daughter of the late John Benjafield Bellville. *(St Luke's Church, West Holloway, North London N7)*

In 1881, at Conishead Priory Hydropathic Establishment, Ulverston, boarders, John P. Walton, mine proprietor, aged 42, and Frances M Walton, aged 33. In 1891, at the Sandringham Hotel, Pelham Place, Hastings, John P Walton, mine owner, aged 50, and his wife Frances M. aged 37. In 1901, at Acomb, High House, John Pears Walton, mine owner & JP, Cumberland, aged 62, his wife Frances M 50, children John P. mining engineer, aged 22, Ethel M 22, Kathleen P 20, Winifred C 20, Alice A 13, and George P 11. In 1911, at Acomb High House, John Pears Walton, married, mine owner, aged 72, children John Pears, mining engineer, aged 32, Winifred Bellville 30, Kathleen Pears 30, Alice Pears 23, and George Pears, student, aged 21. John Pears Walton, died 2nd quarter of 1915, aged 76. See 23rd November 1864

25th September 1875 (Manchester Times)

DESILVERISATION OF LEAD

The London Lead Company, have just adopted a new process for the desilverisation of lead which promises to be attended with a very extraordinary degree of economy. The process is the invention of a Frenchman, named Rozan, and was first adopted in this country by Cookson, of Newcastle. The principle of the Rozan process is much the same as the Pattinson process. Unlike this process however, that of Mr Rozan is carried out by means of the mechanical agency of steam, which conveying the oxygen to the lead, exercises a purifying influence upon it, while at the same time it desiverises the ore, and extracts the silver more thoroughly than has yet been done by any other means. The steam is applied at a pressure of 55 lbs., which is sufficient to support the lead and prevent it going down into the steam pipe. It is calculated that by this process, there will be a saving of nearly one half the cost of labour, and other expenses will be materially reduced. But desilverisation of lead may be carried to far, the extraction of the silver spoiling the lead for many purposes where it would be most useful. It is a questionable economy after all. *English Mechanic.*

25th September 1875 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

WEDDING FESTIVITIES

On the occasion of the marriage of J P Walton Esq., of Greenends House, on Wednesday, the whole of the Brownley Hill workmen, numbering between 40 and 50, were entertained to dinner by the above gentleman, at the house of Mr Joseph Blacklock, Crown Inn, Nenthead. ...

16th October 1875 (Hexham Courant)

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER AT NENTHEAD

PRESENTATION TO MR J HESLOP OF HEXHAM, LATE OF NENTHEAD

On Friday, evening last, the 8th inst., a testimonial to Mr and Mrs Heslop was presented to them at the Miners Arms Inn, Nenthead. The proceedings were commenced by a dinner, served up in excellent style, which reflected great credit on the worthy host and hostess, and was partaken by upwards of thirty gentlemen, ...

... the Chairman *(Mr J G Millican)* ... spoke of the many excellent qualities which Mr Heslop possessed as teacher and otherwise, and said his father always

considered Mr Heslop as one of his best servants, always looking well after the interests of the London Lead Company.
... Mr Bainbridge *(in response to a toast)* ... said he thought that the London Lead Company were blessed with having an efficient staff of masters and workmen. He noticed that in the bargain room not a single one entered but what could write his name.
... The testimonial consisted of a handsome silver tea kettle, a set of china, and also a purse of gold.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, Mr William Jackson Pearson of Garrigill Gate to Miss Jane Jackson of Newberry Side.

in 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Pearson, cordwainer, aged 43, his wife Mary 47, children William J 18, Isabella 16, Harriet 11, John J 8, and James 6.
In 1881, at Whitfield, William J. Pearson, game watcher, aged 28, his wife Jane 29, children William 6, Thomas W. 4, and Sarah J. 2.
In 1891, at Old Dyke Row, Whitfield, William J Pearson, gamekeeper, aged 38, his wife Jane 39, children Thomas W 14, Sarah J 12, John J 8, Harriet 6, and James 3.
In 1901, at Dufton, Moor House, William J Pearson, game keeper, aged 48, his wife Jane 49, sons Thomas W. game watcher, aged 24, and James 13.
In 1911, at Dufton, Moor House, William J Pearson, gamekeeper, aged 58, his wife Jane 59, and son Thomas Walton, game watcher, aged 33.
William Jackson Pearson, died 3rd quarter of 1924, aged 72.

16th October 1875 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Garrigill, 10th inst. aged 4 months Reginald Gordon son of C. M. D. Davidson, Surgeon.
At Browngill, 10th inst, aged 24 Joseph Heslop.
In 1861 living at Brownley Hill, Joseph Heslop Joiner 41, his wife, Jane (Pears, married 1st June 1844, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 38, children John 17, Isabella 14, Emerson 12, Joseph 10, Robert N. 8, Thomas 5, Mary Jane 3, Frances Ann 1 month, and visitor, Mary Walton, widow, aged 56.
Joseph Heslop died 1st quarter 1871, aged 51.
In 1871 at Browngill, Jane Heslop farmers widow 48, children Joseph lead miner 20, Robert N. lead miner 18, Thomas lead miner 15, Mary Jane 13, Francis Anne 10, and Phebe 6 years. In 1881, at Glenwood House, Alston, Mary Walton, unmarried, income from lead mines, aged 44, sister Frances Robinson, clergyman's wife aged 37, niece Gertrude P. Robinson 8, niece Ruth Robinson 6 months, and domestic servant Jane Heslop, widow, aged 60.
At Nenthead at Fairhill, 10th inst. aged 44, John Thompson.
In 1871, at Fairhill, Nenthead, John Thompson lead miner 39, his wife Elizabeth aged 36, Hannah 12, Ann 7, Jonathan 4, John 2, and Thomas 10 months. They had a further child James born in 1873. In 1881, at Fair Hill, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, housekeeper, aged 46, children Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, John 12, Thomas 10, and James 8. In 1891, at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, Elizabeth, widow, aged 56, sons Jonathan, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, and James, lead miner, aged 18.
At Fairview 13th inst. aged 54 Mary Barron.

In 1851, at Overwater, Mary Barron, widow, aged 72, son Robert, lead miner, aged 36, daughter Mary 28. In 1861, at Overwater, Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 45, and his sister Mary aged 39.
In 1871 at Fairview, Robert Barron aged 53, lead miner, unmarried, with his sister Mary aged 50 unmarried. In 1881, at Fair View, Robert Barron, road labourer, aged 65.
Robert Barron died 2nd quarter of 1882, aged 63.
At Ashgill, 12th inst. aged 16 days Emily daughter of John Martin.
See 28th August 1875.

23rd October 1875 (Alston Herald)

REVIVAL OF PLUMBAGO MINING IN CUMBERLAND.

About two years ago, the mines were leased from the owners by Mr James Barrett, of Coniston, and Messrs Salmon and Mr John S. Lawry of Ulverston, and since that, time vigorous operations have been going on towards their development. Within the last few days, a quantity of Plumbago has been discovered, equal in extent and value to the finds, which realised such immense sums of money many years ago. ...
The lessees, we understand, contemplate the erection of large pencil works, ...

30th October 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON.

6TH CUMBERLAND RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.—Acting Chaplain the Rev J. Milner, resigns his appointment; the Rev. E. L. Bowman to be Acting Chaplain.

NENTHEAD

SCIENCE CLASS.—A science class in connection with the Science and Art Department, South Kensington, has been commenced at Nenthead, in the London Lead Company's school. The teacher is Mr Milbank, the newly appointed master of the school. A number of influential gentlemen of the place have become officials, as follows:—Rev Jas. Sharp (chairman); committee, Messrs J. J. Millican, Nenthead; Jacob Walton, Greenends House; and A. Bolton, Nenthead; secretary, Mr Thomas Elliott. A good number have become students.
READING ROOM.—The half-yearly meeting of the Nenthead Reading Room was held in the room on Saturday last. Mr James Atkinson presided. All the old papers and periodicals were taken into the room again, with the addition of the "Northern Daily Express." An animated discussion followed the moving of the "Leeds Mercury" to come into the room, and as it was the general opinion that it could not be got on the day of publication on account of its distance from a railway, it was subsequently determined to have another paper from Newcastle, viz., the "Northern Daily Express." There is a good number of names on the books; the room is also in a good financial condition. The old officials were re-elected.

Marriages

At Alston, Wesleyan Chapel, 23rd inst. Mr Robert Armstrong to Miss Ann Hetherington, both of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Bank Head, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth (Rowe, married 8th May 1830, Alston) aged 40, children Robert, lead ore washer, aged 18, Elizabeth 4, Mary Ann 12, Margaret 9, John 7, Edward 4, and Jane 2. (All born Alston except for Robert, born at Kenton, Newcastle).

Robert Armstrong married Sarah Greenwell aged 24, on 7th June 1860, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at Nent Hall, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 28, and his wife Sarah aged 24, born Hexham.
Sarah Armstrong died 3rd quarter of 1869, aged 33.
In 1871, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, widow, lead miner, aged 38, born Newcastle, children all born Alston, Leah 9, John Greenwell 7, Robert W 4, and domestic servant Nancy Hetherington, housekeeper, aged 31. In 1881, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann 41, children Leah 19, John G. lead miner, aged 17, and Robert W. lead ore washer, aged 14.
Robert Armstrong died 1st quarter of 1884, aged 50.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nancy Armstrong, widow, aged 52, and son Robert W. blacksmith, aged 24.
See 20th October 1888.

Deaths

At High Spency Croft, near Alston, 22nd inst., aged 2 years, Margaret Ann Haldon, daughter of Mr John Haldon, joiner.

6th November 1875 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Blackett Terrace, West Allendale, 9th ult., aged 69, Mr John Ridley, formerly mining agent to W. B. Beaumont Esq.
At High House Burial Ground West Allen, there is a memorial to the Ridley family:
In memory of Elizabeth wife of John Ridley of Carrshield House who departed this life, April 30 1866 aged 58 years. Also of their children Barbara who died August 2nd 1847 aged 11 years, June who died May 9th 1857 aged 28 years, Hannah who died December 27th 1861 aged 15 years. Also, in memory of John Ridley of Carrshield husband and father of the above named Agent for 17 years on the W. B. Leadmines Coalcleugh died October 9th 1875 aged 69 years.
See 12th February 1898

6th November 1875 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

The Scarlet Fever is again breaking out among the children, another death having occurred last week, the son of Mr Thomas Short. *(John Short aged 11 years).*

ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

Presentation to Miss Hannah Dawson eldest daughter *(27 years of age)* of Mr Joshua Dawson of St John's Chapel *(Joseph was a grocer, draper & post master)* on leaving home for the mission fields in China where the Rev. Joseph Race of Weardale to whom she is engaged is and has been located two years. …
See 25th October 1873, 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.

Deaths

At Limestone Brae, 10th ult. aged 80, Mary relict of the late John Martin.

13th November 1875 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

PRESENTATION AND COMPLIMENTARY DINNER
TO THE REV. H. ROBINSON.

On Tuesday evening last, a testimonial to the Rev. H. and Mrs Robinson, of Willington-on-Tyne, and late of Nenthead, was presented to them at the school-room, Nenthead, when a good number were present. The presentation was made by Mr James Atkinson, one of the oldest parishioners, who in a humorous speech spoke of the many good qualities of Mr and Mrs Robinson, and apologised for filling the position he was in, the gentleman expected not being, on account of family matters, able to attend, thus the duty devolved upon him. He said that he considered it one of the happiest moments of his life, and felt proud, being a working man, in accepting the duty of making the presentation. Mr Robinson had laboured among them for fourteen years. The church was opened in 1845, and since that time they had had three parsons. Mr Robinson had proved himself a Christian, and he hoped he might go on rising and rising till he got located at Auckland Castle. In reference to Mrs Robinson he thought she was a most excellent woman. Mr Atkinson then made the presentation. … The testimonial consisted of a centre-piece and salver, and a gold pencil case, altogether amounting in value to £41, the articles being from the establishment of Messrs Reid and Sons, Grey Street, Newcastle. The centre-piece bore the following inscription :—"Presented to the Rev H. Robinson by his parishioners and others, on his leaving Nenthead, as a token of respect for his valuable services as clergyman, and of their esteem and regard for him as a gentleman daring the fourteen years he was amongst them, November, 1875." The salver bore the following:—"Presented to Mrs H. Robinson by the parishioners of Nenthead, as a token esteem and regard, Nov., 1875." The centrepiece and salver were of solid silver. Immediately after the presentation, a dinner was held at the Crown Inn, Nenthead, when upwards of 30 gentlemen sat down to a most splendid repast, served up in excellent style, and which reflected great credit on the worthy host and hostess. …

20th November 1875 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Willow Bank Cottage, Christ Church, New Zealand, 22nd inst., aged 26, Sarah Jane, the beloved wife of Mr James Fraser, and eldest daughter of Thomas and Sarah Hunter of Hexham.

At Strellas, Nenthead, 11th inst. aged 29, Mr Thomas Moffatt.

See 28th March 1868, 27th May 1871, 11th March 1876, and 22nd February 1896

20th November 1875 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Death of Mr Jonathan Martindale of shallow Ford Westgate, in Weardale, in his 75th year. … In 1845, he was chosen one of the 6 delegates to attend Bywell on behalf of the Weardale Lead Miners to negotiate with Mr Beaumont's Chief Agents for an increase in Subsistence money.

In 1841 at Wood Meadows, St John's, Stanhope, we see Jonathan Martindale aged 35, a lead miner married to Rebecca (Gill married at St John's Chapel 18th June 1831) aged 30, children Esther 8, Featherstone 5, Elizabeth 3, and Mary 2 (died 1845). In 1851, at Shallow Ford, Jonathan lead miner aged 46,

his wife Rebecca 43, children Featherstone 15, a lead miner, Elizabeth 12, and Mary 3. Rebecca died in 1858.
In 1871 living at Laugh Shields, St John's, Jonathan Martindale lead miner aged 66, Esther Byers his daughter a widow aged 37, and Mary Byers aged 14, his granddaughter.

Births

At Carrshield School House, West Allendale, 16th inst. the wife of Mr T. R. Edens of a daughter.

Marriages

At Alston, St Augustine's Church, 13th inst. Mr William White, Craig, to Miss Annie Richardson of Gossip Gate, Alston.

In 1861, at Redwing, John White, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary (Hetherington, married 10th December 1846, Alston) aged 35, children William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Margaret A 9, John 6, Joseph 2, and nurse child Harrap Holmes 3.
In 1871, at Craig Green, Garrigill, John White, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 45, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary A 19, John lead miner, aged 16, Joseph 12, and boarder Joseph Fawkes 6. In 1881, at White Well, Alston, John White, widow, lead miner, aged 65, children Margaret 28, John, lead miner, aged 24, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson Henry C. 8. In 1891, at Skelgill, John White, widow, aged 75, son Joseph, farmer, aged 32, son's wife Hannah 32, and boarder Joseph Fawkes, coal miner, aged 26. John White died 1st quarter of 1895, aged 79.
In 1881, at Bridge Cottage, Patterdale, William White, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann 30, children Edna 3, and John Leopold 1. In 1891, at Bolam Low Lodge, Bolam, Ponteland, William White, gamekeeper, aged 38, his wife Ann 37, children Edna 13, John L 11, Conard S 9, Harold B 7, Minnie 5, and Lionel R 2. In 1901, at Keepers House, Newton Hall, Hexham, William White, gamekeeper, aged 48, his wife Ann 47, children Harold B. joiners apprentice, aged 17, Muriel 15, and Lionel R 12. In 1911, at the Temperance Hotel, Whitfield, William White, farmer, aged 62, his wife Annie 59, children Edna 28, Harold, joiner, aged 24, and Muriel 22.

At Alston, St Augustine's Church, Mr Thomas Parmly, Aimshaugh, to Miss Mary Jane Pearson of Brownside.

Thomas Parmley married Elizabeth Milburn 29th June 1811, at Alston.
Thomas Parmley of Low Rotherhope was buried at Garrigill 15th April 1837, aged 47.
In 1841, at Rotherhope, Elizabeth Parmley, farmer, aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Richard, lead miner, aged 15, Dorothy 14, Robert 12, Milburn 11, and James 9. In 1851, at Garrigill, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, farmer of 30 acres, 61, children John, lead miner, aged 37, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Milburn, lead miner, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 19, and house servant Eliza Bramwell 17.
In 1851, at High Aimshaugh, William Parmley, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 27, children Mary Ann 3, Hannah 2, brother in law Matthew Hetherington, lead miner, aged 21, and brother in law William Heatherington, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1861, at Aimshaugh, William Parmley, farmer of 130 acres, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Mary Ann 14, Hannah 12, Thomas 8, John 6,

Margaret 3, William 11 months, and boarder William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 23.
William Parmley died 1st quarter of 1871, aged 51.
In 1871, at High Aimshaugh, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, farmer of 100 acres, aged 47, children Hannah, dressmaker, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Margaret 13, William 10, Elizabeth 8, and niece Mary Jane Hetherington 4.
In 1881, at Aimshaugh, Leadgate, Thomas Parmley, farmer of 15 acres & lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary Jane 24, children William 4, Florence Hannah 2, and Robert 1.
In 1891, at Adelaide Terrace, Benwell, Thomas Parmley, general labourer, aged 38, sister Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 27, sons William, dairyman's assistant, aged 14, and Robert 11.
In 1901, at Theodosia St, Elswick, Thomas Parmley, coal merchant, aged 48, his wife Annie E. (Matthews, married 4th quarter 1894, Newcastle) aged 40, and son Robert, coal merchant, aged 21. In 1911, at 16 Theodosia St, Elswick, Thomas Parmley, coal merchant, aged 58, and his wife Annie Elizabeth, aged 50.

Deaths

At York Villa, USA, aged 70, 16th inst. William Wallace, son of the late Mrs Margaret Armstrong, of the Dun Cow, Alston.

27th November 1875 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS
REDUCTION IN WAGES.

The workmen in the employment of W. B. Beaumont Esq. have received notice of reduction of wages.

27th November 1875 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF MR JOSEPH VIPOND.

We regret to announce the death of Mr J Vipond formerly of Tynehead, who emigrated to New Zealand about 9 years ago. Mr Vipond expired on the 16th September after a lingering illness ... in his 55th year.

Daily Southern Cross, 30 September 1875

At his residence, Matakana, Mr. Joseph Vipond, late of Tynehead, Alston. Cumberland, England ; aged 55 years. Home papers please copy.

Daily Southern Cross, 7 April 1876

On March 30, at her residence, at Matakana, Mrs Vipond, aged 45 years widow of the late Joseph Vipond, Matakana, late of Tynehead Alston, Cumberland, England. Home papers please to copy

The 1861 census gives Joseph Vipond aged 40, Elizabeth aged 30, living at Tynehead, Garrigill, with their children, Joseph 7, Alan 5, Burnett 4, Harold 2. Joseph is listed as a farmer of 270 acres and a lead miner.
See 27th December 1873, & 8th July 1876

Marriages

At Alston, St Augustine Church, 25th inst Mr John Gedling of Winskill to Miss Elizabeth Watson of Shaw House, Alston.

In 1861, at Rice Farm House, Garrigill, Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Jane (Walton, married 6th August 1842), aged 44, children Thomas,

lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, Jane 10, William 8, Elizabeth 6, and John 3
In 1871, at Shaw House Inn, Alston, Joseph Watson, lead miner, innkeeper, & farmer of 42 acres, aged 51, his wife Jane aged 54, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22 (emigrated to Australia), Jane 20, William, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, and granddaughter Jane E 3. In 1881, at Shaw House Inn, Joseph Watson, lead miner & farmer of 40 acres, aged 51, and his wife Jane Watson 53.
In 1881, at Winskill, Penrith, John Gedling, farmer of 32 acres, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth 26, children Mary Jane 4, Joseph 2, and William 9 months. In 1891, at Workington, John Gedling, locomotive fireman, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 36, children Mary J 14, Joseph 12, William 10, John 8, Thomas 7, George 4, and Lizzie A 1.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 20th inst, aged 36, Hannah Walton wife of Mr John Walton, Innkeeper.

In 1871, at the Miners Arms, Nenthead, John Walton, innkeeper, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Moffatt, married 27th September 1867, Nenthead, daughter of Joseph Moffatt, Innkeeper, Miners Arms) aged 32, and domestic servant Mary Ann Watson, aged 24.
In 1881, at Nenthead, John Walton, farmer of 12 acres, employing 2 labourers, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 27, (Hutchinson, married 12th November 1876, Nenthead), children Sarah 4, Catherine 3, John G. 11 months, cousin Henry Ridley, farm servant, aged 18, general servant, Margaret Walton 20, and dairy maid Mary J. Dixon 16. In 1891, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, John Walton, cartman, and farmer of 6 acres, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 36, children John George 11, Catherine Eliz 8, Thomas Ridley 4 Robert Hubert 2, and Harrison Smith 1.
See 28th March 1868, 20th November 1875, 11th March 1876, and 22nd February 1896

At Nether Park near Alston, 21st inst. aged 49, Mary Teasdale, widow of Isaac Teasdale.

The 1871 census shows Isaac Teasdale aged 45, a lead miner, land owner and farmer of 51 acres, his wife Mary aged 44, children John a lead miner aged 18, Isaac lead miner aged 16, Elenor 13, Robert 12, Thomas 8, and George 5. Isaac Teasdale died in 1873, his daughter Eleanor also died in 1873 in the same quarter.. In 1881 the eldest son John Teasdale aged 28, farmer of 47 acres and lead miner is head of the family living at Park, with his 3 brothers, Isaac indoor & farm servant 26, Thomas tailor & draper 18, George no occupation 16. In 1891, Isaac is a farmer at Park, Alston, John a farmer living ay High Lovelady has married Margaret Routledge in 1884, and has a son John Frederick aged 4. Thomas is working as a tailor and draper at Nenthead.

4th December 1875 (Morpeth Herald)

DEATH OF A CAPTAIN IN MINING INDUSTRY.— On Monday was interred in Hexham Cemetery the remains of John Cowper, of Hudshaw House, Hexham, whose death was recorded in the papers of last week, a gentleman well known and much respected in the mining districts of Northumberland and Cumberland. Mr. Cowper was one of the “men who have risen,” and the handsome

competence he realised was almost entirely due to the energy, ability, and business capacity he displayed during a long and active life. His father was a working miner at Garrigill, near Alston. He never forgot that his father had laboured in the “dark and dirty mine,” but always treated his men on a footing of equality. He was interested in many lead mines, as well as collieries and iron-stone mines. His knowledge of the geology of Alston Moor was full and minute. *See 1st June 1833*

11th December 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst. Joseph Vickers, son of Mr Jonathan Vickers, Nenthead to Jane daughter of the late Mr Thomas Graham of Pry House. *See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 28th March 1846, 23rd September 1871, 13th July 1872, 27th April 1878, 22nd April 1882, 13th November 1886, & 3rd May 1890.*

18th December 1875 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Alston, at Midnight 14th inst. aged 76, Mr Foster Haldon.
In 1841, Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Foster Haldon, lead miner, aged 40, wife Peggy (Coulson, married 30th April 1833, at Alston) aged 25, children John, lead miner, aged 15, Betty 10, Fanny 8, Thomas 5, Foster 3, and Ann 6 months.
In 1851 at Bank Foot, Alston, Foster Haldon, lead miner, aged 51, wife Margaret aged 38, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Frances, spinner at wool factory, aged 17, Thomas, labourer, aged 16, Foster 12, Ann 9, Joseph 5, William 3, and Teasdale 7 months.
In 1861 at Bank Foot, Alston, Foster Haldon, lead miner, aged 61, wife Margaret aged 58, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Foster, lead miner, aged 31, William, lead miner, aged 23, and Coulson 16.
In 1871 at Bank Foot, Alston, Foster Haldon, lead miner, aged 71, wife Margaret aged 49, children John, lead miner, aged 35, Hannah, servant, aged 32, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Foster, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, labourer, aged 15, William, labourer, aged 13, and Coulson no occupation, deaf and dumb from birth, aged 16. In 1881, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, William Haldon, coal miner, aged 33, brother Coulson, shoemaker, aged 26, and domestic servant, Mary Ann Walton aged 18.
See 26th October 1872, 30th January 1875, 15th March 1884

25th December 1875 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
SANITARY AUTHORITY
The clerk read Dr Carson’s report for No. 2 district:
Since my last report I have visited Rotherup Side and found all in good sanitary condition with the exception of the premises occupied by Isaac Varty and Hugh Kearton, belonging to T. Horrocks Esq. The dung heaps are too near the dwellings and turnpike road, recommend the above to be removed to a greater distance, and in the meantime a few cart loads of moss to be regularly deposited on account of the quantity of liquid manure collected in the dung pits. Garrigill

Gate is in a good sanitary condition and all recommendations carried out with the exception of the joint premises of Thomas Watson and Adam Pickering. Visited Nenthead on the 29th October and found one privy at Holmesfoot used by the tenants of John Lattimer and Pearson in a bad condition, also two at West Nenthead used by the tenants of Joseph Blacklock, recommended the occupiers to join in keeping them clear. On visiting them on the 13th December found my advice carried out. At the same time inspected Joseph Teasdale's premises at Holmesfoot, found privy in a bad state, promises to have it cleared out when the snow disappears. I am happy to say that the district is free from all epidemics a present.

Deaths

At Carrshield School House, West Allendale, 10th inst. aged 26, Mary Ann wife of Mr F. R. Edens.

Frederick R. Edens, School Master, he and his wife were born about 1850, in Oxfordshire.

In 1881, at North Burton, Bridlington, Frederick Rosevere Edens, certificated teacher, aged 30, his wife Rebecca H. assistant mistress, aged 31, born Oxford, children , Mary A.E. 11, born Oxford, & Frederic A. P. 6, born Allendale.

See 20th November 1875

8th January 1876 (Hexham Herald)

Marriage

Newcastle at St Nicholas Church, on the 4th inst. Mr N Bywell, schoolmaster, late of Nenthead near Alston, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Hugh Pattinson Builder, Croft Terrace, Alston.

In 1881, at Ingleby Arncliffe, Yorkshire, Nicholas Bywell, schoolmaster, born Knaresdale, 27, his wife Mary Anne 27, children Edith Annie 3, & Ernest Pattinson 2.

15th January 1876 (Hexham Herald

WEARDALE

On Friday last was interred at St John's Chapel, Elizabeth Wearmouth wife of Mr John Wearmouth clerk at the W. B. Lead Offices, Newhouse, Weardale. Mrs Wearmouth has suffered for more than 12 months, died at the early age of 37 years leaving six children and a husband. *See 6th January 1883.*

15th January 1876 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Australia, at Wendouree Cottage, Burnbank Street, Ballarat, 23rd October aged 61, John Edmund Hodgson, son of the late Mr Brown Hodgson of Alston.

At Alston, 28th ult. Ann Walton, daughter of Andrew Walton deceased, aged 28.

See 16th July 1842, 4th May 1849 and 19th June 1869.

At Tynehead, at The Hole, 30th ult. aged 2 days, Hannah daughter of Mr William Nattrass.

In 1841, Pry Hill, Allendale, Joseph Natrass, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 30, children Thomas 8, Jane 7, Hannah 5, Joseph 3, and John 1. Joseph Nattrass died 3rd quarter of 1844.

In 1851, at Green Dike, Allendale, Hannah Nattress, widow, Ag. labourer, aged 42, children Thomas, land surveyors assistant, aged 18, Hannah 14, Joseph 12, Mary Ann 8, Margaret 7, and William 11 months.
In 1861, at Pry House, Allendale, Hannah Nattrass, widow, aged 52, daughter Mary A 18, and son William, lead ore dresser, aged 11.
In 1871, at Hole Farm, Garrigill, Hannah Nattrass, widow, house keeper, aged 62, children Mary N., house maid, aged 28, William, shepherd, aged 20, and grandson John W 5. In 1881, at Allendale, Thomas Nattrass, shepherd, aged 48, his wife Jane (Trathan, married 5th October 1851, Nenthead) aged 45, born Alston,, children Margaret A. milliner, aged 21, Joseph P. Ag. labourer, aged 19, Mary E. 15, Sarah J. 12, Thomas 10, Eliza 7, Lavina 3, and mother Hannah Nattress, widow, aged 72.
William Nattrass married Mary Maria Storey 4th quarter of 1872.
In 1881, at The Hole, Tynehead, William Nattrass, shepherd, aged 30, wife Mary M. aged 26, children Margaret A. 8, John J. 6, Thomas W. 4, Robert S. 1, and George E. 8 months. In 1891, at Ropery, Alston, William Nattrass, insurance agent, aged 40, his wife Mary M 35, children Margaret A 18, John Jos., general labourer, aged 16, Thomas Wm. hosiery knitter, aged 14, Robert S 12, George E 10, Charles N 8, Mary M 5, Elizabeth J 3, and Henry H 4 months. In 1901, at Allendale Cottages, Medomsley, William Nattrass, coal miner, aged 50, his wife Mary Maria 45, children Margaret Ann Oxley, widow, aged 28, Thomas Wm, coal miner, hewer, aged 23, Robert S, coal miner, hewer, aged 21, Charles M, coal miner, hewer, aged 18, Mary Maria 15, Elizabeth Jane 13, Henry Hodgson 10, James Albert 8, grandson John Wm Nattrass 2, and granddaughter Eva Mary Oxley 2.
In 1911, at Oakwood Rd., Blackhill, Durham, William Nattrass, coal miner, shifter, aged 60, his wife Mary Maria 56, children John Joseph, coal miner, hewer, aged 36, Robert George, coal miner, hewer, aged 31, George Edward, coal miner, engine planeman, aged 30, Charles Nicholson, coal miner, onsetter, aged 28, Elizabeth Pane 23, Henry Hodgson 20, James Albert 18, and grandson John William Nattrass 12. The 1911 census tells us that William & Mary Maria, had 12 children of which 2 died. William Nattrass died 2nd quarter 1926, aged 76.

22nd January 1876 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

PRESENTATION TO J P WALTON ESQ., OF ACOMB HOUSE NEAR HEXHAM.

The workmen employed by the above gentleman, at Brownley Hill Lead ore mine, have subscribed and presented him with a handsome Silver tray and wine mug, on the occasion of his recent marriage, as a token of their esteem and regard for him as a kind and benevolent master.

29th January 1876 (Northern Echo)

EXPLOSION OF GUNPOWDER IN WEARDALE

A few days ago a serious explosion of gunpowder took place at Wearhead, Weardale, whereby Hannah Milburn and her daughter were severely burnt. The lead miners are supplied with powder in small kegs, which when empty are used as coal scoops, and the unfortunate woman had mistaken the keg, having put coals into one containing a quantity of gunpowder, which exploded on the coals

being thrown upon the fire. The house was shattered by the explosion and Mrs Milburn and her daughter severely burnt.

5th February 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Independent Chapel, 13th ult. Mr Daniel Thompson to Miss Ellen Davidson, both of Leadgate.
In 1861, at Middle Skelgill, John Davidson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann (Walton, married 4th quarter 1848, reg. Alston) aged 40, daughter Ellen 7, and son John 5. In 1871, at Middle Skelgill, John Davidson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann aged 50, and son John, lead ore washer, aged 15. In 1871, Ellen Davidson, aged 17, was working for Thomas Wilson, unmarried, draper & grocer, aged 65, at Front Street, Alston. In 1881, at Hill House, Alston, John Davidson, farmer, aged 58, his wife Ann aged 60, son John, single, lead miner, aged 25, and granddaughter Sara A Thompson, aged 5. In 1891, at Hill House, John Davidson, widow, farmer, aged 68, his son John, farmer, aged 35, and daughter Sarah aged 15. In 1901, at Hill House, Bailes, Alston, John Davidson, farmer, aged 78, his son John farmer, aged 45, and granddaughter, Sarah Alice Davidson, domestic servant, aged 24.
John Davidson snr., died 2nd quarter 1902, aged 79.
I suspect that Sarah Ann Davidson (Thompson) married Matthew Spotswood, at Alston 3rd quarter 1904. In 1911, at Leadgate, Alston, Matthew Spottiswood, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah Ann aged 34, sons Ivan 4 and Arthur 3.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plain, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, wife Elizabeth (Goodfellow, married 3rd October 1825, Alston) aged 35, children Hannah 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, John 8, and Daniel 5 years.
Daniel Thompson snr. died at Leadgate 22nd November 1849, aged 52.
In 1851, at Leadgate, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 46, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, Daniel, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 9, and Ann 6.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 57, son Joseph Thompson, widow, stone waller, aged 33, son Daniel, lead miner, aged 25, daughter Ann 16, and grandson Daniel Thompson 6.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Joseph Thompson, mason and farmer of 6 acres, aged 43, son, Daniel, lead ore washer, aged 16, mother Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 68, and brother John, lead ore miner, aged 38.
In 1881, at Leadgate, Joseph Thompson, widow, farmer of 28 acres & dry Waller, aged 53, his mother Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 78, brother John, lead miner, aged 44, general domestic servant, Jane Armstrong aged 21.
In 1881, at Trumpet Terrace, Egremont, Ralph Rain, iron ore miner, aged 38, his wife Betsy 35, children Abigail 6, Simon 2, boarders Daniel Thompson, iron ore miner, aged 26, his wife Ellen 26, and daughter Elizabeth 4. All in both families born at Alston.
In 1891, at Burtree ford, Heathercleugh, Stanhope, Daniel Thompson, cartman, aged 35, his wife Ellen 35, children Elizabeth 16, Joseph 6, and Annie 4.

In 1901, at Leadgate, Daniel Thompson, farmer, aged 43, his wife Ellen 45, son John (sic. Joseph) Walton 16 (birth reg. 4th quarter 1884), daughter Annie 14, and grandson Fred Thompson 2. In 1911, at Leadgate, Daniel Thompson, lead miner & farmer, aged 56, his wife Ellen 58, daughter Annie, dairy maid, aged 24, ~~daughter Lizzie Thompson, single, house keeper, aged 34,~~ ~~daughter Sarah A Thompson, married 35~~, ~~son J Walton Thompson, married, lead miner, aged 26~~, and grandson Fred Thompson 12.

In 1911, at Leadgate, Alston, Joseph Walton Thompson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Winnie 26, children Jackie 4, and Lloyd 5 months. In 1911, Elizabeth Thompson, single, aged 34, was working as a housekeeper for John Davidson, single, farmer, aged 55, at Hill House, Alston. See 2nd May 1874, & 25th August 1883.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 29th ult. aged 48, Ann Hetherington.

Thomas, Robert & Ann Hetherington, the children of John & Alice (Nanson, married 14th July 1810) Hetherington, Thomas born 20th July 1811, Ann born 7th February 1827, and Robert born 31st March 1831. Other children of John & Alice Hetherington, Elizabeth born 18 June 1817, and Mary born 17th August 1818.

In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Hetherington, mine Agent, aged 65, his wife Alice 50, children Thomas, smelter of lead ore, aged 25, Christopher, apprentice shoe maker, aged 15, Ann, dressmaker, aged 14, and Robert 10. Alice Hetherington died 27th December 1845, John Hetherington died 27th April 1847, and Christopher died 16th April 1843.

See 7th May 1847

In 1851, at High Fair Hill, Thomas Hetherington, unmarried, lead ore smelter, aged 39, unmarried sister, Ann, housekeeper, aged 24, and brother Robert, joiner, aged 19.

In 1861, at Swalway Cottage, Nenthead, Robert Hetherington, unmarried, Joiner, aged 30, and his unmarried sister, Ann, housekeeper, aged 34.

In 1871, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Robert Hetherington, unmarried, Joiner, aged 36, and his unmarried sister, Ann, housekeeper, aged 44. In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Hetherington, joiner, aged 47, his wife Margaret (Armstrong, married at Brampton, 2nd quarter 1876) aged 39, born Gilsland, and niece Lizzie M. Smith 6, born Gilsland. In 1891, at Donks Villa, Nenthead, Robert Hetherington, joiner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 47, niece Lizzie Maggie Hetherington (sic) aged 16, lodgers John Cartner, joiner, aged 54, and George Wm Smith, engine fitter & _____, aged 24.

In 1901, at Donks Villa, Nenthead, Robert Hetherington, builder, aged 69, his wife Margaret 59, niece Elizabeth M Smith 26, nephew Tom G Smith, joiner & cabinet maker, aged 24, lodgers John C H Blayney, mining Co., storekeeper, born Portsmouth, aged 25, Edward Bost, mining Co., clerk, born Belgium, aged 27, and boarder Thomas E Freeman, Wesleyan minister, aged 28, born Leicestershire.

Robert Hetherington, died 2nd quarter 1906, aged 75.

At Overwater, 15th ult., aged 35 Mr Cowper Barron.

In 1841, at Wellgill Dykeheads, George Barron, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann (Nancy Hind, married 19th March 1840, Alston) aged 26, and sons Couper 6 months and William 6 months.

In 1851 at Wellgill Dykeheads George Barron lead miner aged 47, his wife, Sarah (Sic) aged 36, children Cowper 10, William 10, Sarah 8, Hannah 6, Ann 4, and George 1.
In 1861 at Overwater, George Barron lead miner 56, his wife Ann 46, children Cowper lead ore miner 20, William lead ore miner 20, Ann 14, George 11, Mary 8.
George Barron died 3rd quarter 1866, aged 62, his wife Ann died 1st quarter 1868, aged 52.
In 1871, at Overwater, John Whitfield, lead miner aged 36, his wife Sarah (Barron, married 16th July 1865, Nenthead) aged 29, their daughter Hannah 8, and brothers in law Cowper Barron, unmarried, lead miner 31, George Barron lead miner 22, and sisters in law Ann Barron 25 and Mary Barron 19.

5th February 1876 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Carson submitted the report for the No. 2 district for the year ending 31st December 1875, and stated that the district was never in a more healthy condition that at present. At the beginning of the year Scarlet fever was very prevalent at Ashgill and Nenthead, but owing to the great care exercised it did not spread. Two or three isolated cases occurred during the summer. With the exception of the above and a few cases of Typhoid fever the district has been free of epidemics. .. Since last report I visited Wellgill and found no privy accommodation although there are 6 or 7 families in the locality but in other respects satisfactory. At the same time I inspected Newhall and found the premises occupied by Mr J. Jackson and belonging to G. Wilson Esq. in a bad state owing to the large collection of stagnant liquid manure surrounding the dung heap. Recommended its removal to a greater distance from the house. The number of deaths in the district for the year amounted to 54 being at the rate of 17.4 per thousand, consisting of 25 males and 28 females.

12th February 1876 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Stanhope, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 7th inst. Mr Jabes Greenwell *(Currier)* to Miss Elizabeth Jacques, both of Stanhope.

Births

At China at Shanghai, 5th inst. the wife of James M. Vickers (and daughter of E. M. Bainbridge of Newcastle) a son.

Deaths

At Tedham, Allendale, 7th inst. aged 64, Joseph Rowell.
In 1871 Joseph Rowell retired lead ore miner 60, his wife Mary 58 children Edward lead ore miner 26, Joseph lead ore miner 22, Thomas labourer (jobbing)19, and John lead ore miner 15. They also had a daughter Ann christened 14th May 1843.
At Garrigill Gate near Alston, 22nd ult. aged 81, William Coats.
In 1841 at Tynehead William Coats, lead miner aged 45, daughter Mary 15, and sons Edward 14 (died 1845) and William 12. Mary married Robert Richardson in 1847, the 1851 census shows Robert Richardson aged 30, lead miner & farmer living at Garrigill, with his wife Mary aged 25, sons Thomas 3, William 1, and brother in law William Coats, school master aged 22. In 1861

William Coats senior, a flour dealer aged 66 is living at Garrigill, with his wife Elizabeth Parmley aged 54.
In 1851 Eliza Parmley widow 43, living at Gate Foot, Garrigill with her children, Jane 16, Eliza 14, Mary 12, Margaret 9, Hannah 7. In 1871 living at Garrigill gate a provisions dealer aged 76, with his wife Elizabeth aged 64, and Stepdaughter Mary Parmley aged 32, unmarried.
At Loaninghead, Garrigill, 30th ult. aged 14, Zamora Slack, daughter of James Slack.
In 1841, at High Lee House, Garrigill, James Slack, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Betty (Lee, married 17th March 1825, Alston) aged 35, children Jonathan 14, Hannah 11, James 7, William 2, and John 2 months.
James Slack snr. died January 1844.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Betty Slack, lead miners widow, aged 45, sons James Slack, labourer, aged 17, William, labourer, aged 11, J Joseph 9, Thomas 7, and nurse child Anny Thompson 1.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, James Slack, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary (Vipond, married 1st December 1859, Garrigill) aged 28, mother in law Catharine Vipond, widow, proprietor, of houses, aged 63, niece Catharine Vipond 11, and niece Harriet Vipond 4.
In 1871 at Loaning head James Slack aged 37, stone walling in a coal mine, wife Mary aged 38, children Zamora 9 and Thomas V. 3 In 1881, at Lane Head, James Slack, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 48, and son Thomas V. 13.
Lizzie Irwin, married Thomas Slack, 1st quarter 1891, reg. Tynemouth.
In 1891, at Kitty Brewster, Cowpen, Newsham, Blyth, James Slack, coal miner, aged 57, his wife Mary 58, and visitor Joseph Coats 10. Also at Kitty Brewster, Thomas V. Slack, coal miner, aged 23, and his wife Elizabeth A aged 27.
James Slack died 4th quarter of 1891.
In 1901, at Loaning Head, Thomas V Slack, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth A 34, and mother Mary Slack, widow, aged 68. In 1911, at Loaning Head, Thomas Slack, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth Ann 44, children Joseph Vipond 6, and Sarah Tamera 3. See 27th January 1844
At Alston, 6th inst, aged 6 weeks, Joseph Henry, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Spark.
In 1861, at Main St., Thomas Spark, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth (Walton married 14th September 1858, Alston) aged 24, son Walton 2.
In 1871 at Town foot, Thomas Spark, lead miner aged 37, wife Elizabeth aged 34, children Walton 12, Frances Mary 9, Ruth Ann 6, Toward William 4, Sebenia Moncreith 2.
In 1881, at 18 Front Street, Thomas Spark, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 44, children Walton, railway porter, aged 22, Ruth Anne 18, Toward William 14, Sabina M. 12, Tom Elliott 6, Edwin H. 4, and boarder John H. Walton, labourer at quarry, aged 21.
In 1891, at Mondays St. Arthurs Hill, Elswick, Thomas Spark, general labourer, aged 58, his wife 58, Elizabeth, aged 54, children Ruth A. dressmaker, aged 26, Toward W. _____ aged 24, Sabina 22, Tom E 16, and Edwin H 14
In 1901, at Mondays St. Arthurs Hill, Elswick, Thomas Spark, labourer in shipyard, aged 68, his wife Elizabeth 64, children Sabina, knitting machinist,

aged 32, Tom, _____ chargeman, aged 26, and Edwin, millwright, aged 24. In 1911, at Mondays St. Arthurs Hill, Elswick, Thomas Spark, joiners labourer retired, aged 78, his wife Elizabeth 74, and daughter Sabina, stocking knitter, aged 42. Thomas Spark died 3rd quarter 1913, aged 80.
See 24th March 1883

19th February 1876 (Alston Herald)

NENTHEAD
LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN'S MEDICAL UNION.

Quarterly report ending 1st February 1876: Attendance at surgery cases, 160; attendance at patients house, 84; total 244. Relieved 124, cured 59; deaths 4; chronic cases on book, 57; total 244. C. Davidson, Medical officer.

Births

At Nenthead the wife of Anthony Robinson of a boy who only survived his birth 3 days.
See 29thJuly 1876, and 5th March 1887

Deaths

At Frosterley, 9th inst aged 74, Joseph Walton, formerly of Green Ends Alston.
Son of Jacob & Mary Coulthard (married 1799 at Kirkhaugh), who had 14 children, William, Joseph, John, Thomas, Fanny, Jacob (see 23rd November 1864), Sarah, Elizabeth, Mary, Robert, Jonathan, Margaret, Isabel & Friend. In 1871 at Frosterley Joseph Walton, lead & coal mine owner, aged 69, born Alston his wife Margaret (Vickers married 1842, daughter of George a farmer) aged 58; his wife & children born at Stanhope, unmarried children Jacob V., lead manufacturer 28, Mary 26, Joseph brick manufacturer22, and John Thomas 12 (in 1881 John listed as a mineral merchant, the 1891 census single, a coal merchant, living with his mother Elizabeth and Elizabeth's niece Sarah Gill, 35, unmarried annuitant).*

26th February 1876 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Redwing, 17th inst, aged 31, Mr Hunter Ward, lead miner.
See 5th November 1879 & 26th January 1884.
At Donks Hall, near Alston, 18th inst., aged 54, Mr James Robinson, lead miner.
See 18th July 1874
At his residence, No. 7 Devonshire Terrace, Stanwix, Carlisle, and late of Nelson, New Zealand, and formerly of Alston, 16th inst. aged 65 Mr Jacob Batey.
In 1871, at Stanwix, Devonshire Terrace, Jacob Batey, aged 60; retired New Zealand, farmer, and his wife Mary A. aged 44.
In the Nelson Evening Mail, 2nd May 1876: - BATEY – February 16, at Devonshire Terrace, Stanwix, near Carlisle, Mr Jacob Batey, late of Waimea East, aged 65 years.
In 1844 Jacob Batey a Carpenter, he is listed in a petition dated 18444, his name also appears on petitions dated 1848 & 1849, also on the list of electors for Waimea East from 1853. In 1857, he was elected to the Education Committee of Waimea East.
T**he Nelson Examiner & New Zealand Chronicle 11th April 1867** *had the following advertisement.*

NOTICE: - The undersigned being about to leave the colony for England requests that all ACCOUNTS owing to him be PAID within fourteen days from this date, and that all accounts against him may be sent in for settlement forthwith. Jacob Batey, Appleby, April 6.

The Nelson Examiner & New Zealand Chronicle 4th May 1867

Dinner to an Old Settler. — A dinner was given a few evenings since, at the Star and Garter, Richmond, to Mr. Jacob Batey, of Appleby, who is about to return to England by way of Panama, by the next steamer. J. W. Barnicoat, Esq., Speaker of the Provincial Council, filled the chair, and Mr. Harkness the vice-chair. In proposing the health of Mr. Batey, the Chairman spoke of him as an old and most esteemed friend, who had taken an active interest in the working of our Education scheme, both as a member of the Central and Local Boards. As a neighbour and a settler, no one stood higher in the district, and while he must congratulate Mr. Batey on being able to make the visit he was contemplating, his absence would be felt by all who knew him. The health of Mr, Batey was drunk most enthusiastically, and hearty good wishes expressed for his future health and happiness.

4th March 1876 (Hexham Courant)

NEW ALSTON (STONECROFT)

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT. THE INQUEST.

On Saturday last, an inquest was held at the above place, by Mr R. Y. Green deputy coroner for South Northumberland, on view of the body of a young man named Thomas Rumney, lead miner, living at New Alston, who died on Friday, the 25th ult., from injuries received while engaged in blasting in Stonecroft mine. Deceased was twenty-two years of age, and on the 17th of last month, he and his brother were at work in the mine boring holes in the rock, into which blasting powder was inserted to blast it. Deceased was busy making “squibs” with which to ignite the powder, having a bottle containing 4lbs of powder close to him, when through some mishap or other - the real cause is unknown - the powder exploded, and severely injured the deceased. He was instantly conveyed home, where he lingered until the 25th ult., when he died. Deceased’s tobacco pipe was found near the place but it is not known whether the young man was smoking at the time of the explosion. The body was fearfully mutilated, the face, chest, left shoulder, and both legs being terribly burnt. At the inquest the only witness examined was Joseph Rumney, lead miner, brother to the deceased. He was working not far from his brother when the sad accident happened. He identified the body as that of his brother. The jury returned a verdict of “Accidental death.”

In 1871 at Haydon Fell Cottages Thomas Rumney aged 58, lead miner, his wife Elizabeth (Bell married 26th January 1837) 52, children Joseph lead miner 22, Thomas lead washer 17, Sarah 15, Margaret 11, Hannah 7 and grandson Robert Walton aged 7; all born Alston. They had three older children Mary born 1842 John born about 1844 (born Alston), and Elizabeth born 1846 (born Kirkhaugh, Northumberland).

Deaths

At Overwater 29th ult., aged 40, Mr John Whitfield Lead Miner.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary, aged 45, children Robert 20, Sarah 15, Thomas 15, Leah 12, Rachel 8, John 6, and Elizabeth 2.
The 1851 at Bank Head, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield aged 62, lead miner, and his wife Mary aged 55, born Knaresdale, daughters Rachael 18, and Elizabeth 16, and son John aged 16, lead ore washer.
Thomas Whitfield died 2nd quarter 1852, his wife Mary died either 1858 or 1860.
In 1861, at Pipers Row, John Whitfield, lead miner, aged 26, sisters Rachel, housekeeper, aged 28, Elizabeth, dressmaker aged 22, son Thomas Whitfield 3 months. In 1871, at Overwater, John Whitfield, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah 29, daughter Hannah 8, brother in law, Couper Barron, lead miner, aged 31, sister in law, Ann Barron25, brother in law, George Barron, lead miner, aged 22, and sister in law Mary Barron 19.
John and Sarah Whitfield had a daughter Mary Ann born about 1877.
In 1881, at Overwater, Sarah Whitfield, widow, aged 41, sons Thomas 9, and Matthew H. 4. In 1891, at Overwater, Sarah Whitfield, charwoman, aged 48, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, and granddaughter Annie Lizzie aged 6.
In 1891, at Roughside, Alston, Mary Ann Whitfield was working as a domestic servant for Vickers Moore, lead miner, aged 40, and his family.
Anthony Brown married Mary Ann Whitfield 2nd quarter 1898, reg. at Alston.
In 1901, at Overwater, Sarah Whitfield, widow, aged 59, son in law Anthony Brown, lead miner, aged 29, daughter Mary A Brown 24, granddaughter Sarah E Brown 1, and grandson John G Whitfield 4.
In 1911, at John St., Blackhill, Benfieldside, Anthony Brown, miner, stone worker, aged 38, his wife Mary Ann 33, visitor, uncle George Brown, unmarried, no occupation, aged 62, cousin George William Brown, miner stone work, aged 37, daughter Sarah Ellen 11, adopted son Cyril Whitfield 9, son Joseph Stanley 8, daughter Donia 7, sons John Sidney 6, Thomas Arnold 3, and Isaac Leslie 2.
In 1841, at Spring House, Nenthead, Isabella Brown, independent, aged 60, and son Anthony, lead miner, aged 20. In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Anthony Dodd Brown, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Hetherington, married 18th August 1842, Alston) aged 32, children Rebecca Dodd 7, Thomas Dodd 5, Mary Anna 3, Isabella Dodd 11 months, and mother Isabella Brown, lead miners widow, aged 72
In 1871, at Nenthead, Anthony D Brown, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Rebecca, house maid, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Mary, house maid, aged 23, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 20, Matthew, joiner, aged 16, Isaac, lead ore washer, aged 15, Jacob 11, and granddaughter Elizabeth A Brown 10 months.
Anthony Dodd Brown, died 23rd September 1873, aged 55.
In 1881, at Snowdons Houses, Rebakeh D. Brown, laundress, aged 37, children Anthony 7, Mary 5, and Isaac 2.
In 1891, at Nentsbury, Rebecca Brown, single, washer woman, aged 39, children Anthony, lead ore washer, aged 17, Isaac, lead ore washer, aged 12, and Isabella 6.
In 1901, at Nenthall, Rebecca Brown, single, aged 56, son Isaac, waggon driver in lead mines, aged 22, daughter Isabella 16, and grandson Herbert 4.

In 1911, at Hudgill, Rebecca Dodd Brown, single, aged 66, and grandson Herbert Brown, aged 13.
Rebecca Dodd Brown died 2nd quarter 1919, aged 76.

Will of Anthony Dodd Brown

In the Name of God Amen. I Anthony Dodd Brown of Nenthead, miner, of sound mind and memory do declare this to be my last will and testament in form and manner following, after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Dodd Brown a desk bed with bed and bedding and press, long mahogany dining table, a picture Christ blessing little children, all in the little room, also a looking glass and washstand in the parlour. Also to my daughter Mary Brown a feather bed and bedding a round mahogany table three chairs and a picture in the little room belonging to my Aunt. Also to my daughter Isabella Brown the Iron bedstead with feather bed and bedding and the sewing machine and little round table in the little room and also the quilt and linen to be equally divided amongst my three daughters and whatever else of my household goods and utensils I leave to my three sons Matthew, Isaac and Jacob equally divided amongst them share and share alike. I do nominate John Lattimer to be sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I here unto set my hand and seal this 30th day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy three. *(Carlisle Archive PROB/1879/W418)*

The will was proved at Carlisle by the oath of John Lattimer, draper & grocer, on 9th January 1879, effects under £100.
See 5th February 1876

At Garrigill Gate, 25th ult. aged 95, Ann Wallace.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Ann Wallace, schoolmistress, aged 50, and Thomas Bailey, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Gate, Ann Wallace, widow (Ann Hetherington married Thomas Wallace, school master, 6th October 1823, at Alston; Thomas Wallace died 26th March 1827, aged 31), school mistress, aged 64, nephew Thomas Bailey, lead miner, aged 34, and lodger Samuel Hetherington, lead miner, aged 34. In 1861, at Gate, Ann Wallace, widow, teacher, aged 76, and lodger Samuel Hetherington, lead miner, aged 44.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Ann Wallace, widow, retired schoolmistress, aged 87.

4th March 1876 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Windyhall near Alston, 16th inst. aged 8, Charlton, son of Mr John Fawcett, Stonemason.
In 1861, at Pry Head, Nenthead, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 46, children Elizabeth 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, carter, aged 15, William, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Mary 11, Smith 8, Thomas 6, and Isabella 3. William Fawcett was buried 12th April 1882, aged 68.
See 5th July 1856, & 12th May 1871, 3rd June 1876, 2nd September 1911
In 1871, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, John Fawcett, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Jane aged 25, children Charlton 3, and Elizabeth 1. In 1881, at Primrose Hill, Bishop Auckland, John Fawcett, stone mason, aged 38, his wife Jane 33, children Elizabeth 11, William 6, Annie Harriet 3, and Grace Hall 6 months. In

1891, at Jobs Hill, Crook, John Fawcett, stone mason, aged 48, his wife Jane 45, William, grocers apprentice, aged 16, Harriet 13, Isaac 10, Esther 7, and Beatrice 3. In 1901, at Willington, John Fawcett, widow, stonemason, aged 58, children Elizabeth 31, Esther, milliner, aged 17, Beatrice 13, and Albert 8. John Fawcett died 2nd quarter 1904, aged 61.
In 1911, at Cumberland Terrace, Willington, Harry Dennis Brewer, colliery labourer above ground, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Fawcett, married 3rd quarter 1904) aged 41, sisters in law, Esther Fawcett, drapers assistant, aged 27, Beatrice Jane Fawcett aged 23, and brother in law Albert John Fawcett, Colliery clerk, aged 18.
At Flatt near Alston, 23rd ult. aged 6 John Joseph, son of John Smith, Farmer.
See 18th February 1893
At Garrigill 23rd ult. aged 72, Jane wife of Thomas Slack.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Slack, retired farmer, aged 71, and his wife Jane 66; no children recorded on the census returns.
At Alston, 26th ult. aged 34, Mr John Smith.
In 1851, at Bankfoot, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth (Parker, married 10th June 1837, Alston), aged 35, children Mary, spinner at factory, aged 12, John, lead ore washer, aged 11, Joseph 8 Elizabeth 6, Jane 2 and nurse child William Dalton 1.
Joseph Parker died 2nd quarter 1852.
In 1861, at Physic Hall Bankfoot, Elizabeth Parker, widow, confectioner, aged 45, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth, spinner at woollen mill, aged 15, Jane, spinner at woollen mill, aged 12, Robert 9, and James 2.
The 1841 census shows Wilkinson Smith, lead miner, aged 60 (son of John & Mary Smith, baptised 26th December 1781), wife Ann (Hodgson, married 6th January 1803, at Marrick N. Yorks) aged 60, children Ann 20, David 20, Aaron, Elijah 13, and Silas 2.
Wilkinson Smith died 2nd quarter of 1847.
In 1851 at Farnberry, Ann Smith, widow, farmer of 20 acres, born Richmond, aged 73, children Ann unmarried 36, Aaron unmarried, lead miner, aged 25, Elijah unmarried, lead miner, aged 22, and grandsons Silas Smith 12, John Smith 8. In 1861,at Farnberry, Ann Smith, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 82, son Aaron, lead miner, aged 35, daughter Elizabeth 32, grandsons Silas Smith, lead miner, aged 20, John Smith, lead miner, aged 19, and Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 14. The 1871 census shows at Clitheroe, John Smith, lead miner, aged 28, and his wife Elizabeth (Parker married 4th quarter 1868) aged 25. See 18th July 1874

11th March 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston 2nd inst. aged 86, Katy, daughter of the late Mr Nicholas Lee.
In 1871, at Back Street, Alston, Katy Lee, unmarried, formerly domestic servant, aged 80, born Allendale.
At Catton, 8th inst. aged 21, Mr John Henry Glendinining.
In 1861, at Allendale Town, Sarah Glendinning, widow, boot binder, aged 35, children Ann 9, John Henry 6, Robinson 4, and lodger Sarah Bright, unmarried pauper, aged 71. In 1871, at Allendale Town, Sarah Ritson, widow, schoolmistress, aged 45, sons John, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Robinson, shoemaker, aged 14.

At Nenthead, 1st inst. aged 37, Robert Moffatt.
In 1871 Robert Moffatt masons labourer aged 31, married to Sarah (Armstrong aged 1868) aged 26, children Joseph 3 & Margaret 1.
See 28th March 1868, 27th May 1871, 20th November 1875, and 22nd February 1896
At Nenthead, 1st inst. aged 53, Jane wife of Wm. Rutherford.
See 5th April 1884.
5th inst. aged 63, Ann wife of Mr Thomas Brown, Stonemason.
In 1851, at Bank Foot, Alston, Thomas Brown, stone mason, aged 35, wife Ann 38, children William 10, and Thomas 8.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, Thomas Brown, stone mason, aged 46, his wife Ann aged 48, sons William, mason, aged 20, and Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 18. In 1871, at White Hall, Nenthead, Thomas Brown, stonemason, aged 55, and his wife Ann aged 58.

18th March 1876 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

TRACTION ENGINE. Another of these engines has arrived at Catton station, for Mr W. B. Beaumont's works at Allendale, ... as soon as weather permits it will commence its labours. In a little time, we doubt, the "Jolly Cartmen" of this district like Toll bars will become a thing of the past. *The engine was used to transport ore between Allenheads and Allen Mill*

18th March 1876 (Alston Herald)

ALSTON

... the school at Nenthead, which is maintained solely by the London Lead Company, but which in the event of a School Board being formed would fall upon the rates with the others. The clerk continued that these schools (the other schools in the parish of Alston) at present did not cost the rate payers a penny, but if we had a Board he thought they would cost at a low estimate not less than £800 a year to rate payers. ...

25th March 1876 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Cathedral, Shanghai, China, January 8th, Rev Jos. B. Race, Wesleyan missionary, of Hankow to Hannah, eldest daughter of Joshua Dawson Esq., of St John's Chapel, Weardale.
See 6th November 1875, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.

Deaths

At Alston, 20th inst aged 49, Mrs Elizabeth Lowe, widow.
See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 28th June 1873, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896.

15th April 1876 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Knaresdale Church, 8th inst. William, eldest son of Mr William Teasdale of High Skelgill near Alston to Tamar Bell, of Burnstones.
In 1841, at Foreshield, Grains House, John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Phillis (Allison, married 27th February 1817, Alston) aged 40, children

William, lead miner, aged 25, Phoebe 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Phillis 14, John 12, Thomas 9, Robert 7, George 4, and Joseph 7 months. In 1851, at High Cocklake, John Teasdale, lead miner farming 22 acres, aged 56, his wife Phillis 54, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, Phillis 24, John, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, George, lead miner, aged 14, Joseph 10, James 10, John 6, and nephew Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 32.
John Teasdale died 2nd quarter 1854.

IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
WILLIAM TEASDALE
HIGH SKELGILL
WHO DIED 14TH JAN. 1905
AGED 52 YEARS
ALSO TAMAR HIS WIFE
WHO DIED 18TH FEB. 1930
AGED 74 YEARS
ALSO THEIR SON
GEORGE WILLIAM
WHO DIED 1ST JULY 1896
AGED 19 YEARS
ALSO THEIR SON
ISAAC ARTHUR
WHO DIED 17TH OCTOBER 1933
AGED 45 YEARS
ALSO THEIR DAUGHTER ANNIE
WHO DIED 24TH FEB. 1940
ALSO THEIR SON FREDERICK
WHO DIED IN AUSTRALIA
3RD APRIL 1947
ALSO THEIR DAUGHTER MARY ALICE
WHO DIED 17TH DEC. 1950

In 1851, at High Skelgill, William Teasdale, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Dorothy (Armstrong, married 14th September 1845, Alston) aged 32, Phillis 5, Isabella 3, Dorothy 2, and Ann 6.
In 1861, at High Skelgill, William Teasdale, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Dorothy 42, children Phillis 14, Isabella 13, Dorothy 11, Ann 10, William 8, John 6, Elizabeth 3, and boarder Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 44.
In 1871, at High Skelgill, William Teasdale, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Dorothy aged 53, children Dorothy 21, William, farm labourer, aged 18, John, shoe makers apprentice, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and cousin Isaac Teasdale, unmarried, lead miner, aged 54. In 1881, at High Skelgill, William Teasdale, farmer of 18 acres, aged 62, his wife Dorothy 62, and grandson William Laidlaw, aged 11.
William Teasdale snr., died 2nd quarter 1887, aged 69; Dorothy his wife had died 1st quarter of 1885, aged 61.

In 1881, at Tows Bank, Haltwhistle, William Teasdale, coal miner, aged 28, his wife Tamer 25, children George W. 4, Sarah Lee 3, and Annie 1.
In 1891, at Middle Skelgill, William Teasdale, farmer & coal miner, aged 38, his wife Tamar 5, children Sarah Lee 13, Annie 11, John Robert 7, Isaac Arthur 3, and Gladys Dora 1. In 1901, at High Skelgill, William Teasdale, farmer, aged 48, his wife Tamar, aged 45, children Annie 21, John R, miner, aged 17, Isaac A 13, Gladis D 11, Frederick 6, and Mary A 4.
William Teasdale died 14th January 1905, aged 52.
In 1911, at Hayring, Nentsbury, Tamar Teasdale, widow, farmer, aged 54, children John Robert, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac Arthur, lead miner, aged 23, Gladys Dora, dairy work, aged 21, Frederick, stone picker, washing floor, aged 16, and Mary Alice 14. See 14th April 1865

22nd April 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, Robert Glendinning of Galligill near Alston, to Tamar daughter of Joseph *(& Hannah)* Irwin of Nenthead.
In1881, at Douglas Street, Wallsend, Robert Glendinning, lead smelter, aged 33, his wife Tamar 31, children Hannah 4, and Thomas 1.
In 1891, at Belvedere Street, Heaton, Tamar Glendinning, widow, railway servant, aged 41, children Hannah 14, and Thomas 11.
Deaths
At Alston 14th inst, aged 72, Mr Thomas Wilson, Draper.
At Hill House near Alston, 18th inst. aged 72, Philis Parmley, widow.
John Parmley married Phillis Walton 7th February 1828, Alston.
In 1841, at Cross Lane, Stanhope, Phillis Parmely, independent, aged 35, children Edward 13, Isabella 10, Ann 9, Hannah 7, Elizabeth 6, and John 4.
In 1851, at Skelgill Toll Bar, Phillis Parmely, widow, toll bar collector, aged 43, children Edward, road repairer, aged 22, Elizabeth 13, and John 13
In 1871, at Mark Close, Phillis Parmley, widow, toll collector, aged 64,son John, labourer, aged 33, and granddaughter Annie aged 9.
At Spen, Miners Arms (the residence of her son in law Mr Richard Browell), 20th inst, aged 70, Ann wife of Mr John Roddam.

29th April 1876 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
SALE OF LEAD ORES. The sale of 360 bings of lead ore took place at the Turks Head Inn, Newcastle on Tyne, on the 8th April instant. One portion of the ores containing 260 bings was raised and produced from the Rodderup Fell lead mine, and the other portion containing 100 bings from the Blagill lead mine, both situated within the manor of Alston Moor. The first named ores were sold in parcels, Viz, No 1 parcel containing 70 bings, No 2, 67 bings, No 3, 63 bings, and No 4, 60 bings. Messrs Shield and Dinning became the purchasers of parcels No 1 and No 3, at the prices of £4 16s 6d and £4 15s per bing respectively, and the same company and Messrs John Walton and Co. were the purchasers of parcel No 2, at £4 14s 6d per bing. Messrs John Walton and Co also became the purchasers of parcel no 4, at £14 15s 6d per bing, and also the 100 bings of Blagill ores at £5 2s 6d per bing. The total average price per bing was £4 16s 71/4d, and the average for the Rodderup Fell ores, £4 15s 4½d.

Marriages
Nenthead, 22nd inst. Robert Ward of Nenthead, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Mr Joseph Cousins, of Greenside.
In 1881, at Bank Head, Nenthead, Robert Ward, farmer of 46 acres, aged 40, his wife Mary A. aged 27, children William J. 14, John A. 13, Hannah E. 3, Annie 2, Joseph 11 months, and general domestic servant, Elizabeth Cousin, aged 17.
Robert Ward died 2nd quarter 1887, aged 46.
In 1891, at Bank Head, Mary Ann Ward, widow, farmer of about 23 acres, aged 37, children Hannah Lizzie 13, Joseph 10, Robert Walton 8, Phoebe 6, and Arthur 3. In 1901, at Middle Street, Corbridge, Mary Ann Ward, widow, living on own means, aged 48, children Hannah Lizzie 23, Joseph, stone quarry labourer, aged 20, Robert Walter, butchers apprentice, aged 18, and Arthur, errand boy post, aged 13. See 29th September 1863

29th April 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Western Meadows, Hexhamshire, 20th inst. aged 29, Mary Ann, wife of Mr Thomas Varty, lead miner.
In 1861, at Rise Green, Allendale, Isaac Varty, lead ore miner, aged 61, wife Jane (Pears, married 1st May 1830, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 56, children Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 27, Elizabeth, house servant, aged 23, William, shepherd, aged 22, Hannah 20, and Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 16.
In 1871, at Coalpits, Allendale, Thomas Varty, lead miner, but not following his occupation due to illness, aged 26, his wife Mary Ann (Reed, married 9th July 1868, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 24, daughters Mary Jane 3, Hannah E. 2, and Sarah Ann 4 months. In 1881, at Coalpit House, Thomas Varty, widow, lead miner, aged 36, children Mary Jane 13, John 7, and Isaac 5. In 1891, at Byerhope, Allendale, Thomas Varty, lead ore miner, aged 46, his wife Mary Jane (Irwin, married 2nd quarter of 1881) aged 37 sons John, lead ore miner, aged 17, Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 15, boarders Amelia J Milburn 7, Margaret Hudson 6, John Hudson 4, and Annie Milburn 3.
At Overwater 26th inst., aged 36 Mr Barron Dryden. Lead miner.
In 1841 living at West Nenthead Caleb Dryden lead ore miner aged 40, his wife
Mary (Watson, married 21st October 1819) aged 35, children Nanny washer lead ore 20, Watson washer lead ore15, Caleb 15, Mary 12, John 9, Jane 6, Barron 3, and Agness 5 months. In 1871 at Overwater, Barron Dryden aged 30, lead miner, and his wife Ann (Watson married 5th February 1871) aged 21. See 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 6th June 1885, and 20th June 1885
At Stanhope, 26th ult. aged 89, Mr Thos. Crawhall. *See 27th May 1882.*

6th May 1876 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE MINES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.
On Saturday last, the Weardale Lead miners held their annual meeting in connection with the association in the Town Hall, St John's Chapel, Mr Nathan Race in the chair. Mr T Peadon, secretary to the association, submitted the third annual report, which proved the total receipts for the year to be £80 0s 10d, which, with the balance of £186, amount to £266 0s 10d. For accidents there

has been paid £16 8s 4d, expenses £16 6s, leaving a balance of £233 6s 6d of which £200 was banked. Mr Peadon thought the usefulness of the association was not likely to diminish for there were still risks for miners. However the number of accidents for the year was very small, only five, and those not of a serious nature, and he thought the accidents were not likely to increase, and however much their friends might misjudge the objects of their association, and members prove faithless, honesty and progress should be their aim. ...

Marriages

Alston, St Augustine's Church, 20th ult. Henry Walton, Appletree Shield, West Allendale to Mary eldest daughter of the late John Vipond, Dryburn, Alston.

In 1871, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Hannah Vipond, widow, farmer of 63, acres, aged 63, children Mary 28, Hannah 24, Peter 23, and grandson James Vipond 6. In 1881, at Grassby Well Row, West Allendale, Henry Walton, farmer of 163 acres, aged 40, his wife Mary 37, and son in law James Vipond, indoor farm servant, aged 16.

Garrigill church, 29th ult. Thomas Richardson of Nest, near Alston, to Isabella daughter of John Hodgson of Tynehead.

In 1861, at Side Head House, John Hodgson, lead miner & yeoman, aged 48, his wife Jane 44, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, Esther 12, Mary J 10, Maria 9, Isabella 7, Sarah E 3, and Joseph 6 months. In 1871, at Side House, John Hodgson, farmer landowner, aged 58, his wife Jane 54, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, John, farm labourer, aged 26, Isabella 17, Sarah E 13, and Joseph 10.
John Hodgson died 2nd quarter 1877, aged 64.
In 1881, at Tynehead, Jane Hodgson, widow, farmer of 44 acres, aged 64, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 36, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella Richardson, married, domestic & dairy work, aged 27, granddaughter Jane Richardson 4, and visitor John Varty 5.
Nenthead church, 27th ult. Thomas son of the late Matthew Harrison, Blagill, to Sarah Moor of Nenthead. In 1891, at Side House, Garrigill, Jane Hodgson, widow farmer, aged 74, sons Thomas, farmer aged 48, John farmer, aged 46, daughter Isabella Richardson, unmarried aged 37. In 1900, at Sidehead, Thomas Hodgson, farmer, aged 58, brother John farmer aged 56, and visitor Isabella Richardson, widow, aged 47. In 1911, at Beldy House, Isabella Richardson, widow, aged 57.
In 1861, at Fewsteads, Robert Richardson, lead miner, & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 40, his wife Mary (Coats, married 25th March 1847, St John, Garrigill) aged 35, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, John 8, Tamar 6, Mary 2, and Elizabeth 6 months. In 1871, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Robert Richardson, farmer of 60 acres, aged 51, his wife Mary 45, children Thomas 23, Tamar 16, Elizabeth 10, Annie 8, and Priscilla 6.
Robert Richardson died 2nd quarter 1880, aged 60.
In 1881, at 47 – 49 Panmure St., Elswick, Mary Richardson, widow, dairy keeper, aged 55, children Thomas, married, dairyman, aged 33, Tamar, dairymaid, aged 26, Mary, dairymaid, aged 22, Elizabeth, dairymaid, aged 20, and Annie, dairymaid, aged 18, and Priscilla, pupil teacher, aged 16.
In 1891, at 47 Panmure St., Elswick, Thomas Richardson, widow, dairyman, aged 43, his daughter Jane aged 14, housekeeper Junie Crozier aged 27, and boarder, William J. Pereid.
Thomas Richardson, died 4th quarter 1891, aged 43.

6th May 1876 (Hexham Courant)

ROOKHOPE

TESTIMONIAL PRESENTATION.

... a handsome gold watch was presented to Mr J. A. Johnson agent at Rookhope Smelt Mill, by the workmen and other friends, as a token of their respect and friendship for him, on the occasion of his leaving this Country for a situation abroad. ... An address was read by Mr D. Brown, agent for the Rookhope Valley Mining Company. ...

Deaths

At Alston, 28th ult. aged 15 years, Walton Kearton. *See 8th May 1875*

At Alston, 3rd inst. aged 70, Mary Simpson, widow of Mr Wm. Simpson, draper.

At Clitheroe, Alston, 30th ult. aged 68, Mr Thomas Harrison.

In 1851, at 176 Cold Knuckles, Quarrington, Durham, Thomas Harrison, coal miner, aged 42, wife Elizabeth (Yeates, married 17th December 1831, Alston?) aged 40, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 17, and Agness 8.

In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Harrison, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth aged 51, and daughter Agnes, dress maker, aged 18

In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Harrison, labourer, aged 63, and his wife Elizabeth aged 61.

13th May 1876 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

PETTY SESSIONS

Mr J G Millican, solicitor, applied on behalf of the London Lead Company for leave to store gunpowder at Nenthead and Garrigill. He explained that the present places had been in use for at least 80 years, and the Company had got the written consent to continue the keeping of it from every householder within 200 yards of the premises. In the case of Garrigill, there was only one building, the Independent Chapel, within the distance, and they had got the written permission of the trustees. The quantity required at Nenthead was 4,000 lbs. Two tons it appears, was the limit of the Act, but by an order in Council, this was reduced to 4,000 lbs. Mr J J. Millican corroborated the statements of Mr J G Millican, as to the consent of the inhabitants having been obtained, and the application was granted.

Deaths

At Whitehall, 8th inst., aged 1 year, John Doyle son of Mr Hugh Doyle, lead miner.

Robert Doyle, married Agnes Barron (second daughter of Cowper Barron, Nenthead miner, and Hannah daughter of Archibald Armstrong, born 12th June 1810), at Alston, 14th February 1828.

In 1841, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Doyle , lead miner, aged 33, his wife Agnes 30, children Betsey 10, John 8, Robert 6, Hugh 4, and Hannah 1.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Robert Doyle, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Agnes aged 41, children Elizabeth 20, John, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 16, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 13, Hannah 11, Agnes 9, Ann 4, Cowper 1, and mother Elizabeth Hall, widow, aged 70.

In 1861, at Whitehall, Agness Doyle , lead ore miners widow, aged 50, children Robert, lead ore miner, aged 26, Hugh, lead ore miner, aged 23, Ann 14, Cowper 11, and Mary 9.

In 1881, at White Hall, Robert Doyle, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Ann aged 25. Also at Whitehall, Agnes Doyle, widow, housekeeper, aged 70, and her son Cowper, lead miner, aged 31.
Agnes Doyle was buried at Nenthead 20th April 1882, at Nenthead, aged 71.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Hugh Doyle, lead miner, aged 33, children Adda 30, Agnes 5, Margaret 2, Adda 10 months, and lodger Edward Henderson, Ag. labourer, aged 44.
In 1881at Whitehall, Hugh Doyle, lead miner aged 44, his wife Adah (Stephenson married 1866) aged 40, Agnes 15, Margaret 12, Adah 10 , Hugh 8, Mary Ann 3, and Martha E. aged 1. See 14th July 1888 7th August 1897, & 12th June 1909
At Hillersdon Terrace, 8th inst. aged 50, Mr Jos. Angus, smelter of lead ore.
In 1871 William Angus lead ore smelter 76, his wife Mary 75, unmarried children, Joseph lead ore smelter 45, Elizabeth 37, and Hannah 14. See 18th July 1874.

13th May 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 6th inst. aged 68 Ruth wife of Emerson Hounam.
In 1851, at Preston, Lancashire, Emerson Hounam, joiner cabinetmaker, aged 44 and his wife Ruth (Martindale, married 6th December 1828, at Alston) aged 42, both born Alston. In 1861, at Preston, Lancashire, Emerson Hounam, master carpenter, aged 56, his wife Ruth 53, lodger Sarah Anne Dershorst, house proprietor, aged 39, and William N McGuinness, curate of St Mary's aged 27.
In 1871, at Knaresdale, Emerson Hounam, retired builder, aged 65, and his wife Ruth aged 62. Emerson died 1st quarter of 1879, registered Alston.
At Force Green, Garrigill, 3rd inst. aged 3 hours, Elizabeth Jane, daughter of Joseph Thomason.
In 1861, at High Plains, Mary Elliott, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 62, son in law, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 30, and married daughter Jane aged 25. In 1871 Joseph Thomason lead miner 40 his wife Jane (Elliott married 1st quarter of 1860) aged 35, children John E. 8, Adam 7, Thomas W. 5, Hannah 3, and Mary A. 1. In 1881, at Ashgill Side, Joseph Thomason, farmer of 73 acres, aged 50, his wife Jane 45, children John E., lead miner, aged 18, Thomas W., lead ore washer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Robert 9 Mary A. 7, and visitor Mary Swindle, annuitant, aged 77.
See 22nd January 1864, 10th June 1864, 19th December 1874, 27th April 1889, & 30th May 1891.
At Melbourne, Australia, 15th March, aged 32, Thomas Stephenson of the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, Newcastle upon Tyne.
The Melbourne Argus 18th March 1876 gives the following: On the 16th inst. at 9 Spring Street, Treasury Gardens, of consumption, Mr Thomas Stephenson, of Newcastle upon Tyne, England, aged 38 years.

13th May 1876 (Hexham Courant)
LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN'S MEDICAL UNION
Second quarterly report ending April 30, 1876, attendance at dispensary - case 60; attendance at patients house - cases 105; total 165. Cured 143; relieved 21; deaths 1; total 165. - C Davidson Medical officer.

20th May 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Holmefoot, Nenthead, 8th inst. aged 57, Joshua Cail, Lead Miner.
In 1861 at Bank Foot House, Nenthead, Joshua Cail (born Frosterley) lead miner aged 41, his wife Sarah aged 35 (born Alston), and daughter Margaret (born Weardale) aged 8. In 1871 at Holm Foot, Joshua Cail, aged 50, lead miner, his wife Sarah and son Joseph T. Cail 8. Margaret was working as a domestic servant for John Millican, a retired Lead smelting agent living at Church Croft Terrace, Alston.
West Nenthead, 16th inst. aged 51, William Robinson, Lead Miner.
John Robinson married Hannah Stephenson 2nd July 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of John and Hannah Robinson:
John born 12th September 1810
Thomas baptised 27th November 1812
Hannah baptised 20th May 1815
Nancy born 8th November 1816
Peggy baptised 24th July 1819
James born 20th July 1822
William about 1826
Martha about 1826
Joseph born 10th April 1828, baptised 13th April 1828
Betsy about 1835
John Robinson died 1st quarter 1838, registered at Alston.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Hannah Robinson, widow, aged 52, children James 19, William 15, Martha 15, Joseph 12, and Betsey 6.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, William Robinson, lead miner, aged 26, sister, Ann 35, brother, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, sister, Elizabeth 15, and niece Jane 5.
In 1861 living at Overwater, William Robinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary (Hind, married 27th April 1856, at Nenthead) 46, and son in law John Hind lead miner aged 19.
Mary Robinson, was buried at Nenthead, 5th June 1861, aged 46.
In 1871 at Chapel House, Nenthead, William Robinson, widower, lead miner, aged 45, is living at Chapel House with his unmarried sister Ann aged 54.
William Robinson, was buried at Nenthead, 19th May 1876, aged 51.
Ann Robinson was buried at Nenthead, 6th April 1875, aged 58.
See 7th June 1879

3rd June 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, High House, Weardale, 27th ult. Mr George Hewitson of Stonedrass, to Miss Jane Ann Foster of Earnwell.
George Hewitson, born 19th October 1826, baptised 9th July 1837, at High House, Wesleyan Methodist, Stanhope, parents John and Isabella (Hodgson, married 1st June 1815) Hewitson.
In 1841, at Ireshopeburn, Stanhope, John Hewitson, lead miner, aged 20, William Hewitson 20, Joseph Hewitson 14, George Hewitson 14, Isabella Hewitson 12, and Isaac Hewitson 8.

George Hewitson married Poebe Dawson 1st quarter 1849, at Weardale
In 1851, at Stonedrass, George Hewitson, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Phebe aged 21, and son John 2 months.
In 1861, at Stone Drass, George Hewitson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Phebe aged 31, and son John, lead miner, aged 10.
In 1871, at Stone Drass, George Hewitson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Phebe aged 41, and son John, lead miner, aged 21.
Phoebe Hewitson, died 3rd quarter 1875, at Weardale

In 1881, at Stone Drass, George Hewitson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Jane A, aged 43, and step daughter Mary H Foster aged 12.
George Hewitson died 3rd quarter 1890, at Weardale
In 1891, at Stonedrass, Jane Hewitson, widow, aged 55.
In 1901, at Wearhead, Jane Ann Hewitson, widow, aged 64
In 1911, at Wearhead, Jane Ann Hewitson, widow, old age pensioner, aged 74. Jane Ann Hewitson died 4th quarter 1912, at Weardale

3rd June 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Nenthead church, 22nd ult. Jacob Richardson, Lead Miner, Nenthead, to Ann Doyle of the same place.
In 1851, at White Hall, Robert Doyle, lead ore miner, 43 (born Dublin, Ireland), his wife Agnes (Barrow, married 14th February 1828, at Alston) aged 41, children Elizabeth 20, John, lead ore miner, 18, Robert, lead ore washer, 16, Hugh, lead ore washer, 13, Hannah 11, Agnes 9, Ann 4, Cowper 1, and mother Elizabeth Hall, widow, aged 70.
Robert Doyle died 2nd quarter 1855.
In 1861, at White Hall, Agness Doyle, lead ore miners widow, aged 50, children Robert, lead ore miner, aged 26, Hugh, lead ore miner, aged 23, Ann 14, Cowper 11, and Mary 9.
In 1871, at Hill End, Frosterley, Hetherington Indian, quarryman, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth (Doyle, married 1st quarter 1852, Alston) aged 40, children John, quarryman, aged 18, Robert, quarryman, aged 17, Thomas, shoemaker, aged 14, Agnes 9, Margaret 7, William 4, Hannah 2, Elizabeth 5 months, and visitor Ann Doyle 25, all born Alston other than baby Elizabeth.
In 1841, at Holm Foots, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 25, (son of Emanuel & Hannah Richardson, baptised 27th August 1814, Alston) his wife Jane 25, children Hannah 7, and Francis 2. In 1851, at Greenends, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, farming 20 acres, aged 36, his wife Jane aged 34, children Frances 12, Jane 9, Jacob 7, Mary 4, and William 1.
In 1861, at Welgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Jane aged 49, born St John's Chapel, children Francis, lead miner, aged 22, Jane 19, Mary 14, William 11, and Jacob, lead miner, aged 16.
Jacob Richardson died 3rd quarter 1868, aged about 54.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Jane Richardson, miners widow, aged 59, sons Jacob, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, and dairymaid Sarah Patrick 28.
In 1881, at Welgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, and farmer of 35 acres, aged 36, his wife Ann 34, children Frank, lead ore washer, aged 14, Robert 8, Mary Eliz. 6, Hannah 4, Jacob 3, and William 1. In 1891, at Wellgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 44, children Robert, lead miner,

aged 19, Mary 16, Jacob, lead ore washer, aged 13, William 11, Emanuel 9, John 7, and Jane 4. In 1901, at Wellgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Ann 54, children Jacob, wood storekeeper to lead Co., aged 23, William, stationary engine man, aged 21, Emmanuel, lead sampler, aged 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, Mary 26, and Jane 15.
Jacob Richardson died 3rd quarter of 1910 aged 65
In 1911, at Welgill, Ann Richardson, widow, farmer, aged 64, son John, lead & zinc miner, aged 27, daughter Jane 24, and grandson Robert Richardson 6.
Garrigill church, 27th ult., Smith Fawcett of Craig Shield, Garrigill, Lead Miner, to Jane Cousin of Low Silly Hole.
In 1861, at Low Silly Hole, Matthew Cousin, retired lead miner, aged 57, born Allendale, his wife Margaret (Varty, married 14th June 1834, Alston) aged 47, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Jane 6.
Matthew Cousin died 2nd quarter 1867, aged 63.
In 1871, at Low Silly Hole, Margaret Cousin, widow farmer of 40 acres, aged 58, children Joseph, iron miner, aged 30, Mary 28, John, iron miner, aged 25, and Jane 16.
In 1851, at Pry Head, Nenthead, William Fawcett (son of John & Ann Fawcett, baptised 3rd October 1813), lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 36, children Ann 13, Elizabeth 11, John 8, Joseph 5, William 3, and Mary 1 year.
In 1861, at Pry Head, Nenthead, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 46, children Elizabeth, house hold work, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, carter, aged 15, William, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Mary 11, Smith 8, Thomas 6, and Isabella 3 years.
In 1871, at Craig Shield, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 56, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, Mary 21, Smith, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Isabella 13.
William Fawcett was buried 12th April 1882, aged 68, at Garrigill.
In 1881, at Middle Houses, Alston, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Jane 25, children John 4, Matthew 2, and William 5 months. In 1891, at Leadgate, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 35, children John, lead ore washer, aged 14, William 10, Joseph 8, Matthew C 6, Hugh 4, and Mary J 11 months. In 1901, at Leadgate, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 48, wife Jane 46, children William, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 18, Matthew C., lead ore dresser, aged 16, Hugh, lead ore dresser, aged 14, Mary Jane 10, Herbert 7, and Thomas 5.
In 1911, at Leadgate, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Jane 55, children William, railway contracted labourer, aged 30, Joseph, lead miner, aged 28, Mary Jane 20, Herbert, farm labourer, aged 17, and Thomas, post office messenger, aged 15.
Smith Fawcett died 1st quarter 1939, aged 86
See 5th July 1856, 4th March 1876, 3rd June 1876, 17th September 1881, 22nd December 1888, 2nd September 1911, 27th January 1912.

Deaths

At Hillersdon Terrace, 21st ult. aged 63, Wm. Proud, Smelter of Lead Ore.
In 1851 living at Hill Top, Nenthead William Proud lead ore smelter 37, his wife Margaret (Swindle married 13th June 1835) aged 42, children George lead ore smelter 13, Margaret 11, Mary 8, Jane 3, and Sarah 1.

In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, William Proud (born Haltwhistle) aged 57, lead ore smelter, his wife Margaret (born Allendale) aged 62, daughter Mary Fleming (born Alston), aged 28, a widow, and nephew Francis Swindle (born Alston) aged lead ore washer aged 12. In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Frank Swindle, lead miner, aged 22, aunt Margaret Proud, widow, aged 72, and visitor Mary Swindle, widow, aged 68. In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Margaret Proud, widow, aged 82.
See 30th January 1892

17th June 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Buckhall, Garrigill, 8th inst. aged 2 months, Nicholas Wm Rumney, son of Joseph Rumney.
In 1871 at Buck Hall, Joseph Rumney (son of Ralph & Elizabeth) lead miner aged 37, born Middleton in Teesdale, his wife Mary (Emerson married at Teesdale 1856) aged 35, children Ralph 11, Joseph 10, Elizabeth 9, Thomas 5 and Jane 3.
In 1861 living at Manor Gill, Forest and Frith, Elizabeth Rumney, widow, farmer of 22 acres, aged 48, children John lead miner 26, Margery 24, Thomas lead ore washer 19, Hannah 13, Joseph married lead miner 27, Mary daughter in law 24, Ralph grandson 1, and Joseph grandson 3 weeks.
In 1891 at Howgill Syke Joseph Rumney lead miner, 59 wife Mary 56, unmarried children Ralph 28, Joseph 26, Elizabeth 24, Thomas 22, Jane 19, and granddaughter Alice Rumney 2.
Alston 13th inst. aged 1 month, Thomas William Richardson Hinde son of Joseph Beaumont Hinde.
At The Butts Alston in 1871 living with his wife's father Thomas Richardson aged, 54, a widow working as a joiner, Joseph B. Hind aged 25 a coal miner and Jane (Richardson married 1871) aged 23 a mill winder. In 1901 the family is in Carlisle, Joseph B Hinde, City Toll Collector aged 58, his wife Jane 53 children Margaret A. 29, Isabella ironworks time keeper 26, Thomas railway engineer 23, John J. stationers clerk 21, Alfred apprentice die fitter 16, and Robert W. P. grocers errand boy13.

24th June 1876 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHEAD
A CHILD SCALDED TO DEATH.
On Friday the 16th inst. a child *(Margaret Jane)* about 18 months old belonging Mr Walbank, Schoolmaster, Nenthead, met with a shocking death on the day in question. The mother of the child was in the act of preparing dinner, and had placed a pan of boiling water on the bars, the contents which by some means or other fell down upon the child who was before the fire. The poor creature lingered till about six o'clock in the evening when death put an end to its sufferings. The painful circumstances has awakened a feeling of deep sympathy at Nenthead for the parents of the child who have only been in the neighbourhood a short time.
Deaths
Ramshaw, 8th inst. aged 23 George eldest son of James and Isabella Ann Henderson. *In 1871 at Bolt Hope Mill, Hunstanworth James Henderson aged*

52, millwright, his wife Isabella, sons George lead miner aged 18, James lead ore washer aged 11, and Thomas aged 8.
Blagill, near Alston 18th inst. aged 78, Margaret, widow of Isaac Chester *(grocer died 1854)* late of Nenthall.

1st July 1876 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
SUDDEN DEATH

On Sunday morning the 25th ult. a man of the name Thomas Percival who lived alone and having neither wife nor housekeeper, was found dead in his own house. The deceased it appears had been out of health some time previous to his death and frequently vomited blood. Being in this precarious state it was not considered safe to leave him alone, and his friends and neighbours were in the habit of sitting up with him. But the night before his death (being considered a little better) this practice of sitting up was dispensed with and he was left alone. The female, however, who attended upon him and who entering his house on the morning in question found him lying dead upon the floor, there being every indication that he had been literally choked with blood. Deceased was 51 years of age.
In 1841 at Bloomsbury, Nenthead Joshua Percival lead miner aged 46 (died 1842), his wife Mary 41 (Mally Cousin, married 28th Sept 1822, died 1865), children William 18, Thomas 16, Joseph 12, Isabella 9, John 7, Mary 4, and Anthony 2 months (died 1841?)
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Mary Percival, widow, aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Isabella 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, and Mary Ann 13. In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Mary Percival, widow, aged 60, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Joseph, lead miner, aged 32, and house servant Mary A Elliott aged 16. In 1871, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Percival, unmarried aged 46, lead miner.
See 10th July 1875, 15th July 1876, and 11th October 1884.

1st July 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 24th ult., aged 76, Margaret, widow of Mr James Bell, lead mine agent.
In 1841, at Dryburn, James Bell, lead mine agent, aged 55, his wife Margaret (Armstrong married 17th April 1823) aged 40, Thomas lead miner 25, Elizabeth 15, William lead miner 15, Hannah 11, Adamson 8, Robert 6, and Ann 1. In 1851, at Dryburn, James Bell, lead mine agent, aged 66, his wife Margaret 50, children Elizabeth 27, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 25, Adam, lead miner, aged 18, and Ann10.

James Bell died 24th October 1858. See 29th October 1858, 23rd March 1889

In 1861, at Dryburn, Margaret, widow, landed proprietor, aged 60, children Elizabeth 37, William, lead miner, aged 35, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 31, Adamson, lead ore washer, aged 28, Robert, joiner, aged 26, and Annie 21. In 1871 at Hundy, Alston John Peart aged 40, agent for lead mines, his wife Elizabeth aged 47, and mother in law Margaret Bell aged 70, annuitant.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, John Peart, mining engineer, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 57, and domestic servant Elizabeth Armstrong 17. In 1891, at Front St., John Peart, mining engineer, aged 60, his wife Elizabeth 67, domestic servant Annie Mitchell 21, and visitor Maggie H Pickering 18.
Elizabeth Peart died 30th April 1891, age 66.
In 1901, at Town Head, John Peart, lead mining engineer, aged 70, and his wife Margaret Ann (Smith married 6th October 1892 at Bondgate, Darlington) aged 53.
In 1911, at Town Head, John Peart, lead mining engineer, aged 80, and his wife Margaret Ann aged 63.
John Peart died 17th November 1913, aged 82.
At Wellgill, 24th ult., aged 27, Mr William Richardson lead miner.
Susannah Eales baptised 14th July 1813, daughter of George & Sarah Eals.
In 1841 Susannah Hounam, aged 25, lead miners widow, children George 7, Ann 5, and David 3; Susannah Elias (Eales?) married Abraham Hounam 21st November 1833, Abraham died in 1838, the burial record shows 20th February 1838, aged 30 years.
Susannah married William Richardson 23rd March 1843, William died between the 1851 and 1861 census.
In 1851 at Alston, Wm Richardson lead miner aged 48, his wife Susanna 40 children George Hounam 16, Ann Hounam 17, David Hounam 14, Harry Richardson 7, Sarah Richardson 5, Wm Richardson 2, and Jane Richardson aged 2.
In 1861 At Ramseys Buildings, Alston, Susannah Richardson lead miners widow aged 50, children David Hounam, labourer 20, Henry Richardson, lead miner 17
Sarah Richardson, worsted spinner 15, William Richardson lead miner 12, Jane Richardson 12, Elizabeth Richardson 10, Susannah Hounam grand daughter 7 (mother Ann Hounam),, David Hounam grandson 5, and Abraham Hounam grandson 5. In 1861 George Hounam was living in Hunstanworth working as a lead miner, his sister Ann was working as a domestic servant for James Wilson a hosier, hide and skin broker, living at 20 Shieldfield Gardens, Newcastle.
In 1871 at the Butts, Alston Susannah Richardson, formerly charwoman 61, Henry Richardson lead miner 27, William Richardson lead miner 21, grandson Abraham Hounam labourer 14, grandson David Hounam cartman 14, granddaughter, Susannah Hounam woollen weaver 16 and grandson George Richardson 5.

8th July 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Matakana, New Zealand, March 31st aged 45, Mrs Vipond, widow of the late Mr Joseph Vipond, Matakana, late of Tynehead, Alston.
See 27th December 1873 & 27th November 1875.
At Greenends, Alston, 29th ult., aged 63, Mary widow of Mr Vipond Millican, lead miner.
Vipond Millican son of William and Mary, born 3rd April 1810, buried at Garrigill 6th September 1855, aged 45
In 1841, at Green Ends, Nenthead, aged 30, lead miner, wife Mary aged 25, children Frances 1 year, and Joseph aged 1 month.

In 1851, at Low Green Ends Vipond Millican lead miner 40, his wife Mary (Brown married last quarter 1840) aged 39, children Fanny 11, Joseph 9, William 8, Robert 3, and Mary 1.
In 1861 at Green Ends, Mary Millican, widow, farming 12 acres aged 48, children, Francis 21, Joseph 19, William 18, Robert 13, Mary 10, John 7, grandson Jonathan Millican aged 3, her mother Isabella Brown, widow, annuitant 84, (died 1863). In 1851 Isabella Brown aged 74, lead miners widow was living at Green Ends, Alston, with her grandson Thomas Brown aged 15, employed at the lead mines and Thomas Brown lead miner, 25. In 1841 Isabella at Green Ends was listed as a widow (Husband Thomas), farmer living with her son Robert Brown lead miner aged 30, and Thomas Brown aged 5.
In 1871 at Green Ends, Alston, Mary Millican, miners widow, aged 59, children Joseph lead miner 29, Robert lead miner 23, Mary 21, John lead miner 18, and grandsons Jonathan Millican, lead ore washer 13, and Vipond Millican 2.
In 1881, Joseph Millican unmarried, lead miner and farmer of 15 acres is living at Greenends with his unmarried sister Frances, aged 41.
See 21st November 1868, 28th September 1872, 12th May 1883, and 11th October 1884.

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ALSTON

SALE OF LEAD ORE. On the 28th ult., 112 bings of lead ore were sold in one lot or parcel at Newcastle upon Tyne. The ore was the product of a lead mine called Cashwell, which is situated between 7 and 8 miles from Alston. There were three parties who offered to purchase the ore, namely Mr Joseph Dinning of Langley Mills, Messrs Lock, Blackett and Co., and Messrs Jacob Walton and Co. Messrs Lock Blackett and Co's offer for the ore, subject to the same being delivered at the Alston Station, was £5 2s 6d per bing; Messrs Jacob Walton and Co's offer £4 14s 6d per bing; and Mr Dinning having offered the price or sum of £5 0s 6d per bing for the ore at the mine was declared the purchaser.

Marriages

At the Congregational Chapel, Alston, 2nd inst. Friend Herdman, Miner, Garrigill to Mary Walton

In 1881, at Howgill Rigg, Friend Herdman, lead miner and butcher, aged 29, his wife Mary 32, children, John Henry 3, and Arthur Edwin 1 month.
In 1891, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Friend Herdman, farmer, aged 39, his wife Mary 42, children, John Henry 13, and Arthur Edwin 10.
In 1901, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Friend Herdman, farmer and general labourer, aged 48, his wife Mary 51, and son Arthur Edwin, farmers son, aged 20.
In 1911, at Low Nest, Friend Herdman, farmer, aged 59, his wife Mary 61, and Arthur Edwin, farmers son, aged 30.
Friend Herdman died 4th quarter 1912, aged 61, registered at Alston.
Mary Herdman died 3rd quarter 1919, aged 71, registered, at Haltwhistle.
See 4th March 1843, 23rd July 1867, and 19th April 1884.

Deaths

At Ivy House, Garrigill, 29th ult. aged 5 months, Josephine Pickering, youngest daughter of Mr William Bird Brown, *(farmer of 144 acres)*.
See 21st November 1835, 13th February 1875
At Alston, 29th ult. aged 24, Mary 2nd daughter of Mr William Hall, Coal Agent.

In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, William Hall, coal agent, aged 54, wife Sarah Christian (Jobling, married 3rd quarter of 1843, registered at Hexham) aged 48, children Diana, domestic servant, aged 24, William, cartman, aged 21, Mary 18, Harrison, carter, aged 16, Elizabeth 15, Christian 12, and Thomas 9. See 10th March 1894

At Fourdargue, 2nd inst aged 70, Elizabeth relict of John Ridley, formerly of Alston.

In 1841, at Bruntly Syke, John Ridley, lead miner aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 35, Sarah 14, and Thomas 10. In 1851, at Kates Lane, John Ridley, lead miner, aged 54, born Whitfield, his wife Elizabeth aged 45, born Allendale and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, born Alston.
John Ridley died 1st quarter 1861.
In 1861, at Town Head, Elizabeth Ridley, lead miners widow, aged 55, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 30. In 1871 Elizabeth was living at Flimby with her unmarried son Thomas aged 40, who was working as a coal miner.
See 20th October 1888.

15th July 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 7th inst. aged 53, William Percival, Nenthead.
See 10th July 1875, 1st July 1876., and 11th October 1884

22nd July 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

Hexham, Hudshaw House, 15th inst. aged 11, Edith Mary, 2nd daughter of the late John Cowper Esq.

In 1841, John Cowper aged 30, is in Keswick, a mineral dealer, in 1851 he is living in Alston, with his mother Sarah aged 71, a mineral dealer; and in 1861 he is listed as a lead mine proprietor lodging at Siloth, with his wife Sarah aged 26 (Atkinson, married at Wigton, Cumberland, 3rd quarter 1860).
The Mannix & Whellan, History, Gazetteer and Directory of Cumberland, 1847, referring to Keswick.

> *The various mineral productions of the neighbourhood, as well as of other countries, may also be had at the establishment of Mr. John Cowper, mineralogist, jeweller, &c.; and likewise at other places in the town.*

The 1851 census shows Sarah Atkinson, aged 14, daughter of John and Judith, living at Lowbyre Receiving House, John Atkinson, wood keeper aged 55, his wife Judith aged 49, children William woodman 27, Mary Ann 19, Sarah 14, Eleanor 12, Hannah 9, and John 7.
In 1871 at Acomb John Cowper, mine proprietor, 61, born Garrigill, his wife Sarah, born Alston, aged 34, children John 9, Judith Sarah 8, Edith Mary 6, Florence 4, Minnie 1, and Emily 1 month. John Cowper died in the last quarter of 1875, he had interest in Stonecroft & Greyside mines, the Cowper family were in business with the Walton family.
In 1881, Judith, Florence & Emily are boarders at the Vicarage at Humshaugh, with the Vicar Henry Parmintor's family.
The family was struck by tragedy with a series of deaths, Minnie died in 1874, Edith Mary in 1876, Sarah in 1879, and Judith Sarah in 1882.

In 1891, living in Shanklin the Isle of Wight, at Hevelock House, John Cowper, medical practitioner 29, with his sisters Florence 24 and Emily 20.
In 1901, at Havelock, Shanklin, John Cowper, medical practitioner, aged 39, his wife Gertrude (Anderson, married at Eastbourne 1st quarter of 1893) aged 33, born Russia, British Subject, children John E. 7, Judith O. 4, Cecil F. 2, servants Gertrude E Osborne, parlour maid, aged 23, Ethel F Attrill, housemaid, aged 18, Phoebe Davis, cook, aged 24, and Emily Buckland, nurse, aged 36
See 1st June 1833, 23rd November 1864, and 14th January 1868,
Nenthall, 14th inst. aged 16, John only son of John Bell, Butcher.
See 9th August 1873
At Alston workhouse, 17th inst. aged 82, Elizabeth Teasdale. *(unmarried)*

29th July 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Carrshield, 10th inst. in his 32nd year John Fairless, Innkeeper.
In 1871 at Carrshield, John Fairless, publican and farmer of 13 acres born Hunstanworth, 76, his wife Ann 69, born Allendale, Matthew road labourer, 43 Thomas agricultural labourer, 33, Sarah 31, Margaret 28, John Fairless, shepherd aged 26.
At Nenthead, 23rd inst. aged 19, Margaret Ann, daughter of Mr Anthony Robinson.
Nenthead Primitive Methodist records show, Anthony Robinson born 23rd March 1823, christened 28th August 1829, Tinniswood Robinson, born 11th March 1827, christened 28th August 1829, Joseph Robinson, born 31st May 1832, christened 14th July 1833, mother Margaret Robinson.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Margaret Blacklock, supported by sons, aged 30, sons Anthony Blacklock, lead miner, aged 15, Tinniswood Blacklock, lead miner, aged 14, and Joseph Blacklock 9.
In 1851 at Hill Top Nenthead, Margaret Robinson, unmarried formerly a house servant aged 53, sons Anthony 28, and Tinniswood 24, both lead ore smelter's.
In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Anthony Blacklock, smelter, aged 38, his wife Esther (Redshaw, married 2nd April 1853, at Nenthead) aged 32, children Joseph 7, Thomas Hall 5, Margaret A 4, Elizabeth 2, and Mary 7 months.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Anthony Robinson lead smelter and farmer aged 48, his wife Esther 42, born Knaresdale, Northumberland, children, Joseph lead ore smelter 17, Thomas lead ore washer 15, Margaret A 14, Elizabeth 12, Mary 11, Isabella 9, Tinniswood 7, Anthony 5, Esther 5, Emily Jane 4, Frances 3, John 2, Jacob 4 months, and mother Margaret Robinson 75.
Anthony and Esther emigrated to Canada, the 1881 Canadian census gives the following, at Greenock, Bruce South, Ontario, Anthony Robinson, farmer, Wesleyan Methodist, aged 58, his wife Esther Robinson 52, children Joseph, farmer, aged 27, Thomas H., farmer, aged 24, Elisabeth 22, Tinswood 17, Anthony 15, Isabella 18, Esther 15, Emely J. 14, Frances 13, John 12, Jacob 10, and William 8, all children born in England.
In 1891, at Greenock, East Bruce, Ontario, Anthony Robinson, farmer, Methodist, aged 68, his wife Esther, aged 62, Children Joseph, farmer, aged 37, Anthony, farm labourer, aged 25, Esther 25, John, farm labourer, aged 22, Jacob, blacksmith, aged 20, William, farmer, aged 18, Lettie C aged 7, born

Ontario. Also Thomas Robinson, farmer, aged 36, and his wife Hannah aged 34, born England.
Mary Robinson aged 20, married Robert Tacket, 12th January 1880, at East Zorra, Oxford, Ontario. Emily Jane aged 22, married John McDowell Burgess, 25th December 1888, at Brant, Bruce, Ontario, at the same place on the same date Isabella Robinson aged 26, married Joseph Teasdale. Frances Robinson aged 21, married George Childs, 6th March 1889, at Edengrove, Bruce, Ontario.
Jacob Robinson aged 22, married Amelia Plummer, 20th September 1893, at Mount Forest, Wellington, Ontario.
Anthony Robinson aged 28, married Sophia S. Wilson, 21st March 1894, at Bentinck, Grey, Ontario.
Anthony Robinson died 25th January 1901, aged 78, at Greenock, Bruce, Ontario. Ontario Cemetery records show Anthony and Esther buried at Douglas Hill, Cemetery, Brant, Bruce, Ontario (Ref. BG-B-024)
See 19th February 1876, and 5th March 1887

5th August 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Garrigill at the Wesleyan Chapel, Mr Edwin Bevington, Provisions Dealer, Leigh, Lancaster, to Elizabeth Teasdale, Garrigill.
Deaths
At Alston workhouse, 1st inst. aged 80, Wm. Edgar, recently of Clargill Head Farm near Alston.
At Nenthead, 3rd inst. aged 55, Joseph Blacklock, Innkeeper and Grocer.

IN MEMORY
OF
JOSEPH BLACKLOCK
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED AUGUST 3RD 1876 AGED 53 YEARS
ALSO OF RUTH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JUNE 24TH 1882
AGED 48 YEARS
ALSO POLLY, DAUGHTER
OF THE ABOVE, DIED JANUARY 4TH 1871
AGED 22 MONTHS
ALSO FRANCES RUTH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 15TH 1892
AGED 24 YEARS
INTERRED AT ELSWICK CEMETERY, NEWCASTLE
ALSO NANNY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 16TH 1898
AGED 33 YEARS
INTERRED AT ELSWICK CEMETERY, NEWCASTLE.

In 1841, Joseph Blacklock innkeeper, aged 45, his wife Ann 40, children Joseph lead ore washer 17, Hannah 10, and Jacob 3 (died 17th February 1870, aged 32). Ann Blacklock died 4th March 1849 aged 52.
Joseph Junior, married Ann Latimer 24th February 1848 at Nenthead, Ann died 10th March 1848, aged 24.
In 1851, Joseph Blacklock, widow, Innkeeper & grocer, aged 52, sons Joseph lead miner aged 27, also a widow, and Jacob aged 13, a scholar.
Joseph Blacklock senior died 19th July 1855, aged 64.
In 1861, Joseph Blacklock, widow, Innkeeper & grocer, aged 38.
Joseph married Ruth Irwin at Nenthead on 24th May 1863.
In 1871 Joseph Blacklock, draper, grocer & innkeeper aged 48, his wife Ruth 37, children Jacob 11, Nanny 6, and Frances Ruth aged 3.
See 12th January 1878, 1st July 1882, 16th February 1884 & 6th December 1884.

12th August 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 5th inst. Mr Thomas Lowes of Middle Blackdean, to Miss Elizabeth Moses of Daddry Shield.

19th August 1876 (Hexham Courant)
LEAD MINING INTERESTS IN TEESDALE AND WEARDALE
Some important alterations to the monetary transactions of the London Lead Company are to be made with the employees. For a great number of years it has been the custom for the Governor and Company to settle annually with the wagemen, and washer boys employed in the Teesdale, Weardale and Westmoreland mines, and number about 2,000 hands, the men periodically through the year drawing what is locally known as “subsistence money.” The “great pay” is to be abolished and quarterly settlements instituted. This ulation has met with the hearty approval of the men. The wagemen, for forty hours per week generally averaged over £1 2s per week. The mines are on the whole in a prosperous condition the price of lead having an upward tendency in the market. The machinery recently introduced for washing ore has proved to be labour saving and economical.

19th August 1876 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
LEAD MINING. Some important alterations in the monetary transactions of the London Lead Company are about to be made with the employees. For a great number of years it has been the custom of the Governor and Company to settle annually with the wagemen, bargain men, and washer boys employed in the Teesdale, Weardale, and Westmorland mines, and numbering about 2,000 hands, the men periodically throughout the year drawing what is locally known as “subsistence money.” The “great pay” is to be abolished, and quarterly settlements instituted. This regulation has met with the hearty approval of the workmen. The wagemen for forty hours per week, lately averaged over £1 2s per week. The mines are, on the whole in a prosperous condition, the price of lead having an upward tendency in the market. The machinery recently introduced for washing the ore has proved to be labour saving and economical.

Births
Hill House Alston, 16th inst. the wife of Mr Stagg jun. of a daughter, still born.

26th August 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston, St Augustine's church, 21st inst. Ralph Carr of Low Flatt, near Alston, to Margaret Holmes of High Bayles near Alston.
In 1861, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary aged 28, children Tamer 8, Mary Ann 6, Margaret 4, and William 2.
In 1871, at Snappergill, Daniel Holmes, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 38, son William 12, boarders William Craig, lead miner, aged 21, and his wife Tamer Craig aged 18. In 1871, Margaret Holmes, aged 14, was working as a domestic servant, at Kent St., Alston, for William Craig, drawer in lead mines, aged 35, and his family.
Daniel Holmes died 18th August 1871, aged 41
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Dawson, farmer of 20 acres, aged 58, his wife Mary 48, son in law William Holmes, coke drawer, aged 22, and grandson Thomas W. Holmes 5
In 1871, at Road Side House, Alston, Joseph Carr, lead miner, and farmer of 14 acres, aged 49, his wife Mary aged 49, children Ralph, lead ore miner, aged 18, William, lead ore miner, aged 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 15, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 13, Elizabeth 7, John 5, Anthony 2, and Matthew 11 months.
In 1881, at Sycamore St., Elswick, Ralph Carr, cartman, aged 28, his wife, Margaret 24, sons Joseph 4, and Daniel 1. In 1891, at Marian St., Gateshead, Ralph Carr, Rolleyman, aged 39, his wife Margaret 35, children Joseph, errand boy, aged 14, Mary E 6, Ernest R 4, and Matthew W 2. In 1901, at Haydn St., Gateshead, Ralph Carr, brewers drayman, aged 48, his wife Margaret 40, children Mary Lizzie 16, William 12, Wilfred 10, Stanley 7, Margaret 5, and Fred 3 years.
Ralph Carr died 4th quarter 1904, aged 51
In 1911, at Castle Terrace, Hirst, Ashington, Margaret Carr, widow, aged 54, sons Matthew William, plumber, lead, aged 22, John Stanley, miner stoneman below ground, aged 18, and Fredrick 12.
See 13th December 1870, 2nd September 1871.

2nd September 1876 (Hexham Courant)
LETTER FROM A NENTHEAD MAN IN CANADA
We have received for publication the following letter from Mr John T Little, a native of Nenthead, at present at Batchawana in Canada.

Sir, - I send you these few lines thinking they may interest some of your readers to hear from me in this far off land. Twenty-two years ago on the 16th of September 1854, I left my native land. After touching at Halifax, N.S., we landed at Boston, U.S; thence we went by railway to Buffalo, and from thence by steamboat to Toronto in Ontario. After staying there some three weeks, I went to Paris, Ont., where after some negotiation I bought a capital farm on the Grand River, which was rather an imprudent step in one so little experienced in the ways of the country, value, &c., to take. I note these few particulars as a beacon to warn others. My advice to any one going into a new country is to wait patiently at least a year till you get

accustomed to ways of working, habits, and current values, else you will be apt to acquire wisdom at a rather too expensive a rate to be useful or profitable. A new comer is rather to apt to despise the ways and plans of those he finds around him, and thinks that what he has been accustomed to see at home is suited to all places and climates, but soon finds out that such is not the case.

I was in the farming business some few years in that neighbourhood. It is a fine country, the valley of the Grand River, very fertile and healthy with beautiful scenery I have found Canada on the whole to be a very fine country, in many parts of it, a very fertile soil capable of growing good crops of grain, grass, turnips, and vegetables of every kind. Indian corn does well in almost every part of Ontario. Apples, pears, plums, English cherries, and all the small fruits do well, and yield good crops of fruit. Grapes grow well and ripen well in many parts of Ontario. Clover, Timothy, and other grasses, with peas, tares, flax, &c., are largely grown in almost every part of Canada. Winter wheat, spring wheat, barley, rye, and oats yield large crops when well cultivated. Many parts of Ontario are under a high state of cultivation. Clean fields, good orchards, barns, well kept fences, and substantial brick or stone houses are plentiful in many parts. Some of the herds of stock, cattle, and sheep, would be no disgrace to any country, and are justly the pride of their owners. As a rule, the land is mostly in the hands of and cultivated by its owners. Prices of land in the newer parts of Canada advance very rapidly. For instance, land that 18 years ago sold for 20 dols. an acre (£4) now brings 70 dols. (£14) an acre. This I vouch from personal observation. The older settled parts of Ontario are fast filling up with an industrious thrifty people of mixed origin and nationalities. But yet, there is abundance of room for an unlimited number of hardy enterprising people not afraid of a few years hardship and cutting off from home comforts to carve out for themselves a home in the wilderness, and a comfortable competency for old age. I could name several of my own acquaintances from Alston Moor who have succeeded well and now are in very good circumstances, and are able to place themselves and families in comfort. I will however, only name one, Mr & Mrs W. Dixon. Mrs Dixon's maiden name was Liddle *(Hannah Liddle, married 28th March 1833)*. She was born at Nenthead, married to Mr John Teasdale, of that place, a Wesleyan preacher, and after his death *(died 6th July 1842)* married a second time to Mr Wm. Dixon *(married 18th August 1850, at Nenthead)*, and emigrated to Canada, and they now have a farm of 160 acres of land in good cultivation and their family and themselves are in very comfortable circumstances.

In 1841 at West Nenthead, John Teasdale, stone mason aged 30, his wife Hannah aged 30, children Thomas 7, Ann 3, and Joseph 1.

In 1851, at Foulard, Nenthead, William Dixon, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Hannah aged 39, step children, Thomas L. Teasdale, lead miner, aged 17, Ann 13, Joseph 11, and John aged 8 years.

In 1861, the Canadian census shows, at Grey, Canada West, William Dixon, farmer, aged 35, Thomas L. Teasdale, aged 26, George (Joseph!) Teasdale, aged 21, John Teasdale, aged 18, William L. Dixon aged 5, Hannah Dixon aged 49, and Ann Dixon aged 65.

In 1871, the Canadian census shows, at Egremont, Grey South, Ontario, William Dixon, farmer, aged 47, his wife Hannah aged 59, John Teasdale

aged 27, William Dixon aged 15, and Ann Dixon, widow, aged 75. See 6th April 1833.

This is only one of many instances where industry and thrift combined with sobriety have brought there own reward. One of their neighbours, a Devonshire or Somersetshire man, went into the bush with money to buy 50 acres of land from Government at one dollar per acre, and the Government gave him other 50, all wild land, remember no clearing. And a little money, not much either of that, which he had saved in Canada. He moved on to the land 23 years ago, now he owns 400 acres of good land, in different lots and quite a big clearing on all of them with buildings. As a rule people that come to Canada with plenty of money often lose it with speculation in various ways, and those that come with little or no capital but good pluck and a resolute determination to surmount the trials and difficulties of a new country, coupled with sober and industrious frugal habits, almost invariably succeed by a few years patient industry in placing themselves on the high road to fortune, and a competency. Our school privileges in Canada are good, and the means of education are placed within the reach of all. The electoral franchise is placed within the reach of all who are worthy of it. Churches of various denominations are found in every part. Railways, towns, villages, and good roads abound. Life and property are quite safe in any part of the country to any one who attends to the golden rule of "keeping out of bad company and minding your own business". Water powers offer great facilities for manufacturers of various kinds, which are springing rapidly up. Intemperance is, sad to say, the bane of thousands, but temperance principles are rapidly spreading. I saw last year a statement copied from an English paper, stating that our climate was severe, and that it was quite a common thing to see people that had their legs and feet frozen and were crippled in consequence for life. Allow me to say that the writer of that statement must have been in a very curious part of Canada or otherwise he was making a false statement. As I have lived in Canada (Ontario) 22 years, and never yet knew a case of any one being seriously frozen in cold weather unless the party was under the influence of intoxicating liquor, and I have travelled about in the open when the thermometer has indicated 30 degrees below zero without taking any hurt at various times. Allow me to add my humble testimony in favour of total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors. I am, as I always was, a cold water man, and often feel amused at a dialogue which took place after I came to Canada. One of my old friends in England just after I came out said to me, "Little, it will not do for you to be teetotaller in Canada, you will be sick with the bilious fever next summer in the hot weather if you do drink water without a little whisky in it." I laughed at the man and told him he might try his plan and I would stick to the cold water. Summer and hot weather came, an lo and behold the doctor was sent for and our whisky and water advocates had the pleasure of taking several doses of calomel and such like nice compounds, but the cold water with the aid of a little oatmeal mixed in it carried me triumphantly through the season without the first symptoms of biliousness. As your paper circulates in a mining country, let me say that Ontario will by and by take a high rank as a mineral country in many parts of it. Iron of various qualities abound, copper, lead, silver, plumbago, &c., but the mining business is quite in its infancy. Our population is mostly

agricultural, and mining explorations have been neglected. The district of Algoma on the north shore of Lake Superior is famous for mineral wealth. Silver Island mine produced one year, £200000, 1000000 dols. worth of silver with the labour of 20 men. This year it is very rich. At Garden River there is a new lead mine, opening the rib is four feet wide of solid lead ore in the vein and a little from the side of its two ribs of one foot each. The vein is a well defined one, is traced quite a distance. At various other places new mines are opening out that look well. The diamond drill is coming into use now. Imagine drilling a hole 300 or 400 feet deep in as many weeks, and bringing to the surface well defined samples of the different rocks passed through. I enclose you a report on the diamond drill which will make the matter plain to all and I have no doubt it will interest your readers, many of them. Although I still continue to love my native land, I like this country very much. I have enjoyed very fair health, got rid of the asthma, and hardly ever have a bad cold, more especially since we left the settled parts of Ontario, and came to this part of Algoma. Perhaps it might interest you to hear from us what we are doing here. Well about two years ago we left Brant Co., Ontario, and after travelling by water and rail some 450 miles north-west, landed at Batchawana Bay on the North Shore of Lake Superior, 40 miles N.W. from Sault St. Marie, the capital of Algoma. I am stationed here as a catechist and schoolteacher, in connection with the Missionary Diocese of Algoma Church of England. My labours are principally among the Indians. Our nearest white neighbours are five miles away from us across the bay. The Indians are a small remnant of what was once a mighty nation that anciently gave name to this lake (Obebway Lake) now Lake Superior. They are a very inoffensive, peaceable, honest people, and are very kind to us. The people learn well but their roving habits are a great hindrance to their well doing. We find it a very healthy climate in summer, and very pleasant and steady in winter, without those fluctuations in temperature so trying to the human constitution. The scenery round here is highly romantic, and very beautiful. The bay and its islands and the mountains round are very rugged, though not of any great height. Indications of mineral wealth abound on every side, but the country being all covered with forest the veins are bad to trace. Fish, delicious fish, speckled and salmon trout, pickerel, pike, whitefish, bass &c. are plentiful. Grouse, the woods grouse, and the black grouse are plentiful in the fall, and thousands of ducks and geese fly over in the spring and autumn. I had a copy of your paper sent to me by some of my friends in Alston Moor; I presume so. I take the liberty of sending you a little information about Canada. Give my best respects to my cousin, Mr John Millican, merchant, Alston. Please send me a paper and then by and bye I will write to you again. I am, &c. John T. Little, late of Nenthead.

Batchawana, July 18th 1876.

See 11th July 1829.

John Tinniswood Little, son of Joseph Little (born Garrigill, son of Joseph Little & Sarah Dickinson) & Mary Millican (born Alston, daughter of John Vipond Millican and Francis Tinniswood), married 1st July 1829, at Alston, they had two children Joseph Tinniswood born 2nd December 1829 and Frances Lucy born 5th July 1834 (died 16th July 1834). In 1841, Mary Little aged 40 is living

with her father John Vipond Millican, at Nenthead, and John is at school, the Milbourne Academy, Kirby Thore, Mary died 9th February 1851.
In 1851, at West Nenthead, John Vipond Millican, widow, aged 74, retired mining agent, and his grandson, John T. Little, landowner & mortgagee, born Stanhope, aged 21 years, also servants Ann Shield, 22, Mary Green 14, and washer woman Tamar Hind aged 36.

On 15th March 1858, John Tinniswood Little, aged 27, married Sarah Curson (born England, parents James Curson and Sarah Curson), aged 27, at Paris, Brantford Township.
The Canadian 1861 census shows James Curson farmer aged 60 and his wife Sarah aged 60, at Brant, Canada West.
The only English record I can find for this family is the 1841 census for Little Ryburgh, Norfolk: James Curson, bricklayer, aged 45, his wife Sarah 38, children James 19, Sarah 15, Samuel 13, Thomas 10, and Elizabeth 8 years.
In 1861, at Brantford, Brant, Ontario, John Little, farmer, and his wife Sarah, children Mary Henderson. and Frances Ann.
In 1871, at Brantford West, Brant South, Ontario, John Little, peddler, aged 41, his wife Sarah 42, children Mary H. 12, Frances Ann 10, James Henry 8, Flora Ellen 6, and Sarah Agnes 2 years.
In 1881, at Korah, Algoma, Ontario, John Little, farmer, aged 51, his wife Sarah 52, children Mary 22, Francis 20, Henry 19, Flora 17, and Sarah 12.
In 1891, John, farmer, aged 61 and his wife Sarah aged 62, were living at Algoma Mills, Algoma. The records of deaths for Algoma show Sarah Little died 13th June 1898, from dropsy, which she had suffered for 1½ years and John, died 16th June 1898, from inflammation of the bladder, both were buried at Carlyle Cemetery, Iron Bridge, Ontario.

Courtesy of Ancestry. co.uk

John Tinniswood Little's grandfather John Vipond Millican was a significant figure in Alston, as were his sons Tinniswood and John, his will gives further information:

Will of John Millican 14th February 1851

I John Millican of Nenthead in the parish of Alston and County of Cumberland being in a poor state of health but of sound mind. I do hereby declare this to be my last will and testament in manner following that is to say, I appoint my two sons ***Tinniswood Millican*** *and* ***John Millican*** *my joint executors of this my last will and testament to whom I bequeath the whole of my property personal and otherwise to be equally divided between them nevertheless to be subject to the following payments, in the first place to pay there out all my just debts and funeral expenses, in the second place to pay there out to my grandson* ***John Tinniswood Little*** *twelve months after my decease the sum of five hundred pounds and also to give there out to my grandson John Tinniswood Little the whole of my household furniture Beds, Bedding, and Linen, and I do hereby declare this to be my last will and testament made this fourteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and fifty one. John Millican signed published and delivered by the said Testator John Millican as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto set and subscribed our names as witnesses. John Tatters, Thomas Moffat.*

Proved at Durham on the 5th day of July 1851 by Tinniswood Millican, Manager of Lead mines, and John Millican, Manager of Smelting Works, the executors therein mentioned, to whom admin was granted, they having first duly sworn as usual. Sub. £3,000.

John Vipond Millican married Frances Tinniswood 5th October 1799, from which they had four children, Mary Millican who as already mentioned married Joseph Little, Tinniswood Millican, Francis Millican and John Millican.

Tinniswood was born at Alston 23rd May 1803, and married Lucy Little 21st September 1831, Lucy died 10th August 1844, at Nenthead. Tinniswood and Lucy had three children Frances, Sarah and John Joseph.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, lead mine agent, aged 35, his wife Lucy 35, children Frances 8, Sarah 7, and John 3. Tamar Hind aged 25 was recorded as their servant; the 1851 census shows Tamar working for Tinniswood father. In 1851, at New House, Tinniswood Millican, mine agent for lead company, aged 47, children Frances 18, and Sarah 17, servants, Hannah Teasdale 26, and Ann Cousin 18. In 1861, at Nenthead House, Tinniswood Millican, widow, district mining agent, aged 57, his son, John J Millican, clerk to the district mining agent, aged 23, Hannah Teasdale, housekeeper, aged 36, and Frances Teasdale, housemaid aged 18. In 1871, at West Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, widow, retired mine agent, aged 67, and servants Hannah Teasdale, 46, and Elizabeth Teasdale 12. Tinniswood Millican died 2nd April 1879, his brother John predeceased him on 18th August 1878. See 5th April 1879.

Frances Millican married William Dalton, 15th September 1853, William was assistant lead smelting agent, at Nenthead. Sarah Millican married Henry James Millican, at Nenthead 4th September 1855, he was aged 27, she was 21. See 10th December 1881.

John Millican the second son of John Vipond Millican, born 3rd February 1811, (died 18th August 1878) became the chief agent (manager) of the Nenthead smelting works.

See 17th August 1844, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

2nd September 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Alston
Death of Joseph Walton aged 67 years, registrar of births and deaths for the Alston Moor Union, he died of a tumour on the brain, he left a wife and large family.
In 1851 at Middle Skelgill, Joseph Walton, clogger, aged 41, his wife Mary (Beaty married 10th March 1830, at Alston) 39, children T. Yeats shoemaker 20, Jos lead miner,17, John lead miner 16, Mary 14, Henry 12, Jacob 11, Hannah 9, Nancy 7, Nathaniel 4, and Jane 2.
In 1861 at the Town Hall, Alston, Joseph Walton, relieving officer, and registrar of births & deaths, aged 51, his wife Mary 49, children Hannah 19, Nathaniel 14, Jane 12, Margaret 8, James 2
In 1871, at the Town Hall, Alston, Joseph Walton, relieving officer, and registrar of births & deaths, aged 61, his wife Mary 59, children Hannah 29, Nathaniel post messenger, 24, and Jane dressmaker, 22. See 4th November 1871. See 17th September 1887, 23rd March 1895, & 25th July 1896

9th September 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Garrigill, 2nd inst. Mr John Holmes, Shildon, to Catherine eldest daughter of Mr William Vipond, mine agent, Green Hurth, Co. Durham.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Thomas Vipond, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Catharine (Shield, married 11th January 1823, Alston) aged 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 11, and Catharine 4.
Thomas Vipond died before the 1851 census.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, William Vipond, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Carr, married at Gretna 11th November 1848) aged 22, children Edward Carr 3, and Catherine 1.
In 1861, at Netherhearth, Dufton, William Vipond, lead mine agent, aged 35, his wife Mary 32, sons Edward Carr 10, and Walter Carr 3. In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, James Slack, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary, aged 28, mother in law, Catherine Vipond, widow, proprietor of houses, aged 63, niece Catherine Vipond 11, and niece Harriet Vipond aged 4.
In 1871, at Riggside, Middleton, William Vipond, lead mine agent, aged 45, his wife Mary 2, children Harriett 14, Walter Carr , lead ore dresser, aged 13, Mary Carr 6, Spencer Carr 7 months and mother in law Margaret Carr, widow, aged 66.
In 1871, Catherine Vipond, aged 21, was working as a general servant for Hannah Masterton, at Wentworth Place, Elswick.
In 1881, at Greenhurth, William Vipond, lead mine agent, aged 55, his wife Mary 52, children, Walter C., lead miner, aged 23, Mary C. 16, and Spencer C. aged 10.
William Vipond and family emigrated to Auckland New Zealand.

Spencer Carr Vipond married Miriam Agnes Landall, the occasion being recorded in the **Marlborough Express 23rd April 1904: —**

"A quiet little marriage ceremony was performed on Thursday last at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr and Mrs Landall, of East Kahikatea (writes our Picton correspondent), when Miss Miriam Agnes Landall was united to Mr Spencer Carr Vipond, of Resolution Bay, Queen Charlotte Sound. The bride wore a pretty soft white muslin frock trimmed with lace, also a tulle veil, and a wreath of white cosmeas, She also had a shower bouquet of white chrysanthemums and cosmeas. The bridesmaid was her sister, Miss Caroline C, Landall, in cream striped muslin. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. U. Spence, Presbyterian minister. Only relatives were present, with the exception of one or two special friends from Picton, and the house and verandah were prettily decorated by the bride's sisters. The happy couple left for Resolution Bay the same evening, the bride's going away costume being of navy blue serge."

Spencer Carr Vipond died 29th April 1949, and his wife Miriam Agnes died 5th October 1935.
Edward Carr Vipond died 30th July 1921,

Edward Carr Vipond
Courtesy of ancestry.co.uk
watters family tree

Rodney and Otamatea Times, Waitemata and Kaipara Gazette , 10 August 1921

The death occurred at Matakana on July 30th of an old settler in the person of Mr Edward Carr Vipond, formerly of Kaipara Fiats. The late Mr Vipond, who was 74 years of age, arrived in New Zealand by the Caduceus in March, 1871. He was at the Thames goldfields until 1875, and during this period saved three lives by carrying three men up a ladder from the Caledonia mine, where they had been overcome by gas. For this he was presented with a locket, a ring, and a scarf pin made from gold from the mine. Mr Vipond removed to Kaipara Flats in 1875, and remained these until 1919, when he removed to Matakana, where he remained until his death

In 1881, at Oak St., Middlesbrough, John C. Holmes, ticket collector, NE Railway, aged 32, and his wife Catherine 31. In 1891, at Jedburgh St., Middlesbrough, John C. Holmes, ticket collector, aged 42, and his wife Catherine 41. Catherine Holmes died 2nd quarter 1900, aged about 50.
In 1901, at Saltburn, John C. Holmes, widow, railway carriage guard, aged 52, and housekeeper Frances E. Duckworth aged 30.
In 1911, at Garnet St., Saltburn, John Carleton Holmes, pensioner, NER railway guard, aged 62, his wife Frances Elizabeth 41, children Elsie 7, and Ernest Carleton 6. John C Holmes died 4th quarter 1917, aged about 67.

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 30th ult., Mr Joseph Todd of Gateshead, eldest son of Mr Thomas Todd of Physic Hall, Alston to Hannah, 2nd daughter of Mr Joseph Cousin, Green Ends Alston.

In 1881, at Greenside, Ryton, Joseph Todd, draper, aged 30, his wife Hannah 26, children Ernest 3, and Marian 1.

Deaths

At Allenheads, 6th inst., after a long illness aged 61, John Curry Esq., Mining Agent much respected.

John son of Joseph Curry and Ann Robson christened 19th July 1815, his brother William was also a mine agent for W.B Mines; see 21st December 1864. John took over the job of his brother William following his death in 1864, Thomas Sopwith Chief Agent for W.B. Beaumont in his diary states: -

> *"Among the numerous body of inspectors I must especially record my regret for the recent loss of Mr. William Curry, whose earnest attention to his duties and friendly regard for all my advice and instructions I shall always remember with respect. He is worthily succeeded by his brother, Mr. John Curry, assisted by Mr. John Ashman."*

In 1851, at Somerset House, John Curry, inspector of lead mines, aged 35, his wife Mary (Stephenson, 2nd May 1841) aged 28, children Joseph S 8, Margaret 6, Mary A. 7 months, and house servant, Hannah Errington 24. In 1851, at New Shiel, John Stephenson, landed proprietor, farmer of 126 acres, aged 60, his wife Margaret 55, daughter Hannah 18, mother in law Mary Ellison, widow, aged 76, and grandson John Curry 3.

In 1861, at Somerset Cottage, Allendale, John Curry, inspector of lead ore mines, aged 45, his wife Mary 38, children, Margaret 16, Mary Ann 10, Jane 9, and Hannah 7. In 1861, Joseph Stephenson Curry, aged 18, was staying with his Uncle Caleb Curry, in Newcastle. In 1861, at New Shield, Allendale, John Stephenson, farmer of 126, acres aged, 70, his wife Margaret 65, and grandson John Curry 12

In 1871, at Allenheads, John Curry, lead mining agent, 55, his wife Mary aged 49, children John lead mining agent 22, Mary A 20, Jane 18, Hannah teacher in day school, 16, Eliza 9, and Henrietta 7. In 1871, at Blossom Hill, Allenheads, Joseph S. Curry, timberman in lead mines, aged 28, and his wife Jane (Cook, married 4th quarter of 1863, registered at Newcastle) aged 28. Margaret married Thomas Kidd, a mining engineer see entry for 18th July 1870. John Jun. married Margaret Coats 23rd May 1872, John jnr., died 3rd quarter of 1880; and in 1881 at 30 Fawside Green, Allendale, Margaret Curry, widow, aged 32, and son John Joseph 5.

See 21st December 1864, 17th March 1868, 6th July 1869, 18th July 1870, 25th May 1872, 24th August 1889 and 24th June 1899.

16th September 1876 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

At his residence, in Allenheads, on Wednesday, the 6th inst., after protracted suffering born with exemplary patience and Christian resignation died John Curry, Esq., agent on the W. B. Lead mines for over a period of 30 years.

Deaths

Low Dykeheads, Nenthead 8th inst aged 54, William Archer lead miner.

See 8th May 1875

Chapel House Nenthead, 8th inst. aged 63, Agnes, wife of Adam Hewitson.

In 1841, at Nenthead, Adam Hewitson, lead miner aged 28, his wife Agness (Barron, married 1st October 1836) aged 27, children Anthony 6, Rachel 4, John 3, Isabella 1. In 1851, at Nenthead, Adam Hewitson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Agnes 34, children Anthony, lead ore washer, aged 16, Rachel, dressmaker, aged 14, John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Isabella 11, George 9, Robert Hayton 4, Mary 3, Adam 1, and Thomas 6.
In 1861, at White Hall, Adam Hewitson, lead ore miner, aged 49, his wife Agness 48, children Anthony, lead ore miner, aged 26, John, lead ore miner, aged 23, Isabella 21, Ann 19, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert H, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary 13, Adam 11, married daughter Rachael Hounam (Hewitson, married George Hounam 1858) aged 25, grandson Abraham Hounam 2. In 1871 at Chapel House, Adam Hewitson, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Agness 57, and grandson Thomas Hewitson, aged 7. See 30th July 1870, 3rd August 1878

30th September 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Stanhope, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 23rd inst. Mr Robert Stoker to Miss Mary Harrison, both of Rookhope.
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 23rd inst. Mr Ralph Bainbridge to Miss Hannah Hill, both of Stanhope.
In 1841, at High Broadwood, Newlandside, Joseph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane aged 40, children, Ralph 14, John 12, William 9, Jane 7, and Eunice 4.
In 1851, at Westgate, Weardale, lodger, Ralph Bainbridge, Ironstone miner, aged 24.
Ralph Bainbridge married?
In 1861, at Thimberley Hill, Newlandside, Jane Bainbridge, widow, farmer of 11 acres, aged 64, sons, John, lead miner & local Methodist preacher, aged 32, Ralph, widower, lead miner, aged 34, and grandson, George ahed 7 months.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Ralph Bainbridge, widower, lead miner, aged 44, children, Jane 16, George 10, and Mary Margaret 8.
In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Ralph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Hannah 41, son George, clerk aged 20, step children, William Hill, labourer, aged 15, John Hill, 12, Elizabeth Hill 11, and James Hill 9.
Ralph Bainbridge died 1st qtr 1891, registered at Lanchester, Durham.

30th September 1876 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst. Thomas Robinson, Lead Miner, Alston, to Mary Jane Archer, of the same place.
In 1871, at Bardon Mill, Elizabeth Archer, widow, aged 56, daughter Jane, _____ mill worker, aged 33, grandson William Archer, weaver, aged 14, granddaughters Mary Jane Archer, weaver, aged 13, and Elizabeth Archer 3.
In 1851, at Thirlwell Lane, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary aged 25, son Thomas 2, and visitor Phebe Walton aged 20. In 1861, at Clitheroe, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 74, unmarried son Watson, lead miner, aged 33, and grandson Thomas Robinson 12.

In 1871, at Butts, Thomas Featherston, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 45, children Thomas, general labourer, aged 20, Jane 14, Annie 9, and boarder Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary J. 23, children John W. 4, Elizabeth M. 2, and Ann E. 1.
In 1891, at Clitheroe, Thomas, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary Jane 33, children John Wm, stone breaker, aged 14, Mary L12, Ann Allas 10, Esther 8, Amy 6, and Thomas 4.
In 1901, at Clitheroe, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary Jane 44, children Mary Lizzie 24, Ann Alice 21, Esther, hosiery worker, aged 18, Ann 16, and Thomas 14.
In 1911, at Clitheroe, Thomas Robinson, road surface man, aged 62, Mary Jane 56, daughter Amy 26, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, grandchildren John William Robinson 8, Albert Robinson 7, and Redmus Buller Robinson 2.
Thomas Robinson died 1st quarter 1915, aged 65, his wife Mary Jane died 1st quarter 1938, aged 80.

7th October 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Westgate, Weardale, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 30th ult. Mr Joseph Carrick of Wellhope, to Miss Ann Humble of Burtree.
In 1871, at Wellhope, St John's, Stanhope, Joseph Carrick, lead miner & farmer, aged 51, his wife Margaret (Kidd, married 4th quarter 1845, at Weardale) aged 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, James, lead miner, aged 16, Annie 13, Ralph 11, Vickers 9, and David 6.
Joseph Carrick died 1st quarter 1875, aged 55.
In 1881, at Wellhope, St John's, Stanhope, Margaret Carrick, widow, farmer, aged 54, sons, John, lead miner, aged 34, and David, lead miner, aged 16.
In 1891, at Wellhope East, St John's, Stanhope, Margaret Carrick, widow, farmer, aged 64, sons, John, lead miner, aged 44, and David, lead miner, aged 26 (David Carrick died 3rd November 1945, aged 81). Margaret Carrick died 3rd quarter 1898, aged 71.

In 1881, at Front Street, Frosterley Village, Joseph Carrick, Limestone quarryman, aged 29, his wife Ann 24, children, Ethel 4, and Margaret 1.
In 1891, at Front Street, Frosterley Village, Joseph Carrick, Limestone quarryman, aged 39, his wife Ann 34, children, Ethel 14, Maggie 11, Joseph Humble 5, and Charles Arthur 8 months.
In 1901, at Sycamore Terrace, Haswell, Easington, Durham, Joseph Carrick, Foreman Limestone quarry, aged 50, his wife Ann 44, children, Maggie 21, Charles A 10, and Fanny 5.
In 1911, at Front Street, South Hetton, Durham, Joseph Carrick, caretaker, council school, aged 59, his wife Annie 54, daughters, Maggie, caretakers assistant, aged 31, and Fanny, caretakers assistant, aged 14.
Joseph Carrick died 31st December 1929, aged 78.
Annie Carrick died 18th February 1931, aged 74
Deaths
Nenthall near Alston, 2nd inst. aged 13, Sarah, only daughter of John Hilton.
In 1851, at Blagill Hill Top, Thomas Hilton, landed proprietor, aged 51, his wife Ann aged 49, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner,

aged 21, George, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas 14, John Hilton 12, Sarah 7, James 4, and visitor Hannah Hilton, unmarried dressmaker, aged 25. In 1861, at High Nentsbury, John Hilton, lead miner, aged 22, his wife Hannah (Thompson, married 27th May 1860, at Nenthead) aged 27, and stepdaughter Anne Thompson 5.
In 1871, at Whigelty, John Hilton, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Hannah aged 37, children Annie 15, and Sarah 7.
John Hilton died 26th February 1878, aged 39
In 1881, at Caroline St, Monkton, Jarrow, George Christie, engine driver, born Scotland, aged 24, his wife Annie 25, mother in law, Hannah Hilton, widow, aged 48, and brother in law Henry Hilton 6.
In 1891 the census shows Hannah Hilton living with her daughter Annie's family at Kent Street, Jarrow, George Christie, engine driver, aged 34, born Scotland, his wife Annie 35, children Henry 15, Sarah 8, Frances 5, Mary 2, and mother in law Hannah Hilton aged 56.

11th November 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, 6th inst. Mr Edward Kirsopp, of West Nattrass, to Miss Mary Stephenson of Leadgate. *See 24th June 1871, 25th July 1874, and 8th August 1891*
Deaths
At Stonecroft mines near Newbrough, 3rd inst, aged 48, Mary the beloved wife of Mr William Nixon. *In 1871, at Stonecroft Mine, William Nixon, lead ore dresser, aged 47, his wife Mary aged 42, children Hugh, fireman at lead mine, aged 15, John R. lead ore dresser, aged 12, Annie, Bessy 8, Emma 6, and William 3.*
See 28th July 1888 & 17th December 1898.

25th November 1876 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
FATAL MINE ACCIDENT
On Monday last, a sad fatal accident took place at Killhope lead mine, situated at the head of Weardale. John Hodgson and his son, of Copt Hill, worked together at the above mine at a "forehead," and whilst in the act of charging a hole with powder the hole went off, and severely injured both the father and the son. The father was shot on the left side, and his leg was broken, and though medical aid was immediately obtained, he died within an hour of the accident. The son Thomas Hodgson was seriously injured about the face, but there are hopes for his recovery. Deceased was 54 years of age. The sad event has cast a gloom over the neighbourhood. Deceased was an excellent miner, and well respected.
***John Hodgson**, died 20 Nov 1876, aged 53, Miner, had drilled a hole into a cavity in the stone and while putting in a large charge of powder, he accidentally exploded it with his candle [an article by Margaret Manchester about John Hodgson, his life and family appears in the Winter 2003 issue of the NDFHS Journal], Buried: Heathercleugh*
In 1861 at Killhope, John Hodgson lead miner, aged 37, his wife Hannah 36, children Tamar 14, Joseph 11, Jane 9, Hannah 7, Thomas 5, and Mary 1. John's wife Hannah died in 1862.

In 1871 at Heathery Cleugh, John Hodgson, widow, aged 48, a lead miner, his daughter Hannah aged 18, unmarried, Thomas aged 15, lead miner, and daughter Mary aged 12.

Marriages

At Alston, St Augustine Church, 2nd inst. Mr Edward White, Market keeper, to Miss Mary Millican, housekeeper, Alston. *See 26th May 1871*

2nd December 1876 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 23rd ult. Mr George Lowes, of High Hotts, to Miss Hannah Vickers of Stanhope.

In 1871, at High Hotts, St John's, Stanhope, Joseph Lowes, lead miner, and farmer of 11 acres, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth, 50, children, George, lead mine labourer, aged 17, Margaret 15, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 11, and William 9. In 1881, at St John's, Stanhope, George Lowes, grocer, aged 27, his wife Hannah 28, and daughters, Margaret H 2 months and Mary E 1 year.

At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 25th ult. Mr Joseph Pinder to Miss Annie Holmes, both of St John's Chapel.

In 1881, at South Cave, Yorkshire, Joseph Pinder, bricklayers labourer, aged 25, born St John's Chapel, his wife Annie aged 23, born Daddryshield, children Margaret Hannah 4, Laura Jane 2, and Eleanor 8 months.

At The Primitive Methodist Chapel, Stanhope, 25th ult. Mr Edward Forster to Miss Jane Adamson, both of Rookhope.

In 1890, at Church House, Rookhope, Edward Forster, lead ore smelter, aged 40, and his wife Jane A 36.

In 1901, at Saughtree House, Rookhope, Edward Forster, lead ore smelter, aged 50, hs wife Jane A 43, and son John J 10. In 1911, at Kirkholme, Rookhope, Ed Forster, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Jane Ann 54, and nephew, John James Forster, lead ore smelter, aged 20.

9th December 1876 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 7th inst. Mr Henry Walton of Lovelady Shield to Sarah Proud of Alston.

In 1871, at Low Lovelady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Martha 48, children Ann 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Henry, joiner, aged 19.

In 1881, at Haydon Bridge, Henry Walton, joiner, aged 29, his wife Sarah 30, and son Joseph H. aged 2.

Sarah's death probably occurred 1st quarter 1887.

In 1891, at Beacons Field, Arthurs Hill, Newcastle, Henry Walton, joiner, aged 39, his wife Julia C (Julia Clifton Warkman, married 2nd quarter 1890, reg. Newcastle) aged 26, and son Joseph H. 12. In 1901, at Drysdale Rd. Jesmond, Henry, joiner & carpenter, aged 49, his wife Julia C 36, children Joseph H. butcher, aged 22, Martha A 8, Winifred 4, and Eleanor 1. In 1911, at Helmsley Rd., Jesmond, Henry Walton, joiner, aged 59, his wife Julia C 46, son Joseph H. butchers assistant, aged 32, daughters Martha A, student teacher, aged 18, and Winifred, milliners apprentice, aged 14.

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst. Mr Ralph Emerson of West Blackdean to Miss Mary Colling of Level Gate.

In 1861, at West Black Dean, Ralph Emerson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Nancy 48, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Mary 20, Job, miner, 14, Hannah 12, Ralph 8, John 6, and Joseph 8 months.
In 1871, at West Black Dean, Ann Emerson, widow, annuitant, aged 56, Sons Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 19, Ralph, lead miner, aged 17, and John, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1881, at Sunnybrow, St John, Stanhope, Ralph Emerson, coal miner, aged 27, his wife Mary 26, son Thomas 4, and friend, George Hindmarsh 1.
Ralph Emerson died 3rd qtr 1888, aged 35, registered at Weardale.
In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Mary Emerson, widow, general servant, aged 35.
At Stanhope Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst. Mr John Wilkinson of Newhouse to Miss Sarah Race of Hawkwell Head.
In 1881, at St John's Chapel, John Wilkinson, limestone quarryman, aged 26, his wife Sarah 26, children, Edith 3, and John Joshua 1.
In 1891, living at Nanaimo City, Middle Ward, Vancouver, British Columbia, John Wilkinson, miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah 34, children, John 11, and Edith 13.
In 1901, at 121 Brighton Grove, Newcastle, Sarah Wilinson, wife, aged 44, children, Edith 23, John J, student civil service, aged 21, and sister Margaret A Wilkinson, single, aged 35, living on own means.
In 1901, John Wilkinson, married, retired coal miner, aged 46, was visiting, Joshua Race, farmer, aged 56, at Hawkwell Head, St Johns Chapel, Stanhope.
John Joshua Wilkinson married Charlotte May Borrowdale, 3rd qtr of 1907, at Newcastle.
In 1911, at 121 Brighton Grove, Newcastle upon Tyne, John Wilkinson, retired gold miner, born Wolsingham, his wife Sarah 54,born, St Johns Chapel, son, John Joshua, married, pay and invoice clerk, aged 31, born, St Johns Chapel, daughter in law, May 29, grandsons, Thomas Wilkinson, 3, Eric Wilkinson 4 months, and niece, Elizabeth Hannah Race aged 21.
Deaths
At Dykeheads, near Alston, 25th ult. aged 56 Mr Henry Stephenson.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Barron, married 23rd May 1818, at Alston) aged 45, children John 20, Henry 20, James 15, Elizabeth 15, Frances 13, and Hannah 10. In 1851, at Wellgill, Hannah Stephenson, widow, farmer of 7 acres, aged 57, children Henry, lead miner, aged 30, Frances, dressmaker, aged 23, and Hannah, dressmaker, aged 20.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Erwin, married 4th February 1858, at Nenthead) aged 25, children Mary Ann 3, and John James 8 months. In 1871, at Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 50, wife Sarah aged 35, children Mary Ann 13, John James 10, Hannah 8, Sarah 6, Frances Jane 2, and Nancy 3 weeks.
At Overwater, Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 50 Mr Matthew Lee, lead miner.
Matthew christened 4th July 1827, son of John and Ann (Archer, married 11th February 1819) Lee.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Lee, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 48, children Frances 17, Mathew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Hannah 10, Jane 8, and Betsy 4.

In 1851, at Overwater, Ann Lee, widow, aged 60, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, Jane, dressmaker, aged 18, Betsy 14, lodgers, John Archer, blacksmith, aged 52, John Robson, woodcutter, aged 39, and Robert Robson, woodcutter, aged 42. In 1861, at Overwater, Ann Lee, miners widow, aged 69, and son Matthew, lead miner, aged 34.
In 1871, at Overwater Ann Lee, widow, aged 80, and son Matthew, unmarried, lead miner, aged 43.

11th December 1876 (Morning Post)
The creditors of the **Derwent Mines Company (Limited)** are required to send in the particulars of their claims to the liquidator by the 30th inst.

16th December 1876 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

SAD MINING ACCIDENT (*BOLIHOPE MINE*)

About four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, near Frosterley, John Gibson, a married man, residing at St John's Chapel, and his partner, Coulthard, living near Westgate were working at their board or "length," and whilst putting some timber to the roof, the mine crashed in from above, throwing Coulthard back, and breaking his leg, and completely burying his unfortunate partner, Gibson. The other workmen in the mine were soon aware of the accident, and were immediately on the spot to render assistance. Though no hope was entertained of recovering their fellow workman alive, they set to work with a will, and after labouring incessantly all through the night, and up to midday on Wednesday, word came back from the mine that they did not see any chance of recovering Gibson before evening. Coulthard was little worse, except a broken leg. At three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon word came from the mine that the workmen had come into contact with a huge piece of rock, some tons in weight, and this will have to be blasted before the body can be recovered. The body of the unfortunate miner, John Phillipson Gibson *(39)* who was buried by the crushing in of the roof at Bolihope Lead Mine on Tuesday last was recovered in a mangled condition, at eleven o'clock on Wednesday night.
In 1851 at High House, St John's Chapel, Walton Gibson lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth (Phillipson, married 1839) aged 43, children John 13, Mary Ann 10, and Joseph 6. Elizabeth died in 1854 and Walton died in 1856.
In 1861 at High House, St John's Chapel, John Gibson lead miner, aged 23, his wife Hanah 22, their daughter, Elizabeth 7 months, and Johns brother Joseph lead miner aged 16.

16th December 1876 (Alston Herald)
Deaths
At Grassfield, near Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 24, Mr John Bainbridge, lead ore smelter.
In 1851, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead smelter, aged 39, his wife Ann (Bowman, married 1839) aged 39, children William 10, Joseph 8, Isabella 6, Christopher 4, and Mary Ann 1 year.
In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead crystaliser, aged 50, his wife Ann aged 50, children William, lead ore washer, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Isabella 16, Christopher, lead miner, aged 14, and John 9.

In 1871 at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife, Ann aged 60, children William lead ore smelter, 30, Isabella 26, Christopher blacksmith, 24, and John lead ore smelter, 18.
Joseph Bainbridge snr. died 3rd quarter 1871, aged 60, his wife Ann died 1st quarter 1883, aged 73.

23rd December 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St John's Church, Nenthead, 19th inst. Mr David Burns of H.M. Geological Survey, to Phoebe, 3rd daughter of the late Jacob Walton Esq. of Green Ends Alston. *See 23rd November 1864.*
Deaths
At Donks Hall, Alston, 13th inst. aged 21, Ann Robinson
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Hannah Robinson, widow, aged 52, James, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 15, Martha 15, Joseph 12, Betsey 6, and Thomas Stephenson, lead miner, aged 50
In 1851, at Pry House, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife aged Margaret 25, and daughter Hannah 9 months.
In 1861, at Pry House, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife aged Margaret 35, children Hannah 10, John 8, Robert 8, Ann 6, and Margaret 2.
At Donks Hall, Nenthead, in 1871, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Margaret (Thompson, married 24th January 1851) aged 45, children John lead miner 18, Robert lead miner 18, Ann 16, Margaret 12, and visitor Isaac Walton, aged 7.
See 18th July 1874, & 26th April 1879.

30th December 1876 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nattrass, 27th inst. aged 62, Mary, wife of Mr Thomas Lee, Lead miner.
See 22nd November 1879

6th January 1877 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHEAD
Pays. Today is the first of the Lead Company's pays. We understand that these are the last yearly pays, as the Company have in future resolved to pay their workers quarterly.

13th January 1877 (Hexham Courant)
POULTRY SHOW. —On Wednesday, the annual show of the Nenthead poultry and bird show was held in the Lead Company's School-room, and was well patronised by the inhabitants of the surrounding district. Among those present we noticed C. Bainbridge, Esq., Middleton-in-Teesdale; J. J. Millican, Esq., Nenthead House; T. Millican, Esq., West Nenthead; — French, Esq., Middleton-in-Teesdale; A. Bolton, Esq., Nenthead; Joseph Goodburn and T. Walbank, Esqs., Hillersdon Terrace; Mr J, Pickering, Garrigill; Mr W. J. Philipson, Mr E. White, Alston, Miss E. Hall, Alston; Miss Burns, Alston, &c. The Nenthead Quadrille Band was in attendance, and discoursed a variety of the most popular selections of music for the delectation of the visitors. The principal prize takers in the poultry classes were: Thomas Brown, Nenthead; J, Rutherford, Nenthead; Geo. Davidson, Washington, Durham; F. J. Snowdon, Haltwhistle;

E. Walton, Nether Park, Alston; John J. Millican, Nenthead House; J. Richardson, Gill House, Alston; William Jopling, Bridge End, Frosterley; John Temple, Newbiggin, Durham; H. Wilkinson, Early, via Leeds; T. Teasdale, Black House, Alston; Joseph Goodburn, Nenthead; Emerson Thomason, Ashgill; James Hind, Queen's Place, Kendal; Alexander Halliday, Nenthead; and William Dodd, Market Hill, Wigton. Several of the prises in the poultry classes were offered for competition by private individuals as special prizes. The first prize for the best duck and drake was won by William Keenleyside, Coanwood; John Kindred, Bayles, Alston, being second, and John Richardson, Gill House, Alston, third. This was a reversion from the way in which the prizes were awarded at Alston, the competitor who received first at the show being placed second, while in the competition for pigeons, William Clark, Coanwood, was only highly commended, being beaten by Thomas Brown and Wm. Graham, both of Nenthead respectively, although at Alston he carried off premier honours, Brown being second. Most of the prizes offered to be competed for by canaries were carried off by Thomas Brown. The principal other prize takers being Geo. Moor, Woodmas Thompson, Nenthead; Robert Clark, Coanwood; and Joseph Rutherford, Nenthead. The show proved to be one of the most successful held under the auspices of the society at Nenthead for many years, and the decisions of the judge, Mr E Hutton, Columbrian House. Pudsey, Leeds, gave every satisfaction. The entries in every class were numerous, and the fowls shown in excellent condition.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH BAZAAR. —The above Church has lately undergone a thorough repairing, the cost, we understand, being upwards of £400. A bazaar was opened in the Lead Company's School-room on Thursday week, and continued on the Friday. It was opened by the Rev B. Robinson of Monkseaton. The bazaar was crowded both nights. The stalls were presided over by Mrs Millican, Miss Mack, Miss Atkinson, Mrs Blacklock, of Nenthead, the Misses Hall, of Alston, and the Misses Walton, of Donks Villa. The hardware stall was under the management of Mr John Erwin, of Hillersdon Terrace, and the confectionery under that of Mrs Erwin, of West-Nenthead. Refreshments were provided at moderate charges, this department being under the management of Mrs Beck, of Greenends, assisted by the members of the choir. A good sum of money was realised on both days, in all upwards of £130. The church, we understand, will be opened out early in February.

Deaths

At Hill House, Alston, 5th inst aged 29, Mr George Yeats, lead miner.

See 18th September 1841, 22nd March 1845, 22nd January 1864, 10th April 1886, and 1st May 1886.

At Alston, 9th inst., aged 56, Mr Robert Varty, lead miner.

In 1861 at Town Head, Alston, Robert Varty, lead miner aged 41, his wife Mary (Johnson, married 25th January 1844, at Alston) aged 40 (born Kirkoswald, Cumberland), children Mary A 14, Thomas 9, Isabella 6, Robert 4, and Samuel 1. In 1871, at Town Head, Robert Varty, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Mary 50, children Thomas, pupil teacher, aged 19, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 16, Robert 13, and Samuel 11. In 1881, at Nenthead Road, Mary Varty, lead miners widow, aged 60, and her son Robert, butcher, aged 23.

See 6th October 1883.

At Nenthead, 10th inst., aged 74, Margaret widow of the late Mr Thomas Robson, lead miner.

In 1841, at Nenthead, Thomas Robson lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margaret (Trathan, married 20th February 1825)) aged 38, children John 15, Thomas 14, Grace 10, Michael 8, Joseph 5, and Nicholas 3.
In 1871, at Spring House, Nenthead, Margaret Robson, widow, farmer of 6 acres, aged 69, son Thomas Robson, lead miner aged 42, daughter Grace Robson, aged 40, son Joseph lead miner, aged 35, all three unmarried, grandson John Robson 11, and granddaughter, Jane Robson 7.
See 16th April 1842, 27th January 1872, 22nd October 1881, and 9th November 1895
At Rice Head, Alston, 10th inst., aged 77, Mr John White, farmer.
John White married Sarah Hutchinson,27th May 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Sarah White died?
John White, widow, married Jane Parmely, 3rd April 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Annatwalls, Alston, John White, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 30, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Sarah 7, Jane 5, John 4, and Samuel 9 months.
In 1851, at Battle Green, Garrigill, John White, lead ore bouse washer, & farmer, aged 51, his wife Jane 41, children, Joseph, lead miner, out of employment, aged 28, Sarah 16, John, miner, aged 14, Esther 8 (died 9th February 1866, aged 23), Isaac 6, Mary 4, and William 2.
In 1861, at Battle Green, Garrigill, John White, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Jane 50, children, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 23, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, and William 11.
In 1871, at Rice Head, Garrigill, John White, proprietor & farmer of 43 acres, aged 72, his wife Jane 62, children, John, lead miner, aged 34, Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 36, and Mary, general servant, aged 24.
Isaac White, aged 32, died 4th February 1878. See 9th February 1878.
In 1881, at Chapel Square, Alston, Jane White, retired farmers widow, aged 72,and daughter, Sarah 45.
John White married Mary Ann Lee 7th June 1873. See 14th June 1873.
In 1881, at Front Street, John White, grocer, aged 43, and his wife Mary A, aged 37, and boarder Bessie Bushby, schoolmistress (assistant), aged 23.
Jane White, died 4th quarter 1890, aged 80, registered, at Newcastle.
Probate 3rd May 1877.
The Will of John White, late of Ricehead in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland, yeoman who died 10th January 1877, at Ricehead was proved at Carlisle by Joseph White of High Plains, Alston, farmer and John White of Alston Miner the sons the executors. Effects under £200.
At Nenthead, 9th inst., aged 67, Mary, wife of Mr Hugh Brown, Hawker.
In 1861, at Dryside Allendale, Hugh Brown, Hawker, aged 42, born Wigton, his wife Mary aged 52, born Allendale, sons, William, lead ore washer, aged 12, and Thomas, 9, both sons born in Allendale.
In 1871, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Hugh Brown, Pedlar, aged 53, his wife Mary Lee aged 62, sons, William, lead miner, aged 21, and Thomas, no occupation, 18 (imbecile).
William Brown married Mary (Cowing or Hetherington) 4th quarter 1878, registered, at Alston.

In 1881, at Overwater, Hugh Brown, widower, labourer at lead mines, aged 69, and son Thomas L, aged 26.
In 1881, at Middlestone, Durham, William Brown, coal miner, aged 31, his wife Mary aged 29, born Alston, and daughter, Frances Mary, 11 months born, Alston.
In 1891, at Byers Green, Binchester Block, Old Park, Durham, William Brown, coal miner, and Primitive Methodist lay preacher, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 38, children, Frances Mary 10, born Nenthead, George E 9, Arthur L 7, Tamar A 5, and Vincent W 1.
In 1891, Thomas Lee Brown, aged 36, was living in the workhouse, at Alston; Thomas Lee Brown died 2nd quarter 1895, at Alston, aged 41.
Hugh Brown died 4th quarter 1891, registered at Alston.
In 1901, at Granville Ter., Binchester Block, Old Park, Durham, William Brown, coal miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 49, children, Frances M 20, George E, blacksmith, aged 19, Arthur L, mechanic, fitter, aged 17, Tamar A 15, Vincent W 11, Robert H 7, Sarah L 5, William 3, and Henry 1.
At Crosgill, 10th inst., aged 70 Mr Wallace Millican, lead miner.
See 18th August 1865

13th January 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Nenthead

The Lead Co. and Nenthead Pays.

We live in a time of improvement,
Science and art have full swing;
And scarcely a day passes over,
without bringing out a new thing.

Nenthead is a place of renown,
For its riches of silver and lead,
With one thousand five hundred inhabitants,
Which by it are earning their bread.

For many long years we've been getting
our money once a year, which we made,
Excepting a little bit lenning,
Every month the Company paid.

The Company has wisely considered
To knock these big pays on the head,
And pay every man his own quarterly,
The money he has honestly made.

May the Company go on and still prosper,
'Tis the wish of the workmen, I say
May they cut a good mine in the brewery
And may they make money like hay.
S. M.

27th January 1877 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

NENTHEAD INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.— The members of this Society held their first half yearly meeting on Saturday night last. The store has

been in existence for some years; the meetings have been held quarterly, but, being nearly all working men, in order to save time and labour, it was resolved to hold the meetings half-yearly instead of quarterly. On Saturday night, there being important business to transact, more store accommodation being needed, there was a good attendance. Things were found to be in a prosperous and satisfactory state, money being plentiful and trade brisk. A resolution was passed to build more warehouse accommodation, in which to store surplus stock. Nearly all the old officers and committee were re-elected. The report stated that the number of members was 116. A dividend of 2s in the pound on members' purchases was paid, and the reserve fund amounts to £50. The amount received in cash for the half-year for goods sold was £1428 1s 7½d.

WEARDALE

TRACTION ENGINES

A traction engine belonging to the Weardale Iron and Coal Company is now plying the roads between Cowshill and Westgate, for the purpose of conveying Ironstone from upper Weardale to the Westgate depots. It carries ten tons. For some time two traction engines, belonging to W B Beaumont Esq., MP. have been carrying lead ore from the Weardale mines to the Allendale mills.

27th January 1877 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Catton, Allendale, 24th inst. aged 64, Thomas Barron, Smelter, 42 years in the employment of W. B. Beaumont Esq.

Thomas Barron married Mary Graham, 28th April 1834, at St Cuthbert's, Allendale.

In 1841, at Pasture House, Catton, Thomas Barron, lead ore smelter, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children, Jane 9, George 6, Alice 4, John 3, and Thomas 1.

In 1851, at New Field, Catton, Allendale, Thomas Barron, lead ore smelter, aged 39, his wife Mary aged 41, children Alice 15, John 13, Thomas 11, Elizabeth 9, Robert 7, Edward 3, William 1.

In 1861, at New Field, Catton, Allendale, Thomas Barron, widower, lead ore smelter, aged 39, children Alice 25, John, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 19, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert 13, and Edward 11.

In 1871, at Catton, Thomas Barron, widower, smelter and farmer of 17 acres, aged 58, his unmarried children Alice 35, John 33, Thomas, miner 31 (deaf & dumb), Edward labourer 21, his sister Jane Barron, aged 60, and granddaughter Mary Barron aged 4 years.

10th February 1877 (Hexham Courant)

THE ALSTON POET DROWNED IN ROOKHOPE

On the afternoon of Sunday last, two young men while walking down the water-side below Boltsburn Rookhope, observed the body of a man in the bed of the stream. On farther examination, it proved to be the body of Thomas Read, tailor and poet, a native of Alston, and who for some months had been at Rookhope. The unfortunate man was for many years a local preacher under the Scotch Presbyterians, and during the last twenty years or so he had travelled through and sojourned in Weardale, Teesdale, and other neighbouring vales, following his trade as a tailor, and painting in poetry the rugged and picturesque scenery in the respective valleys, and recording in poetic measure the odd incidents

which transpired. Amongst the pieces are a descriptive poem of Teesdale and a pathetic account of the two lost children in Weardale. Several fugitive pieces have been printed in slips, but no collection has been issued. On Saturday, he had been working at Westgate, Weardale, which place he left about four o'clock for home, and was seen about five o'clock at Bishop's Seat. He is then supposed to have taken a footroad which, by a wooden bridge, crosses the burn a short distance below Boltsburn. Whilst attempting to cross the bridge it is supposed that, it being dark, he had missed the bridge end, and had walked over tbc buttress into the river, which was much swollen owing to heavy rains. His body was discovered a few hundred yards below this bridge, and in his pocket, were found some fishing tackle, bought; at Westgate, and some money. He was a widower, was about 53 years of age, and had gained many friends daring his stay in Rookhope.

10th February 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, 8th ult., Mr John Spark, of Lanehead, to Hannah, eldest daughter of Mr Thomas Hutchinson, Beldy Mill, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Beldy Mill Garrigill, Thomas Hutchinson, miller, aged 49, his wife Tamar 42, children, James, draper, aged 20, Hannah 18, Isabella 11, Mary A 9, and Thomas W 5. See 1st April 1864, 19th August 1882

17th February 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
NENTHEAD. GRAND CONCERT.—A grand concert, in aid of the Nenthead Church Restoration Fund, was held in the Lead Company's school room, on Friday evening, 9th inst. Rev. Wm. Muskett, M.A. presided. A large company assembled. The Nenthead Brass Band under the able leadership of Mr T. Graham, was in attendance and performed their pieces in good style. The Nenthead Quadrille Band also was in attendance under the leadership of Mr Thos. Hutchinson, and played their pieces in excellent style. Mr Smith, better known as the "Hat-dresser," went through his recitations very well. Miss Hall and Miss Ridley of Catton, performed their pieces in style, and should they appear at Nenthead again, they will no doubt, be well received. Mr Hargreaves, Mr Thos. Hutchinson, Mr J. J. Atkinson, and Dr Davidson, of Nenthead, were well received. Mr Jas. Hutchinson of Garrigill was also well received. The accompaniments to the songs were well rendered by Dr. Davidson and Mr Wm. Hutchinson. The proceeds were upwards of £8.

24th February 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Alston, 12th inst., aged 84, Ann, widow of Mr Robert Shaw, farmer.
At the Parsonage, Garrigill, 14th inst., aged 1 month, Gwendolen Paull, daughter of the Rev. James Welsh, curate of Garrigill.

24th February 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wellgill, Alston, 2nd inst. aged 58, Mr Thomas Stout.
In 1851, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Thomas Stout, lead miner farming 12 acres, aged 33, wife Elizabeth 32, Isabella 11, Joseph 8, Henry 6, Margaret 5,

Elizabeth 3, Thomas 2, Hannah 5 months and aunt Eleanor Bright, lead miners widow, parish relief, aged 51.
See 1st May 1869, 2nd May 1874, and 29th April 1882.
At Loaninghead, Alston, 12th inst. aged 2 weeks, John Coulson, son of Mr William Walton, coal miner.
At Nenthall, Alston, 9th inst., aged 11 weeks, Francis, son of Mr John Walton, lead miner.
In 1871, at Nenthall, John Walton, lead miner, aged 29, wife Elizabeth (Clemintson, married 7th January 1869, daughter of William & Elizabeth, her mother remarried after the death of William to James Diggels, gardener) aged 25, children, Henry 2, and William 1 month.
In 1881, at Over Burn, Alston John Walton, Coal Miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 35, children Henry errand boy at woollen mill, aged 12, William 10, John J. 8, Matthew R. 6, Martha E. 2 and James 4 months.

3rd March 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead 26th ult., aged 2 years, Annie Roddam daughter of Mr Thomas Roddam, lead ore washer.
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 14th June 1884, 5th March 1887 & 20th August 1887.

3rd March 1877 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Death of Mrs Carr, Cowshill. We regret to have to record the death of Hannah Carr *(formerly Featherston married 1861)* the wife of Mr Thomas Carr, Merchant Tailor, of Cowshill Weardale. She died on the 19th of last month. .. after a long illness … Deceased was 45 years of age and was formerly in Australia in the Durally Gold diggings.
1861 Thomas & Hannah living at Travelers Rest with Henry Featherston aged 8, son in law, they had married in the first quarter of 1861.
In 1871 they were living at Cows Hill, Thomas was listed as a Tailor & Innkeeper, Henry Featherston, son in law, Tailor; and their children, John Thomas Carr aged 9; Joseph William Carr aged 8, and Alfred Blenkinsop Carr aged 6.
The 1881 census shows the family still at Cows Hill, Thomas listed as Merchant Tailor & Innkeeper, John T, Tailor; Joseph W, Pupil teacher, Alfred was a watchmakers apprentice in Corbridge.

10th March 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At the Workhouse, Alston, 6th inst, aged 18, Isabella Millican daughter of Mr Francis Millican.
In 1861, Isabella, aged 2 listed as a nurse child, was being looked after by Richard (plate layer) & Mary Dawson, of Wellgill, Nenthead, she was living with them in 1871.
At the Workhouse, Alston, 6th inst. aged 56, Ann Winskill, widow of Mr John Winskill lead miner.
Married to John in 1842, her husband died before the 1851 census, Elizabeth was resident in the workhouse in 1851.

17th March 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
West Allen, The Nook, 3rd inst. aged 41 the beloved wife of Mr John Keenleyside.
In 1851, At Bates Hill, Ninebanks, John Keenleyside, lead ore miner & grocer, aged 48, his wife Ann aged 45 (died 1857 or 1860), and children Mary 23, John lead ore miner 19, Henry lead ore washer 16, Matthew lead ore washer 14, Ann 11, Joseph 7, and Jane 5.
In 1861 at Clint Hill, Ninebanks, John Keenleyside, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Sarah 26, children William 4, and Matthew 11 months. At the Nook in 1861, John Keenleyside, widow, farmer of 27 acres, born Corbridge, aged 58, Henry lead miner, & Primitive Methodist local preacher, aged 26, Joseph lead miner, 17, and Jane 15.
In 1871 at The Nook, John Keenleyside farmer of 40 acres, aged 39, his wife Sarah 36, children William 14, Matthew 10, Ann 9, Mary J 7, Sarah E 11 months, and John Keenleyside, lodger, widow, retired farmer, aged 68.

17th March 1877 (Hexham Courant)
6TH CUMBERLAND (ALSTON MOUNTAINEER) RIFLES.
The annual meeting of this corps was held in the Town Hall, Alston, on Friday evening last. At the conclusion of the drill. Captain Dickinson read the report of the Financial Committee, from which we give the following:—Receipts—balance on hand, £37 2s 2d; Capitation Grant, £110; repayment for travelling expenses, £16; subscriptions, ammunition, &c., £8 7s 6d; total, £171 9s 8d. Payments —rent, £25 19s; expenses at battalion drills and inspection, £30 16s 7d; band, £13 10s 6d; local and county prize shooting, £11 19s; other payments, £24 2s 9d; total, £106 17s 7d; leaving a balance on hand of £64 12s Id. Private Jas Akerigg moved, and Private Wm. Hymers seconded, the adoption of the report, which was carried. The following were elected as the Finance Committee for the ensuing year:—Lieutenant Dickinson, Quarter Master-Sergeant Walton, Privates V. Parmley, Jas Akerigg, and W. Hymers. Captain Dickinson intimated that it was intended during the spring to have the men re-clothed, as many of the uniforms were worn out.

24th March 1877 (Hexham Courant)
TEESDALE
GREEN HURTH MINE TEESDALE
There is considerable improvement in the works of this mine. The agent closes his annual report, which is a resume of the operations of this mine, inside and at the surface, for the last 12 months, thus: - "Not with standing that the mine is comparatively poor at present yet looking to the prospects there is of opening into rich ground both east and west of our present working, and also in the lower sills, I have no hesitation in saying that I have a better opinion of the mine now than I ever had even when No 1 cross vein was most productive. Now it may be remembered by all who are at present shareholders that the vein in question was at one time 3 feet wide of pure galena, besides several smaller branches, and that the produce was frequently 10 tons per fathom of 144 square feet, being a money value of £12, and this rich ground is standing unwrought in the limestone below; in addition to this and many other valuable parts in the mine, a new and most important working is being opened in the Northern part of the

mine. It may be in No 1 vein north of adit, but this is uncertain until more ground is opened. When cut through a few years ago it was then considered a very important point, but the character of the mineral was such that it could not be profitably treated with our machinery. This valuable aid being now at command and the reserves of crusher work at the surface fast disappearing, it became necessary to look out for the means to keep the machinery at work in a regular manner; and on placing men to explore on the vein just named, it is found to be from 2 to 3 fathoms wide of excellent bouse work the whole of which must be taken away to the crusher, &c., first of course picking from it, in the usual manner the solid lumps of pure lead ore. As Nos 2, 3 and 4 north and south veins are all entirely unworked on the north side of the adit level, it is almost impossible to estimate the value and importance of this discovery, especially when it is known that the ground is entirely whole or unwrought, and must be intersected by several east and west veins known and proved by lead mines on both sides of the property. *Mining Journal*

NENTHEAD.

At the examination held at Edinburgh on the 26th and 27th of February 1877, Mr Matthew Walton, late of Nenthead, gained a Government certificate of competency as a manager of mines, having successfully passed the examination. The examination was held in the Lecture Hall of the Museum of Science and Art. Mr Walton it a native of this place and worked for man years at the Lead Company's works as a lead miner. He has been for some time cashier and book-keeper at Dearham collieries.

I*saac Walton married Ann Thompson, 15th June 1839 at St Augustine's, Alston.*
In 1841, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Isaac Walton, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann 36, and daughter Elizabeth 5 months.
In 1851, at Nenthead Fields, Isaac Walton, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann aged 44, born Scotland, children, Mary 11, Elizabeth 9, Matthew 8, Ann 7, Jane 5, Adam 4, and Eleanor 1.
In 1861, at Nenthead Fields, Isaac Walton, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann aged 55, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 17, Adam, lead miner, aged 14, Eleanor 11, and adopted son, Jacob Irwin 1.
Isaac Walton was buried at Nenthead, 24th February 1867, aged 57.
See 22nd February 1867
In 1871, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Ann Walton, widow, aged 64, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 28, Adam, lead miner, aged 25, and granddaughter Annie Walton 7.
In 1881, at Nenthead Fields, Ann Walton, lead miners widow, aged 75, born Ayreshire, son Adam, lead miner, aged 34, grandson, Isaac Walton, lead miner, aged 17, and granddaughter, Annie, domestic servant, aged 17.
Ann Walton was buried at Nenthead, 11th October 1885, aged 79.
In 1881, at Dearham, Cockermouth, Matthew Walton, secretary Dearham Colliery, aged 38, his wife Mary A (Coulthard, married 2nd quarter 1879, registered at Cockermouth) aged 25, born Dearham, and son Isaac aged 1.
In 1891, at Ivy Cottage, Dearham, Matthew Walton, accountant, aged 48, his wife Mary Ann 35, children, Isaac 11, and Gertrude 2.

Probate 1901, Matthew Walton of Dovenby Bridekirk Cumberland, colliery-manager died 22nd May 1899, Administration Carlisle 15th April to Mary Ann Walton, widow. Effects £517 5s 7d.

In 1901, at Dovenby, Bride Kirk, Mary A Walton, widow, aged 45, children, Isaac, clerk at Colliery, and Gertrude 12.
In 1911, 33 North Street, Mary Port, John Walton, retired cemetery curator, aged 74, and his wife Mary Ann (Mary Ann Walton married John Walton, 25th July 1904 at Cross Canonby, Cumberland) aged 55
In 1911, at 10 Wilsons Terrace, Broughton and Moor, Isaac Walton, colliery manager, aged 31, his wife Frances 33, and son Matthew 6.
Mary Ann Walton, died 1st quarter 1927, aged 71, registered at Penrith.
See 22nd June 1939

24th March 1877 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON.

ALSTON MARCH FAIR.—This annual fair tor the sale of cattle, horses, and sheep, was held on Saturday last. The sale of the cattle and sheep took place as heretofore, on the Fair Hill, in morning, while the horse fair took place on the highway at the head of the town in the afternoon. The weather was miserably wet which greatly affected the attendance of both buyers and sellers, the fair throughout was very dull, slow-selling one. The show of cattle was small. Milch cows brought from £18 to £24 each, young cattle from £6 to £14 each. Horses end sheep were only sparely represented, the first named being mostly made up of second-class animals. Little trade was done in sheep, so that we can quote no regular prices.

Deaths

At Alston, 15th inst., aged 20, Mr William Maughan, tailor
A t Alston, 21st inst., aged 17, Rose, daughter of Mr Samuel McBride, tweed weaver.
At West Allen, Gate House, 15th inst., aged 67, Mary, wife of Mr Wm. White.

31st March 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 25th inst., aged 9 months, Margaret, daughter of Mr John Pickering, groom.
At Nentsbury, 24th inst. aged 43, Mr William Millican, coal miner.
William Millican married Mary Vipond 14th February 1793, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Mary Millican, farmer, aged 65, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 40, Elizabeth 25, Mary, dress maker, aged 21, and William 7.
In 1851, at High Green Ends, Nenthead, Mary Millican, lead miners, widow, aged 78, daughter Elizabeth 37, grandson, William, lead miner, aged 17, and granddaughter Margaret aged 8.
Mary Millican of Green Ends, was buried 2nd July 1876, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Elizabeth Millican, housekeeper, aged 47, and son William, lead miner, aged 27.
William Millican married Mary Teasdale, 25th May 1861, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, William Millican, widow, lead miner, aged 37, children Frances A. 9, Joseph H. 6, born America, United States and Elizabeth Coats, house keeper, aged 22.
At Low Dykeheads, 26th inst., aged 67, Mr Thomas Swindle, smelter of lead ore. *See 31st March 1877, and 2nd May 1885*

TO
THE MEMORY OF
THOMAS SWINDLE
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED MARCH 26TH 1877
AGED 67 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED JULY 1ST 1850
AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO OF PETER THEIR SON
WHO DIED MARCH 2ND 1851
AGED 10 YEARS
ALSO OF HANNAH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED JULY 16TH 1855
AGED 16 YEARS
ALSO OF ANN HIS SECOND WIFE
WHO DIED AUGUST 20TH 1858, AGED 37 YEARS
AND OF JOHNY THEIR SON
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 26TH 1862
AGED 6 YEARS

31st March 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale Town, 23rd inst. aged 78 George Bright.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, George Bright Lead ore miner, unmarried aged 52, living with him his two sisters, Isabella, unmarried aged 43, born Newcastle, Hannah Hick, a widow aged 32, and her daughter Elizabeth aged 4, born Lanchester. In 1861, living at Dirtpot, Matthew Forest, aged 51, labourer in lead mines, his wife Hannah aged 42, daughter in law Elizabeth Hick, aged 13, and George Bright lodger unmarried aged 62, labourer in lead mines.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, George Bright, unmarried aged 73, labourer, sister Isabella, unmarried aged 65, and brother John aged 60, unmarried a stone breaker.

4th April 1877 (Teesdale Mercury)
MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE
The first of the quarterly pay-days of the extensive lead mining works of the London Lead Company was held in this town on Saturday last. A large amount of money was paid, and it being the usual day for making monthly advances to the workmen the streets presented quite an animated appearance.

7th April 1877 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE
AN HEROIC PITMAN
Particulars have just been received by the widow of Thomas Glenwright, of the recovery of her husbands body, which for three years had been buried in a coal mine in America, Thomas Glenwright was a native of Allendale, Northumberland, but for many years resided at Tow Law, Durham, where he was much respected, and carried on a small business as a confectioner, in addition to his labours at the pit. Some six years ago, he went to America, and

when the terrible explosion occurred at Drummond Colliery, Picton County, *(Nova Scotia)* Glenwright performed an act of heroism almost unparalleled in the history of heroic deeds, and he sacrificed his own life to rescue his fellow workmen. When the terrible sacrifice of human life occurred by the explosion of the Drummond Colliery in 1873, Glenwright was working at the Black Diamond Mines, and on hearing, the first explosion hastened to the scene of the disaster, and volunteered to go into the burning abyss. He was let down a perpendicular shaft by a gin, and when he had just reached bottom a second explosion took place, and the lurid flame issuing from this shaft, and also from the slopes up which the coals were brought prevented all approach to the pits, and thus perished a Durham pitman, along with a Cornish miner named Abraham Guy. Some of the victims have not been recovered, and strange to say three years expired before the bodies of these two heroes were found. Glenwright's body was found perfect and clearly recognisable, and was kept ten days, in the hopes of hearing from his widow, who with eight children had returned to Tow Law, in England.

In 1841, at Catton, Margaret Glenwright, aged 55, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Summers, coal miner aged 20, Henry, coal miner aged 15, and Mary aged 15.

In 1851, at Dean House, Catton, Thomas Glenwright, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Jane, aged 34, children Jane 3, and Margaret 2.

In 1861, at St Nicholas, Newcastle, Thomas Glenwright, stoker at blast furnace, aged 42, his wife Jane 32, children Jane 13, Margaret 11, Thomas 9, Ann 5, Mary 2, and John 1 week.

In 1871, at Westoe, Durham, Thomas Glenwright, coal miner aged 55, his wife Jane aged 43, children, Thomas Glenwright, 20, Ann 18, Mary 13, John 10, Elizabeth 8, Jane 3, and Florence 1 year.

In 1881, at Westoe, Durham, Jane Glenwright, widow, aged 49, children, Mary, plate glass polisher, aged 22, John, seaman, aged 20, Jane day maid, and Florence aged 10.

The following is from the New York times dated 16th May 1873

> The names of the men who volunteered to go down the air-shaft to explore the mine after the first explosion were Abraham Grey, Edward Burns, Thos. Glenwright, and Timothy Howatt, all of whom lose their lives. Grey was above the surface when the first explosion occurred, and when his terrible fate was made known to his wife, the unfortunate woman rent the air with her screams. To give some idea of the extent of the explosion from the several air-shafts, it may be stated of an old one, close to the miners' residences, and distant from the mines some 600 or 700 yards, that huge pieces of timber were driven through it up into the air, some falling on the roofs of the houses and crushing through them. It was truly heart-rending to pass through the square of buildings where the families of the lost miners reside.
>
> The window blinds are drawn.

7th April 1877 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

At the examination held in the lecture hall of the Museum of Science & Art, Edinburgh, Mr Matthew Walton (of Nenthead) gained a government certificate

in competency as a manager of mines having successfully passed the examination. Mr Walton formerly worked at the Lead Company's Nenthead mines, but has been for some time cashier and bookkeeper at Durham collieries.

Marriages

Trinity church, Darlington, 5th inst. Mr Wm Lee Hornsby of Nenthead, to Fanny, 4th daughter of the late Mr John Cain, Mining Agent, Galligill, Alston.

See 16th November 1864, 21st November 1874, 6th April 1901, & 26th October 1912.

Deaths

At Mohope, West Allen, 1st inst. aged 25, the wife of Mr Martin (*Jane).*

New Shield, Allendale, 29th inst. aged 20, after a short illness, Margaret, eldest daughter of John and Hannah Short.

In 1871 at New Shield, John Short lead miner and farmer of 18 acres, aged 42, his wife Hannah 38, children Thomas 15, Margaret 14, Mary J. 13, John 11, Henry S. 9, Hannah 7, George 5, Matthew 4, and Elizabeth 1.

11th April 1877 (Teesdale Mercury)

TEESDALE SANITARY BOARD.

The usual monthly meeting of this body mu held in the County Court Boom, Bernard Castle, on Wednesday. Mr J. B. Dent (Streatlam House) presided, and there were also present Messrs Porter, Lee, Bowron, Boazman, Helmer, Nicholson, Todd, Hilton, end the Rev. H. C. Lipscomb

THE ALLEGED EPIDEMIC IN UPPER TEESDALE: The Clerk stated that he had seen Mr C. R. Bainbridge, who had expressed himself anxious for a medical examination of the children and miners in connection with the London Lead Company's works, and he was moreover anxious to have a special meeting of the Board convened to consider the report of independent doctors in relation to that submitted at the last meeting of the Board by Dr. Makens, the medical officer of the Board, which stated that he (the doctor) had had under his care several cases of itch, the origin of which be traced to the mine shops, and that he had good reason to believe many of the children attending the Lead Company's school were then suffering from that disorder. He (the Clerk) saw no reason to convene a special meeting, and instead of having any other of their medical officers implicated in the matter, he suggested that the services of a medical practitioner from another town be engaged. Since then he had received the following letter from Mr R. W. Bainbridge, the chief agent of the London Lead Company.

DEAR Sir. —Referring to my letter of the 17th March, and your intimation to my son that you did not deem it advisable that Dr. Mitchell should be asked to report on the imputation made by Dr. Makens, his fellow officer under the Teesdale Union Sanitary Authority, against the character of many of the children in the Lead Company's Middleton School and their workmen lodging at their Wiregill and other mine shops, for being afflicted with the itch, I beg to inform you that I instructed Mr Thwaites, of Bishop Auckland, a medical gentleman of experience and good standing, and unconnected with all parties, along with Mr Hunter, the doctor engaged by the Teesdale Medical Union, to thoroughly examine the children in the School, and afterwards to spend the remainder of the day in the examination of a number of the Company's workmen lodging at the mine shops, who fortunately happened to on their visit to be in casual attendance at the

Company's office here. I had recourse to this measure with the object of ascertaining whether there existed, contrary to my expectation, grounds for the foul imputation made by Dr. Makens, and if so, of applying the proper remedy; and if ill-founded, then of protecting the calnminated parties against the imputation of a most disagreeable and irritating offence. I now beg to enclose to you the reports of Mr Thwaites and Mr Hunter, for submission to the gentlemen composing the Union Sanitary Authority, and beg to express a hope that they will deem it fitting that the same publicity shall be given to these reports as was awarded to the report of their own medical officer, and that they may further deal with the case as in the exercise of their own judgment and right feeling they may deem to be proper. It may not be out of place that I should state, such has been the attention of the respective mothers of the children attending the school to their personal cleanliness, that there has never arisen an occasion of complaint from the school masters. And instead of the propriety of Dr. Makens's assertion that many of the children there art suffering from the loathsome disease imputed being confirmed by the examination of independent medical gentlemen, the very small percentage found on their examination shows the exceptional cases to any disease to be rare indeed. And with respect to the workmen lodging at the mine shops, not a single defaulter was found. I forebear further remarks on the case, and am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

R. W. BAINBRIDGE.

The report of Dr. Thwaites was as follows:—

Sir, —In conformity with your wish I examined the whole of the children in attendance at the Lead Mining Company's School, at Middleton-in-Teesdale, on the 16th of March, 1877, with a view to ascertain how many were affected with the itch. The numbers present amounted to 236, the average attendance for the year being, I am informed 240. The whole of these children especially the girls, were remarkably clean, and equally remarkably free from any cutaneous affection whatever, with the exceptions, one very slight case of itch, the second more extended, the third of an extremely doubtful character. I also examined a number of men (40 to 50), who attended promiscuously from all the different mines (Wiregill included) belonging to the Lead Mining Company, and found them all quite free from eruptive skin disease of any sort, in fact I have seldom seen such a number of individuals with such (clear and healthy skins. I may make the same remark with perfect truth with regard to the children, —I am, sir, yours truly,

T. B. Thwaites. M.R.C.S., L.A.C., F.R.M.S. Surgeon 2nd Battalion Durham, R.V., Examining Surgeon of recruits for H.M. Service, Deputy Coroner for Darlington Ward.

The substance of that report was confirmed by the report of Dr. Hunter, as follows :—

Dear Sir,—Having perused Dr. Thwaites's report concerning the examination of the children and workmen, held on the 16th ult. I have no hesitation in expressing my entire concurrence in the correctness of his statements, having examined the children attending the Lead Company's School here, as also about fifty of the workmen employed by the London Lead Company, who happened to be in Middleton on the same day from several of the mines, I am, yours very truly,

Thomas Hunter, L.R.C.P. Edin., L.F.P. and S. Lon., and L.M. Edin. and Lon., Med. Off., Middleton Medical Association, &c.

—Mr Nicholson said he thought that Dr Makens had given his report a little colouring. —Mr. Lee: It is a very unkind report from a medical gentleman. He might have reported that there were isolated cases existing in the district, in which case it would have been different.—Mr Helmer thought there was some foundation for the statements. The independent reports bore that out.—Mr Hilton submitted that Mr Makens was either their medical officer or else he was not, and the assumption was that if the report was a fair one, and the doctor had had the pluck to come out in the way he had, it was their duty rather to support him than otherwise. Itch was a common ailment, and it required perseverance and proper care to stamp it out. His object in rising was to defend Dr. Makens if he was right, and be approved, rather than otherwise when their officers manifested a disposition to exceed their duties. It was a rare occurrence. (Laughter). —Mr Nicholson : No.no.—

The Rev. H. C. Lipscomb thought the best possible thing to adopt would be to have the opposite statements now produced published. They would sooner get at the truth. —Mr Boazman concurred.—Mr Hilton did not object to such a course, but thought it was no part of the duty of the Board to require the publication of the discussion or the medical reports.— Mr Nicholson decidedly considered the question in its present stage unsatisfactory.—Mr Hilton begged to move that Dr Makens be communicated with and asked to attend the next meeting of the Board, to explain his views of the matter.—Mr Todd: I beg to second that.—Agreed unanimously.—The Clerk agreed to forward copies of the reports to Dr. Makens

14th April 1877 (Hexham Courant)

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

A meeting of the Rural Sanitary Authority was held at the conclusion of the guardians' meeting, Mr James presiding. The medical officers' quarterly reports were read.—Dr Gill's, and the medical officer of No. 2 district, was read as follows:—" Gentlemen,—I have to report the epidemic—scarlatina—is now very general, and it is doubtful to form any opinion when it will cease. It is so mild in many cases as to require no attention from the parents, and I have no doubt there are many houses not disinfected on account of the sanitary medical officer having no notice of its locality. On the 20th of March, along with our Inspector, I visited the east side of the town, and found most of the manure steeds, privies, and sewage pipes in a satisfactory condition, one having undergone some alteration by order of the Sanitary Authority. I think it must be pronounced in a satisfactory condition. On the 23rd, also in company of our Inspector, I visited the property situated in Grizedales Lane, and found a culvert there requiring opening out as it appears there is very little descent. The property belongs to the representatives of the late Mr Michael Walton. The privies and other sources of filth appear satisfactory on the whole on the west side of the Market Place. There is a wall belonging to the Wesleyans at the Town Head which is dangerous to the public. In my official capacity I am already aware of two different cases of injury from falls arising from want of railing to prevent such occurrences.—I am, gentlemen, yours respectfully, R. Gill."—

The Inspector said that he had called upon Mr Bramwell and he had promised that he would call the attention of the trustees to the wall mentioned in the medical officers' report. "Gentlemen,—In submitting my quarterly report., ending 31st March, I beg to inform you that I have inspected Tynehead and Garrigill

Gate, and found all in a very satisfactory condition. When inspecting Holmefoot, Nenthead, found a privy belonging to John Cousin, in a very foul state; recommended him to have it cleaned out immediately.—I am happy to inform the Board that the district is free from zymotic diseases.—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant, Stewart Carson, medical Officer, No. 2 district."
The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had visited Garrigill and Nenthead, and found all in a satisfactory condition. This constituted the whole of the business before the Board.

Deaths

At Alston, 30th ult., David Hounam, farmer. *Aged 66.*
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, David Hounam, farmer of 13 acres and grocer, aged 60, his wife Mary (Watson, married 29th May 1842, at Alston) aged 56, and niece, Mary A Walton, domestic servant, aged 23.
At Alston, 1st inst., aged 21, Isabella Walton, daughter, of Mr Joseph Walton, butcher.
At Alston, 1st inst., aged 77, Jane Graham, widow of Mr Gilbert Graham, innkeeper.
At Garrigill Gate, 30th ult. aged 50, William Thomason, lead miner.
In 1851 at Garrigill, William Thomason, lead miner, aged 65, wife Elizabeth aged 54, children William, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Rebecca 15, and lodger Joseph Lancaster, landed proprietor, aged 72.
In 1861, at Low Crossgill, William Thomason, copper ore miner, aged 33, his wife Jane (Renwick, married 2nd July 1853, at St John, Garrigill) aged 34, sons John 3, and William 2.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, William Thomason, lead miner, aged 43, wife Jane 45, children John, deaf & dumb from birth, aged 13, William, lead ore washer, unemployed, aged 12, Thomas 9, Joseph 7, Mary E. 6, and Jonathan 2.
In 1881, at 19 Rippon Street, Gateshead, Jane Thomason, widow, aged 56 John, no occupation, deaf & dumb from birth, aged 24, William, provisions warehouseman, aged 22, Tom, railway porter, aged 19, Joseph, labourer in iron works, aged 17, Mary 15, and Jonathon, music seller in a music shop, aged 13
At Side Head House, 7th inst. aged 64, John Hodgson, lead miner.
In 1841, at Side Head, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow, aged 55, children John, lead miner, aged 25, Robert, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 20, Elizabeth 15, Joseph 15, and Isabella 10.
In 1851, at Tynehead, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 34, children Thomas 8, Ann 7, John 6, Elizabeth 4, Esther 2, and Mary Jane 11 months.
In 1861, at Side Head House, John Hodgson, lead miner & yeoman, aged 48, his wife Jane 44, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, Esther 12, Mary J. 10, Maria 9, Isabella 7, Sarah E. 3, and Joseph 6 months.
In 1871, at Side House, Garrigill, John Hodgson, farmer, landowner, aged 58, wife Jane 54, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, John, farmers son, aged 26, Isabella 17, Sarah E. 13, and Joseph 10.
In 1881, at Tynehead, Jane Hodgson, widow, farmer of 44 acres, aged 64, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 36, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella, domestic & dairy work, aged 27, granddaughter Jane Richardson 4, and visitor John Varty 5.

14th April 1877 (Hexham Herald)

FATAL ACCIDENT.

A fatal accident occurred at the West Slitt Ironstone mine, near Westgate, Weardale, on Tuesday last. A miner named Hewitson Bell *(aged approx. 29 years)* was crushed by a mass of stone which fell from the roof and rolled upon him whilst he and other three miners were at work. His thigh was broken and he was severely crushed about the loins and back.. He lived about 2 ½ hours after the accident. He was a single man and belonged Allendale.

In 1871 living at Middlehope, Allendale Joseph Bell, a widow (his wife Margaret died between 1861 & 1871), retired lead ore miner aged 68, children Dryden iron stone miner aged 36, Joseph lead ore miner, 32, William plate layer, 24, Hewitson lead miner 22, Elizabeth 20, and Margaret 16.

21st April 1877 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Shaw House, Allendale, 16th inst. aged 77, Mary, widow of the late William Snaith.

In 1841, at Allendale, William Snaith, lead ore miner 45, his wife Mary (Hoggart, married 27th Sept 1823 at Allendale) aged 40, children Eliza 15, John 12, Mary 10, Hannah 8, William 6, Edward 3, and Jane 6 months. In 1851, at Black Cleugh, Allendale, William Snaith, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 51, children Elizabeth 25, John lead miner, 22, Hannah 17, William lead ore dressed 16, Edward lead ore dresser, 12, Jane 10, Mary 3, and Hannah 1 month.

In 1861 at Derwent Terrace, Hunstanworth, William Snaith, lead ore miner aged 66, his wife Mary aged 61, unmarried son Edward lead ore miner aged 22, and granddaughter Mary aged 13 years. William Snaith died 1866.

28th April 1877 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Tynehead, 17th inst. aged 61, Robert Hodgson, Lead Miner.

In 1861 at Hole Farm, Garrigill, Robert Hodgson, lead miner, aged 44, wife Elizabeth 39, children William lead miner 16, Isabella 15, Robert lead miner 12, John 10, Ann 7, Elizabeth 4, and Mary J. 2.

In 1871, at Dorthgill, Garrigill, Robert Hodgson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Elizabeth 14, Mary Jane 12, and granddaughter Emma Hodgson 1.

See 1st January 1869, 2nd November 1869

Bunkers Hill, Garrigill, 21st inst. aged 21, Mary, daughter of Mr Jonathan Carr.

In 1841, at Bunkers Hill, Jonathan Carr, lead miner aged 25, son of Mary Archer aged 60, years, a farmer. In 1851, at Bunkers Hill Jonathan Carr, labourer, aged 36, son of Mary Archer aged 70, years, a farmer.

Mary Carr married John Archer at Alston, 4th April 1822, John died 1837 or 1841.

In 1861, at Bunker Hill, John is listed as a farmer, living with his wife Sarah (Graves, married 2nd December 1854, at Addingham) and children Mary & Sarah. His mother Mary Archer died in 1867.

At Bunkers Hill, 1871, Jonathan Carr, farmer of 32 acres, 56, wife Sarah 40, children Mary 15, Sarah 12, Jonathan 8, William 5, John J. 2, and Matthew 11 months. See 13th December 1884.

28th April 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

RE-APPOINTMENT OF Dr. CARSON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board relative to the re-appointment of Dr Carson as medical officer of No 2 district. The Board, with a view to obviate the necessity of so frequently arranging the appointment of medical officers, proposed to sanction their appointment to the medical officer-ships for three years instead of one year as heretofore.—Mr Crawhall proposed and Mr Dickinson, seconded that the advice of the Local Government Board be acted upon, which was carried.

APPLICATION FOR A FEE.

A letter was read from Dr Carson, relative to an operation which he and Dr Gill had performed at the workhouse, and for which he had sent in his bill of £2. He complained of having only received £1 which was paid him by Dr Gill. When Dr Carson sent in his bill the Board found that they were only authorised to pay for such an operation to their district medical officer, and any other medical men were called in they had to be paid by the medical officer. As it was not in Dr Carson's , district, but in Dr Gill's, the Board paid the full amount to the latter, who paid Dr Carson one half, and the letter was sent by Dr Carson asking for the full amount. As Dr Carson had been called in by N. 1. district medical officer, it was stated that he would have to apply to him for his fee.

Deaths

At Alston, 21st inst., aged 3 weeks, John Joseph, son of Elizabeth Davidson.

5th May 1877 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

SINGULAR DEATH OF A MINER FROM THE FUMES OF DYNAMITE. On Friday, the Coroner for Darlington Ward, Mr Dean, opened an inquest at the Queen's Head Inn Stanhope, touching the death of Adam Murray, of Derwent, a lead miner. On Wednesday last (*25th April*) deceased was at work at Bolihope lead mine, when a partnership working in the adjoining "forehead" fired a shot with dynamite, and shortly after the shot was fired the stithe being so suffocating deceased lay down a short time, and when able, got up and walked to the mine shop, about a mile distant, and he died at one o'clock on Friday morning, having lived 57 hours after he came out of the mine. The Coroner only call one witness, Mr Wm. Foster, who identified the body of Adam Murray, who was about 17 years of age, and adjourned the inquiry to Friday 4th May.

In 1861, at Jeffries Rake, Hunstanworth, Jane Murray Head, Widow (Jane Elliot married Joseph Murray 28th November 1818, at Hunstanworth; Joseph died aged 40, July 1834) aged 63, house holder, her son Joseph Murray, lead miner aged 41, his wife Mary 40, their children Joseph lead ore washer,15, John lead ore washer 12, Margaret 10, Thomas 8, Nicholson 3, and Adam 1. John Murray died in 1865.

In 1871, at Jeffries Rake, Hunstanworth, Joseph Murray, lead ore washer aged 51, his wife Mary 50, their children Joseph lead ore miner 25, Margaret 20, Thomas 18, Nicholson 13, Adam 11, Hannah 9, his mother Jane aged 73.

Marriages

Nenthead church, 26th ult. Robert Hetherington to Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Trathan.

In 1871, Donks Hall, Nenthead, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Cathrine aged 55, children James labourer, aged 33, Jane Barklow, married daughter, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth 15, grandchildren William Trathan 8, Walton Trathan 7, Ruth Trathan 4, and George Trathan 2.
In 1841, at Holmfoots, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Frances aged 22, and son Thomas 1.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Frances 32, children George 9, Sarah 7, Ann 4, and Robert 2.
In 1861, at Town End, Middleton, Teesdale, George Hetherington, lead mine agent, aged 43, born Nenthead, his wife Frances aged 40, born Nenthead, children Sarah 17, Ann 14, Robert 12, Mary 9, Frances 7, Tamer 5, born Middleton, all other children born Nenthead, and visiting, son George Hetherington, unmarried, draper & grocer, aged 19.
In 1871, at West Nenthead, Frances Hetherington, widow, gamekeeper, aged 53, children Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 19, Frances 17, and Tamer 15.
In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Robert Hetherington, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 25, children George 3, and Frances S. 1. In 1891, at Mount Pleasant, Shildon, Robert Hetherington, coal miner, aged 42, children Elizabeth 35, George 13, Catherine 8, Richard 5, Robert Wm 4, Ruth Ann 2, Frances E 9 months,, and boarder George Trathan, coal miner, aged 21. In 1901, at Auckland Terrace, Shildon, Robert Hetherington, coal miner hewer, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 45, children George, fruiterer, aged 23, Catherine 18, Richard, colliery labourer, above ground, aged 15, Robert W, colliery labourer, above ground, aged 14, Ruth A 12, Frances 10, John 9, James 6, and Thomas 5.
In 1911, at Auckland Terrace, Shildon, Robert Hetherington, coal miner hewer, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 55, children 23, Catherine 28, Robert W, pit heap labourer, aged 24, Ruth A 22, Frances 20, John, bank head boy, aged 19, James, bank head boy, aged 16, and Thomas, bank head boy, aged 15.
Robert Hetherington died 2nd quarter 1920 aged 71.
See 3rd May 1879, 7th August 1880, and 25th November 1882
Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, 26th ult. Joseph Currah of West Ashgill, to Mary daughter of William Thomason.
See 27th April 1855, 2nd August 1879, 11th August 1883, 26th September 1891, and 18th April 1914
Deaths
Windy Hall, Garrigill, 1st inst, aged 19, Isaac Hall.
See 21st May 1869, & 29th June 1872

11th May 1877 (Durham County Advertiser)
SINGULAR DEATH OF A MINER AT BOLIHOPE, WEARDALE.—On Friday last, Mr Thos. Dean re-opened the inquest at the Queen's Head Inn, Stanhope, touching the death of Adam Murray, of Derwent, who died on April 27, from the effects of inhaling fames after a shot of dynamite. Mr T. D. Bolton and Mr Walker represented the London Lead Company, proprietors of Bolihope mine, where the accident occurred. Mr Edwards represented the company who supplied the dynamite, and Mr Bell, mine inspector, and Mr Atkinson, assistant mine inspector, was present. Edward Adamson was the first witness called, and stated that he and deceased and two other men were working together on Wednesday, April 25, when at about two o'clock Ralph Walton, who was

working in the low level, fired a shot of dynamite, which caused a great smoke, and it was like to choke them. He had a difficulty in breathing. The mine was well ventilated by a water blast, and the whole of the smoke had to pass over them. He and deceased were working on the top level, and they called from below and said they were to go well back, they expected a loud report. He and the deceased, Adam Murray, laid down for about a quarter of an hour, Adam felt poorly, and they came out of the mine. Mr Edwards here interposed and said that there was no smoke from dynamite, but in answer to Mr Bell said there were gases.—James De Burgh Griffith, M.D., assistant to Dr. Arnison, of Stanhope, said that he was called to see the deceased the day after the accident. He found him at the mine shop at Bolihope, and be was nearly dead, in a state of asphyxia, purple in the face, and breathing rapidly. The condition of his lungs was that of inflammation and congestion. He applied the usual remedies in such a case—hot applications to his chest, and dry cupped him. He also gave deceased brandy and eggs, but he did not revive at all. He died that night or early next morning. The cause of death was inflammation of the lung, arising, he had no doubt, from irritation caused by the inhalation of noxious gases.— Ralph Walton working at Bolihope mine with George Hodgson, said he fired the shot on the 25th of April. After the shot was fired the men above came down, except Adamson and deceased. They bored the hole nine inches into the rock, and then came into a cavity. They had 20 charges of dynamite in the hole, and the hole did not get any work. They had about two feet of fuse, and he thought that the whole of the charge of dynamite was fired. In answer to Mr Atkinson witness said that the charges were all hard except four, the paper was not taken off the charges, and the cap was put into the charge about half and inch.—Mr Edwards gave the chemical properties of the dynamite, and was of opinion that the same thing would have happened under the same circumstances. A discussion arose as to the quality of the gases which dynamite gave off when it exploded and when it was simply burnt. The gases were more injurious when the dynamite was burnt, and it was the opinion of Mr Atkinson that in the case under notice the dynamite had been burnt and had not exploded. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

12th May 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Low Farnberry, 3rd inst., aged 66, Matthew Robson, Farmer.
See 7th February 1891

12th May 1877 (Hexham Courant)
DAVIDSON v. CARR
This was an action in which Chris Davidson, medical practitioner, Nenthead, sued Jonathan Carr, farmer, Bunkers Hill, For the sum of £6 5s, professional charges for attending his daughter during an illness. —The defendant is a member of the London Lead Company's Working Men's Medical Union for the district of Alston Moor, and therefore claimed a right to be attended gratia—or any of his family—by the medical practitioner who is remunerated by the club to do so. The plaintiff, Dr Davidson, is employed by the club to attend their sick patients, and he receives a list every quarter of the sick members, and as defendant's daughter was not among the number, and he had attended her, the action had been brought for the a mount above-named, as defendant declined

to pay. —The defendant handed up his card showing, that he was not in arrears with the Union and a certificate stating that his daughter's name had been inadvertently omitted from the list. Mr Taylor (who was for plaintiff): I hold that my client can recover from the defendant, and he (defendant) can recover it from the club.—His Honour: It is for you first to show that he is not a member-—Mr Taylor: His name was not on the list; where does the fault lie? His Honour: It is not a fault; it is a negligent act of some one.—Verdict for defendant.

WEARDALE

DISSOLUTION OF THE WEARDALE LEAD MINER'S ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, the annual meeting of the Weardale Lead Miner's Association took place at the Town Hall, St John's Chapel. The meeting was of a private character, the only question discussed was whether the association should continue or be dissolved. The representatives of some of the mines having stated that the feeling which had recently manifested itself amongst the workmen was in favour of the abolition of the association, and after some discussion on the subject the motion was put by the chairman that the Weardale Lead Miner's Association be dissolved, and carried by a very large majority. The only other business was the arrangements for the distribution of the funds amongst the members

Deaths

At Elba, 29th ult. aged 1 month, Annie Lizzie, daughter of Mr Joseph Teasdale, lead miner.

In 1851, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Ralph Teasdale (died 4th quarter of 1852), lead miner, aged 39, his wife Isabella (Bramwell, married 1836) aged 38, children Lidia 13, Frances 11, Isabella 8, Mary 6, Elizabeth 3, and Joseph 1 year. In 1861, at Elba, Nenthead, Isabella Teasdale, stone masons widow, aged 47, children Elizabeth 13, Joseph 11, Ralph 9, nurse child Margaret A Bramwell 4, and nurse child May J Bramwell 8 months. In 1871, at Elba, Nenthead, Isabella Teasdale, widow, farmer of 5 acres, aged 58, children Isabella, 27, Elizabeth 23, Joseph, lead miner aged 21, Ralph lead miner aged 19, and grandson William Teasdale 3.

In 1881, at Elba, Joseph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary J (Tatters, married 24th August 1872). aged 30, children Ralph 6, and Isabella 1 year.

See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 14th June 1884, 5th March 1887 & 20th August 1887.

12th May 1877 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Nenthead 4th inst. aged 59, Matthew Blacklock lead miner.

See 31st October 1840

Kates Lane, Alston, 4th inst. aged 73, Fanny, widow of Joseph Lee formerly of Clog Hall, near Alston.

In 1841, at Clog Hall, Joseph Lee lead miner, aged 40, his wife, Frances (Teasdale, married 22nd May 1824, Alston) aged 35, children Jane I. 14, John lead miner 10, George lead miner 9, Hannah 6, Frances 4, and Joseph 2.

In 1851, at Clog Hall, Joseph Lee, lead miner, aged 49, his wife, Frances 47, children Jane I. 23, George lead miner 19, Frances 13, Joseph 12, Isabella 9, Anna 6, Elizabeth 5.

Joseph Lee died 12th November 1857.

In 1861, at Kates Lane Alston, Frances Lee, lead miners widow, aged 55, with her unmarried daughters Jane a charwomen, aged 33, Isabella, woollen factory worker, aged 19, Ann woollen factory worker, aged16, and granddaughters, Elizabeth 10, and Sarah 4.
See 20th November 1857, and 25th July 1874

19th May 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Births
At Nenthead, 16th inst, the wife of Mr Matthew Beck, of a son.
See 24th October 1891
At Nenthead, 16th inst, the wife of Mr J. Hargreaves of a son.

26th May 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston workhouse, 20th inst. aged 45 years, George Barron, coal miner.
At Nenthead, 17th inst. aged 1 year, John son of Mr Havelock Lattimer, draper & grocer. *See 17th May 1873, 22nd December 1877, & 29th April 1882.*
At Garrigill, 9th inst. aged 77, Thomas Slack.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Slack, retired farmer, aged 71, and his wife Jane aged 66.

26th May 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale at Hunt Roads, 23rd inst. aged 29, Mary Ann wife of Thomas J. Parker
Thomas J. Parker son of William and Mary Parker baptised 26th May 1850, St Peter's, Allendale. In 1851 at Hunt Rods, William Parker, aged 54, farmer of 75 acres, his wife Mary 42, children Joseph lead ore miner, 15, William 7, John 6, Elizabeth 3, Thomas J 11 months, and Hannah Parker mother, widow aged 84.
Thomas James Parker married Mary Ann Hutchinson in 1876 (daughter of Jacob a tailor, and Ann Hutchinson born 1851?).
The 1881 census shows Thomas J. Parker, widow, aged 30, a farmer of 70 acres, his children Robert W. aged 5, Mary J. aged 3, and his mother Mary Parker aged 71, annuitant.

2nd June 1877 (Hexham Courant)
EXPLOSION OF GAS AT FALLOWFIELD MINE NEAR HEXHAM
SEVERAL MEN SERIOUSLY BURNT
On Monday morning, an explosion of gas occurred at Fallowfield Lead Mines, near Hexham by which five men were seriously injured and several others slightly burnt. The men had resumed work between six and seven o'clock, and there were about twelve men in the Windy Hill Shaft at the time the accident took place. One of the men named William Little, who lives at Lantern House, near Acomb, was very seriously hurt about the head, face, and legs, his face being almost literally covered with blood. John Maddison, a married man living in Gilesgate, Hexham, was seriously burnt, as was also George Davison, of Acomb; Wm Eddy, Fallowfield, was burnt about the face and back of the head, and one of the hands, also slightly on the legs. Geo. Hall of Low Engine House, Fallowfield was also seriously burnt. Other five men in the shaft at the time

were only slightly burnt. one of the injured men stated that the explosion took place soon after they entered the shaft. He says Maddison went forward into the mine with a lamp which "brought the gas on the candles," and the explosion followed. Some of the men not so far forward as Maddison, when they heard the report of the explosion, flung themselves on the ground, and thus partly escaped being burnt. Little is believed to be the most severely hurt. The injured men were quickly removed to their respective homes, and were promptly attended to by Dr Stewart (Hexham), Dr Rowlands (Humshaugh), Dr Kendal, Dr Fox and Dr Farmer of Hexham. The names of the five men most severely hurt are :-

Wm Little, of Lantern House, Acomb, married
John Maddison of Gilesgate, Hexham, married
George Davison Acomb, married
Wm Eddy Fallowfield, married
Geo. Hall Low Engine House, Fallowfield, married

The names of the men slightly burnt are:-

Wm Telford Wall, single
Daniel Weldon Cockshaw, Hexham, single
Thos Brown Acomb, single
Edward Eddy Fallowfield, married

Other two men named Jo. Brown and T Little, were just in the act of entering the shaft when the explosion took place, and so escaped unhurt.

2nd June 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 22nd inst., Rev. G. R. Cleminson, Wesleyan Minister, Peterhead, to Mary Alice, eldest daughter of Mr John Millican, Alston.
Deaths
At Beldy, near Alston, 26th ult., aged 66 John Morrow, lead miner.
In 1851, at Beldy John Morrow, aged 40, lead miner, his wife Nancy (Parmley, married John Murrah 18th July 1840, St John, Garrigill) aged 31, children Jane 11, William 5 months and mother in law Jane Parmley, aged 74.
Nancy died in 1852.
In 1861, at Beldy, listed as a widow, lead miner, aged 51
John Morrow married Mary Craig, at Alston on 16th August 1861.
The 1861 census shows Mary Craig, widow aged 36, with a son William Craig aged 11, living with her mother Elizabeth Holmes, widow, aged 62, farmer of 28 acres, at Dodberry, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Beldy, John Murray (sic), aged 60 lead miner, his wife Mary aged 46, children John aged 9, and George aged 5.
In 1881, at Beldy, Mary Morray, widow, aged 56, grocer, and sons, John aged 19, lead miner, and George aged 15, lead miner.

2nd June 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON.
A special meeting of the Alston Board of Guardians was held on Saturday last, to make the periodical revision of the out-door relief lists, the result of which was that a reduction of some 10s a-week was made on the amount lately paid.
DEATH OF AN OLD AND ECCENTRIC CHARACTER.—On Thursday last, about twelve o'clock noon, a very old perhaps one of the oldest inhabitants of

Alston breathed his last. We refer to the death of Mr Wm. Burrow, who was well known in Alston for his rather eccentric habits. Deceased earned his living for years by following the avocation of a mineralogist, until fast failing health obliged him to discontinue. For many years a man named John Jones has the companion and sharer of his worldly troubles. He is also of eccentric habits and the general saying is that he is inclined to the study of astronomy. Deceased and this person have lived together, as before stated, for many years, and for a good while, through his declining health, Burrow has been unable to contribute anything to their maintenance. Jones has administered to deceased for some time past, and thereby has been prevented from following his daily labour, on account of being unable to leave Burrow, so that they have been in straightened circumstances during the past winter. Deceased was about 89 years old, and has died from sheer old age.

Deaths

At Alston, 31st ult., aged 89, William Borrow.

See 24th October 1891

9th June 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

GARRIGILL.

BRASS BAND PIC-NIC. — The quiet village of Garrigill was on Saturday afternoon last the scene of unusual and activity in consequence of a pic-nic being held by the members of the Garrigill Brass Band. At three o'clock the band commenced to procession the village, and marched to the grounds near Crossgill Hall, kindly granted for the occasion by Jos: Watson, Esq. The place which had been chosen for the amusement was really excellent, being the crown of the hill and presenting a capital table for the various amusements, and affording a first-class view both of the rivers Crossgill and the Tyne. At four o'clock tea was provided in a large tent when upwards of 200 partook to their own satisfaction. The following were most assiduous in attending to the wants of the many at the tables:—Miss H. Pearson, Miss H. Hetherington, and Miss H. Renwick. After the removal of the cloth dancing was commenced and kept up till nine o'clock, the music being supplied by two young ladies from-Sunderland, which added greatly to the entertainment. The band played occasionally choice selections of popular airs. Although the was unfavourable, rain falling heavily during the afternoon and evening, a very pleasant day was spent

Deaths

At Alston Workhouse, 5th inst., aged 31, Jane Johnston

9th June 1877 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS

Friday June 1st

These monthly petty sessions were held to-day, before the Rev. O. James (chairman), and T. W. Crawhall, Esq, when the following cases were heard.

DRUNK, ETC.

John Davidson, butcher, Low Craig, near Garrigill, was summoned by the police for being found drunk upon the highway at Skelgill on the 22nd of May last. Defendant pleaded guilty. —P.C. (43) Taylor stated that at 7.30 p.m. as he was going to Nenthead he found the defendant on the Highway at Skelgill drunk and making use of very bad language. He requested him to go home and he refused for about fifteen minutes, there was a young man also wanting him to go home

with him, but he would not do. The Chairman: is anything known against the defendant—Sub-Inspector Grisdale: Defendant has not been up before. —Fined 5s and costs.

William Edgar, miner. High Spency Croft, near Alston, was summoned for being drunk and disorderly in Alston on the 5th of May last Defendant pleaded guilty. —P.C. (43) Taylor stated that he found the defendant at 11 p.m. in the Market Place, drunk, cursing and swearing and behaving in a very disorderly manner. He requested him to go away and he refused for about fifteen minutes, at last he went staggering down the street in the direction of his home-—By the Bench; Is anything known against him. —Mr Supt. Fowler: The last time he was up at this court was in August, 1871, when he was fined 10s and costs for similar conduct. Since then be has been twice fined at Haltwhistle for being drank and riotous; the last time in September, 1876. —fined 5s and costs.

APPLICATIONS.

Joseph Walton, mining agent, Raise, made application to the Bench for the renewal of licensee for the storage of mixed explosives at Blagill, Calvert, and Rodderup Fell. —Application granted.

Thirlwell Story, druggist, Alston, and Joseph Dowson, grocer, Alston, made application for the removal of their licensee for the storage and sale of gunpowder. —The magistrates granted their applications.

Deaths

At Paris, Canada West, North America, 17th May, aged 48, Adam Watson formerly of Garrigill.

Canadian records show John Adam Watson, Railway worker died 12th May 1877, his death was registered on 16th May, at Brant County, Canada by his brother Joseph Watson. Cause of death pneumonia, religion Methodist.

In 1841, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Ralph Watson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Eleanor (Walton married, 24th May 1808, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 50, children Ralph 15, Joseph 13, and John 11.

Ralph Watson of Shield hill was buried at Garrigill, 28th August 1850, aged 64.

In 1851, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Elenor Watson, widow, aged 64, sons Ralph 27, Joseph 24, and John Adam 22, all sons working as lead miners.

Eleanor Watson of Shield Hill, was buried at Garrigill, 24th December 1855.

In 1861, at Force Green, Garrigill, Ralph Watson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah aged 31, children, Ann 7, Eleanor 4, and Ralph 1.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Ralph Watson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Sarah 41, children, Ralph, lead ore washer, aged 11, Brown 9, Adam W 6, Joseph 3, William 1, and brother in law, Thomas Elliott, lead miner, aged 36.

In 1881, at Crooks, Alston, Ralph Watson, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Sarah 50, children, Eleanor 24, Adam, lead miner, aged 16, Sarah 13, William 11, and brother in law, Thomas Elliott, lead miner, unemployed, aged 47.

Ralph Watson died 2nd quarter 1888, aged 68, registered at Whitehaven.

In 1891, at Ennerdale Road, Cleator Moor, Sarah Watson, widow, aged 60, children, Eleanor 34, Ralph, mine overman, aged 31, Brown, tailor, aged 29, Sarah J. Milliner, aged 23, brother, Thomas Elliott, 57, and granddaughter, Annie Rowe aged 3.

In 1901, at 11 Wagtail, Craghead, Lanchester, Sarah Watson, widow, aged 70, son Adam, coal miner, aged 36, and daughter Eleanor 44.

Sarah Watson, died, 2nd qtr 1906, aged 76, registered at Lanchester.

In 1911, at 11 Wagtail, Craghead, Lanchester, Adam W Watson, coal miner, aged 46, sister, Eleanor 54, niece, Annie Rowe, bakeres, aged 23, and niece, Doris Rowe under 11 months.

12th June 1877 (Penrith Observer)

MELMERBY ROUNDS

About a quarter of a century ago, the squire of Melmerby Hall interested himself a good deal in establishing spring and "back-end" fairs in the village, for the sale of cattle, sheep, &c; and on account it was thought better to abolish the annual Rounds. Accordingly this ancient gathering came to a sudden and unexpected collapse, about the year 1850, after having existed in an unbroken link for more than a century. The following is as complete list of the winners of the wrestling at Melmerby Bounds, as we have been able to collect. The local' newspapers were carefully ransacked for intelligence, but being found singularly barren in this respect, our information had to be gathered in almost every instance from aged fell-side chroniclers, who had either been frequent or occasional attended at these meetings, the principal of whom was Mr. John Dodd, of Broadmeadows, Melmerby.

About 1788 Adam Dodd, of Langwathby Mill, won several years.

About 1798, James Fawcett, miner, Nenthead.
" 1799, " "
" 1800, " "
" 1801, " "
" 1802, " "
" 1803, " "
" 1804, " "
" 1809, Thomas Golightly, miner, Alston.

This wrestler afterwards removed to the West Cumberland mining district; and in February, 1819, was killed by the fall of part of a roof in one of the Whitehaven coal pits.

About 1810 Hebert Rowantree, shepherd, King-water.
About 1815, Andrew Armstrong, farmer, Sowerby Hall.
About 1816, Thomas Peat, from the Templesowerby neighbourhood.
About 1817, John Dobson, Cliburn.
About 1818, John Robley, Scarrowmannock.
About 1819, John Robley, Scarrowmannock.
Robley emigrated to America several years after this date.
About 1820, Isaac Maughan Alston.
About 1821, Isaac Maughan Alston.
Maughan settled in Newcastle-on-Tyne, where he died during the cholera of 1832. About 1826, John Weightman, husbandman. Hayton.
About 1828.—Thomas Armstrong, Carlisle; Elliot (perhaps of Cumrew) wrestled second. Bowman, of The Gale, won the second day's wrestling.
About 1839, Thomas Morton, farmer, The Gale.
About 1840, Thomas Morton, farmer, The Gale.
On one occasion Morton wrestled through the ring without taking his coat off.
About 1841, John &Wield, land surveyor, Huddle.
About 1845, Joseph Shepherd, Crewgarth, Melmerby.
About 1850, Joseph Morton, farmer, The Gale.

Morton threw Halliwell, of Penrith, and, we believe, Anthony McDonald, of Appleby, wrestled up with him. This was the last Bound held at Melmerby.

16th June 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Physic Hall, 10th inst., aged 10 years, Joseph, son of Mr Joseph Bainbridge, yeoman, deceased. *See 23rd March 1895*

23rd June 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Alston workhouse, 19th inst., aged 72 years, Jacob Stobbart, late of Black-House, near Alston.

23rd June 1877 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
On Friday an inquest was held before Mr Dean on the body of John Wearmouth, who came by his death on the previous day whilst at Messrs Ord & Maddisons limestone quarry, Frosterley. Deceased it appears, had gone to work about six o'clock in the morning, and whilst in the act of commencing work had by some means fallen over the face of the quarry, which is 34 feet high. A workman who followed close after him observed a man lying at the bottom below, and it proved to be Wearmouth, whose skull was fractured and he only lived about two and half hours. No person saw him fall. He had laid down his waistcoat and he appears to have had hold of a mall when he fell over the facing. He was 35 years of age. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.
Marriages
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 16th inst. Mr Jonathan Emerson of West Black Dean to Miss Hannah Pattinson of Wearhead.
In 1871, at West Black Dean, Ann Emerson, widow, annuitant, aged 56, Sons Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 19, Ralph, lead miner, aged 17, and John, lead miner, aged 15. See 9th December 1876
Jonathan Emerson died 1st quarter 1880, aged 28, registered at Weardale.
In 1881, at Windy Side, Stanhope, John Pattinson, lead miner, aged 60, children, John, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret 25, Hannah Emerson, widow, aged 29, her children, John 4, and Mabel 2.

Mary Teasdale married John Raine, 1st quarter 1850, registered at Weardale.
John Raine died 3rd or 4th quarter of 1858, at Weardale.
In 1861, at Low Prize, St Johns, Stanhope, Mary Rain, widow, aged 31, son George 9, and daughter, Esther 4.
In 1871, at Low Prize, St Johns, Stanhope, Mary Raine, lead miners widow, aged 41, and son George, ironstone miner, aged 19.
George Raine married Mary Kidd 2nd quarter 1875, at Weardale.
Mary Raine died 3rd quarter 1880, aged 24, at Weardale.
In 1881, at ____ Head, St John's, Stanhope, Elish Teasdale, widow, farmer, aged 82, daughter Mary Raine, widow, aged 51, son George Raine, widower, lead miner, aged 29, children, Margaret Raine 5, Mary Ann Raine 3, and Isabella F Raine 9 months.
George Raine Widower, married Mary Ann Walton, 4th March 1883, at Stanhope
Mary Ann Raine died 1st quarter 1889, aged 44, at Weardale.

George Raine married Hannah Emerson 2nd quarter 1890, registered at Weardale.
In 1891, at Westgate, Stanhope, George Raine, limestone quarryman, aged 40, his wife Hannah aged 40, son in law, John J Walton, limestone quarryman, aged 20, son in law, Thomas Walton, limestone quarryman, aged 17, daughter in law, Mary J Walton 13, daughters, Margaret Raine 15, Annie Raine 8, sons, Edwin Raine 6, Norman Raine 4, son in law, John Emerson, lead ore washer, aged 14, daughter in law, Mabel Emerson 12, and daughter, Lily H Raine aged 1 month.
In 1901, at Crawleyside, George Raine, limestone quarryman, aged 50, his wife Hannah aged 50, children, Annie 18, Edwin, waggon setter NER, Norman, limestone quarry nipper, aged 14, Lily H 10, George W 8, and Arthur aged 3.
Hannah Raine died 1st quarter 1911, registered at Weardale.
In 1911, at 17 Graham Street, Stanhope, George Raine, widower, lead miner below ground, aged 59, children, Lily Hannah 20, Norman, limestone quarryman, aged 24, George William, lead minelabourer, aged 18, and Arthur aged 13.
George Raine died 2nd quarter 1913, registered at Weardale.
At the register office, Wolsingham, 16th inst. Mr John George Watson of Stanhope to Miss Jane Milner of Intake near Frosterley.
In 1881, at Front Street, Stanhope, John G Watson, railway guard (mineral), aged 24, his wife Jane aged 27, children, John Wm 3, and Margaret Ann 2.
In 1891, at Town Foot, Stanhope, John George Watson, Mineral guard (railway), aged 36, his wife Jane 36, children, Margaret Ann 12, Thomas Crawhall 9, and George Milner 6.
In 1901, at Front Street, Stanhope, John George Watson, Mineral guard NER, aged 45, his wife Jane 46, children, John William, railway engine stoker NER, aged 23, Margaret Ann 22, Thomas Crawhall, railway engine stoker NER, aged 19, George Milner 16, Jacob Walton 8, and Charles Baines 5.
John George W Watson died 4th qtr 1910, aged 54, registered at Auckland.
In 1911, at 34 Redworth Rd, Shldon, Jane Watson, widow, aged 57, children, Margaret Ann 33, Thomas Crawhall, fireman, aged 29, Jacob Walton 18, Charles Baines, labourer, aged 15, and Elizabeth Ann 7.

29th June 1877 (Northern Echo)

DESTRUCTION OF MINING PLANT BY FIRE

On Wednesday evening last a fire broke out on the lead ore dressing floors of the London Lead Company's Coldberry Mine, situated about three miles North-West of Middleton in Teesdale. Smoke was discovered issuing from a large wooden shed, about nine o'clock, in which was fixed a beautiful set of Green's self-acting jigging machinery, worked by both steam and water power. During the last few days, owing to a scarcity of water, steam has also been employed to maintain the necessary power, and it is clearly evident that the fire had its origin in connection with the steam engine in use, and which stood inside the wooden shed covering the jiggers. The woodwork was completely destroyed, and the total damage is estimated at not less than one thousand pounds. A large crushing mill, not more than ten feet from the jigging house, also caught fire, but from the presence of mind of several workmen, a plentiful supply of water was turned on, which saved the heavy mass from destruction.

30th June 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wardway Foot, Nenthead, 23rd inst., aged 32 Joseph Hayton, lead miner.
William Hayton baptised 5th January 1813, son of Jonathan Hayton & Mary Teasdale (married at Alston 13th April 1805) Jonathan had two other children Ann baptised 5th January 1813, Mary baptised 3rd August 1822.

Jonathan was the son of Robert Hayton and Ann Hill, he had a brother Robert, baptised 25th December 1774.*
Ann Hill was the sister of Mary Hill the wife of Thomas Dodd, the Chief Agent of the London Lead Company in the early 1800's.

Robert Jun., wrote letters of complaint to the Lead Company regarding the behaviour of his uncle Thomas Dodd, which led to changes in company practice.*
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Hayton, lead miner, aged 40, wife, Elizabeth (Percival, married at Alston, 10th October 1840) aged 31, children Jonathan 9, Teasdale 7, Joseph 5, and Mary 2.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, William Hayton, lead ore miner, aged 50 Elizabeth 41, children Jonathan lead ore miner, aged 19, Teasdale lead ore washer, aged 17, Joseph lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary 11, Frances 9, Jane 6, and William 3.
In 1871, Joseph, is a boarder at 43, Dirt Pit Row, Tudhoe, Durham, working as a labourer. His mother Elizabeth is at White Hall, Nenthead listed as a widow (William died 4th quarter of 1865), aged 50, Jonathan aged 29, unemployed lead miner, Teasdale, aged 27, a lead miner, Jane aged 16, a domestic servant, and William aged 14, lead ore washer.
See 21st December 1844, 15th June 1850, 21st March 1856, 3rd December 1859, 20th October 1865, 14th October 1871, 4th May 1872, 15th February 1873, 5th July 1873, 30th June 1877, 14th July 1877, 11th April 1882, 21st July 1888.
At Alston, 23rd inst., aged 4 years, Mary Ann, daughter of Mr Henry Richardson.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Henry Richardson, coal miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret (Smith, married 1870) aged 22, children Annie 8 months. In 1881 the family had moved to Broomhill, near Morpeth, Henry Richardson, coal miner, aged 39, his wife Margt. 31, Annie 10, Elizth. 9, Margt. 5, Mary J. 3, Hannah 5 months. See 14th July 1877
At Pryhead, 25th inst., aged 6 years, William, son of Mr John Hetherington, lead miner.
In 1871, at Pryhead, Nenthead, John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Featherstone, married 26th March 1853) aged 39, children James 15, John 9, Hannah 8, Elizabeth 6, and William 2 months

30th June 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
FESTIVAL AT ASHGILL FORCE.
Tee annual Sunday-school Festival in connection with the Primitive Methodist Society at Garrigill was held on Saturday last, in the beautiful and picturesque woods round Ashgill Force, kindly granted for the occasion by J. J. Millican, Esq., of Nenthead. The morning did not seem altogether promising of fine weather, and as mid-day approached the weather prophets prognosticated showers. The

Garrigill Brass Band, which had been engaged for the occasion, left Garrigill for the rendezvous a little before three o'clock in the afternoon, at which time dark clouds were gathering fast and gave signs of the speedy approach of a heavy downpour of rain. We soon arrived at the foot of the wood, and crossed the burn by the pretty rustic bridge, by which time the rain had commenced and continued with unabated vigour for about an hour, making the ground, which was then very damp, unpleasant for the feet. The unpropitious circumstances prevented many from attending this annual reunion, which is very popular with the inhabitants of the surrounding district, as the rain made the trysting place very miserable altogether hindering visitors from admiring and enjoying the rich and varied scenery which is to be observed around the waterfall. The rain having ceased, "old Sol" shone forth once more and seemingly promised an enjoyable evening, but never were appearances more deceiving, as in the midst of the open air meeting held after tea some heavy showers of hail fell. In spite of the untoward circumstances a large number or people gathered together and partook of the substantial tea provided, which was gracefully dispensed by the following ladies:—Misses Elizabeth Watson, E. A. Renwick, H. Renwick, Annie Richardson, Annie Roddam, Mary Wilkinson, Elizabeth Martin, and Elisabeth Renwick, while the onerous duties of tea infuser were satisfactorily discharged by Mr James Stephenson. After tea, about six o'clock, a public meeting was held, presided over by Jacob Walton, Esq., of Greenends.

After singing a hymn and prayer, the Rev. J. M. Dawson, of Alston, introduced the Chairman to the meeting. After the band, which played the accompaniments to all the hymns and also favoured the audience with choice selections of music at intervals, had performed a piece.

The Chairman rose, and said that in making his first appearance before them at that festival he was glad to see so many present to enjoy the scenery, refresh themselves with tea, and derive instruction and benefit from the musicians and speakers whom they would hear at the meeting. Every credit due to the promoters of the festival for the excellent arrangements they had made, and for holding the festival in such a pleasant and salubrious locality. He considered it a wise plan to hold open air meetings, and the only thing to be regretted was that the weather was not so fine, but he trusted the funds would be equal, and even in excess of former years.

Mr John Slack, the secretary, read the annual report of the Sunday-school, by which it appears that the number of male teachers is 6; female, 2; total, 8; increase, 1; average attendance, 7. Scholars—boys, 30; girls, 9; total, 39; increase, 4; average attendance, 30. Income—balance in hand from last year, £1 5s 7d; proceeds of last anniversary, £12 6s 6d; magazines, 13s. 5d; total, £14 5s 6d. Expenditure £13 19s 3½d. balance on hand, 6s 2½d . …

7th July 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel 30th ult., Thomas Wilkinson, Hill Top, Nenthead, to Susannah Martin, Ashgill *(daughter of John & Martha Martin)*.

In 1851, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 34, his wife Hannah 34, children Mary 10, Jonathan 8, Henry 6, John 4, and Elizabeth 1.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 44, his wife Hannah 44, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth 11, and Thomas 8.

In 1871, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith at smelt mill, aged 54, his wife Hannah 54, sons John, lead miner, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 18.
Thomas Wilkinson snr. died 2nd May 1890, aged 73.
In 1881, at Victoria Terrace, Haydon Bridge, Thomas Wilkinson, joiner, aged 28, his wife Susannah 26, and daughter Laura 3.
In 1891, at Fourth St. Gateshead, Thomas Wilkinson, joiner, aged 38, and his wife Susannah aged 36. In 1900, at Whitehall Rd. West, Gateshead, Thomas Wilkinson, joiner, aged 48, his wife Susannah 46, and daughter Laura 23.
Thomas Wilkinson died 1st quarter 1907, aged 54.
In 1911, at Whitehall Rd, Susannah Wilkinson, widow, aged 55, and daughter Laura, dressmaker, aged 30. See 14th May 1869, 16th October 1875

Deaths

At Alston, 30th ult., aged 22, William Haldon, draper.
At Nenthead, 28th ult., aged 34, Joseph Armstrong, lead miner.
See 22nd February 1873, and 7th October 1882

7th July 1877 (Hexham Herald)

TEESDALE

THE LATE DESTRUCTIVE FIRE. It has been ascertained that by the alarming fire which a few days ago entirely consumed the lead ore dressing floors at the Coldberry Lead mine in Upper Teesdale, the London Lead Company sustained a loss of about £1,200. The origin of the conflagration is believed to have arisen from a steam engine, which in conjunction with water power, propelled the machinery. A set of Greene's self acting jigging machinery, and also a portable engine were injured to a considerable extent. A large Water Wheel and Crushing mill in close proximity to the "Jigger" house also caught fire but it was promptly extinguished. The wooden shed was totally destroyed.

14th July 1877 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD v. ROOKHOPE

On Saturday last the Allenheads picnic, in connection with the Cricket Club, was held. A bat and ball were given for cricketing. Three clubs entered, viz., Nenthead, Rookhope, and Newhouse. Newhouse and Rookhope were drawn together, and the latter club secured a somewhat easy victory. Rookhope and Nenthead then came together for the final The former team won the toss and sent their opponents to the wickets to the bowling of Brown and Dixon. The batting of C. Barron, of Nenthead, was splendid, he, by a succession of fine hits, running up a score of 27 (not out.) Five wickets were down when the allotted number —40—was reached. The Rookhope men then took the willow in hand, but on account of the splendid play of the other team, were unable to make any stand. The bowling of Doyle, Armstrong and Elliott was excellent, the last mentioned gentleman bowling being especially destructive and the whole were got out for 32, Nenthead thus securing an easy victory and getting the bat. Rookhope got the ball. Score: —

NENTHEAD		ROOKHOPE	
A. Thompson, b Brown	2	E. Brown, c Elliott	2
M. Erwin, b Dixon	1	T. Brown, c Walton	1
C. Barron, not out	27	F. Hewitson, b Doyle	0
H. Doyle, b Dixon	0	T. Dixon, c Barron	1

R. Rutherford, b Brown	5	J. Kirton, run out	13
J. Vickers, b Brown	1	W. Lowrey, b Doyle	6
I. Elliott, not out	4	J. Brown, b Elliott	4
J. Hall, to bat		J. Winskill, not out	3
R. Walton, to bat		E. Potts, b Elliott	0
G. Barron, to bat		E. Smith, b Elliott	0
J. Armstrong, to bat		W. Armstrong, b Elliott	0
Extras	1	Extras	2
Total	41	Total	32

Deaths

At Wardway Foot, Alston, 10th inst, aged 59, Elizabeth Hayton, widow of William Hayton, lead miner.

See 15th June 1850, 20th October 1865, 5th July 1873 & 30th June 1877.

20th July 1877 (Newcastle Courant)

SALE OF BOLIHOPE SHIELD AND SHIELD ASH ESTATES

… Bolihope Shield was commenced at £3,000, and rapidly ran up to £5,500, when the bidding was advanced to Mr Valentine Rippon of Rogerley, whose last offer was £5,675 and Mr Bainbridge of Middleton, agent to the London Lead Company was the last bidder at £5,700. Mr Bainbridge ultimately made a purchase of Bolihope Shield at £7,000.

21st July 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

At the meeting of the Rural Sanitary Authority, the reports of Dr Gill and Dr Carson, medical officers of No. 1 and No. 2 districts were read. Dr Gill stated in his report that since his report influenza and scarlatina had been epidemic, the former having produced increased mortality of the aged and infirm, inducing serious consequences to the respiratory organs, and the latter having been prevalent among children chiefly, but in a very mild form. The summer months perhaps might diminish its further progress. On the 26th of March he had visited various places on the east and west sides of the town, and found the privies, manure steads, and culverts in a tolerable condition consistent with health. During the month of April he had reported an unhealthy nuisance to their Inspector at Fourdargue, who had informed him that the proprietor was improving its condition. His attention had been called to the premises of Messrs Lancaster and Goodfellow in the Butts, but as the former had cleaned his manure stead he could not interfere. On June 25th the Inspector had requested him to view the culvert which came down past Mrs Lee's. It required earthenware tubes, and to be carried further up the side of the street, to render it free from gases noxious to health. This, he was informed, would be accomplished by the Highway Board. The mortality, notwithstanding the prevalence of the above epidemics, had not varied much from the winter quarter, it being 11 as compared to 12, or about 2.27 per cent.—Dr Carson, in submitting his quarterly report for No. 2 district, ending the 30th June, begged to inform them that he had inspected Nenthead, Nentwater, and also Garrigill, and found all the places in a good sanitary condition. All privies regularly cleaned out; all dunghills well-kept from stagnant water. No epidemics had occurred during the above period.—The Inspector of Nuisances said that Mr Jas. Ridley had asked him if the Authority

were going to do anything to the hole in the Mill Race near to his dwelling, and he (the Inspector) had told him that it had to stand over.—There was no other business to come before the authority.

NENTHEAD PAYS.—The quarterly pays of the workmen of the Nenthead Lead Company were held on Thursday last, and were understood to be on the whole pretty good. Pay-day now that it comes once a quarter, is not such a great event as in times past, when it was annual. The alteration to quarterly pays is said to have had the strange effect of making the men more industrious. They now work much harder than when the pay was yearly.

28th July 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 23rd inst., aged 7 weeks, George H. Hind, son of Ann Hind.

At Overwater, Nenthead, 14th inst., Isabella Percival, widow of Robert Percival, lead miner, aged 70.

In 1851 at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Percival, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella (Rowell, married 30th August 1828, at Alston) aged 43, children Elizabeth 22, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 21, William, lead miner, aged 19, Matthew, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Mary 8, Jane 6, and mother in law Mary Rowell, widow, formerly agents wife, aged 65.
Robert Percival senior died in 1854.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Isabella Percival, miners widow, aged 53, children Joseph, smelter, aged 30, Robert, stone hewer, aged 22, Mary, house servant, aged 17, and Jane, house servant, aged 15.

At Blagill Hill Top, near Alston, 19th inst., aged 41, Thomas Hilton, lead miner.

In 1851, at Blagill, Hill Top, Thomas Hilton landed proprietor, aged 51, his wife Ann (Jackson, born Haltwhistle, married at Alston 9th November 1826) aged 49, children Jonathan 23, William 21, George 17, Thomas 14, John 12, Sarah 7, James 4 and a visitor, Hannah Hilton, unmarried dressmaker 25.
Thomas senior died in 1854.
In 1871 at Blagill, Hill Top, Ann Hilton, widow, farmer, aged 70, unmarried children George lead miner 37, Thomas lead miner 35, and James farmers son 23.

At Langley Mills, 6th inst., aged 62, Margaret, wife of Mr Wm. Dargue, smelter.

In 1871, at Langley Hill Top, William Dargue aged 61, lead separator, and his wife Margaret aged 56.

4th August 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Durban, Natal, South Africa, 21st June, Mr William John Bainbridge of Middleton House, Middleton in Teesdale to Anne Elizabeth, daughter of the late Mr J. H. Wood of Stockton on Tees.

Deaths

At Brownside, 29th ult. aged 14 hours, Phillis Anne, daughter of Cain Wilkinson, lead miner.

In 1861, at Hay Rake, Allendale, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Jane 54, children, Adam, lead miner, aged 29, Hugh, lead miner, aged 24, Paul, lead miner, aged 19, Cain, excavator, aged 17, Mary 14, and Jane 11.

Cain Wilkinson married Margaret Philipson, 3rd quarter 1866, registered at Hexham.
In 1871, Lambley & Asholme, Cain Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 27, born Allendale, his wife Margaret 20, born Allendale, children, Sarah Jane 3, and John Henry 7 months.

The family emigrated to the United States.
In 1880, at Vinegar Hill, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, Kain Wilkinson, labourer, aged 38, his wife Margaret, children Sarah J 12, John H 9, Maery A 7, Maggie L 5, and Adam T 1 year.
Cain Wilkinson, naturalisation recorded 8th October 1886
Cain Wilkinson, farmer, died at New Diggings, Lafayette, Wisconsin, aged 54, in 1896.

4th August 1877 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF ISAAC CRAWHALL

This gentleman who formerly resided at Halliwell Dene, Hexham, and then went to Alston, where he had been living for the past few years … died on Thursday last. His son Thomas W. Crawhall Esq. resides at Raise House, Alston.
Isaac Crawhall Christened 22nd April 1795 St Peter's Allendale, Father Thomas Crawhall, mother Ann Bownas.
Ann Wilson baptised 8th February 1798 daughter of John Wilson (born about 1760) & Mary Walton who married at Alston 23rd January 1785.
In 1841 living at Stanhope Isaac a Mining Agent, his wife Ann (Wilson, married15th October 1823) and children, Maria 12, George 10, William 9, Elizabeth 7, Septimus 2, Octavius 1. Thomas at Kupiers Grammar School, Houghton Le Spring.
In 1851, at 2 Eldon square, Newcastle upon Tyne, Isaac Crawhall, lead & Coal mine & landed proprietor, aged 55, his wife Ann 54, unmarried children Anne 26, Thomas W. colliery viewer & mine agent 25, Maria 22, Septimus J. 12, and Octavina J. 10.
Isaac Crawhall aged 64 and his wife Ann aged 63 are staying at Brighton, 18 Marine Parade at the time of the 1861 census. Ann died in 1870.
In 1871, at Nun Monkton, Yorkshire, Isaac Crawhall, land owner aged 75, his unmarried daughter Elizabeth Crawhall, aged 36.

9th August 1877 (Buxton Herald)

DERWENT
Lead Mining and Smelting Company, (Limited.)
CAPITAL, £48,000.
IN 12,000 FULLY PAID-UP SHARES OF £4 EACH,
ALL OF WHICH WERE SUBSCRIBED FOR LAST AUTUMN.

In the Northern Counties are situate a number of large LEAD MINES that have been in operation for very many years. Among them are those of the London Lead Company, which for nearly two centuries have scarcely been a year without paying a Dividend, besides accumulating a large Reserve Fund; while Mr. Beaumont's celebrated Mines, in the same district, have been at work several hundred years, and have gives immense profits estimated at above £4,000,000. The Greenside Mine has been in operation fifty years, and has divided £300,000, while the Stonycroft, with a capital of only £1,800, has divided

about £300,000 since 1853, besides paying for a valuable plant, and opening extensively underground, out of the Returns. In Yorkshire, Wales, and elsewhere, there are a number of Lead Mines that have been in operation fifty years and upwards, paying well most of the time.

From a minute calculation, it appears that the total amount of capital Invested in Dividend and Non Dividend Public Lead mines is about £2,150,000, and the total Dividends paid by the former being about £150,000 per annum, it gives an average return of 7 per cent, on the whole amount, including the Non Dividend; while some Companies pay as high as 60 to 100 per cent, (against only 3 to 13 respectively in Railways, which have all the advantage of unlimited capital to carry out their works in the cheapest manner.) If there existed the means of including the numerous private lead Mines, the result would be still more favourable, for they also yield an annual profit of at least £150,000.

The price of Lead Ore continues good and steady; the same quality which in 1870 realised £11 13s. 6d to £13 10s, 6d. per ton, now fetches about £14 10s. 6d., notwithstanding the general cry of depressed trade and business generally. Whether during times of peace or war Lead is an article, which maintains its value, either for commercial or social requirements or for destructive purposes; while as a metal it is comparatively cheap, and more cheaply and easily raised than any other.

In the County of Durham, and on the borders of Northumberland (the richest Lead District in the kingdom) are the DERWENT LEAD MINES, which till lately have been carried on by a small Company, with little or no capital, and yet are said to have sold Lead Ore to the amount of £1,000,000, and made a large profit. They are situated about nine miles by carriage road from Stanhope Station, which is two hours drive by rail from Darlington.

Notwithstanding the immense returns, the Mine is as yet only down to the top of the Great Limestone, which is the strata in which the other large Mines in the district are the richest, while there is a great extent of ground on the course of the lodes untouched to surface. It is the opinion of CAPTAIN A. WATERS (the Manager of TANKERVILLE and ROMAN GRAVELS), that DERWENT is “a splendid property—is just deep enough to enter the first of the series of richer sills, and will ultimately be developed into a very great and lasting property. Magnificent runs of Ore (he says) hundreds of fathoms in length, have been the rule in DERWENT above the said limestone, and my opinion is that as the Mine is deepened, and you get down to the Great Whin Sill, the lodes will be found more productive than at any previous period in the working of the Mines.”

Capt. Waters gives his views as to the mode to be adopted in working the Mine, which, if carried out with vigour, be says, “ is sure to bring the celebrated Old Mine again forward Into high rank in the district; and he looks on “this property as a prize, especially If worked vigorously and with judgment,” He further remarks that no Mine he has visited in the North of England is so well supplied with machinery as the Derwent.

A most useful and important feature in the undertaking is that the Company has purchased the Freehold of the royalties on very moderate terms. The purchase of the mineral rights in fee not only secures to the Company the immense advantage of the non-payment of any dead rent or royalties of any kind, but what is even more important in mining, the freedom from any covenants or any kind as to working the Mines, and from any penalties or litigation for breaches

of covenants or dilapidations. The Company, in fact, hold the Mines free in perpetuity.

The present Company is in 12,000 Shares of £4 each, all of which were subscribed for last autumn More vigorous operations were commenced some months ago, which are being gradually extended, and already improvements in the Mine are taking plane. Important objects are being actively carried out, several of which will shortly be reached, and the results are likely to be valuable discoveries. Already the monthly sales of Lend are meeting a large portion of the cost, including much dead work, leading to points of great importance; while the reserves of Ore are being largely increased, as though 90 fathom of Ore ground are opened up monthly, so far the Ore from only 33 fathom is taken away, dressed, and smelted monthly. The returns for June were 28 Tons pig Lead value about £600, but as drawings on the Sun vein, lately cut rich in the Little Limestone, are just commenced, the returns will at once be greatly increased, resulting in profits and dividends.

THERE IS AMPLE UNEXPENDED WORKING CAPITAL.

The following figures will show the results of the five principal public Lead Mining Companies In the last ten years. It may be added that when GREAT LAXEY was purchased, the total profits divided from the commencement (on capital of £2,000) had been £28,000, now they are paying £30,000 a year. VAN profits were about £8,000 a year, now they are £48,000 a year; TANKERVILLE profits were about £1,000 a year, now £12,000 a year, ROMAN GRAVELS then about £8,000 a year, now about £16,000 a year: WEST CHIVERTON was making little or no profit, but Is now paying at the rate of £3,000 a year. These five mines are held under leases for 21 or 30 years, and are subject to a considerable annual payment for royalties, FROM BOTH OF WHICH DERWENT IS EXEMPT.

Name of Company	Year established	Nominal Capital, Purchase and Capital since expended.	Dividends paid.	Highest Market Value.	Present Market Value.
WEST CHIVERTON	1863	£30,000	£161,300	£240,000	£51,000
GREAT LAXEY	1863	£60,000	£295,650	£300,000	£300,000
VAN	1869	£58,000	£275,625	£960,000	£570,000
TANKERVILLE	1870	£72,000	£55,400	£300,000	£125,000
ROMAN GRAVELS	1871	£90,000	£74,700	£264,000	£144,000
TOTALS		£310,000	£862,675	£2,064,000	£1,190,000
ADD DIVIDENDS				£862,675	£862,675
				£2,926,675	£2,052,675
Deduct the Nominal Capital, including the Purchase and Capital since expended				£310,000	£310,000
Profit to the original Purchasers, after returning them their whole outlay for purchase and Working Capital				£2,616,675	£1,742,675

It will be seen that, irrespective of the enormous increase in the market value, the amount paid in Dividends is already overly three times the whole of the nominal Capital, including the purchase and Capital expended. It may confidently be expected that the DERWENT MINE will be at least as good, particularly with the especially favourable terms on which it is held. It may also be observed that, including the purchase of the Freehold of the Minerals as well as the Mine and valuable Plant, about £13,000 of Working Capital, and the promotion and preliminary expenses, the whole Capital (£48,000) of the DERWENT is less than that of four out five of the above Mines, all of which are only leasehold

Fully three-fourths of the Shares in the DERWENT MINES are said to be held for permanent investment, while of the rest the greater part are held for very high prices. Subject to prompt application one Thousand Shares, or any less number, can now be had at £6 5s. each, but not at any less price. Applications with remittance must be addressed to Messrs. Hornby & Co., 40 Hanover Street, Liverpool, on receipt of which Transfers will at once be forwarded. To the event of applications exceeding the limited number of Shares on sale, or only a portion of those applied for being on hand, the remittance will be at once returned, or such portion of it as is in excess of the Shares so purchased.

11th August 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nun Monkton, York, at his residence the Priory, 2nd inst, aged 82, Isaac Crawhall.

18th August 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

GARRIGILL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

GARRIGILL, Friday Morning. The annual show of livestock, &c., in connection with this Agricultural Society is being held in a field adjacent to the village to-day. The catalogue shows a slight decrease in point of numbers compared with last year. …

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday last in the Town Hall, Alston, the Rev. O. James, chairman of the Board presiding. Also present—Messrs J. J. Millican, Jonathan Can, William Hutchinson, Thomas Dickinson, and Adam Walton. **THE RATING OF MINES**

The Clerk said that he had received a letter this week, dated the 9th of August, in reference to the letter addressed to the Local Government Board, on the 25th of May, 1875. He (Clerk) wrote to the Board in 1875 relative to the Assessment Act, in regard to mines, pointing out to them that so far as Alston Moor was concerned it was a perfect nullity. About eighteen months after the Lords of the Admiralty had agreed to pay the rates. They said they would consider the matter, and let them know the results. The Board had since (according to the letter) been in communication with the Receiver of the Northern Estates of the Admiralty (Mr Grey) and he had proposed that they fix a sum, so they had approved of paying rates on £1000. —The Chairman: That is made permanent.— The Clerk: Yes.

VACCINATION RETURNS.

The vaccination returns for the half-year, showed that there had been 72 births in the parish; successfully vaccinated, 63; dead unvaccinated, 7; postponed by medical certificate, 2. The other business was of a purely routine nature.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Board then resolved itself into a Rural Sanitary Authority, Mr James still presiding.

THE APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTOR.

The Clerk read a communication from the Local Government Board sanctioning the appointment of Mr John Dixon, as Inspector of Nuisances till the 30th of June, 1878, at the salary of £20 per annum. At the expiration of the above-mentioned time the Board wished the authority to inform them what arrangements they proposed with regard to the discharging of the duties of the above office. …

24th August 1877 (Newcastle Courant)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT IN A LEAD MINE

Yesterday a sad accident occurred in the Langley Barony Lead Mines, near Haydon Bridge, by which a young man named Septimus Herdman was killed. The mine belongs to Bewick and Partners, and has now been worked about three years. Deceased had been on the ladder way in the shaft, and it is believed his head got jammed between the cage and the woodwork. The cage and deceased immediately after it, fell to the bottom, and when Herdman was picked up he was unconscious, and died before he could be brought to bank. *In 1871, at Gavis Shield, Whitley Chapel, Hexham, William Herdman, shepherd, aged 53, his wife Jane 50, children Edward, shepherd 19, Nicholas, assistant shepherd, aged 15, Septimus 12, Isaac 10, Margaret 8, and Elizabeth 6.*

25th August 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALLENDALE AND DISTRICT.

At Allenheads and Nenthead, there has been rain more or less every day for the past five weeks, and in the district there is a great quantity of hay rotting in the fields. It is many years since hay was seen out in the fields at the latter end of August in Allendale, and the present sad state of affairs is creating great anxiety among the farmers of those districts.

TEASDALE.

On Tuesday morning, a violent thunderstorm raged in neighbourhood, the peals of thunder being loud and protracted, and the lightning extremely vivid. A little after seven o'clock, one of the out-houses of Mr Lowry, farmer, Langleydale, was struck by lightning. The house was full of hay. A beam caught fire, and the destruction of valuable property seemed imminent. A messenger was promptly despatched to Barnard Castle, and the volunteer Fire Brigade, with the engine and hose, were immediately on the road. Fortunately, the fire had been got under before the men arrived at Langleydale. For some days past the entire district has been deluged with rain, the Tees and tributaries Balder, Lune, Greta, and Deepdale all being unusually swollen. Large quantities of timber have been removed, and miscellaneous wreckage is being borne down by the torrents. Some cattle are reported to have been drowned. Considerable damage has been done to crops.

1st September 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

NENTHEAD WESLEYAN CHAPEL.

RE-OPENING SERVICES.

The members of the above church thinking they could greatly improve the appearance of their place of worship by a little money expended upon the painting of the walls and re-varnishing of the woodwork, determined to do so, and for the accomplishment of the work employed able hands from Newcastle. The work has been neatly done, and has improved the appearance of the chapel immensely, In order to defray the expenses of the above work, the services of the Rev B. A. Teller, of London, were secured, and this gentleman visited Nenthead on Wednesday week. Mr Telfer preached to a very large congregation in the afternoon, after which a public tea meeting was held in the Band Room, a good number partaking of the provisions provided. In the evening a lecture was delivered by Mr Teller on "The Scottish Covenanters," which seemed to give great satisfaction to all. The chair was taken by Jacob Walton, Esq., Green Ends House, who complimented the members of the Wesleyan Society at Nenthead for their perseverance in raising such a beautiful chapel as they had done, which he understood was clear of debt, except what had been spent upon the painting, which they were met to try to wipe off, and he had no doubt but that would also be accomplished. We wish to remind our readers that the re-opening services will be continued, and on Sunday next, Mr Batey, of Newcastle, will preach afternoon and evening, and on the Sabbath following the Rev T. J. Macartney, the newly. appointed superintendent of the circuit, will preach twice.

8th September 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON.

SALE OF LEASEHOLD PROPERTY.—Mr William Carrick, auctioneer, Haltwhistle, offered by public competition, at the house of Mrs Pattinson, Angel Inn, Alston, all that leasehold farm of land, dwelling house, farm building's, and premises, situate at Flatt, near Alston, in conjunction with an allotment of land belonging thereto situate at Toolhouse Green, containing altogether 41 acres of meadow and pasture land. There was a good attendance, and the bidding was spirited. The Property was Put up at £1000 and was eventually sold to Mr Craig for £1340. Messrs. J. and J. Dickinson were the solicitor, for the vendors.

LOCAL FLOWER SHOWS.

NENTHEAD.

The annual flower show in connection with the Nenthead Floral and Horticultural Society was held in the Lead Company's new school-room on Friday, when the fruits and vegetables exhibited were of a good class and far exceeded all expectations. The weather was rather unfavourable, but in spite of this there was a good attendance. Mrs Millican, Nenthead House ' and Mrs Wilson, Nenthall, were the judges for butter, for which special prices were offered by the ladies of the district, and won by H. Armstrong; 2nd, Miss Pearson; 3rd, Mrs B. Martin. The Nenthead Union Band was in attendance and discoursed a varied programme of popular music under the leadership or Mr T. Graham. This was the 28th exhibition of the society, and the judges expressed great surprise at seeing such a good show after the very bad season. Mr Gregg, of Messrs Little and Ballantyne's nursery gardens, Carlisle, and Mr Clark, Carlisle officiated as judges for flowers, fruits, and vegetables, …

ALLENHEADS.

The amount of rainfall at Allenheads for the past three months is as follows:—Rain in June, 2.2 in.; July, 5.5 in ; August, 10.1 in.; total, 17.8 inches. Number of days on which rain fell, July, 27 days, August, 30 days. On three days, viz., the 8th, 18th. and 20th of August, upwards of 1 inch of rain fell each day.

WEARDALE.

ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL.—Last week, a public meeting (convened by the Rev. A. J. McGowan) was held in the Town Hall, St. John's Chapel. to consider and decide on a plan for supplying the town with pure water from the neighbouring hills. The land and mine owners are liberally supplying the funds requisite for carrying out the plan.

15th September 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 11th inst., aged 86 Ann Lee widow of John Lee, lead miner. *See 9th December 1876*

At Whitehall, 8th inst. aged 72, Elizabeth Barron, wife of Robert Barron, lead miner.

In 1851, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth (Hutchinson, married 14th July 1828) aged 45, children Betsy 20, Hannah 18, Agnes dressmaker 17, Robert lead miner 14, Mary Ann 12, Sarah 9, George 5, and Cowper 3. In 1871 at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Barron lead miner, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 65, unmarried children Betsy 40, George lead miner 25, Cowper lead miner 23, Henry lead ore washer 15, and granddaughters Elizabeth 13, Margaret 2 years.

Robert Barron died 22nd September 1878. See 22nd February 1873, 2nd March 1878, 28th September 1878, and 19th June 1880.

15th September 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.

FRIDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

(Before the Rev O. James, Chairman, and T. W. Crawhall, Esq.)

AFFILIATION CASES.

Ann Hind, of Overwater, Nenthead, summoned William Hutchinson, miner, of Burn Bottom, Nenthead, for the maintenance of her illegitimate child. After hearing the evidence, this being complainant's second child, which died eight weeks after birth, the Bench made an order for 1s. 6d. per week and costs, including funeral expenses. Margaret Parmley, of Lane Head, Garrigill, summoned William Vipond, miner, of Pasture House,. Garrigill, for the maintenance of her illegitimate child. The defendant admitted the child being his, and the Bench made an order for 2s. 6d per week and costs, this being complainant's child.

NENTSBURY.

Nentsbury Greens Band of Hope and Temperance Society held their annual pic-nic in a field at Nentsbury on Saturday last. A procession formed at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Hayring, which marched down to Nenthall, and then returned, singing several temperance and other melodies at the last named place, accompanied by Messrs Hutchinson's (Nenthead) string band. Tea was provided in the Chapel of which a goodly number partook, after which a public meeting was held, which was addressed by Mr T. Pearson, Nenthead; and Mr

Isaac Robson Nenthead. The members gave a selection of readings, recitations, which did much to enliven the proceedings. Almost every social gathering of any description this year has been greatly marred in its success through wet weather, or when fine through all the people being so busily engaged with their farm work, and we are sorry to say this was partly the case at Nentsbury, as the day was fine, a great number of people being thus deterred from attending by "making hay when the sun shone." A good number was, however, present during the evening meeting and a very enjoyable re-union was spent.

GARRIGILL.

PROPERTY SALE.—On Friday week, Mr John Dixon, auctioneer, Alston, offered for sale by public auction, in the Girls' School room in this village all that leasehold dwelling house, garden and premises, with out-buildings thereto belonging, situate in Garrigill, and late in the occupation of Mr Thomas Slack, deceased. Mr Wm Craig, Garrigill, became the purchaser of this lot for £200. Mr Dixon also offered a field or close of land containing about two acres situate at Garrigill adjoining the river Tyne. This was bought by Mr George Pickering, of Garrigill, for £360. There was a good attendance, and the bidding was brisk, as may be seen from the high prices realised. Messrs J. & J. Dickinson were the solicitors to the vendors.

22nd September 1877 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The second annual show in connection with this Society was held on Saturday last, in a field kindly lent for the occasion by J. J. Millican, Esq, vice-president of the Society. The show of stock, though not larger—if as large—than that of last year, showed a marked improvement in the quality of the stock exhibited. Last year a large percentage of the stock was not in a condition to show to advantage in a show ring, and no doubt many people sent stock, which they never in the least expected to take prizes, but only to make a show. This year, however, the stock, as before stated, showed a great improvement
in regard to condition, and were evidently more selected. The weather proving favourable, a large number of visitors were present, including a large predominance of the fair sex. The arrangements were capital, and did infinite credit to the worthy secretary, Mr Goodburn, on his first year of office. The Nenthead Union Band was present under the leadership of Mr T. Graham, and greatly enhanced: the proceedings with several lively airs. The short-horns shown were all of a good useful class, and there was again a capital entry of horses. Mr Robert Ward, Nenthead, was placed first, and Mr William Parker, Foreshield, who carried off premier honours last year, was second. There were capital entries of sheep, a new feature this fear being the introduction of black-faced and male sheep. Pigs were not shown in such great numbers as on the first exhibition of the Society, but those exhibited were of a very superior class. Mr Jonathan Cousin, Dykeheads, carried off the winning ticket for pigs of the North of England breed; and Mr John Richardson, Low Dykeheads, was awarded the first prise for Suffolk pigs, and the handsome silver cap given by Mr Sherwood, of Crawfield Farm, Suffolk, for the best Suffolk pig in the show, was also awarded to him.

The following were the stewards of the show:—Cattle: Mr Robt. Ward and Mr John Graham. Leicester and mule sheep Mr Thomas Swindle and Mr Allison Stephenson. Black-faced sheep: Mr Wm Parker and Mr George Millican.

Horses: Mr J. Walton, Miners' Arms, and Mr Thomas Liddle. Pigs: Mr J. Walton, Dykeheads, and Mr J. Erwine, Hillersdon Terrace. General field stewards: Mr Jacob Walton and Mr Walton Holmes. …

22nd September 1877 (Hexham Herald)

Births

Hill House Alston, 6th inst. the wife of Mr R. Stagg, jun. of a daughter. *(Charlotte)*

Deaths

Furnace House, Mohope West Allen, 19th inst. aged 53 Mr Joseph Martin.

In 1861, at Harsley, Ninebanks, Joseph Martin, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah (Liddle, married at Ninebanks, 9th December 1847) aged 35, children William, lead miner, aged 13, Hannah 11, and Matthew 8.

In 1871, at Furnace House, Ninebanks, Joseph Martin, lead miner & farmer of 16 acres, aged 47, his wife Sarah aged 45, children William lead ore miner, 23, Hannah 21, Matthew agricultural labourer,18, Joseph 9, Lucy 7, and Henry aged 4.

In 1881, at Furnace House, Sarah Martin, widow, aged 55, children Matthew, coal miner, aged 28, Joseph, coal miner, aged 19, Lucy 17, Henry 14, Mark 8, Jane Ann 7, and Joseph William 5.

In 1891, at White Lee, Ayle, Kirkhaugh, Sarah Martin, widow, aged 65, children Matthew, coal miner, aged 38, Joseph, coal miner, aged 29, Lucy 27, Henry, Ag. labourer, aged 24, Jane Ann 17, and Joseph, Ag. labourer, aged 15.

Scotch Hall, Allendale Town, 16th inst. aged 73, Elizabeth, relict of the late Joseph Thirlwell.

In 1841, at Scotch Hall, Joseph Thirlwell lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Keenleyside, married 28th September 1828, at Allendale) aged 35, children Mary 12, Margret 10, William 7, John 4, and Joseph 2.

In 1851, at Scotch Hall, Joseph Thirlwell lead ore miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 46, children , Margaret 19, William lead ore miner, 17, John shoemakers apprentice 14, Joseph lead ore miner, 11, Matthew 5, and Joshua aged 2.

Tedham, Allendale, 7th inst. aged 65, Mary, relict of Joseph Rowell.

Joseph Thirlwell senior died 1854(?).

In 1861, at Scotch Hall, Elizabeth Thirlwell, widow, farmer of 14 acres, aged 56, children Margaret 29, Wm lead ore miner, 27, John cordwainer, 24, Joseph lead ore miner, 22, Thomas stonemason, 19, Matthew 15, Joshua 11, Elizabeth 9, and grandsons, William 4, and John 3.

In 1871, at Scotch Hall, Elizabeth Thirlwell, widow, farmer of 14 acres, aged 66, children John cordwainer, 34, Joseph lead ore miner, 31, Matthew stonemason, 25, Joshua lead ore miner, 22, Elizabeth 19, and grandsons, William 14, and John 13.

29th September 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

When Mr Dixon, the sanitary inspector, reported that be had visited Nenthead and district, along with the medical officer. They were two manure heaps which wanted removing, they having been delayed on account of the bad weather.—

He had also visited Garrigill and district along with the medical officer. There were a few manure heaps which wanted removing. Inspected Pickering's property. There was a drain from his stable which went beneath the house, and into a sewer in front of the house. He advised that a channel should be put in to take away the liquid manure into the drain, as it went into the wall in Mr T. Pickering's property.

THE WATER AT THE LOW WELL.

The well at the Townfoot, Alston, was out of repair and wanted mending. Something got into the water sometimes, and made it undrinkable. The tank wanted cleaning out, and the "clack" wanted mending. When the tank was run off, the other water ran in, and stirred up the deposit at the bottom of the tank.—Mr Dickinson: "Day water" gets in at the high end of the town. Mr Walton: But that will affect the whole town, and the other is good. There is no complaint about the other part.—Mr Hutchinson: I think the tank should be cleaned out.— Mr Dickinson said that the tank at the high end of the town was once opened out, and was found to be as clean as it could be, notwithstanding that it had not been opened for 10 or 15 years.—Mr Walton: The cause ought to be ascertained for people cannot drink bad water —Ordered that the tank be opened and the necessary repairs done.

29th September 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 22nd inst., aged 77, Nancy Thompson, widow of Joseph Thompson, lead miner.

In 1841, at Physic Hall Bank, Joseph Thompson, lead miner, 45, his wife Ann (Bramber, married 10th June 1822, at Alston) 40, children, Joseph lead miner 15, John 10, Ann 7, and Mary 5

Joseph Thompson senior died in 1844 or 1845.

In 1851 at Town Head. Ann Thompson, widow, domestic duties, aged 50, her daughters Ann 17 and Mary 14, both working at the Woollen factory.

In 1861, at Kates Lane, Alston, Nancy Thompson, widow, aged 60, char woman, and her daughter Mary, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 24. In 1871, Nancy still living at Kates Lane, she has a lodger Ann Robson a widow aged 85.

At Shield Hall, 19th inst., aged 64, Jane, widow of John Lee.

John Lee married Jane Kearton, at Alston 24th June 1841.

In 1851, at Low Craig, Garrigill, John Lee, lead ore miner & farmer, aged 42, his wife Jane 36, children Mary 9, Ann 7, William 6, James 4, and Isabla 1.

In 1861, at Hermitage, Garrigill, Jane Lee, lead miners widow, aged 45, children William 16, Thomas 14, Isabella 11, Emmerson 9, and John 6.

In 1871, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, Jane Lee, widow, formerly dairy maid, aged 57, and her sons William, lead ore miner aged 26, Emerson lead ore miner, aged 19, and John lead ore dressed aged 16.

29th September 1877 (Northern echo)

PRESENTATION TO MR R. W. BAINBRIDGE, OF MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

Yesterday proceedings of a very interesting character took place at Middleton-in-Teesdale, Y when Mr R. W. Bainbridge, the widely respected superintendent of the London Lead Company's work in the North of England, was made the

recipient of a handsome testimonial from the employees of the company in the extensive district under his charge. The picturesque village of Middleton-in-Teesdale was *en fete* on the occasion, the day being observed as a general holiday throughout the whole of the great mining and manufacturing establishments over which Mr Bainbridge presides. About noon the miners and their families began to stream into Middleton, which may be regarded as the capital of the district in the midst of which the London Lead Company carry on their industrial operations. The weather — which has been bed enough of late up Teesdale, much of the hay having been only recently gathered in, and not a ripe brambleberry being if visible anywhere—was fine, and it soon became evident that the gathering was certain to be a great success. Bands of music streamed into the town. The mining and smelting works, of the company are situated at Middleton-in-Teesdale, Alston Moor, and Weardale, and employ, in the aggregate, upwards of 2,000 men. It is thirty- eight years since Mr Bainbridge succeeded to the late Mr R. Stagg in the post which he now holds, and during the present summer it was thought by many of the workmen that this was a fitting time to present him with some token of the universal respect in which they held him. Accordingly a movement was set on foot for the purpose of collecting subscriptions, and so readily was this responded to by the workmen and some other friends that in a very short time the handsome sum of £260 was subscribed. With this sum an array of articles were purchased, each calculated to please the fancy of some or other of the numerous subscribers. They consisted of a gold watch, with seals and chain; a mantel timepiece, two vases, two finger rings, a polyglot Bible and oak stand, a silver inkstand, an illuminated address, and, lastly, a purse containing £65. The presentation, took place in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, which was crowded by the employees of the company and others interested in the proceedings. Dr. Arnison, of Stanhope was voted to the chair, and after Mr Win. Pinkney, of Egglestone, had read the financial statement, Mr Millican, late district agent at Nenthead, and the oldest employee of the company, presented the tea and coffee service and inkstand to Mrs Bainbridge, and read and presented the address to Mr Bainbridge, to whom also Mr W. T. Scarth presented the remainder of the gifts. The address was as follows;—"Presented to R. W. Bainbridge and Mrs Bainbridge, of Middleton House, along with a gold watch, mantel time piece, finger ring, polyglot Bible, and stand, tea and coffee service, silver inkstand, and a purse containing £65 by the workmen employed by - the London Lead Company in the Teesdale, Alston Moor and Weardale districts, and several friends, who wished to be identified with a movement which they themselves considered so highly commendable, as a spontaneous token of their sincere esteem for the faithful manner in which Mr Bainbridge has discharged the duties of his responsible office as the Lead Company's superintendent for the term of 38 years, during which period he has displayed sound judgment, unwearied diligence, and unimpeachable integrity, and a steady perseverance in mining operations, combined with a kindly forbearance and forethought for the workmen in assiduously trying to promote their best interests, and by his gentleness,. manly bearing, and liberal spirit deserving and securing the esteem of the population generally; and in all his efforts to promote the wellbeing of others Mrs Bainbridge and family have been his steady and zealous co-operators.

" Presented in the name of the committee

(Signed) T. Millican W. T. Scarth."

Mr Scarth, in making the presentation, bore tribute to the excellent relations which always had existed between himself and Mr Bainbridge in their numerous transactions as lessee and lessor, a fact attributable in a very great degree to the marked courtesy and business tact of Mr Bainbridge. In his capacity of superintendent Mr Bainbridge had been connected with the many educational and other beneficial works of the London Load Company, and personally he had worked energetically in aid of everything which tended to elevate and improve the people among whom he dwelt. (Applause.) The efforts of the company to improve the position of their workmen, carried out under the direction of Mr Bainbridge, had been both extensive and complete. The improvements in their dwellings had been most marked and salutary, the condition of the workmen's homes presenting a strong and very pleasant contrast with those existing twenty or a thirty years ago. (Hear, hear.) But no work of the company deserved such commendation as the educational-(applause)-and the company's school at Middleton-in-Teesdale was a model of efficiency and excellence, and had been, he believed, taken as a model by the Government for the management of their schools. (Applause.)—Mr Bainbridge, in reply, thanked the subscribers for the splendid testimonial they had presented him with, and expressed his gratification at the eulogistic manner in which his labours among them had been spoken of. At the time, he said, when he became superintendent of the works they were not in a very prosperous condition, and had not been paying for some years previously. The court of directors, with great generosity, allowed him a period of five years in order to get the concern into a paying condition, He was glad to say he was successful. Since that time it had had many fluctuations, like all other large companies; but there were not many companies who would have foregone dividends for a period of five years. (Hear, hear.) The miners were now in a very satisfactory condition, although in these times the price of lead was low and did not leave a large margin for profit. In conclusion Mr Bainbridge expressed his great pleasure at the pleasant relations which had, with little exception, prevailed between the company and their employees during the time he had been among them. He also announced that it was his intention to hand over the purse of money with which he had been presented for the purpose of aiding in erecting drinking fountains at Middleton and Nenthead. Several other gentlemen spoke.—In the afternoon, tea was held in the company's schools, and in the evening a public meeting was held in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, at which several addresses were given.

5th October 1877 (Newcastle Courant)
The Barnard Castle magistrates have sanctioned a series of applications made by the London Lead Mining Company, for the storage of gunpowder and dynamite at their several mines in Teesdale.

6th October 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Black Tyne, Shotley Bridge, 29th ult., aged 38, Jonathan, son of the late Jonathan Woodmass, of Alston.
Jonathan Woodmass married Isabella Edgar 15th May 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Jonathan and Isabella Woodmass

William baptised 11th December 1834, buried 17th December 1834 aged 5 weeks.
Ann baptised 26th June 1836, married William Turner, 15th June 1856, at Medomsley, Durham
Jonathan Woodmass, baptised 15th December 1839
Elizabeth baptised 9th May 1841
In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass, Beer seller, aged 70, Jonathan Woodmass, lead miner, aged 30 (born 18th November 1806, son of Jonathan Woodmass and Elizabeth Fairlamb), Isabella Woodmass, silk hat maker, aged 30, William Woodmass, mining agent, aged 25, Frederick Woodmass, lead miner, aged 20, Ann Woodmass, aged 5, Jonathan Woodmass aged 2, and Elizabeth Woodmass 1 month.
Jonathan Woodmass junior died 16th March 1842, aged 35 years, at Alston
Jonathan Woodmass senior died 4th quarter 1844, at Alston
See 29th October 1887
At Estella Cottage, Leadhills, Lanarkshire, Scotland, 2nd inst., aged 58, John Gill, for 31 years the mining agent to the Earl of Hopetoun.
See 13 October 1877

6th October 1877 (Hexham Courant)

THE ROYAL OSBORNE HAND-BELL RINGERS AT NENTHEAD

The above celebrated company of campanologers and vocalists paid their first visit to Nenthead on Friday, and performed in the Lead Co.'s Schoolroom, kindly lent for the occasion J. J. Millican, Esq, the Company's agent, under the auspices of the "Blooming Heather" Lodge of Independent Order of Good Templars. As soon it was placarded that they intended to pay a visit to Nenthead, the good folks of the locality anticipated that great treat was in store for them, and, as was expected, long before the commencement of the concert a large crowd had gathered round the door, and when the room door was thrown open, the large and spacious building was soon filled in every part. The preparations for the entertainment no doubt have cost the committee great amount of labour and expense, but judging from the immense attendance they will be handsomely compensated, and the funds of the lodge greatly augmented after all expenses are paid. The day being exceedingly fine, visitors made their appearance in the village early on in the day, but the climax seemed to be reached from four o'clock until seven, the time of commencing. People were flocking from all directions, north, south, east, and west; while looking down the beautiful little Nent Valley it reminded us very forcibly of the people returning from Alston May Fair, the road being literally clad with people from Alston and Nentwater. Taking a view in another direction, to the south-west, the Garrigill people could be seen hastening quickly to the scene of operations, while in an opposite direction came people from Weardale and Allendale, there being a good representation from these two dales. The doors were opened at six, when there was general rush into the room. Order being lost, the door had to be closed. On the door being re-opened it seemed as if the crowd would gain the upper hand over the door keepers; however, order was obtained, and all the sittings filled, and the available standing room occupied and crammed to excess, it being calculated that 1,000 people were packed in the building. This was the largest audience that has entered the spacious edifice on any similar

occasion. Mr G. Peart, of Alston, presided, introducing the performers in a neat and appropriate speech. The pianoforte on which accompaniments to the vocal parts of the entertainment were played, had been kindly lent by Mrs Isaac Archer, Priorsdale House, Ashgill. The performers were five in number, viz., Mr W. Kingsley, Mr H Ganney, Mr R. B. Hopkins, Mr B. Barton and Mr B. Kinsley, who performed extensive and varied programme in truly artistic manner. All seemed greatly delighted with the entertainment and when vote of thanks proposed to the performers it was received by a loud and continued clapping of hands. Mr Ganney thanked the audience on behalf of himself and comrades for their kind feel, towards them, remarking that they had enjoyed their first visit very much, and hoped they would soon be privileged to pay another. Votes of thanks were also accorded to the chairman, Mr Millican for the loan of the room, and to Mrs Archer for the loan of the piano. It has come to our notice that owing to the great crush at the door a great many gained admission without paying. We think that it is only right to appeal to such as did not pay their entrance fee in behalf of the committee to forward it to some member of that body, seeing that the concert was a good one and that the committee were at a great expense in procuring the bell ringers.

10th October 1877 (Teesdale Mercury)

PRESENTATION TO MR. AND MRS.BAINBRIDGE, OF MIDDLETON HOUSE. TEESDALE.

We last week gave particulars of the above event.

We have now the pleasure of presenting the excellent speech of Mr Bainbridge, in full, as follows: —

Mr BAINBRIDGE, said Mr Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, I gratefully acknowledge my high gratification at finding towards the end of a long and laborious life, devoted to the Lead Company's interests and the promotion of the wellbeing of their numerous employees and the public generally, that the efforts put forth have been so highly appreciated by those with whom I have been so intimately connected so many years, and their observant neighbours, who have kindly joined with them in the valued and valuable presentations now made, which, in descending as heirlooms to our children, ought to develop in them and stimulate them to like efforts and good works. In your kindly notice of the good judgment and perseverance displayed in the conduct of the operations connected with the working of the Lead Company's mines, I feel it is fitting that I should gratefully acknowledge that a large portion thereof may be attributed to my esteemed predecessor in the superintendence of the Lead Company's affairs (Mr Stagg, the father of my beloved wife), who, on resigning his appointment and subsequently, was most ready to give me the benefit of his long experience, leaving me also an efficient and well trained staff of subordinate agents, who have uniformly done all in their power to aid in the promotion of the welfare both of masters and men. And I need scarcely add that, in the position of the Lead Company's Superintendent, one leading object should be to make the best possible use of the practical skill and matured judgment of those under him, by drawing out their opinions on questions that may arise in which the interests of the Company and their employees are alike involved. It will be in the recollection of the old men now present, that, upon my entry into the Company's service, the Teesdale, Weardale, and Westmoreland mines were in a very unproductive condition, and the losses thereon not only

swallowed up the profits then deriving from Alston Moor, but made heavy inroads upon the Company's happily then enjoyed surplus fund, which, in the palmy days of Lodge Syke, had been accumulated to meet a possible and, as you all know, a not improbable period of adversity to which lead mining is subject. Upon the first visit of the deputation from the court of the Company to the north, it was intimated to me by our most respected then deputy governor, Mr Wigram (whose name need only be mentioned in the present assembly to excite a cordial good feeling in every breast), that I was entering on a concern that had for some years previously and was then unremunerative to the shareholders, to whom however a scanty dividend had been paid out of the accumulations of earlier years, and the court, in reliance on the sound judgment of my predecessor, were willing to prosecute the then progressing mine trials to their issues. After the lapse of about three years, without improved result appearing for the company, their youthful superintendent was very properly called to account for the continued deficiency, when, after some days spent in London in anxious consideration, it was agreed to give me my stated needful five years for obtaining good results for the Company's past and intermediate outlays and risks, and shortly thereafter, upon my being urged to exercise every possible proper economy in the management, I frankly told my superiors that the then wages of the men were too low, and ought to be raised as soon as a better mining yield would allow ; that the agency was not overpaid, and the only extravagance connected with the Company was the high royalties paid to the lords of the mines. I need not say to such of the Lessors' Agents as are now present what were the instructions then given to me, and how zealously, and I hope not unfairly, I have carried them out. Nor that in the absence of the lords agreeing to the reductions they have made, and I may add may yet he pleased to make, it would have been impossible their mining fields could or would have been kept in spirited working. I will not say how much has been saved to the Company from the lessors concessions, but I am sure a corresponding amount has reached the lessors pockets, that would have now have been dormant in the bowels of the earth, useless to every party. There is sound policy in the lords of mines not exacting the lion's share of the profits, but allowing the lessees the opportunity of adequately paying their employees for their labour, and reaping a fair return for their expenditure and risk. There is another important allusion made in the address this day presented. I refer to the credit you have given me for unimpeachable integrity; and on this point I may remark that my actions have not only been performed under a sense of accountability to the all-seeing eye of God, but I have felt that I had the honour of an honest paternal and maternal ancestry to maintain. The grandson of the thirteenth George Bainbridge, who owned and occupied the little farm of Snaps Close, over the hill in Weardale, and Utrick Walton, one of the family from whom sprung the firm of so called " honest attorneys," in Alston Moor. I well recollect the old rector of Wolsingham telling me about half-a-century ago, they were "The honestest men he ever had dealings with, and be hoped I would never tarnish their name."

I had therefore a high duty imposed upon me. Besides which I must do my predecessor, Mr Stagg, the justice of stating that he did not leave, on quitting his post, a single corrupt practice for me to put out of the Lead Company's concern.

I will now allude to the kind feeling subsisting between the Company's workmen and their superintendent, as expressed by the committee, and I may add, my

immediate superiors, the directors of the company. I may state an early pervading thought in my mind was that I ought not to pass through life without being of some benefit to my fellow men, and leave the world better than I found it, and although I believe for the promotion of my own and family interests it would have been more profitable to me to have availed myself of an opportunity presented for settling in a respectable Yorkshire city as a solicitor, yet I gave the preference to accepting my present position, mainly from the reason that it might give me a larger sphere of usefulness and influence. For the use made of the situation then open to me you have most kindly expressed your sentiments, and given tokens of your feelings to myself, my good wife, and children, in such a substantial and handsome manner; and your testimonial confirms and strengthens me in that which has ever been my aim. To encourage those that do well. Yet I have not shrinked from rendering my name a "terror to evil doers." On this head I may name the remark made to me by Admiral Elliott on my first interview with him at Appleby Castle. A little while before some one had applied to him for a farm, and he (the Admiral) stated that they would require to know something of his previous character, to which the applicant replied that be was employed under the Lead Company, and he thought this ought to be a satisfactory recommendation, as they would not employ or retain any but those of good character. The Bible and timepiece tell us of the brevity of our life here, and the need and propriety of seeking for an inheritance beyond the skies; as well as of an unremitting performance of our duties on earth. And with a consciousness of my numerous shortcomings, my sincere desire is that our present reciprocal good feeling may be maintained for the few remaining years or days that we may spend together here; and that we may all, through the merits of our common Saviour, be at last partakers of the joys of the redeemed.

13th October 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Births
Allenheads, 4th inst. the wife of Mr John Shield of a son. *(Thomas Carrick Shield)*

13th October 1877 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL FALL FROM A STAIR HEAD
On Friday morning week, at four o'clock, a labourer, named Joseph Wallace, aged 55 *(sic)* years, residing in King's Arms Lane, AIston, died from injuries received through a fall from a pair of stairs. The unfortunate man, who is subject to fainting fits, was sitting on the battrice *(sic)* of the stair head outside his door when he took a fit and fell backwards down on to the pavement, a depth of at least ten feet, one of the flags on the top of the wall falling with him. Dr Gill was sent for, and came speedily to give his assistance, but he found the old man insensible, the back of his head being very severely cut. On regaining consciousness, Wallace complained of a severe pain in his chest and shoulders, while he had completely lost the use of his limbs. Deceased was con- scions from shortly after the accident up to the time of his death. The fall had crushed his breast and injured his spine. Dr Gill gave a certificate that deceased died from internal haemorrhage to the spine of the back. Deceased was unmarried, and was born at Rodderup Side. He has at different times acted as coachman to gentlemen in the neighbourhood, and had previously met with a serious accident, getting both his legs fractured from being ran over by a

carriage, during the time he held the situation of coachman to Joseph Dickinson, Esq., of Lovelady Shield.

Joseph Wallace married Jane Wells, 20th June 1805, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Joseph and Jane Wallace:
John born 1st September 1805, 1st son of Joseph Wallis, Nentsberry miner, native of Knaresdale, by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wales.
Joseph born 16th February 1807, 2nd son of Joseph Wallis, Nentsberry miner, by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wales; buried 27th April 1807, at Alston.
Thomas born 29th May 1808, 3rd son of Joseph Wallis, Nentsberry miner, native of Knaresdale, by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wailes.
Mary born 3rd September 1810, 1st daughter of Joseph Wallis, Nentsberry miner, native of Knaresdale, by his wife Jane daughter of Joseph Wailes.
Elizabeth, born 30th September 1812, baptised 22nd November 1812, at Redwing Chapel, Alston.
Jane baptised 20th May 1815
Isaac baptised 6th July 1817
Joseph Wallace, baptised 17th October 1819
Richard baptised 6th January 1822
William baptised 13th February 1824
Hannah baptised 14th May 1826
Joseph Wallace of Pry Head, was buried 7th December 1831, aged 52, at Alston.
In 1841, at High Galligill, Jane Wallace, widow, farmer, aged 55, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Richard, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 14, Ann 4, and Thomas Wallace, independent, aged 65. In 1851, at High Galligill, Jane Wallace, widow, annuitant, aged 68, and granddaughter, Ann Wallace aged 16.
In 1851, at the Crown Inn, Alston, servant, Joseph Wallace, stable groom, aged 30.
In 1861, at Brown Side, Alston, Jane Wallace, lead miners widow, aged 78, and son, Joseph, lead miner, aged 35.
Jane Wallace died 2nd quarter 1863, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Black Burn Banks, Alston, lodger, Joseph Wallace, lead mine labourer, aged 48.
16th January 1878, Administration of the personal estate of Joseph Wallace late of Alston in the county of Cumberland Lead Miner a Bachelor who died 5th October 1877 at Alston was granted at Carlisle to Elizabeth Kindred of Foul Loaning in the parish of Alston Widow the sister and one of the next of kin. Personal Estate under £100.
Probate 1909, Joseph Walton of Alston Cumberland lead miner died 5th October 1877 Administration Carlisle 30th September to Mary Hall widow. Effects £78 12s. Former grant at Carlisle January 1878.

DEATH OF MR JOHN GILL

We regret to announce the death of Mr John Gill, mining agent for the Earl of Hopetoun, leadhills Scotland. Mr Gill was native of this parish having been born in the village Garrigill, where he received his early education. At the age of 27, and while he was engaged as refiner at the mines of Nenthead, he was selected Mr Sopwith, then manager at Allenheads (to whom application had been made for the purpose) to fill the responsible position of representative of Lord Hopetoun's interests in the mines at Leadhills—a position which he ever

afterwards occupied. Lord Hopetoun was at the date of the appointment in minority, but Mr Sopwith's recommendation was unanimously approved by his advisers. During the long period of 31 years service to the Earl of Hopetoun, the deceased was held in the highest esteem by the family, evidenced by the invariable and never-failing courtesy and consideration shown at all times by his lordship. Mr Gill was no less esteemed by those whose province it was for him to supervise in the village, for the feeling which now pervades the inhabitants of the place at his loss is one of universal regret. He was considerate and liberal to those under him, but having all the while a strict and careful regard to the interests of his master. His business habits were characterised by method and punctuality, with untiring devotion to his work, which sociality and pleasure held only secondary place. Nothing in shape of a plan, a report, or other document bearing upon his office left his hand without a complete touch of finish about it, the result of accuracy and care. Mr Gill after his appointment at Leadhills set himself to the work of sell-improvement. and in this he evinced a perseverance and acquired degree of success which found their reward. No better evidence of the skill in lead mining engineering attained by the deceased can be quoted than the fact that he was frequently consulted by people at distances, —while he has for a long series of years annually reported on and advised in relation to one of the principal mines in our own district. In private Mr Gill was quiet and unassuming, spending the main part of his time, not involved in business, in his own family, in whom he was much bound up. He was fond of reading, and his literature was select and improving. In politics he was staunch Conservative. By virtue of his kindness and courtesy he had formed a large circle of friends in the district in which he laboured. The last visit to the mines made by the deceased was towards the end of August last when he accompanied the Earl of Hopetoun, to whom he explained the various workings and the system of mining in operation. Mr Gill died the 2nd inst. in the 59th year of his age, survived by a widow and seven children, four sons and three daughters to mourn his loss. The remains of the deceased were interred in the village churchyard on Friday the 5th. The funeral was a large one, and was attended by all the inhabitants who could avail themselves of being present, as well as by the officials connected with the mines both in Leadhills and the adjoining mining village of Wanlockhead, while many friends were there from distance. On Sunday last, an impressive funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Smith, minister of the parish and village. — *Alston Herald*

John Gill married Esther Renwick, at St John, Garrigill, 3rd quarter 1847.

In 1851, at Hopetown Hall, Leadhills, Lanarkshire, John Gill, Mine surveyor and overseer, aged 31, his wife Esther 27, children, Ann 2, and Isaac 1.

In 1861, at Hopetown Hall, Leadhills, Lanarkshire, John Gill, Mine Agent, aged 41, his wife Esther 37, children, Ann 12, Isaac 11, Joseph 9, John 6, and Susanna 3.

In 1871, at Estella Cottage, Leadhills, Lanarkshire, John Gill, Mine Agent, aged 51, his wife Esther 47, children, Ann 22, John 16, Susanna 13, Thomas W 9, and Elizabeth A 7.

In 1881, at Estella Cottage, Leadhills, Esther Gill, widow, aged 57, children, Joseph, mining agent, aged 28, Susanna 29, and Thomas W, student of medicine, aged 19.

In 1891, at Rosevale House, Langholm, John Gill, medical practitioner, aged 36, and his mother, Esther Gill, widow, aged 67.

19th October 1877 (Newcastle Journal)

NORTH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE ENGINEERS.

Yesterday, the North of England Institute of Mining and Mechanical Engineers had an excursion to Stonecroft and Greyside, and the Settlingstones Lead Mines near Newbrough, in Northumberland. The party numbering upwards of one hundred, left Newcastle by special train at quarter past ten in the morning, and proceeded to Fourstones station, on the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway, where they arrived after eleven o'clock.

THE PRUDHAM STONE

The party first visited the works, adjoining the railway station of W. Benson, Esq. the proprietor of the celebrated freestone and limestone quarries of that locality.

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THE STONECROFT LEAD MINES

Another place interest visited were the Stonecroft Lead Mines, the property of the Greyside Mining Company, which was formed in 1851 by Mr Benson. The mines are situated about two and half miles to the west of the Railway Station, and are being actively and successfully worked. Here, and also Settlingstones mine's, situated in the immediate neighbourhood, guides were in attendance to conduct the visitors over the surface works and also through the workings of the mine. In the Stonecroft mine about 130 men are employed; and at the surface about 70, The visitors were conducted through the mine by Mr Ware the courteous and amiable manager of the mine, and Mr Wm. Lee. the principal foreman of the underground works. We found the matrix composed lead ore, carbonate of Iron, sulphate of barytes, iron pyrites, blend, carbonate of barytes and carbonate of lime; and varies in width from six inches up to 15 or 16 feet. There is a main east and west vein, and also south vein, which have been very productive for the last 23 or 24 years, and are still extremely productive, the most productive ground being found in the whin sill. The ore brought the surface is taken direct to hopper for grating, after which passes Blake's stone breaker, and thence to the crasher; after this it is taken direct the classifier for jigging, the shins passing at a lower level. The production marketable lead ore about is about 25 tons per month. At the surface is a pumping engine, 70in cylinder, 22ft beam, 10ft equal stroke; 21ft plunger; 53 fathoms lift; 3-8th strokes per minute; 558 gallons per minute; 177,444 gallons one foot high per minute; 12 inch bucket, 10 fathoms lift. The engines are of 56 horse power and consume 4-5ths lbs per horse power per hour. They are capable of working up to 250 horse power. The depth of the winding shaft from the surface is seventy fathoms; levels are driven off at 15, 30, 40, and 50 fathoms. Must of the ore dressing machines are driven by steam power; and water power is also used. The works above ground were pointed out by Mr Henry Milburn and Mr William Nixon, the washing masters.

THE SETTLINGSTONES MINE

This lead mine is also in the immediate vicinity, and was likewise visited. The party were received and conducted over mine by Messrs Alfred and Walter Hall, the lessees of the mine, which his Grace the Duke Northumberland is lord of manor. In this neighbourhood ore has been raised for many years. In the works by side of the burn at Settlingstones the ore is visible, and bears evident traces of having been worked the Romans. Mr John Hall. M.D., commenced working the mine 1790, and continued to do for some years, after which it was

abandoned, but was re-opened in 1833 by the Messrs A. and W. Hall, who have worked it continuously ever since. The principal pumping engine here is Cornish, 60 inches cylinder, working plungers of 18 inches diameter, and with 90 feet stroke. There is a 25 power condensing engine. The winding engine is 16-horse power condensing. One of the shafts is 100, another 75, and another 60 fathoms deep. The principal winding shaft Mr Winter's, where the pyrites are drawn from the workings of from 60, 70, and 80 fathoms lift. It is chiefly carbonate baryta. Between 2,000 and 3,000 tons of carbonate are annually produced, and are shipped principally to France and Germany. A little goes to America, and some is used in England for glassmaking and other industrial arts. The Chief production of baryta is found in two or three mines in the North of England; and here is one of the principal sources of supply. Almost the entire product of the British Islands is in fact within few miles of this place. The mine is also worked for lead ore. The run of the known vein through the royalty is about a mile and a quarter. The mine is situated in a very picturesque neighbourhood, close to the Roman Wall, and in the neighbourhood of that portion of the wall where recently was the great discovery of Roman coins in the well consecrated to the goddess Coventina, at the Roman camp at Proclitia, on the estate of Mr John Clayton. A large party the members visited the shrine, and the whole company afterwards assembled in the village of Newbrough. where they had luncheon provided by Mr Surtees, Innkeeper. Mr Benson occupied the chair, and various toasts having been proposed, the party proceeded to Fourstones Station, from thence special train brought them back to Newcastle. The weather throughout the day was exceedingly fine, and the excursion was greatly enjoyed.

20th October 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 10th inst. aged 43, John Cousin, coal miner.
In 1841, at Skelgill Rig, Thomas Cousin, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth (Vipond, married 25th November 1826, at Alston) aged 35, children Ann 11, John 9, Thomas 6, Hannah 4, and Mary 2.
In 1851, at Aimshaugh, Alston, Elizabeth Cousin, widow, washer woman, parish relief, aged 44, children John, lead miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 14, Mary 13, Frances 9, and Joseph 6.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, Elizabeth Cousin, lead miners widow, aged 54, John, lead miner, aged 28, Frances, dressmaker, aged 19, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 16.
In 1871, at Blackburn Mill, Alston, Elizabeth Cousin, miners widow, and farmer of 6 acres, aged 64, son John Cousin, lead miner, aged 37, and daughter Frances, aged 29. In 1881, at Roadside House, Alston, Joseph Cousin, lead miner unemployed, aged 36, and his mother Elizabeth Cousin, widow, housekeeper, aged 75. See 22nd March 1884
At Blagill, 5th inst., aged 77, Elizabeth, widow of John Scott, lead ore smelter.
In 1851 at Blagill, John Scott, lead ore smelter, aged 51, born, Northumberland, Knaresdale, his wife Elizabeth (Cousin, married 1st July 1826, Alston) 45, born Allendale, children Ann 23, John lead miner 20, Thomas lead miner 17, Mary 15, Isaac lead miner 12, Matthew 9, Rodger 7, Robert 5, Elizabeth 3, Hannah 3, Isabella 10 months, Matthew Lee, lodger, aged 11, lead miner.

John Scott snr., died 1st quarter 1860.
In 1861 Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 55, children William lead miner 32, Elizabeth 14, Thomas lead miner 27, Isaac lead miner 22, Matthew lead miner 20, Rodger lead miner 17, Robert lead miner 15, Walter 9, Hannah 13, Isabella 11, and lodger Matthew Lee lead miner 21. In 1871 the family still at Blagill Elizabeth Scott, widow, farmer 66, unmarried sons, William lead miner 42, Walter lead miner 20, granddaughter, Elizabeth Scott 12, and servant Jane Spottswood 16.
At High Nest, 15th inst., aged 53, Mary, wife of Mr John White, lead miner.
In 1871 at Howes Hill, Garrigill, John White, lead miner 55, his wife Mary (Hetherington, married 10th December 1846, Alston,) aged 45, children William lead miner 22, Mary A 19, John lead miner 16, Joseph 12, and boarder Joseph Fawkes aged 6 years.
See 24th October 1891, and 12th January 1895

20th October 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON.
NEW ORE-WASHING APPARATUS.—A new apparatus for washing lead ore, the invention of Mr David Burns, has been put into operation at the Haggs Mine. For a long period it has been a desideratum with mining engineers to produce machinery for the most perfect separation of the ore from the refuse with which it is combined at the least cost. The most approved forms of ore-washing machinery been for some time working with satisfactory results at several of our principal mines; but Mr Burns, who for some time turned his attention to the matter, thought that these had a greater amount of mechanical appliance and consequent wear and tear than was necessary, and that the end might be attained by less artificial and more natural means that, in short, the principle was at fault. With this idea he constructed his apparatus—an ingenious design on quite an original principle. Gentlemen practically acquainted with all the processes of lead ore dressing have expressed their approval of the principle as a decided advance on anything at present in use. The mechanical appliances were rather faulty, being only those with which Mr Burns has been experimenting. These, however, are easily made more perfect. Mr Burns is to be congratulated on having produced an apparatus which is to be a boon to mine owners, if not destined to supersede all other appliances for washing lead ore. We hear that it is his intention to apply for a patent, and has secured provisional protection for his invention.

26th October 1877 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Glenridding, Patterdale, on the 16th inst., Mr Thomas Coward, smelter, aged 64 years.
In 1851, at Beck House, Grasmere, Thomas Coward, separator in lead mines, aged 37, his wife Ann (Stephenson, married 19th February 1842, at Windermere) aged 37, children, Margaret 8, William 6, Thomas 3, and James aged 1. Ann Coward died 2nd quarter 1855, registered, at Kendal.
In 1861, at Causeway House, Patterdale, John Coward, roaster of lead, aged 49, born Kendal, his wife Mary 37, born Braithwaite, children, born, Patterdale, James 18, lead miner, aged 18, Ann 11, Sarah 7, Frances 1, boarder, Thomas

Coward, widow, separator of lead, aged 46, and boarder James Coward 11(born Grasmere).
In 1871, at Greenside Shop, Glenridding, Thomas Coward, labourer at mines, aged 57.
James Coward aged 23, married Hannah Brown, at Patterdale 15th November 1873
At Greenside Mines, Patterdale, on the 16th inst., Edward, son of Mr Edward Pool, aged 18 years.
In 1851, at Greenside Smelt Mill, Edward Pool, labourer, aged 27, his wife Thomasin (Curry, married at Patterdale, 3rd August 1844) aged 24, children, Esther 4, Jacob 2, and Ann 1.
In 1861, at Mire Sike, Patterdale, Edward Pool, Ag. Labourer, aged 38, his wife Thomasin aged 36, born Allendale, children, Esther, 14, Jacob, 11, Ann 9, Jane 8, Mary 6, and Edward 2; all children born Patterdale.
In 1871, at Glenridding, Edward Pool, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Thomasin aged 41, children, Jacob, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 15, Edward 12, Sarah 9, Anthony 5, John 4, and granddaughter, Hannah Pool, aged 3.
In 1881, at Pendragon Cottage, Glenridding, Edward Pool, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Thomasine 57, children, Jacob, lead miner, aged 31, Sarah, domestic servant, 19, Anthony, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, and granddaughter, Margaret Pool 9.
Edward Pool died 3rd quarter 1891, aged 65.

27th October 1877 (Westmorland Gazette)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT PATTERDALE. —Last week a sad fatal occurrence took place at Greenside Lead Mines, to a young man named Edward Pool, about 18 years of age, who was a driver of waggons in the low level. Whilst following his vocation on the above day one of the waggons became detached, and ran against him, hitting him in the chest, and causing wounds from which he died almost immediately after.
In 1841, at Smelt Mill, Greenside, Glenridding, Jacob Curry, separator of lead and silver, aged 53, his wife Ann aged 52, children, Thomasin 15, and Jacob aged 11.
In 1841, at Glenridding, Patterdale, James Pool, farmer, aged 35, his wife Esther 35, children, Edward 15, Agnes 15, Mary 13, James 12, Anthony 9, Sarah 7, and Isabella 4.
Edward Poole married Thomasin Curry, 3rd August 1844, at Patterdale, Westmorland.
In 1851, at Greenside, Smelt Mill, Patterdale, Edward, Pool, labourer, aged 27, born Patterdale, his wife Thomasin aged 24, born Allendale, children, Esther 4, Jacob 2, and Ann 1.
In 1861, at Mires, Glenridding, Patterdale, Edward, Pool, agricultural labourer, aged 38, his wife Thomasin aged 36, children, Esther 14, Jacob 11, Ann 9, Jane 8, Mary 6, Margaret 4, and Edward 2.
In 1871, at Glenridding, Patterdale, Edward, Pool, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Thomasin aged 41, children, Jacob, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 15, Edward 12, Sarah 9, Anthony 5, John 4, and granddaughter, Hannah Pool, aged 3.
In 1881, at 1 Pendragon Cottage, Glenridding, Patterdale, Edward, Pool, lead miner, aged 52 his wife Thomasin aged 57, children, Jacob, lead miner,

aged31, Sarah 19, Anthony, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner aged 14, and granddaughter, Margaret Pool, aged.

27 October 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, at Temple Croft, 22nd inst., age 83, Elizabeth, widow of the late William Bainbridge Esq., solicitor.
See 28th September 1839, and 4th April 1846.
At Hexham, Gilesgate, 21st inst. aged 69, Thomas Wilson, lead miner.
In 1861, at Gilesgate, Hexham, Thomas Wilson, lead ore miner, aged 52, wife Susannah 51, grand child Susannah Spirit 7, and Mary Moore, widow of miner, aged 71.
In 1871, at Gilesgate, Hexham, Thomas Wilson, miner, aged 62, his wife Susana aged 61, and granddaughter Sarah J, Spirit aged 8.

9th November 1877 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.
The Inspector reported that he had inspected Nenthead, Garrigill, and district, and found all in good sanitary condition—most of the manure heaps had been removed, The well near Mr Story's shop was stopped. He believed the pipe had burst, and the water was flowing into a conduit. —Mr DICKINSON proposed that it be repaired at once. He thought it would be better if the Inspector got the road men to repair such things whenever they were found wrong. —The Clerk said the Sanitary Authority had nothing to do with the road men. Besides, if such orders were given, more money might be spent than was thought advisable, and then Mr Dickinson would be the first to grumble. —The Inspector said Mr Ridley had applied to have the opening into the millrace closed in the Butts. One of his children had fallen in on Saturday, and might have been drowned. —Mr ISAAC WALTON: Was it not agreed it should be closed? —The Inspector: It was, but the inhabitants petitioned the Authority to let it remain open until some other place was provided to deposit refuse.—Some discussion ensued as to whether it should be closed with a fixed grate or one to open. As it was thought inadvisable rubbish should be put there it was ordered to be closed with a fixed grate.

10th November 1877 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Beldy, Garrigill, 3rd inst., aged 60, Thomas Watson, mining agent for the London Lead Company. For more than 20 years agent at the mines in Alston Moor.
See 16th May 1874.

17th November 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale, Spartylea Gate, Hill Side, 5th inst. aged 42, Matthew Varty.
In 1871, at Allendale, Matthew Varty, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary (Frost, married 2nd quarter of 1865) aged 25, children, John 3, Matthew 11 months, and mother Ann Varty 69.
Mary re-married in 4th quarter of 1878, to John George Dodds.

In 1881 at Boltsburn, Stanhope, John G. Dodds, cabinet maker, aged 31, his wife Mary 35, sons in law John Varty cabinet maker 13, Matthew 10, daughters in law, Mary A. Varty 8, Elizabeth J. Varty 5, and son Thomas H. Dodds, 2 months, and mother in law Jane Craven, widow, aged 67. See 14th September 1872

17th November 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

NENTHEAD.

We understand that the Rev. W. Muskett, M.A., vicar of Nenthead, intends resigning the living of Nenthead at Christmas, owing to the bad state of the vicarage; and that he has accepted the sole charge of the parish of Garrigill.

GARRIGILL.

Our readers will be glad to be informed that Joseph the eldest son of the late Mr John Gill, mining agent for the Earl of Hopetoun, whose death we recorded a short time age, has succeeded to his father's situation. John, the second son, has passed his final examination for a doctor at the Edinburgh University.

24th November 1877 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan chapel, Alston, 20th inst., Mr Thomas Spark, Low Lee House, Tynehead, to Miss Jane Millican, Farnberry.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Spark, butcher and farmer of 14 acres, aged 25, his wife Jane 23, children Elizabeth A. 2, John G. 8 months, and general servant, Margaret A. Millican, aged 18. In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Spark, butcher dealer and farmer, aged 34, wife Jane 33, children Elizabeth A. 12, John G. 10, domestic servant Florence Snowden, aged 23, and cousin Margaret A Millican aged 27. Jane died 2nd quarter of 1893, aged 35.

Thomas Spark married Isabel Lee, 4th quarter of 1894, at Alston.

In 1901, at Nent Holme, Alston, Thomas Spark, butcher and cattle dealer, aged 44, his wife Isabel, aged 39, children Elizabeth A. living on own means, aged 22, Thomas E 5, Harold L 2, George V 9 Months, and domestic servant Mary E Lowe aged 20.

See 16th October 1857

Deaths

At Annetwalls, 20th inst. aged 2 years, Ann Sarah, daughter of Mr John Todd, lead miner. *In 1841, at Annatwalls, Ann Todd, farmer, aged 35, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Isaac, lead miner, aged 11, Mary 8, Joseph 5, and John 1 year.*

In 1851, at Low Annatwalls, Ann Todd, lead miners widow, aged 46, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and John, lead miner, aged 11.

In 1861, at Annatwalls, Ann Todd, widow, farmer, aged 57, sons Joseph, Ag. Labourer, aged 25, and John, Ag. Labourer, aged 21. In 1871, at Low Annetwalls, John Todd, woollen Weaver, aged 31, his wife Sarah 28, and son John J. 3 years. In 1881, at Jefferson Street, Westgate, Newcastle, John Todd, Brass Sorter, aged 40, wife Sarah 37, children John Jos. 13, and Mary 9. In 1891, at Beaconsfield Street, Arthurs Hill, Elswick, John Todd aged 50, his wife Sarah 48, children John J. painter, aged 23, and Mary 19. In 1901, ,

at Beaconsfield Street, Arthurs Hill, Elswick, John Todd, cow keeper, milk, aged 61, and his wife Sarah 8.
At Elba, Nenthead, 20th inst., aged 24, Jane, wife of Mr Adam Peart, lead miner.
In 1871, at Killhope, Weardale, Isaac Peart, lead miner & farmer, aged 48, his wife Mary 36, children Maria 15, Roddam, lead miner, aged 14, Graham, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas 9, Milburn 7, Sarah 4, Isaac 2, and nephew Adam Peart, lead miner, aged 19 (In 1861 listed as son?).
Adam Peart married Jane Dixon 21st July 1877 at Nenthead. Adam remarried 3rd quarter of 1879, to Jane Hodgson at Alston.
In 1881 at Stanhope Adam Peart, lead miner 29, his wife Jane 24, children Mary J. Peart 3, and Hodgson 8 months.
In 1891, at Hill End, Stanhope, Adam Peart, limestone quarryman, aged 39, wife Jane 34, children Mary J. 13, and Hodgson 10.
In 1901, at 35 Blyth Street, Chopwell, Blaydon, Adam Peart, coal miner, aged 49, his wife Jane 44, children Mary J 23, Hodgson, coal miner, aged 20, and Violet A. aged 6 months.

1st December 1877 (Hexham Courant)

STONECROFT

Today (Saturday), the numerous body of men in the employ of the Stonecroft and Greyside Mining Company will receive notices that their employment will be terminated on the expiration of fourteen days. This is being done with a view to a reduction of the number of men at present employed at the Company's mines and also with a view to a reduction of wages to be paid to the men that may be employed after termination of the notices.

1st December 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthall, 14th ult. aged 6 months, Eldon, son of Hannah Cousin.

7th December 1877 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Inspector reported that the part of the pipe where the water escaped above Mr Story's well had been discovered. The pipe had been laid through the mill burn without any protection; it had been injured, and the water was escaping into the burn. About 14 or 15 feet of new pipe was required, as well as some protection where the leaden pipe crossed the burn. —It was decided the leaden one should be enclosed in a metal pipe at that part. —A sad nuisance, caused by the filthy water from a conduit getting into the water pipe at Grisedale's Lane, was stated to have been rectified.

8th December 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
St Augustine's church, Alston, 29th ult. Mr Thomas Walton, Cocklake near Alston, to Miss Jane Snowdon of the same place.
In 1881, at Cocklake, Thomas Walton, farmer, aged 45, his wife Jane 40, daughter Frances Louisa Walton 2, step children Thos. Will. Snowden, Ag. labourer, aged 19, Annie Snowden 11, Sarah Jane Snowden 7, and niece Mary Jane Walton, dairy maid, aged 18.

15th December 1877 (Hexham Herald)
Alston
We understand a traction engine will shortly be used to convey materials from Alston station to Nenthead. As the route up Alston Street, is impracticable the engine will travel by way of Clarghyll and Foreshield.

15th December 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.
FRIDAY, Dec. 7th.—(Before the Rev O. James and T. H. Horrocks, Esq.)
THE STORAGC OF EXPLOSIVES.
Mr J. G. Millican made application on behalf of the London Lead Company, for leave to store explosives at a place called Small Cleugh, near Nenthead. The building had been erected according to Government design, and intended as a store for mixed explosives and gunpowder, to prevent the men being necessitated to keep these in their own houses. It was over seventy five yards from any dwelling house, and he believed it conformed, in every way, to the provisions of the Explosives Act. It was built according to provision C, to hold 2,000 lbs of gunpowder or an equivalent of mixed explosives.—Granted.
Deaths
At New Shildon, 6th inst. aged 46, Joseph Coates of Garrigill, Alston.
In 1851, at Seldom Seen, Garrigill, Matthew Coats, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth (Currah, married 3rd September 1829, Alston) aged 44, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 17, Matthew, lead ore labourer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Thomas 8, Jane 6, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Elizabeth Coats, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Hannah, domestic servant, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth 12, and grandson Matthew 3.
In 1871, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Joseph Coats, lead miner, aged 40, wife Hannah (Armstrong, married 29th December 1864, Alston) aged 41, daughter Esther 5, and mother Elizabeth Coats, lead miners widow, aged 64. In 1881, at Mechanics Street, New Shildon, Hannah Coates, widow, dressmaker, aged 51, and daughter Esther aged 15.
At The Flatt Alston, 9th inst. aged 46, John Smith.
See 4th March 1876 & 18th February 1893
At Alston, 7th inst. aged 69, Elizabeth widow of Richard Oliver.
In 1841, at Leigh Shield, West Allendale, Richard Oliver, Lead miner aged 40, Elizabeth, (Lee, married 24th July 1824, Ninebanks) aged 30, Mary 15, Isaac 14, John 12, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 6, Ann 4, and Jane 2.
In 1851 at Leigh Shield, Elizabeth Oliver, widow, farmer of 10 acres, aged 45, Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 24, John, lead ore miner, aged 21, Elizabeth 18, Hannah 16, Ann 13, Jane 12, Richard 6, and Sarah 8.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, Alston, Elizabeth Oliver, widow, housekeeper, aged 54, grandsons William Oliver 8, Jacob Oliver 5, and Thomas Oliver 3 years.
In 1871, at Bale Hill, Alston, Elizabeth Oliver, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 64, grandsons, Thomas aged 13 and John aged 11.
At Alston, 11th inst., aged 9 months, Thomas William, son of Annie Gibson.

21st December 1877 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Rev O. JAMES presiding. —The Clerk said he had received the accounts for the repairs of the water pipes. These accounts amounted to £13 3s, for which amount it would be necessary to issue a precept. In order to have a small balance, he had made the precept for £15. —The Inspector said all had been done to the water pipes that was thought necessary. The water was now a very good supply.

22nd December 1877 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

SUDDEN DEATH.— Mrs Isabella Gill, aged 87 years, wife of Mr John Gill, brewer and spirit merchant, Alston, was found dead in bed shortly after six o'clock on Monday morning. Mrs Gill had been in a very weak state of health for a considerable time, and had been attended by Dr Gill. On Sunday night she retired to bed about eleven o'clock, with her daughter. In the morning, shortly after six o'clock, Mr Gill went into her room and found her dead in bed. Her daughter, who was sleeping with her, was unaware of what had taken place John Carrick, the coroner for East Cumberland, was immediately communicated with, but he did not think an inquest was necessary.

Deaths

At Alston Brewery House, 17th inst., aged 38, Isabella, wife of John Gill.

John Gill married Isabella Greenwell, 2nd qtr 1871, at Alston.

John Gill married Cora Doyle, 4th qtr., 1878, registered at Newcastle on Tyne.

In 1881, at Brewery House, Alston, John Gill, brewer employing 4 labourers, aged 35, born Knaresdale, his wife Cora Mary, aged 20, born Plymouth, children, John Blackett 2, Arnold Reginald 2 months, and sister in law, Bertha Doyle, 18, dressmaker, aged 18, born Southampton.

At Nenthead, 19th inst. aged 5 years, Sarah daughter of Havelock Lattimer.

See 17th May 1873, 28th May 1877 & 29th April 1882.

5th January 1878 (Alston Herald)

THE LATE MR THOMAS MOFFATT.

... Though dying at Middleton in Teesdale he was a native of the Alston district, and commenced working life at Nenthead as a washer lad for the London Lead Company, in which employment he lost one of his hands, it having been taken off with a grinder. This misfortune, however, we have been given to understand, in connection with good conduct, prepared the way for promotion, and from one position of trust and responsibility to another he was advanced until at length he was promoted to the position of clerk, first at Nenthead and then at Middleton, where he died on the 28th December, 1877 in the 69th year of his age, from concussion of the brain resulting from a fall down stairs in his own house on Christmas Day.

In 1841 at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Thomas Moffatt aged 25, dealer in hats, his wife Ann (Lancaster, married 27th March 1834, at Addingham, Gamblesby, Penrith)aged 25, daughters Hannah 5 and Elizabeth 1.

In 1851 at Nenthead, Thomas Moffatt, horse keeper, hatter & letter receiver, aged 41, his wife Ann aged 40, children Hannah 16, Elizabeth 10, Thomas 8, and Sarah Ann 5.

In 1861, at Hude, Middleton Teesdale, Thomas Moffatt, widow, clerk for the London lead mines, aged 49, and his daughter Sarah Ann aged 15 years.

Ann Moffatt died at Alston, 3rd December 1851, aged 40.
In 1863 Thomas Married Elizabeth Heslop Parkinson at Sunderland, daughter of John Parkinson and Sarah Heslop (married at Sunderland,14th February 1818).
In 1871 at Hude Street, Middleton Teesdale Thomas Moffatt, clerk or book keeper aged 61, born Alston, his wife Elizabeth H. born Durham, Sunderland, aged 51, mother in law, Sarah Parkinson, aged 73, born North Shields, and Nancy Rennison, unmarried visitor, daughter of a silver smith, aged 24, born Durham, Sunderland. See 12th December 1851.

5th January 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church 3rd inst, Mr James Moffatt to Miss Hannah Watson, only daughter of Mr Thomas Watson, Innkeeper, Garrigill Gate.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, James Moffatt, game keeper, aged 36, born Alston, and his wife Hannah aged 28, born Chollerton, Northumberland. Also at the George and Dragon, Garrigill Gate, Thomas Watson, innkeeper, aged 54, born Alston, his wife Mary aged 51, born Rockliffe, and niece Ann Watson aged 14, born Carlisle.

11th January 1878 (Carlisle Journal)
IMPORTANT TO MINING AGENTS. IRON BROKERS, AND OTHERS
BY ORDER OF THE TRUSTEE.
MR MUMBERSON has been instructed to SELL, by AUCTION, upon the Premises, at YEWTHWAITE and GOLDSCOPE MINES, in NEWLANDS, near Keswick, on WEDNESDAY Jan. 23rd, 1878, the whole of the MINING PLANT, MACHINERY, BRIDGE RAILS, WATER-WHEELS, &c., consisting One Steam Engine (8 horsepower) in good order, adopted for pumping or drawing: 1,600 fathom of Bridge Rails, 50 fathom Pump Rods, 50 fathom Six-inch Bore, 100 fathom Drawing Chains, a large quantity of Strong Chains, One Water-wheel (16 feet diameter) Four Giggers and Machinery complete. One Water-wheel (18 feet diameter), Crushing Mill, Four Giggers and Machinery all good order. Three Water-wheels (8 feet diameter) and Machinery for three Round Buddlers; also Three Water-wheels (14 feet, 16 feet, and 42 feet respectively). Two excellent Weighing Machines, Hart, London; Saw Mill, several Tons of Scrap Iron, Dressing Machine, Dressing Trunks and Troughing. Two Waggons on dressing floor, Nine Wheel-barrows, Seven Iron Waggons, excellent Screwing Gear from ¼ inch 1 ½ inch. Two screws for lifting, heavy weights. Two Dolly Tubs, 300 second Fire Brick's Hundreds of Sleepers, Five Wooden Sheds, and large quantity of Old Timber; large Time Bell, Three Husbandry Carts, Cart Gear, Mining Tools, consisting of Steel Jumpers, Steel Bars, Picks, Hammers, two Grindstones. BLACKSMITH'S SHOP, viz. Two Bellows, Two Crab Winches, Three Anvils, Two Vices. Benches, Two Cross Cut Jaws, Weighing Beam, Sundry Tools, Capstan, Tool Chest, Corn Chest.
OFFICE, viz.:—Desk. Two Tables. Three Chairs, Cupboard. Letter Press, Clock, Dial, Levelling Staff, Settle, and other lots too numerous to particularise. One Useful Black Husbandry MARE, aged.
Also, will be SOLD at the same time, about Three-quarters of an Acre of LAND, adjoining Yewthwalte Mines.

For further particulars apply to the AUCTIONEER, Keswick ; or Messrs. JOHN ADAMSON, SON, and CO., 5 Norfolk Street, Manchester, Bon, and Co., 6. Norfolk Street, Manchester.
A Waggonette will leave Keswick Station immediately on the arrival of the 12 o'clock Train from the west.
Sale to commence at Half-past Twelve o'clock.
Terms, Cash.

12th January 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Foreshield, 7th inst., aged 4 months, Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Mr Thomas Scott, lead miner.
In 1881, at West Foreshield, Thomas Scott, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Sarah (Hymers married 19th May 1864) aged 41, children William 14, John 11, Thomas 9, Robert 6, and Mary Jane 2.
See 20th October 1877.
At Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 1 year, William, son of Mr Lancelot Liverick, lead miner.
Lancelot Liverick married Betsy Wilkinson 1st quarter of 1866, registered Alston.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Lancelot Liverick, leads miner, aged 31, his wife Betsy 25, children, Thomas 2, Jane 1 month, and sister in law, Margaret Wilkinson, unmarried aged 33, dressmaker.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Lancelot Liverick, leads miner, aged 41, his wife Betsy 35, children, Thomas 12, Lancelot 4, William 1 and sister in law, Margaret Wilkinson, unmarried aged 43, dressmaker.
In 1891, at Sunnyside, Nenthead, Lancelot Liverick, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 45, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Lancelot, lead ore washer, aged 14, and William 11. In 1901, at Sunnyside, Nenthead, Lancelot Liverick, grazing farmer, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 55, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Lancelot, lead miner, aged 24, and William, lead miner, aged 21.
Lancelot died 1st quarter of 1903, and his wife Betsy 4th quarter of 1909.
See 19th July 1861, & 9th August 1884

12th January 1878 (Hexham Herald)
SETTLINGSTONES MINE
We understand that the workmen employed at these mines by F. F. Hall Esq. the proprietor, have received notice to leave owing to the great depression of the trade. The principal minerals worked at these mines now being Barytes, a vast quantity being already stored up, their labours are expected to cease today.
Marriages
Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel, 6th inst. Mr Jonathan Pattinson, Old Shildon, Durham, to Miss Susannah Bright of Nenthead. This being the first marriage in the chapel, the pair were presented by the trustees with a bible and prayer book.
In 1881, at 3 William Street, Shildon, Jonathan Pattinson, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Susannah 28, and daughter Hannah J 10 months.

In 1891, at 3 William Street, Shildon, Jonathan Pattinson, coal miner, aged 44, his wife Susannah 39, children, Hannah J 20, Kate 15, and boarder, Henry Edward Close, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1901, at Carshield, West Allen, Jonathan Pattinson, coal miner, aged 55, his wife Susannah 49, children, Hannah Jane 10, and Catherine 5.
Jonathan Pattinson, died 1st quarter 1908, aged 61, registered at Hexham.
In 1911, at 35 Cooperative St, Shildon, Henry Ed Close, coal hewer, 33, his wife Hannah Jane aged 30, daughter Mary aged 1, and visitor, Susannah Pattinson, widow, aged 58.
Susannah Pattinson, died 3rd quarter 1936, aged 84, registered at Hexham.
See 1st June 1878, and 22nd June 1889
Garrigill parish church, Mr Henry Wails of Nenthead, Joiner and Cabinet maker, to Mrs Ruth Blacklock, Innkeeper, Crown Inn, Nenthead.
See 6th August 1876, 1st July 1882, 16th February 1884 & 6th December 1884.

19th January 1878 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The annual distribution of coals to the poor of Nenthead has been raised by subscription and the amount of 21 tons has been generously distributed.

19th January 1878 (Alston Herald)

Marriages

At Newcastle, St Andrews Church, 17th inst., the Rev William Nall BA. Alston to Sophia, second daughter of the late Robert C. Stagg, Stanwix, Cumberland.

Deaths

At Holmfoot, Nenthead, 10th inst., aged 53, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner.
In 1841, at West Nenthead Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 45, children Robert lead miner 20, Sarah 15, Thomas 15, Leah 12, Rachel 8, John 6, and Elizabeth 2 years of age.
In 1851, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Nancy aged 24, children Emanuel 3, and Mary 5 months.
In 1861, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 36, wife Ann 32, children Emanuel 12, Mary 10, Thomas 8, George 6, Robert W. 2 and lodger John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 30.
In 1871, at Holmfoot, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 41, children Emanuel lead miner 22, Mary 20, Thomas lead miner 18, George H shoemaker 16, Robert W 12, Matthew 9, Hannah 4, and a boarder John Hetherington lead miner, aged 40.
In 1881, at Holm Foots, Ann Whitfield, lead miners widow, aged 51, children Mary 30, Thomas, lead miner aged 28, George H. shoe maker, aged 26, Robert, lead miner aged 22, Matthew, lead miner aged 18, and Hannah 14.
Coalcleugh, 9th inst. in his 23rd year, George William, son of Mary Ann Brown.
In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Thomas Brown lead miner aged 41, his wife Mary Ann (Rowland, married 7th July 1844, Allendale) aged 37, children Margaret 16, Joseph lead ore dresser 12, Thomas 11, George W. 6, and Elizabeth 1 year.
In 1871, at Coalcleugh, public house, Mary Ann Brown, widow (Thomas died 3rd quarter of 1864), innkeeper, aged 46, children Joseph coal miner, 23, George W. scholar 16, and Elizabeth scholar aged 11 years.

26th January 1878 (Hexham Courant)

TEESDALE

TRADE IN TEESDALE

Lead mining in Upper Teesdale forms the staple industry of the district, and it is satisfactory to note that at a time when universal depression of trade exists, the extensive mining operations of the London Lead Company are in fairly prosperous condition, the miners, as a class, receiving good remuneration, both in the workings in Teesdale and Weardale.

Deaths

At Fair View, Nenthead, 26th inst. aged 54, James Dickinson, lead miner.

In 1851, at Fair View, Nenthead, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Marie aged 36, children William 8, James 5, and John 2, and brother in law William Little, lead miner, aged 56.

in 1861, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner and farmer of 17 acres, aged 40, wife Maria aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 18, James, lead miner, aged14, and John 12.

In 1871, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Maria 60, children William 28, James 24, John 22, and domestic servant Isabella Gray 20.

See 9th February 1899

26th January 1878 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

SUDDEN DEATH OF A LEAD MINER. A lead miner named Mark Nattrass employed at Daddry Shield, St John's Chapel Weardale, expired in a very sudden manner on Monday Morning. Deceased went to work at six o'clock, and on reaching Quarry Mouth Cabin; he sat down near five other Workmen, one of whom on looking at deceased a few moments afterwards, saw that he was dead. Nattrass was 58 years of age and had acted as postmaster at Daddry Shield for a considerable time. He leaves a widow and family.

In 1861, at Middle Rigg, St John's, Mark Nattrass lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah (Harrison, married 3rd quarter of 1848, Weardale) aged 31, children Mathew 11, Mary 8, and Joseph 6

In 1871 at Daddry Shield, Mark Nattrass lead miner, aged 52, his wife Hannah 42, children Matthew blacksmith 21, Mary 18, Martha J. 2. Joseph aged 17, is an apprentice boot & shoemaker, working for Arron Nattrass, at Clover Holme, Stanhope.

2nd February 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 29th ult. aged 73, Elizabeth Erwin, wife of Mr John Erwin, Blacksmith.

See 16th October 1880

At Crosslands, 28th ult. aged 1 year, Foster Dixon, son of Mr John Dixon, lead miner.

William Craig married Hannah Kindred, 9th March 1837, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Annatwalls, Alston, William Craig, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Hannah 30, and daughter, Elizabeth 1.

Hannah Craig, of Crosslands was buried 27th May 1845, aged 35, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Crosslands, Alston, William Craig, widower, miner for spelter, aged 39, children, Elizabeth 11, Joseph 8, William 5, and servant, Mary Craig, house servant, aged 31.

John Dixon married Elizabeth Craig, 19th February 1859, at Alston.

In 1861, at Cross Lands, William Craig, widow, farmer and Spelter ore dresser, aged 49, sons Joseph, Spelter ore dresser aged 18, William, Spelter ore dresser aged 15, son in law John Dixon, lead ore miner, aged 26, married daughter Elizabeth Dixon 21, and granddaughter Hannah Dixon 1 year.
In 1871, at Crosslands, William Craig, widower, farmer of 16 acres, miner spelter works, aged 58, and son William, miner, spelter works, aged 25.
In 1871, at Cross Lands, Alston, John Dixon, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 31, children Hannah 11, Elizabeth 9, William 7, John Joseph 5, and Isaac 2 years.
In 1881, at Crosslands, William Craig, widower, farmer of 17 acres, aged 69.
Also at Crosslands in 1881, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth 37, children, William 10, John George 7, and Hannah 4.
In 1881, at Sandhill, Alston, John Dixon, auctioneer, aged 47, wife Elizabeth 42, children Elizabeth 19, John Jos. lead ore washer, aged 15, Isaac 12, Alfred 9, and Mary Jane 7.

Probate 1883: Administration of the personal estate of John Dixon late of Sand Hill in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Licensed Auctioneer who died 6 January 1883 at Sand Hill was granted at Carlisle to Elizabeth Dixon of Sand Hill widow the relict. Personal Estate £19 13s.
Probate 1887: The Will of William Craig late of Crosslands in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland who died 4th July 1887 at Crosslands was proved at Carlisle by Joseph Craig of Crosslands Farmer and William Craig of Sandhill in the said parish Builder, the sons the executors. Personal Estate £773 0s 6d. See 27th March 1875
At Nenthead, 24th ult., aged 17, Sarah Ann Hind, daughter of Mr James Hind, lead miner.
In 1871, at Cob End, Nenthead, James Hind, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Phillis (Teasdale, married 5th May 1859, at Nenthead) aged 44, children Sarah Ann 10, John 8, Phillis 5, and nephew George Hind lead miner aged 19.

9th February 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 4th inst., aged 32, Isaac White, lead miner.
In 1851, at Garrigill, John White, lead bouse washer, aged 52, his wife Jane (Parmley, married 3rd April 1834, Alston) aged 41, children, Joseph, lead miner out of employment, aged 28, Sarah 16, John, mines, aged 13, Ester 8, Isaac 6, Mary 4, and William 2.
In 1861, at Battle Green, John White, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Jane aged 50, children Sarah, dress maker, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 23, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, and William 11.
In 1871, at Rice Head, John White, proprietor and farmer of 43 acres of land, aged 72, his wife Jane 62, and unmarried children John, lead miner, aged 34,

Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah W. dressmaker, aged 36, and Mary, general servant, aged 24.

16th February 1878 (Hexham Herald)

STONECROFT MINES
SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On Monday, last, a serious accident occurred at the above mines, whereby two of the workmen named John Jordon and William Nevin narrowly escaped with their lives, they being seriously injured. The two men were descending a shaft at Greyside in the cage, with some wood, previous to which one of them requested the engineman to lower them gently, when it appears he had not attended to the caution and using the brake lost control, the cage being precipitated to the bottom with frightful speed. When taken up, Jordon was found to be severely injured on the leg and much shaken. Nevin was severely shaken. They were conveyed home and medical assistance being at once procured they were placed under the care of Drs Stainthorpe and Farmer, of Hexham, and we hear they are progressing as favourably as can be expected.

Deaths

At Alston, Bruntley Syke,12th inst, aged 79, Joshua Lowe, landed proprietor.
Hexham Union workhouse, 11th inst. aged 74, Mr John Robinson, Lead Ore Smelter.

In 1851, at Catton Pasture, Allendale John Robinson, smelter of lead ore, aged 47, born Scotby, Cumberland, his wife Hannah (Whitfield, married 31st December 1831, Allendale) aged 41, children Elizabeth 14, Mary 11, Nicholas 8, Thomas 5, and John 1. In 1861, at Catton Pasture, Allendale John Robinson, lead ore smelter , aged 57, his wife Hannah 52, children, Mary 21, Nicholas Agricultural labourer,18, Thomas lead ore dresser, 15, and John 11. Hannah died in 1864.
In 1871, John is at Bunkhouse, Allendale, widow lead ore smelter aged 67, with a housekeeper Ann Short aged 34.

23rd February 1878 (Hexham Herald)

SAD FATAL ACCIDENT AT GREYSIDE MINE

On Wednesday, an inquest was held at the office of the Stonecroft and Greyside Mining Company, near Newbrough, before Mr. L. M. Cookcroft, coroner for South Northumberland, on view of the body of John Jordan, shaftsman, 41 years of age who died on the 18th inst from injuries received in an accident at Greyside Mine on the 11th inst.

Mr. Atkinson, Government Inspector of mines, Mr Benson, Jnr., one of the owners, and Mr Ware, manager of the mine were present, and Mr Isaac Baty, Jnr., solicitor Hexham was also present on behalf of Robert Johnson the brakesman.

It seams that the deceased and another man named William Nevin were descending a shaft at Greyside in the cage, with about a hundredweight of timber, when through some cause the cage was precipitated to the bottom at great speed. When taken up both men were found to be injured particularly Jordan, who died from the effects of his injuries, as above stated, on Monday last.

The first witness examined was John Walton, joiner, Greyside, who deposed that the body, which the jury had inspected, was that of John Jordan, who lived

at Greyside, and was a shaftsman employed by the Stonecroft and Greyside Mining Company. Deceased was 41 years of age. Witness was present when he was brought up the shaft on the 11th inst. Jordan did not say anything to Johnson as to how the accident happened. He said he felt hurt outside. He did not remember having seen persons riding up and down the shaft. Jordan died on Monday, the 18th inst.

By Mr Atkinson: Deceased was brought up in the westernmost cage. To my knowledge, I have not seen a notice, either written or printed, at this shaft.

William Lee, deputy overman, Greyside, deposed that he was in the mine when the accident happened on the 11th inst. He was informed that the two men were injured, and he went to the bottom of the shaft, where he found John Jordan and Wm. Nevin. They were lying on the ground near to the cage. The cage was not injured. They thought the rope had broken, but he found on examination that the rope was not broken. He at once began to get the injured men out, and rode with the first one then the other in the other cage. When he got to bank he saw Jordan, but nothing was said. Johnson wound them up. Witness had been employed at the mines 18 or 19 years. He had seen a notice on the shear legs, forbidding any man to ride down the shaft. The last time he saw the notice was three or four months ago. Jordan had been shaftsman three or four years. No one was ever dismissed for riding. He had seen putters riding down the shaft in the last month, but he had not reported them, as he expected they had leave. The accident happened about eleven o'clock in the morning. He did not know that there was any work to be done in the shaft that day. They had authority to go on down the shaft when their services were required. He had frequently seen them ride in the shaft. He never knew them brake down that shaft before without the engine. He had known the cage let down the other shaft with the brake, when there had not been steam. Johnson was about twenty-two years of age. One cage counterbalances the other. The other was taken off for the convenience of getting the work out of shaft foot. His duties in the mine was to look after the putters, shaftsmen &c. The men were under his charge. He did not know they were going to ride at that time. He had seen them riding within a week before the accident. It was the duty of the brakesman to let the shaftsmen down if he was asked. Witness saw that there was timber in the cage in which the men went down. There was not a hundredweight of timber in the cage with the men. He knew that the steam was up. He considered that the shaftsmen had perfect authority to order the brakesman to let them down under any circumstances. He considered that a hundredweight of timber was not too much. He never knew the brakesman refuse to let the shaftsmen down. He often examined the shaft, and they repaired it. He never remembered seeing putters riding at this shaft. He had never reported them for riding, but he had named it. They had no rule as to the men riding with materials in a cage. There was no necessity for them to take the timber down the shaft; but there was no rule to that effect. The proper way of taking timber down was by strapping it on the cage. He did not think he would have gone down with that brake without the engine. Witness had been braked down No. 1 without steam, Johnson had been brakesman for some years, and there had been no complaints before. He had always braked him (witness) well. He had never had any complaints of his conduct. He thought the brakesman generally would leave to the discretion of the shaftsmen what they would take with them. The inquest was adjourned until half past twelve o'clock on Thursday, the 28th inst.,

for the purpose of having the evidence of Nevin, the other injured man, taken before the jury came to any conclusion in the matter.

2nd March 1878 (Hexham Herald)

SAD FATAL ACCIDENT AT GREYSIDE MINE
THE ADJOURNED INQUEST

On Thursday afternoon last, the adjourned inquest touching the death of John Jordan, shaftsman, who died from injuries received whilst at work in Greyside Mine on the 11th February last was held at the office of the Stonecroft and Greyside Mining Company, near Newbrough, before Mr. L. M. Cookcroft, coroner for South Northumberland. Mr Isaac Baty, Jnr., solicitor Hexham was present to watch the proceedings on behalf of the brakesman Robert Johnson. Mr. Willis, Government Inspector of mines, Mr. Atkinson Assistant Inspector and Mr Ware, manager of the mines, and Mr. Supt. Stephenson, of Hexham were also present.

William Nevin, who was in the cage along with the deceased at the time the accident happened. and who was accommodated with a seat, as he was still suffering from the injuries he received, was the first witness examined. He aid he was working in company with the deceased on the 11th of February. They commenced work about 6:30 a.m., and did a job at the shaft foot. They were let down the shaft all right. The then went to inspect, and came to the top about half-past 10 o'clock. They returned by the cage, and would be at bank about fifteen minutes. He told Johnson that they wanted to go down again, and they put two short pieces of timber into the cage. He told the brakesman to keep the engine in gear, and to let them cannily down, as they had two pieces of timber with them. Johnson said "Huts man." Witness called to him to let them down. He did not notice that the engine was in gear. He dropped them very quick for about eight fathoms, when they felt the brake. It did not stop them, but they continued to increase their speed until they got to the bottom. He had frequently been in the habit of going up and down the shaft. John Telford and he were let down the shaft that morning with the brake alone. Witness remarked to Telford that he thought very little of that kind of riding. He did not complain of that to Johnson. About a week before Johnson let Jordan and witness down with the brake, and when he came up he saw Johnson and told him that he had let them too quick down that morning. Johnson said nothing, but laughed. Between that time and the 11th ult. Johnson had several times let them down. The second cage was not worked on the 11th, because the men were going to draw "deads" from the bottom, and only one cage could work. Neither Jordan nor he had any quarrel with Johnson. Witness had told them of all the occasions he had complained. Lee was witness's master, but he did not make any complaint to him.

Mr Willis: You were let down a foot or two at a time occasionally in repairing the shaft, but were you ever brought up a foot or two?

Witness: No; we always finished as we went down.

Mr Willis: Have you seen other men occasionally riding in that shaft?

Witness: I have seen putters ride.

Mr Willis: Have you seen a notice that the men are not allowed to ride?

Witness: Yes, I have seen it.

Mr Willis: Was that put up because it was considered dangerous to ride?

Witness: I don't know that.

Examination continued by Mr Willis: Notwithstanding the notice witness considered that it is their capacity as shaftsmen they were at liberty to ride. On the morning of the 11th they had got about 5 stone of timber with them. After they got past the eight fathoms he found the cage running at great speed, and he made the remark to Jordan, We, were gone." He did not remember anything after that. He had been let down at other shafts with the brake when there was no steam up, he considered it safe at the other places.
By Mr Baty: About a week before Johnson let Jordan and he down to the thirty fathoms all right.
He had always before let them down with perfect safety.
Mr Cottenham Farmer, surgeon, Hexham, of the firm of Drs. Stainthorpe and Farmer, deposed that he attended Jordan after his accident. He saw him on the 11th, when he appeared to be suffering from shock. He had an extensive lacerated wound over the left elbow, exposing the bone. He had a fracture of the left patella, but not extending into the joint. These were the external injuries. His mind was clear; he complained of very little pain elsewhere. He examined him as well as he could. On the 12th he saw him and found him still suffering from shock, with a swelling of the left foot, due no doubt to the tightness of the bandage during the night; otherwise he was going on favourably. He saw him again on the 15th (Friday). They opened out the wound; everything looked favourable. He saw him again on Monday, the 18th inst., he was then in a state of collapse, and died the same day. He died most probably from inflammation setting in, and causing a clot of blood, which would reach the heart and bring on collapse or haemorrhage.
By Mr Baty: He might have had previous organic disease.
By the Coroner: He thought the injuries must have been the proximate cause of death.
Thomas Wilkinson, engineer of the mines deposed that he was about this No. 3 shaft when the accident occurred. Witness went into the engine house when the cage was being let down. Johnson was busy holding on to the brake. The engine was then out of gear. He worked the brake with his foot. Neither of them said anything. He did not know there were men in the cage. It was running amain *(sic)* when he went in; the drum was going quicker than usual. When it was stopped, he made the remark, "It was a bad job," meaning that he expected the rope would go down. He thought the brake had lost its power of action through the friction. He had not seen such a thing occur before that he was aware of. Johnson was holding with both his hands and feet to keep it down, that was to get a better purchase of it. He was endeavouring to do all he could to brake the cage. Johnson was under witness's orders, but he had never given him any directions as to the manner in which he had to let men down the shaft… It was left to his discretion. Witness would not consider it safe to let two persons down the shaft by brake power alone. That was an opinion he had formed before this accident occurred. He had never been let down by brake power only. He was not aware of men being let down by brake power. The brake would, without the engine, let down to the weight of about a ton. The cage and chains would weigh about 5 cwt., the two men say 14 stones each, so that all would be under a ton, and nothing wrong to brake. The brake was a very powerful and safe one. After the accident happened he noticed nothing wrong with the brake. He had never had a single complaint against Johnson. He had never seen men let down without the engine being in gear. He should have

found fault if he had seen it. If the men thought the brakesman was doing wrong they ought to have reported it. On Tuesday morning following the accident Johnson and witness examined the screw that ran through the drum, and found it was slightly unscrewed. Witness put that screw in to support it.
John Telford deposed that he was a putter, and was down the shaft when the accident happened. He was working at the foot of the shaft. He had ridden down with Nevin at half-past six o'clock. They stopped at the thirty fathoms, to let Nevin out, and he went down to the bottom level. The entire depth was about 42 fathoms. He could not tell how they were let down, but they went down very steadily. Jordan was at the shaft top and came down afterwards. The accident happened at about eleven o'clock. When about three or four fathoms from the bottom he heard the cage coming very hard. It beat on stone "deads" but as far as he could see the cage was not damaged. They got them out as soon as the rope came down. He had often ridden, although he knew there was a rule against riding. He had been let down by the brake alone, but he could not say when the last time was. On the occasions he had ridden, Johnson would be the brakesman, and he had gone down very steadily. He was told that riding was going to be stopped; he was stopped for a week or two. Mr Lee saw him ride after that, but never stopped him.
Robert Johnson, the brakeman, after having been cautioned by the Coroner that he need not say anything unless he chose to do so, was next examined. He said he had been a brakesman five years and a half, and was 22 years of age. He had charge of this engine for about nine months. He was attending his work on the morning of the 11th ult. when this accident happened. He had frequently been in the habit of letting persons ride when the engine had been out of gear. He had no orders or directions not to do so. He had never had any accident with this cage in this shaft before. He had let down two men before with brake power, but they had no timber with them that he knew of. He had his foot on the brake all the time in letting deceased and Nevin down. He never slipped his foot. He thought he had them under command for about 20 fathoms down. They were going to 30 fathoms. He drew them up a bit, as he found he was pressing too tight. To let them a bit further down he rather eased the brake, and then she went away. He had the treadle down on to the footboard. He noticed Wilkinson come in while he was busy holding it. He did not tell him that men were riding in the cage. He had never had any difficulty in stopping her before. He thought that the accident occurred by the lengthening shaft becoming unscrewed. Nevin asked him to let them down with the engine. He let them down by the brake because he saw no danger in it; he had let scores down that way. When he transferred to this shaft Thomas Potts explained the working of the brake to him, he had worked since then just as he was shown.
The Coroner, in addressing the jury, remarked that it would be unnecessary to go over the evidence they had taken. It was shown pretty conclusively that the death of Jordan had arisen from injuries caused by the manner in which he was let down the shaft on the morning of the 11th. The real point of issue was whether there had been any want of care and caution on the part of Johnson in letting him down. Any person who took upon himself an office requiring care and caution, and did not take the care and caution he ought, was responsible if any one was killed for manslaughter. It must, however, be shown that there had been carelessness and culpable neglect. Recklessness would make him responsible. If a person had been placed in a position in which he had to a

certain extent to exercise his own judgement as to the manner in which he performed his duties, and if he simply made an error of judgement, in believing it safe to let the men down in the way he had done, he was not responsible for such an error of judgment, if he was acting in a really careful manner. But if they thought Johnson had acted with gross negligence and a disregard of all consequences so as to make him culpably liable, then it was their duty, however unpleasant it might be, to return a verdict of manslaughter against him.
After a brief private consultation, the jury returned a verdict to the effect that Jordan had died from injuries accidentally received in Greyside mine on the 11th ult.
The 1841 census shows, at Allendale Town, Isabella Jordon (husband Joseph Jordon), grocer, aged 35, William Jordon (father Joseph) aged 15, Mary Jordon (father Joseph) aged 10, and John Jordon (father Thomas Fairlamb) aged 2 years.
In 1851 at Catton Toll Bar, Isabella Jordon, widow, aged 47, Toll Collector, born Warden, Northumberland, and son John aged 12.
The 1861 census shows Isabella & John still at the Toll Bar, Isabella a collector of tolls, & John a lead miner. Isabella died in 1863.
In 1871, at Clarks Cottages, Allerwash Village, John Jordan, lead miner, aged 34, born Allendale, wife Ann 26, children John 4, William 3, and Elizabeth 5 months (Elizabeth died in 1871)
James Jewel married Ann Jordon in 1879 at Hexham.
In 1881, at Swarthmoor, Ulverston, Lancashire, James Jewell, iron miner, aged 27, born Devon, his wife Annie aged 34, born Warden, Northumberland, children John 14, and William 13.
John Jordon, buried at Newbrough Church Yard, approximately 2 miles south east of Greyside mine.
A putter anyone who conveys the mineral from the face to the flat - or point where it is taken/hauled to the surface.
Shaftsman, responsible for the maintenance of shafts.

2nd March 1878 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD
APPLICATIONS FOR WORK

On Friday, the “bargains” were let at Nenthead for the working of the London Lead Company’s mines. Most of our readers will be familiar with the principle on which the system is carried on, viz., letting a certain portion of the mine to two men, at so much per “bing” or otherwise. We may state that there were about seventy more men applied for work than were able to obtain it. No doubt, most of them were from Allendale and the neighbouring dales, but this is another proof of the stagnation in trade.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate 16th ult. aged 4 days, Thomas Wilson, son of Mr Thomas Peart, lead miner.
In 1851, at Gate Head, John Peart, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Tamar (Stout, married 29th February 1816, Garrigill) aged 54, children George, lead miner, aged 34, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 30, Mary, milliner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, William 10, Thomas 6, and Joseph 5.
John Peart snr. died 4th quarter 1856.

In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, Tamar Peart, widow, house keeper, aged 65, children George, lead miner, aged 44, Tamar 37, John, lead mine agent, aged 30, grandsons William, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 14.
Tamar Peart died 2nd quarter 1861.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, George Peart lead miner, aged 54, nephews Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, and house keeper Mary Smith aged 25. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 36, wife Mary (Smith, married 4th quarter of 1871) aged 35, children John G. 9, Jacob 7, and Albert 1 year.
In 1891, at Gate Head, Garrigill, Thomas Peart, Engine driver, aged 46, wife Mary aged 45, children John G. lead miner, aged 19, Albert 11, Jane 9, Tom 5, and Joseph 3. In 1901, at Gate Head, Thomas Peart, farmer, aged 56, wife Mary 55, children Albert, farmers son, aged 21, Jane A. 19, Tom, farmers son, aged 15, and Joseph, farmers son, aged 13. In 1911, at Gate Head, Thomas Peart, farmer, aged 66, his wife Mary 65, Jane Ann, dairy work, aged 29, and Joseph, farmers son, aged 23.
Thomas Peart, died 4th quarter 1919, aged 75, his wife Mary also died 4th quarter 1919, aged 74.

2nd March 1878 (Alston Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead 19th ult., aged 10 months, John Anthony son of Mr Cowper Barron lead miner.
In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Barron lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 45, children Betsy 20, Hannah 18, Agnes 17, Robert 14, Mary Ann 12, Sarah 9, George 5, and Cowper 3.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Barron lead miner, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 65, children Betsy 40, George lead miner, 25, Cowper lead miner, 23, and grandchildren Henry lead ore washer 15, Elizabeth 13, and Margaret aged 2.
Cowper Barron married Isabella Brown in 1874, in Durham.
In 1881, at 93 Harvey Street, Byker, Cowper Barron aged 33, smelter in lead works, his wife Isabella aged 31, children Elizabeth 5, and Sarah 2, all born Alston.
In 1891 at 41 Belvedere Street, Byker, Cowper Barron, furnace stoker in lead works, aged 43, children Isabella 41, Elizabeth 15, Sarah R 12, and Robert C. 5 months.
See 22nd February 1873, 15th September 1877, 28th September 1878, and 19th June 1880.
At Blagill Hill Top, 26th ult., aged 39, John Hilton lead miner.
In 1851, at Blagill Hill Top, Thomas Hilton, landed proprietor, aged 51, his wife Ann 49, children Jonathan lead miner 23 (in 1881, Jonathan his wife Mary, and children George & Jonathan are living at 3 Vale Street, Elswick), children William lead miner 21, George lead miner 17, Thomas 14, John 12, Sarah 7, James 4, and Hannah 25.
John Hilton married Hannah Thompson, 27th May 1960, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Whigelty, Alston, John Hilton lead miner, aged 33, his wife Hannah 37, children Annie 15, Sarah 7 (died 2nd October 1876, at Alston).

In 1881, at 25 Caroline Street, Hedworth Monkton, Jarrow, George Christie, engine driver, aged 24, born Scotland, his wife Annie 25, mother in law Hannah Hilton, aged 48, and brother in law Henry Hilton, aged 6.
In 1891, at 44 Kent Street, Hedworth Monkton, Jarrow, George Christie, engine driver, aged 34, his wife Annie 35, children Henry 15, Sarah 8, Frances 5, Mary 2, mother in law, Hannah Hilton, living on her own means, aged 56.
See 15th September 1877

9th March 1878 (Alston Herald)

WORK AND WAGES AMONG THE MINERS OF NENTHEAD AND MIDDLETON.

As we intimated in a previous issue, the state of the mining trade in this district is like all other trades, not in the brightest position. This fact is further verified by the report that the men employed in the smelting mills at Nenthead and Middleton have received notice of a reduction in their wages. For some time past the London Lead Company have been having extra smelting facilities put in order at Nenthead. A new chimney has been built, and other requisite paraphernalia necessary for the proper smelting of lead are erected. This work was completed about a month ago, and through it several men employed as labourers about the mill, have been thrown out of work. We are now given to understand that about the commencement of this week the smelting hands at Nenthead and Middleton had notice given to them that their wages would be reduced. This no doubt, will take effect in a months time, as the men are paid monthly. ...

9th March 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A short time ago Mr Wm Walton, who is a native of Alston was presented with a testimonial subscribed by a few friends and the workmen employed at Medomsley colliery in the County of Durham, belonging to the Consett Iron Company, and at which he had for a great number of years been manager and overman. … The occasion of the presentation was the retirement of Mr Walton from the duties of Manager of the above colliery.
He had worked there for 30 – 40 years, on retirement he had moved to Whitley by the Sea. His family had previously resided in the Kings Arms Lane, Alston, a place they had left nearly 50 years ago.

Deaths

Allenheads, 4th inst, aged 17 months, Minnie, daughter of John and Elizabeth Ridley.
St Peter's Allendale, 4th inst. aged 68 years, John Heslop, upwards of 37 years teacher in St Peter's C.E. school.
In 1851, at Chapel House, St Peter's, Allendale, John Heslop, school master, aged 41, his wife Mary (Spark, married 3rd November 1836, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 40, Thomas 13, John 9, Joseph 7, and Mary A 2.
In 1861, at St Peter's School, Allendale, John Heslop, school master, aged 51, his wife Mary 51, children Thomas Green, school master, aged 23, John, jobbing labourer, aged 19, Joseph, jobbing labourer, aged 17, Mary Ann 12, and niece Margaret Sparke, landed proprietor, aged 23.

In 1871, at St Peter's, Allendale, John Heslop, school master, aged 61, wife Mary age 60, children Thomas G., school master, aged 33, John, iron stone miner, aged 29, and Mary Ann 22.
Mary Heslop died May 1872, registered at Hexham, aged 61.

St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

15th March 1878 (Newcastle Courant)
Green Hurth Lead Mine
Two new workings have recently been commenced at this mine. One is on a course of ore below the adit level which is yielding five tons of ore per fathom; and another is upon a newly discovered east and west vein, from the west of No. 1 north and south veins. Very little has yet been done upon this, but splendid lumps of lead ore (one of 14 lbs. or more in weight) are met with in soft and easy ground, and the vein extends for about a mile on its bearing in the company's sett, the whole of which is new and entirely unwrought ground.

16 March 1878 (Hexham Courant)

UPPER TEESDALE

DUBBY SYKE LEAD MINE

A new east and west vein has recently been cut at this mine; it is a large powerful vein and so well mixed with lead ore that the width of vein is taken to the bouse or team. It is very pleasing to find that some of the mines in this district are looking more cheerful after such a period of anxiety and depression, and especially that recent discoveries are in new and unwrought ground.

EMIGRATION FROM ALSTON TO QUEENSLAND

Several families from Alston and neighbourhood will we understand, start for Queensland on Monday next, others, not having been able to receive a passage in the same vessel, will follow next month.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, 9th inst. aged 60, Hannah Wallace, wife of Mr John Wallace, lead miner.

In 1841, at Cob End, Nenthead, Joseph Wallace, lead miner, aged 30, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 24, Adam Wallace, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 18, and Mary Wallace 10.

In 1861, at Overwater, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 44, wife Hannah 43, children Mary, house maid, aged 15, John 13, Ellenor 8, Joseph 6, and Susanna 4. In 1871, at Dykeheads, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 54, wife Hannah 53, children Mary, servant, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21, Ellen, servant, aged 16, Joseph, labourer, aged 15, and Susanna 12.

John Wallace was buried 12th March 1879, aged 62, at Nenthead.

23rd March 1878 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL MINE ACCIDENT. On Friday evening last (15th inst.), a very lamentable accident occurred at the Killhope lead mine, in Weardale. Thomas Harrison of Wearhead, lead miner, was at his work, and having just finished the charging of the shot, he inquired of his partner (*John Tindel*), who had gone back a short distance from the working, where he had put the "Match" when the shot immediately fired, striking the unfortunate miner about the face, and inflicting such injuries that he died about an hour after the accident. Deceased was a tall, fine young man, about 19 years of age and was much respected.

At Wearhead, in 1871, John Harrison lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 49, children Joseph lead miner, 24, Phebe A, 22, John lead ore dresser, 14, Thomas lead ore dresser, 12, George E. 9.

At St John's Chapel, 1871, William Tindale, head, unmarried, lead miner & farmer of 4 acres, aged 29; sister Frances aged 19, and brother John, lead miner aged 16 years.

30th March 1878 (Hexham Herald

Deaths

At Newcastle, Back Sandyford Place, 26th inst, aged 46, Mr Joseph Holmes late of Allendale Town, and for 30 years with Messrs Sopwith and Co. Cabinet makers.

In 1871, at Westgate, Newcastle, Joseph Holmes, cabinet maker, aged 39, his wife Jane A. 36 (born Morpeth), children William plumber, 15, James 12, Joseph 10, Christy 7, John 5, and Septimas 1.

6th April 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Beldy, Garrigill, aged 18, Peter second son of Mr Isaac Craig, miner.
William Craig married Thamer Graham, 12th September 1819, Alston.
William Craig of Middle Craig, Garrigill, was buried 14th July 1838, aged 44, at Garrigill.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Tamar Craig, widow, aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 15, Isaac, lead miner, aged 15, Jane 13, and Elizabeth 7. In 1851, at Red Brow, Tamar Craig, widow, aged 56, son Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, and daughter Jane 23.
In 1861, at Red Brow, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann (Moffatt, married 1st quarter of 1856) aged 29, sons William 3, and Peter 1.
In 1871, at Beldy, Garrigill, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 46, wife Ann aged 39, children William 13, Peter 11, and John Thomas 6. In 1881, at 23 Brougham Street, Penrith, Isaac Craig, retired miner, aged 56, wife Ann 49, sons William, drapers assistant, aged 23, John, mason, aged 16, boarder Thomas Cane Davidson, grocers assistant, aged 19, boarder William Goodfellow, drapers apprentice, aged 16, and domestic servant Tamer Milburn aged 17. Isaac Craig died at Penrith 3rd quarter 1886, aged 61.
In 1891, at Melomslow Rd, Didsbury, Lancs., William Craig, draper, aged 33, his wife Mary 37, sons William B 3, James E 1, mother Ann Craig, widow, aged 59, and domestic servant Emma Renshaw aged 48.

3rd April 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)
TO ENGINEERS, CONTRACTORS, COLLIERY OWNERS, MINING PROPRIETORS, AND OTHERS.
MR. WILLIAM RAW. honoured with instructions from the HEALEY FIELD LEAD MINING COMPANY to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE whole of their Valuable WORKING PLANT, on Wednesday, April 10th, comprising 74 tons of iron rails, from 16 to 24 lbs, per yard; 3,300 sleepers, 18 iron mine waggons, & iron tubs and trams, 7 wood do., 2 yard waggons, 3 bogie waggons, H. R. Marsden's patent 7-horse stone breaker, 15in. by 7in jaw, all complete, nearly new; 6-horse portable steam engine, 22ft saw bench, 4 saws and belt water wheel, 28ft diameter; 4ft 8in. breast 6ft fly wheel and shafts, crushing mill, fit with 3 pairs of rollers, complete; water wheel, 24ft diameter, 3ft 2in. breast, water boxes, chatt mill, complete water wheel, 12ft diameter, for German or Zenner Buddle, complete, in good order; water wheel, 8ft diameter, 13in. breast; 1 do., 6 feet diameter, 15in. breast; 1 do., 6ft diameter, 15in. breast; shafting for round buddle; washing tubs, slime pits and washing floors, double purchase winch, single do., wood dwelling house, stable, and store house, slated, in good condition; small wood house, 3 wood sheds over stone breaker, engine and saw mill, 500 yards of fence railing, 350 railing posts, cartwright's and other cut timber, 7 new sets of copper prickers and stemmers, 10 do., nearly new: office fixtures; 18 new shovels, 20 do. rakes, 350 pick shafts, 34 ladders, 29 barrows, 469 beech deals, Whimsey, 5ft 6in. drum, kibbles, 18 fathoms of zinc pipes, 164 do. air boxes, plate boring machine, 24 feet of boring rods, mining and smith's tools, anvils, vices, and bellows, brass taps and brass, rail plate and other nails, 76 metal pipes, steel drills and a quantity of chains, 20 cwts. of new iron, various sizes; 10½ cwts. of sheet iron, 19 cwts. of bolts and

bars, 34 cwts. of metal castings, &c., &c., &c. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock precisely.
N.B.—Healey Field is one mile from Bowley Station on the Stockton and Darlington Branch of the North-Eastern Railway, and 3 miles from the Benfieldside Station on the Consett branch of the North- Eastern Railway.
Catalogues can now be had on application to the Auctioneer.
Sale Office. Blackhill, County of Durham.

12th April 1878 (Newcastle Courant)
NORTHUMBERLAND QUARTER SESSIONS.
The Easter Quarter Sessions for the county of Northumberland commenced on Wednesday, at the Court House, Morpeth.

RATING APPEAL

Mr Greenhow and Mr Hamilton were for the appellant; Mr Wentworth Blackett Beaumont, M.P., and Mr Stevenson, for the respondents, the Churchwardens and Overseers of the parish of Allendale, in the Hexham Union.
Mr Greenhow, in opening the case, said it was an appeal against a poor rate made on the 16th of December last, rating the Allen Smelt Mill, a mill belonging Mr Beaumont in connection with his lead mines, near Allendale, at £1,056 gross, and £845 rateable value. The smelting mill was a very old one, and he believed it had been built a great number of years, and before 1863 it was always rated at £320 rateable value, in 1863 the valuation was increased by the overseers and appealed against, and on appeal it was fixed by the Sessions at £600 gross and £480 rateable value, that was to say, 20 per cent. taken off the gross valuation to ascertain the rateable value. Then that was afterwards raised to £510 rateable value, the increase being in consequence of 15 per cent. being deducted from the gross value instead of 20 per cent; and from 1863 until last December it stood at £600 gross and £510 rateable value. The Assessment Committee raised Mr Beaumont to £1,056 gross and £877 rateable value, that being 15 per cent. for repairs, that being objected to the only relief they got was 20 per cent. for repairs, instead of 15 per cent., which left them rated at £845 rateable value. That was a very large increase upon what they previously stood at from 1863 until the end of 1877, and he would show that instead of there being a reason for increasing the valuation of that smelting mill there were a number of reasons for decreasing it. The mill was a very old one indeed, and the repairs had become most onerous and heavy; and Instead of it being a comparatively new building now, it had become a very old one. The repairs had become a very serious matter, and had very much decreased the value of the mill. In addition, the mill was on a very old plan of construction. and there was a great deal of unnecessary extent is the buildings and in the plant. There were five miles of flue, which constituted a very expensive part of the apparatus to keep up, and the whole of that was now entirely disused. Moreover, for about eight weeks in every year the mills had to be knocked off work while the repairs to the flue were going on. All these things must be taken into consideration when anyone was coming to a decision as to what a hypothetical tenant would give now as the rental of a mill of that kind. The mill had deteriorated in value instead of being increased. The mill was situated near Mr Beaumont's mine at Allendale or Allenheads, and that mine had become very much into disuse, and most of the ore was got from Weardale. There was, therefore, no object for having a smelting mill at that place which there was formerly. The price of lead had

diminished £3 or £4 a ton than could formerly be got, and on the other hand the price of fuel had very much increased, which made the smelting business a much less profitable concern than it formerly was. It was perfectly absurd that, having stood all those years at £510, and reasons for diminishing instead of increasing the valuation having occurred in recent years, they should now be rated at the large rent of £845. He would call witnesses. who would prove that the rateable value of that mill, was something under £500 at the outside. Mr Johnson, manager of Mr Beaumont's smelting mill was called, and stated that the rateable value of the mill was £453; and Mr Dinning owner of a similar mill at Langley; Mr Bewick, engineer, and Mr Hedley, mining valuer, also gave evidence, and all estimated the rateable value at the outside below £500. For the respondents, Mr Dodd, who made the valuation for the Union, gave evidence and stated the calculation by which he arrived at his valuation. He estimated the rateable value of the mill, after deducting 15 per cent, for repairs, which would be considered sufficient, at £898, or after allowing 20 per cent off for repairs, at £845. Mr Joseph Scott, valuer, said he estimated the rateable value of Mr Beaumont's smelting mill at £953 8s. 0d., and Mr Dawson, who made his valuation in company with Mr Scott, gave a similar assessment.
The counsel on both sides having addressed the Bench, the Chairman said the Bench considered that the improvements at the mill and other circumstances had not improved the rateable value, and therefore they decided to sustain the appeal with costs, and put back the figures at which the mill was formerly rated, namely £510.

20th April 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 4th inst. aged 1 year, Mary Jane daughter of Mr John Lee miner.
At Nenthead, 9th inst. aged 54, John Bright, stone mason.
In 1871, at Nenthead, John Bright, lead miner, aged 47, wife Hannah (Indian, married 14th June 1851, at Nenthead) aged 43, children Robert 17, Isabella 9, John 7, and Thomas W. 4.
In 1881, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Hannah Bright, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Robert, stone mason, aged 27, Isabella 19, and John, joiners apprentice, aged 17.
In 1891, at Holm Foots, Hannah Bright, widow, aged 63, children John, mason, aged 2, Mary 48, Frances, dressmaker, aged 46, Esther 36, Joseph, lead & zinc mine labourer, aged 41, Nicholas, lead & zinc mine labourer, aged 39, and mother Ann Robinson, widow, aged 72.

27th April 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst., George Kindred of Bailes House to Margaret Walton, Town Hall, Alston.
In 1871, at Bailes House, Thomas Kindred, farmer of 170 acres, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 53, mother in law Elizabeth Green, lead smelters widow, aged 86, children John, farmers son, aged 8, Thomas, farmers son, aged 20, Sarah Ann, farmers daughter, aged 17, George 13, and Mary 11.
In 1881, at Grange Road, Jarrow, George Kindred, draper, aged 24, his wife Margret 27, sons Joseph A. 2, Thomas W. 2 months, and domestic servant Jane Irving aged 15.

Deaths

At Alston, 19th inst. aged 13 days, Ruth Mary, daughter of John Kearton, quarryman.

In 1861, at Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, Ruth Kearton, lead miners widow, aged 46, children John, Ag. labourer, aged 12, Elizabeth 8, James 4, and grandson Walton Kearton 8 months.

In 1871, at Quarry Cottages, Warden, Thomas Martin, quarryman aged 28, his wife Betsy 27, daughter Annie aged 1, and lodger John Kearton aged 22.

In 1881, at 8 Front Street West, Alston, John Kearton, limestone quarryman, aged 32, his wife Jane 29 Thomas 2, and Mary Phillis 7 months. In 1891, at Middle Park, Alston, John Kirton, general labourer, aged 41, his wife Jane 38, children Thomas 12, Mary 10, Ruth 8m Violet 6, Lizzie 4, Arthur 2, and Alice 11 months. In 1900, at Kings Arms Lane, John Kearton, limestone quarryman, aged 52, his wife Jane 47, Tom, limestone quarryman, aged 22, Mary 20, Violet 17, Lizzie 15, Arthur 12, Alice 10, and Ethel 8. In 1911, at Masonic Buildings, Alston, John Kearton, limestone quarryman, aged 64, his wife Jane 60, children Mary, hosiery worker, aged 29, Arthur, limestone quarryman, aged 22, Ethel, dressmaker, aged 18, grandson Harry Kearton 6, son in law Ralph Mowbray, coal miner, aged 23, married daughter Violet Mowbray 25, and grandson John Wilson Mowbray 1 month.

John Kirton died 4th quarter 1914, aged about 67.

See 8th May 1875, 6th May 1876

At Whitehall, 17th inst., aged 14 weeks, William son of Mary Barron.

In 1861, at White Hall, William Barron, aged 47, lead miner, his wife Mary (Hayton, married 18th April 1850, at Nenthead), aged 41, daughter, Mary aged 5. (William Barron died 1869, West Ward, Westmorland?)

In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Mary Barron, widow, lodging house keeper, aged 51, her sister Ann Hayton, unmarried, domestic servant, 62, daughter Mary Hayton, dressmaker apprentice, 15, John Ruderford, nurse child, 2, visitor Sarah Bright, servant unemployed, 42, visitor, William Anderson, hawker, 70.

In 1881, at Whitehall, Mary Barron, widow, housekeeper aged 61, granddaughter, Mary Ann Barron, aged 5., Boarder, George Hutchinson, aged 38, unmarried, unfit for any work, James Foglary, lodger, aged 40, hawker & his wife Sarah aged 29.

At Coalcleugh Road, John Elliott, lead miner aged 27, his wife Mary aged 25, and daughter Jane aged 1 year.

In1891, at Wellgill, John Elliott, labourer, aged 37, his wife Mary dressmaker, aged 35, children Jane 11, John Hayton 4, and mother in law Mary Barron 71.

At the Workhouse, 20th inst., aged 46, Jane Hopes, daughter of Robert Hopes, lead miner, deceased.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Hoops, lead miner, aged 42, wife Ann 33, children Jane 6, Robert 4, and John 1.

Robert Hopes died 1st quarter of 1855.

In 1861, at Butts, Nancy Hopes, widow, general labourer, aged 43, children Jane, worsted spinner, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 14, John 12, and Mary A. 2.

In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Ann Hopes, formerly charwoman, aged 65, children Robert, masons labourer, aged 24, John, stone mason, aged 22, Jane, woollen mill girl, aged 27, and Mary A. 13.

At Pryhouse, Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 6, George William, son of Thomas Graham, lead ore smelter.
In 1871, at Pry House, Thomas Graham ore smelter, aged 31, and his wife Hannah (Hetherington, married 17th November 1870, at Penrith) aged 22.
In 1881, at Roughside, Nenthead, Thomas Graham, lead ore smelter & farmer of 130 acres, 41, his wife Hannah 32, children Dorothy Ann 6, Thomas 4, and Robert. Wm. 2.
In 1891, at Roughside, Nenthead, Thomas Graham, retired lead ore smelter & farmer, aged 51, his wife Hannah 42, children Dorothy A 16, Thomas lead ore washer 13, Robert W 12, George 9, Eliza 7, and Sarah 3.
Thomas Graham was buried at Nenthead 26th March 1893, aged 52.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Hannah Graham, widow, aged 52, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Robert W, lead miner, aged 22, George, lead miner, aged 19, daughters Elizabeth 17, and Sarah 13.
In 1911, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Hannah Graham, widow, aged 63, children Thomas, lead & zinc miner, aged 34, George, lead & zinc miner, aged 29, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 23, and granddaughter Margery Graham, 4 months.
See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 28th March 1846, 22nd November 1870, 23rd September 1871, 13th July 1872, 11th December 1875, & 22nd April 1882.

27th April 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITATION AUTHORITY

The Inspector reported a fatal case of Typhoid fever at Beldry, near Garrigill. Every precaution had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease. No fault was to be found with the sanitary arrangements. The Medical Officer had visited the place and did not attribute the death to defective sanitary conditions.

4th May 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Garrigill Church, 2nd inst., Mr Peter Potts, miner, Garrigill, to Leah, 2nd daughter of the late Wallace Millican, Hill Houses, Tynehead.
Matthew Potts married Dorothy Moffat, 31st January 1850, at Alston.
Matthew Potts, lead miner, died 2nd quarter 1860, aged about 30.
In 1871, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, Dorothy Potts, lead miners widow, aged 41 Thomas, stone waller, aged 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 18, Peter, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary A 13, Jane E 6, James 6, Elizabeth 2.
In 1881, at King St, Escomb, Peter Potts, iron worker, aged 25, born Haltwhistle, his wife Leah, aged 23, daughters Elizabeth 2, and Ada Jane 4 months. In 1891, at Hill House, Garrigill, Peter Potts, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Leah 33, children Elizabeth A 12, Ada J 10, Thomas W 8, Margaret 2, and Matthew 2 months. In 1901, at Melkridge, Haltwhistle, Peter Potts, coal miner, aged 43, his wife Leah 42, children Thomas W, coal miner, aged 18, Margaret 12, Eliza M 6, Matthew 10, and Dorothy 1 week. In 1911, at Lorne St, Haltwhistle, Peter Potts, coal miner, stonework, aged 55, his wife Leah 53, children Mathew, coal miner, stonework, aged 20, Eliza Mary 16, Dorothy 10.
Peter Potts died 1st quarter 1923, aged about 66, Leah his wife died 1st quarter 1929, aged about 71.

At Garrigill Church, Mr John Armstrong, miner, to Mrs Jane Bramwell, both of Garrigill.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, James Moffatt, unmarried, stone mason, aged 26, brother Peter, widow, stone mason, aged 29, nephew Joe Moffatt 5 months, sister Jane Bramwell, widow, aged 26, and nephew John J. Bramwell aged 5. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Armstrong, farmer of 9 acres, aged 42, his wife Jane 36, daughter Sarah A. Armstrong 7, boarder Joe Moffatt 9, and visitor Elizabeth Potts 12.
See 7th June 1890

18th May 1878 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Wesleyan Chapel, Peter Pickering, Low Farnberry to Elizabeth Armstrong, Low Farnberry.
In 1871, at Haltonlea Gate, Hartley Burn, Northumberland, John Armstrong, coal miner, aged 59, his wife Ellen 53, son Joseph, coal miner, aged 31, daughter Elizabeth 28, grandson Mathew Armstrong 10, grandson Thomas William Armstrong 4, grandson Alfred Pickring Armstrong 8 months, and lodger Peter Picking, coal miner, aged 27.
In 1881, at Ropery Cottages, Peter Pickering, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 38, children Elizabeth A. 8, Margaret 5, and Ralph 2. In 1891, at Allendale Cottages, Medomsley, Peter Pickering, coal miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 49, children Elizabeth A 18, Margaret, dressmakers apprentice, aged 15, and Ralph 12. In 1901, Peter Pickering, married, aged 58, was visiting John Cousin & family, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, his wife Elizabeth aged 59, son Ralph, coal miner, aged 22 and grandson Ralph Curry aged 4, were living at John Street, Stanley.
Peter Pickering died 1st quarter 1911, aged 68.
In 1911, at John St. Cooperative Villas, Beamish, Ralph Pickering, married, coal miner, aged 32, his mother Elizabeth Pickering, widow, aged 68, and nephew, Ralph Curry, coal screener, above ground, aged 14.
See 6th August 1881
Nenthead church, 9th inst. William Walton, Cocklake, to Ruth Watson, Nentsbury.
In 1881, at Cocklake, William Walton, farmer of 194 acres, aged 39, his wife Ruth 29, and boarder Thomas Watson, unmarried, formerly husbandman, aged 63.
In 1891, at East Cocklake, William Walton, farmer, aged 49, his wife Ruth 40, and son Thomas W 7. William Walton died 2nd quarter 1920, aged 78.
Deaths
Alston, the Workhouse 10th inst. aged 68, Hannah Barron, Widow of Smith Barron.
See 27th December 1873.

25th May 1878 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENDALE
DEATH OF A NATIVE OF ALLENDALE IN THE UNITED STATES.
We give below an account of the death of Mr Jacob Nattras, a native of Allendale, as it appears in “Our Messenger” a paper published at Mineral Point, Wisconsin:- Jacob Nattras was born in Allendale, Northumberland, England,

on the 2nd July 1802, and died at Gratiot, La Fayette County, Wisconsin, on the 13th September. He was converted, at the age of 42, during a great revival among the Primitive Methodist's in the North of England. In the year 1849, he emigrated to the United States with his wife and children, and others from the same community. He settled at Vinager Hill, and after a years residence he moved to Shullsberg, where he remained almost nine years. The remainder of his life he spent in the town of Gratiot. "
"The day before he died, with Bro. Matthews his nephew, I called to see him. We found him very week in body but his soul was filled with delight." ... He was interred in a cemetery about a mile North of Appel River.
Jacob (son of Thomas Nattrass & Ann Goodfellow) and his family travelled on the "Guy Mannering" leaving Liverpool on the 22nd May 1849, along with 50 others from the Allendale community. They arrived at New York 28th June 1849. See Appendices for further information.
The 1841 census gives at Elpha Green, Allendale, Jacob Nattrass, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret (Nicholson, married 16th May 1839, St Peters Allendale) 25, children Thomas 3, and Hannah 1. The passenger list of the "Guy Mannering" gives the following members of The Nattrass family Jacob 45, Margaret 35, Thomas 25, Thomas 11, Hannah 9, John 6, Ann 3, and Jacob 9 months.

25th May 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 17th inst., aged 48, Hannah Dickinson, daughter of the late Thomas Dickinson, lead miner.
In 1841, Hannah Dickinson, widow, aged 48, son Robert, lead miner, aged 21, and daughter Hannah aged 10. Thomas Dickinson married Hannah Heslop 4th July 1812. In 1871 at the Butts, Alston Hannah Dickinson, widow, formerly dressmaker aged 78, and her daughter Hannah aged 39, innkeeper.
At Hudgill, 17th inst., aged 34, Robert Hymers, lead miner.
See 28th September 1878, and 12th March 1892

29th May 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)
DEATHS.
At Bryanston Square, London, on the 20th instant, aged 84. Octavius Wigram, Esq, formerly deputy governor and subsequently governor of the Lead Company. It seldom falls to the lot of provincial newspaper to record the death of a non-resident who, in his generation, has rendered more efficient aid in the promotion of the educational, religious, and material internals of the in habitants of the lead mining dales in the North of England. For about 40 yean Mr Wigram formed one of the annual deputations from the Company's Court in London, when he was invariably found devoted to the best interests not only of the shareholders, but of the numerous body of people connected with their established works, among whom his memory will long be cherished with grateful esteem.

1st June 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 25th ult. aged 16, Margaret Ann Peart, daughter of Mary Peart, deceased.

In 1871, Margaret Ann, aged 9 was living at Back Street Alston with her unmarried Aunt Ann Peart aged 35 a dressmaker.
At Whitehall, Nenthead, Mary Ann Pattinson aged 15 years, daughter of Matthew Pattinson, lead miner, deceased.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Pattinson, stonemason, aged 48, his wife Jane (Rodham, married 20th October 1827, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 42, children Mary 23, John stonemason 22, Catherine Pattinson 20, William Pattinson, stonemason 17, George lead ore washer 16, Matthew lead ore washer 14, Thomas 11, Eleanor 9, Wigam 7, Jonathan 4, and Joseph aged 2.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, John Pattinson, widower, stone mason, aged 56, children, Mary, house keeper, aged 33, George, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas lead miner, aged 21, Ellen, house servant, aged 19, Wigham, lead ore washer, aged 17, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph 12, and Susannah 5.
John Pattinson of White Hall was buried at Nenthead 7th December 1869, aged 65, at Nenthead. See 17th December 1869.
Matthew Pattinson married Sarah Thompson in 1861 (daughter of John, lead ore miner, & Jane Thompson of White Hall, Nenthead, born about 1839), Matthew died 27th September 1867, buried at Nenthead, 30th October 1867, aged 30 and Sarah, was buried at Nenthead1st April 1871, aged 32.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Jonathan Pattinson, lead miner, aged 24, sister, Mary Pattinson, house keeper, aged 43, brother Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, 22, Susannah Pattinson, sister, 15, Jane Pattinson niece 9, Mary Ann Pattinson niece 8, John Pattinson nephew 6, Mary Ann Pattinson visitor, married, coal miners wife, 24, Hannah Elliott visitor, married, coal miners wife, 33, Mary Ann Elliott, visitor, coal miners daughter, 9 months, Elizabeth Goodfellow visitor, married, coal miners wife, 44, and John Thompson, lodger, unmarried, lead miner, aged 26.
See 5th November 1867, 12th January 1878, and 22nd June 1889

8th June 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

The Clerk said it would be well that the committee should consider what steps were to be taken with reference to the schools from which the London Lead Company had given notice of the withdrawal of their grants. The Chairman: There is no thought of having a School Board, is there? - Several Guardians replied in the negative, and thought a School Board was not required, as they apprehended little difficulty in supporting the schools voluntarily. - The Chairman: Then I suppose the schools will just have to take the course of the other schools. Mr J G Millican inquired if the schools could not be made self-supporting? Mr J J Millican thought Nenthead might, but he did not see how others, such as Tynehead could, as the population was so small, and the income from the schools could not easily be increased. The Lead Company grant to Nenthead last year was £176 16s. He thought, however, if the present schools could be got at a nominal rent, as he had a strong belief they could, they might still be made to pay without aid from the rates. Mr Bainbridge, with whom he had lately had some conversation, had recommended that the

committee should apply to the Lead Company's Court and endeavour to acquire the schools on as easy terms the schools might be had.
Not withstanding what was raised at the Schools Attendance Committee on Saturday, there appears to be a wide spread impression in the district that a School Board will be found necessary. Not only will the liberal grants of the London Lead Company towards education be sadly missed, but it is understood that our other principle landowners and mine proprietors contemplate withdrawing their grants. The contributions by the Lord's of the Admiralty, by Colonel Byng, and by Rodderup Fell Mining Company to Nent Hall, Tynehead, and Leadgate schools, respectively, may we understand, shortly be discontinued, and he will be a sanguine person who expects that all these schools can be considered without extraneous support.

Allendale

We understand the employees of W. B. Beaumont Esq. MP, at Allen Smelt Mill, have received notice of a reduction in their wages to the extent of twenty percent

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th ult. Mr Thomas Renwick, High Galligill, to Miss Jane Whitfield, The Brewery Alston.

Deaths

At Ashgill 24th ult. aged 39, Sarah wife of Adam Archer.
See 7th December 1860, 1st July 1871 & 17th April 1886

8th June 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Beldy, Garrigill, 4th inst., aged 41, Wm. Lancaster, lead miner.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, Matthew Robson, lead miner, aged 50, born Haltwhistle, his wife Hannah (Pickering, married 29th April 1837, Alston) aged 47, born Alston, , children Mary 22, William 12,, Tamar 10, Ralph 7, and Alfred 3. In 1871, at Low Farnberry, Matthew Robson, labourer, aged 60, his wife Hannah 57, children William, carter, aged 23, Margaret 30, Ralph, lead miner, aged 17, Alfred 13, and granddaughter Nora Robson 2.
Matthew Robson died 2nd quarter 1877, aged 66.
In 1881, at Low Farnberry, Hannah Robson, widow, laundress, aged 67, children Margaret, domestic servant, aged 40, William, cartman, aged 33, Ralph, general labourer, aged 27, Alfred, general labourer, aged 23, and granddaughter Jane E. N. Robson 12.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Lancaster, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane (Murrah, married 20th November 1822, Alston) aged 35, children Sarah 15, Joseph 13, Jane 10, Ann 7, William 4, and Thomas 2.
Jane Lancaster was buried 27th August 1849, aged 46, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Gate, Joseph Lancaster, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children Sarah 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Ann 16, William 14, Thomas 11, Isaac 9, Mary 4. In 1861, at Garrigill, Joseph Lancaster, widow, stone mason, aged 61, children Ann, house maid, aged 25, William, stone mason, aged 22, and Isaac, stone mason, aged 18. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Lancaster, widow, stonemason, aged 72, and son Isaac, lead mine labourer, aged 27.
Joseph Lancaster buried, 16th March 1875, aged 76. See 29th November 1861
In 1871, at Low Farnberry, William Lancaster, Stonemason, aged 34, his wife Mary (Robson, married 1st quarter 1865) aged 32, and children Jane A. 4, and

Alfred W. aged 1 year (Alfred William died in 1871). In 1881, at Low Farnberry, Mary Lancaster, Widow, aged 41, children, Jane A. 14, and Hannah M. aged 7. In 1891, at Low Farnberry, Ralph Robson, single, coal miner, aged 36, and sister Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 52. In 1901, at Town Foot, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 62, and daughter Hannah M, dressmaker, aged 27. In 1911, at Town Foot, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 72, and daughter Hannah Mary, dressmaker, aged 37. See 9th December 1882, 7th February 1891, 4th March 1893, and 12th October 1895.

12th June 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON IN-TEESDALE

The Lead Company's School in Teesdale.

—We understand that the Lead Company, after fully discussing the question, have decided to withdraw the support which the various schools in Teesdale have hitherto received from this company. The company has done a great deal for education in the dale, chiefly, of course, for the benefit of the children of their own workmen. The present educational arrangement was established in 1818. But now as they say, that education has become a Government affair, they consider it no longer incumbent upon them to retain the responsibility of providing it. The Company's schools at Middleton and Nenthead therefore will have to be placed on a footing similar to that of other public elementary schools, and become self supported, whilst the subscriptions to the schools at Eggleston, Newbiggin. Forest, Harwood, Holwick, Lunedale, Mickleton, Romaldkirk and Cotherston will be discontinued.

The Death of Octavius Wigram, Esq., of London, haring recently been made known to the people of this dale, it is only right and just to convey the sentiments of the public in upper Teesdale, in the lead mining district, of the high esteem in which Mr Wigram was held by them, from his annual visits to this place over a period of forty years as a deputation from the London Lead Company, and subsequently governor of the same. He had formed a large circle of acquaintances, not deposing even to make his visits to the cottages of his humblest workmen. His name was known to every household, as was also his venerable appearance. He was ahead of the time in which he lived in the furtherance of education, so that when the new code of laws was passed in the Elementary Education Act of 1876, no improvements were required in the Lead Company's Schools, neither in the school accommodation nor in the efficiency of the teachers. Institutions which were calculated to elevate the moral and intellectual standard of the people at all times received his consideration and support. As to steering the affairs of the large and extensive works of the Lead Company, it is remarkable how they have been preserved from those vacillating impulses which characterize other companies. It is only necessary to add that the life and doings of Mr Wigram will ever be looked back upon with pleasing reflections by these who knew him.

15th June 1878 (Alston Herald)

Deaths

At Hill House, Alston, 11th inst., Robert Stagg aged 69 years.

In 1861, at Portland Square Plymouth, Robert Stagg (son of Joseph & Ruth Stagg) aged 52, landed proprietor, his wife Charlotte, aged 55, and son Robert aged 13, born, Ottery, St Mary's, Devonshire.

In 1871, at Hill House, Robert Stagg, widow, farmer & landowner aged 62, born Alston, and his son, Robert aged 28, unmarried. See 26th June 1875
At Nenthall, 8th inst., George son of John Hornsby, lead miner, aged 1 year.
In 1861, at High Lovelady Shield, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Phoebe 42, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 13, John 11, Isaac 9, Emerson Cain 6, Jonathan 4, and Joseph 1.
In 1871, at High Lovelady Shield, Nenthead, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Pheby 50, children Mathew lead miner 23, John lead miner 21, Isaac blacksmith 17, Emerson stonemason 16, Jonathan 14, Joseph 11, and Thomas 9.
In 1881, at Nenthall, John Hornsby, publican and farmer of 24 acres, aged 30, his wife Jane (Winder, married 1875, registered Penrith Jane born Ousby, Penrith) aged 25, children Phoebe 5, and Benj. Foster 2. In 1891, at the Pack Horse Inn, Kirkby Stephen, John Hornsby, publican, aged 40, his wife Jane 33, children Phoebe 15, Benjamin Foster 13, Mary 9, Elizabeth Jane 7, and Ellen Ann 4. In 1901, at Grey Stoke, Penrith, John Hornsby, ordinary labourer, aged 50, his wife Jane aged 44, daughters Ellen Ann 14, and Jessie 7. In 1911, at Greystoke, John Hornsby, limestone quarryman, aged 60, his wife Jane 55, daughter Jessie 17, and visitor Mary Finch, married, aged 42.
John Hornsby died 2nd quarter 1934, aged 84.
See 1st April 1882

15th June 1878 (Alston Herald)
Renewed licenses to store mixed explosives were granted to Mr Joseph Walton, The Raise, on premises at Rodderup Fell, Blagill and Calvert mines, and to Mr Walton Holmes of Wellgill mine.
See 5th June 1886, 22nd April 1893, & 24th November 1917

22nd June 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, Mr William Shield of Garrigill to Isabella Hutchinson, Garrigill.
In 1841, at Beldy Mill, James Hutchenson, miller, aged 50, his wife Isabella (Coats, married 28th November 1811, Allendale) aged 55, sons William, cartman, aged 20, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15. In 1851, at Beldy Mill, James Hutchinson, miller, aged 61, born Allendale, his wife Isabella 68, wife's sister Elizabeth Coats, annuitant, aged 75, and granddaughter Mary Keenleyside 11.
In 1861, at Spittal, Allendale, John Kenleyside, lead ore smelter, aged 52, his wife Mary(Hutchinson, married 24th September 1836, Allendale) aged 48, children William, stonemason, aged 18, James, stonemason, aged 15, Ann 12, Elizabeth 10, Sarah 9, Jane 7, father in law James Hutchinson, widow, aged 71, and mother Mary Keenleyside, widow, aged 88.
James Hutchinson probably died 4th quarter 1865.
In 1851, at Lane Head, William Hutchinson, carrier & bookseller, aged 31, born Allendale, his wife Sarah, (Hall, married 24th October 1844, St John, Garrigill) aged 31, children James 4, Thomas 3, and Elizabeth 2 months.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, William Hutchinson, farmer & Carter, aged 41, his wife Sarah aged 41, children James 13, Thomas 11, Elizabeth 10, Isabella 7, aunt Elizabeth Coats, unmarried, aged 85, and visitor Hannah Millican 10.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, William Hutchinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 51, born Allendale, his wife Sarah aged 51, born Alston, children Thomas, butcher, aged 21, Elizabeth, milliner, aged 20, Isabella, house maid, aged 17, and visitor Joseph Hall, cattle dealer, aged 34.
in 1861, at Snappergill, Garrigill, Robert Shield, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Ann (Herdman, married 20th January 1848, St John, Garrigill) aged 33, children William 12, Joe 10, Elizabeth 8, Thomas 6, Friend 4, Robert W 2, Anne 2 months, and house servant Sarah Smith 17.
Robert Shield died 8th February 1866, aged 44.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Ann Shield, widow, formerly farmer, aged 43, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Friend 14, Annie 8, and Robert W 6.
In 1881, at Woodbine St., Sunderland, William Shield, dairyman, aged 32, his wife Isabella 27, and son Robert 2. In 1891, at Villette Rd, Sunderland, William Shield, grocer, aged 43, his wife Isabella 37, children William James 9, Thomas O. 7, Joe 5, and Hilda 2.
In 1901, at Whitehall Farm, Whitburn, William Shield, farmer, aged 52, his wife Isabella 46, sons Robert, farmers son, aged 22, James, joiner, aged 19, Oswald, farmers son, aged 17, Herbert, joiner, aged 15, and domestic servant Margaret Burnet 18.
In 1911, at Whitehouse, Whitburn, William Shield, farmer, aged 62, his wife Isabella 57, sons William James, farmers son, aged 29, Joe Herbert, farmers son, aged 25, and domestic servant Lily Graham 17.
William Shield died 1st quarter 1915, aged 66
See 18th January 1879.

Deaths

At Alston, 17th inst. aged 72, Nancy Whitfield, widow of Ralph Whitfield, lead miner.

In 1841, at Raise, Alston, Ralph Whitfield (son of John Whitfield), lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann (Dickinson, married 13th July 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston) 38, children Mary 17, John 15, Robert 13, George 10, Sarah 8, Teasdale 5, and Thomas 1.
Ralph Whitfield died 11th December 1842, aged 49.
In 1851, at Raise Ann Whitfield, widow 46, children Mary Whitfield 27, children John brewery labourer 25, Robert labourer 23, George lead miner 21, Teasdale shoemakers apprentice 17, Thomas 13, and Ann 9.
In 1861 at Edmund lane, Alston, Ann Whitfield, lead miners widow, aged 55 Mary 36, John cartman 34, George lead miner 30, Teasdale lead miner 26, Thomas joiner 22, Ann 18, and grandson Ralph Whitfield 6 years.
In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Ann Whitfield, formerly domestic servant, aged 66, children, Mary 46, John, lead miner, aged 44, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 30, and grandson Ralph, lead miner, aged 16.
See 24th December 1842, 14th October 1882, and 23rd March 1895.

22nd June 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
LOW WANWOOD MINE

This mine is being worked by the Alston Lime Company in conjunction with other gentlemen, we are glad to hear now gives every promise of being remunerative.

The vein which has just been cut promises a most abundant yield. Several pieces of ore, nine pounds and upwards have been extracted.

ALSTON
RURAL SANITATION AUTHORITY

(Referring to the London Lead Company withdrawing their subscription to the Company's schools the deputy Clerk said) As directed by the school attendance committee, he had written to the Lead Company's Court on the 3rd June, expressing the regret of the committee and the inhabitants of the district that they should have discontinued their support, stating the wish of the ratepayers to avoid the necessity for a School Board, and soliciting the use of their School House at a moderate rent. On the following day he received a letter acknowledging the receipt of his own. … He afterwards received intimation that the Court had decided to offer their school buildings for public sale.

There is no mention of this letter in the Court minutes but an earlier reference dated 23 April 1878 states:

Instructions left with Mr. Bainbridge by the deputation are confirmed and he is to carry them out without loss of time. (Notice for the schools to be discontinued, stop all school payments. This note pencilled in the margin of the minute book.)

29th June 1878 (Hexham Herald)

DUBBY SYKE MINE (DURHAM)

We had recently the pleasure of announcing the discovery, at this mine of a large promising looking vein well mixed with lead ore, and the matrix being chiefly Carbonate of Barytes. It is about 2 months since this discovery was made, and as it was cut in a rise from the adit level, about 100 feet from the surface, it was found impracticable to work the seam unless some means of ventilation were at once applied. The directors determined upon the most effectual means to communicate with the surface. For this purpose, a Fan Blast was procured and a rise through the vein proceeded with, and a shaft also commenced to be sunk from the surface to meet the seam. A communication was made between the two was made a few days ago and now the proper working of the seam will begin. ...

The veins of this property were formally worked at one fifth and one sixth dues or royalty; the dues are now one tenth. The mine has already a good cast road to the station, at Middleton Teesdale; and during the present summer, it will have the same to the station at Alston in Cumberland. ...

From the Mining Journal.

Deaths

Leadgate, Allendale Town, 14th inst aged 79, Mary relict of the late Thomas Martin.

In 1851, at Haggburn Gate, Thomas Martin, farmer of 90 acres & carrier, aged 53, his wife Mary 52, daughters Hannah, dressmaker, aged 26, Sarah 24, Isabella 14, and servant Robert Hogg, carter, aged 20.

In 1861, at High Wooley, George Hudspith, farmer of 32 acres & iron miner, aged 27, his wife Sarah 35, daughter Margaret J 1, father in law Thomas Martin, carter, aged 63, and mother in law Mary Martin 62.

In 1871, at Slag Hill, Allendale, Thomas Martin retired farmer, aged 73, and his wife Mary aged 72. Thomas Martin died 3rd quarter of 1877, aged 79..

6th July 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 26th ult., Mr William Rutherford, lead mine agent, Stanhope, to Miss Frances Walton, Alston.

In 1871, at High Level Gate, Stanhope, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Sarah aged 53, son William, lead miner, aged 21, daughters Isabella 17, Emma Hodgson, widow, dressmaker, aged 27, Hannah Coulthard, widow, dressmaker, aged 29, and grandson Henry G Coulthard 4. William Rutherford snr. died 1st quarter 1874, aged 59.

In 1881, at Ripon St. Gateshead, William Rutherford, weighman, aged 31, his wife Francis 30, son Wm. Walton 1, and mother Sarah Rutherford, widow aged 63. In 1891, at Bright Terrace, Gateshead, William Rutherford, sampler, aged 41, his wife Frances 40, children William 11, Alfred 10, Ethel 7, Winifred 5, Herbert 3, and Allen 1 month. In 1901, at Bright Terrace, William Rutherford, sampler for analytical chemist, aged 51, his wife Frances 50, children William W. drapers assistant, aged 21, Alfred, drapers assistant, aged 19, Ethel 17, Winifred 15, Herbert 12, and Allan 10. In 1911, at Grasmere St, Gateshead, William Rutherford, sampler for analytical chemist, aged 61, his wife Frances 60, children Alfred, drapers assistant, aged 29, Ethel 27, Winifred, council school teacher, aged 25, Herbert, clerk, aged 22.

At the Independent Chapel, Alston, 26th ult., Mr Joseph Craig, lead miner, to Miss Mary Richardson, Low Gill, House.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Maria, aged 51, children Jane 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Sarah 19, William, waggoner, aged 16, Maria 13, Mary 10, and Margaret 7. In 1881, at Flatt, Joseph Craig, farmer of 40 acres, aged 58, his wife Maria 61, daughters Jane 35, Maria 23, Mary 20, and granddaughter Elizabeth Evans 9. In 1891, at Flatt, Joseph Craig, farmer, aged 68, his wife Maria 71, daughter Jane 45, and granddaughter Elizabeth Evans 19.

Joseph Craig snr. died 4th quarter 1896, aged 74.

In 1881, at Flatt, Alston, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 32, and his wife Mary aged 29. In 1891, at Flatt, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary, and daughter Maria aged 2. In 1901, at Mill Cottage, Leadgate, Alston, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Mary 49, daughters Maria 12, and Mary Jane 9. In 1911, at Crown Lane, Alston, Joseph Craig, gardener, boarding house, aged 62, his wife Mary 59, daughters Maria, ironer, laundry, aged 21, and Mary Jane 18.

Joseph Craig jnr. died 1st quarter 1919, aged 69.

Deaths

At Grassfield 2nd inst., aged 5 weeks, John James son of Isaac Richardson, lead miner.

See 11th April 1874, & 27th June 1874

6th July 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

A letter announcing the intention of the London Lead Company to offer their school buildings at Nenthead for public sale, having been read, the Chairman inquired if nothing could be done by which these schools could be acquired on moderate terms. Mr Hutchinson thought it might be well to fix on managers who could treat with the Lead Company. If the sale was by auction then they might

bid. The Chairman said he saw no means of raising the money without a School Board. ... the Lords of the Admiralty had withdrawn the subscription of £10 from Nent Hall. ... Mr J. J. Millican undertook to write to Mr Bainbridge, the Company's head agent, and ascertain his opinion what was best to do.

Deaths

Leadgate Alston, 28th ult. aged 53, John Hymers, Lead Miner.

In 1861, at Cross Lands, Alston, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 36, wife Tamar 30, children Mary 8, John 6, Elizabeth 4, and Sussanna 1.
At Mill House, Alston in 1871, John Hymers (son of William and Mary Hymers), lead miner & farmer of 9 acres, aged 46, his wife Tamar 40, children Mary 18, John lead ore washer 16, Thomas Wm 5, Margaret Ann 3, Hannah Eliza 8 months, and Tamer Susannah 8 months. In 1881, at Mill House, John Hymers, lead miner and farmer of 9½ acres, aged 26, mother Tamar, widow, house keeper, aged 50, brother Thomas Wm. lead ore washer, aged 15, sisters Margaret Ann 13, and Hannah Elizabeth 10.

27th July 1878 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

We hear that the lead mines of Mr W. B. Beaumont MP in Allendale have for the present been closed and the mines have consequently been thrown out of employment. The Allen Smelt Mill is still working, giving employment to about 40 men, but we understand that this mill will also be closed shortly.

3rd August 1878 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

Matthew Reed a miner, 57 years of age, who resided at Swinhope, Allendale, died suddenly yesterday week, through bursting of a blood vessel.

John Reed married Phillis Hull, 20th April 1816, at Allendale.

In 1841, at Shield Bank, Allendale, John Reed, lead ore washer, aged 50, his wife Phillis aged 50, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead ore washer 20, Matthew, lead ore washer, 15, Mary Ann 15, Edward, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Robson, lead ore washer, aged 12.
In 1851, at Black Clough, Allendale, John Reed, lead ore washer, aged 62, his wife Phillis 64, children, Mary Ann 27, Edward, lead miner, aged 24, and Robson, lead miner, aged 22.
Phillis Reed died 3rd quarter 1856, registered at Hexham.
Probate 1862: The Will of John Reed late of Swinhope in the parish of Allendale in the county of Northumberland labourer deceased who died 5 September 1861 at Swinhope aforesaid was proved at Newcastle upon Tyne by the oaths of Thomas Reed of Sipton Terrace, in the said Parish of Allendale labourer and Matthew Reed of Swinhope aforesaid Miner the sons the executors. Effects under £200.
In 1851, at Pasture Nook, Allendale, Matthew Reed, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah (Coulson, married 29th May 1847, at St Peter's, Allenheads) aged 24, children, Mary Ann 2, and John 1
In 1861, at Row, Swinhope, Allendale, Matthew Reed, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah, 35, children, Mary A 12, John 11, Phillis 5 months, and lodger, John Reed, widower, landed proprietor, aged 71.
In 1871, at Swinhope Mill, Matthew Reed, lead ore miner, aged 49, his wife Hannah 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 21, Phillis J 10, and Ruth 6.

In 1881, at Swinhope Mill, Hannah Reed, widow, farmer of 3 acres, aged 54, and daughter, Ruth, pupil teacher, aged 17.
In 1891, at Swinhope Mill, Hannah Reed, widow, farmer, aged 64, daughter, Phillis J 30, and boarder John Forster, unmarried, living on own means, aged 62. In 1901, at Swinhope Mill, Hannah Reed, widow, aged 75, grandson, William Robson 10, and boarder John Forster, unmarriedretired miner, aged 72. Hannah Reed died 4th quarter 1903, aged 77.

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 27th ult. aged 58, Jane Trathan.
Children of Richard Trathan and Martha Tatters, Jonathan born 11th June 1799, Betty born 11th August 1800, Catherine born 18th December 1801, Mary, born 24th May 1805, William born 22nd November 1806, Sarah born 23rd May 1809, Richard born 15th February 1812, Thomas born 15th April 1815, Jane born 24th July 1819, and Walter baptised 23rd April 1824.
In 1841, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 75, wife Martha (Tatters, married 22nd November 1798, at Alston) aged 60, children William, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Jane 20, and Walter, lead miner, aged 15. In 1851, at Overwater, Richard Trathan, lead ore washer, aged 84, born Cambourne, Cornwall, wife Martha 74, son William, lead ore washer, aged 44, and daughter Jane 30. Also at Overwater, Walter Trathan, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Mary Ann, daughters, Mary 2 and Margaret 1 year.
Richard Trathan died 2nd quarter 1854.
In 1861, at Overwater, Martha Trathan, washing foreman's widow, aged 87, son William, lead ore miner, aged 54, daughter Jane, house maid, aged 41, and granddaughter Sarah J Trathan 8. In 1871, at Overwater, Jane Trathan, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 53.
At Chapel House, Nenthead, 30th ult. aged 66, Adam Hewitson, lead miner.
See 30th July 1870, and 16th September 1876.
On the 22nd July aged 36, suddenly at 37 Woolwich Common, S.E. Annie beloved wife of John Wallis Mulcaster (at Greater London, Kent).
See 12th June 1875

3rd August 1878 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Nenthead, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, 1st inst. Mr James Dickinson, to Mrs Ann Dryden, both of Nenthead.
See 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, 6th June 1885 and 20th June 1885.

Deaths

Durban, Natal, Africa, June 19th aged 23, Thomas Hetherington, Joiner, late of Acomb and eldest son of the late Joseph Hetherington of Allendale.
In 1861, at Shield Ridge, Ninebanks, Joseph Hetherington, enginewright, aged 30, wife Margaret 35, children Mary 8, Thomas 6, Lucy 4, Joseph 1, and Jane 3 months.
Joseph died 3rd quarter of 1868, aged 37.
In 1871, at Shield Ridge, Ninebanks, Head absent, children Thomas Hetherington, Engine wright, apprentice, aged 16, Mary, dressmaker, aged 18, Lucy 14, Jane 10, Margaret 7, and William 4. In 1881, at Fore Street, Hexham, Margaret Hetherington, widow, house keeper, aged 56, daughter Margaret, dress maker, aged 17, and son William, draper aged 14.

In 1891, at Raby Street, Gateshead, William Hetherington, cabinet maker, aged 24, and mother Margaret Hetherington, widow, aged 66.

5th August 1878 (Northern Echo)

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION IN MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

A meeting of the ratepayers of this town- m ship was hold in the London Lead Company's Schoolroom on Friday evening last, to consider the steps necessary to be taken for the future elementary education of the children of the neighbourhood, consequent on the intended abandonment by the directors of the company of the substantial support heretofore rendered by them to the cause of education. The chair was occupied by Mr W. T. Bell, agent to the Duke of Cleveland. After a few preliminary remarks he called upon Mr R. W. Bainbridge, the superintendent of the Lead Company's works in the North, who read the correspondence that had been received from the company's Secretary in relation to the withdrawal of the support hitherto given by the company to the schools throughout their districts in Weardale, Alston Moor, and Teesdale. The company, at the instigation of Mr Stagg, erected in 1818 the school-room (now baths and washhouses), and for a period of sixty years had largely contributed to the cause of education throughout their extensive works. Their expenditure for several years past had been upwards of £700 per year, the charge to their workmen being at the nominal rate of one shilling per quarter, and to those outside their employment three shillings per quarter, with books, &c., found. Their school system was established long prior to the aid given by Government in the form of grants for educational purposes. Their arrangements were, and always had been, strictly of an undenominational character, the highest regard being paid to the rights of conscience of the parents whose children were undergoing education under their management. For a great number of years it was a rule of the company that the children should attend some place of worship on the Sabbath. It had also been an invariable rule in the company's concern that before any boy was taken into their employment, satisfactory proof should be forthcoming as to his educational attainments, attendance at day and Sunday school, and general character. In this respect several points in the present Education Act of the Government might be said to be a copy of the Lead Company's regulations enforced for a period extending upwards of half a century. This long-continued system has bell found to work admirably well, no complaint of any kind ever having been made against the slightest infringement upon the religious sentiments of any workmen or employee of whatever section of the Christian Church he might belong. The present school was erected in the year 1861, at a time when the company's lead mines were yielding large profits. The then governor of the court of directors, the late Mr Octavius Wigram, expressed the opinion of himself and colleagues that a more commodious and modernised building was desirable; and on a visit of the deputation from London about this time instructions were given that a school of a substantial character should be built, and he, Mr Bainbridge, was authorised to spend the sum of two thousand pounds on so laudable an object. A similar building in size and cost was also erected at their works at Nenthead, near Alston. These substantial proofs of the interest taken by the company in the educational welfare of these people, together with the handsome manner in which they have subscribed to outlying schools in the way of subscriptions and quarterage, have been highly appreciated, and their withdrawal will be equally deplored by all concerned.

Various causes have, no doubt, led to the notified intention of such withdrawal. Since the taking over of the educational arrangements of the country into the hands of the Government, and full provision made for the school training of every child in the kingdom, the company wish to be relieved of the responsibility of the charge in connection with the education in their several districts. Another reason; some few years ago the metalliferous mines of the kingdom became liable to the payment of poor rates, and which, as regards the Middleton township, their proportion is about one half, to the great relief of land and, house property. The wages paid by the company during the last few years have been good and regular, and the ability of their workmen to meet the education expenses of their families is better than it has been for some time. Considerations of this kind doubtless carry with them much weight and force. The schools at Middleton and Nenthead had for two years been under Government inspection. The former school's grant the first year was £220, and the second year £250; and the amount required to meet the school's expenses, after all sources of income were taken into account, was £40. He Mr Bainbridge had used his endeavours with the company's court to continue the present systema, with en increased charge of quarter pence to cover the above deficit, but had hitherto been unsuccessful. Mr Bainbridge was frequently cheered in the course of his address, and resumed his seat amid great applause. A desultory conversation took place as to the course to be adopted ender the circumstances, it being mentioned that the schools would pass out of the company's hands on the 24th inst. The following resolutions were passed without one dissentient:—1. That the best thanks and acknowledgments of the meeting be given to the directors of the London Lead Company for their past consideration and kindness in providing and supporting the cause of education in the district for the long period of sixty years, and that they be kindly requested to continue the same at an increased rate of one shilling per quarter per child, thus guaranteeing them against any financial loss in the future. 2. In the event of their not acceding to the above, then to ask them if they would grant the use of the school at a reasonable rental; and 3, If neither of the above requests were granted, what is the lowest figure at which they will be disposed to sell the school.—The Chairman and a committee were appointed to communicate with the directors, so that a reply might be had, if possible, at an adjourned meeting. The usual votes of thanks concluded the proceedings.

10th August 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

We understand that Mr Beaumont's mines have got what is technically known as their bargains and that work will be resumed.

Deaths

West Allen, 25th ult. aged 34, Mr John Shield, *single, stone mason, Sinderhope.*

10th August 1878 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

QUARRY ACCIDENT AT FROSTERLEY.

A dreadful accident occurred at Bishopley Quarry, near Frosterley, on Monday afternoon, by which two men lost their lives and a third was seriously injured. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon a sudden fall of earth and stones took place burying two men and a boy. They were got out as quickly as possible, but so

injured that one of the men Joseph Ward, 35 years of age, died about 2 hours after being removed to his home; while the boy named James Peter Ward, 14 years of age, died within half an hour after the accident.

In 1871, at Frosterley, Joseph Ward, quarryman, aged 27, his wife Susannah 32, and daughter Mary A. 5 months.

In 1881, at Bridge End, Frosterley, Susan Ward, widow, aged 42, farmer of 12 acres, children Mary Ann 10, Martha Eliz. 8, and John Geo. 3 years.

MINE ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE

On Tuesday afternoon a man named John Ayton, 45 years of age, was crushed to death, by a fall of stone in the Whitfield Ironstone mine, Westgate, St John's Chapel. A block of stone weighing two tons, fell upon him and crushed him so terribly that it was found impossible to remove his clothes.

In 1861, at Bridge End William Douglas, iron miner aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 47, children Thomas, iron miner aged 24, John, iron miner aged 22, Sarah 18, Frances 14, Elizabeth 10, William 8, nephew John Aeyton iron miner aged 31, and nephew John Aeyton, blacksmith, aged 27.

24th August 1878 (Hexham Courant)

THE LATE MR JOHN MILLICAN, ALSTON.

The report of the death of Mr John Millican, of Church Croft Terrace, Alston, and which event occurred on Sunday morning last (18th), at his residence, aged 67 years, will we are assured, be received with feelings of deep and heartfelt sorrow, not only by his friends, but by the large numbers of people in the district of Alston. For some considerable time Mr Millican had been in failing health, but until a few days previous to his decease, he had been able to take carriage exercise. Previous to Mr Millican's resignation of his post as chief manager of the smelting works of the London Lead Company at Nenthead, and which post he had held for a very considerable time, his residence was at the village of Nenthead; on his retiring, however, from the duties he had so long and so efficiently discharged, some twelve or fourteen years since, he left Nenthead and took up his abode at Church Croft Terrace, Alston, but such was the hold taken of their hearts by the kindly interest he had ever evinced for the welfare of the mill workmen, and his correct and upright conduct and dealings with them in all the practical phases of their business connections, that they made the occasion of his retirement the time for presenting him with a testimonial that was intended and that did in some measure indicate their appreciation of his character, and testified to their sense of his goodness and worth. ...

John son of John Millican (Lead mining Agent) and Frances Tinniswood, born about 1811, baptised 18th July 1813, he married Sarah Liddle on 3rd January 1841, daughter of Joshua Liddle a miner. Sarah died 8th November 1843.

In 1851, at Nenthead John Millican, Widow, smelting agent aged 40, and his children, John George aged 9, and Frances Ruth, aged 7(died 25th June 1860, aged 16).

In 1861, John George Millican, aged 19, was a boarder, at Sandgate South, Penrith, working as attorneys clerk. In 1871, he was living at The Grove, Alston, aged 29, a attorney & solicitor, living with his wife Louisa J. (Stagg, married 21st July 1868 at the parish church Alston at the Parish Church, Louisa Jane daughter of the late Joseph D. Stagg Esq., of Middleton in Teesdale.) aged 27, and their son Ernest. John George acted as solicitor for

the London Lead Company, following the family tradition of working for that company.

Alston Municipal Cemetery

In 1861, at Nenthead, John Millican, smelting agent, aged 50, his wife Bridget 47, daughter Ellen 7, niece, Elizabeth S Walton13, and servant, Margaret Graham, house servant aged 17.
In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, John Millican, aged 60, retired lead ore smelting agent & landowner, his wife Bridget (Richardson, married 23rd April 1852, at Alston) aged 57, and daughter Ellen, unmarried, aged 17. In 1881, Bridget and her unmarried daughter Ellen were living at McAdams buildings, Alston, in 1891, they were living at Croft House Terrace, Bridget died 5th May 1897.
Probate 1897, Bridget Millican of Croft Terrace, Alston, Cumberland, widow, died 5th May 1897. Administration Carlisle to Ellen Millican spinster. Effects £1638 9s 1d.
See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

24th August 1878 (Hexham Herald)

BLANCHLAND

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES.

On Tuesday afternoon a sad accident occurred at the Derwent Mines near Blanchland, by which a young man named Robert Elliott, residing at Low

Whiteheaps lost his life. It appeared that three other miners, named respectively Elliot Jameson, John Wilkinson, and John Robinson, worked with the deceased in a part of the mine known as the Bottom Level of Jeffrey's Shaft. Being on the back shift, they only proceeded to their work about two o'clock in the afternoon, when arriving they immediately saw that one of the props supporting the "bunning" (*staging or landing, as found in shafts and also built across worked out stopes on which deads sometimes would be placed*) appeared somewhat bent. Before it could be repaired the roof, consisting of a large quantity of debris, fell down upon the unfortunate man Elliott, killing him on the spot. About 20 minutes elapsed before the body could be extracted, life being quite extinct. It was conveyed to Low Whiteheaps to await an inquest. The unfortunate young man is only 24 years of age, and has left a widow near her confinement.

At Hunstanworth, Durham, William lead ore miner, aged 54, his wife Margaret 53, children Thomas lead ore miner 26, Robert lead ore miner 17, John lead ore miner 15, and Michael 10. I suspect that Robert married Margaret Bell, of Hunstanworth (born about 1856) in 1873, Margaret Elliott, aged 25, lead miners widow, was living in Hunstanworth in 1881.

6th September 1878 (Newcastle Courant)

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

Owing to the great depression in the lead trade, the London Lead Company have intimated to their superintendent their intention of discharging a large number of workmen, including pick men, mechanics, labourers and others. The precise number to be discharged is not yet known. The company one of the oldest in the United Kingdom, has long afforded employment for the great bulk of the inhabitants in Upper Teesdale. The announcement has cast quite a gloom over the neighbourhood. Some of the mechanics have already received their notices.

7th September 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 31st ult. Robert Armstrong of Dykeheads, to Hannah Graham, Pry House.

I*n 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, washer, aged 60, his wife Jane 50, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 12, James 9, stepdaughter Jane Vickers 27, stepson Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 20.*

George Rutherford buried at Nenthead, 19th May 1857, aged 66.

In 1861, at Dykeheads, Thomas Rutherford, widow, lead miner, aged 30, children Robert 9, Rachel 4, Joseph 3, Isaac 2, and servant Hannah Armstrong, aged 25.

Baptismal records give the mother of Joseph and Isaac as Dinah; Dinah Rutherford of High Dykeheads, was buried at Nenthead13th December 1860, aged 24.

In 1871, at Dykeheads, Thomas Rutherford, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah (Armstrong married , 23rd March 1862, at Nenthead) aged 35, children Robert, lead miner, aged 19, Rachel 14, Joseph 12, John 8, Thomas 7, and Elizabeth 3.

Thomas Rutherford, buried 24th July 1875, at Nenthead, aged 44.

Hannah Rutherford buried 27th August 1880, at Nenthead, aged 44.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Robert Rutherford, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah 29, children Thomas Will. 2, and Dinah 7 months; also brothers John Rutherford, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas Rutherford, lead ore washer, aged 17 (buried 30th March 1884, at Nenthead, aged 20), sisters Elizabeth Rutherford, house maid, aged 13, Mary Ann Rutherford 9, and Harriet Rutherford 6.
In 1891, at Lower Dykeheads, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah 39, children Thomas W 12, Dinah 10, John 7, Jane 4, and Isaac 2.
In 1901, at Wellgill, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Hannah 49, children Thomas Wm, lead miner, aged 22, Dinah 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 17, Jane 14, Isaac 12, Watson 10, and Robert 6.
In 1911, at Mendrezo House, Villa Rd Consett, Hannah Armstrong, widow, aged 59, children Thomas William, coal miner, stone man, aged 32, John, coal miner, hewer, aged 27, Jane 24, Isaac, coal miner, putter, aged 22, Watson, coal miner, putter, aged 19, Robert, coal miner, driver, aged 16, grandsons John Hamilton Armstrong 4, and Robert Emmerson Armstrong 2.
See 27th October 1883

Deaths

At Loaning House, 2nd inst., aged 19, Elizabeth Bainbridge, daughter of Utrick Bainbridge, solicitor, deceased. *See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 5th April 1861, 4th January 1873, 8th February 1873, 2nd January 1892.*

7th September 1878 (Hexham Herald)
Letters to the Editor

THE LEAD MINES

Sir, ... The suspension which prevails among the lead mines of Weardale, Allendale, and Rookhope, under Mr Beaumont, has been surprisingly quietly endured for two months. Of course, a part of the men are now being employed, but a greater number are unemployed, and those that are employed are being nearly wholly brought under what is called the "New System," which might be justly termed "payment by consideration." Under this system all the risks of the enterprise have to be borne by the men, who in consequence, if unsuccessful in finding ore, &c., frequently have to go for months with very little remuneration. Hence as miners are not capitalists, any sane person can see the consequence to these dales if the new system is finally adopted. Whoever was its author (Mr Beaumont said he did not want it) will also be the author of great loss to these dales. Under the old system the proprietor agreed to give his employees 15s per week, the unfortunate as well as the fortunate, properly following their employment, and they shared in the hazard of the enterprise, because if they did not realise it, they were indebted to the employer. The price of lead, it must be admitted, is somewhat low, but wages have been, and are correspondingly low. It is to be hoped that Mr Beaumont will not reward his lead miners with expatriation, after a life time of patient industry. ...

10th September 1878 (Carlisle Journal)

SHOCKING OCCURRENCE NEAR ALSTON

A sad accident happened at Alston on Thursday, whereby two brothers named respectively Thomas and Hugh Todd, and a son of the latter, named John Todd,

lost their lives. The two brothers were yeomen living on adjoining estates at Ayle and White Lea, and were engaged in burning lime assisted by the son a young man of about 20. It appears they had lighted the kiln on the previous day, and filled it to the extent of some fire or six feet. On the following morning it is conjectured that one of the unfortunate men had descended into the kiln for the purpose of levelling the stones, as is commonly done by lime burners. It is supposed that having been affected by the escaping gas the others had descended to his assistance, and were unable to ascend from the effects of the gases. The accident was not discovered until about one o'clock, when, the husband and son not having returned to dinner, the wife of Hugh Todd proceeded to the place, and was horrified to find the three men stretched lifeless in the kiln. Assistance was procured, and the bodies were drawn out, but life had apparently been extinct for some hours. The occurrence has cast quite a gloom over the neighbourhood.

In 1871, at White Lee, Kirkhaugh, Thomas Todd, widower, landowner of 100 acres, aged 83, sons, Thomas, farmers son, aged 60, Joseph, widower, farmers son, aged 1, William, farmers son, aged 49, and servant, Isabella Varty, aged 28.

In 1871, at Ayle, Kirkhaugh, Hugh Todd, woodman, aged 43, his wife Mary aged 46, and son John 13. In 1881, at Ayle, Thomas Walker, farmer of 230 aces, his wife Jane 37, son William, farmers son, aged 22, mother in law, Mary Todd, widow, retired farmer, aged 56, and wifes son, William Lee 10.

10th September 1878 (Carlisle Journal)

THE WATER SUPPLY OF ALSTON.

The following report relating to a scheme of water supply was laid before the Alston Board of Guardians at their last meeting: —

“Gentlemen,—I beg to submit to you my scheme for supplying water for drinking and domestic purposes to the town of Alston, with plans in illustration of it. At the present time water is conveyed to the town from a spring in the Springfield meadow, situated on the north side of the Garrigill Road, about 700 yards from the Townhead by means of a 3 inch stoneware socket pipes (enclosed in a dry culvert) as far as a tank at Back-o-Burn, from whence it is supplied to six wells in the town by 1½ inch and ¾ inch lead pipes. There are also two wells or troughs beyond the Townhead supplied by other sources. A stoppage place some time ago in the lead pipes near Back-o-Burn, and on examination it was found that the pipe passed over the bottom of a square culvert sewer, and that large stones which had been impelled down the sewer in stormy weather had crushed the pipe. At Grisell’s Lane the lead pipe passed through the back water of a sewer and for some time impure matter found its way into the pipe through a hole. In some cases where the pipes pass through coal ashes chemical action has taken place and the pipes have been reduced in thickness, thus endangering the purity of the water, for in the event of the flow above the weak places from any cause becoming stopped a vacuum is produced in these pipes and impure water from the outside naturally forces its way in. I mention these facts to show the dangers in which the townspeople are exposed through the present method of distributing water. I would say, however, that where the lead pipes pass through clay they are found to be in good condition. The number of wells now existing is not sufficient for the requirements of the town, more especially when the difficulty of carrying water in vessels up steep streets is

taken into account. My scheme is to lead water from the spring in Springfield Meadow which now supplies the town (marked A on plan) by 3 inch glazed stoneware socket pipes into a tank 10 feet square and 5 feet deep, to be situated at the western boundary of the field. This spring was gauged some time ago, and was found to yield over 100 gallons of water per minute, or six times as much as would be required for domestic purposes of the town allowing 15 gallons per head of the population per day. As however, in the event of a fire taking place a large quantity of water would be required to maintain a continuous flow through the hydrants, I propose to increase the supply by conveying water from the spring marked B on the plan into the tank in the manner shown. The spring is a copious one, and is used to supply a trough at Bankfoot. The water from these two springs would be delivered through a 4 inch main into a tank opposite the Grammar School 9 feet long, 2 feet wide, and 4 feet deep. The object of this tank is to reduce the head of water from there to the lower parts of the town, and thus lessen the pressure in the service pipes. The water will be conveyed to all parts of the town by 4, 3, 2 ½, and 2 inch cast iron socket pipes, jointed with lead and spun yarn, and coated with Dr Angus Smith's patent solution to prevent corrosion. I provide for the erection of 14 wells or fountains distributed in the following manner, viz. — 3 flush handle plate fountains at the Monument, opposite King's Arms Inn, and at the Market Cross; 2 circular wall fountains at Storey's Well and Back-o-Burn; 9 pillar wells with brackets for buckets, at Bankfoot, Townhead, Grissell's Lane (near Greyhound Inn), Lower Butts Aqueduct (near church Terrace), Blue Bell Inn, and Townfoot. The fountains I recommend for adoption are "Kennedy's Patent Waste Preventing Wells," supplied by the Glenfield Iron Company, Kilmarnock, in accordance with the plans supplied herewith, I provide for 15 hydrants (for extinguishing fires) to be placed in suitable positions throughout the town. I have gone minutely into the question of cost and find that all the works hereinbefore mentioned can be executed for £640. From this sum it is reasonable to expect that £50 at least may be deducted to allow for the value of the existing stoneware and lead pipes and fittings. No doubt many owners of property will desire to have water in their houses for baths and domestic purposes, and in the event of my scheme being adopted it would be well for all those persons who wish for service pipes to be put into their houses to have the work done when the mains are being laid, in order to save the cost of opening out and tapping the mains after they have been laid and the trenches filled in. The providing and laying of the services would have to be done at the expense of the owners or occupiers of the houses supplied, and the mains and branches are so laid out that the work can easily be done. The Workhouse is at present supplied with a super abundance of water from a spring in the Springfield Meadow by a line of 3 inch earthenware socket pipes which also supply five drinking troughs on the way. My estimate therefore does not include any provisions for this building, although I have shown on the plan how it can be supplied with water from the 4 inch main if thought desirable. For extinguishing fires the town should be provided with a hydrant stand pipe, 120 yards of 2 ½ inch tanned canvas or linen hose, a reel on wheel and axis, with tool box, telescopic ladder, and all fittings necessary thereto, which can be got for about 21 guineas. As only 2 perches of ground are required for the tank in the Springfield, the land question becomes of so little moment that I have taken no account of t in my estimate. The following is a copy of an analysis of a sample

of water from Springfield spring by the public analyst for the boroughs of Cardiff and Newport, Mon., expressed in parts per 100,000 with his report thereon: —

"Total solid impurity	26.000
Albuminoid ammonia	.003
Free ammonia	.0015
Nitrogen as nitrates or nitrites	.024
Previous sewage contamination	0
Chlorine	.86
Sulphates	very moderate
Magnesium salts	very moderate
Temporary hardness 15-9 Permanent hardness 6-5	22. 4 total
Remarks	perfectly clear

"This sample is a water of great purity. The solid matter consists almost entirely of carbonate of lime, and the less desirable mineral salts which are found in spring and drinking waters generally are present in minimum quantity. It contains only two traces of organic matter, and the water is in every respect well adapted for a town supply. The greater portion of the hardness be removed by boiling, and it is then well adapted for domestic purposes.

"(Signed) J. W. Thomas, Fel. Inst. Chem"

"I would say in conclusion that cast iron pipes can now be got at a very low price, and that lead also is cheap, the present would seem to be a very appropriate time for the works to be carried out.

"I am gentlemen, your obedient servant

"(signed) "G. A Lundie

"Associate of the Inst. of Civil Engineers, Member of the South Wales Institute of Engineers.

"Cardiff, September 5th 1878"

14th September 1878 (Alston Herald)

SAD ACCIDENT NEAR ALSTON.

A sad accident occurred on Thursday, at Rodderup Fell, Alston, whereby a boy named Joseph Bell, about 11 years of age, who is employed at the washing, he being in the mill thought he heard a queer sound in an adjoining room, and in the act of running to ascertain the cause got his foot betwixt two rollers which nearly severed his foot from his leg, and so great were the bruises that his leg has since been taken off just below the knee.

In 1881 at Over Burn, Alston, Hannah Bell, unmarried, laundress, aged 41, children Joseph, tailors apprentice, aged 14, Isabella 10, and Robert 4.

21st September 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Wanwoodside, 31st ult. aged 64, Isaac Craig.

See 30th May 1866, & 11th September 1880.

21st September 1878 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Nenthead may be now under a cloud; her mines are unproductive, extraneous aid has been withdrawn from her schools; and we understand that hence

forward many of the hardy miners will not find work in the district, but there is no murmuring, nor repining, no rattening, nor black legging, no indignation meetings to howl at the masters and glorify the men; the dalesmen are too shrewd; no trades union flourishes in Nenthead; but a cattle show does.

28th September 1878 (Newcastle Courant)

THE LEAD TRADE

The London Lead Company are about to reduce considerably the number of leads miners they employ at Nenthead and other mining stations in the hill districts in the west of Durham and Northumberland. The mills belonging to Mr W. B. Beaumont, M.P., at Alston and Allenheads are slack, and at the present time the importation of lead into the Tyne are very limited indeed.

28th September 1878 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Parish Church Alston, 21st inst. Mr Vipond Parmley, Garrigill, to Maria Davidson, Alston.

in 1861, at Mount Pleasant, John Davidson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane aged 35, daughters Mary Ann 11, Rachel 9, Elizabeth 6, Jane Sarah 3, and Maria 1. In 1871, East Nattrass, John Davidson, farmer of 47 acres, aged 45, his wife Jane 45, daughters Elizabeth 16, Jane S 14, Maria 11, Susanna 9, Frances 6, and Aptavious 2.

John Davidson died 2nd quarter 1874, aged 48.

In 1881, at Nenthead Rd., Jane Davidson, widow, chapel keeper, aged 55, daughters Jane Sarah Bell, coal miners wife, aged 23, Fanny 17, Aptavius 12, and grandson William Bell 2.

In 1861, at Cowper Dykeheads, Garrigill, James Parmley, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann 45, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Mary A 19, John, lead miner, aged 14, Vipond 11, and Margaret 8.

James Parmley died 4th May 1865, aged 56. See 16th May 1865

In 1871, at Hill Top, Garrigill, Ann Parmley, widow, seamstress, aged 56, son Vipond, lead miner, aged 21, and daughter Margaret, seamstress, aged 18.

In 1881, at Trumpet Terrace, Egremont, Vipond Parmley, iron ore miner, aged 31, his wife Maria 21, and son John 2.

In 1891, at Dickinson Rd, Darlington, Vipond Parmley, labourer in bridge yard, aged 41, his wife Maria 31, son John 12, and mother Ann Parmley, widow, aged 78. In 1901, at Carlton St, Darlington, Vipond Parmley, chipper iron & steel, aged 50, his wife Maria 42, and son John, printer compositor, aged 22.

Vipond Parmley died 1st quarter 1908, aged 57.

In 1911, at 65 Neasham Road, Darlington, Susannah Ward, widow, aged 48, sister Maria Parmley, widow, aged 51, daughter Maud Little, milliner, aged 22. See 11th October 1890

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, William Hymers to Isabella Walton, both of Hudgill.

In 1881, at Hudgill, William Hymers, farmer of 33 acres, aged 28, his wife Isabella 22, sons John 2, Joseph 9 months , and lodger William Walton, widow, indoor farm servant, aged 86. In 1991, at Hudgill, William Hymers, coal miner, and farmer, aged 38, his wife Isabella 32, children John 12, Joseph W 10, Thomas P 8, Elizabeth 6, Charles 4, Mary Ann 2, and Robert W 7 months. In 1901, at Hudgill, William Hyners, farmer, aged 48, his wife Isabel

42, children John, coal miner, aged 22, Joseph, coal miner, aged 20, Thomas P. farm help, aged 18, Elizah 16, Charles 14, Mary A 11, Robert W 10, and Wilfred 8.
William Hymers died 2nd quarter 1908, aged 57.
In 1911, at Hudgill, Isabel Hymers, widow, farmer, aged 52, children Joseph William, coal miner, hewer, aged 30, Thomas Pratt, lead miner, aged 28, Charles, lead miner, aged 24, Mary Ann 21, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 20, Wilfred, working on farm, aged 18, and domestic servant Mary Johnston aged 18.
See 25th May 1878, and 12th March 1892

Deaths

At Whitehall, Nenthead, 22nd inst, aged 76, Robert Barron, lead miner.
See 22nd February 1873, 15th September 1877, 2nd March 1878, and 19th June 1880.

28th September 1878 (Hexham Herald)

TEESDALE

The worst anticipations have been realised in connection with the depression in the lead trade in Teesdale, over one hundred miners and smelters having just been discharged by the Superintendent of the London Lead Company, on the letting of the quarterly bargains. It is also stated on good authority that the Company are about to cease exploring for lead on the Royalties, it being their determination to work the existing veins, with a diminished staff. In several parts of Weardale, and also Upper Teesdale, the outlook is gloomy. Many of the young men are about to emigrate.

28th September 1878 (Alston Herald)

NENTHEAD
BAD NEWS.

We understand, the London Lead Company intend closing their Cashwell Mine, and also contemplate materially reducing the number of workmen at Nenthead.

4th October 1878 (Newcastle Courant)

ALSTON.

Alston is best described as being similar to Mr Pickwick's impression of Park Street, Bath; it is very much like the perpendicular street a man sees in a dream, and which he cannot get up for the life of him. It is situated on the declivity of a steep hill, just at the confluence of the rivers Neat and South Tyne, and almost hemmed in by towering bleak and desolate fells. There is one long, irregular main street, roughly paved and partly flagged, but the houses appear to have been stuck down anywhere; many of them are of great age, some being dated 1629. In the market place is a quaint old covered-in building, called the Market Cross, very much out of repair, so much so that the gas lamp on the top cannot be lighted, the quadrangular roof being almost broken in. It formerly bore an Inscription stating that it was erected by Sir William Stephenson, Bart., who was born at Crosslands, in this parish, and Lord Mayor of London, 1764.
Architectural ornaments Alston can boast of none save a plain-looking Town Hall, opened in 1858, and which contains a news-room, library, a board room for meetings, and a savings' bank. The church dedicated to St. Augustine is

hidden in the back slums. It was restored, in fact, rebuilt from the foundation, in 1870. It consists of chancel, nave, aisle, and tower, and contains a bell brought from Dilston Castle, but which was cracked some little time ago when ringing at a wedding. The churchyard is closed for interments save for those who have vaults, but there is a neatly laid out cemetery at the west end of the town. There are several respectable shops, a brewery; a large cloth factory, giving employment to a number of men was burnt down a few months ago. There are several inns, and two very good hotels—the Blue Bell and the Golden Lion—both close by the railway station. Alston is well supplied with water by pants situated in different parts of the town, and which flows from a spring about half a mile distant. Gas is in the streets and houses. The Mechanics' Institute, in addition to a good library, possesses a cabinet of minerals and curiosities. The Grammar School was rebuilt by subscription in 1828. Saturday is the weekly market day, and fairs are held on the last Saturday in March, the last Thursday in May, the Friday next before September 27th, and the first Thursday in November.

Alston, in spite of its unpromising surroundings, is a pleasant and healthy place, and it is grossly libelled by the statement in a well-known handbook that it "is a dreary and desolate district." It is vastly different now to what it was at the close of the last century when a traveller described it as "a small market town meanly built, situated at the declivity of a steep hill, inhabited by miners. The fatigue of passing bad roads was in no wise alleviated by the scene which presented itself here. But in a narrow valley over which mountains frowned with a melancholy sterility and nakedness, the wind tempestuous, impending clouds stretching forth a dark and disconsolate curtain over the face of morning, rain beating vehemently against the windows, which were not able to resist the storm, a few trees standing near the inn tossed by the heavy blast which howled down the valley. Such were the objects which presented themselves to us at Alston."

We might be bold to challenge Derbyshire or even Cornwall to produce so peculiarly a wild spot as Alston Moor, where all that the earth produces is from its bowels, and where the people are so generally subterraneous. It was in those days almost inaccessible, few people cared to visit it, and those who did venture returned with dismal accounts of its desolateness. But the old market town, since then, has assumed a more cheerful and civilised appearance. It is no longer difficult of access; its rough broken roads have disappeared, and have given place to good turnpike roads.

In 1823 an Act of Parliament was obtained for making new roads from Alston to Penrith, Brampton, and Hexham, all of which were completed under the superintendence of Mr McAdam. The first stage coach, called the Balloon, that passed through Alston commenced running from thence to Penrith and Hexham along the new road in October, 1828. A branch line of railway, opened in 1852, now connects Alston with the main line between Newcastle and Carlisle at Haltwhistle.

The old town has been variously styled Alderston, Aldeston, Aldstone, Aldston, but it is now always designated Alston. It is a very good centre for excursions, and the various lead mines in the district will amply repay a visit. The main source of the prosperity of Alston must be ascribed to the lead mines; there are upwards of sixty in the parish, and it is stated that the mines in the neighbourhood of Alston and Weardale yield some 20,000 tons of lead per annum. Copper ore has frequently been found combined with lead. Amongst

other minerals got in the mines may be mentioned cobalt, phosphate, and sulphate of lead, zinc, tessellated ore, and pyrites of Iron. The lead ore got in those veins containing copper is generally very rich in silver. The chief portion of the minerals in the Alston district belong to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, Leases are granted and the royalty consist in one seventh to one tenth of the produce of the mines. The yield of lead from the ore is about 70 to 75 per cent. The most prevalent stone in the mineral veins is spar, some specimens of which are very beautiful, displaying a variety of colours.

Alston Moor, that bold rugged part of Cumberland, separating Northumberland from Westmoreland, so well-known for its mines, mines which have been worked since the days of Norman Kings was once the property of the unfortunate Derwentwater family. In the 21st of Henry VI, it was held by Thomas Whitlow, who granted it to W. Stapylton and Mary his wife with whose daughter it passed in marriage to Sir William Hilton of Hilton, whose descendants possessed the Manor of Alston or Alston Moor, till the reign of James I., when it was sold to Francis Ratcliffe of Dilston in Northumberland, and continued in that family until the attainders of the Earl of Derwentwater, when with all the rest of the valuable, estates it was confiscated to the Crown, and then came into the possession of the Greenwich Hospital Commission. Between 1611 and 1616 the lands were let out upon leases for 999 years by Henry Hilton,

Whether Alston played an important part in the annals of the remote past is doubtful, but the Norman *(sic)* road called the “Maiden Way,” passed a little to the west of the town; its remains together with some camps are very distinct in several places. There St. Augustine and his forty companions are said to have come, and by the power of the cross, which they erected on the very summit of the mountain, they expelled all the fierce demons and changed its name from the Fields Fell to the present appellation of Cross-fell.

As previously mentioned, Alston gave a Lord Mayor to London, a gentleman, too who it is said never forgot his fellside home, nor the want of the out of-the-way town hemmed in by the steep mountains of Hartside and Cross-fell, but its greatest ornament was the late Hugh Lee Pattinson, who here in his native place discovered a new process of refining lead and extracting the silver. Then there was a Mr Jacob Walton (and by the way almost every other person in Alston is a Walton) who was connected with the lead mines and displayed a great amount of interest in the welfare of the miners. To his memory stands a marble monument at the comer of the street leading from the railway station. The late Mr Hugh Lee Pattinson is said to have married the prettiest girl around Alston, and her name was Phoebe Walton. Of her parents Dr Lonsdale says they were a hearty lot of fellsiders, were small landed proprietors, and long held the estate called “The Nest” Phoebe’s grandfather, John Walton, was a liberal minded jolly personage, who took a leading part in all the sports and fun of Alston Moor, and was known as “the old Cock of the Nest.” He held large shares in mines, and when he and his partners found a good vein of ore, they brewed a peck of punch in its honour, generally on the Saturday or pay nights of the miners. Unfortunately, this jollification of the laird’s was apt to extend over Sunday and Monday— nay, Tuesday sometimes witnessed his “homeward bound” —and then he feared to encounter the ruffled feathers of his “Nest” mate. Approaching very cannily the threshold by a small flight of steps, he would open the door of the house and cry “Mary, lass,” then throwing his cocked hat

into the kitchen, where he expected his spouse Mary would be sitting in the "doldrums," would ask, "is that welcome, Mary?" If there was no response after repeating the question, the silver-headed stick followed the cocked hat, and "Is that welcome then, Mary?" On the first trial of this mode of conciliation on the part of the "Old Cock," who had absented himself for three days, Mary was in no melting mood, and sat silently. Finding no welcome, jolly John picked up his head-gear and stick and returned to Alston for another carouse. This was a home lesson not lost on Mary, who, being appealed' to on similar occasions, would call to John, standing behind the door, "Come in wi' thee, thou ne'er- dee-weel, and hae some tea;" and all' was straight again.

A great event in former days was the arrival of the pay money in Alston. The miners were then paid once in three or six months, and the money, in gold and silver, was brought from Newcastle, protected by a strongly armed force, which was necessary across the wild hill country. There are some exceedingly pretty and interesting walks in the neighbourhood of Alston. There are quiet, picturesque scenes up the Nent. There are wide expansive views from Hartside, that lofty mountain fell rising above the Penrith road to the height of some 1,312 feet. Near it is Melmerby Scarr, which was once so intermixed with lead ore, that the rays of the setting sun falling upon it caused it to be seen at a great distance. Good pedestrians can climb to the top of Crossfell, or explore the source of the Tyne and the Tees.

5th October 1878 (Hexham Courant)

HAYDON BRIDGE SHOCKING DEATH OF A MINER AT STONECROFT.

On Wednesday, at noon, a shocking fatal accident occurred at the Stonecroft and Greyside lead mines near Fourstones, to a man named Robert Herdman, an underground banksman about 56 years of age. It seems that about half - past twelve o'clock on Wednesday Herdman was working in the 30 fathom level, banking, the men engaged in drawing up "deads" or refuse from the lower seam. He put his head over the shaft to call down to the men below to send up small "deads," no round. Just at that moment the cage descended striking him violently on the back of the head, and throwing him down to the bottom, a distance of about twelve fathoms. The top of the poor fellow's head was nearly cut away, and death must have been instantaneous. The deceased who was a steady, religious man, was just singing the hymn, "Jesus lover of my soul," a moment or so before calling to the men below, and remarked to the man who was working along with him that that was the hymn he liked best. He paused in his singing, called to the men below, and the next moment he was struck by the cage, precipitated to the bottom and killed. The deceased resided at Haydon Bridge, and his remains were removed to his home.

The inquest

The verdict was Accidental death, but the Company were criticised for not having a fence across the shaft, this being a breach of the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act 1872, 35 and 36 Vic. rule 23, section 7; "by which it was provided that the top and all entrances between the top and bottom of every working or pumping shaft shall be properly fenced, but this shall not be taken to forbid the temporary removal of the fence for the purpose of repairs or other purposes when proper precaution is taken." The coroner did say that if there had been a fence it would not have prevented the accident.

In 1871, at Pandon, Haydon Bridge, Robert Herdman, Banksman, aged 49, born Chollerton, Northumberland, his wife Ann 39, children Dorothy 15, John 13, Thomas 10, Robert 9, Sarah A. 6, and William 3

Deaths

At Holmfoot, Nenthead, 30th ult., aged 53, Ann, wife of Robert Armstrong, lead miner.

Robert Armstrong was buried at Nenthead 13th November 1879, aged 57. See 15th November 1879 & 19th May 1883

5th October 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

A portion of the W. B. Mines we are pleased top announce was reopened on the 30th ult. much to the gratification of the inhabitants of the parish of Allendale.

Marriages

Stanhope, John Crawhall, The Square, Stanhope, to Isabella Vickers, only daughter of Mr Francis Vickers, Belle Vue, Stanhope.

See 6th March 1886

12th October 1878 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

SCHOOL MEETING

The London Lead Company have discontinued their support to the Nenthead school, a meeting was convened on the 28th ult. to take into consideration the best means for meeting the emergency. We understand the Company are willing to let the school for 12 months, and thus a School Board for the present is averted. The Company have generously conducted the school for fifty years, the workmen contributing 1s per quarter for each child, and others not belonging to the works 2s 6d per quarter. The new engagement will place children on an equality, with stationery, slates &c. An influential committee was appointed by ballot comprising, Messrs J. J. Millican, Jonathan Walton, Tinniswood Millican, Jacob Walton, Dr Don Bavand and Anthony Bolton.

MEDICAL UNION

The annual meeting of the Lead Company's Workmen's Medical Union for the Alston District was held in the Lead Company schoolroom on Saturday evening last.

NENTHEAD LEAD WORKS

DISMISSAL OF FIFTY HANDS

The usual quarterly bargains in connection with the London Lead Company works in Alston Moor, were let at Nenthead on Friday. Previous to the time of letting new bargains, it had become known that a reduction in the number of workmen would be made, and some uneasiness as to the extent and individuality of the reduction had been felt. Friday however set the matter at rest, when about fifty of the men were informed that there was no more need for their services. The men dismissed we understand, were many of them from Allendale, who had only been in the employ of the Lead Company for a short time, and others were men that had in the prosperous times of the past left the lead mines for the coal mines and other work, but who had, after the ebb of the tide of prosperity in pit work returned to the mines, and were not considered to have the same claim as the other workmen who had stuck to the works. One

thing we here of in connection with the matter and which we think reflects great credit on the company, is that the men dismissed have the privilege of going into the old workings, if they consider that they can find sufficient ore to remunerate them for their labour, and it is to be hoped that the men that are resident in Nenthead and neighbourhood, who are among the number dismissed will take advantage of the offer, and that they will meet such success as to tide them over the present crisis, or until they can find employment elsewhere.

12th October 1878 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

School Meeting. The London Lead Company having discontinued their support to Nenthead school, a meeting was convened on the 28th ult., to take into consideration the best means of meeting the emergency. We understand the Company are willing to let the school for 12 months, and thus a School Board for the present is averted. The Company have generously conducted the school for 50 years, the workmen contributing 1s per quarter for each child, the others not belonging to the works 2s 6d per quarter, with stationary gratis. The new arrangements will place the children on an equality with respect to quarterage, 2s 6d per quarter, with stationary gratis. ...

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The quarterly report of Dr Carson, Medical Officer of No. 2 district was read. The district was generally healthy and there was no epidemic disease. There had been a case of Typhoid fever at Silly Hole, but precautions had been taken to prevent its spread. The inhabitants of Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, were in the habit of placing ashes and other refuse against the walls of their houses, the heaps were unsightly, and might be obnoxious to health. He recommended that they be removed oftener. Mr J. J. Millican said the Lead Company removed their heaps once a week.

16th October 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)

LEAD MINING IN ALSTON MOOR. —Lead mining prospects in this district are exceedingly gloomy. Several mines are being abandoned altogether, and at others the number of men employed it being seriously reduced. At Cashwell, where a short time ago 40 or 50 hands were employed, the number has been reduced to half a dozen. We understand that last week the London Lead Company discharged 50 men at Nenthead, and 13 at Garrigill. The same company has greatly reduced the number of its employees at its Teesdale mines. We believe the whole of the lead raised at the W. B. lead mines is being stored, in the hope of a rise in prices.

18th October 1878 (Newcastle Courant)

ALSTON TO WEARDALE AND BACK

(BY A RAMBLER.)

A lovely autumn morning with a fine bracing breeze blowing, and a bright sun overhead in an almost cloudless sky, as leaving Alston I tramped along the good turnpike to Nent Head. The road is a pleasing one, as it winds through amongst the hills, and keeping, in some places, closely by the side of the river Nent; passing neat villas with their gardens and small plantations; white washed

houses and cottages with in many cases their windows filled with geraniums and other flowers; cultivated fields with stone walls piled up similar to those seen in the Peak district in Derbyshire; while away from the verge of cultivation stretched the wild moors all glorious in their bloom of heather.

Nent Head is a scattered, irregular sort of village, five, miles from Alston, situated at the foot of Kilhope (a hill towering high into the sky), and at the source of the stream from which it takes its name, and is almost closed in by the surrounding hills. The church, a modern erection, is dedicated to St. John, and I was told a small market is held on Thursdays. Many of the shopkeepers apparently deal in peculiar mixtures, one sign-board announcing its owner as a jeweller, blacksmith, grocer, saddler, and general dealer. But there is no mistaking the kind of industry carried on in this out-of-the-way village, for down by the side of the stream is an immense heap of mine refuse, which is daily being added to. Arriving at the extensive works belonging to the London Lead Mining Company, I found Mr Atkinson, the courteous manager; and on my expressing a wish to see through, he at once told a man off to show and explain to me the whole of the working. To an outsider it appeared a very simple though most interesting process. The ore, or as it is termed in the district, “yure,” with all the spar and other things adhering to it, just as it comes from the mine, is forced through a huge cylinder, from which it proceeds crushed into small particles; it is then forced into sieves, and is “jiggered,” or perhaps filtered will explain the meaning better, the lead being heaviest remains at the bottom of the sieve, while what is not pure lead or mixed either with spar or other ores is sifted out and passed into a smaller cylinder, where it is re-crushed and sent on to another row of sieves, until nothing remains but what appears to be a quantity of mud or sand; but even this is washed over and over again, until every particle of lead is abstracted from it. The whole of the working is carried on by water, and it has very often to be brought a considerable distance. The water required for Nent Head is stored in large reservoirs on the surrounding hills. These works and mines give employment to a number of men, but only last Friday at the quarterly bargains some 50 hands received notice of dismissal. They were, however, informed that they could go into the old lead works in search of ore if they considered it would be remunerative. I contrived to have a few minutes’ chat with Mr Atkinson; he was rather astonished at my tramping about the country; there had been no pedestrians in the neighbourhood since Lord Camperdown tramped the whole district a few years ago. When he visited Nent Head he was accompanied by the agent from Alston, who was fairly tired out, and could not understand the pleasure or necessity of so much walking. His Lordship had gone over Crossfell, taking Tyne Head on his way to Nent Head, which would certainly be rather a heavy tramp. Making inquiries as to public institutions in the village, I found that some years ago the lead mine proprietors established a school for the miners’ children; they opened a reading room and wash-houses, and appointed a surgeon; so some little credit is due to them for taking into account the welfare of the miners and their families.

Bidding adieu to Mr Atkinson, I made up Kilhope, and was then crossing the northern portion of the old British Alps, the Pennine range, or backbone of England, extending from Derbyshire to the extreme north of Northumberland. The aspect of the surrounding country was decidedly bleak and sterile; wide expanses of heathery or bare moorland, with huge fissures gaping on the slopes; piles of peat; broad sheets of discoloured water stored for the lead

works, with here and there a solitary white house with neither garden nor fence round it, only adding to the gloomy character of the scene. On reaching the top of the hill I turned to my left and soon arrived at the cross where three counties meet, then returning to the turnpike I made a hasty descent and presently arrived at Kilhope Mine. This is one of the few mines said to be paying at present. I found a number of men and boys at work, and a great pile of lead was lying in the yard waiting to be removed. On inquiry, I found it was conveyed by an engine (the wheel marks of which were visible on the road) to Allenheads. The road now became anything but dull—cottages and houses were close together, men were working on the roads, either mending them or breaking stones, and numbers of people were moving about, any quantity of tramps and people leading a nomadic life, of whom I may have something to say in a future paper. Passing through Lane Head, where, through the slack times, the miners being almost moneyless, the wayside public house called the Travellers' Rest was closed, the sign-board flapping lazily in the wind. Then through Heathery Cleugh and Cow's Hill, the latter a village with a good sized and respectable inn, from whence an omnibus runs to and from Stanhope, the nearest railway station, distant some sixteen miles. Continuing down the road which keeps close by the fast running stream, I soon arrived at Wear Head, a small village, most pleasantly situated, although lying rather low, just at the junction of the Burnhope Burn and Kilhope Burn, the united water afterwards bearing the name of the River Wear. There is a good view of the confluence of the streams from the bridge which spans the Wear. I found a very nice and comfortable little inn, with a chatty, good natured landlord. Returning to Heathery Cleugh, I endeavoured to obtain admittance into the church, but did not succeed, as I was unable to find the key, no one appearing to know where it was kept. The church, dedication of which I fancy is unknown, is a plain modern stone building, almost barn-like in its appearance, and is, I am told, very badly attended, as nearly every miner fancies he has a "call" to preach, and holds forth in his own house to a select few. If ever I am in the neighbourhood over a Sunday. I shall certainly make a point of attending one of these meetings. Further on the road I overtook the schoolmaster, and at his kind invitation I accompanied him to the Board schools. They are lofty, well ventilated, and comfortable. He told me that many of the children come great distances, and in all weathers; even severe snowstorms did not prevent their attendance, many of them coming over the dreary and trackless fells. Some 200 attend the schools. The children are tractable, remarkably civil and courteous, and vastly different from the wild rough children of the outlying districts of Northumberland. Continuing on my way, I overtook a number of miners leaving their work and returning home. They commence at 7 a.m. and finish at 2 p.m., strong, hardy, healthy, well-formed men most of them were, "with large and sinewy hands," and muscles "strong as iron bands." On questioning them, I was astonished to find that many of them were only eighteen or nineteen years of age, and yet, owing to their unhealthy occupation, very few live to any great age. They told me that the lead trade was in a very bad way. There was a general depression, such a gloomy outlook had not been for a very long time, many miners are out of employment and have been for weeks, and several of them think of emigrating, I was also told that most of the mines were going to be closed as things were so bad. I bad I noticed that along by the roadside the land was cultivated, and I found it was cut up into small pasture farms, and held by the miners. These farms they informed me all

belonged to Mr Beaumont, M.P., for South Northumberland. If all I heard is true Mr Beaumont is no more popular among the miners than he is in Tyneside; in the neighbourhood of Corbridge for instance, where he is endeavouring to close a public footroad used as such in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.
After passing Nent Head I overtook a miner who had worked some forty years in the neighbourhood. He had never been further than Alston, not even to Haltwhistle; of course, he had never seen the sea, nor had he any idea of its appearance. He had seen & train at Alston, but was never in one, wouldn't go in one, had certainty occasionally had a ride along the road behind an engine conveying lead to the smelt works. Winter and summer, in all weathers, he daily trudged back and forward to his work at Nent Head. He resided in a nice clean cottage on the road side; there were flowers blooming in the windows, and a-troop of children came rushing out to welcome him, and yet he could not tell me the name of his residence. He never got any letters, didn't think he could read them, I fancy he was as ignorant of the Alphabet as old Will Scott of Flotterton was owing to the high resolve of his father, that none of his family should ever be hanged for forgery. Just as the last slanting beams of the fast setting sun were gilding the higher parts of Alston, I got back to my comfortable quarters.

23rd October 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)
LEAD MINING IN ALSTON MOOR AND TEESDALE. —The prospects of the lead miners are looking a trifle brighter. The directors of Rodderup Fell mine met on Monday, and it was decided to resume sinking operations in the Whin. At Nenthead most of the miners recently paid off have availed themselves of the Lead Company's permission to seek for ore in the old workings, whether this work will prove remunerative is problematical; old miners accustomed to the workings, however, possess a greater advantage over newer hands. At Crossgill mine a considerable length of adit level is to be driven. We also understand there is a probability of about half the old workmen finding employment again at Cashwell, which at present is practically closed. The building trade alone appears to flourish in the district, in addition to Messrs. Askerigg's factory several large blocks of farm buildings are in course of erection. —In Teesdale, up to this date, about one hundred miners and smelters have been discharged. The Duke of Cleveland has determined to find employment for a number of the discharged men.

26th October 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, 11th inst., Mr Joseph Rutherford, lead miner, to Miss Sarah Jane Armstrong, both of Dykeheads, Nenthead.
See 5th April 1884

26th October 1878 (Hexham Herald)
LEAD MINING IN ALSTON MOOR
The prospects of the lead miners in this district are somewhat lightening. Most of the men recently discharged at Nenthead have availed themselves of the permissions given by the London Lead Company to search for ore in the old workings. Whether this work will prove remunerative is to be doubted though the company allows a fair price per bing; probably old hands accustomed to the workings may do fairly well. At Rodderup Fell, the directors have decided to

recommence sinking for the purpose of fully testing the ore bearing qualities of the strata underneath the Whin. At Crossgill mine some forty fathoms of additional adit level is to be driven. We understand that there is a probability of many of the old workmen being reemployed at Cashwell, which is now practically closed.

26th October 1878 (Alston Herald)

... the lent cash at Blagill mine was last Saturday reduced from three pounds per month to two pounds ten shillings. ...

9th November 1878 (Hexham Courant)

HEXHAM PETTY SESSIONS

BREACH OF MINES REGULATION ACT.

Thomas Ware, manager of the Stonecroft and Greyside Lead Mines, was summoned at the instance of Mr James Willis, her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Mines for this district, for that h, "being the agent of the Stoneycroft and Greyside Mines did unlawfully not properly fence the entrance between the top and bottom of a working shaft in the said mine, contrary to section 23 of the Metalliferous Mines Regulations Act, General Rule 7." Mr Isaac Baty, Jun., appeared for the prosecution, and Mr L. C. Lockhart for defendant. Mr Baty having briefly stated the case called Mr Willis, who spoke to visiting this mine at Stonecroft on the 3rd of last month, and inspecting a certain level leading to that mine, when he found the entrance to the shaft not fenced. – By Mr Lockhart: It was a new thing, since 1872, that intermediate levels should be fenced. - Mr Lockhart admitted on behalf of Mr Ware, that he had committed a breach of the regulation in question. It was fenced now, though it was not fenced at the time Mr Willis saw it. – The Chairman: When did this Act come into operation? – Mr Willis: It was passed in 1872 and came into operation in 1873. – Mr Lockhart (resuming) said that Mr Ware had conducted this mine for many years on the safest principles. He applied what safeguards the Legislature thought proper to enforce in the case of coal mines. The regulations in coal mines were that shafts should be fenced at the top and bottom. This new Act applied to lead mines what was applied to coal mines before, except that these fences should also be applicable to the intermediate openings. Hence it was that Mr Ware missed this new clause in the Act of Parliament. As far as Mr Ware knew he had done everything proper to be done. In this case it was not a level of a nature to suggest danger. He had now, however literally complied with the Act of Parliament. He thought that the Bench, looking at all the facts of the case, and seeing that it had not been done knowingly, would only inflict a nominal penalty. – The Chairman (to Mr Willis): Have you never given them any caution on the subject? – Mr Willis: No. – The Chairman: How long has this shaft existed? – Mr Willis: Many years. – The Chairman: You have not seen this shaft before? – Mr Willis: No. – The Chairman: Then they have been allowed to go on without a caution? – Mr Willis: Yes. – The Chairman: Has any life been lost through want of fencing here or anywhere else? – Mr Willis: Several in coal mine. – The Chairman: I meant at this mine? – Mr Willis said there was a life lost at this place a short time ago, but he could not say that it was in consequence of this fencing not being there. – The Chairman said that the justices had decided to inflict only a nominal penalty, but if another case of the

same nature came before them they would give the full penalty. Defendant would be fined 20s and costs.

2nd November 1878 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Newcastle Register Office, 24th ult. Mr John Gill, to Miss Cora Doyle, both of Alston.
Robert Doyle married Isabella Greenwell on 14th May 1859, St Mary, Carlisle. In 1861, at Nottingham Cottages, Devon, Robert Doyle, Sapper R.E., born Ireland, his wife Isabella aged 23, born Alston, and daughter Cora M. under 1 month.
In 1871, at Sun Inn, Front Street, Alston, Blackett Greenwell, innkeeper, & animal preserver, aged 63, born Alston, his wife Mary (Smith, married 21st August 1834, Alston) aged 54, born Richmond, , daughter Isabella 29, born Alston, granddaughters Cora Doyle 10, born Plymouth, and Bertha Doyle 7, born Southampton. In 1881, at Brewery House, John Gill, brewer, aged 35, born Knaresdale, his wife Cora Mary 20, sons John Blackett 2, Arnold Reginald, 2 months, and sister in law, Bertha Doyle, dressmaker, aged 18. In 1891, at Front Street, John Gill, wines & spirits traveller, aged 46, his wife Cora M 30, sons John B 12, Arnold R 10, Harold 9, George A 6, and Bertram C, aged 4.
In 1901, at Warwick Street, Heaton, John Gill, brewers traveller, aged 56, his wife, his wife Cora 40, sons Arnold, mechanical engineer, aged 20, Harold, ship brokers clerk, aged 19, George, wire rope manufacturers clerk, aged 16, and Bertram 14. In 1911, at Guildford Place, Heaton, John Gill, traveller, wines & spirits, aged 66, his wife Cora Mary 49, sons John Blackett, mate mercantile marine, aged 32, George Arthur, clerk, aged 26, and Bertram Cyril, clerk, aged 24. Cora M Gill died 2nd quarter 1923, aged 62
Deaths
At the Felling, 26th ult. aged 68, Elizabeth Wallis, formerly of Alston Moor.
In 1851, at Low Felling, John Wallis, millwright, aged 37, sisters Elizabeth 40, and Jane, dressmaker, aged 30. In 1871, at St Johns Place, Felling, Elizabeth Wallis, unmarried, aged 60, and boarder John Wilson, labourer aged 22.

15th November 1878 (Newcastle Courant)
DEPRESSION IN THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE.
NOTICE OF TEN PER CENT REDUCTION.
In consequence of the extreme depression in the lead markets the representatives of the Governor and Company, in Upper Teesdale, have just given notice of a further reduction in the miner's, smelter's, and other workmen's wages of 10 per cent. Already a large number of workmen have been discharged from the mines and quite a gloom has been cast over the higher part of Teesdale. For a long series of years the operations of the London Lead Company were practically unaffected by the fluctuations in trade, and the reverse now experienced is keenly felt by the great bulk of the inhabitants. Added to general commercial depression a large amount of sickness prevails in Middleton in Teesdale and neighbourhood, the mortality being high. No fewer than 17 fresh cases of Scarlet fever have broken out during the past week. Much distress in consequence exists.

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16th November 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The London Lead Company have given notice that after the 31st December 1878, they will cease to pay anything to Garrigill Curacy or to Nenthead living. The Company pays annually £45 to the Vicar of Nenthead and £30 to the Curate of Garrigill. ...

16th November 1878 (Alston Herald)

Deaths

At Alston 12th inst., aged 59, Joseph Carr lead miner.

In 1841, at Nenthead, Sarah Carr (Sarah Martindale married Thomas Carr, at Alston 29th September 1798, a burial of Thomas Carr aged 49 is recorded at Alston, dated 27th February 1823) widow, aged 65, Ralph lead miner 30, Anthony lead miner 25, Elizabeth 23, Joseph lead miner 20, and Hannah 18. The 1851 census shows at Nenthall, Sarah Carr, lead miners widow, aged 74, children Elizabeth 40, Anthony lead miner 32, Joseph lead miner 31, and grandson Thomas lead miner 15.

In 1861, at Nenthall, Joseph Carr, aged 41, his wife Mary aged 34, sons Ralph 8, William 7, Thomas 5, and Joseph 3.

In 1871, at Road Side House, Alston, Joseph Carr, lead miner & farmer of 14 acres, aged 49, his wife Mary 49, children Ralph lead miner 18, William lead miner 17, Thomas lead ore washer 15, Joseph 13, Elizabeth 7, John 5, Anthony 2, and Matthew 11 months. In 1881, at Ropery Cottages, Mary Carr, lead miners widow, aged 57, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 24, Joseph, coal miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 16, John, tailors apprentice, aged 14, Anthony 12, and Matthew 10.

30th November 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON LEAD TRADE

Ayleburn lead mine, a small one, has been closed. The chief mine in the district of the London Lead Company is situate at Nenthead, and matters are in such a gloomy state that a further reduction in mens wages is feared, will take place at the close of the present year. The sinking of a shaft at Rodderup Fell in the Whin, has, within the past few days, been let by tender, and it is stated that the

accepted tender was at the rate of £27 per fathom. The highest being about £80 per fathom the average rate for the work in ordinary good times would be about £70 per fathom.

7th December 1878 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

THE LEAD TRADE. Besides Ayleburn mine, Hudgill Burn Mine has also been closed lately. About ten men have been reemployed at Cashwell. At Rodderup Fell, the working shifts have been lengthened from seven to eight hours. Rodderup Fell Company following the example of the London Lead Company, have withdrawn their grant of £10 to Garrigill Curacy. The London Lead Company have ceased to pay the school fees of children in Nenthead district whose parents receive out-relief.

Poor Law, Workhouses & Outdoor Relief

The Alston, Garrigill & Nenthead Poor Law Union was set up in 1837 when the existing workhouse was enlarged, it had an elected Board of Guardians.

Mannix & Whellan, History, Gazetteer and Directory of Cumberland, 1847

Poor Law Union, which only extends over the parish, is governed by thirteen, and two ex-officio guardians. The workhouse is situated near the town of Alston, and is capable of accommodating 80 inmates, though in November 1845, there were only 38 paupers in the house, and the expense each averaged about 2s. per week. Mr. Thomas Nattrass is the acting overseer, Mr. John White, relieving officer, and Robert and Mary Armstrong, governor and matron.

Since the mid 1300's various Acts of Parliament were passed relating to the care of the poor and infirm such as the 1535 Act which required that "all Governors of Shires, Cities, Towns, Hundreds, Hamlets and Parishes shall find and keep every aged, poor and impotent Person, which was born or dwelt three years within the same limit, by way of voluntary and charitable Alms ... for as none of them shall be compelled to go openly in begging. And also shall compel every sturdy Vagabond to be kept in continual labour ... "and gave powers to apprentice children aged between 5 and 13. Voluntary contributions for the relief of the poor were to be collected by the justices of the peace and churchwardens.

In 1601 the Act: "An Act for the Relief of the Poore" was passed consolidating previous Acts, and introduced the "Poor Rate" it empowered parish overseers to raise money for poor relief from the inhabitants of the parish, according to their ability to pay. The poor-rate was originally a form of local income tax, but over time evolved into the rating system. The 1601 Act made provision for "setting the poor on work". It stated that the Parish had the responsibility to: "… set the poor on work, and also competent sums of money, for, and towards the necessary relief of the lame, impotent, old, blind, and such other among them being poor, and not able to work, and also for the putting out of such children to be apprentices, to be gathered out of the same Parish, according to the ability of the same parish …"
Relief known later as "outdoor relief" could be given by the Parish from funds collected, either in kind or money.

This did not generally include accommodation, this changed with Sir Edward Knatchbull's Act of 1722-3 " For Amending the Laws relating to the Settlement, Imployment and Relief of the Poor". It enabled workhouses to be set up by parishes either singly, or in combination with neighbouring parishes. It also established that the prospect of workhouse should act as a deterrent and that relief should only be available to those who were desperate enough to accept its regime.
The 1834 Act amended previous legislation and enabled the re-organising of 15,000 or so parishes of England and Wales into new administrative units called Poor Law Unions each run by a locally elected Board of Guardians. The funding of each Union and its workhouse continued to come from the local poor rate with each parish contributing in proportion to its poor relief expenditure over the previous three years. The Act also cut off completely all relief-money to the able-bodied. The aged, sick, or child paupers were compelled to enter workhouses where they were forced to perform labour which was often degrading, maintaining the principle of deterrent. This abolition of outdoor relief (out-relief) proved highly un-popular.
Previously out-relief usually in the form of bread, clothing, fuel, the payment of rent, or money, would be given to those in need who were not in the workhouse.

Due to manufacturing down turns it was often the case that there were insufficient places available in the workhouses.

This led to the 1842 ***Outdoor Labour Test Order:***
Article 1: *Every able-bodied male pauper receiving relief from any Parish within the Union, and not relieved in the workhouse, shall be relieved in the following manner : that is to say,—*

> *Half at least of the relief given to such pauper shall be given in food, clothing, and other articles of necessity.*
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> *No such pauper shall receive relief from the Guardians of the Union, or any of their Officers, or any Overseer of any Parish in the Union, while he is employed for wages or other hire or remuneration by any person ; but every such pauper so relieved shall be set to work by the Guardians.*

Article. 11. *Provided always, that the regulations in article I shall not apply in the case of any able-bodied male pauper who shall come within any of the following descriptions : that is to say,-*

> *1st. Where such pauper shall receive relief on account of sudden and urgent necessity.*
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> *2nd. Where such pauper shall receive relief on account of any sickness, accident, or bodily or mental infirmity affecting such pauper, or any of his family.*
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> *3rd. Where such pauper shall receive relief for the purpose of defraying the expenses, either wholly or in part, of the burial of any of his family.*
>
> *4th. Where such pauper shall be confined in any gaol or place of safe custody.*

5th. Where any able-bodied male person shall not reside within the Union, but the wife, child, or children of such person shall reside within the same, the Guardians may afford relief to such wife, child, or children, according to their discretion.

The Local Government Act was passed on 27th March 1929 and came into effect on 1st April 1930 - a day which was to mark the end for all Boards of Guardians in England and Wales.
Although the workhouse was officially no more, many institutions carried on into the 1930s virtually unaltered. Poor Law Institutions became Public Assistance Institutions and were controlled by a committee of 'guardians'. Unfortunately, the conditions improved very little for the inmates.
The National Health Service Act of 1946 came into force on 5th July 1948. Institutions now came under the control of Hospital Management Committees under Regional hospital Boards but many still carried the stigma from their workhouse days.

11th December 1878 (Teesdale Mercury)
ALSTON: —The Lead Trade. —Besides Ayleburn Mine, Hudgill Burn has also been closed lately. About ten men have been re-employed at Cashwell. At Rodderup Fell the working shifts have been lengthened from seven hours to eight. Rodderup Fell Company following the example of the London Lead Company, have withdrawn their grant of £10 a year to Garrigill curacy. The London Lead Company have ceased to pay the school fees of the children in Nenthead district whose parents receive out relief.

14th December 1878 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE
The lead trade prospects are very gloomy in Allendale, so far as the labouring classes are concerned. Notice has been given to the workmen engaged in the lead mines and smelt mill in Allendale and at Allenheads belonging to W B Beaumont Esq. MP that these works will be closed on and after the 28th of the present month. Not many months ago these places gave employment to some three or four hundred men although the greater proportion of these were dismissed some months ago, for at Allen smelt mill alone there used to be about 100 employed, which number latterly has been reduced to some thirty or forty. The total stoppage of Mr Beaumont's mines and smelt mill will increase the depression in trade which already exists in the district.

21st December 1878 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE
Mr W B Beaumont gave £50 to his agent to buy coal that was to be distributed amongst his workers at Allen Smelt Mills.

21st December 1878 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
THE LEAD TRADE
Speaking of the closing of the lead mines in Allendale and other places, an Alston correspondent says, this will be a terrible blow to the prosperity of the two dales, as the mines employ several thousand workmen. The reasons which have induced Mr Beaumont to take this step are difficult to conjecture, as some

of the Weardale mines are exceedingly rich, in marked contrast to those on Alston Moor. Prices of lead are certainly low, and Mr Beaumont has several thousand tons stored, but this can scarcely be a sufficient reason for depriving the miners of the means of subsistence, as there is no doubt many of the mines pay even at present prices.

21st December 1878 (Hexham Courant)

HAYDON BRIDGE
LEAD MINING

As will be remembered by our readers a few weeks ago we intimated that notice had been given at the Langley Barony Lead Mine, Haydon Bridge, that all work would be terminated on the 14th inst. The result on expiration of this notice was that some 14 or 15 men and boys have been dismissed. The men dismissed are some dozen, out side men, and two or three boys employed as washers. The reason of this appears to be that a small pumping engine has been stopped, which supplied water for a part of the washing apparatus which was last erected, and we are also informed, that the mills belonging to the mining company in the Eastern part of the county, where all the lead is smelted, are not working right, and that some alterations have to be made, which necessitated the stoppage of smelting process for a short time. A week or two ago, the men employed at Stonecroft Mine had their wages reduced from 19s to 18s per week of five shifts. It is greatly feared that if the present hard frosts continue the work will be stopped at the washings at the Langley Barony Mine.

28th December 1878 (Alston Herald)

GARRIGILL
THE LATE MR THOMAS SHAW, SHIELD HILL.

Our obituary of today records the death on Sunday last (22nd inst) of the above named gentlemen. ... he passed away in the 74th year of his age. In the early part of his life Mr Shaw was closely connected with the mining interest, having for a considerable time, the chief, if not the entire management of Benty Field mine.

In 1841, at Shield Hill, Thomas Shaw, mine agent, aged 35; his wife Ann aged 30, children Thomas 8 (died 1849?), Robert 6, Mary 4 and Ann 1 year.
In 1851, at Shield Hill, Thomas Shaw, miner & occupier of lead and prospector, aged 46; his wife Ann (Smith, married Alston, 7th July 1831) aged 41, children Robert Walton drapers assistant 16, Mary 14, and Ann 10.
In 1861, at Shield Hill, Thomas Shaw, landed proprietor, aged 56, and his wife Ann aged 51, and unmarried daughter Mary aged 23.
In 1871, at Shield Hill, Thomas Shaw, widow, yeoman, and farmer of 4 acres, aged 66; also, his unmarried daughter Mary aged 33.
In 1871, Robert Walton Shaw is a Draper at Belle Vue, Medomsley Robert W Shaw, aged 36, his wife Margaret 38 (born Middleton in Teesdale), children stepson John Smith 15, Lilian Smith step daughter 12, Nancy A. Smith stepdaughter 9, Margaret E. Smith stepdaughter 6, and daughter Anne W. aged 1 year.
Robert W Shaw married Margaret Smith at Newcastle in 1866.

28th December 1878 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Bristol, Stapleton Road, 14 Cambridge Terrace, 20th inst. aged 70, Hayton Blacklock late of Nenthead.
In 1851 at Borringdon Cottage, Morly Clay, Shaugh Prior, Devonshire, Hayton Blacklock, clerk at the clay mines, 43, his wife Sarah (Hornsby, married 14th August 1834, at Alston) aged 37, children Thomas apprentice joiner 15, Isaac post boy 13, Joseph 11, John G. 9, Mary 7, Jane P. 5, John H. 2, and Sarah J. 6 months. Thomas, Isaac & Joseph born in Alston, the others at Shaugh Prior. They were living at Shaugh Priory at the time of the 1841 census also. The 1861 census shows the family at Shaugh Priory, in 1871 the census they are living at 16 West Grove, Ashley, Bristol, Hayton Blacklock commercial traveller, aged 62, his wife Sarah 56, Thomas carpenter 35, Jonathan carpenter 22, and Henry H, clerk carriers office 18. Sarah Blacklock died in 1886 Barton Regis, Gloucestershire.

4th January 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday last; in the Board Room, Town Hall, when the members present were—Rev. O. James, J.P. (in the chair), Mr Joe. Armstrong, Mr Jonathan Carr, Mr Joshua Mulcaster, Mr Thos. Dickinson, Mr Adam Walton, Mr Isaac Walton, Mr Henry Walton, and Mr Jos. Walton.—The Clerk reported that the treasurer (Mr H. Whitfield) had received £73 4s on account of the lunatics for the last half-year, which would be placed to the account of the Board. The quarterly cheques were then signed. There were no relief cases to come under the consideration of the Board, and only one application for the payment of school fees, by a pauper, which was accordingly granted. The Clerk said that these orders for the payment of school fees had only been made up to the 31st Dec., so this order would have to be renewed at next meeting. —The School Inquiry Officer (Mr N. Walton) : Yes; they will all have to be renewed at next meeting.—The Board then proceeded with the annual distribution of the Fair Hill Charity. The Clerk laid before the Board a statistical statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Charity. For Alston, last year, there was a balance in hand of £30 18s 6¾d; proportion of charity, £44 12s 10d; distributed during the year, £12 5s; which left a balance in hand of £63 6s 4¾d; Garrigill—balance from last year, £10 0s 3½d; proportion of charity, £14 16s. 6d., which brought the whole amount up to £24 16s. 9½d; distributed during the year, £7; leaving a balance of £17 16s 9½d.—Mr Dickinson: How much was there distributed last year:—The Clerk, after referring back to his book, said that only about £20 had been distributed last year in both Garrigill and Alston.—The Relieving Officer said there were about fifty applicants for relief out of the fund.—The cases were then taken *seriatim*, and the merits of each having been duly considered, the applicants was awarded 10s or £1 according to their circumstances as known to the Board. There were fourteen applications from Garrigill, four of which were able-bodied parties, who had been out of work for some weeks, and had no means of support. £8 was distributed among them, leaving a balance of £9 16s in hand. There was only one applicant from the Nenthead district which was remarked upon by one of the guardians, when the Relieving Officer amounted for it by the fact that the Langhorn Charity had been dispensed to the poor people in that district, when there was a large

number of applicants. £26 had then been distributed. After the addition of one or two parties whom the guardians considered were needful parties, although they had not made application through the Relieving Officer, the Clerk stated that the amount expended for Alston was £24 10s, making £32 10s for the whole district.—The Clerk stated, with reference to the forming of bye-laws for proper enforcement of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, that he had looked up the subject, and he found that the guardians could not move in the matter without there was a requisition presented, signed by fifty ratepayers, and then the Clerk could cell a ratepayers meeting to put a resolution that bye-laws be adopted, and the Board moved upon it.—Mr Mulcaster considered that bye-laws were necessary. They had about twenty at Nenthead that were not paying school fees at all—The Chairman considered that they should give the matter their due consideration at next meeting.—Mr Dickinson proposed that the matter stand over for six months.—Mr H. Walton moved that it stand over for three months after next meeting.—The Chairman: We will say no more about it till it creeps up again. (Laughter.)—There was no sanitary business to transact with the exception of signing the quarterly cheques.

NENTHEAD.

BAZAAR AND CHRISTMAS TREE.—The Wesleyans of this place held a bazaar and Christmas tree on Christmas Day in the Lead Company's School-room to liquidate the debt remaining on the organ recently purchased for the chapel. The sale commenced at one o'clock, when a brisk business was done, until all the stalls were completely cleared of their goods. A brisk business was likewise done at the refreshment department. The entire proceeds for the day amounted to £40 17s, which was very satisfactory taking into account the depression in the lead trade and the state of the neighbourhood.

TEA AND FRUIT BANQUET.—The annual choir meeting in connection with the Primitive Methodist Chapel was held on Christmas Day in the chapel, and was quite as successful as in previous years.

In the evening a fruit banquet was held, the fruit consisting of oranges, apples, and sweets. The chair was occupied by Mr Thos. Wilkinson, sen., of Nenthead, who entertained the company with a very amusing speech. Th meeting was addressed by Messrs John Hill, Jun., and Jonathan Rutherford, of Nenthead, the addresses being practical and appropriate for the occasion. The entire proceeds were for the choir funds.

18th January 1879 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 12th inst. Mr John Place to Miss Diana Hall, both of Alston.

In 1851, at Low Skelgill, John Place, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth (Proud, married 7th December 1822, Alston) aged 48, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 17, and Elizabeth 10.

John Place died 2nd quarter 1854.

In 1861, at Low Skelgill, Elizabeth Place, widow, farmer of 60 acres, aged 58, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 30, John, farmers son, aged 27, and Elizabeth 20.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Place, cartman, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Pearson, married 2nd quarter 1867, reg. Alston) aged 36, children Isabella 3, and Thomas 1.
Hannah Place, died 6th June 1878, aged 44.

In 1881, at Nenthead Rd. John Place, coal man, aged 40, his wife Diana 33, children Isabella 13, Thomas 11, and Mary 1.
In 1891, at Low Skelgill, John Place, farmer, aged 52, his wife Diana 44, children Isabella 23, Tom, cartman, aged 21, Mary 10, John William 6, and Lizzie 3. In 1901, at Low Skelgill, John Place, farmer, aged 67, his wife Dianah 54, Isabella 33, Tom, cartman 30, Mary 19, John Wm, cartman, aged 16, and Eliza 13.
John Place died 22nd March 1904, aged 70, his wife Diana had died November 10th 1903, aged 56

Deaths

At Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, 11th inst. aged 42, Jane Law, daughter of the late John Law, lead miner.
John Law married Hannah Armstrong 16th March 1826 at Alston.
Hannah Law died ?

In 1841, at High Spency Croft, Garrigill, John Law, lead miner, aged 40, wife Sarah (Pattinson, married 10th February 1834, at Alston) aged 30, children George 14, William 13, John 10, Elleanor 9, Jane 5, and Joseph 1 year.
In 1851, at High Spency Croft, Garrigill, John Law, lead miner, aged 52, wife Sarah aged 41, children George, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 15, Sarah 8, Ann 5, and Matthew 2.
In 1861, at High Spency Croft, Garrigill, John Law, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Sarah 51, daughters, Sarah 18, and Anne 15.
John Law died 4th quarter of 1864.
In 1871, at Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, Sarah Law, widow, farming 14 acres, aged 61, and daughter Jane, servant, aged 30.
In 1881, at Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, Sarah Law, widow, farming 14 acres, aged 71, and daughter Annie, dairy maid, aged 28.
Sarah Law died 4th quarter 1885, aged 76, registered at Alston.

WEARDALE

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

A miner named Thomas Chesters, residing at Bolts Burn, near St John's Chapel, returning home on Saturday night in company with his son, accidentally fell into an old coal depot about 12 feet deep and was killed. When found he was lying on his back in an insensible state and only lived three quarters of an hour after having been taken out.

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REMEMBRANCE
OF
THOMAS CHESTER
WHO DIED AT BOLTSBURN
JANUARY 11TH 1879
AGED 50 YEARS
ERECTED BY HIS SISTER
ELIZABETH CHESTER
ALSO OF THOMAS HENRY,
GEORGE HENRY
AND MATTHEW CHILDREN OF THE ABOVE
ALSO WILLIAM SON OF THE ABOVE
DIED DECEMBER 24TH 1894
AGE 31 YEARS
ALSO MARY CHESTER WIFE OF
THE ABOVE OF BLACK ROAD
WITTON PARK
WHO DIED MAY
10TH 1905 AGED 71 YEARS

In 1871, at Hylton Terrace, Boltsburn, Thomas Chester, railway engine stoker, aged 38, born Morland, Westmorland, his wife Mary aged 31, sons William 7, and John L. 1 year.

In 1881, at Bolts Law, Rookhope, Mary Chester, widow, aged 45, children William, railway labourer, aged 17, John L. 11, and Elizabeth 9.
In 1891, at Woodside Lane, Witon le-Wear, Mary Chester, widow, aged 57, children, William, weighman, aged 27, John L, sanitary pipe maker-fitter, aged 21, and Elizabeth 19.
In 1901, at Witton Park, Witton Le-Wear, Mary Chester, widow, aged 66, son John, colliery labourer, aged 30, and daughter, Elizabeth 25.

18th January 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

FAIR HILL CHARITY MATTERS.

The CLERK stated that the balance of the charity money due to Mr Davis, the Grammar School Master was £26 19s 5d; previous payment, £20; making a total of £46 19s 53. Balance due to Mr Dent, Garrigill schoolmaster, £8 8s 2d; previous payment, £5; total, £13 8s 2d.—Mr VIPOND remarked that the master of the Grammar School had, according to his agreement, to pay sixpence a quarter as rent for the school. It had not been paid for some time, but the Committee thought it ought to be deducted for this year at any rate. They only wished to carry out the agreement in order to have control over the school.—The CLERK: It is a mere nominal thing; the relieving officer ought to ask him.—Mr A. WALTON: I would ask him if he returned it again; it is merely to have command over the school.— The relieving officer was ordered to ask the master for the payment when he received his payment out of the charity funds.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

DR. CARSON'S REPORT as follows —

Salvin Lodge, Alston, 10th January, 1879.

To the Rural Sanitary Authority. Gentlemen, I beg to hand you my annual report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1878, with a summary of the action taken for the prevention and spread of disease. The inspection of the district has been carried out systematically at certain periods, as occasion might require; and have found no nuisance of a serious nature to exist likely to injure public health. Visited Nenthead and Garrigill Gate during the months of January, February, and March. Found all in good sanitary state with the exception of a few dung heaps, which I instructed the owners to remove. Since then complied with. Whooping cough very prevalent during this quarter, five cases having proved fatal, these being the first deaths recorded since the year 1873. Free from other epidemics. April 9th. Fatal case of typhoid fever occurred at Beldy, Garrigill. On inspecting the premises found the drains in a very satisfactory condition. Ordered disinfectants to be freely used. Same date—visited Garrigill Gate—found all in a healthy state. May 14th. Two cases of typhoid fever reported in Garrigill Gate. On visiting the place found drainage &c., in good order. The same applies to the neighbouring dwellings. May 27th and June 3rd. Inspected Nenthead and adjoining hamlets. Gave instructions to have some drains flushed and new ones constructed where found requisite. On visiting the places shortly afterwards, found my recommendations in general carried out, whooping cough which had been prevalent for some months has now entirely disappeared. Sept. 9th and Nov. 25th. Visited Nenthead. A road channel out of repair which obstructed the flow of refuse water from the adjoining property. Spoke respecting the same, when he agreed to have it put into proper working order. With the above exception found the village very satisfactory. Sept. 11th and Nov. 26th. Garrigill

Gate and outskirts in good sanitary state. The aggregate deaths for the year number 52, being at the rate of 17 per thousand, consisting of 30 males and 22 females, showing an increase of 2.3 per thousand as compared with last year. Births—76, being 53 for Nenthead and 23 for Garrigill.

I am gentlemen, Your obedient servant, STEWART CARSON.

Medical Officer of Health for No. 2, or High District.

The Inspector of Nuisances (Mr Dixon) said that he had visited Nenthead and Garrigill and found all in a fair sanitary condition. He had no nuisance to report the Board.

Whooping cough, also sometimes referred to as pertussis, is an infection of the lining of the respiratory tract. Whooping cough is highly infectious. The condition is caused by a bacterium called Bordetella pertussis, which can be passed from person to person through droplets in the air from coughing and sneezing.

The condition is known as whooping cough because the main symptom is a hacking cough, which is often followed by a sharp intake of breath that sounds like a 'whoop'.

Whooping cough usually affects infants and young children. However, adults can also sometimes develop the condition. Whooping cough tends to be most severe in young infants and, in rare cases, it can be fatal.

In the 1950s, there were more than 100,000 reported cases of whooping cough in England and Wales. However, with the introduction of an immunisation programme during the 1950s, the number of confirmed cases of whooping cough is now very low.

Before immunisation against whooping cough began in the 1950s, there was an epidemic of the condition every three to four years in the UK. As a result, 80% of children developed whooping cough before they were five years of age. (www.nhs.uk)

GARRIGILL.

THE LATE MR WM. HUTCHINSON, OF GARRIGILL. —The funeral obsequies of Mr Hutchinson were performed at Garrigill on Monday last, when he was followed to the grave by a large and respectable company deeply in sympathy with the bereaved relatives, and many mourning the loss of a true friend as well as of a public benefactor. To some who looked round the burial ground, a fresh grave with the sod upon the top of the mound and the earth at the sides is though but newly turned over would be observed. That grave, we understand, contained the body of Mr Christopher Armstrong, of Ashgillside, who was interred a few days previously—a man of blameless life and consistent character, and yet cut down with the dew of his youth on his brow, and though spending the whole of his life at Ashgillside, he was not unknown to fame in certain circles seeing that he was one of the Armstrong's, of Ashgillside, so famed for their breed of black faced sheep, and for which they have got some of the best prizes at the largest cattle shows in the country.

Deaths

Ashgill, 4th inst. aged 38, Christopher Armstrong.

In 1841, at Ashgill Side, Christopher Armstrong lead miner aged 40, his wife Addah (Armstrong, married 9th December 1826, at Alston) aged 39, children Mary 10, William 8, John 4, and Christopher 1 year.

Christopher Armstrong senior died in 1847.

In 1851, at Ashgill Side, Addy Armstrong, widow, occupier of small farm, aged 43, children Mary 21, Wm 18, John 13, Christopher 11, Thos 7, and Elizabeth aged 5.
In 1861, at Ashgill Side Adeline Armstrong, miners widow, aged 54, children John lead miner 23, Christopher lead miner 21, Thomas lead miner 17, and Elizabeth aged 15 years.
In 1871, at Ashgill Side, Garrigill, Adeline Armstrong, farmer of 20 acres, aged 56, her unmarried sons Christopher, farmers son, aged 31, and Thomas lead miner, aged 27.
Loaning Head, Garrigill, 9th inst aged 58, William Hutchinson.
See 22nd June 1878

25th January 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

LEADGATE (ALSTON)

MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.—This Society is now in a very prosperous condition, numbering over thirty members. The annual meeting, presided over by the President of the Society, Mr Isaac Walton, was held on the 10th inst., in the School Room, when the members and a large number of their friends partook of tea before the meeting, and supper after it. After the ordinary business was transacted the members had a very amusing discussion, the question being whether is celibacy or matrimony the happier state? As a matter of course the bachelors were defeated by a large majority. The ordinary meetings are held once a fortnight and are well attended, the subjects chosen for discussion or papers to be read are always of a very instructive and interesting nature. The second part of the lecture lately given by the Rev W. Nall, B.A., in connection with this society, will be given shortly.
LEADGATE SCHOOL.—Mr Pennethorne, H.M. Inspector of Schools, accompanied by Mr Hunter, his assistant, visited this School on Wednesday last, for the inspection of the children. Formerly this along with other schools in the parish were annually examined in the month of June, but the month has now been altered to January, the school year ending on the 31st Dec.

25th January 1879 (Hexham Courant)

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

The lead trade in Teesdale shows no sign of reviving, but on the contrary, the extreme depression seems likely long to continue. In addition to the number of men already discharged by the agents of the London Lead Company, it is stated in the upper part of the dale that the mining agents have been instructed to discharge about one hundred more miners. Acting on the instructions of the Governor and Company, it is understood that the necessary notices have been issued and that they will take effect at the usual letting of bargains in the course of a week or two. The outlook is exceedingly gloomy in Teesdale.

FUNERAL OF MR SOPWITH

In the presence of only a few sorrowing relatives the remains of Mr Thomas Sopwith, MA, FRS, FGS, were on Tuesday interred in the pretty cemetery of Lower Norwood. Had it not been for the privacy which the friends requested, the company in attendance must have been a very large one.

IN MEMORY OF
JANE
THE BELOVED WIFE OF THOMAS SOPWITH
WHO DIED AT ALLENHEADS NOVEMBER 1ST 1855,
AGED 48
A LIFE OF EARNEST GOODNESS WAS CLOSED IN
PEACE
AND ION HUMBLE BUT FIRM RELIANCE ON THE
MERITS
OF HER SAVIOUR.
MARY JANE DAUGHTER OF
THE ABOVE THOMAS AND JANE SOPWITH
DIED JANUARY 24TH 1842 AGED 7 YEARS.
EDMUND THEIR SON
DIED FEBRUARY 2ND 1847 AGED 8 MONTHS.
ALSO OF
THOMAS SOPWITH M.A., FRS., CE.
WHO DIED AT WESTMINSTER JANUARY 16TH 1879
AGED 76 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED IN NORWOOD CEMETERY
LONDON

This was the second wife of Thomas Sopwith

25th January 1879 (Hexham Herald)

SERIOUS CONTRAVENTION OF MINES REGULATIONS

At Stanhope Petty Sessions, James Blenkiron, manager of the Rookhope Lead mine, the property of the Rookhope Lead Mining Company, was charged by Supt. Thubron, with certain breaches of the general rules of the Metalliferous Act 1872, viz:

1) That he had not kept at the above mine a register of the name, age, residence, and date of first employment of all the boys of the age of twelve years and under the age of thirteen, and of all male young persons of the age of thirteen and under eighteen.

2) That he did permit and suffer, for the purpose of forming or stemming, iron or steel prickers to be used underground; and also did permit to be used iron or steel tampering rods.

3) That he had not provided a sufficient covering for a cage used for the raising and lowering men to and from the mine.

4) That he had not provided near the principle entrance the prescribed dressing accommodation for the men employed in the mine.

The defence was, in the second charge, that the copper tool required had been ordered but had not arrived at the time of the inspectors visit to the mine; in the third, that the cage was not ordinarily used, and in the fourth, that dressing accommodation was not required by the men.

The Bench were satisfied that in all cases, there had been a contravention of the law and they inflicted a penalty of £2 (a tenth of the full one) in each case, defendant to also pay costs. Mr Wm. Edwards, director of the above company, was also charged with the above offences and a similar penalty was inflicted upon him. Three charges of the same nature, which had been preferred against three more of the directors, were withdrawn.

Deaths
East Deanrow, Langley Mills, 20th inst, aged 14, Catherine Ann only daughter of George and Sarah Ritson.
In 1871, Standing Stone, Matfen, George Ritson, sawyer, aged 39, wife Sarah 37, children Michael W. 13, Thomas W. 11, William 10, Catherine A. 6, and nephew Cuthbert Woodman, sawyer, aged 18.

31st January 1879 (Newcastle Courant)
Green Hurth Lead Mine
The holders of shares in the Green Hurth Lead Mine, upper Teesdale, have in the last few days received information of the discovery of what promises to be a most valuable vein of lead, and the result has been to cause the price of shares to rise rapidly. The shares are of the value of £1, of which 6s. has been paid. The price of the shares has been down to 13s. 6d. recently, but on Monday a few lots were sold at £4 per share.

1st February 1879 (Hexham Courant)
LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE
During the last few months the directors of the Green Hurth Mine have been putting down a sump close to where No. 1 vein was so rich four years since. A month ago the men cut a branch of the vein worth one ton of lead ore per fathom and a fortnight ago they found the vein itself leading into the sump. They have not yet seen the whole width of the vein, and at present it is worth 12 tons of ore per fathom. The sump is still in Hazel. It is down 10 fathoms, and is now within six feet at the limestone in which rock it is expected the vein will be even richer than at present. When this mine was so rich four years ago the ore was nearly all obtained from a limestone averaging 4 ½ fathoms in thickness. As soon as the present sump is sunk through the limestone, workings will be commenced north and south of the vein, under a back or cover of 16 fathoms.
Deaths
At Derwent Mines, Blanchland, 28th ult. aged 80, Mrs Jane Lowdon.
At Roughside, near Blanchland, 30th ult. aged 90, Thomas Jameson.
In 1861, at Shildon, Blanchland, Thomas Jameson, widow, labourer at mines, aged 68, born Northumberland, Shotley.
At Alston, 27th ult., aged 7 months, Lilian Grisdale, daughter of Thomas Grisdale, formerly sergeant of police.
At Nenthead, 25th ult., aged 46, John Doyle, lead miner.
In 1871 at Whitehall, Nenthead, John Doyle, lead miner & local Methodist preacher, aged 38 (born Berwick), his wife Rachel (Elliott, married 1857, at Alston) aged 37, children Robert 14, Henry 8, Hugh 1, and a visitor Thomas Indian, shoemaker, aged 14.
At Nenthead, 28th ult., aged 37 Thomas Roddam, lead ore washer.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 29, and his wife Isabella (Tatters, married at Nenthead 25th February 1869) aged 30.
Isabella died 6th August 1879.
Thomas Roddam, of Nenthead lead ore miner, will dated 24th January 1872, proved at Carlisle 3rd January 1882, gross value of effects £584. Isabella Roddam his wife sole executor and recipient, her will was proved at Carlisle 3rd January 1882 by Henry Hall and Joseph Teasdale the executors of the will

of Isabella Roddam, widow deceased, whilst living the relict of the said deceased Thomas Roddam.
Isabella Roddam, will dated 18th July 1879, proved at Carlisle 13th May 1881, by Henry Hall and Joseph Teasdale. Names mentioned in the will: — Brothers in law, Henry Hall and Joseph Teasdale, son John William Roddam, nieces Sophia Sarah Wilson, and Isabella Ann Wilson, three sisters Sarah wife of Henry Hall, Elizabeth Tatters, spinster, and Mary Jane Teasdale wife of the said Joseph Teasdale.
See 27th Feb 1869, 3rd March 1877, 14th June 1884, and 20th August 1887.
At Greenends, 28th ult., aged 21, Jonathan Millican, lead miner.
In 1871 Greenends, Alston, Mary Millican, miners widow, aged 59, children Joseph lead miner 29, Robert lead miner 23, Mary 21, John lead miner 18, and grandsons Jonathan lead ore washer 13, and Vipond 2 years.
See 8th July 1876.

1st February 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

THE LUNATICS.

The CLERK intimated he had got the account from the Royal Albert Asylum for the maintenance of George Blacklock. It was £7 5s for the quarter, The asylum account was £50 18s 6d.—Mr VIPOND: I suppose the Inspector has not been at the Workhouse—The CLERK: I have not had any account of him.—MR VIPOND: You will have heard nothing with regard to that boy then?—The Master of the Workhouse said that the Inspector had not been there, It would be five years next March since the boy went to the asylum.—Mr VIPOND: He will have had a fair trial then?—The Master: Yes, they told me that two years would be a very fair trial.

PROPOSED BYE-LAWS.

The CLERK said at last meeting he was requested to prepare a form of requisition for a ratepayers' meeting to consider the expediency of having bye-laws established for the School Attendance Committee. He had got the requisition, and it would require to be signed by not less than 50 ratepayers, and they must be ratepayer; as they were rather particular in these cases. If the Board approved of the requisition they could sign it that day, so that it could be taken to the different districts to get it signed.

Mr H. WALTON: What better will it make us?

Mr DICKINSON: None; it will make us worse. (Laughter.)

The CLERK: Compel children to attend schools.

Mr WALTON: I suppose that we can do that now?

The CLERK: No.

Mr VIPOND: We can't act.

The CLERK explained to Mr Walton what steps they could take under existing circumstances.

Mr WALTON: If we could compel them to attend, the master could compel us to pay him.

The CLERK: Of course; it makes no difference, but that we can make children attend school whether they are the children of poor or rich.

Mr WALTON: The Master will not put the parish to the expense of repaying.

The CLERK: We have nothing to do with the Master's fees.

Mr WALTON: We can compel them to attend, and the Master has to compel them to pay.
The CLERK said that when the children did not attend school regularly, and when their parents did not endeavour to make them attend, and made all sorts of excuses for them, the consequences were simply this, that they did not get the sufficient number of attendances, and therefore they did not gain the capitation money, and that was a loss to the ratepayers. So when they found that they were really not attending they could make application to the magistrates. and they could summon them before them, and fine them to the extent of 5s.
Mr DICKINSON: How many children are there that have lost the Government Grant this year?
The CLERK: I have not got the returns?
Mr DICKINSON: 23 perhaps
The CLERK: Far more; in some schools there are a great many.
Mr DICKINSON was of opinion that the fathers and mothers of the children had quite a right to exercise their own judgment with regard to their children, and further expressed himself against the Education Act as a whole.
The CLERK: We have to keep up the schools and if we do not keep up the attendances we will not get the money for the school, and the result is for the parents' neglect, the parish will have to pay.
The requisition was signed by some of the guardians as ratepayers.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The meeting of the Sanitary Authority was held at the conclusion of the Guardians meeting, when the CLERK intimated that in accordance with the letter from the Local Government Board, of the 9th March last year, it was necessary that notice should be given at the meeting that at next meeting the medical officers would be re-appointed. In reference to his own salary, the Clerk further added, that it was necessary that the Authority should make an order for the payment of it each year. He believed he mentioned it last year; the Local Government Board requested that it be done. It was due on the 2nd Dec.—The usual order was made.—The CLERK mentioned that he had received a return from the Local Government Board, requesting to know the number of noxious trades within the limits of the Sanitary Authority's District. It did not appear to apply to this parish at all except with regard to the smelting mill, and the question would be whether it was regarded as a noxious trade.—The CHAIRMAN : We consider that it does good. (Laughter.)

The annual report of Dr Gill, Medical Officer of No 1 District, was read as follows : Sanitary Report of No 1 District of the Parish of Alston. Since the first of January there has been remarkable depression in the commerce of the country arising from causes which cannot enter into a report of this nature There is, however, reason to fear that before the winter is over it may have an influence in producing epidemic and other diseases. The year just ended has been free from epidemic of serious importance. The death rate for the year, assuming the population of 1871, has been about 16 per 1000, and for the quarter 2.28 per 1000 of the population. January 15.—I visited the east side of the town and found the manure steads required cleaning, which the owners promised to do as soon as possible. January 23.—Visited premises owned by Mr Dickinson and occupied by Messrs Farries and Dodsworth, whose families have been suffering

disease, of a serious and infections nature. I discovered bad smells in the cellar and found obstructions to the flow of sewage. On representing this matter to the owner, the plumber and mason by his order sufficiently improved the pipes &c., so that no further diseases have since occurred. April 10.—During my professional attendance at the house of Mrs Salvin, I discovered an unhealthy nuisance in the drainage. Having called the attention of the Inspector he soon got the place improved so far that nothing remains for complaint. May 20.—A complaint having been made respecting a privy belonging to Mr Thomas Graham, orders were given to get it cleansed, and although some difficulty existed from its locality it has now been made satisfactory. May 23.—Accompanied by the inspector, I visited nearly all the manure steads and privies on the east side of the town, and ordered some of the owners to remove the contents as soon as possible. Owing to the bad ventilation of a cow byer belonging to Mr J. Millican, part of a cottage above which being occupied by Mr E. White, was unhealthy for a sleeping apartment. On representing the same to the owner it was improved so far as to be free from complaint. June 13.—I have also visited other places during my professional avocation and am satisfied as to their sanitary condition. June 23. —Discovered the premises occupied by J. Beadle in a very unhealthy condition, and recommended the owner to make the place free from damp walls, and to have better ventilation, so decidedly hurtful were the above causes that the family constantly suffered from some of those diseases which occasionally are epidemic. August 15. A complaint called my attention to a cow byer occupied by Wm. Walton, and having requested our Inspector to look after it, he, I believe ordered it to be cleaned, for on repeating my visit, I found it, in a few days, cleaned in a satisfactory manner. September 15.—Made a tour of inspection on the west of the town, but nothing called for interference. October 12. —Along with the Inspector inspected the east side of the town, but nothing was worthy of remark excepting the cottage occupied by Mrs Law, which is still in a very bad condition. The obstacle I understand, is some disputed ownership of the neighbouring houses. However the matter must be duly attended to or the house declared untenantable.—November 13—I visited Thirlwell's Lane and found the drain which conveyed the sewage broken down in two or three places consequently much obstructed. I recommended the whole to be laid in earthenware tubes and the Sanitary Inspector duly gave orders to follow this intention _____ _____ _____ _____ better condition, and capable of improving the health of the neighbourhood. Dec. 3.—Along with the Inspector visited the east side of the town and again on the 12th the west side and found privies and manure steads satisfactory. Dec. 27.—On visiting the Butts ordered J. Lancaster to cleanse his manure stead. RAILTON GILL

Dee 31st, 1878.
—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that Joseph Seatree complained of the slop water put into the channel which ran past his door, by Mrs Drydon, as a nuisance to him. —During the course of conversation that transpired it was elicited that the water had to be carried across the street to this channel, therefore the Authority instructed the Inspector to give notice to all concerned to put their return water down the grate. which is only a short distance away.—This concluded the business.

8th February 1879 (Alston Herald)

BLAYGILL LEAD MINE

Within the last few days, we hear that the Blaygill mine has been closed, and that some twenty-five men and lads have thereby been thrown out of employment. Whether the stoppage is intended to be a permanent one, or only for a time we cannot say.

8th February 1879 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

W. B. Beaumont Esq. has been obliged to suspend working his mines for a time in consequence of the depressed state of the lead market, and only a small body of men are being employed by the Weardale Iron Company. It is reported that the London Lead Company have given notice of a great reduction of their staff of men employed at Bollihope, Cornish and other mines – many of whom are Allendale and Rookhope men. Mr Beaumont has kindly sent £100 to be applied to the relief of the most needy cases among his workmen, which has been duly appropriated to that end by one of the agents, who, we are informed, is in deep sympathy with the suffering poor.

15th February 1879 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE LEAD TRADE. —The quarterly bargains at the London Lead Co.'s works at Nenthead will be let on Friday next, when it is anticipated 30 men will receive notice that they cannot again obtain bargains. It is also reported that the wages of the washers will be reduced by 2d per day. Rumour further states that 5 men will receive notice at the Dowgang Mine near Nenthead.

ALLENDALE

THE LEAD MINES

The extensive lead works and mines in Allendale belonging to W. B. Beaumont Esq. MP., are virtually still closed. The agents have given the men the option of going into the "Old Man," or the old workings in the mines, but only some twenty or so have availed themselves of it, the labour being so unremunerative. A few hands only are employed at the smelt mills.

THE DISTRESS IN THE PARISH. —-On Saturday last, the Relief Committee met at Allendale Town, to consider the applications for relief from the relief fund. There were present—Rev. Dr Mason (in the chair), Dr G. Arnison, Capt. Holmes, Lieut. T. S. Allison, Rev. Mr Lewis, and Messrs Ridley Nevin, John Walton, Isaac Hall, Thomas Brown, Matthew Stephenson, T. Thompson, W. Sparke, J. Johnson, G. G. Lee, W. Moore, F. Graham, J, Coats, &c.— After considering the several (sixty) applicants' cases, there was distributed between fifty and sixty of them the sum of £22 15s, the sums in each case varying from 5s and 7s 6d to 10s, leaving a leaving of £16 9s in the treasurer's hands. Since the formation of the Committee about the New Year there has been collected from sympathetic friends to relieve the needy poor the sum of £89 19s 10d, besides three waggon loads of coals, each containing 12 fother, two of these gifts of coals having obtained through the application of Mr John Walton, and the third through Mr Wm. Forster, grocer, from Mr W. Benson, Allerwash House. It may not be amiss to state that the Committee first met on January 11th, and distributed £18 12s 4d in cash and 24 fother of coals. The Committee again met on January 25th, and distributed £31 13s 6d in cash and 12 fother of coals.

They again met on Saturday, the 8th inst. (as stated above), and distributed £22 15s, leaving a balance of £16 19s in the treasurer's hands. These gifts are exclusive of those of W. B. Beaumont, Esq., M P., as well as of 30 pairs of blankets, 100 yards of wincey, 40 yards of cotton, and £30 in cash, given by Mr Isaac Hall and his friends, to relieve the distress prevailing in the parish since the suspension of the lead works and mines on the 28th December last.

LEAD MINING.

LANGLEY BARONY AND STONECROFT MINES.

A notice has been posted at the Langley Barony Lead Mines, intimating that all work must cease on the 8th March next. It will be remembered that a similar notice was given last year, to expire on the 14th December last, when a few men were paid off and the wages of others reduced. We may state that work has been continuing regularly at this mine since, except in the washing department, where the lads were stopped for a time during the severe frost. It is also reported that a reduction in wages has been given to the men employed at Stonecroft.

THE TEESDALE LEAD MINES

The quarterly bargains in connection with the lead ore workings of the London Lead Company in Upper Teesdale have just been let, and the local agents in conformity with the instructions received from the Court of Directors in London have discharged 40 more miners. It is understood that a still larger number of men will be discharged during the ensuing week on the Weardale side on the letting of the bargains. The lead trade is in an exceedingly depressed state in these dales.

Deaths

At Alston, 7th inst., aged 66, Margaret Smith, wife of William Smith, cordwainer.

William Brown Smith, son of Joseph Smith and Tamar Brown, born 11th March 1808, married Margaret Dickinson, 27th November 1834, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, William Smith, shoe maker, aged 30, hiswife Margaret, aged 25, children, Joseph 5, Matthew 4, and Jane 4 months.

In 1851, at Ropery Walk, Alston, Margaret Smith, married, aged 38, Children, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mathew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jane 10, William 8, Tamar 6, Hannah 4, and Mary 2.

In 1861, at Physic Hall Bank Foot, Margaret Smith, cordwainers wife, aged 49, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 18, Tamar 16, Hannah, servant at woollen mill, 14, Mary 12, Margaret A 4, and Martin B aged 2. In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Margaret Smith, married, lodging house keeper, aged 58, daughter Jane, organist, aged 30, and son Martin Brown 12.. William Smith died 1st quarter 1880, aged 71, at Alston.

At Bruntley Syke, Alston, 7th inst. aged 74, Mary Lowe, widow of Joshua Lowe, landed proprietor. *In 1851, at Copt Hill, Joshua Lowe, lead miner, aged 52, wife Mary 46, daughters Elizabeth 15, and Hannah 10. In 1861, at Copt Hill, Heathery Cleugh, St John's. Joshua Lowe, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary, draper & grocer, aged 56, and daughter Hannah aged 20. In 1871, at Copt Hill, Joshua Lowe, land owner, aged 72, his wife Mary, aged 66, and servant, Sarah Ann Lowe, aged 19. Hannah married Jonathan Walton 3rd quarter of 1870, Jonathan a butcher and in 1871 he and his wife Hannah lived at Bruntley Syke Alston.*

Joshua Lowe died 1st quarter of 1878, at Alston, aged 79.
In 1881, at Ramsey's buildings, Alston, Jonathan Walton, butcher & cattle dealer, aged 40, his wife Hannah 40, children Mary Ann 9, Joseph Louis 8, Sarah Eliz. 5, and Fredrick 1 year.
At Rice, near Alston, 1st inst., aged 62, Thomas Waugh, lead miner.
In 1851, Thomas aged 34,and his wife Ann aged 37, were living at Middle Craig, Garrigill. In 1861, at Low Craig, Garrigill, Thomas Waugh, lead miner aged 44, his wife Ann, aged 45, and niece in law, Mary Davidson, aged 11 year's. In 1871, at Rice, Garrigill, Thomas Waugh, widow, lead miner aged 54.

22nd February 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
LETTING OF ALSTON PARISH LANDS.—The Fairhill Charity, which comprises several closes of pasture and meadow, near Alston, with three allotments on Middle Fell, were let by auction, in the Town Hall, on Saturday afternoon. Mr Jno. Dixon officiated as auctioneer. The attendance was large and biddings brisk. Lot 1, a meadow of 3.302 acres, started at £14 12s., and let to Mr Wm. Hall at £18 12s. Lot 2, the Home Field at Fairhill, 4.530 acres, was taken by Mr Jos. Lancaster, at £23 10s. The West Allotment, 19.736 acres, was bid to £20, at which price it was laid down, whilst the East and Limekiln Allotments, measuring together 62.358 acres, were put up and bid to £43. The Allotments were then put up in one lot, and after some brisk bidding between Mr Edgar, the old tenant, and Mr J. Millican, of Farnbury, were let to the latter gentleman at £76. A pasture and meadow at Annetwall, occupied by Mr Thomas Walton, was the last lot offered and realised £26 10s., from Mr Jackson. The leases are for five years, and the present rental is an increase of about 20 per cent, over last letting. The rental goes towards the salaries of the masters of Alston Grammar School and Garrigill National School, and the poor of Allston and Garrigill.

22nd February 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Victoria, Kansas, America, 23rd ult., Thomas W. second son of Mr Carrick, of Wooley Burn Foot, Allendale, to Annie L. daughter of the late James Mack Esq., Upper Keith, near Lauder, Berwickshire.
Deaths
Peckriding, Allendale, 18th inst. aged 27, Jane, wife of Robert Heslop. *Robert Heslop married Jane Shepherd 1st June 1872, at Allendale.*

1st March 1879 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
THE LEAD MINES
The quarterly letting of the London Lead Company's bargains took place at Nenthead on Friday. We intimated a short time ago that it was intended to dismiss some thirty hands. We are very sorry to announce that fully that number were informed that they could not again get bargains. It was intimated that the extra two pence a day given to the washer boys in the spring and summer of each year would not be given. It is also contemplated we understand to reduce the staff of "outside" men, which has up to present not been interfered with. At Rodderup Fell, though the Company have not reduced the number of men washing has been stopped for nine or ten weeks on account of the frost. The few days thaw set the machinery going but again the frost has held sway,

although we hope by the time this appears in print that its power will no longer be. The frost, too, has prevented their hydraulic engines from working and the lower level is flooded, and is a consequent stoppage of work.

Deaths

At Alston, 25th ult. aged 76, William Craig.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, William Craig, farm labourer, aged 68, wife Frances 67, son, Joseph, saddler 26, and grandson John W. Snowden, grocers shop man, aged 19.

1st March 1879 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The quarterly bargains of the London Lead Company were let on Friday last, no less than thirty workmen received notice that their services were no longer required. It was also intimated that the advance of two pence per day in the wages of the washer boys always previously given at these bargains would not be given this year. ... Blagill, Hudgill Burn, and Ayle Burn mines are all closed. At Cashwell the number of workmen has been greatly reduced. Lead which a couple of years ago was selling in the London Market at £21 per ton, is now making £15 to £16, with a very limited demand. The decreased value is in part due to the depression in trade, and in no slight degree to large imports from America and Spain.

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel Appleby, 20th ult. Mr Wm. Sanderson, Appleby, to Lizzie, Mr Alexander Carmichael, Draper, Alloa, to Maggie, daughters of the late Joseph Hudspith, formerly of Nenthead.

SACRED
TO
THE
MEMORY OF
WILLIAM INFANT SON OF JOSEPH
AND MARY ANN HUDSPETH
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED MAY 24TH 1840
ELIZABETH THEIR DAUGHTER DIED
DEC. 23RD 1842 AGED 4 YEARS
FRANCES HANNAH
DIED OCT. 21ST 1856 AGED 4 YEARS
ALSO
WILLIAM HUDSPETH THEIR
NEPHEW DIED JUNE 4TH 1858
AGED 22 YEARS

In 1841, at Nenthead, Joseph Hudspeth, draper & grocer, aged 25, his wife Mary Ann (Atkinson, married 2nd September 1837, Alston) aged 25, daughters Elizabeth 3 (died 4th quarter 1842), and Mary 1.

In 1851, at Nenthead, Joseph Hudspeth, draper & grocer, aged 36, born Haltwhistle, his wife Mary Ann 37, born Kirkby Thore, Westmorland, children, Mary Ann 10, Margaret 8, William James 6, Elizabeth 5, John Joseph 3, Thomas Atkinson 2, Rebecca Jane 5 months, and servant William Hudspeth, shop servant aged 15.
See 1st November 1856.
In 1861, at Nenthead, Joseph Hudspith, draper & grocer, and local Methodist preacher, aged 46, his wife Mary A 47, children Mary A 20, children Margaret 18, Elizabeth 15, John J 13, Thomas A 12, Rebecca J 10, Joseph P 6, and Charles E 4.
In 1871, at Market Place, Appleby, Joseph Hudspeth, married, draper, aged 56, children John J. draper, aged 23, Joseph P. draper, aged 16, Charles E 14, Mary A 30, and Margaret 28.
Joseph Hudspith died 3rd quarter 1877, aged 62.
In 1881, at Market Place, Appleby, Mary A. Hudspith, widow, draper, aged 67, sons John J. drapers assistant, aged 33, Thomas A. drapers assistant, aged 32, and daughter Rebecca J. 29.

8th March 1879 (Hexham Herald)

LEADGATE (ALSTON)
RODDERUP FELL MINES

... one of the Hydraulic engines has not been working for a few weeks, owing to the frost, but only about twelve men were prevented from getting to their regular places in consequence of the stoppage of the engine, but these men were sent to another part of the mine, where they got employment.
The washing was also stopped due to the frost.

15th March 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 11th inst. John Irving, to Miss Frances Ann Watson, Corby Gates.
In 1871, at Town Head, Christopher Irving, master wheelwright, aged 50, his wife Hannah (Phillipson, married 11th July 1844, Alston) aged 46, children John, wheelwrights apprentice, aged 18, Ellen 15, Fanny H 13, Jane 11, Lilly 9, and Florence 4.
Christopher Irving died 2nd quarter 1886, aged 65.
In 1881, at Lazonby, Penrith, John Irving, joiner & cartwright, aged 28, his wife Frances Ann 24, daughters Elizabeth Ann 1, Frances Hannah, under 1 month, and visitor Frances Hannah Irving 23. In 1911, at Victoria Square, Alston, John Irving, joiner & cartwright, aged 57, his wife Frances Ann 54, children Maude 19, Mable 16, John W 13, Bertha 12, Thomas E C 10.
John Irving died 2nd quarter 1923, aged 70.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, 13th inst. Mr Matthew Raisbeck to Miss M. A. Stephenson.
In 1881 at Hillersdon Terrace Joseph Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 62, with his wife Margaret aged 54, and married son Matthew, blacksmith, aged 28, and Matthew's wife Mary Ann aged 23. In 1891, at 22 York Street, Gateshead, Matthew Raisbeck, blacksmith, aged 38, his wife Mary Ann aged 38, and son Joseph H. aged 7. In 1901, at 39 Rodsley Avenue, Gateshead, Matthew

Raisbeck aged 48, his wife Mary Ann aged 43, and son Joseph H. Boiler makers apprentice, aged 17.
In 1911, at Rodsley Avenue, Gateshead, Matthew Raisbeck, blacksmith for NER, aged 58, his wife Mary Ann 53, and son Joseph Hewry, porter NER, aged 27.
Matthew Raisbeck died 3rd quarter 1929, aged 76.
See 1st October 1881.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, near Alston, 9th inst., aged 62, John Wallace, lead miner.
In 1861, at Overwater, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Hannah 43, children Mary 15, John 13, Ellonar 8, Joseph 6, and Susannah 4.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Hannah 53, children Mary 23, John 21, Ellen 16, Joseph 15, and Susanna aged 12 years.
See 14th November 1868

At Alston, 11th inst., aged 67, George Black, lead miner.
In 1841, at Ruffside, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Agnes (Dryden, married 22nd June 1811, at Alston) aged 49, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Agnes 20, Robert 20, Matthew 14, Mary 14, William12, and John 9.
In 1851 at Ruffside, Nenthead, Robert Black, farmer of 8 acres, aged 63, his wife Agness aged 59, children George lead miner 39, Agness 34, Martha 24, and John lead miner 18. In 1861, at Ruffside, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 73, his wife Agnes 68, children George, lead miner, aged 49, Agnes, house maid, aged 43, and John, lead miner, aged 28.
Robert Black died 2nd quarter of 1862, his will written 2nd July 1858, was proved at Carlisle 3rd January 1863, effects under £300. Names mentioned in the will: —
Wife Agnes Black, three sons George Black, Robert Black & John Black, 4 daughters, Ann wife of Joseph Davidson, Agnes Black spinster, Mary wife of John Richardson, and Martha wife of John Graham.
In 1871, at Ruffside, Agnes Black, widow, aged 78, unmarried children George lead miner 59, and Agnes 53.
See 27th May 1882, 17th March 1883, 24th November 1888, 9th May 1891, and 18th April 1908

15th March 1879 (Hexham Herald)

TEESDALE

We reported some short time ago on the discovery of a valuable vein of lead ore at Green Hurth mine in Teesdale. We are now informed that another valuable discovery has been made in an adjoining mine the property of the Teesdale Mining Company Limited. The company have been working for some time in a new vein running into entirely whole ground, the value of which increased as the operatives proceeded further into the hill and it now produces lead ore worth fully five tons per fathom.

WEARDALE

We are glad to be able to state that the mining operations which have been suspended since last year are now beginning to show symptoms of revival, the Weardale Iron Company having commenced operations at their several mines

in the dale, all the old hands being started. The agent Mr Vickers Hodgson, hopes to be able to set on some fresh men at an early period. …
The lead miners at present being employed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, draining, planting, &c., are only earning a mere pittance to keep in existence the average earnings being from 1s 1d to 1s 11d per day of twelve hours.

22nd March 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, 20th inst., John Heatherington to Jane Stout both of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Matthew Hetherington, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 40, children John, blower in mines, aged 13, Sarah Ann 11, Frances M 7, son in law, William Lee Hornsby, unmarried, lead miner, aged 22, and lodger Thomas Elliott, clerk to the lead smelting works, aged 23.
In 1881, at Hill Top, John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 23, and his wife Jane aged 28. In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Jane, aged 38, children Mary E 9, Sarah H 7, Ridley W 6, and John H 1. In 1901, at The Row, Nenthead, John Hetherington, cartman at mines, aged 43, his wife Jane 48, children Mary E. dressmaker, aged 19, Sarah H 17, Ridley W. cartman at mines, aged 15, John H 11, Robert W 9, and Francis H 6.
In 1911, at Nenthead post office, John Hetherington, cartman, lead & zinc works, aged 53, his wife Jane 58, son Robert Wm, lead miner, aged 19, daughter Frances Marget 16, and niece Frances Jane Williams 14. John & Jane had 8 children of which 3 had died.
John Hetherington died 2nd quarter 1915, aged 57.
See 31st December 1870
Deaths
At Alston, 14th inst. aged 76, Thomas Lee.
in 1841, at Market Place, Alston, Thomas Lee, grocer, aged 38, his wife Hannah (Woodmass, married 21st June 1826, Alston) aged 38, children Lucy 10, John 6, and Thomas 2. In 1851, at Front Street, Thomas Lee, grocer & clogger, aged 49, born Kirkhaugh, his wife Hannah aged 49, born Alston, and son Thomas aged 12. In 1861, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Lee, grocer & clogger, aged 58, and his wife Hannah 58. In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Lee, grocer aged 68, and his wife Hannah 68. In 1881, at 17 Front Street, Alston, John Lee, grocer, aged 54, his wife Sarah aged 51, children John J 12, and George W. 9. At 18 Front Street, Hannah Lee, widow, annuitant, aged 78, and granddaughter Annie Grey Lee, aged 19, born Scotland.
At Alston, 18th inst. aged 28, James William Millican, of Newcastle on Tyne, the eldest son of John and Annie Millican, Alston.
In 1841, at Potato Market, Alston, John Millican, apprentice draper, aged 15.
In 1851, at Alston, John Millican, draper, aged 27, his wife Anne (Holmes married 1849, at Newcastle) aged 22, son James W. 8 months, sister Alice, house servant aged 30, and brother James aged 22, drapers assistant.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Millican, draper and grocer/apprentice, aged 39, his wife Annie 32, children James W. 10, John H. 9, Richard H. 7, Mary A. 4, Eliza E. 2, and Amelia A. 1

In 1871, at Gresham Place, Newcastle, John Millican, glass merchant, aged 49, his wife Annie aged 43, children James Wm clerk 20, Richard Henry office boy 17, Mary Alice 14, Eliza Emily 12, Emily A Annie 11, Charles Arthur 9, Herbert C. 6, Florence Maria 4, Percy Reed 3, and Fredrick Arnold 7 months. Two children were born between the census and died between census, George Edwin died 6th August 1872 in infancy, Rupert Edmund died aged 6 months 2nd April 1874.
In 1881, at 15 Front Street, Alston, John Millican (son of James Millican), Draper, aged 59, his wife Annie 52, children John Holmes drapers assistant, aged 29, Charles Arthur, assistant mining engineer, aged 19, Florence 14, Percy Reed 13, Frederick Arnold aged 10 years.

In 1890, Wards directory gives Richard H. Millican living at 18 Fern Ave, Jesmond, listed as a glass merchant, Reed Millican Glass Co, is at 11 Shakespeare Street. Reed Millican & Co. glass, oil, and colour merchants are also listed as being at 3 Market Street, Newcastle. See 29th November 1919. Richard Henry Millican became Sheriff of Newcastle in 1910, and was Lord Mayor in 1921.In St Andrews Cemetery, Jesmond, Newcastle:
"To the beloved memory of Richard Henry Millican 31st December 1932 and of his wife Lizzie Cockburn 11th October 1916. They were - words are wanting to say what, but think of perfect parents, they were that."
In 1891, Richard H Millican, oil & colour merchant, aged 37, his wife Eliza C aged 30, (born Scotland) children Henry C 8, and Rita N 6., also sister in law Catherine H T Mc Intosh aged 22. I 1901, at 19 Eslington Terrace, Jesmond, Richard Henry Millican, glass merchant, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 40,and son Henry C aged 18. In 1911 at 19 Eslington Terrace, Newcastle, R H Millican, glass merchant, aged 57, his wife L C Millican 50, son H Cyril, glass merchant, aged 28, daughter Rita N 26, and sister in law K H Bailey, widow, aged 43

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, John Millican, retired draper, aged 69, his wife Annie 62, unmarried children John H. draper, aged 39, Florence M. 24, and niece Winifred E. Reed, aged 15.

John Millican died 15th March 1901, his wife Annie died in 1899, at Alston aged 71.
The newspapers record that some of John's sons emigrated to Winnipeg, Canada, Charles Arthur, 12th September 1885, Percy Reed, 19th March 1887, and Frederick A. 21st April 1888. A report of Charles's shooting prowess is recorded in the paper of 6th March 1885, and his wedding 23rd February 1889. See Also 17th August 1872, 11th April 1874, 2nd September 1876, 2nd June 1877. See also 13th August 1892, 14th April 1894, 20th May 1899, & 29th November 1919

22nd March 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

LEADGATE (ALSTON.)

LECTURE.—The Rev W. Nall, B.A., Curate of Leadgate, gave the concluding part of hie lecture, "Henry VIII. and the Reformation," in the School-room, on Friday. There was a good attendance. Mr Hardy, Rodderup Tower, occupied the chair.

REV. Mr PATTISON.—The Emmanuel Baptist Church of Albany, the most prominent of the Baptist churches in the country, having a membership of 600 and a building costing 200,000 dols., has voted to extend a call to Rev. T. Harwood Pattison, pastor of the Wooster Place Baptist Church of this city, and it is probable that when the notification arrives formally he will accept. …
Rev. Mr Pattison came here from England as settled pastor of the Wooster Place Church about the middle of February, 1875. The Rev Dr Phelps, the former pastor of the church, who had occupied the pulpit twenty-eight years, left here September 30, 1874, the day before the church was burned. *New Haven Union*.—[The Rev T. Harwood Pattison, the gentleman alluded to by our American contemporary, is well known in Newcastle, having been pastor of Rye Hill Church for six years—from 1865 to 1871. Previous to that the Rev gentleman had been pastor of the Baptist Church at Middleton-in-Teesdale, where he formed a matrimonial alliance with the daughter of R. Bainbridge, Esq., of Middleton House, and grand-daughter of the late Robert Bainbridge, Esq., solicitor, of Loaning House, Alston.

Deaths

At Mark Close, 19th inst., aged 74, Emmerson Hounam, joiner.
Emerson Hounam married Ruth Martindale, 6th December 1828, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1851, at Preston, Lancashire, Emerson Hounam, joiner, and cabinet maker, aged 44, born Alston, and his wife Ruth 42, born Alston.
In 1871, at Slaggyford Village, Knaresdale, Emerson Hounam, retired buider, aged 65, and his wife Ruth 62.
Ruth Hounam died 2nd qtr., 1876, aged 67, registered at Alston.

22nd March 1879 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Garrigill, Middle Houses, 14th inst. aged 21 James Hodgson Blacklock.
In 1861, at Rice House, Garrigill, John Blacklock, shoe maker & Ale House keeper, aged 46, his wife Ann (Walton, married 5th May 1838, at St John's Garrigill) aged 38, children John clog maker 19, Jonathan 9, and James 3.

In 1871, at Middle Houses, Ann Blacklock, married, farmer of 16 acres, aged 48, children James H. 13, and Phoebe 9. In 1891, at Middle Houses, John Blacklock, shoemaker, aged 77, and his wife Ann aged 67.
John Blacklock died 1st quarter 1898, aged 84.

29th March 1879 (Hexham Courant)

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY.

The following is taken from the "Mining Journal": - Considering that this mine is in the mouth of everyone about here, perhaps a few particulars may be of interest to your readers. The Company was formed a few years back with a capital of 6,000 shares of £1 each, upon which 6s per share has only been called up; shortly after commencing work they found lead in considerable quantities of about five tons per fathom, and the shares speedily ran up to something above £5, and since then 42s per share or 700 percent has been paid in dividends upon 6s exclusive of the most approved plant &c., costing considerably over £4,000, also out of revenue; the vein then became disordered, and was partially lost, but lately a new sump has been sunk on the same vein and lead discovered, and in 13 fathoms 10 to 12 tons per fathom is proved in one part and in going down still richer below the deepest working which is believed to contain about 15 tons per fathom, the width of the vein is known to 12 feet with every expectation of widening when further explored. What has already been discovered will give full work for several years, and with the continued bright prospects, much larger results may be anticipated. The ore is very rich and even solid lead, requiring no dressing, is found to be in gross quantities; in the south working there are 12 to 14 tons per fathom, and in the north 5 tons, whilst on the top of the limestone which when gone into is almost certain to be richer. Whilst the or was formerly worth some £16 per ton, its present value is about £10, with an upward tendency, and the shares are now asked for at £5 2s 6d, but with few sellers. The mine is situated between Middleton in Teesdale and Alston, and ore is put on rail at the latter place; the area of the mine is about two miles long and one mile wide, and bounded by the Teesdale and Dubby Dyke mines.

29th March 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday in the Board Room, Town Hall, when there were present—Rev O. James (chairman), and Messrs J. G. Millican, Henry Walton, Joseph Armstrong, Jonathan Carr, Joshua Mulcaster, Adam Walton, Walton Vipond, J. J. Millican, Isaac Walton, and Thomas Dickinson. The Collector's monthly statement for February was read as follows :—Recoverable arrears as per last month's statement, £646 18s 5d; collected since, £236 12s 8d; recoverable, £410 5s 9d. Collector's account with the overseers—balance in hands at the end of last month, £1 6s 8½d collected since, £236 12s 8d; paid to treasurer, £236 12s 8d; balance in hands, £1 6s 8½d. —The Clerk intimated that Mr Joseph Lancaster was complaining of a drain that went out of the Burial Board field into the Charity field that he had taken. It was doing a great deal of damage.—Mr J. G. Millican said the Fair Hill Charity Committee had intended to meet on Monday, but the day was too stormy, so that they could not go out.—The matter was referred to the Committee.—Mr Adam Walton called attention to the damage done to the land

in Mr John Peart's field by the mining operations carried on there. Was there nothing due to the tenant for his loss during the time the damage was occurring? There was a certain number of yards of land lost during the time, and he (Mr Peart) wanted compensation for it.—The Clerk: The Company must pay compensation for it.—Mr Walton: But the Company paid compensation to the Board. —The Clerk: They paid for permanent damages, not for tenant's damages.—Mr Mulcaster: Mr Peart was asked once or twice to make a claim, but he refused; he thought the Board would decide.—The Board has nothing to with it.—After the transaction of the usual routine business, the Board resolved itself into a Rural Sanitary Authority, when the Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined Nenthead and the high district, and gave one or two notices to remove dung heaps, but the district was in a good sanitary condition. The water pipe at the Cross had been put right, but evidently there was a leakage at another place. They were waiting till the frost got away when they were going to see to it. —The Clerk: No doubt there's a leakage; I saw it myself.—This concluded the business.

5th April 1879 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

DEATH OF TINNISWOOD MILLICAN.

The village of Nenthead has been cast into gloom by the death of Mr Tinniswood Millican, which sad event occurred at his residence on Wednesday last. Mr Millican who came to Nenthead when quite a young man, held the responsible position of resident mine manager for the London Lead Company for many years; his brother, Mr John Millican, whose decease we chronicled about, six months ago acting as surface manager. The straightforward integrity of all his dealings won for Mr Millican not only the confidence of the Company but all with whom he had business connections, whilst among the numerous workmen he will be remembered not only as a conscientious master, but a kind and sincere friend. ... Mr Millican resigned the position of agent to the Lead Company some twelve or fourteen years ago and was succeeded by his son Mr J. J. Millican. ... He enjoyed fair health until about a week before his death, when he had a paralytic stroke, after which he gradually sank. He had attained the ripe age of 75.

Marriages

Nenthead Wesleyan Chapel, 25th ult. George Robson to Mary Ann Pattinson both of Nenthead.

In 1861, at White Hall, Matthew Pattinson, mason, aged 50, born Coanwood, his wife Mary 40, daughters Elizabeth 9, Mary A 7, Sarah J 2, and mother Catheron Pattinson, farmers widow, aged 81, born Allendale.
In 1871, at Fair Hill, Matthews Pattinson, stone Mason, aged 60, born Lambley, his wife , Mary 51, daughters Mary Ann 17, Sarah Jane 12, boarder William Coats 5, and visitor George Pattinson, coal miner, aged 36.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Catherine Robson, widow, housekeeper, aged 49, children Tamar 29, Ridley, lead miner, aged 23, George, lead ore washer, aged 18, Margaret 15. In 1881, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, George Robson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary A. 27, and son Matthew R. 11 months. In 1891, at Cherry Tree Hill, George Robson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary Ann 37, son Matthew Ridley 10, and daughter Mary Catherine 5. In 1901, at Medomsley, George Robson, coal miner, aged 47, his wife Mary Ann 47, son

Matt Ridley, coal miner, aged 20, daughter Mary C 15, and boarder William Coates, coal miner, aged 32. In 1911, at Medomsley, George Robson, coal miner, aged 58, his wife Mary Ann 57, son ~~Mathew Ridley 30,~~ daughter, Mary Catherine 25, boarder William Coats, coal miner, aged 43, and boarder Harry Patinson Hornsby, joiner, aged 24, all born at Alston.
See 23rd October 1869, 8th May 1875, 27th May 1882, and 16th June 1883

12th April 1879 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

THE LATE MR TINNISWOOD MILLICAN

The mortal remains of the above much respected gentleman were laid in their last resting place at the cemetery, Alston, on Saturday last. The vicar, Rev E L Bowman, was the officiating clergyman, the Rev Mr Berry, Nenthead, was also present. A very large concourse of people were present at the funeral to pay their last tribute of respect to one of the most widely known and deservedly respected residents of the parish. As resident manager at Nenthead for the London Lead Company a post which he held for a great part of his life. Mr Millican gained not only the confidence of his employers, but the esteem of the numerous workmen of whose welfare he was always most considerate. Mr Millican resigned his position as the Lead Company's agent some twelve or fourteen years ago, since which time he has led a quiet country life at his adopted village. He attained the age of 75 years, and his death severs a link connecting Nenthead and Alston Moor generally with older and more prosperous times. Since Mr Millican's resignation, his son J. J. Millican has acted as the Lead Company's Lead agent in the district.

Tinniswood Millican, late of Nenthead, gentleman, will dated 12th March 1875, proved at Carlisle 13th May 1879, effects under £10,000. Names mentioned in the will: —
Daughters Frances Dalton widow, and Sarah Dalton the wife of Henry James Dalton, son John Joseph Millican, and servant Hannah Teasdale.

See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 8th February 1896, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate, 5th inst. aged 63, Joseph Winskill.

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Joseph Winskill, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah (Carr, married 8th February 1840, St John, Garrigill) aged 33, and brother George Winskill, lead miner, aged 29.

In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Joseph Winskill, lead miner, aged 44, wife Sarah 42, visitor Jane Matthews, Harmonium manufacturers wife, aged 30, visitor Robert W Matthews 1, and house servant Jane Johnson aged 17.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Winskill, lead miner, aged 55, and his wife Sarah aged 53.

At Alston, 1st inst. aged 7 years, Joseph Foster, son of Matthew & Elizabeth Davidson of Alston.

In 1871, at Pandon, Haydon Bridge, Mathew Davidson, lead ore miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth (Foster, married 14th November 1868, at Alston) aged 34, children Thomas W, lead ore miner, aged 12, Mary J. 10, and Ethel 3.

In 1881, at Kates Lane, Alston, Matthew Davidson, lead miner, aged 44, wife Elizabeth 43, children Thomas W., coal miner, aged 22, Mary Jane, general servant, aged 19, Ethel 13, John 5, Walter 1, and sister in law Ruth Foster, dressmaker, aged 25.

In 1891, at Kates Lane, Matthew Davidson, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Thomas W. coal miner, aged 32, Ethel, stocking knitter, aged 23, John, woolwinder, aged 15, and Walter 11.

In 1901, at Kates Lane, In 1901, at Kate's Lane, Matthew Davidson, widow, cemetery keeper, aged 64, children Thomas W. coal miner, aged 42, daughter Mary J. Featherstone, widow, aged 39, Ethel 32, John, railway porter, aged 25, Walter, general labourer, aged 21, grandchildren Matthew H. Featherstone, wool winder, hosiery works, aged 18, Thomas Featherstone 14, Hugh W Featherstone 10, and William F Featherstone 4 years.

Matthew Davidson died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 64

See 24th March 1900

At Nenthead, 8th inst., aged 67, Jane, widow of the late Jacob Richardson, lead Miner.

Probate 1879:

7 October. The Will of Jane Richardson late of Wellgill near Nenthead in the Parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland Widow who died 8 April 1879 at Wellgill was proved at the Principal Registry by Jacob Richardson of Wellgill Lead Ore Miner the Son and John Lattimer of Nenthead Draper and Grocer the Executors. Estate under £100

See 8th August 1868

19th April 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

Deaths

At Tynemouth, 15 Latimer Street, 9th inst., aged 32, Sarah, wife of Mr Ralph Pickering, draper, late of Alston, Cumberland.

In 1871, Ralph Pickering, aged 25, born Alston, was working as a drapers assistant, at Mill Hill, Leeds. In 1881, at the White Hart Inn, Market Place, Thorne, Yorkshire, boarder, Ralph Pickering, widower, draper, aged 36.

26th April 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston 22nd inst., aged 18, Thomas Pattinson, son of Joseph Pattinson, lead miner.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary (Walton, married 23rd February 1860) aged 34, children James Walton 12, and Thomas 10. In 1881, at Thirlwells Lane, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 44, and lodger Nicholas Hetherington, unmarried, proprietor of land, aged 66. In 1891, at Front Street, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 60, and his wife Mary J. aged 54.
Joseph Pattinson died 1st quarter 1895, aged 63.
In 1901, at The Raise, Alston, Mary Pattinson, widow, aged 64.
At Holmefoots, Nenthead, 21st inst., aged 27, John Robinson, lead miner.
See 23rd December 1876.

26th April 1879 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
The quarterly report of Dr Carson, Medical Officer No. 2 district (Garrigill and Nenthead) was read. Five cases of Scarlatina had occurred at Tynehead. The houses had been thoroughly disinfected. Diarrhoea was prevalent in the district.

3rd May 1879 (Hexham Courant)
LANGLEY MILLS
Death of Mr Joseph Dinning. We regret to have to record the death of Mr Joseph Dinning, of Langley Mills on Thursday last (*1st May*), at the age of 63 years, after a painful and lingering illness. The deceased gentleman was a self made man. He began life as a clerk in the Langley Smelt Mills, under the late Messrs Shield and Turnbull, and gradually improved his position until he became a partner in that concern. On the deaths of Messrs Turnbull and Shield, he became the sole lessee of these smelt mills. The deceased for 17 years conducted them on his behalf, and was much respected by his workmen being a kind and considerate employer. He worked the Stublick and Harondale Collieries, and was also interested in the Hudgill Burn and Rodderhope Fell lead mines near Alston. He was a director of the Hexham and Allendale Railway until the time of the purchase of that line by the North Eastern Railway Company. In farming matters the late Mr Dinning took a warm interest, particularly in the breed of Leicester sheep.
The deceased gentleman was born at Page Croft near Haydon Bridge, and was never married.
He resided with his sister, his remains were interred at Haydon Bridge on 5th May
WEARDALE LEAD MINES
The leasehold lead mines belonging to Mr W B Beaumont, MP., in Weardale have been closed since the New Year, and there is naturally considerable anxiety in the dale as to when they are likely to be reopened. It appears that the lessee considers that the rents now payable to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners from these mines are to high, and that there appears to be no probability of their being reopened until some arrangements are come to on this

point between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Mr Beaumont. Whatever this matter be between the lessors and the lessee, the condition of Weardale requires speedy consideration.

Deaths

At Alston workhouse, 25th ult. aged 48, Smith Elliott, lead miner.

Isaac Elliott (son of John, baptised 7th January 1789, at Alston), married Mary Walton, 8th December 1811, at St Augustines, Alston.
Smith Elliott, born 14th May 1831, baptised 28th May 1831, at Nenthead Chapel, parents Isaac Elliott and Mary Walton.
Isaac Elliot of Nenthead was buried, 14th January 1834, aged 47, at Alston.
In 1841, at Low Dykeheadfs, Nenthead, Mary Elliott, 45, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, John 15, Smith 10, Ann 15, and Isabella 5.
In 1851, at Overwater, Mary Elliott, lead miners widow, parish relief, aged 58, and son, Smith, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1861, at Overwater, Mary Elliott, miners widow, aged 69, son Smith, lead miner, aged 30, and Boarder Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1871, at Overwater, Mary Elliott, widow, house keeper, aged 78, and son Smith, lead miner, aged 39.
Mary Elliott was buried at Nenthead, 30th January 1874, aged 80.

At Garrigill, Pasture House, 26th ult., aged 27, Elizabeth, wife of John Wailes, lead miner.

In 1851, at Haggs Foot, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Sarah (Redshaw, married 1st June 1848, Nenthead) aged 25, sons John 1, and Thomas 2 months.
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah 35, children John, lead miner, aged 12, Mary 7, and William aged 2.
In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Nenthead, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Sarah aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 22, William 12, Isabella 9, and Frances Sarah 7.

William Wailes died 13th June 1879 aged 69

John Wailes married Elizabeth Vipond in 1875, at Alston. See 3rd July 1875.
In 1881, at Croft, Garrigill, Sarah Wailes, lead miners widow, aged 55, her children John, widow, lead miner aged 32, William, lead miner aged 22, Isabella, aged 19, Frances S. dressmaker aged 17, and grandson John William (son of John & Elizabeth) aged 3.
In 1891, at Croft, John Wailes, widow, lead miner, aged 42, brother, William, lead miner, aged 32, sisters Isabella 29, Frances Sarah 27, son John William 13, and niece Matilda Wailes aged 6.
In 1901, at Low Galligill, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 42, sister Frances S 37, sister Isabell 36, nephew John W Wailes, lead miner, aged 23, and niece Matilda 16.
John Wailes snr. died 1st quarter of 1898, aged 48.
See 21st June 1879, & 29th November 1890.

3rd May 1879 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston 27th ult. aged 73, Mrs Mary Armstrong who was for a period of 36 years matron at the Alston Workhouse.

3rd May 1879 (Alston Herald)
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 67, Richard Trathan lead miner.
In 1851, at Bank Head, Nenthead, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Catherine (Erwin, married 25th May 1837) aged 34, children James 12, Ruth 10, Thomas 8, Jane 5, John 3, and Richard 6 months.
In 1861, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Catharine 44, children James lead miner 22, Thomas lead miner 18, Jane 15, John 13, Richard 10, William 8, and Betty 5.
In 1871 at Donks Hall, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Catherine 55, children James labourer, 33, Jane Barklow 23 (married daughter), John lead miner 23, and Elizabeth 15, and grand children William Trathan 8, Walton Trathan 7, Ruth Trathan 4, and George Trathan 2.
See 5th May 1877, 7th August 1880, and 25th November 1882

10th May 1879 (Alston Herald)
Deaths
Alston, 2nd inst., aged 49, Jonathan Pearson lead miner.
In 1861, at Littles Buildings, Alston, Jonathan Pearson lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann 33, children Elizabeth 6, and Mary 4.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Alston, Jonathan Pearson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann aged 43, children, Hannah, 9, Robert 6, Susannah, 3, and Thomas 10 months. Elizabeth is working as a domestic servant for the Alston Primitive Methodist preacher William Baity and his family, Mary is staying with her uncle & aunt Thomas & Jane Clark (nee Richardson) at Warden, Northumberland.
See 1st June 1866.

10th May 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Spency Croft, Alston, 4th inst. aged 45 Mary daughter of the late Wm. Dickinson.
In 1851, at Spency Croft, William Dickinson, farmer of 52 acres, born Grassington, Yorkshire, aged 42, his wife Mary (Robson, married 12th July 1831, Alston) aged 41, children Jane 18, Mary 17, Thomas 16, William 14, Sarah 13, John 11, Catharine 10, Hannah 8, Elizabeth Ann 6, Isabella Friend 4, Frances Octavia 2, and general servant Isabella Errington 27.
William Dickinson, died 29th March 1857.
In 1861, at Spency Croft, Mary Dickinson, widow, farmer of 90 acres, aged 51, children Jane 28, Thomas, tallow chandler & powder merchant, aged 26, Sarah 23, John, merchants clerk, aged 21, Elizabeth A 16, Isabella F 14, Frances D 12, and servant Mary Kirton, dairy maid, aged 20.
William Dickinson, died 29th March 1857.
In 1871, at Spency Croft, Mary Dickinson, widow, farmer of 60 acres, aged 61, children 61, Thomas, landowner & tallow chandler, aged 36, Jane 38, Mary 37, Sarah 32, Elizabeth Ann 26, and domestic servant Mary A Spottswood 18.
See 4th May 1872, 20th August 1887, 6th July 1889, 14th November 1891, 23rd April 1892, & 23rd November 1895.

17th May 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

ALSTON MAY HIRING.—This half yearly hiring for domestic servants was held on Saturday, and was considered a very poor one, as very few engagements took place. Wages ranged from £3 to £5 for the half year.

24th May 1879 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

LONDON LEAD COMPANY'S MINES

We are sorry to state that we are informed that Mr J. J. Millican the much respected head agent of the London Lead Company, is about to leave their service, but the reason for leaving is not assigned. The men who are working in the "old yard" do not appear to make large earnings, and we are informed that some eighteen or twenty will be disappointed to some extent in their monthly "lennings."

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN TEESDALE

On Saturday night, a fire broke out in a detached shed at Blackton Smelting Mills, near Eggleston. The shed was built over two flues which conveyed smoke from the furnaces to the chimney, and it is conjectured that the fire originated in the flues. A man named Walton discovered the fire, and he immediately gave

the alarm. The shed which was a long brick building, and was used for the purpose of drying timber, was burnt, but the fire was got under before the smelting mills, which are contiguous, became ignited. There was a quantity of firewood in the building, which of course, was consumed. The shed was the property of the London Lead Company, and the damage considerable.

ALSTON

The factory of Akrigg Bros. and Co. is now finished and is being rapidly fitted up with machinery, so that we may expect to see it again in working order shortly.

24th May 1979 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

MINERS' MEETING AT ST. JOHNS' CHAPEL

On Wednesday, a largely attended meeting of lead miners took place in the Town Hall, St. John's Chapel, Weardale. The meeting was presided over by Mr J. W. Walton, of Witton-le-Wear, in the absence of Dr Livingstone, and the was to take into consideration the present condition of that lead mining district. The principal employment in the western part of Stanhope parish is in the lead mines leased of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by Mr W. B. Beaumont, M.P., and these have been closed since the New Year, owing it appears, to some dispute between the lessee and lessors as to the dues payable from them. As the community keenly feel the present state of affairs there is considerable anxiety as to when these mines will be re-opened, and Wednesday's meeting was consequently largely attended. Addresses were given by the Rev R. Crozier, Wesleyan minister, of Stanhope; Mr Thomas Elliott: Mr George Maddison: Rev J. Young, Primitive Methodist, of Westgate the Rev. Hume; Rev Mr Hill, &c. The following resolution was passed:—"That the present cessation of the lead mines in Weardale is entailing great suffering on the miners . and their families, and it is very undesirable that it should continue."—Committees were then appointed to seek out the most necessitous cases and to solicit subscriptions to relieve them. A meeting of the committee is to be held on Friday at Stanhope.

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The fortnightly meeting of the Rural Sanitary Board was held at the conclusion of the Guardians' meeting, Mr James still presiding, and the same members being present.—The Inspector of Nuisances (Mr Dixon) reported that he had visited Nenthead and district which were in good sanitary condition.

DR. GILL'S QUARTERLY REPORT.

The quarterly report of Dr Gill, medical officer for No. 1 district, was read. There had been eleven deaths or at the rate of 5.4 per thousand. Diarrhoea had been prevalent but was disappearing. The premises occupied by Mrs. Ann Kirk were in a shocking condition and the lane must be sewered immediately.—The CLERK said the authority must make the main sewer and call on the proprietors to make the connections. This was directed to be done.

Deaths

Thornley Gate Allendale, 21st inst. aged 43, Francis wife of Thomas Ritson.

In 1871, at Thornley Gate, Allendale, Thomas Ritson Joiner & cartwright, aged 37, his wife Frances (Shield, married 1859) 35, children Joseph 9, Mary 7, Hugh 5, and Thomas 6 months.

31st May 1879 (Hexham Courant)

SUICIDE OF A WEARDALE LEAD MINER. On Tuesday morning the body of a man named Wm. Raine, aged 32 years was found hanging to a tree in a wood near Rowentree Foot. …

Raine was a lead miner under the London Lead Mining Company, but lost his work six months ago. He lived with his widowed mother on his own property, so that it is not probable he had been impelled to commit the rash act through want. Deceased was attended by a medical man about a fortnight ago, and was then understood to be suffering from a derangement of the stomach.

31st May 1879 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

Allen Mills have now been closed for some time and there is no prospect of their being started again.

31st May 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

There were sharp showers of hail in the neighbourhood of Alston on Monday, and snow is still lying on the uplands.

MAY FAIR.—The annual fair for the sale of horses, cattle, sheep, and pigs, was held on Thursday last. Cattle was seal scarcely an average show, but, as is usually the case, a large amount of business was done on the preview day in the various yards and fields adjacent to the town where cattle were located. The prices of the previous night were held out against in some cases, buyers expecting to see a downward tendency on the hill in the morning, but the result was the contrary, as the prices were higher at the commencement of the fair, although they receded a little before the close. The bulk of the cattle shown were shorthorns and cross-breds, interlarded here and there with a few Galloways and Irish, but the latter class was very thinly represented, indeed we only noticed one lot on the ground. Buyers described good cattle as very dear, and held out against the prices asked, which necessarily rendered trade slow, although it could scarcely be described as dull, as a middling finish would be made. On the whole good grazing cattle would be scarce and bad to buy, although the prices were similar to other markets. Stirks were the most saleable animals on the ground. A few Milch cows were on offer, and, where of a good class, met a ready sale. Good bullocks brought from £7 to £10; heifers rather less; two-year olds, £12 to £16. The show of sheep was small and was composed principally of blackfaced ewes, with lambs, and blackfaced hoggs. A lot of mule hoggs sold at 30s a-head, which was considered a remarkably cheap price, the top price being 36s. The ewes and lambs were only a middling lot. There was a fair demand in the sheep market. The pigs were shown in carts in the street, and the show fell short of an average. Trade was pretty brisk and prices ranged from 22s to 35s each. The horse fair exhibited a more animated appearance than we have noticed for some years, and the number and class of animals shown seemed much above what has been the case for some time. Mostly light horses and ponies for riding and hacking were on offer, with a few draught horses, but the prices asked were very high and the sales which were transacted were like angels' visits, "few and far between." The only case in which we heard the price mentioned was that of a pony, where £25 was asked. but something below that figure would be taken. The fair on the whole was a very slow one, although a

fair number of sales would take place, but prices for young cattle do not appear to have improved any from the March fair, as heifer stirks brought no more money, while farmers who sold stock at that fair mentioned that they could not have got the same price on Thursday. The fair, however, was quoted as being a better one than either Haltwhistle or Penrith. The weather was fine and as usual a large number of pleasure seekers were present, but there was an entire absence of shows and shooting galleries. Amusements were however, provided in the shape of "Billy Fairplays," &c., while the inevitable "Cheap Jacks" were also present endeavouring to drive good bargains.

7th June 1879 (Hexham Courant)

NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAD MINING.
ITS CONDITION AND PROSPECTS

The condition and prospects of North of England lead mining have attracted much attention of late. Seldom if ever, has the industry been in such a depressed state. Prices are low, the demand small, working more costly, and the outlook anything but encouraging. From remunerative rates and a steady business there has been a fall to quotations which barely pay expenses, and to a trade which is hardly worthy of the name. It is only by the strictest economy, and by perseverance and enterprise in face of greet discouragement, that in some districts, the mines are kept going at all. And in those cases, even, the continuance of operations is due more to the circumstance that the royalty charges have been rendered less burdensome than to the exertions of the employers, indispensable though they may be. The expenses connected with the working of the great majority of the mines are so heavy that, in a time of small prices, the margin of profit which should go in to the pocket of the capitalists is almost wholly absorbed by the landowner's royalty. After every effort to reduce their outlay, and after the workmen's wages have been reduced to the point of bare subsistence, it is not to be wondered at that those who are interested in certain of the largest lead mines should at length find themselves at a standstill. Works cannot be carried on without a profit. There must be some reasonable prospect of a return, however limited. Every item of outlay having been reduced to the minimum, attention has necessarily been directed in the only other source whence assistance can be obtained, namely, the royalty charge. In Weardale, where there has been a great amount of misery among the miners, a reduction in this direction is considered absolutely necessary if the industry is not to cease. In Teesdale, some years ago, the Duke of Cleveland did make an arrangement with respect to the charge which in some degree relieved the lessees— the London Lead Company—and in that district, there are now working tolerably well, though with a much less number of men than they employed three or four years ago. They smelt their own ore, putting the pig lead into the market; and the company, which is an old one, and in a very large way of business, is resting content with the day of small things, in the hope that an improvement will take place shortly. In the case of the Alston Moor mines, too, a reduction in the royalty charge was obtained so far back as the year 1857, or about that time, the decrease being from a seventh to a tenth. But now, even with that diminution, the pressure upon the lessee is very great, and unless there is yet a farther reduction, not a few of them, it is stated, will have to close their business. From these statements, briefly given, it will be gathered that the Weardale mines, where there has been no reduction of the royalty

charge, so far as we are informed, are most unfortunately circumstanced. It is in their case that the owner, Mr W. B. Beaumont, M.P., has been compelled to suspend operations, greatly against his inclination, and greatly to his regret. That gentleman practised every economy in working his extensive mines; his workmen accepted reduced wages in order to assist him; and, indeed, on no hand was an effort spared to keep the works in operation. For some time, we believe, Mr Beaumont submitted to a loss sooner than throw idle those dependent upon him; and now that matters have come to a dead-lock, his losses where so much valuable plant is concerned, cannot be trifling. With the miners and their families, who for months past have been in the deepest distress, through no fault of their own, there is a great amount of sympathy. Never, within the memory of the oldest in habitant, has the fertile and picturesque vale been so gloomy sad depressed; and any relief which may be afforded will be truly welcome to the suffering fathers, wives, and children dwelling in the valley, and the sooner it comes the more heartfelt will be its welcome.

The principal of the North of England Lead Mines are divided into three great groups—the Alston Moor Mines, in the county of Cumberland; the East and West Allendale Mines, and also the Blanchland and Derwent Valley Mines, in the county of Northumberland; the Weardale Mines, in the upper part of the valley of the River Wear, and its tributary valleys of Burnhope, Kilhope, Wellhope, Ireshope, and Rookhope; and lastly, the Teesdale Mines, in the upper part of the valley of the River Tees, the mines being situated chiefly in the county of Durham and partly in Yorkshire. A reference to the map will show that this, the great lead mining district of Great Britain, is in that narrowest portion of the island which is formed by the counties of Northumberland, Durham, Cumberland, and Westmorland, and is in what is nearly the central part of the entire island.

The royalties of Allendale, formerly held by the Fenwicks, of Wallington, and also by the Blacketts, are now possessed by Mr W. B. Beaumont, M.P. The Weardale mines are held under lease by the same gentleman from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. Mr Beaumont, at vast outlay, has rendered his mines among the best equipped in the country. Some of them have not been worked for a considerable period only a few workmen and boys being retained to keep them open and preserve the plant The Alston Moor mines are chiefly leased from the Greenwich Hospital. Among the largest of them is Rodderup Fell, situated about three miles from the town of Alston. It is worked by Messrs. Crawhall, Wilson, and Co., who pay the Hospital the value of a tenth of their produce as royalty charge. As already stated, every lessee under the Commissioners of the Hospital pay at the same rate, and individual owners of royalties in the neighbourhood have adopted a similar scale. Rodderup Fell at one time was a rich mine, yielding nearly 4,000 “bings” a year. “Bing” is purely a local term, two-and-a-half “bings” making a ton. The output now varies from 600 to 800 bings, and the produce is sold at about half what was gained when trade was brisk. About eighty men and boys are employed at the mine, the men receiving on piece work from 15s, to 20s. a-week, as compared with from 20s. to 24s. a week in the years 1873 and 1874. At Cashwell (eight miles from Alston), about forty men and boys are employed. This mine, which is worked by a Newcastle company, does not yield much silver, but its lead ore brings first class prices in the market. Its output used to be from six hundred to nine

hundred bings a year, but latterly the quantity has not been so great. The mine has not been at work this year, the company being engaged in putting in a new engine. Pattersyke, on Colonel Byng's royalty is the richest in silver of all the mines in the district, and its ore usually rules from eighteen shillings to twenty shillings above the value of the ores raised elsewhere on the moors. But it is only a small mine, and very few hands are engaged in it. The Calvert is another small mine on Col. Byng's property, employing a few hands, and producing an average ore. Around Nenthead are the Blagill, Haggs, and Brownley Hill mines, which are worked by small companies; and in the same locality are a group of mines leased by the London Lead Company. Blagill was formerly a rich mine, but now a portion of its revenue in derived from the raising of pyrites. The company who own it are pushing forward with renewed vigour, in the hope, it is to be presumed, that they will come upon a "good find" At Haggs there has not been much doing for the last four or five years; and at Brownley Hill where from twenty to thirty men are employed in place of the former number of forty or fifty a good average ore, which brings a fair price, is produced. The London Lend Company had a curious beginning. It was founded by certain members of the Society of Friends with a view to afford employment to men in the agricultural districts who were at that time in a very destitute condition, and not, strange to say with the sole view of making profit. They set out with the object of not requiring more than 5 per cent on the capital invested, and they devoted extra profits to giving their workmen certain privileges and to assisting various social and religious institutions. In the course of the years there was an infusion of new blood into the Company, and with it came a change to their policy. Their object became then, and it has been ever since, to make a profit, and a very difficult task they have found it. They have been compelled to lay off the whole of their mines in Westmorland, and their operations in Stanhope and I Teesdale are greatly restricted. Like their neighbours they find the royalty charges acting as an embargo upon their undertakings. The Company, roughly speaking raise about 3,000 bingo per annum from their Nenthead Mines and from Garrigill inclusive. They do not employ so many men as formerly, and the output, as stated, is considerably less than it used to be. In addition to those named, there are a number of small mines that, from various reasons, have been permanently closed. In round numbers, it may be taken that there were about one thousand workmen engaged in the mines on Alston Moor in former times there are now about six hundred. The wages made at Rodderup Fell is the average wage of the district, namely, from fifteen to twenty shillings per week; indeed, it may be taken as the average wage paid throughout the whole of the lead mining districts. Those minors who are married generally have a bit garden ground attached to their cottages; and though their condition is not an enviable one, it is nevertheless very much superior to that of their unfortunate brethren in Weardale. As to the prices which are got for Alston lead in the market, it may be generally stated that where once a fair lead ore brought from £6 to £6 10s. per "bing" in the market, it now brings from £3 to £3 10s. This is a serious falling off, and one which is being severely felt by all who are interested in the mines. Perhaps among the most fortunate speculators in lead mines at the present day are the members of the Greenhurth Lead Mining Company. They started with a capital of 6,400 one pound shares, on which six shillings only has been called up. On that amount, the mine, which can hardly be described as opened out, has paid a dividend of forty-two shillings per share, besides affording profits out

of which machinery, buildings, and other plant has been obtained. Greenhurth lies midway between Middleton-in-Teesdale and Alston, and it yields a very superior ore in abundance. The Company are “driving” north and south from the bottom of the “sump,” and on the top of limestone, and the mine, at each fathom, is being proved a very valuable one. About three miles lower down the vale, the Teesdale Company are opening out a fairly valuable mine. To the south of Greenhurth, another company, called the Dubby Syke Company, are sinking a shaft to hit upon the Greenhurth vein in another part of it; and the Crook Burn Company are sinking a shaft in the north of Greenhurth with a similar object. The poverty of the mines, and depressed times may be said to have caused the unprecedented dullness of business in Alston lead ore; and the lessees are directing their attention to the royalty charges. We are not aware that there has been any movement made in reference to them yet, but on all hands, it is agreed that if the mines are to be carried on the owners will require relief of some sort. It is pointed out that when a mine becomes poor it as more expensive to work; that is to say, the ore is more difficult to win, they have to sink to a greater depth for it, and necessarily the outlay is considerably increased. The lessees state that the prices realised hardly pay the expenses incurred, and they feel strongly that they should be afforded some inducement to continue their mines. In 1873-4, they got as far as £17 a ton for lead ore; now, at the outside, they get from £7 to £8 per ton; or, in other words only half the money. The whole countryside, they further point out, is so riddled that there is little chance of any valuable vein being struck, and they hold, therefore, that there is all the more need of a redaction of the royalty tax in order to induce speculators to spend their capital in search of lead, and also to relieve them in the meantime. In the case of the Weardale mines reasons of a similar nature operate, only in that instance it has been to a greater degree. With the exception of a few men and boys retained to keep the mines and their plant in order the whole of the miners in Weardale have been flung out of work. Bad trade has fallen upon the dale with a heavy hand; the direst distress prevails among its inhabitants; they bear it uncomplainingly and patiently, but their human fortitude is not equal to their sufferings, and at length their wail of misery has passed from the limits of their valley, for which they have a parental attachment, and has reached the ears of the outside public Attention has been called to their condition, and there is hope among them that they will be afforded a chance of working for even a mere subsistence. None sympathises with them more than Mr Beaumont himself, and none would be more heartily glad than he could his mines be caused to resume work. But while the Weardale Mines have combatted hard times, low prices, and increased difficulties in winning the lead, the royalty charges imposed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners have proved too heavy, taking away almost the only chance of that profit which would have carried the mines on to good times and better prices. The Alston Mines pay a tenth, while Mr Beaumont, we believe, pays a fifth or a fifth-and-a-half to the owners of the royalty; to that it will at once be seen that the tax which he has to pay more than counterbalances any advantages which he may possess in the excellent character of his mines. Mr Cain (Mr Beaumont’s chief agent) has been in London during the past week or fortnight endeavouring to arrange the matter with the Commissioners. Several local men of influence are also interesting themselves keenly in the matter on behalf of the suffering miners; and it is to be hoped that, as a result of their efforts, the Commissioners will see their way to a compromise, and that

there will be an early resumption of work in the Weardale mines. —*Newcastle Daily Chronicle*

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE.

The quarterly bargains of the lead miners in the employment of the London Lead Company have just been let at Middleton in Teesdale. There has been no further reduction in the number of workmen employed in the Teesdale workings, but at the Weardale mines the London Lead Company have found it necessary to discharge over 50 pickmen and others. A large number of the discharged men with their wives and families have emigrated to the Western States, the depression in Teesdale and Weardale being at a very low ebb.

7th June 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON.

It was reported on Sunday at Alston that a water spout had been seen on the fells to the west, and which was considered to have fallen towards the other side of the fell. **6TH CUMBERLAND (ALSTON) RIFLE VOLUNTEERS**.—On Friday and Saturday last this corps held its monthly handicap prise competition. The weather on Friday was fine with strong rear wind, Saturday not being so favourable, rain coming on before the close of the shooting. The conditions were 5 shots at 200, 500, and 600 yards, no sighters; Wimbledon targets. 1879.

The following are the winners:	200 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Tl.
Lieut. Dickinson, 6s.	21	19	18	58
Pte. J. Woodiness, 5s.	19	18	16	53
Pte. Jas. Akerigg, 4s	15	21	15	51
Lieut. Akerigg, 3s.	23	11	15	49
Capt. Dickinson, 2s.	131	11	19	43
Pte. W. Lee, 1s.	20	17	5	42

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

THE BEQUEST OF £2,000

The Clerk stated that he was in receipt of further correspondence with reference to the bequest of £2,000 by the late Mr King to the town, which he read to them. A letter from Mr Yorke, solicitor to the late Mr Kings trustees, dated 22nd May, was read, in which he stated that he was instructed by the trustees to the will of the late Mr King to ask the Alston authorities to inform them of the nature of the scheme which was prepared for administering the bequest, as they wished the scheme to meet the instructions expressed by the testator.—In the meanwhile the Clerk had received a letter, dated the 8th May, from the Charity Commissioners, stating that as soon as the order for the amount of the bequest was lodged in the Bank of England they would direct the requisite steps to be taken for the establishment of a scheme. They also asked the concurrence of the magistrates and guardians forming the Rural Sanitary Authority to the coarse proposed.—In reply to Mr York, the Clerk said he had written noting that under the existing circumstances there was no one to prepare a scheme, and referred them to the letter of the Charity Commissioners. In reply to that letter Mr Yorke had written again, on the previous morning, stating that he was not overlooking the letter, but he presumed that there was no doubt that the recommendations of the local authorities as to the application of the charity would be given effect

to.—The Clerk remarked that the question was who the local authorities were. The executors of the will had taken the opinion of counsel, who advised that the money should be paid to the Charity Commissioners. The beat plan would be to send copies of the letters to the Charity Commissioners and ask for instructions. —Mr Richardson Have the magistrates taken any steps? —The Clerk: They have done nothing; nothing will be done till the money be paid —The Chairman: You think it desirable that no steps be taken, but remit these letters to the Charity Commissioners.— The Clerk: I think so because we might take a wrong step, The Charity Commissioners are waiting for the money to be paid and then they will submit a scheme. The executors repudiated the magistrates; repudiated the guardians, and now they want a scheme.— The Clerk submitted a resolution that the guardians give their consent to the course proposed to the Charity Commissioners, that the money be handed over to them for the purposes mentioned in the will of the testator of the scheme.—The Chairman: You mean that to be a resolution of the magistrates as well as of the guardians.—The Clerk said he was going to submit it to the magistrates on the following Friday.—Mr A. Walton moved that the resolution be adopted —Mr I. Walton seconded the motion.—Mr I. Walton: Would it not be wise to call the people interested to state their opinion of the matter.—Mr Richardson: I think the Commissioners will send a Commissioner down to make inquiry.—The Clerk: They will either hold an inquiry or order a public meeting.

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Mr A. Walton said that Mr Grey had seen fit to continue the Hospital subscription this time, but he would not do it again except he got a better report. He was convinced from what he heard that the school was in a very unfit state, and unless some steps were taken by the managers, he did not think there would be anything done. So far as his (Mr Walton's) own individual opinion went—he did not wish to prejudice the guardians against Mr Davies in any way—but he thought they had not sufficient control over the management of the school, and they could not get any control under the existing arrangements, and he would propose that they give the master three months' notice to terminate his engagement, and then make a new engagement with him. The Chairman: Do you propose that we advertise for a new master and take his application.—Mr A. Walton: No if he was not willing then do that, it would certainly give him a full chance of doing the best he can, but we must have the full management of the school and finances.—Mr I. Walton thought that the scholars scarcely had a fair chance the way they were examined, and he would prefer to have another examination. The master complained that he had no time to bring them up to the standard that he might have. The scholars also were timid, and not like scholars who were examined yearly and got hardened. He (Mr Walton) thought the master was labouring under a disadvantage on these grounds—Mr A. Walton thought the master had no reason to complain about the examination he knew they had been examined before and he must have known that they must be examined again. He (Mr Davies) had an interview with Mr Grey, when he told him that he had only two days' notice, but he (Mr Walton) should think he had anyway seven.— -Some conversation followed, in which Mr Vipond was of opinion that they had sufficient control over the school, and complained of the inspector not examining the children in mensuration, Mr Millican was in favour of another report before any action was taken; and after a pretty lively dismission the meeting terminated without any action being taken.

SAD FATAL ACCIDENT AT NENTHEAD.

On Monday last, a sad fatal accident occurred to a man named Joseph Robinson, 51 years of age, lead miner, Nenthead while working in the London Lead Company's mine at that place. Deceased was working about half past twelve o'clock, noon, along with three other men named Joseph Trathen, George Hetherington, and Thomas Robson, and was engaged putting a piece of wood under the roof when a large stone weighing about two cwt fell upon him crushing him severely. The poor man was immediately conveyed out of the mine to his home and as Dr Don Bavand, the Company medical man, was from home and not expected back till Wednesday, Dr Gill of Alston, was immediately telegraphed for, but the poor man died at two o'clock in the afternoon before the doctor had been able to reach him. Deceased was married and leaves a family of eight one of which is working age.

In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Hannah Robinson, widow, aged 52, children James 19, William 15, Martha 15, Joseph 12, and Betsey 6.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, William Robinson, lead miner, aged 36, his brother Joseph 22, and sisters Ann 35, Elizabeth 15, and Jane 5.
Joseph married Mary Thompson (daughter of Jonathan Thompson and Nancy Vickers, born 19th September 1833) in the first quarter of 1860, at Alston.
1871 Census gives the following, at Overwater, Nenthead, Joseph Robinson, miner, aged 42, his wife Mary, aged 36, children Hannah aged 8, Thomas aged 6, Margaret Ann aged 5, Jonathan aged 7, Joseph W 3 months.
In 1881, at Overwater, Mary Robinson, widow, housekeeper, aged 48, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jonathan, lead ore washer 13, Joseph W, 16, and James 7.
In 1881, Hannah was a servant to Sarah Harrison (aged 82) of Overwater, Nenthead, Margaret Ann was living with her Uncle & Aunt, Thomas & Ann Thompson at Cleator Moor, occupation dressmaker.
In 1891, at Overwater, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 58, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph W, lead miner, aged 17, and James, lead ore washer, aged 17.
In 1901, at Overwater, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 67, sons, Jonathan, lead ore washing foreman, aged 35, Joseph, time keeper, aged 30, and James 27, stoker stationary engine, aged 27.
In 1911, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Robinson, widow aged 77, and son James, foreman lead & zinc ore dressing floor, aged 37.
Mary Robinson died 3rd quarter 1915, aged 81.
See 20th May 1876.

Deaths

At Alston, 2nd inst., aged 79, Elizabeth, widow of James Bell, barber.

14th June 1879 (Hexham Herald)

SUCCESSFUL LEAD MINING.

A very valuable discovery of lead ore has been made by the Burnhope Lead Mining Company, who commenced operations in October last to work a North and South vein running through Harehope Hall Royalty, Edmondbyers. A shaft was set on some fifty fathoms South from Burnhope stream (the Northern Boundary) and after sinking 15 fathoms through a deposit of fine alluvial soil, they struck the High Grit Sill, and on top of this Sill large blocks of pure galena, lead ore were found, weighing from 2 to 3 cwts each, and some tons of this was

got out at the bottom of the shaft having been washed from the North and South vein where the sills are thrown up West.
Having also seen indications at the surface of an East West vein near to where the shaft was sunk a level was started at this depth in a Northerly direction and after driving twelve fathoms a very fine powerful East and West vein was cut at the outcrop of the High Grit Sill. Another cross cut was then commenced from the shaft to prove the North South vein, and after driving four fathoms, this vein was cut rich. The vein is a large and masterly one well defined, and contains very fine pure galena lead ore valued at 5 tons per fathom.
The Hexham and Edmondbyers Mining Company, who hold the adjoining royalty to the North have sunk a shaft 33 fathoms deep and from this shaft a level has been driven 30 fathoms to their Southern boundary (the Burnhope stream) and it is estimated that over 100 tons of lead ore have been got from this level alone, and in coming Southward to the Burnhope Company's Royalty the vein increased in size and productiveness every fathom of ground being opened out, and the vein is standing at present at their Southern boundary, nine feet wide and rich for ore. The Burnhope Company are preparing machinery and plant for raising and dressing the lead ore, and are commencing to work the North and South vein towards the intersection of the East and West vein. …

21st June 1879 (Hexham Herald)

LEADGATE (ALSTON)

We understand that the number of workmen employed at Rodderup Fell Mine will be much reduced, in fact, nearly to the extent of one half. Several of the washer boys have also received notice that their services will be no longer required. Much regret is expressed that the managers should be under the necessity of reducing the number of their workmen, as Rodderup Fell is the only mine in the district which up to the present has employed its full number of hands, and such is the public spirit of the proprietors that all admit that nothing short of stern necessity would have impelled them to take this step. Present prices of lead, however are about prohibitive to mining, and it is felt that the Lords of the Admiralty should make a material reduction in their Royalty dues.

21st June 1879 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 16th inst., aged 55, Ann widow of the lated David Smith, much and deservedly respected.

In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Ann Smith, widow, laundress, aged 47, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah, domestic servant, aged 23, Mary, domestic servant, aged 16, David, coal miner, aged 16, and granddaughter, Mary Ann Smith 5.

See 28th September 1872, & 29th January 1887

At Low Greenends, 15th inst. aged 69, Elizabeth Broadwood, widow of Robert Broadwood, lead mine agent.

In 1851, Robert Broadwood, lead mine agent farming 18 acres, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth (Whitfield, married 29th November 1828, at Ninebanks) aged 42, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 17, Elizabeth 16, Jane 13, Thomas 17, Robert 9, Edith 5, Isabella 3, John J. 1, and niece Ann Louden 2.
Robert Broadwood died 1st quarter of 1860.

In 1861, at Nether, Nentsbury, Elizabeth Broadwood, widow, farmer of 27 acres, aged 50, children Thomas, joiner & millwright, aged 21, Robert, lead miner & land agent, aged 19, Edith 15, Isabella 13, John James 11, William Guy 9, granddaughters Ann Richardson 5, and Emma Richardson 3.
In 1871, at High Nenthall, Elizabeth Broadwood, widow, house keeper, aged 60, sons John James, lead miner, aged 21, William Guy, coal miner, aged 19, and granddaughter Emma Richardson 13.
At Haggs, 13th inst., aged 69, William Wailes, lead miner.
See 3rd May 1879, & 29th November 1890
At Low Dykeheads, 16th inst. aged 73, Robert Douglas, Millwright.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Robert Douglas, Millwright, born Bishop Auckland, Durham, aged 54, and his wife Susannah (Swindle, married 26th December 1839, Alston) aged 46.
In 1871, at Low Dykeheads, Robert Douglas, Millwright, aged 64, and his wife Susannah aged 56. See 10th September 1942
Probate 1879: The Will of Robert Douglas late of Nenthead in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Millwright who died 16th June 1879 at Nenthead was proved at Carlisle by James Atkinson of Nenthead Mine Washing Overman, one of the Executors. Personal Estate under £300.
Susannah Douglas was buried at Nenthead, 30th May 1885, aged 70.

IN
AFFECTIONATE
REMEMBERANCE OF
ROBERT DOUGLAS
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
JUNE 16TH 1879
AGED 73 YEARS
ALSO OF SUSANNA HIS WIFE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MAY 27TH 1885
AGED 70 YEARS

28th June 1879 (Hexham Courant)

LEAD MINING IN ALSTON MOOR

A meeting of delegates from each mine in the district, with several tradesmen, of the town, took place at the Golden Lion Hotel, Alston, on Saturday, to consider what steps it was desirable to take to afford relief in the present

depressed state of the leads mining and the general trade of the district. Mr John Dickinson occupied the chair. It was resolved to call a mass meeting of the inhabitants at the Town Hall for the purpose of passing resolutions, asking the Lords of the Admiralty - Lords of the manor of Alston Moor - to reduce their mineral dues, such resolutions to be embodied in a petition signed at the meeting, to be presented to their Lordships. A sub committee was appointed to make necessary arrangements, consisting of Messrs John Dickinson, John Little, M Whitfield, D Walton, C Irving, U Stout, J Walton, W Brown, and J Pattinson, to draw up resolutions and make the necessary arrangements. it was decided that the meeting be held at the Town Hall, on Friday, the 4th July. The dues paid by the lessees of the Alston Lead mines now arrange from a tenth to a twelfth of the gross produce.

Deaths

At Alston, Bridge End, 20th inst., aged 76, George Dickinson, farmer.

28th June 1879 (Hexham Herald)

STOPPAGE OF MINES AND DISTRESS IN WEARDALE
PETITION TO THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS

"The respectful memorial of the inhabitants of Weardale in public meeting assembled at St John's Chapel on the 21st June inst.

"To the honourable the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of England, Showeth: -

"That your memorialists are suffering sad distress from the fact that the lessee of your honourable Commissioners has closed very many of your local mines, and as mining is the only industry in this dale, nearly the whole of the working population are thrown out of work, and are suffering pinching distress.

"Your memorialists submit that it is wrong to the entire dale that all the lead mines should be leased to one person as it literally places a monopoly in the hands of that person. Your memorialists are aware that when the Ecclesiastical Commissioners came into possession of the lead mines they found existing leases to Mr W. B. Beaumont, and that to a considerable degree their hands were bound. But your memorialists beg urgently to ask your honourable Board to consider if it is possible to lease a few portions of this large extent of country, in which lead ores are worked (by tender or otherwise) to separate parties. In such circumstance, your memorialists would have several employers instead of only one upon whom they are solely dependent. Your memorialists therefore implore your honourable board to give immediate consideration, and trust you will without delay find a way to an early attainment of so desirable an end, and give your suffering memorialists work and bread.

"And your memorialists will ever pray.

The Lead Miner's Plaint

In garments of grandeur the meadows are clad,
And rich blossoms adorn the trees of the wood;
But the hearts of our dalesmen are drooping and sad,
For their homes are devoid of cash fuel, and food.

Lonely they oft wander on the banks of the Wear,
And watch the wild waters roll murmuring past;
The voice of the surges - like the words of their prayer -
Grow sadder and deeper the longer they last.

The old lead mines are closed, the source of our bread,
Hewn out by the hands of our brawny ancestors,
Poor, hard toiling miners, it is well they are dead,
And freed from the ills which daily sweep o'er us.

Beneath the church spire in the quiet green hollow,
We laid them to rest on death's dreamless pillow.
There sunbeams oft linger on the white daisied sod.
Where sleepeth our kindred, whose sons are with God.

Such memories must bind us to our dear native hills,
Though foreigners should reap the rich of the sills.
Work - work is our wealth, and this seems denied us,
And new forms of anguish threaten to o'erwhelm us.

Cold rusty, and dormant are picks, hammers, and drills,
And locked in dead silence are the huge crushing mills,
And bloodless brow'd children have forgotten their play,
And hang like blanched roses around the bare tray.

We revile not our master, we chide not the state,
But bear faultless and firmly our indigent fate,
In our travail of grief through the starless night,
Love's high priests will lead us, and heaven be our light.
Behind the crude curtain Jehova is working,
And "Lo I am with you" is his law everlasting.

Blessed balm of the soul to sufferers given,
Sweet dewdrops of comfort descending from heaven.
Then hush thy sad murmurs, pious miner and friend,
For in heaven thy taper shall shine without end.
F. Martindale
Westgate 25th June 1879.

The Beaumont leases were first held under the Bishop of Durham, and later from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, with the exception of one tract they held a monopoly of the right of mining.
Widespread destitution existed amongst the Weardale lead miners on account of the stoppage of the mines - one half being closed in June 1878, and the other portion at the close of 1878. (end December)
It was stated by the Beaumont's that the mines could not be profitably worked owing to the abnormally heavy dues paid out of the produce to the lessors.
The miners were working by giving their time on the supposition of a return in the price received for the lead, whilst the older system of payment of a regular wage as "subsistence money" has been for some time done away with.
Ecclesiastical Commissioners had employed some of the miners in planting and repairing drainage &c.

5th July 1879 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE DISTRESS

Mr W. Murray of this town, has kindly collected £ 16s and has forwarded it for distribution among twelve families of Weardale miners, which he intends supplementing by another collection. The Rev. R. Crozier. who has undertaken its distribution, says “the suffering is becoming intense many of the inhabitants being frequently without a bite in the house. All is very painful and very dreary, but it is hoped an improvement will shortly take place.” Relief is urgently needed.

5th July 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

Amid the general depression in lead-mining is refreshing to hear that Messrs Bell intend to increase the number of their workmen at Crossfell mine. Messrs. Jacob Walton and David Burns also propose driving an adit level near the Park. On the hand, the notices of the Rodderup Fell workmen expired at the end of the month and some thirty of their number are out of employment. A meeting of the directors was held on Thursday, and we understand it was seriously mooted to close the mine altogether. At Nenthead only about 40 men are employed underground, this number being required to prevent the Lead Company’s lease from lapsing. At Calvert, a sale of mining plant was held a few days ago, which probably means that the mine is to be permanently thrown in. Lead which half a dozen years ago was worth £23, is now selling at about £14 per ton.

ASHGILL

The Primitive Methodists of Ashgill celebrated their annual Sunday School festival on Saturday and Sunday last, at the beautiful waterfall called Ashgill Force, in the grounds of the London Lead Company, granted for the occasion by J. J. Millican, Esq., Nenthead. The meriting did not seem altogether promising of fine weather, and as mid-day approached the weather prophets prognosticated showers. The brass band belonging to Garrigill having been engaged for the occasion, left the village about three o'clock in the afternoon for the place of rendezvous. By that time a number of young people had found their way to the famed waterfall, to admire and enjoy the rich and varied scenery, it being one of the most delightful places in the neighbourhood. Tea was provided in a spacious marquee, which was erected on the east side of the plantation house the scholars partaking first, then followed their teachers and the public. The ladies who kindly attended by their wants were Miss A. Emerson, Miss S. Carr, Miss A. Richardson, Miss E. Martin, and Miss E. A. Renwick. About six o'clock a public meeting was held, presided over by Mr J. Wilkinson (Coanwood). The report was read by Mr Henry Wilkinson secretary to the Sunday School, after which able addresses were delivered by the Rev. W. A. French, Shildon, and the Rev B. Wild, Alston. At the close of the meeting a coffee supper was held of which a goodly number partook to their entire satisfaction. On Sunday, two sermons were preached in the open air by the Rev W. A. French, in the afternoon and evening to large congregations, particularly in the evening, scores flocking in from the surrounding villages. On Monday evening, the Rev W A. French delivered a popular lecture in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, subject, "Ulrich Zwingle, the Swiss Reformer,” the chair being taken by the Rev B. Wild, Alston.—A collection was taken after each service in aid of the fund.

11th July 1879 (Newcastle Courant)

HARD TIMES IN THE ALSTON DISTRICT.

A meeting of Alston Moor lead miners was held in the Town Hall, Alston, on Friday, for the purpose of passing resolutions, to be embodied in an address, asking the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, who are the Lords of the Manor of Alston Moor, to make such substantial reduction in their manorial dues as may enable the lessees to work the mines, and afford employment to the inhabitants The Rev. O. James, Clarghyll Hall, occupied the chair. Resolutions expressive of regret at the present distress existing amongst the lead miners, yet recognising the cordial relations between the workmen and their employers, and the perseverance of the lessees in working the mines in spite of heavy losses; affirming, also, the necessity for a reduction in the dues, were moved, and supported by the Rev E L Bowman, Vicar of Alston; Rev W. Farries, Congregationalist minister; Rev B. Wylde, Primitive minister; Mr John Dickinson, Alston; Mr Duncan C. Walton, Roddehope Fell; Mr James Atkinson, Nenthead; Mr George Dickinson, Alston: and Mr Thos. Ramsay, Alston. Perfect unanimity characterised the proceedings, and the workmen were highly complimented by the speaker on the peaceful and considerate attitude they had assumed in the trying times through which they have lately passed. The Rev O James, Rev E. L. Bowman, and Mr Thos. W. Crawhali were requested to wait on the Lords of the Admiralty and present the address. Amongst other effects of the depression in the lead trade the churches in the Alston district, which are to a great extent supported by the voluntary contributions of the mining companies, are being disendowed on a small scale. The London Lead Company has given notice of the withdrawal of its annual subscriptions of £40 to Nenthead living and £30 to Garrigill curacy, the latter sum being met by a contribution of equal amount from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and the withdrawal of the one probably means the withdrawal of the other. The Rodderup Fell Company have also discontinued the payment of £10 annually to Garrigill, and it is understood will also discontinue their payment of £30 to Leadgate curacy. These sums are also met by contributions from the Commissioners, which may probably cease. The Lord Bishop of Durham visited Nenthead and Garrigill during last week for the purpose of ascertaining how the spiritual needs of the inhabitants might be best provided for. It was proposed to unite the living and the curacy under one clergyman; but His Lordship after walking over the bleak and steep moor, which separates the two villages decided that the distance was too great for one clergyman to perform the duties; and he had reason to believe the Lords of the Admiralty and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners together would be induced to provide a sufficient endowment for Nenthead; but as to the curacies of Garrigill and Leadgate his Lordship was not yet prepared to say what course would be taken, to provide stipends for the officiating clergymen. The schools as well as the churches are being affected. The London Lead Company have withdrawn their grants to Nenthead and Tyne-head schools, and the Rodderup Fell Company their grant of £50 to Leadgate. The two largest mines in the district —Rodderup Fell and Nenthead—are not employing more than half their usual number of hands; indeed, the latter company only employ the 40 "pickmen" who they are bound to keep on to prevent their lease from lapsing. Brownley Hill and Cashwell have reduced the number of workmen. Gilligill Syke is in the market. Ayle Burn, Hudgill Burn,

Blagill, and Calvert mines have ceased working. Cross Fell mine is the only mine, which has increased the number of its workmen.

12th July 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

A SCENE SELDOM WITNESSED IN THE VILLAGES OF ENGLAND.

The influence of bad times in the lead trade in the district of Alston, is making itself felt not only in the loss of employment by the workmen, but also by the removals that are taking place. In the early part of this week there occurred at the village of Nenthead what had perhaps never occurred there before, and may perhaps never happen again,—the meeting together for the purpose of a united move to the lands of the west, of the representatives of four generations. A man of the name of Anthony Robinson, having relatives in America, and after having looked at the matter of emigration in the light of the present times, came to the conclusion that it was best to emigrate and to join his friends on the other side of the Atlantic, and having disposed of his possessions and made all the necessary arrangements as to passage, and travel to the port of embarkation (Liverpool). he then assembled his family at Nenthead having several daughters in situations and a married daughter living in Newcastle, who with her husband and child joined the family group at this mining village; probably he wanted them to have a last look at the village of their nativity, the place where they first saw the light and drew their breath, and to have a full family meeting in the old homestead ere a separation came that might be final, and so it was that the whole family met consisting of 18 souls and representing four generations, for in addition to the grandchild of Robinson, there was his mother 85 years of age, full of hopefulness in regard to the future, and strong in the belief that the sea voyage might be of benefit to her, at the same time saying that she thought she would see Nenthead no more. The family left Nenthead on Tuesday evening lodging at Alston for the night, and there departing by the first train on Wednesday morning for Liverpool where they were to embark for America. May the breezes blow propitiously for them, for we think that a man in the ordinary occupation of a miner, that can rear a family of fourteen and be in a position when bad times overtakes his native place to transport to the Continent of America, such a quantity of living freight is worthy of a special place in society as an instance of what persevering, industry, economy, and thrift can accomplish.

ALSTON CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS AND THE DEPRESSION IN THE LEAD TRADE.

… The Lead Company have withdrawn their grant to the Nenthead and Tynehead schools, and the Rodderup Fell Company their grant of £50 to Leadgate. The two largest mines in the district Rodderup Fell and Nenthead are not employing more than half their usual number of hands; indeed, the later company only employ 40 “pickmen” who they are bound to keep on to prevent their lease from lapsing. Brownley Hill and Cashwell have reduced the number of workmen. Galligill Syke is in the market, Ayle Burn, Hudgill Burn, Blagill, and Calvert mines have ceased working. Cross Fell mine is the only mine, which has increased the number of workmen.

THE LEAD MINES OF THE DISTRICT

PUBLIC MEETING IN THE TOWN HALL.

A public meeting of lead miners and those interested in the prosperity of the district of Alston, was held in the Town Hall, yesterday afternoon week to

consider the propriety of adopting a petition to the Lords of the Manor (the Greenwich Hospital Commissioners) asking for a reduction of the dues now payable to them, whereby the lessees might be enabled to work the mines at less expense and afford employment to the population of the district.
To the Lords Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, the Lords of the Manor of Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland.
The humble petition of the lead miners, workmen, tradesmen, and other inhabitants of the said Manor.
Sheweth, The great distress now prevails amongst the lead miners in the district of the Manor of Alston Moor, and as a natural result, thereof the trade of the country is generally much depressed.
That your petitioners believe that much of this distress is caused by the present unproductive state of the lead mines, which combined with the prevailing depression in the lead trade, has of necessity compelled the lessees of a number of the mines, either wholly or to a great extent to abandon their works.
That the whole, or a great part of the mines now being worked in the district, are carried on by the lessees at great loss to themselves.
That the manorial dues, now payable in respect of the mines, vary according to circumstances from.
That your petitioners believe that if an adequate reduction were made in the amount of manorial dues, it would tend greatly to induce and encourage the mining lessees to recommence their explorations of the now apparently exhausted mines and be productive of a greater revenue to your lordships, and also afford relief and employment to the mining population of the district, many of whom have now for a considerable time been out of employment and are in great distress.
Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your lordships would be pleased to take into your gracious consideration the necessity of making such a reduction in the Manorial due now payable as would enable the lessees of the mines to recommence their now abandoned works and explorations, and afford relief and employment to the distressed mining population of the district.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

T. W. Crawhall Esq., JP., said he would have great pleasure in assisting all that he could in the object of the meeting, at the same time he was a lessee, and it struck him that it would have been better the petition should be presented by gentlemen who were not lessees. He further remarked that 50 years ago the mine lessees were better able to pay one-fifth duty than they were to pay one fifteenth now.

Deaths

At High Spency Croft, 7th inst., aged 17, Mary Jane, daughter of John Richardson, stonemason.
At Holmefoots, Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 48, John Hetherington lead miner.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, aged 36, wife Ann 32, children Emmanuel 12, Mary 10, Thomas 8, George 6, Robert W. 2, and John Hetherington, lead miner, aged 30.
At Holmefoots, Nenthead, in 1871, living with the Whitfield family, John Hetherington, boarder, unmarried lead miner, aged 40.
At Fairhill, Nenthead, 8th inst., aged 48, Smith Elliott lead miner.
St John's, Nenthead burials, show, Smith Elliot, buried 10th July 1879.

In 1871, at Burn Bottom, Alston, Smith Elliott, unmarried labourer at the lead mines, aged 40, his widowed sister , Jane Varty (Jane Elliott married William Varty (lead miner) at Nenthead 11th July 1858, William died 5th August 1864, aged about 35), aged 42, nephews Featherston Varty 12, Thomas W Varty 8, and niece Sarah Jane Varty 9.
See 12th August 1864

19th July 1879 (Hexham Courant)

STONECROFT AND GREYSIDE LEAD MINES

The workmen employed at these lead mines, near Newbrough, have received notice to cease work, it being the intention of the owners, it is said, to close the greater portion of their lead mines, owing to the depression in the lead trade.

26th July 1879 (Hexham Courant)

STANHOPE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE.

On Monday an inquest was held at the Town Hall, Stanhope, before Mr Thomas Dean, coroner, touching the death of John Walton, of Stanhope, who died on Saturday from injuries received at the Ashes Limestone Quarry on Thursday. Deceased with his Uncle John Walton was commencing to fill a truck when a large stone came down and knocked him on to the edge of the truck and crushed his back. The deceased was a fine young man aged 20 years, and a skilful workman.

1st August 1879 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINING IN UPPER TEESDALE

The proprietors of the Dubby Syke Mine, we are informed, commenced sinking a shaft (which has yielded some fine specimens of ore in the clay) on that part of their sett adjoining the Green Hurth Mine, and they are expecting to strike the same vein which is now working so profitably at Green Hurth, and which runs through the Dubby Syke sett.

2nd August 1879 (Hexham Courant)

TEESDALE

THE OPERATIVE LEAD MINERS IN TEESDALE AND THE ROYALTIES

A deputation from the operative lead miners in Teesdale, have had an interview with Mr W. T. Scarth, JP. at Staindrop House, on the subject of the royalties paid in connection with the mining operations of the London Lead Company. Mr Scarth is the chief agent of the Duke of Cleveland, who is the Lord of the Manor. Spanish competition in lead has for some time very seriously affected the trade of Teesdale, and it is feared that many more miners will shortly be discharged in consequence of the increasing depression. The question of lowering the dues was introduced. It is understood that his Grace and Mr Scarth, together with others interested in the matter, will duly consider the representations of the deputation, and every point embraced in the whole question.

NENTSBURY

The Rev. Walton Pattinson of America and formerly a native of Alston, paid a visit to Nentsbury and preached in the Primitive Methodist Chapel on Sunday evening last…

Deaths

At Wardway Foot, Nenthead, 18th ult., aged 69, John Walton, lead miner.

John Walton married Elizabeth Kirkpatrick 27th April 1834, at Alston.

In 1841, at Strellas, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 25, children Mary 7, Hannah 5, and John 1.

In 1851, at Stralars, Nenthead John Walton, lead miner aged 41, his wife Elizabeth, aged 39, children, Hannah 14, John, lead miner aged 11, Alice 9, Ann, 7, Adam 5, Elizabeth 2, and Frances 9 months.

In 1861, at Foulard, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner 51, his wife Elizabeth 48, children Adam lead miner 15, Frances 10, Dinah 8, and John 4

In 1871 at Wardway Foot, Nenthead John Walton, lead miner aged 59, his wife Elizabeth aged 56, son John a lead ore washer aged 14, and granddaughter Anny Temperley, aged 2.

John Walton, of Wardway Foot, lead ore miner, will dated 30th June 1879, proved at Carlisle 15th April 1882, gross value of effects £144. Names mentioned in the will: —

Wife Elizabeth Walton, four children Adam Walton, Alice Fairless wife of Hugh Fairless, Frances Walton, spinster, and Dinah Thompson wife of Ralph Thompson.

At Bridge End, Garrigill, 12th ult., aged 64, William Thomason, lead miner.

See 27th April 1855, 5th May 1877, 11th August 1883, 26th September 1891, & 18th April 1914

2nd August 1879 (Northern Echo)

CORRESPONDENCE,
A LANDOWNER'S VIEW OF LEADMINING
IN TEESDALE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "Northern Echo"

Sir, —Permit me to state an aspect from which landowners may fairly regard the vexed question of lead mining in Teesdale. There are four mines in Teesdale—Harwood, Dubby Syke, Teesdale, Green Hurth—and another one, Crookburn, is about commencing. Each of these mines have had a capital of £6,400. Green Hurth and Dubby Syke, I believe, have worn out or exhausted more than one company of £6,400 capital. Dubby Syke up to the present has been a total loss. Green Hurth, on the other hand, if she was fairly reckoned for the capital sunk, may have realised interest at four and five per cent. Harwood has had a dwindling existence so long as the capital lasted; but is, I believe, now temporarily abandoned. Teesdale, also, has its capital exhausted, though in full work; and, I hear, more than maintaining itself. Now, each of these mines has cut up and rendered useless a considerable portion of land, which, though poor, is of soma value far game and grazing. The amount of ground explored is not commensurate with the capital expended, while the benefit to the landowner is very far short of the laud destroyed; and while no doubt landowners are ready to look at the matter fairly in the face, it is fair to ask how much of this subscribed capital goes towards the real development of the royalties. —Yours. &c.,

July 31st, 1879.

FAIRPLAY, F.G.S.

9th August 1879 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

LEAD MINING

According to the report of Mr John Peart, the shareholders of the Pattersyke mine, which is so rich in silver, and in close proximity of the celebrated Green Hurth mine, which yields seven tons of lead ore per fathom, will soon be rewarded for their indomitable perseverance. They are drawing the top level south in the Clargill lead vein, which is unquestionably proved to be the Green Hurth vein, so rich at present. They have got up to the middle shaft, where several pieces of ore eight stones weight have been worked, and still lying at the shaft top. In driving south from this shaft they are getting large pieces of ore with every appearance of continuing. The low level been driven a considerable distance will lay open this vein in depth, and also the St John's vein, both veins having raised large quantities of lead ore in the Tyne Manor. By going southward, they will intersect with some of the best lead ore bearing east and south veins. In May last, they sold sixty bings, and have now another parcel of forty bings ready for sale.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 6th inst. aged 38, Isabella Roddam, widow of Thomas Roddam Lead ore washer. *See 1 February 1879. See 14th June 1884*

At Alston, 3rd inst., aged 57, Jane Davidson, wife of Jonathan Davidson, lead miner.

12th August 1879 (Northern Echo)

CORRESPONDENCE,

A LANDOWNER'S VIEW OF LEADMINING

IN TEESDALE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "Northern Echo"

Sir, —I have waited a full week expecting some more capable pen replying to the above letter in your Saturday's issue. I can scarcely believe that any landowner, especially in Teesdale (for there is really only one), would allow such a letter to appear with their sanction. They know full well more than any other landlords the vicissitudes, trials, difficulties, and uncertainties that attend lead mining, and consequently are almost the last people in the world that would wantonly say or do anything against such an important industry, which affects such great numbers of people, mostly their own tenantry, more especially at a time of such unusual depression as the present. I do not profess to know ail the ins and outs of the mines mentioned, but I know sufficient to satisfy any ordinary individual about two of the most important ones—Teesdale and Green Hurth—that "A Landowner's" information is mostly fake; and, if so respecting these two mines, it is a fair inference that it is equally false in the others. I have no hesitation in a saying that Green Hurth is one of the richest deposits of lead ore that ever was discovered in England, and had it been above instead of below their adit level its produce would have been enormous; even as it is it must yield considerable results, certainly four times more than stated in "Landowner's" letter. I do not pretend to know every minutia of its past history, but I am quite safe in saying its yield of lead ore is three times more than stated. Teesdale Mines is e different undertaking altogether—a mine slow and hard, but capable of being developed to almost any extent; and how many lead mines are there that are not working with an exhausted capital? Most of the richest mines in

England owe their discovery to the energy displayed after the capital has gone. But to show the fallacy of “Landowner's" letter, they are not only not exhausted, but are about declaring a dividend out of the profits of the mine for the year, notwithstanding the fact that four months of the year were partially lost through the severity of the winter. — I am, yours, &c.,
Durham JOHN SLACK

16th August 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Marriage
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 9th inst. John Wilkinson, Blagill, to Sarah Bushby, Greenhead.
In 1871, at Haltwhistle, William Busby, cask burner, aged 45, born Allendale, , his wife Jane 44, born Allendale, children Jacob 15, Mary 13, Sarah 12, Jane 7, and Fanney 4.
In 1861, at Swinhope Mill, Allendale, Matthew Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Hodgson, married 1st quarter 1851, reg. Hexham) aged 38, children John 9, Mary J 7, Hannah 5, and Elizabeth 4.
In 1871, at White Well House, Alston, Matthew Wilkinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth aged 48, son John, lead miner, aged 19, and Elizabeth 16, all the family born Allendale.
Matthew Wilkinson died 1st quarter 1881, aged 52.
In 1881, at Blagill Hill Top, Elizabeth Wilkinson, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 59, son John, lead miner, aged 29, sons wife Sarah 22, born Haltwhistle, grandchildren Margaret 9, and Matthew 9 months. In 1891, at Gill Street, Benwell, John Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Sarah 32, children Matthew 10, John 6, Edward Wm 4, and Elizth Jane 2. In 1901, at Gill Street, John, coal miner, aged 47, his wife Sarah 42, children Matthew, coal merchant, aged 20, John 16, Edwin 14, Elizabeth Jane 12, Ada 7, Sarah Alice 5, and Thomas Richardson 1. In 1911, at Hampstead Road, Benwell, John Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 58, his wife Sarah 52, children John, coal merchant, aged 26, Edwin William, coal merchant, aged 24, Thomas 11, Elizebeth Jane, milliner, aged 22, Ada, assistant confectioner, aged 18, and Sarah Alice, printers apprentice, aged 15.

16th August 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
LEAD MINING DUES IN ALSTON MOOR.
Numerous enquiries having been made as to the position of the petition to the Lords of the Admiralty for a reduction of the manorial dues we are now requested to state that it has been forwarded to C. G. Grey, Esq., to be laid before their Lordships. It appears that after the public meeting on the 4th ult., Mr Dickinson at the request of the Committee entered into communication with Mr Grey to ascertain if it would be convenient to their Lordships to receive the deputation, and if so, to appoint a time when they should attend in London and present the memorial. From the correspondence that ensued it appeared that the attendance of the gentlemen in London would be useless, unless they would first ascertain the extra number of men who would be employed at each mine in the event or a reduction of the dues. On this becoming known the matter was again laid before the Committee who came to the unanimous conclusion that under the circumstances it would be quite useless for the deputation to attend before their Lordships, and that they could not ask them to do so. A resolution

was accordingly passed thanking the three gentlemen who had so kindly consented at the request of the men to attend in London on their behalf, and stating that under the circum. stances the Committee did not feel themselves justified in asking them to incur the expense and trouble. It was also agreed that the memorial and resolution should be sent direct to Mr Grey for presentation to their Lordship, which was accordingly done. The memorial bore about 1050 signatures. We note that the miners of Alston are not the persons who are seeking relief in a reduction of dues. Subjoined we reprint an extract from the Derby Mercury of July 30, in reference to the reception of a deputation with a similar object by the Duke of Devonshire:—

"A deputation waited upon the Duke of Devonshire at Chatsworth, on Friday, on the subject of the dues paid to his Grace in the High Peak district the deputation being a fair representation of the district. The Duke of Devonshire, KG., was attended by the Hon. Lord G. W. Cavendish, M.P.

"Mr Bradwell was appointed to introduce the deputation by name, and to open the business, which he did by laying the whole subject before the Duke, who gave them a most cordial reception and patient hearing. Alderman Fairburn then took up with his Grace the cope groat of 4d per load, and showed the great inequalities of this charge as upon low-priced ores unfit for a reverberatory furnace and only fit for a blast, such ores containing from 5 per cent. to 25 per cent, of metallic lead in the assay; in some cases slime or sludge containing 5 per cent ,and selling for 2s per ton—taking seven mineral loads to the ton was liable to pay a cope 4d, per ton, let alone 1-20 lot and 1-40 tithe; and the barmaster had satisfied himself with a commuted charge of 6d. per ton, which was in that item alone 25 per cent, of the net value of such low ores. Other members of the deputation joined in the discussion, and the whole business was most clearly laid before the Duke. The most touching case was from the Bradwell district, related by Mr Z. Walker, who said the men at this place having been thrown out of work by the closing of the large mines, are driven to work in poor exhausted mines on tribute. Their earnings are miserably small; after selling their ores at 36s per load, paying dues of lot, cope, and tithe, the cost of powder, canisters, tools, and dressing expenses, their average earnings are not more than 6s per week per man. After suggesting a suspension for a time of the duties and tithes, the interview ended, his Grace promising to give the question his careful considerations His Grace invited the deputation to luncheon, after which they returned, feeling satisfied that something would be done to relieve the present depression.

23rd August 1879 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The London Lead Mining Company have commenced marketing their lead. Two lots were sent from Alston last week.

30th August 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

Marriages

At Alston, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th inst., by the Rev B. Wild, John Parmley, Darlington, to Miss E. Davidson, Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, 24th inst., aged 47, William Little, farmer.

See 8th February 1870, 6th November 1880

In
memory of
Isabella wife of
Edward Little of Alston
who died January 25th 1870
aged 61 years
Also Sarah their daughter
who died August 10th 1830
aged 6 months
Also
Dorothy their daughter
who died November 4th 1837
aged 1 year & 5 months
Also John their son
who died March 25th 1866
aged 32 years and was
Interred at Sunderland
Also of William their son
who died 24th August 1879
aged 47 years
also of the above named
Edward Little
who died 7th august 1864
aged 77 years
(on the back)
Also of Edward their son
who died April 13th 1901
aged 51 years
Interred at Benwell

3rd September 1879 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE TEESDALE MINING COMPANY.—The annual general meeting of the Teesdale Mining Company (Limited) was held last week at Newcastle. —The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the reports, said their sales only realised £8 per ton, whereas three years ago they were selling at £16 per ton. Notwithstanding these drawbacks he had to report a balance in favour of the company, and available for dividend, of £237 10s. 4d, The sum of £1,543 6s., for liabilities incurred had been paid off, and the amount received for Lead ore had nearly covered the working expenses of the year: hence cash received for lead ore in excess of the working expenses in future would be available for dividends. —The reports were unanimously adopted. —The Chairman moved a vote of thanks to their energetic manager, Mr Slack. Their present satisfactory position was due to the able manner in which Mr Slack had developed the working in the mine, (Applause). —Mr Slack having thanked the Chairman for the compliment paid to him said that whereas they had only two workings up to some little time ago, they now had five. Two of these workings, "Holmes Level" and the " West-end Stope," had yielded the large quantity of 240 bings of lead ore, from a section of the mine, too, composed of short posts, plate, hazel and grey stone, which are not rankled as ore-bearing beds in the district. The mine, although naturally hard and slow to work, was capable of being developed to

almost any extent, and would ultimately give employment to a large number of workmen. Another pleasing feature was that, although the mine had been worked by the "old man" hushing and Staple shafts, over a period of 100 years, and had realised enormous quantities of lead, they were now, by means of an adit, developing the workings below this level. In addition to the ore yielded in these old workings an entirely new vein had been discovered with 400 fathoms of whole ground and a covering of 50 fathoms overhead, which it would taka many years to develop and infinitely more to exhaust. At the present time, the exterior machinery was in good working order, and a large dam had been constructed, and cottages built. —On the motion of Mr R. W. Salkeld, seconded to Mr W. Wardale, it was unanimously carried, "That power be, and is hereby given to the directors to declare a dividend or dividends, as they may from time to time be in possession of funds for the purpose.''

6th September 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 28th ult., aged 74, Sarah wife of Mr D. Knott, shoemaker.
At Craignook, 30th ult., aged 69, Elizabeth Henderson, widow of Thomas Henderson, lead miner. *See 18th June 1870*
At Rotherhope Side, 2nd inst., aged 21, Jane, daughter of Mr Hugh Kearton, farmer.

6th September 1879 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

DREADFUL EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE AT NENTHEAD

A dreadful explosion of dynamite occurred in the London Lead Company's mines at Nenthead, by which a man named Michael Cowing lost his life on Monday last, by being blown into atoms. A box had to be carried into the mine to gather up the scattered fragments of the mutilated body. Being at the time a good way from other three men in the mine - one of whom was the deceased's son Michael - it is not known how the accident happened. The men hearing the explosion hastened to the spot, and found the deceased as above stated. A coroner's inquest was held at the Miner's Arms Inn, Nenthead, touching the matter in question. From the evidence given it appears that deceased, who was 47 years of age, and lived at Wellgill, Nenthead, was getting his dinner in the mine along with one or two others, and when he had finished he left them telling them to wait until he returned. Shortly afterwards they heard a violent explosion in a direction opposite to that which they were working, and on going to ascertain the cause they found Cowing had been completely blown to pieces by an explosion of dynamite. All the dynamite had been removed from the case, which suggested that Cowing had committed suicide. The inquest was adjourned until Monday to allow the Government Inspector of Mines to visit the place.

The opinion expressed that this was suicide was not that of the papers Nenthead correspondent, this had been taken from a report which had appeared in the Carlisle Express and Examiner.
In 1841, at Donk Hall, Joseph Cowing, carrier, aged 50, Mary Cowing (Married 25th November 1835, Alston), aged 50, and Michael Cowing, carter, aged 9.
In 1851, at Cob End, Joseph Cowing, annuitant from a club, aged 61, his wife Mary 60, and stepson Michael Cowing, cart driver, aged 16.

In 1861, at Wellgill, Michael Cowing, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Ann 28, William 7, John 5, Michael 1, and Mary3.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Michael Cowing, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann 38, children William, lead miner, 17 (emigrated to Canada), John, lead miner, 15, Mary 13, Michael 11, Ann 8, Donah 5, and Joseph Stepherson 2.
In 1881, at Spring House, Nenthead, Ann Cowing, widow, aged 48, children John, peddler, aged 25, Michael, lead miner, aged 21, Annie 18, Diana 15, Joseph S. 12, and Harry 8.
See 13th September 1879

6th September 1879 (Alston Herald)

TEESDALE

TEESDALE MINE.

Reports from the Teesdale mine, worked by the Teesdale Mining Company, continue favourable. At the annual meeting of the shareholders held on Friday in Newcastle, it was officially stated that the workings had of late been considerably increased, and two of them, Holmes Level, and the West End Slope, had yielded a large quantity of lead ore, not withstanding that a section of the mine referred to is not regarded as an ore bearing bed. The discovery of a valuable vein entirely distinct from the "old man" workings is satisfactory, as it will not only recoup shareholders for their outlay, but it will be the means of giving employment to an increased number of workmen.

WEARDALE

SETTLEMENT OF THE LEAD MINING "DIFFICULTY" IN WEARDALE

The greatest pleasure was evinced on Saturday last in the district West of Stanhope on the receipt of the news that the "difficulty" which has existed between Mr W. B. Beaumont and his workmen at the lead mines in the neighbourhood of Westgate had been satisfactorily arranged. The terms are much the same as those which existed when the stoppage took place upwards of twelve months ago; and eventually 200 hands signed the agreement. Work was resumed on Monday morning.

12th September 1879 (London Gazette)

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 AND 1867, AND OF THE ROOKHOPE LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Adjourned Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Rookhope Lead Mining Company Limited, duly convened and held at the office, 8, Austin Friars, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 8th day of, July 1879, the following Extraordinary Resolutions were duly passed: —

"1. It having been proved to the satisfaction of the Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of liabilities, continue its business, that it is advisable to wind up the same.

"2. That the Rookhope Lead Mining Company Limited be wound up voluntarily."

William Edwards, Chairman

13th September 1879 (Hexham Courant)

RATE CASES

Joseph Archer, Hilltop, Nenthead, was summoned for refusing to pay poor rates. He was allowed a month in which to pay the whole amount. —Joseph Dixon, Fairhill, Nenthead, was summoned for similar offence, and allowed the

same time to pay up his arrears. —George Barron, miner, Nenthead, was also summoned for non-payment of poor rates, but the case was compromised by defendant paying the amount due before he came to court. —Mr Thomas Dickinson, rate collector, prosecuted in these cases.

13th September 1879 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

INQUEST *(into the death of Michael Cowing)*

… The Deputy Coroner said their former inquiry was only preliminary, the only witness called being the son of the deceased, and that only to identify the remains. A plan of the mine would now be produced, and such witnesses called as were thought necessary. Joseph Thompson, Overman for the London Lead Company, produced a plan of the mine and described the locality. The dynamite was kept up a rise eight feet above the waggon way, and from 6 to 8 fathoms from where the men were working. The men had orders to keep the dynamite carefully stored in a wooden box which the company provided for that purpose. It was seldom the box contained more than one case of dynamite, more than two cases were not allowed to be taken into the mine at one time. A case contained about 5lbs., and so far as could be gathered there was from half to a whole case in the box immediately before the explosion. The case was subdivided into packets containing about 35 cartridges each. A single mine blast contained from one to 5 cartridges. Deceased was foreman of the partnership with which he worked, and had more direct charge of the dynamite than the others, but the box was not locked merely fastened with a buckle and strap. It was witnesses duty to see that the dynamite was not kept lying about loose, but he had no charge as to the quantity to be used, that was left to the discretion of the workmen. He had noticed the day before that deceased was sickly looking and seemed depressed in spirits. Witness asked if he was unwell, and he replied that he had been poorly, and was then poorly, he also complained of not making much money. All the men were piece workers. He believed deceased was comfortably off for a workingman, and was very steady. In reply to Mr Wilson *(Inspector of Mines)* witness further stated that the dynamite was the property of the workmen themselves, who bought it from the company. It was taken from the magazine outside, the storeman giving it out once a week. He believed the storeman had no particular instructions as to the quantity to be given out at once. The partnerships used powder or dynamite as they preferred. Deceased partnership had their last supply of dynamite on the 22nd August and a box of caps, containing about 100 on the 4th July. Witness had examined the place where the box was kept, and nothing was disturbed. All the dynamite and caps were gone and nothing was left but small pieces of fuse, a pair of nippers and a piece of twine. The remains were found about 23 fathoms from the dynamite store. The powder was kept in gutta percha caddies, *(gutta percha a natural form of rubber, it could be heated and moulded to make a tough container)* some distance from the dynamite.

Michael Cowing, son of the deceased, deposed that on the day in question he worked with his father and two other partners in the mine. They had dinner together his father eating as usual. After dinner, he left them, telling them to sit and he would return in a few minutes. He went in the direction of the water closet, and they supposed he was going there. On his way he would pass the place where the dynamite was stored. About five or six minutes after he left

they heard the explosion, but thought at first it came from the opposite direction. They went in that direction until they heard the men working, and then returned to where the explosion had taken place. Some caps were picked up at the place. He did not know what quantity of dynamite was in the box before his father went to it, but he thought about a quarter of a packet. His father was in the habit of taking out the dynamite used by the party. It was quite usual for miners to put cartridges in their pockets to soften with the heat of their bodies. It was not usual to carry caps in their pockets, but sometimes they were put there and his father might place them there as there was another way to where they worked without passing where the dynamite was kept.

Hugh Spottiswood deposed to removing the remains from the scene of the explosion. Five caps were lying about with some fuse. The fuse was chopped to pieces by the force of the explosion, but had not been fired. The parts of the body were found in a radius of ten fathoms. He had no idea, from the effects of the explosion what quantity of dynamite had been ignited, but it must have been considerable as the space was open. In reply to Mr Edwards *(Nobel Explosives Co. representative)* witness said he had never known dynamite or percussion caps explode from falling on hard substances, but he thought it possible they might do so.

Mr Wilson said there had been several accidents in his district from dynamite which they considered a more than ordinarily dangerous explosion.

John Robson, son in law of deceased deposed to having been to deceased's house the previous day and finding him in his usual spirits. Deceased was a steady and religious man, very fond of his family, and he (witness) knew of nothing to lead him to suppose he would commit suicide. He had lately rented 19 or 20 acres of land.

By the Coroner: Never heard him say he thought he had done wrong in taking it.

By Mr Edwards: A friend had not promised to lend him money and then declined. The explosion might have been caused by the candle he carried coming into contact with the dynamite, or by matches igniting in his pocket, or by the heat of his pipe, or by his falling and striking against some hard substance.

The jury after a lengthened consultation, found a verdict that deceased died by an explosion of dynamite but how caused there was no evidence to show. They quite exonerated his employers from all blame.

Joseph Thompson, Nenthead, mine overman, for the London lead Company; Hugh Spottiswood, miner, Clitheroe, Alston; William Graham, Michael Cowing jnr., John Robson, miner, son in law of the deceased. The partnership was made up of two father and son pairs, Michael Cowing snr., Michael Cowing jnr., and William Graham snr., and William Graham jnr.

Michael was the son of Joseph and Mary Cowing living at Donk Hall in 1841, Joseph was a Carrier and Michael a Carter, in 1851 they were living at Cab End.

The 1861 census has Michael and his wife Ann living at Wellgill, Michael now listed as a lead miner, children William 7, John 5, Michael, 1, Mary 3.

The 1871 census has Michael and Ann with the children, William 17, lead miner; John, 15, lead miner; Mary 13; Michael, 11; Ann, 8; Diana 5; and Joseph Stephenson, 2.

The 1881 census gives the following information regarding the Cowing household: Living at Spring House, Alston, Ann aged 48 Widower & housekeeper; John aged 25 son, Pedlar; Michael aged 21 son, Lead Miner; Annie aged 18 daughter, dress maker; Diana aged 15 daughter, House Maid; Joseph S. aged 12 son, scholar; Harry aged 8 son, scholar.

DEATH OF A LOCAL MAN IN AUSTRALIA

The Richmond Guardian, Australia, announces, June 14th the death of Mr. Thomas Davison, who died at Melbourne, Australia, on June 8th, the cause of death being disease of the heart. He was born at Hexham Northumberland, in September 1829, and consequently was nearly 50 years of age, thirty-two of which have been spent in that colony, so that he had seen most of the amazing development of Victoria.

He was brought up as a carpenter and builder, and for 10 years held the position of foreman to the late Mr. Samuel Ramsden, and since that, time has been in business on his own account. He represented the North Ward at Melbourne in the Council for four years, losing his seat at the last ordinary election in August of last year. As a councillor he brought his practical ability as a contractor to bear and thus proved a highly valuable member; but as he was always possessed the courage of his own opinion, and was somewhat plain spoken and sarcastic he gave offence to many. For a long time he carried on a crusade almost single-handed, with the officers of the council, with a view to secure thorough efficiency. For three years, he was a member of the Board of Advice; he was also a member of the Manchester Unity Order of Oddfellows for 26 years. In private life he was well liked, and as a business man was shrewd. He has left the whole of his property for to Mrs. Davison, who is therefore comfortably provided for.

The Argus (Melbourne) 10th June 1879:
Deaths
DAVISON.—On the 8th inst., at his residence, Hexham villa, Highett-street Richmond, Thomas Davison, contractor, aged 49 years. Home papers please copy.

13th September 1879 (Alston Herald)

ALLENDALE NOTES.

Some twenty of the old hands have started to sweep the flues at Allen Mill, and some 28 or 30 miners have also started at Allenheads during the week. This is a small beginning to be sure considering the large number of miners and smelters out of employment.

20th September 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

NENTHEAD.

The fourth exhibition of the Nenthead Agricultural Society was held in a field kindly lent by Mr J. J. Millican. The day was fine and there was & good attendance on the show ground. There was & slight decrease in the number of entries as compared with last year. Of course, the weather having been as bad as possible, in lower situations, had even been worse at Nenthead during the present summer, and stock were not seen to advantage. There were some useful shorthorns on the ground, and a fair entry throughout. The horses were numerous, and of the kind suitable to the district. There was a fair show of Leicester and blackfaced sheep, and the mule was well represented. Pigs are

always a feature at Nenthead, and as usual the grunters were up to the mark. There was a large entry of dogs, and some very handsome animals were exhibited. …

20th September 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale Town, Kings Head Inn, 15th inst., aged 56, Thomas Brown.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, Thomas Brown, separator of lead and innkeeper, aged 48, his wife Ann 44, children John J. labourer 17,, Margaret A. 15, Hannah M. 13, Thomas F. 10, and George A. 6

27th September 1879 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE NOTES
A large number of Mr Beaumont's lead miners in Weardale are compelled at last to entertain the idea of emigrating. I hear that there are over 50 from the small tract of country lying between Cowshill and Killhope head, who will shortly sail for New Zealand.
Poor "Shorney Heslop" as he was called, has come to a very distressing and untimely end, and is another victim it is to be feared to carelessness in dealing with machinery when in motion. It seems strange that no contrivance of mechanical or engineering skill can prevent the occurrence of such lamentable accidents. Surely, something can be done, and if so, it ought to be done at once. Poor Heslop will be greatly missed, he was a kind hearted fellow, unkind only to himself, he was passionately fond of flowers, and has left a garden like a paradise adjoining his fell side home.
Thomas Heslop was the son of Pattinson Heslop (son of Thomas Heslop and Mary, baptised 27th April 1794 at St Peters Allendale), who on the 11th January 1823 married Isabella Head. Pattinson Heslop and Isabella had seven children, Mary, Thomas, Ann, William, Elizabeth, John, and Pattinson. On the 1851 census we find that Thomas is living at Shorngate (0.5 km SE of Allenheads) with his mother Isabella (aged 49 years), his brothers John (aged 18 years a wagon driver), Pattinson (aged 16 years a lead ore washer). Also with them was his sister Mary and her son James aged 2 years, and Isaac Heads, Isabella's brother (aged 51 years a Stable groom and Cartman). His father Pattinson had died aged 41 years, and was buried at St Peters, Allendale on the 2nd September 1835).
Thomas was baptised at St Peters Allendale on the 12th December 1824 He married Sarah Stokoe at Ninebanks on the 3rd January 1857, and was living at Coalcleugh at this time. On the 23rd November 1862, they had a daughter Sarah Elizabeth.
The census of 1871 tells us that they were living at Furnace Cottage which is approximately 0.75 km outside of Allenheads village on the road to Cowshill, he being responsible for attending the Air Furnace.
1871 census: At Furnace Cottage, Thomas Heslop, attending air furnace for lead mine, aged 46, his wife Sarah aged 41, and daughter Sarah E. aged 8 years.
On September 18th 1879, aged 54 years, he was killed while engaged attending to his duty in oiling and looking after the water wheels and pumping, at the Old Gin Water Level Allenheads (Notice of Fatal accidents For the

Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act 1872, NRO 2762/37). He was buried at St Peter's Allendale on the 21 September 1879.
On the 19th September 1879, John Curry (mine agent) sent the following letter to P.C. Davidson

Dear Sir

I am sorry to say that we have had a fatal accident in the mines here, our Engine Keeper (Thomas Heslop) has been found killed at the OLD GIN WATER WHEEL, which is needed for pumping water out of the mines.

The accident appears to have occurred by the deceased, in not having stopped the wheel before oiling, as instructed always to do.

As there has been so few accidents at this place. I scarcely know how to act, and will feel obliged to you if you would inform the Coroner at once, and take the necessary steps for holding the inquest as early as possible as the body is much mutilated.

Yours Truly
John Curry

Surprisingly very little appears in the newspapers concerning this awful accident, and although Northumberland County Records Office has the Coroners reports for South Northumberland (NRO 5276, and NRO 280) for the period 1870 to 1948 the records for 1879 are missing.

Thomas's work record can be seen in The WB lead mines Wage man's Monthly Accounts 1872-1905 (NRO 672/2/128) and the Labour Account half yearly book 1884-1908 (NRO 712/A/25). He was listed as a labourer, but took over as Engine Keeper (probably from George Irwin) in February - March 1878; he was paid 20/- per week.
After his death Sarah appears in the Monthly accounts and Labour half yearly account, as attending the air furnace, for which she initially received 10/- per week, later reduced to 9/-. the records show her employed up until week ending 18 April 1896.
*The **1881 census** shows Sarah and her daughter still living at Furnice Cottage, Sarah is listed as attending the Air Furnace.*

Deaths

At Cleator Moor 17th inst., aged 22, Charles Wesley Millican, son of Thomas Millican late of Allendale.

See 30th May 1866.
In 1851, at Carrshield, Wallace Millican, mining platelayer & blacksmith, aged 27, his wife Elizabeth 30, Thomas 4, Elizabeth 1, Francis 1 month, cousin Thomas Millican, miner aged 30, born Hesket New Market.
In 1861, at High Blue Row, Ninebanks, Thomas Millican (son of Thomas Millican, lead miner & Mary Gill) lead ore washing agent, aged 40, born Hesket New Market, Cumberland, his wife Elizabeth (Millican, married at Ninebanks, 10th June 1852) aged 28, children Mary A. 7, William G. 5, Charles W. 4, Thomas A. 2, Caroline E. 4 months, and brother Mark Millican widow, lead miner, aged34.
In 1871, at Fawside House, Allendale, Thomas Millican, lead dressing agent, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 38, children William G lead ore washer, aged 15, Charles W. lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas A 12, Caroline E 10, Emily H 8, and George A. aged 5.

In 1881, 32 Ennerdale Road, Egremont, Thomas Millican, coal agent, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 48, children Caroline 20, Emily H. millinery apprentice, 18, George A. grocers assistant 15, and lodger Henrietta C. Cairn, schoolmistress aged 26, born Manchester.
Thomas Millican died 2nd quarter 1881, aged 62, Elizabeth died 4th quarter 1890, aged 57.
See 18th May 1889

27th September 1879 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE W. B. LEAD MINES. These mines were reopened a short time ago, but the operations are only limited, as, out of about 400 men, only 170 men have got work. The remainder, having received intimation that their services will not be required for this year at least, are now emigrating in large numbers to all parts, and Mr J. Dawson, of St John's, is engaging men for collieries in Derbyshire; also the Rev. A. J. McGowan, is working most assiduously amongst the poor and needy, to try and alleviate the dire distress, the latter gentleman having succeeded in inducing the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to pay the expenses of all emigrants to the port of embarkation, and provide them with their ship furniture.

Fifty three men, women and children travelled to New Zealand on the Margaret Galbraith, leaving the East India docks on 16th October 1879, and arriving at Port Chalmers on 12th January 1880.

Taranaki Herald 13th January 1880

New Zealand Telegrams 12th January.

ENGLISH SHIPS ARRIVED. The ship Margaret Galbraith, 77 days out from London, has arrived. She brings 1000 tons of cargo, and 140 passengers. There was one death — a child — and two births on the voyage.

The Otago Daily Times, January 13th, 1880

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ARRIVAL OF THE MARGARET GALBRAITH

Shortly after 6pm on Sunday, January 11th, a signal was made from the Pilot Station at Otago Heads to the effect that the ship Margaret Galbraith was standing in for the entrance. The tug Koputai proceeded down the harbour at 10.30pm and brought the vessel into port at 2a.m. on the 12th January, anchoring her off Mansford Bay. The Margaret Galbraith is an old trader to this port, having been built at Port Glasgow in 1868 for the Albion Shipping Company, from whose hands she passed in 1876, and was then purchased by Messrs Shaw, Savill and Co., under whose flag she now sails, our old friend Captain John Ferguson being still in command, Mr McIntosh being chief, and Mr Potter second officer.

She brings a quantity of general cargo and 140 passengers, under the medical supervision of Dr. Stockwell who reports the general health of the passengers to have been good throughout the voyage, only one death, that of a child from stomatitis and diarrhoea having occurred. This has been counter balanced by two births. The good ship comes into port in excellent order, and has made a capital run out, her passage

from the London Docks to Port Chalmers having occupied 87 days, and from land to land 77 days. Captain Ferguson reports the passage to have been entirely a fine weather one, and he states that after he took up the north-east trades he had never taken the fore and maintopgallant sails off the ship.

No vessels were spoken during the passage, nor was any ice or wreckage observed. She passed the Crozet group on December 22nd, but not near encugh to observe whether any persons were on the islands. Captain Firguson wished to get closer in to them, but was prevented by the weather coming on thick, whichh rendered it prudent for him to give them a wide berth, however anxious he might have been to ascertain if any castaways were there.

The ship left the East India docks on October 16th 1879, and anchored in the Downs on the next day, on the 19th she encountered a very heavy westerly gale, which she beat under her lower fore and main topsails, strong head winds were encountered all down the Channel, and it was not until October 26th that she cleared the land, taking her departure from the Lizards, with a strong S.W. Breeze which hauled round to S.E, with dark rainy weather. The island of Palma was sighted at noon on November 4th and there she lay becalmed for two days, encountering on November 6th a heavy gale of wind from the S.S.W. Attended by terrific squalls, the ship being under her lower main topsail. During the height of the gale the starboard lifeboat was carried away clean out of the davits.

The Margaret Galbraith at Port Chalmers.
From the D. A. De Maus Port Chalmers photographic Collection hosted on Rootsweb

After the weather moderated she had light S.W. winds and calms until November 10th when the first ol the north-east trades was taken in latitude 23 N.; the trades proved light, and died away in latitude 6 N.; they were followed by a short spell of doldrum weather, and at noon on November 18th the south-east trades were picked up in latitude 3 N.,

tho equator being crossed on the next day In longitude 29 W., 34 days out; the trades proved very light, and were attended by fine weather, and in latitude 24 S. hauled round to the N.E., continuing in that quarter until the reached lat. 30. S. She passed and sighted Gough Island on December 9th, and crossed the meridian of Greenwich on the next day in lat. 42 S., 65 days out, jouxding the Capo cf Good Hope on December 15th in lat. 43 S.; passed and s ghttd the Crozet group on December 22nd, and thence experienced fresh westerlies all across tho Southern Ocean, crossing the meridian of Cape Leuwin on December 31st, still carrying favourable winds.

She made the coast of New Zealand on January 8th, and on that day encountered a very heavy northerly gale, which continued until she rounded the Snares on the following day, experienced light winds along the coast, and arrived at Otago Heads on the 11th January.

4th October 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Ashgill Side, Garrigill, 19th ult. aged 55, Jane wife of Matthew Watson.
In 1871, at Ashgill Side, Matthew Watson, grocer & landowner, aged 42, wife Jane 46, children Isabella, dress maker, aged 18, Jane 12, Matthew 9, Robert W 7, John J. 4, and Ralph S. 1 year.

4th October 1879 (Hexham Courant)
CARSHIELD (WEST ALLENDALE.)
SUDDEN DEATH. —A very sudden and unexpected death from heart disease occurred on Friday, the 26th ult., at the above place. Mrs Mary C. Armstrong, teacher of the Board School, Carshield was in school at her duties on Thursday, 26th ult., and to all appearance to her husband and others who saw her on that day she was in perfect health. Suddenly during the night she awoke her husband from sleep very ill, and from the time of his first alarm to time of her death he thinks she did not live more than thirty minutes, all attention being of no use whatever. Mrs Armstrong was a daughter of the late Mr Jos. Teasdale, Nenthead, mining agent for London Lead Company, and was well known to a wide circle of friends in this locality and other parts of Northumberland, where she has laboured with her husband, the head master of the Carshield school. The loss of such a valuable teacher is greatly felt in West Allendale, and the circumstance has cast quite a gloom over the place. Great sympathy is shown to Mr Armstrong in his loss as he (with his late wife) is most highly respected in the dale as a useful citizen, and an excellent teacher, having raised himself to a most respectable position in society and the profession to which he belongs.—Cor.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Margaret 37, and son James 5. In 1851, at Overwater, George Armstrong, pauper lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 48, born Scotland, lead hills, son James Dudson, lead ore washer, aged 14, and daughter Hannah 8. George Armstrong aged 52, was buried at Nenthead, 20th July 1852.
in 1861, at Holme Foot, Nenthead, Margaret Armstrong, lead miners widow, aged 60, born Scotland, and son, James D., lead miner, aged 24.

Joseph Teasdale of Alston married Frances Russell, 16th January 1808, at St Michael, Appleby, Westmorland.

Children of Joseph and Frances Teasdale:
John born 7th May 1809
Ralph born 20th December 1811
Samuel about 1814
Lydia baptised 20th April 1816, buried at Garrigill, 29th March 1837, aged 21.
Ann born 28th June 1818, baptised 22nd July 1818
Mary baptised 20th December 1821
Elizabeth baptised 19th October 1823
Joseph baptised 18th October 1825
Isaac baptised 3rd July 1827
Joseph Teasdale of Nenthead was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 3rd September 1839, aged 54.
In 1841, at Pasture Head, West Nenthead, Frances Teesdale, independent, aged 54, children, Samuel, lead miner, aged 27, Mary 20, Elizabeth 18, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, and Isaac, lead miner aged 14; also, John Robinson, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Ann 22, and son Samuel, 8 months.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Frances Teasdale, widow, annuitant, aged 64, son, Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, daughter, Ann Robinson, widow, parish relief, aged 32, grandchildren, Samuel 10, Mary 8, and Frances 6.
In 1851, at High House, St John's, Stanhope, Mary Clementson, widow, annuitant, aged 73, niece, Mary C. Teasdale, 30, nephew, Joseph Race, married, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 28, and children, Frances 5, Joseph 3, and John 1.
Frances Teasdale, was buried 4th January 1860, aged 73, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at Holme Foot, Nenthead, Joseph Teasdale, stone mason, aged 33, sisters, Mary C, teacher aged 35, Ann Robinson, lead miners widow, aged 40, nephew, Samuel T. Robinson, lead miner, aged 19, niece, Mary W. Robinson, 17, and niece, Frances aged 15.
Mary Clementson Teasdale, married, James Dudson Armstrong 26th October 1861, at St John's, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Gold Hill, Beltingham,Haltwhistle, James Dudson Armstrong, schoolmaster, aged 34, born Nenthead, his wife Mary Clementson, schoolmistress, aged 43,born Garrigill, and nephew, George William Armstrong 6, born Newcastle.
Mary Clementson Armstrong aged 58, was buried at Carshield 29th September 1879.
In 1881, at Carrshield, James Dudson Armstrong, schoolmaster, aged 44, his wife Mary, (Henderson, married 3rd quarter 1880) aged 41, born Allendale, and nephew George W. Armstrong, aged 16, lame from birth.
James Dudson Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1888, aged 52, registered at Brampton.
In 1891, at Lees Hill, Askerton, Mary Armstrong, widow, teacher elementary, aged 51.
See 6th August 1881, 7th November 1891

4th October 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON SEPTEMBER FAIR.

This fair—generally the largest of the Alston autumn gatherings—was held on Saturday. There was a large show of horses and sheep, but scarcely the usual number of cattle. Perhaps in some degree the decreased number of the cattle

may be ascribed to the Auction Mart sale of the previous day. All stock, with very few exceptions, were much below the usual standard in point of condition. Very few buyers were present, and it is scarcely too much to say that the fair was one of the slowest on record. So small appeared the business done, that prices are scarcely quotable, nearly all classes being equally devoid of animation. Good shorthorn cows might be making £15 to £17, or in some cases when near calving, a little more. Two-year-old heifers or bullocks if in good condition, made £12 to £13, but generally the figure would be lower. From £6 to £9 may be quoted as the prices of one year-old stirks Few Galloways were on offer, but the holder of one good lot was never asked his price and probably business in this department was nil. There was a large show of mule lambs, blackfaced wedders, with a few mule shearlings. Few sheep appeared to be sold. One lot of mule lambs brought 16s. and one or two other lots made 15s. For a lot from Garrigill, very forward in condition, 19s. was asked but we did not hear that they were sold. From 12s. to 16s. was being asked for draft ewes, but the whole or nearly the whole, left the ground unsold. A number or foals, yearlings, and two-year-olds—most of the latter *en route* for Brough Hill. In some cases prices were asked but apparently more from curiosity than from intention of doing business, and we cannot chronicle a single sale. It may be stated as partly accounting for the scarcity of buyers that Melmerby Fair was held on the same day.

11th October 1879 (Hexham Herald)

LEAD MINING IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

The following is from the Mining Journal:- The Dubby Syke mine is situate half a mile to the South of Green Hurth Mine. The present operations are confined to sinking a shaft to prove the Dubby Syke East and West vein near the point of intersection with the No. 1 Green Hurth North and South vein in the rock sill (about 20 fathoms in thickness), called the Whin. The shaft is to be sunk 20 fathoms, about 8 fathoms of which is already accomplished, the last 2 fathoms is in Whin rock. A branch or small vein is passing through the shaft in an East and West direction; it is 12 to 16in. wide, and composed of Spar, Barytes, and Lead increasing in the sinking. The vein is now so very rich at Green Hurth is believed to be not more than 2 or 3 fathoms distant from this shaft, and both it and the Dubby Syke East and West vein will be cross cut, too, as soon as the sinkers are deep enough in the Whin to form a good back or stope to test the value of each vein. The branch named and other back or strings crossing have rendered sinking comparatively easy, and being free from water the contractor is making good progress, and the shaft is made secure and permanent by a good wall being carried up from the top of the rock to the surface. The intersection of these two powerful veins in strata so congenial for the production of lead ore as this rock has been proved to be very near to Dubby Syke (under precisely similar conditions) and also at other places, renders this trial exceedingly interesting and important to all mines in the district. At the adjoining mine (Green Hurth) they are sinking a shaft from the surface to test the value of the veins still deeper, as well as to work those already opened upon below the Adit level. They have every encouragement to do so, as the No. 1 vein is worth 12 tons of ore per fathom in the sole of the level 30 fathoms from surface, and continuing rich going South towards Dubby Syke, the level forehead being worth five tons per fathom of 144 square feet, with plate or shale only on one cheek or wall of the vein.

11th October 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

The monthly meeting of the School Attendance Committee was also held.—The School Attendance officer (Mr Walton) said that since last meeting he had visited the different schools in the district. At the Nenthead School there were 240 on the books and an average attendance of 201; Nenthall, 68; average attendance 56; Alston High School, 225; average attendance, 174; National School, 62; average attendance, 54; Infant School, 95; average attendance, 76; Tynehead School, 48; average attendance, 33; Garrigill, 108; average attendance, 92; Leadgate, 56; average attendance, 30.—The chairman: These are all mixed schools? —The School Attendance Officer: Yes, sir; with the exception of the National School.—Mr I. Walton said he did not know how they could get on at Leadgate, except they could make the school self-supporting. All the grants to the school had been withdrawn with the exception of £5 a-year. Their old master had retired, but they were expecting another on Monday.—Mr J. G. Millican: What are the fees?—Mr Walton; Threepence a week will be charged now. The men used to subscribe 6s a-year, and they paid a penny per week for their children, but that has been done away with, and they must all pay threepence per week now.—Mr J. J. Millican; What do you think it would take to carry on this school, Mr Walton?—Mr Walton: We will be under the necessity of keeping the fees well up, and that will likely have the effect of not getting many scholars as the fees are higher than at Alston. The master that comes will get the grant and the fees, and as long as the Lead Company keeps the school he will have a free school, house, and garden. The Company are going to sell all the land, and the school and school house are going to be sold with the land.—The Chairman: Are you getting hard up?—Mr I. Walton; We have been hard up long enough. Mr Walton subsequently added that the school fees at the school last year amounted to £25 6s 3d, and the Government grant to £30, which with the £5 a year from the Admiralty made £60 6s 3d. The master would get the whole now, but there might be a little advance upon that.—Mr Dickinson: The Government grant might be better; what was it the year before?—Mr Walton: It was about £40.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

At the Rural Sanitary Authority meeting, the quarterly report of Dr Gill, medical officer for No. 1 district, was read. There had been 6 deaths during the quarter—3 males and 3 females ; registered births, 15; 9 males and 6 females. The district was tolerably clear of epidemics. In company with the Inspector of Nuisances he had visited various localities, and reported the result of a visit to the Crown Inn. He had recommended earthenware tubes to replace the old drains. The Chairman: I suppose that there is no doubt that the Crown Inn proprietors will comply.—The meeting then terminated.

NENTHEAD.

NENTHEAD CRICKET CLUB

Amid fine and beautiful weather, on Saturday last, the members of the above Club met on their practice ground to hold a gala day. The first event on the programme was cricket playing, in which eleven members of the Club took part, in order to see who could make the highest score. There was some very free hitting, J. Rutherford, I. Elliot, G. Barron, and J Vickers putting together some

capital totals as will be seen from the appended scores. Other sports followed. Results:—
Bowling at wicket—1, J. Vickers ; 2. J. Rutherford.
Throwing the cricket ball—1, J. Elliot; 2, J. Blacklock.
Three-legged races—1, J. and J. Vickers; 2, J Blacklock and J. Walton.
100 yards handicap footrace—1, T. Whitfield; 2. G. Rutherford.
The scores made in the cricket were as follows:—J. Richardson, c Blacklock, b Erwin, 6: J. Walton, c and b Erwin, 0; J. Rutherford, b Walton, 39; M. Erwin, b J. E. Hudspith, 3; R. Walton, b Elliot, 5; J. E. Hudspith, b Elliot, 0; I. Elliot, c Erwin, b Blacklock, 28; J. Blacklock, c and b Robson, 3; T. Robson, b Vickers, 3; G. Barron, b Walton, 26; J. Vickers, b Walton, 18; total, 131. __ Just as darkness was setting in, the company left the ground, and proceeded to Mr J. Walton's, Miners' Arms Inn, where they partook of a most substantial dinner, which was served up in first-class style. reflecting much credit on the host and hostess. On the removal of the cloth, Dr Don Bavand occupied the chair, and Mr Bolton the vice-chair. Songs, toasts, and recitations were given, a most enjoyable evening being spent.

18th October 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Dykeheads, 14th inst., aged 65, Margaret, widow of William Thompson lead miner.
In 1851, at Spring Hall, Nenthead, William Thompson born Scotland, lead miner aged 40, his wife Margaret (Cowing, married 25th May 1837) aged 37, children Matthew lead ore washer 13, Joseph lead ore washer 11, John 9, Ann 6, Agnes 5, Mary 2.
William died 2nd quarter 1858.
In 1861 at High Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Margaret Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 47, children, Joseph lead miner 21, John lead miner 19, Ann dressmaker 16, Agnes 14, and Mary 12.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead Mary was living with her unmarried daughter Ann, a dressmaker.
At Chicago, Illinois, North America, 26th ult., Elizabeth, relict of John Walton, late of Alston, Cumberland. *See 22nd August 1868.*

25th October 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON CATTLE SHOW.
The annual exhibition of live stock, &c., under the auspices of the Alston Agricultural Society, was held on Saturday last, in the holmes behind the Golden Lion Inn, Alston. Owing to the lateness of the season at which this show is always held, it is always a matter of congratulation when fine weather is secured for the exhibition, but on this occasion the Committee of Management may be congratulated on having been favoured with the proverbial "Queen's weather" for the gathering, although, as might have been fully expected, considering the lateness of the season, and the high-lying district, the air was rather sharp. The North Eastern Railway Company ran a special train from Haltwhistle in the morning, and both this and the "regular" were well filled with passengers, who soon thronged the streets of the quiet little town. The number of people from the out-lying districts who also attended the show was large, so that the town during the whole of the day presented a lively appearance. In the morning the

proceedings were enlivened by the Alston new band, which also was present on the show ground during the day, and discoursed a variety of music. The number of visitors who were present on the show ground seemed to be large, but they appeared to have been short of last year, as about £40 was taken at the gate, as against £46 17s last year, but that must have been an exceptional year, as the receipts at the gates on the occasion of the exhibition of 1877 was over £7 below the last mentioned figure, viz., £39 3s 6d. The total number of entries this year was 310, as against 293 last year, and 260 the previous year, so that it will be seen that the entries have been gradually improving during the last three years. The entry of Shorthorns numbered 54, against 52 last year; Galloways, 61, last year, 52; horses, 43, last year, 44; Leicester sheep, 41: last year, 46: blackfaced sheep, 40, last year, 36: extra stock, 29, last year, 19: leapers, 7, last year, 8: butter, 33, last year, 36. This show an increase on the whole of five, while an addition to the catalogue of a premium for colley dogs received an entry of 12, which made the total increase upon last year year's entries up to 17. The arrangements of the show were quite as complete as previous years, and everything went off without a hitch. The hon. sec. and treasurer, Mr T. W. Dickinson, was indefatigable in carrying out his onerous duties, in which he was assisted by the following gentlemen who officiated as stewards :—Mr J. J. Millican, Nenthead House, and Mr James Brown, Blackburn Banks., …

25th October 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

DR. CARSON'S QUARTERLY REPORT

The monthly meeting of the Rural Sanitary Authority was also held, when Dr Carson's (medical officer for No. 2, or high district) report for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1879, was read. He reported a fatal case or enteric fever at Rodderupside. Ha had visited the place, and ordered it to be disinfected, which instructions had been complied with. On 16th Sept he had visited Garrigill and with the Inspector of Nuisances, and found everything in gool sanitary order, with the exception of one or two midden steads and dung heaps, which he had ordered to be removed. On the 19th of the same month he had visited Nenthead, in company with the inspector, and with one or two exceptions found all in good sanitary order. Whooping cough was prevalent in the Nenthead district but of a very mild type. The Inspector reported that he had been around the district since he and the medical officer had inspected it, and all the orders given had been complied with.

1st November 1879 (Alston Herald)

WEARDALE

SALE OF WEARDALE CARRIER PONIES.

Thursday, 23rd ult., may be said to have brought to a close a very old Weardale institution. On this day there were sold by auction by Messrs Tarn at Westgate, seventeen carrier ponies, belonging to Harrison Barkas. The price for animals about six and seven years brought £9 10s to £10, aged ponies bringing £5 10s and various sums under. These were the last "set" of carrier "galloways" used in Weardale for carrying lead ore from the W.B. Lead Mines to the smelt mills, and had been sold owing to the want of employment. Twenty or thirty years ago there were in Weardale some ten or twelve "sets" of carrier ponies, each

set or team consisting of fifteen to eighteen animals. Nearly all the lead ore raised at the W.B. Lead mines was conveyed in those days on the backs of those ponies which occasionally brought, on the return journey, coals, and light timber for the mines. These ponies had considerable carriage, when we consider that the Weardale mines, with those of Allendale raised in 1847, 13,600 tons of ore. Each pony carried two pokes of eight stones each, and the team had a "raker," or leading horse, which was followed by the others. For the better management of the team, the driver always had his dog. ...

In 1841, at Broad Law, Stanhope, Harrison Barkas aged 40, a farmer, wife Maria (born Blanchland) aged 40, and children Mary 15, John 15, Harrison 9, and Elizabeth 7.

Harrison Barkas snr. died 2nd quarter 1845.

In 1851, at Stanhope, Broad Law, Maria Barkas, widow, farmer of 48 acres, employing 1 labourer, aged 55, children Mary A. 28, Harrison, 19, Elizabeth 17, and grandson, John Sanderson aged 3.

In 1861, at High Farm, Harrison Barkas, Iron miner, aged 28, his wife Mary (Armstrong, born Alston, married 2nd quarter 1859, Stanhope), son George aged 10 months, and lodger, John Sanderson iron miner, aged 13,

In 1871, at Stanhope, Broad Law, Harrison Barkas, agricultural labourer, aged 38

Mary Barkas 35, son George 10, and nephew John Barkas, limestone quarryman, aged 24.

In 1881, at Westgate, Stanhope, Harrison Barkas, farmer, aged 48, his wife Mary 45, son George Iron cartman, 20, and servant Mary A. Philipson aged 14. Harrison died 4th quarter 1915, aged 83, his wife Mary 2nd quarter 1898, aged 62.

Their son George married Mary Ann Emerson, in 1884, the 1901 census shows them living with Harrison at Westgate.

8th November 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

THE VACCINATION STATION AT NENTHEAD.

The CHAIRMAN said that Dr Carson had stated that the rent of the vaccination station house at Nenthead was not paid for him, which was done at Garrigill, and considered that if one was paid for, the other should also be.

Mr J. J. What do you pay for the Garrigill one? The Relieving Officer (Mr Walton): 20s.

After some conversation as to where the doctor held his vaccinations, and how often he was required to attend in the year, in order to ascertain whether the rent was moderate, Mr A. WALTON moved that both stations should be made alike, viz., the same rent be paid for each, £1 per year. Mr I. WALTON seconded the motion, which was agreed to. T

THE OVERFLOW OF THE BURN.

The CLERK said that be had received a letter from Dr Gill, the medical officer for No. 1 District, which although it was not a sanitary meeting he would bring before them. The letter reported an unhealthy nuisance at the foot of the town, near the Low Mill, owing to some obstruction in the sewer. The CLERK: I presume he refers to the mill burn, which is not a sewer. The CHAIRMAN remarked that the burn had flooded Mr Haldon's house and several houses at the Townfoot on the previous day. The CLERK: Mr Wilson was here yesterday,

and he wished me to mention it. The CHAIRMAN: Is that Mr Wilson's house? The CLERK: Yes A long conversation ensued on the subject, in which the question was raised as to who was the responsible party for cleaning out the burn. The CLERK said that when Mr Utrick Vipond was at the mill, he got the volume of water increased by bringing water from Nentforce. Mr Wilson objected to this increase of water, but raised no further objection on Mr Vipond promising to keep the race free from obstructions. This Mr Vipond carried out till he left the mill, and the present miller did not use this extra water for a time, and did not keep it right, but he (Clerk) understood that he was new using this water, and therefore he ought to keep tie race clean. When the water was brought from Nentforce an undertaking was given that the race between the mill and the river should be kept clear. Mr Wilson was very much annoyed about it, and was inclined to take legal proceedings if he could. The CHAIRMAN thought there was nothing to be done but to speak to Mr Whitfield, the miller, and he would render the affair satisfactory. Mr A. WALTON: I should say the debris which comes into the race will be put in at the town head. The CLERK: No doubt but Mr Vipond undertook to do it. Mr A. WALTON: Well, I think it was a very supererogatory duty to take upon him. Mr RICHARDSON was of opinion that the owners of the houses which had been flooded could bring an action, against the person who had to clear this debris away from the mill race. The CHAIRMAN: remarked that it was opened out now, the water was no longer overflowing. Mr RICHARDSON: Would it not be as well, as Mr Millican suggested to call the attention of the Inspector to this nuisance, which is caused by putting things into the race. Mr VIPOND remarked that all the butchers' killing shops in the high part of the race had trap doors into the race. The CLERK said that Mr Wilson also spoke of the drain which Mr Thomas Graham had made and taken through his property. He (Clerk) was not aware what it was, but he said that he would mention it. The CHAIRMAN: I suppose Whitfield will have to pay for this opening into the race, because the road has nothing to do with it. Mr A. WALTON: Has the Board power in it. The CLERK: No, we have nothing to do with it, but if any person puts in rubbish, which Dr Gill complains of they are liable to be prosecuted. After a few other remarks, Mr J. G. MILLICAN said it was a matter which would not be done with soon as if the holes into the burn were closed, the ashes and refuse would be put down beside the places. and the nuisance would be greater than before. There is a very considerable space in the Fair Hill which might be used for a time as a deposit. The CHAIRMAN: Would the Hospital allow the ashes to be deposited on the Lords' wastes. Mr A. WALTON: The Hospital might be asked. The CHAIRMAN: This matter should be mentioned to Whitfield. The CLERK said that he would mention it to him on behalf of Mr Wilson, he did not see how the Board had any power in the matter.

TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

The prospects of the lead trade in Teesdale have somewhat brightened during the past few weeks, the London Lead Company having it is understood, disposed of about 10,000 pieces. Should the favourable quotation’s for lead continue, a hope is entertained that the staple industry in Upper Teesdale may revive.

15th November 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

VESTRY MEETING.—A vestry meeting was held in the Board Room, on Thursday last, for the purpose of fixing on the amount of rate to be levied for next half-year. Precepts to the amount of £1200—£900 for usual parish people, and £300 for the highways, &c., had been issued, and the meeting fixed on a rate of 1s 6d in the pound for the purpose of meeting present parish needs.

We understand that the threat of the Admiralty to discontinue their annual grant to the Grammar School has been carried into effect this year, as we are informed that on Thursday week—when it would have been paid if it was intended that it should be paid the application for its payment was refused. Owing to Mr Grey not paying his usual visit to Alston through indisposition, the deputation from the guardians could not wait upon him as intended. T

THE QUARTERLY RETURNS OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.—The Registrar-General's quarterly return, ending September, with reference to this parish, is as follows :—Population in 1871, 5,680; births registered, 35; deaths, 17; deaths by seven chief zymotic diseases, nil.

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.—These monthly Petty Sessions were held on Friday, before the Roy. O. James, and T. W. Crawhall, Esq., but the only cases on the charge sheet were two affiliation cases, and two charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The latter were both against one man, John Henry Woodmass, joiner, Alston, the first offence having been committed on the 4th of October, and the second on the 18th. Sergt. Calvert proved the first offence, and P.C. Byrnes the second, and defendant was mulcted in a penalty of 5s and 10s 6d costs in each case.

THE HIRING'S.—The "hiring day" for this district was held on Saturday, but the town, in appearance, differed very little from the usual market day, nearly all the engagements being made previous to the market. We understand that several girls belonging to the district were unable to get situations. The top wage for the half-year, for domestic servants, would be £7, and wages would vary from.

THE WEATHER.—On Wednesday night we had a sharp frost as if foreshadowing the approaching winter. Crossfell is covered with snow.

Deaths

At Ashgill, 4th inst., aged 52, John Martin, farmer.

At Redwing, Garrigill, 7th inst., aged 27, Stephenson Ward, lead Miner.

In 1851, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Joseph Ward, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann (Stephenson, married 7th December 1833) aged 39, children Joseph lead miner 26, John lead miner 16, Martha 15, Mary 13, Jason 11, Ann 8, Hunter 6, and James 3.

Joseph Ward senior died in 1858.

In 1861, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Ann Ward, widow farmer of 14 acres, aged 49, children Martha 25, Jason lead miner 21, Ann 18, Hunter lead miner 16, James lead miner 13, Thomas 8, and Stephenson 8.

In 1871, at Red Wing, Garrigill, Ann Ward, farmer of 50 acres, aged 59 children Martha 30, Ann 28, Hunter farmers son 26, James lead miner 23, Thomas lead miner 18, and Stephenson lead miner18.

See 26th February 1876 & 26th January 1884

At Holmefoots, Nenthead, 10th inst., aged 57, Robert Armstrong, lead miner.

See 5th October 1878

15th November 1879 (Hexham Herald)

THE DURHAM LEAD TRADE

There is a marked improvement in the leads market, and in several of the Durham dales there is a much fuller employment to the lead miners than for many months. The price of lead continues to increase having risen from about £13 per ton to £17 per ton for English Pig. …

22nd November 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The CLERK said a deputation Had been appointed to wait upon Mr Grey relative to the Grammar School. The CHAIRMAN : Mr Grey was not here.

Mr I. WALTON, on behalf of the deputation, reported that they attended according to appointment, on the 5th inst., at the Manor Office, but they found when they arrived there that Mr Grey had been unable to come to Alston, so that they could not have the interview with him which was intended. They were, however, kindly received by Mr Walton, who gave them a letter which he had received from Mr Grey, explaining his absence. This letter was read to the meeting. It stated that owing to an attack of rheumatism Mr Grey could not came to Alston, and asked Mr Walton to inform the deputation that he could not be present, but he could not see how they could be anything in not seeing him. The letter then went on to make some remarks with reference to the school and the grant by the Admiralty. Mr J. G. MILLICAN: At the time Mr Grey wrote that letter he would not have got a copy of the report which he will have got since. A report from the School Committee was next read as follows: To the Guardians of Alston with Garrigill. The Grammar School Committee beg to report that in accordance with instructions received the school has been examined by Mr Carr, the master of the National School, Corbridge, and they beg to lay before the Guardians Mr Carr's report thereon. The Committee beg to suggest that a copy of Mr Carr's report be forwarded to Mr Davies, the master of the school, with the intimation that the Guardians will expect a more favourable and satisfactory report at the next examination. …

The following is a copy Mr Carr's report:— Corbridge-on-Tyne, Nov. 6, 1879 Gentlemen,—In compliance with your request I visited Alston Grammar School on the 31st October, for the purpose of examining the children. I regret not to be able to report favourably. The discipline and attainments are at a low ebb. Talking went on the whole time, and copying, in spite of repeated warnings, was quite general. The reading was fluent, but incorrect, in the upper classes. In the lower classes the children were presented in books much beyond their capacity, and, instead of reading, only stumbled from word to word. The dictation was very bad throughout. The composition of the first and second classes was fairly done by four boys and one girl, but the punctuation and spelling of the rest sadly disfigured their exercises. The arithmetic throughout the school was a total failure. All the paper work was very untidy, and the writing copies did not show any traces of careful supervision. The grammar of the boys in the first class was moderate, but they all failed to distinguish a very easy complex sentence. In the lower classes they showed no certainty in distinguishing the parts of speech, and adjectives, nouns, and adverbs, all went down as verbs. The geography was readily answered in the upper classes by about two-thirds of the children. In the second geography class, the answering was fair by the but the girls were

not nearly so ready. Needlework and singing are not attempted. Four or five boys were presented in algebra and mensuration The mensuration was done by all, but they were not successful in algebra. I am, gentlemen,
Yours truly, A CARR.

22nd November 1879 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Annatwalls, 13th inst. aged 77, Ann Todd, widow, of Joseph Todd, lead miner.
Ann Teasdale married Joseph Todd 2nd July 1825, at Alston.
In 1841, at Annatwalls, Alston, Ann Todd, farmer, aged 35, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Isaac, lead miner, aged 12, Mary 8, Joseph 5, and John aged 1.
Joseph Todd aged about 45, was at Maryport in 1841, his death is recorded at Alston 3rd quarter 1841, he was buried at Garrigill, 15th August 1841, aged 45.
In 1851, at Low Annatwalls, Ann Todd, lead miners widow, aged 46, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 18 (buried at Garrigill 6th April 1859, aged 26), Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, and John, lead miner, aged 11. In 1861, at Annatwalls, Ann Todd, widow, farmer, aged 57, sons Joseph, Ag. labourer, aged 25 (buried at Garrigill 7th July 1863 aged 27), and John, Ag. labourer, aged 21. In 1871, at Low Annatwalls, Ann Todd, widow, farmer of 21 acres, aged 66.
Ann Todd died 4th quarter 1879, reg. Alston, buried at Garrigill, 16th November 1879, aged given as 77.
In 1851, at Bruntly Syke, Thomas Todd, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Mary aged 22, and son Joseph 9 months. In 1861, at Town Head, Thomas Todd, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary, dressmaker, aged 32, children Joseph 10, Robert 8, Mary A 6, and Frances 2.
Mary died 1st quarter 1870, aged 41, at Alston.
In 1871, at Physic Hall Bankfoot, Thomas Todd, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children Robert, draper, aged 18, Mary A, 16, Frances 12, Elizabeth 9, Thomas 7, Maria 5, and John 1. In 1881, at Physic Hall Bankfoot, Thomas Todd, widow, lead miner, aged 54, children Mary Ann, house keeper, aged 26, Maria 15, John 11, and grandson Isaac E. Todd 2.

In 1891, at Scotswood Road, Newcastle, Robert Todd, draper, aged 38, brothers Thomas, draper, aged 27, John, drapers assistant, aged 20, sisters Mary A., housekeeper, aged 36, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 29, Maria, drapers assistant, aged 25, and nephew Edwin Todd aged 12.
In 1901, at 9 Hawthorn Street, Elswick, John Todd, draper, aged 31, his wife Florence Alice, aged 27 (Buddle, married 1st quarter 1893, Newcastle), born Wreckenton, Durham, children William R 6, and Mary A 3.
In 1911, at 172, Rye Hill, Newcastle, John Todd, draper, aged 41, his wife Florence Alice aged 34, daughter Mary Alma 13, and domestic servant Mary Mc Kenna, aged 18.
At East Nattrass, 13th inst., aged 60, Thomas Lee, lead miner.
In 1851, at Nattrass, Thomas Lee , lead miner aged 32, his wife Mary (Graham, married, 13th December 1835?) 36, children Ann 10, Wm 8, Mary 5, Hannah 3, and Jane 1 year.
In 1861, at Nattrass, Thomas Lee, farmer of 36 acres, aged 42, his wife Mary 46, children William lead miner 18, Hannah 13, Jane 11, Elizabeth 8, and Isabella 5.
In 1871, at East Nattrass, Thomas Lee, farmer of 26 acres, aged 52, his wife Mary 56, children Ann dairy maid 30, William lead miner 28, and Isabella 15.

29th November 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Births
At Hill House, Alston, 25th inst., the wife of Robert Stagg, Esq., of a son.

29th November 1879 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

BURGLARY NEAR ALSTON.

On Sunday last, the farm house at Moscow, near Alston, was entered by burglars, from which there was stolen a quantity of ale, some whisky, and also some wearing apparel belonging to the mala sex. The house in question is the intended dwelling of the person occupying the farm known by the name of Moscow, and situate not far from Whitfield Fell, but the present occupier Mr W. Watson, having also the farm known by the name of Corby Gates, and having taken up his residence at that place, has we understand, since his occupancy at Corby Gates, generally had some person living in the house at Moscow. Of late, however, it seems that there has been no one living in the house except during the grouse season, when it has been occupied by Mr J. Gill, brewer, Alston, as a shooting box, and that in it he kept his stores and other necessaries and used it for the purpose named. In the morning of Sunday last, one of the sons of Mr Watson while looking over the farm also inspected the house and found it all safe, but it was discovered on Monday morning that the premises had been entered, the wearing apparel stolon, and the spirit and ale having nearly all disappeared, an 18 gallon cask of ale taken to the house some two days before being found empty. Entrance to the house had been gained from an outhouse by means of raising a flag in the floor, and another door being forced open. The police, we understand, are on the lookout for the delinquents.

TEESDALE

THE LEAD MINES

The lead mining industry in Teesdale is gradually but surely showing signs of improvement, and that fact is manifesting itself throughout the whole of

Teesdale. Large stocks of stored up pigs of lead ore are gradually disappearing, and the Teesdale Mining Company are forwarding good parcels of ore monthly to meet an increasing demand. It may be interesting to mention that this company was formerly in the hands of Newcastle shareholders, almost without exception, and they carried on the mine for several tears without realising any profits. Under the circumstances, they lost heart, and strange to say sold out just as the mine was beginning to improve. These shares, which were sold at great sacrifice, have been largely bought up by gentlemen in Durham, who at the present time own about half the share capital, and we are still buying up the shares as fast as they come into market. We are informed that the mine has been recently inspected by three eminent engineers unconnected with the company.

Deaths

At West Ashgill, 20th inst. aged 64, Isaac Currah, lead miner.

In 1851, at West Ashgill, Isaac Currah, lead ore miner, aged 35, wife Elizabeth (Hindmarsh, married 25th July 1840, St John, Garrigill) aged 33, children Mary 9, John 8, Isaac 6, Elizabeth 3, and Jane 1.

In 1861, at West Ashgill, Isaac Currah, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth 43, children Mary, house maid, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 11, Joseph 8, and Lucy E. 4. In 1871, at West Ashgill, Isaac Currah, lead ore miner, aged 55, wife Elizabeth 53, children Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 18, Lucy Eliza 14, and nephew in law Joseph Hindmarsh 13. In 1881, at West Ashgill, Elizabeth Currah, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 63, son Isaac, leads miner, aged 36, daughter Lucy Elizabeth 24, and nephew Joseph Hindmarch, lead miner, aged 23. See 7th September 1866, and 23rd January 1892.

At Loaning Head, Garrigill, 22nd inst., aged 74, Sarah Vipond widow of Isaac Vipond lead miner.

In 1841, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond (Archer, married 18th August 1825, Alston) aged 35, children, John lead miner aged 15, Isaac 10, Joseph 7, and William Hunter 2 years.

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond, widow (Isaac died 27th October 1836, aged 32, at Loaning Head), farmer, aged 45.

In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond, proprietor of land, aged 54.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Sarah Vipond, lead miners widow, aged 64, boarder, Elizabeth Watson, unmarried, needle and washerwoman, aged 23.

6th December 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

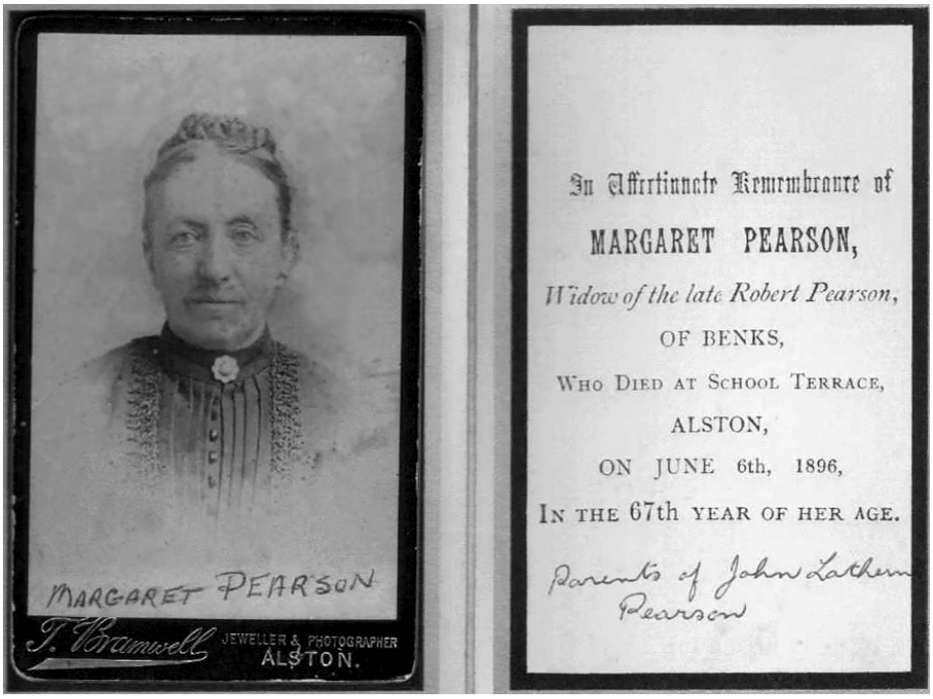
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

The average attendance at the different schools were given as follows:

	Number on register.	Average weekly attendance.
Alston High School	238	165
Alston Infant School	71	48
Alston National School	69	54
Nenthall	67	49
Nenthead	220	198
Garrigill	112	84
Leadgate	52	41

Deaths
At the Benks, Alston, 28th ult., aged 56, Robert Pearson, farmer.
In 1861, at Benks, Hannah Pearson, widow, farmer of 33 acres, aged 65, son Robert, lead miner, aged 38, daughter Hannah 27, and grand daughter Mary J Pearson 4.
In 1871, at Benks, Robert Pearson, farmer & auctioneer, aged 48, his wife Margaret (Lathern, married 2nd quarter 1867, at Alston) aged 41, son John L 7 months, and niece, Elizabeth Pearson, farm servant, aged 18.
In 1881, at Benks, Alston, Margaret Pearson, widow, farmer of 66 acres, aged 51, son John L 10, and niece, Hannh Kirsopp, dairy maid, aged 19.
Margaret Pearson, died 6th June 1896, aged 66, at Alston.
John Lathern Pattinson emigrated to Australia

17th May 1902, Chronicle (Adelaide)
Marriages
On the 3rd March, at the residence of Mr S Lathern, Moonta Mines, by the Rev. J. Gillingham, Jno L Pearson to A. Wilhelmine Hoffeichter, eldest daughter of Mr G. Hoffrichter, Walleroo Mines.



Source: Ancestry.co.uk

9th February 1924 Barier Miner (Broken Hill)
NEW MINING INSPECTOR
APPOINTED FOR SOUTH AUS.
Mr. John L. Pearson, of Wallaroo mines, has been appointed Inspector of Mines and Quarries for the South Australian Government (says the "Advertiser"). He is 53 years of age, and has had extensive experience in mining operations in Australia. From 1922 to 1923 he was surface and under-ground manager at the Wallaroo mines, and for seven years prior to that occupied the position of underground manager at the same place.

A good deal of his technical training was obtained at the Moonta School of Mines.
His experience in gold mining was gained as manager of various prospecting leases at Kalgoorlie, Kanowna, and Menzies, in West Australia. For a period ho was employed with the Queensland Copper Comppany, and also spent some time in Broken Hill in investigating mining and concentrating methods. While there he paid considerable attention to the improvements effected to comply, with the requirements of the Technical Health Commission regarding the abatement of dust, better ventilation, and safer working practice. Mr. Pearson holds a first class mine manager's certificate for Queensland, and is a member of the American and Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

4th August 1949, The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Pearson-On August 3, at Hutchinson Hospital, Gawler, Anna Wilhelmina beloved wife of John Lathern Pearson of Angle Vale, and loved mother of Bob, Frank, and Edith, aged 75 years.

19th January 1951, The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Deaths
Pearson-On January 18, at Hutchinson Hospital, Gawler, John Lathern beloved husband of the late Anna A Pearson of Angle Vale and loved father of Bob, Frank, and Edith aged 80 years.
See 17th June 1859, 1st June 1866, 10th May 1879, and 20th July 1889.

John Lathern Pearson
Son of Robert and Margaret (nee Lathern) Pearson
Born Alston, Cumberland, England 6 August 1870
Died Angle Vale, South Australia, 18 January 1951

Married Anna Wilhelmina Hoffrichter 3 March 1902
Father of Robert, Francis (Frank) and Edith
Grandfather of Tony, Jim and Janice

Source: Ancestry.co.uk

6th December 1879 (Hexham Courant) (cont'd)
Deaths
At Mount Pleasant, Gateshead, 29th ult., aged 61, Jane, relict of Thomas Cawthorn, late of Alston.
See 29th November 1873
At Garrigill Gate, 30th ult., aged 83, Susannah Ward widow of Hunter Ward, lead miner.
In 1841, at High Cross Gill, Garrigill, Hunter Ward (son of Hunter & Martha Ward), lead miner, aged 40, his wife Susanna (Robinson, married 8th July 1826, at Alston) aged 45, children Mary 12, Martha 11, Susanna 7, Anne 5, and William 2.
In 1851, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Hunter Ward, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Susana 55, children John lead miner 24, Martha 20, Susana dress maker, 17, Ann 14, Wm aged 12.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Hunter Ward, lead miner, aged 64, his wife Susannah 66, children John lead miner 35, Mary 33, Susannah dressmaker 27, and William lead miner 22.
Hunter Ward died 29th August 1866, aged 69. See 6th September 1866.
In 1871 at Ashgill, Garrigill, Susannah Ward, widow, farmer of 11 acres aged 75, her son John Ward, lead miner, 44, son in law Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, 48, daughter Mary Armstrong 42, and granddaughter Nancy Armstrong aged 3.

6th December 1879 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 30th ult. Joseph Coulthard to Margaret Wilkinson both of Garrigill.
In 1861, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Joseph Coulthard, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Margaret aged 47, born Whitfield, , children Hannah 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, James, lead miner, aged 17, Cuthbert, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 12, Isabella 9, Frances 6, and grandson William Coulthard 5.
In 1871, at Far Turnings, Garrigill, Margaret Coulthard, widow, aged 57, son, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, daughter Frances 16, grandsons William Coulthard, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Walton Coulthard 6.
In 1881, at Garrigill, Margaret Coulthard, lead miners widow, aged 67, daughter Frances 26, and visitor Sarah F. Coulthard aged 3, born Newcastle.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Coulthard, grocer & general dealer, aged 40, and his wife Margaret 50. In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Coulthard, grocer, aged 50, and his wife Margaret 60.
See 6th August 1881, and 12th December 1891

13th December 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON.
The frost in the Alston district was most intense on Wednesday and Thursday week, the minimum registered being about 8 degrees below zero. A continuance of the present weather will tell most severely on the sheep stocks which were not, generally speaking, in good condition to commence winter with. At all the lead mines washing operations are stopped, and a good many hands are thus laid idle.

SINGULAR EFFECT OF THE FROST.—The frost on Thursday night, had an effect on an engine, on the Alston branch of the North Eastern Railway, which is at least unusual. A train from Haltwhistle arrived at Featherstone about the usual time, but when the driver endeavoured to replenish the water in the boiler from the reserve in the tender, it was found that the injector was frozen, and the water could not pass, as the gauge only showed a few inches of water in the boiler, matters did not look particularly pleasant for the passengers (the thermometer being below zero) besides those *au fait* in the mysteries of boilers thought it advisable to give the engine a wide berth, for reasons which may probably suggest themselves to our readers. Of course any danger might have been averted by damping the fires, or opening the escape valve, but to adopt either plan promised further delay. A fire was however, lighted under the engine, eventually the ejector was thawed, and the welcome sound of the cold water rushing into the boiler was heard. The train was delayed about forty minutes.

FROST ACCIDENTS.—On Thursday last, about eleven a.m., David Hounam was carting coals from the Station into the town, and on getting opposite the Cross, his horse fell on the ice breaking both of the cart limmers; fortunately help was at hand, and the horse was soon extricated from uncomfortable position and got upon his legs; another cart, however, had to be procured to take the coals to their destination. The **Alston Woollen Mill** was laid off for a short while, in consequence of the action of the frost on some parts connected with the boilers; the weather, however, after being intensely keen for over a fortnight showed signs of change, on Tuesday last, when it was thought at Alston that a thaw had set in, but the morning of Wednesday showed the reasserted sway of king frost, and there appears to be no immediate signs of change.

Deaths

At Garrigill Gate, 6th inst., aged 25, Isabella, daughter of Joseph Pearson, cordwainer. *See 16th October 1875*

At Wardway Foot, Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 23, Mary Ann, daughter of John Walton, lead miner.

See 24th July 1875

20th December 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

THE BEQUEST OF THE LATE MR. KING.

The CLERK stated that he had received a communication from the Charity Commissioners requesting him to furnish them a list of persons, substantial and respectable, resident in Alston, who would be willing to act on the trust in Mr King's will. He (the Clerk) hesitated to take such a responsibility himself, and would suggest that the Vicar, the Chairman of the Board, and Vice-Chairman, be appointed to assist him—The letter was read, and it stated that ample preliminary notice would be given before any decided steps would be taken.—Mr WALTON proposed, and Mr VIPOND seconded, that the Clerk's suggestion be carried out, which was agreed to.

FAIR HILL CHARITY.

The CLERK said Mr John Millican had called at his office on the previous day, and refused to pay his rent except something was done about some fencing. He (the Clerk) had asked him to put it down in writing, but he had not done so yet.—Mr I. WALTON said he understood it was partly about the fence next to the road to the quarry ground. They were working the quarry too near to the boundary

fence. It was about three feet when first reported, but it appeared it was only about two feet now. He had written to Mr Jacob Peart, the gentleman who surveyed it, and he found that the fence was exactly upon the boundary. If something was not done the wall would come down —Mr H. WALTON said it was a great mistake that this quarry had not been looked after before this.—Mr I. WALTON said it had been reported repeatedly by the Committee, but nothing had been done.—Some conversation then took place of a desultory character in which the CLERK stated that on the first of January last there was £10 6s 5d on account for repairs, and 5 per cent of the rents of the year would be attached to it, but he did not know what the expenses of the Committee amounted to, He should like the accounts in as the books will have to be closed by the next meeting.— Eventually the whole question was referred to the Committee who were instructed to report to the next meeting. —The CLERK remarked that they ought to have the rent some way or another before next meeting.—Mr R. WALTON: He should pay his rent and we can consider it after.

27th December 1879 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

SPELTER WORKS.

SCHOOL.—On Saturday last, the children of the above school received their annual treat in the shape of tea with its usual concomitants, and apples and oranges. Over 100 children sat down to the good things provided. This kindness was done to the children by Major Thompson, Milton Hall, and Mr J. C. Swan, Newcastle. After the children had done ample justice to the good things provided, a public tea was held, when a large number sat down to a very excellent tea, which was very ably presided over by the following ladies:—Miss Smith, Spelter Works; Miss Dodd, Roachburn Cottage; Miss Shipley, Riggfoot; Miss Wallace, Miss Henderson, Misses Smith, Prior Dyke; Mrs Clennel, Spelter Works; Miss Moscrop, Dale Hole Cottages; Miss Parker, Spelter works; Miss Armstrong, Miss Stobart, Miss Ruddick, Roachburn Cottage, Miss Smith, Blue Gate, and Miss Wharton, Woodend. After the tea was concluded, a grand concert was held. The Rev Mr Battle occupied the chair. The meeting was addressed by the Chairman, and Mr Swan also contributed very much to the enjoyment of the meeting. Mr Ritson also delivered an address. The Misses Broatch and Stephenson presided at the pianoforte. The meeting broke up at a reasonable hour, and on the whole a very enjoyable evening was spent.—On Monday last Master Watson, of Seaham Harbour, very kindly favoured the children with a treat in the shape of a magic lantern exhibition, which was very much enjoyed by all.—Cor.

ALSTON.

On Saturday last, of our town had their usual Christmas display of beef, mutton, and pork, while the grocers had their windows decked with tempting fruits and sweets, and ornamented with evergreens. Our obituary column this week contains a record of the death of Samuel White, at Ipswich, Queensland, an Alston man, and as it may have special interest to our readers we communicate some little items of information that have reached us. It appears that for some time back he had been engaged in agricultural pursuits at a place called Melora, and near to Ipswich, and that having been unwell for some little time back, he and his wife had gone to Ipswich, that he might have medical advice and treatment, and that while there his disease increased with such rapidity and power as to defy all medical skill, and there to prostrate its victim and finish his

course. He leaves a widow (the daughter of the late Leonard Madgin, of Nenthead) and two sons to mourn his loss.

LEADGATE SCHOOL (ALSTON.)

On Friday, the 19th inst., the scholars attending the above had a treat given them by the Rev. James Sharp, now of Calicut, India, and. formerly, curate of Alston. The committee of the Sunday school had arranged to give their scholars a Christmas treat on the 19th inst. and on the 16th a letter was received by Mr J. R. Walton from Mr Sharp containing an order for £2, with a request that the Leadgate School children should have a treat with it, or if one was already in contemplation for them that the amount be expended in gifts to the poor of Leadgate, and particularly widows. After this beneficent gift was received, in order to carry out the desire of the Rev. gentlemen, the whole of the children attending Leadgate National School had tea and oranges given them, and the balance remaining along with the amount of collection at the Sunday School entertainment, which was held in the evening, will be given to the poor. In the evening the schoolroom was crowded. On the motion of Mr Thos. Martindale, seconded by Mr Jos. Craig, Mr Isaac Walton was called upon to occupy the chair. The programme consisted of several hymns and recitations. Miss Hymers and Miss Bell sung a duet "He wipes the tear from every eye;" the solo by Miss Hymers was also, well sung. Mr Lock ably presided at the harmonium, assisted by Mr Wm. Craig, Garrigill. The evening's entertainment occupied about two and a half hours. Before the collection was made the chairman explained to the audience that Mr Sharp had sent more than sufficient to pay for the children's treat, and in consequence, if a collection was made that evening it might be given to the poor if they thought proper, and on putting it to the meeting it was unanimously agreed to give it along with the remaining portion of Mr Sharp's £2 to the poor. During the chairman's remarks. he said it was very considerate of Mr Sharp to remember the children and poor of Leadgate, and especially during his domestic troubles, his wife's health having failed, she had been ordered to leave India for England at once for at least a year. Mr C. Hardy moved that a very hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Rev Mr Sharp for his great kindness to the children and poor of Leadgate. Mr Thomas Parmley seconded the motion, which on being put to the meeting was passed amid tremendous applause. Mr J. R. Walton said he felt it was his duty as the order had been sent to him to acknowledge the vote of thanks, on behalf of Mr Sharp for the most hearty way they had shown their appreciation of gift, he said although they were parted from him by seas and lands, yet Mr Sharp had not forgotten them, this showed a good trait in his character, and he said he would convey their kind expressions to him when he wrote acknowledging the receipt of his gift. Mr Isaac Walton, Jun., next proposed a vote of thanks to the choir, and addressed the children. Mr W. T. Lock suitably replied. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

Deaths

At Rise Green, Allenheads, 23rd inst., aged 76, Jane Varty.

In 1871, at Allendale, Northumberland, Isaac Varty, retired lead ore miner, aged 71, his wife Jane aged 66, daughter Elizabeth 34, and son William, a shepherd, aged 32. See 23rd May 1866, 29th April 1876

At Ipswich, Queensland, Sept 30, aged 46, Samuel White, late of Alston.

In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, Samuel White, butcher, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth aged 49, born Allendale, children Fenwick, lead miner, aged 23,

John, lead miner, aged 22, Samuel, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 14, Matthew 11, Thomas 9, Sarah 9, and Charlton 7.
See 7th July 1865
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret (Madgen?) aged 25, sons, Fenwick 6, and John 4.
The family emigrated to Australia in 1862 in the sailing ship Windsfall

The Brisbane Courier Saturday 18 October 1879
In the Supreme Court of Queensland.
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.
In the LAND and GOODS of SAMUEL WHITE, late of Dinner Camp, near Ipswich, in the Colony of Queensland, Farmer, Deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that, after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof, application will be made to the said Honourable Court that LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION of all the land, goods, chattels, credits, and effects of the above-named Samuel White, deceased, who died intestate, may be granted to MARGARET WHITE, of Dinner Camp, near Ipswich, in the said colony, Widow of the said deceased.
Dated at Ipswich this 14th day of October, A D. 1879.

The Brisbane Courier Wednesday 7 January 1880
TRANSMISSION BY DEATH.
REAL PROPERTY ACTS of 1861 and 1877.
NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made for Registration of Transmission by Death of Land, and according to particulars as follow.
Any person desiring to oppose must do so by caveat on or before day specified below.
Name of Deceased Proprietor,-Samuel White, late of Dinner Camp, near Ipswich, farmer, Date of Death: -September 30,1879.
Name of Claimant: - Margaret White, of Dinner Camp, widow.
Description and Situation of Land: -Portion 72, in the county, of Churchill, 'parish of Normanby; also, portions 60, 65, 66, and 71, in the Ipswich Agricultural Reserve, in the county and parish aforesaid.
Estate Claimed to be Transmitted: -Fee-simple.
Particulars of Will - or otherwise: -Under letters, of administration granted November 11, 1879.
Date within which Caveat may be Lodged. February 10,1880.

Queensland Times 19th February 1917
Death of Mt. Feawick White
A RESPECTED CITIZEN OF MARYBOROUGH
A FORMER IPSWICHIAN

It is our sad duty to record the death of Mr. Fenwick White, an old and respected citizen of Maryborough. The deceased gentleman was apparently in his usual good health until Wednesday, the 7th instant, when he was taken suddenly ill at his seaside residence, at Torquay, where the family were spending the summer months (says the "Wide Bay and Burnett News" of the 16th inst.) On Friday last, he was removed, to his home in John-street, city, where, despite all that medical skill and unremitting, loving attention could do, he breathed his last about 5.30 a.m. yesterday at the age of 62 years and 8 months. The deceased gentleman leaves a widow and two daughters Misses Bessie and Edna, and two sons, Mr. Leonard (Biggenden), and Lance Corpl.

Ernest Telfer (who is now on active service in France to mourn their irreparable loss. He is also survived by his aged mother (Mrs. M. White), who resides at Wooloowin, Brisbane, and a brother, Mr. John White, who is well known in the Gympie and Degil_o districts

The late Mr. White was born at Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, England and he arrived in Queensland in the sailing vessel "Winsfall" in 1862.

He came with his father and mother and younger brother, and was then just eight years old. The family went to Ipswich where the father found employment on the first Queensland railway construction, and subsequently worked on the Iron Breer Bridge, which is still in use. Mr. White, when a boy, gained the rudiments of education at the Church of England Day school at Ipswich (then situated on the site of the Bank of Australasia), but. at the age of 12 he went to help his father in a farming venture. Their first attempt

was at cotton growing, and their first crop was put through the gin belonging to Messrs. Cribb and Foote, at Harrisville. In 1872 Mr. White set out on his own account, and subsequently was employed in Ipswich by Messrs. MacFarlane and Sons. Mr White was appointed manager of their grocery department. In 1880, he married Miss Bessie Telfer, and during the succeeding year he found responsible employment with Mr J. E. Noakes, in Maryborough. Later he commenced business on his own behalf, and in 1883 his brother Mr John White, joined him, and the well-known firm of Messrs White Bros. was founded.

As a businessman, Mr. White was highly respected by his clients, and also by his fellow-businessmen. This was shown by his election, at the forthcoming convention of the Queensland branch as president for the 1915-16 term. He was also a member of the south-eastern division Shop Assistants' Board, and Chairman of Directors of the Maryborough District Co-operative Canning Company, Limited.

Mr. White became intimately interested in municipal matters, and in 1892

he was elected as alderman. He resigned his seat during 1893 in order to visit his native land in company with Mr W. F. Finlayson, the present member for Brisbane in the Commonwealth House of Representatives. Both these gentlemen represented Queensland at the International Grand Lodge, L.O.G.T., in Chicago and Des Moines. With Mr Finlayson, Mr White visited Scotland, and also his native village—Alston, in Cumberland, England, and his kinfolk at Carlisle, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and in Staffordshire. …

27th December 1879 (Hexham Courant)

SERIOUS SHOOTING CASE NEAR ALSTON.

ARREST OF TWO POACHERS.

Two lead miners, residing at Nenthead, named Michael Robson and Anthony Thompson, were apprehended on a warrant by Sub-Inspector Calvert, on Wednesday last, charged with feloniously firing a gun loaded with powder and shot at James Dodd. Prisoners were brought before the Rev. O. James on Friday. James Dodd deposed that he was shepherd and game watcher for Mr Dinning of Nilston Ridge. On the day in question, he saw the prisoners poaching on his employer's moor. He followed them. Thompson warned him that if did not desist he would fire on him, and twice raised the gun to his shoulder. As witness knew the men, he thought this a mere threat, and still followed, when Robson raised his gun and fired. Several pellets lodged in witness's hands, and

others struck his leggings but did not penetrate, as these were leather, and he was at some distance prisoners. He thought the distance was about 100 yards Prisoners were remanded bail, being accepted, themselves in £50 each, and four sureties in £25 each. *See 17th January 1880*

3rd January 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 27th ult., aged 46, John Hymers, lead miner.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Robert Hymers, lead miner & farmer, aged 46, his wife Frances aged 43, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Margaret 20, John, lead miner, aged 17, and William, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1861, at Galligill Syke, Frances Hymers, lead miners, widow, aged 53, sons John lead miner, aged 27, and William, lead miner, aged 23.

3rd January 1880 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 30th ult., Thomas Robson, Overwater, Nenthead to Elizabeth Shield, Garrigill.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore miner, draper & grocer, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, children Alfred 14, John 11, Elizabeth 18, Harriett 9, and Mary 5 month.
In 1871, at Overwater, Mary Watson, Confectioner, aged 71, her widowed daughter, Jane Robson, House Keeper, aged 43, grandsons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Liddle, lead ore washer, aged 16.
In 1881, at Overwater, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 28, and daughter Tamar Hannah aged 1 month.
In 1891, at Algernan Rd, Thomas Robson, shipyard labourer, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 38, and daughter Tamar H 10.
In 1901, at Byker, Elizabeth Robson, widow, aged 48, son Thomas W Shield, stock keeper, factory, aged 36, and daughter Hannah Robson 20
See 24th March 1888, 6th July 1895, 12th October 1895, and 3rd May 1902
Deaths
High Shield Hill, Galligill, 24th ult. aged 60, Thomas Robinson, Lead Miner.
In 1861 at Shield Hill, Thomas Robinson, lead miner aged 40, his wife Martha aged 36, and daughter Hannah aged 2 years (died 1862).
In 1871 at High Shield Hill, Thomas Robinson, lead miner aged 51, his wife Martha aged 46.
See 8th May 1897
Langley Mills, 25th November, aged 25 Annie daughter of H. E. Johnson.
In 1861, at Langley Mills, Hugh Johnson, lead ore smelter, aged 32, wife Elizabeth 26, children Annie 5, Mary 3, Elizabeth 10 months.
In 1871, at Langley Mills, Hugh Johnson, lead ore smelter, aged 42, wife Elizabeth 36, children Annie 15, Mary 13, Elizabeth 10, Hannah 8, John 5, Margaret 3, and Joseph W. 3 months.
West Dean Raw, Langley Mills, 30th ult. aged 32 Elizabeth Henderson.

3rd January 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
TINDALE SPELTER WORKS.
On Friday night last, the Tindale Spelter Company entertained their workmen to a good and substantial supper of roast beef and plum pudding, over 100

partaking of the good things provided, the carvers being the Rev Mr Battle and Mr J. C. Swan. After supper a hearty vote of thanks was, on the motion of the Rev Mr Battle, accorded to the Company for their generous treat. In reply, Mr Swan who was warmly applauded, said he was happy to meet them once more under these pleasant circumstances. He was glad things were looking a little better, though as yet there was no likelihood of any lengthened prosperity. A ball was afterwards held, and dancing was kept up merrily until a late hour.

FAIR HILL CHARITY

At the Board of Guardians' meeting on Saturday, the subject of this Charity was brought before the members', notice by two or three applications for temporary relief out of its funds, It appears that the balance on hand is some £34, whereas last year, there remained about £38, after making the yearly distribution. It will thus be seen that the calls upon this charity during the year have been very large, while the Board in many cases have been obliged to refuse relief, as the case was not considered urgent enough, and they have also had to forego the annual distribution. In regard to Garrigill the balance in hand was reported to be £11 13s 9½d, against a balance of £9 7s on hand after the distribution last year. The Garrigill guardians were thus able to make a small distribution. Part of it was awarded on Saturday, while the Relieving Officer was requested to select other needful people as recipients, for the rest.

10th January 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

OUR OBITUARY—At Carrshield, West Allendale, in the county of Northumberland, the mortal remains of **George Wilson**, Esq., of Nenthall, were interred on Wednesday last. Mr Wilson, we learn, was taken suddenly ill on the morning of New Year's Day and died about six o'clock in the evening. We understand that he had been in his usual health up to the time of his attack, and had been able to walk out and take his usual exercise. The attack, however, was severe, and in about twelve hours he fell beneath the blow. He had, however, reached the advanced ago of 78 years. In the early part of his life, we believe that Mr Wilson held a commission in the army, and in the Belgian Campaign saw active service, but for a lengthened period his abode has been in his own mansion at the village of Nenthall, near Alston, where he was greatly respected, and his occupation the pursuit of those pleasures and amusements in which country gentlemen are wont, according to their liking, to indulge.

On Wednesday last, **Mr John Richardson**, grocer, Market Place, Alston, died in the 70th year of his age. For the most part of a twelvemonth Mr Richardson had been in feeble health, and quite unable to attend to business, and in his decease it may truly be said that Alston has lost one of its most deserving and respectable inhabitants—a man whose history, while not abounding in much that came to the surface as startling and romantic, yet whose career, to those who knew him best, was one of gentle flow and beneficent influence taking within its range all the relationships in which he stood. During his somewhat lengthy life he has spent his substance in helping the trade of the district; he has been the friend of the poor, and has left an example worthy of imitation. From early youth he was a member of the Wesleyan Church, and for a long time was superintendent of the Alston Wesleyan Sunday School. In the young he took a deep interest, and spoke, often during his illness of the interest he felt in their welfare; and his end was what might be expected—peace. He leaves a widow to deplore his loss.

Deaths
At Leadgate, 5th inst., aged 53, John Wilkinson, lead miner.
At Alston, 7th inst., aged 75, John Richardson, grocer.

10th January 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Overwater, 4th inst., aged 4 weeks, James son of James Richardson, lead miner. *See 6th June 1874*
6th inst., aged 8 years, Foster, son of Robert Sanderson, lead ore washer.
In 1871, at Overwater, Robert Sanderson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Ridley, married 12th June 1866, Nenthead) aged 37, and daughter Elizabeth 1 year.
In 1881, at Overwater, Elizabeth Henderson, married, lead ore washing foreman's wife, aged 49, and daughter Elizabeth aged 11.
In 1891, Robert Sanderson, lead ore washing foreman, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth, aged 59, and daughter Elizabeth aged 21.
Robert Sanderson was buried at Nenthead 29th August 1891, aged 53; his wife Elizabeth was buried at Nenthead 6th May 1894 aged 62.
At Low Dykeheads, 4th inst., aged 61, Ann, wife of Jonathan Vickers, lead miner.
In 1851, at Overwater, Hannah Vickers, pauper, formerly lead miners wife, aged 73, her son Jonathan (father Matthew Vickers, buried at Alston 31st December 1836, aged 58), lead miner aged 35, daughter in law Ann (Hind, married 6th March 1845) aged 32, grandchildren, Matthew 5, Joseph 3, Hannah 1, and son Thomas lead ore washer, aged 13.
In 1861 at Overwater, Jonathan Vickers lead ore miner, aged 43, Ann 42, Matthew lead ore washer 15, Joseph lead ore washer, 13, Hannah 11, Isabella 9, Jonathan 7, Ann 5, Elizabeth Vic4, John 2, and brother Thomas 23.
In 1871 at Low Dyke Heads, Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 52, children Joseph lead miner 23, Hannah Vickers 21, Jonathan lead ore washer 17, Elizabeth 13, and Johnny 12.
In 1881, Bloomsberry Hall, Jonathan Vickers, widow, lead miner, aged 63, children Hannah 31, Elizabeth dressmaker, 24, and John lead miner 22.
See 14th April 1883

10th January 1880 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENDALE
ALLEN SMELT MILL
After being idle for upwards of twelve months, the lead works belonging to W. B. Beaumont Esq., MP., were partly set in motion on Monday 29th December.
Deaths
Nent Hall, Alston, on New Years day his 78th year George Wilson.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Thomas W Crawhall, lead mine agent, aged 35, his wife Fanny Portmore 30, children Alice Ann Mary 5, Thomas F W 4, Edith M 1, Fanny E 1 month, Uncle George Wilson 59.
In 1871 George Wilson Lieutenant late of the East Indian Company, on half pay and land owner, aged 69, was lodging at St Bees, with his wife Emily (Emily Mitchell Paull, married 14th April 1864) see 6th June 1875) aged 42, and Emily's sister Maria Ann Paull, aged 45.
See 22nd April 1864, 21st December 1872, and 5th June 1875.

17th January 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

CUMBERLAND WINTER ASSIZES.

CROWN COURT.—WEDNESDAY

Before Lord Chief Justice Coleridge

SHOOTING WITH INTENT AT ALSTON.

Anthony Thompson (23, miner). and Michael Robson (47, miner), were charged with unlawfully, maliciously, and feloniously shooting at and against one James Dodd, with a certain gun, with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm, at Nenthead, near Alston, on the 1st November, 1879.

Mr Shee, instructed by Mr Isaac Baty, Jun., Hesham, was for the prosecution; Mr Henry appeared for Robson, and Mr Mattinson appeared for prisoner Thompson.

Evidence was given by the prosecutor, James Dodd, shepherd for Mr Dinning, Ellen Dodd, mother of prosecutor, P.C. Calvert, and John Woodmass, surveyor, Alston, … Evidence having been given for the defence, His Lordship, in summing up to the jury, after stating some portions of the law, said that if the prisoners were trying to escape together, or if they were trying to wound him with intent and one did wound him, and the other helping him and being reedy if his comrade failed to do it himself, then in point of law both were equally guilty. He did not assume the guilt of the prisoners, but he would call attention to the fact that if there were two persons there and one shot Dodd, if the jury believed that they would probably equally believe that the other man twice pointed his gun at him from his shoulder, and that, therefore, was evidence that the two men were acting together for the purpose of doing an unlawful act. That did not show that either of these two men was there. It was a question of identity, because he did not think any of the learned counsel had suggested that the story was an invention on the part of Dodd. His lordship proceeded to discuss the evidence. On that of identity he said the jury would be able to judge, if they had any experience of it, how far a man could recognise his best friend if he saw only his nose and eyes. From his dress, demeanour, walk, a hundred things, they might be certain of the identity, but to identify him only by the eyes and nose would be a difficult job. But the men were dressed in the same way as in the morning. Then the question arose, did the evidence for the defence raise such doubts in their minds as to make them ask whether the case for the prosecution had been sustained. As to the times given by the witness Robson, his experience went to show that the more a witness was cross-examined on a question of time the more absolutely certain he became about it. Between Dodd and Robson they must judge for themselves. If one was right the other was wrong, for they put a man at different places at the same time. The learned judge proceeded to discuss the evidence in support of the alibi. If it was not proved as to Thompson and was proved as to Robson, then Thompson ought to benefit by Robson's alibi. The prosecutor was just as strong about Robson be was about Thompson, and the whole story must either stand or fall together. They could not very well convict Thompson and not Robson on the ground that Robson was not there. If there was, any difference at all Dodd was more certain about Robson than he was about Thompson, for he should not like to have sworn to Thompson if it had not been for the check suit. If he was wrong about one they might naturally come to the, conclusion that he was wrong about the other about whom he was more certain. As to the evidence to character it might be taken for what it was worth. If a man of good character shot another man they might say as a caustic judge

once said of a prisoner "that a man of most excellent character had stolen a pair of boots." The jury began the consideration of their verdict at five minutes to six, and in a quarter of an hour rose to deliver it. The Clerk of Arraigns: Gentlemen of the jury, do you find the prisoner Thompson guilty of shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm? The Foreman: We find him guilty of abetting. The Learned Judge: It is the same thing. The jury found Robson guilty of shooting with intent, and recommended both prisoners to mercy, on account of their previous good character, His Lordship, in passing sentence, said: You have been found guilty, after careful consideration by the jury, and I must say I entirely concur in the verdict the jury have found, because I believe the evidence of Dodd, and I don't see that he could have any reason for misleading us. He certainly had an opportunity of being certain you were the persons and you were there earlier in the day. I have hesitated long as to what I should do. You did him really no injury, but to shoot at a man is a most serious matter, and if you had done him any injury —though I am not quite sure that that should make the difference I will let it make—to penal servitude you should have gone. I wish people to understand my notion of criminal justice is to make the broadest distinction between cases of violence and outrage and cases where there is no violence or outrage. You have had a good character up to this time, and you have been recommended to mercy. Whether I am right in what I am doing I don't know, but I don't mean to send you to penal servitude. Still I must make some distinction between you, because you, Robson, did actually fire and hit him; Thompson twice half made up his mind but thought better of it and did not fire— His Lordship then sentenced Robson to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour, and Thompson to six months' imprisonment with hard labour.
See 27th December 1879

24th January 1880 (Hexham Herald)

ROOKHOPE

Mr Thomas Bowman, draper and grocer, Boltsburn has succeeded the late Mr John Forster as Foreman in Rookhope Smelt Mill. On Friday last, a few more men were engaged at Rookhope Smelt Mill, though it is reported the wages are only small, about 12s 6d per week. Our correspondent thinks this will ultimately be found to be incorrect, and that £1 per week will be the wage as lead is now at a good price.

Deaths

Allendale Town, 15th inst. aged 68 John Moore.

In 1871, at Allendale Town, Jane Moore, widow, aged 47, children William, draper & grocer, aged 23, John, draper & grocer, aged 18, Joseph 12, brother in law John, assistant draper, aged 59, and domestic servant Mary A Hutchinson 21.

Brampton, 2nd inst. aged 55 Thomas Kindred, tallow chandler late of Alston.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Kindred, Tallow Chandler, aged 26, his wife Jane (Snowden, married 5th May 1850, Alston) aged 25, and daughter Elizabeth 1 year.

In 1861, at Back Street, Brampton, Thomas Kindred, Tallow Chandler, aged 36, wife Jane 35, children Elizabeth 10, John 9, Jane 5, and William 2.

In 1871, at Lonning Head, Brampton, Thomas Kindred, tallow chandler, aged 46, his wife Jane 45, children John 19, Jane 15, William 12, Robert 6, Joseph 4, and Fanny 9 months.

28th January 1880 (Teesdale Mercury)
SUDDEN DEATH. —A man named Scott, belonging to Whey Syke, Forest and Frith, whilst on his way to the London Lead Company's Wiregill Leadmine, on Monday morning, suddenly dropped down dead near Lodgesyke Mine Shop, it is supposed from heart disease, accelerated by the intense cold.
James Scott buried 29th January 1880, at St James the Less, Forest and Frith, aged 26.
James Scott baptised 21st May 1854, at Middleton-in-Teesdale, mother Frances Scott
In 1851, at Teesdale, William Scott, unmarried, lead miner, aged 29, sister Hannah, unmarried aged 35, niece, Mary Scott 6, and nephew Jacob Scott 1.
In 1861, at Forest and Frith, Middleton-in-Teesdale, William Scott, unmarried, farmer of 17 acres and lead miner, aged 39, sister Hannah, unmarried aged 45, nephews, Jacob Scott aged 11, and James Scott aged 9.
In 1871, at Forest and Frith, Middleton-in-Teesdale, William Scott, unmarried, farmer and lead miner, aged 49, sister Hannah, unmarried aged 55, nephews, Jacob Scott, unmarried, lead miner, aged 21, and James Scott, unmarried, lead miner aged 19.
In 1881, at Forest and Frith, Middleton-in-Teesdale, William Scott, unmarried, disabled lead miner, aged 59, sister Hannah, unmarried aged 65, and nephew, Jacob Scott, unmarried, lead miner, aged 31.
William Scott aged 64, buried 22nd January1886, at St James the Less, Forest and Frith.
Hannah Scott aged 70, buried 12th August 1886, at St James the Less, Forest and Frith.
Jacob Scott married Jane Ann Bainbridge 1st February 1891, at Forest and Frith
In 1891, at Forest And Frith, Jacob Scott, farmer & lead miner, aged 52, his wife Jane A aged 39, children, Walter 7, Frederic 2, step son William Bainbridge, lead washer, aged 15, and step daughter Emily Bainbridge aged 13.
In 1901, at Raby Terrace, Forest And Frith, Jacob Scott, farmer, aged 42, his wife Jane A aged 29, and daughter Emily Bainbridge aged 3.
Jacob Scott aged 73, buried 27th April 1923, at St James the Less, Forest and Frith.

31st January 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Torquay, 25th inst., aged 28, Thomas Sopwith, mining engineer, youngest son of the late John Sopwith *(cousin of Thomas Sopwith, mining engineer, John died in 1878)* of Newcastle.
In 1851, at Lovaine Row, Newcastle, John Sopwith, cabinet maker, and upholsterer, employing 60 hands, aged 37, his wife Jane Alice (Anderson, married at Gosforth, 30th November 1837) aged 37, children James 5, Henry J 4, Mary E 1, and Thomas 1 month.
In 1861, at 44 Northumberland Street, Newcastle, John Sopwith, cabinet maker employing 70 men and boys, aged 47, his wife Jane A 48, children Anna M 17, James 15, Henry T 14, Mary E 12, Thomas 10, and Alice F 6.
In 1871, at 44 Northumberland Street, Newcastle, John Sopwith, cabinet maker employing 70 men, 10 women, and 20 boys, aged 57, his wife Jane

Alice 57, children, James cabinet maker, 25, Henry Thos timber merchant, 24, Mary E 21, and Alice Fanny 16.

THE
FAMILY BURIAL PLACE OF
JOHN AND JANE ALICE SOPWITH
OF NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ANNIE MARIA SOPWITH
THEIR ELDEST DAUGHTER WHO DIED ON THE 18TH AUGUST 1866 AGED 23 YEARS.
JOHN SOPWITH
WHO DIED ON THE 13TH MAY 1873, AGED 64 YEARS.
THOMAS SOPWITH
THEIR YOUNGEST SON WHO DIED AT TORQUAY ON THE 25TH JANUARY 1880,
AGED 29 YEARS.
JANE ALICE SOPWITH
WHO DIED ON THE 7TH DECEMBER 1880 AGED 67 YEARS.
HENRY THOMAS SOPWITH
THEIR SECOND SON WHO DIED AT BORDIGHERA ON THE 30TH JANUARY 1899
AND WAS INTERRED THERE AGED 51 YEARS.
MARY ELISA SOPWITH
THEIR SECOND DAUGHTER WHO DIED ON THE 21ST NOVEMBER 1901 AGED 52 YEARS.
JAMES SOPWITH
THEIR ELDEST SON WHO DIED IN LONDON ON THE 3RD JUNE 1902 AND WAS INTERRED AT PUTNEY, AGED 57 YEARS.
ALICE FANNY STUART,
BELOVED WIFE OF THOMAS W. STUART OF LIVERPOOL YOUNGEST DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
JOHN SOPWITH
WHO DIED AT SOUTHPORT 8TH MAY 1909 AND WAS INTERRED AT LIVERPOOL AGED 54 YEARS.
MARION WIFE OF THE
ABOVE HENRY THOMAS SOPWITH
DIED 9TH SEPTEMBER 1933, AGED 66 YEARS.

31st January 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

THE WEATHER.—The continuance of the frost has enabled the inhabitants of Alston to indulge in a pastime which they rarely have an opportunity of enjoying. The streams in the neighbourhood are usually so rapid and their courses se ragged that there are no places where any extent of ice can form for skating. During the past summer, however, a long reach of still water has formed on the Tyne, about a mile above the town, which is now frozen, and where the youth and beauty, wit and fashion have daily been disporting themselves during the past week. The pastime being new to many, has doubtless been accompanied by the usual misfortunes, but we hear of lle-broken bones yet.

NENTHEAD.

NENTHEAD CHARITY.—The Committee has given twenty-seven cartloads of coals to the most needy cases of the poor in Nenthead this present winter, to mitigate the sufferings they are exposed to by the pinching seasons we generally pass through. Four hundred and seventy-nine cartloads of coals have been given to the poor during the past fifteen years.

Deaths

At the Workhouse, Alston, 27th inst., aged 71 years, William Smith, cordwainer.

At Allendale Town, 15th inst., aged 68, John Moore, draper, formerly of West End, Allenheads.

4th February 1880 (Teesdale Mercury)

Forest and Frith Roads. —Mr W. J. Watson, Barnard Castle, on behalf of the Teesdale Mining Companies, made an application that the magistrates would consent to the dedication to the public of the road extending from Langton Beck, along past the Teesdale mines, by Dubby Syke, and Green Hurth mines to the main road over Yad Moss, all of which was in the township of Forest and Frith, The question to be determined was one of utility, Mr Richardson observed that the application had been previously made to the Highway Board of the district, who, however, had refused their consent, and a public meeting of the inhabitants had also unanimously declared their opposition to the road being taken over. Evidence was adduced on the part of the applicants, which showed that there were only four farms at an aggregate rateable value of not more than £56 in the district through which the road principally passed, but since its formation the traffic of pleasure seekers had greatly improved, owing to the number of sightseers who travelled on part of the road on their way to Caldron Snout. This, Mr Watson contended, was evidence of utility, because an influx of the general public would improve the value of property, and generally increase the prosperity of the inhabitants of the district—what was good for the people individually being also to their benefit collectively. It was admitted by both sides that the road was a good one, well surveyed, laid out, and with a capital foundation, —The Magistrates, however, after hearing all the evidence, came to the conclusion that no proof was shown that the road was of general utility, but recommended that a compromise be effected between the applicants and the Highway Board, whereby some portion of the road could be taken over.

7th February 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

CRANSTON'S ROCK DRILL.—At a time when so much is heard of American manufacturers driving the English out of the markets which they formerly enjoyed, it is gratifying to learn that English machinery also secures appreciation in the United States. The fact, no doubt, is that the jealousy which formerly existed between the two countries has died away, and each now recognises that the other excels in certain specialities useful to themselves and that there is, therefore, plenty of room for interchange of business with advantage to both nations. It is really remarkable that so progressive a people as the Americans have done so little with machine mining, but this may probably be attributed to the fact that the greater necessity for the introduction of rock drills in Europe led to more strenuous efforts to perfect them. Mr Cranston, of Newcastle-on-Tyne is just shipping another consignment of his rock dills and air compressors to America. This is the more gratifying, as it will be remembered that at the commencement of his career he had to encounter fierce opposition and even defend his rights in Chancery. The results, however, were entirely in his favour, the validity of his patent rights were established, and his opponents had to pay him all costs. The "Cranston" drills and air compressors are now employed throughout the world by many of the most enterprising and successful companies, which is undoubtedly one of the best proofs of their economy and

efficiency.—*The Mining Journal*. —As many of our readers will be aware, these rock drills of Mr Cranston were first introduced in the Alston lead mines in 1874.

Deaths

At Newshield, 30th ult., aged 10 months, Frances Mary, daughter of John Place.
At High Harbut Lodge, 31st ult., aged 9 days, Mary Errington, daughter of William Errington, farmer.
At Littlegill, *(near Rodderup Side)* 4th inst., aged 90, Elizabeth Hodgson, widow.

14th February 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

RE-APPOINTMENT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICERS. Drs. Gill and Carson had both made application for re-appointment, and on the proposition of Mr MILLICAN seconded by Mr VIPOND their applications were acceded to.

DR. CARSON'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report of Dr. Carson, medical officer of No. 2, or High District, was read, with an abridged statement of the action taken for the prevention of the spread of infectious diseases. The report was a resume of the year's and work done by the Medical Officer in his district. There had been 55 deaths, being at the rate of 18.3 per 1000: 33 males and 22 females, number of births, 75; viz., 48 in Nenthead and 27 in Garrigill sub-districts. In the report two midden steads at Rodderup Side were referred to, and Dr. Carson stated that he had mentioned them in his report of 1875.—The CLERK stated that he had looked up that report. There had, however, been no report of any nuisance , upon the premises since that time, and if there was no report of a nuisance they could not do anything.— The Inspector said the only thing was that the midden steads stood rather near the doors—The CHAIRMAN: Are they on the roadside ?—Inspector: Yes; one of them is enclosed by a wall now, and the other is to be enclosed in the same way.—The CHAIRMAN: Are they fifteen feet from the centre of the road?—Inspector: Yes. I think so. —Th. CLERK said they would be on Mr Horrocks' own property—The Surveyor of Highways, who was present, concurred in the belief that the manure steads would be 15 feet from the centre of the road.—Mr H. WALTON said the road was not 30ft wide.—The CHAIRMAN: Well, we will do nothing till a complaint is made.—The subject then dropped.

ALSTON INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.—The fourteenth anniversary of this Society was celebrated in the usual way on Friday, when a public tea was held in the Town Hall, of which some 350 persons partook. …

After tea, the customary public meeting was held in the Hall, at which there was a crowded audience Mr Adam Walton, Loaning-foot House, presided, and there were also on the platform Rev John Welford, Newcastle; Rev , B. Wild, Alston; and Messrs Telford and Robinson, Shotley Bridge. A quadrille band was in attendance, and greatly enhanced the proceedings with their lively airs. The chief part of the entertainment of the evening was a lecture by Mr Welford on "Thrift," a subject which the Rev gentleman treated in a masterly style; and kept his audience interested throughout the whole of his lecture which lasted about an hour and a half. The Chairman, in opening the meeting, made some exceedingly practical remarks, and Messrs Telford and Robinson also addressed the meeting, and during the course of their remarks proposed the usual votes of thanks to the lecturer and chairman. The accounts of the Society for the year 1879 shows that the amount of shop sales have been £4554, while the amount of profit has been £469. The amount of the members' share capital

is £1544, and the number of members 286. A dividend of half-a-crown in the £ has been declared on members' purchases.

Marriages

At Nenthead, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 11th inst. Mr Thomas Price to Miss Elizabeth Millican Teasdale, both of Nenthead.

In 1881, at Nenthead, Thomas Price, shopman at Coop Store, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth aged 22, and son William 7 months.

Deaths

At Alston, 9th inst., aged 9 months, Geo. William, son of Francis Clemitson, joiner.

At Alston, 10th inst., aged 65, Mary, widow of David Hounam, farmer.

At Loaninghead, Garrigill, 11th inst. aged 32, Elizabeth Watson.

At Williamsburg, Franklin Co., North America, 14th ult., aged 50, Isaac Rutherford, formerly of Nenthead in the parish of Alston.

See 5th April 1884

14th February 1880 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical Officers report (Dr Carson) for No. 2 district was read: He had inspected the district periodically and found nothing seriously detrimental to health. There had been five cases of Scarlatina at Dykeheads, and effective steps had been taken to prevent spreading. There had been a fatal case of Enteric Fever at Mr Hugh Kearton's, Rodderupside. The premises were in good condition except that the manurestead was too near the door and the road. This was also the case at the adjoining premises occupied by Mrs Varty.

20th February 1880 (Northern Echo)

FATAL MINE ACCIDENT

At Middleton-in-Teesdale.—On Wednesday afternoon George Readshaw (17) employed in the Coldberry Lead-mine, Middleton-in-Teesdale, met with his death in a shocking manner. He was working along with others, in the "forehead" of the mine, when a large stone fell from the roof, completely crushing him and causing instant death. —Mr Coroner Dean will hold an inquest at the Cross Keys Inn on Saturday.

George Readshaw aged 17, buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 21st February 1880

In 1841, at Middleton, James Readshaw, 35, his wife Martha aged 35, children, Jacob 14, Elizabeth 12, Mary 10, William 5. and George Readshaw aged 45.

In 1851, at Middleton, James Readshaw, farmer, aged 45, his wife Martha 44, son Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, and daughter Mary 20.

James Readshaw aged 49, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 30th August 1854.

In 1861, at Middleton, Martha Readshaw, widow, aged 55, daughter Isabella 17, and grandson, John Readshaw, lead ore washer, aged 14.

Martha Readshaw aged 56, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 2nd February 1863.

William Readshaw married Nancy Coatsworth 2nd quarter 1859, at Teesdale.

In 1871, at Middleton, William Readshaw, lead ore worker, aged 34, his wife Nancy aged 36, children, James 10, George 8, Martha 6, Mary Ann 4, John 2, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1881, at Middleton, William Readshaw, lead ore washerr, aged 44, his wife Nancy aged 44, children, Martha 17, Mary Ann 15, John C 12, Elizabeth 10, Joseph Wm 6, and Georgina 0.
In 1891, at Market Place, Middleton, William Readshaw, manager Temperance Hotel, aged 54, his wife Nancy 54, children, Martha 27, Elizabeth 21, Joseph Wm, cabinet makers apprentice, aged 16, and Georgina 10
In 1901, at Market Place, Middleton, William Readshaw, lead ore washer, aged 64, his wife Nancy, Temperance Hotel Manageress, 64, daughters, Elizabeth, Temperance Hotel assistant, aged 31, Georgina, Temperance Hotel assistant, aged 20, and granddaughter Millicent Readshaw 8.

21st February 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Howgill Rigg, 13th inst., aged 7 years, Rebecca, daughter of Henry Walton, yeoman.

28th February 1880 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
LEAD MINING.
There is at present considerable more activity in lead mining, and several mines are employing an additional number of hands. Wages as yet are low. We do not hear that any of the miners have more than 50 shillings per month subsistence money given, and in many cases "the lennings" is even less, whilst to make matters worse few of the men have anything of consequence to pocket at the half yearly pays, and in not a few cases the "lent money" is not earned. The London Lead Company at their last quarterly bargains considerably increased the number of their workmen, and the Rodderup Fell Company have also lately taken on additional hands. In sympathy with the rise in prices of other minerals, lead during the last six months, has increased in value by 50 per cent, and brands which in the autumn brought £14 per ton now command £20 per ton in the London Market. This being the case there has been a pretty general clearance of old stocks and renewed speculation in mining. ...
Deaths
Langley Mills, Langley Hill Top, 23rd inst. aged 69 Jane Dinning.
In 1861, at Langley Hill Top, Joseph Dinning, unmarried, lead manufacturer, employing 120 men, & farmer of 200 acres, aged 43, visitor & brother Alexander, spirit merchant, aged 47, sister Jane, house keeper, aged 49, niece Ellen Dinning 15, house servants Hannah Wigham 27, and Rachael Rutherford 15.
In 1871, at Langley Hill Top, Joseph Dinning, lead ore smelter employing 72 men, aged 54, and sister Jane, aged 60.
Alston, 18th inst. aged 67, Jane wife of Robert Snowdon, Mason.
In 1871, at Front Street, Robert Walton, unmarried, lead ore miner, aged 56, brother in law Robert Snowden, stone mason, aged 48, sister Jane Snowden aged 58, and domestic servant Sarah Scaife 21.

28th February 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

BOARD OF GUARDIANS.— Tho ordinary meeting of this Board was held on Saturday last, Rev O. James in the chair, the other members present being—Messrs Walton Vipond, John Geo. Millican, Isaac Walton, Henry Walton, Adam Walton, Jonathan Carr Joseph Armstrong, Thos. Dickinson, Thos. Richardson, Wm. Lee, Thos. Walton, and Jos. Renwick.—The Clerk intimated that Mr Whitfield, the treasurer of the Board, had tendered his resignation, owing to a new Act of Parliament precluding him from further holding office owing to his being in service of an officer of the Board.—The resignation was accepted, and the further consideration of the matter adjourned to next meeting.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

The monthly meeting of the School Attendance Committee was held on Saturday, Mr James presiding.—A minute was made at the last meeting with reference to the woman Mary Carr, that she was to be summoned if she did not send her children to school. The School Attendance Officer, however, reported that she had sent them after he had served the notice of summons. He also reported that he had visited the eight schools under the supervision of the Committee and the attendance was as follows:

School.	Weekly Average Attendance.	No. of Register.
Nenthead	168	209
Nenthall	49	62
Tynehead	34	52
Garrigill	93	109
Leadgate	41	56
Alston (High)	124	235
Alston National	32	68
Alston Infant (for one week)	36	74

—He had visited the town and found the measles still prevalent. Several children who had been attacked had recovered, but others in the same families had been smitten, so that it was not safe to send the convalescent ones to school till all had recovered. There had been one fatal case.—Three applications were made for the payment of arrears of school fees, which were refused, the Committee having no power to grant the applications even if they had been willing to do so.—This concluded the business.

Deaths

At High Plains, 29th ult., aged 57, Hannah, wife of Joseph White, farmer.

6th March 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Clitheroe, 27th ult. aged 64, Elizabeth widow, of Joseph Parker, lead miner.

In 1841, at Skelgill Rig, Alston, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 25, wife Elizabeth (Parker, married 10th June 1837, Alston) aged 25, children Mary 3, and John 1. In 1851, at Bank Foot, Alston, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 39, wife Elizabeth 35, children Mary , John 11, Joseph 8, Elizabeth 6, Jane 2, and lodger, nurse child, William Dalton 1.

Joseph Parker died 2nd quarter 1852.

In 1861, Elizabeth Parker, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 45, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Elizabeth, spinner in woollen mill, aged 15, Jane, spinner in woollen mill, aged 12, Robert 9, and James 2. In 1871, at

Clitheroe, Elizabeth Parker, widow, nurse, aged 55, sons Robert, coal miner, aged 19, James, lead miner, aged 12, and John Davidson, nurse child, aged 3.
At Garrigill Gate, 29th ult., aged 23, John Anderson, lead miner.
in 1861, at Shell Well, Garrigill, John Anderson, leads miner aged 37, born Middleton in Teesdale his wife Jane 38, born Middleton in Teesdale children Martha 11, Matthew 9, Elizabeth 5, John 3, and Sarah 11 months.
In 1871, at Shell Well, Garrigill, John Anderson, farmer of 23 acres & leads miner aged 47, his wife Jane 48, children Matthew lead ore miner 18, Elizabeth 15, John 13, Sarah 10, and Adam W 7. In 1871, Martha Anderson, aged 21,was lodging at Town Meadow Heads, Garrigill, with Nicholas Anderson, farmer of 40 acres, aged 27, born Middleton, his wife Isabel, aged 22, born Alston, and their son Thomas aged 1.
In 1881, at Shell Well, John Anderson, farmer of 80 acres, aged 53, his wife Jane 54, daughter Elizabeth 25, son Adam Watson, farmers son, aged 17, and granddaughter Eve Ellen Anderson 9.
In 1891, at Shell Well, John Anderson, farmer, aged 66, his wife Jane 67, son Adam W. farmers son, aged 27, daughter Sarah 30. In 1901, at Shell Well, John Anderson, farmer, aged 75, his wife Jane 76.
John Anderson died 4th quarter 1902, aged 78.

20th March 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Independent Chapel 14th inst. Mr William Featherstone to Miss Hannah Gibson, both of Alston.
In 1841, at Edmunds Lane, Thomas Featherstone, gardener, aged 45, Elizabeth Featherstone 40, John Featherstone 15, Sarah Featherstone 15, and Mary Featherstone 35. In 1851, at Bulmans Lane, Thomas Featherston, gardener, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 50, daughter Sarah 26, and lodger James Nevin, retired tailor aged 81, born Manchester.
Thomas Featherston, died 3rd quarter 1851.
In 1861, at Main Street, Elizabeth Featherston, widow, gardener, aged 60, son in law, Hugh Walton, blacksmith, aged 33, married daughter Sarah Walton, aged 36, and grandson Thomas F Walton 3.
In 1851, at Bulman Lane, Alston, John Featherston, gardener, aged 29, his wife Jane aged 30, and son Thomas 3.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Featherston, gardener, aged 39, Jane aged 40, children Thomas 13, Sarah 9, John W 5, and William 3.
In 1871, at Butts, John Featherston, gardener, aged 49, Jane 50, Thomas, gardener, aged 23, Sarah17, John W, gardener, aged 15, William, gardener, aged 13, and Elizabeth 9.
See 15th March 1872, & 24th March 1900
In 1911, at Sunset View, Alston, John Featherston, retired gardener, aged 89, son in law William Fairgrieve, lead miner, aged 50, married daughter Elizabeth Fairgrieve aged 49, granddaughters Jane Fairgrieve, stocking knitter, aged 29, Ethel, hosiery knitter, aged 18, Eveline Fairgrieve, dressmaker, aged 15, and Jessie Fairgrieve 12.
John Featherstone died 1st quarter 1912, aged 90.
In 1881, at Butts, Alston, William Featherstone, coal miner, aged, 23, his wife Hannah aged 23, born Hexham, and son John 9 months. In 1891, at Butts,

William, coal miner, aged 33, his wife Hannah 33, children John 10, William 7, Alice 5, Thomas 3, and George D 2.
William Featherstone, died 1st quarter 1900, aged 42.
In 1901, at Clara St., Benwell, Hannah Featherstone, widow, aged 43, children John, hand caulker in shipyard, aged 20, William, apprentice plater in shipyard, aged 17, Alice 15, Thomas W., _____ steam hammer for blacksmith, aged 13, George Doug 11, Allen 8, and Harry 3.
In 1911, at Clara St., Benwell, Hannah Featherstone, widow, aged 52, children John, hand driller in shipyard, aged 30, Alice, clerk, aged 25, Thomas W., ships carpenter, aged 23, George Douglas, angle iron smith, aged 21, Allen, post office, telegraphist, aged 18, and Harry 13.
At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 16th inst, Mr Thomas Ward, Middle Skydes, Garrigill, to Miss Hannah Gill, of Garrigill Gate.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, Isaac Gill, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth aged 32, children Susanna 9, John 7, Elizabeth 5, Isaac 3, and Hannah 1. In 1871, Hannah aged 11, and sister Susanna aged 19, were working as servants for Ann Richardson, unmarried farmer of 228 acres, & landowner, aged 70, at Gill House, Alston.
In 1861, at Middle Skides, James Ward, lead miner & farmer, aged 49, his wife Hannah (Elliot, married 23rd June 1836, Alston) aged 42, children Mary 23, Robert, farmers son, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, William13, Hannah 9, Martha 9, Thomas 6, and Joseph 8 months
In 1871, at Middle Skides, James Ward, widow, lead miner, and farmer, aged 59, children Mary 33, John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 23, Martha, dressmaker, aged 19, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16 and granddaughter Jane Ward 1.
James Ward died 4th quarter 1871, aged 60.
In 1881, at High Skides, Thomas Ward, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Hannah 21, and son Joseph H. 2 months. In 1891, at Blythes Terrace, Birtley, Thomas Ward, railway porter, aged 36, his wife Hannah 31, sons, Joseph H 10, Utrick 8, and Ernest 1. In 1901, at Gladstone Terrace, Birtley, Thomas Ward, railway porter, aged 46, his wife Hannah 41, sons Joseph Hy. clerk, aged 20, and Ernest 10. In 1911, at Garrigill House, Birtley, Thomas Ward, railway station porter, aged 56, his wife Hannah 51, and son Ernest, assistant clerk, aged 20.

20th March 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Alston, 13th inst., aged 19 months, Jane Hannah, daughter of William Robinson Little, spirit merchant.
At Leadgate, 14th inst., aged 8 years, Lilly Ellen, daughter of William Thomas Lock, schoolmaster.

27th March 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
NENTHEAD POULTRY SHOW.
This annual show was held on Wednesday last, in the Lead Company's School Room Nenthead. In point of quantity and quality of exhibits this show has never been surpassed at Nenthead. The day was all that the promoters could wish for, and it being the quarterly pay day a general holiday was observed. …

STANHOPE.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE.—On Saturday last, Robert Bell of Crawleyside, an ironstone miner, met his death whilst at work at the Red Vein Mine, Stanhope Burn. A fall of stone came upon the unfortunate workman, causing instantaneous death. Deceased was 40 years of age, a widower, and leaves a family

3rd April 1880 (Hexham Herald)

ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

The lead trade in the district is still very dull and future prospects are very gloomy. Few can understand the reason for such limited operations at the several mines of W. B. Beaumont Esq. as there is little or no "foreheads" being driven, so that unless something fresh takes place there will be another collapse. The Ironstone mines are all working briskly, and the Commissioners are draining and planting, which employs the few remaining hands, hundreds having left the dale to look for work elsewhere.

3rd April 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

Marriages

At Alston, at St Augustine's Church, 31st ult., by the Rev. W. Nall, B.A., Mr W. Hallet, Stockton, to Miss Anne Walton, of Alston, eldest daughter of the late Toward Walton, Esq., Alston. *See 10th July 1886*

At Alston, Independent Chapel, 27th ult., by the Rev. William Farries, Mr James Graham, of Penrith, to Miss Sarah Pattinson, of Alston.

At Nentsbury, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, by licence, 29th ult., by the Rev. B. Wild, Mr John Hymers, of Hudgill, to Miss Elizabeth Pattinson, of Nentsbury.

In 1851, at Hay Ring, John Pattinson, landed proprietor, aged 29, his wife Margaret 33, children Christopher 3, Ann 1, and house servant, Hannah Lee aged 16.

In 1861, at Hay Ring, John Pattison, farmer, aged 39, his wife Ann aged 25, children Christopher 13, Ann 11, William 5, Margaret 3, John 5 Months, and mother Elizabeth Pattison, widow, formerly farmer, aged 75.

In 1871, at Hay Ring, John Pattinson, land owner of 160 acres, aged 49, his wife Ann 35, children Christophe, lead miner, aged 23, William, farm labourer, aged 15, Margaret 13, Elizabeth 9, Isaac 7, Thomas 4, and mother, Elizabeth Pattinson, widow, annuitant, aged 88. In 1881, at Hayring, John Pattinson, farmer of 105 acre, aged 59, his wife Ann aged 45, children Margaret, 23, Isaac 17, Thomas 14, visitors married daughter Ann Wailes, coal miners wife, aged 30, grandson Isaac Wailes, Mary Wailes, dairyman's wife, aged 56, and farm servant Maggie Marshall aged 15.

John Pattinson died 3rd quarter 1889, aged 67.

In 1881, at Westerly Terrace, Haltwhistle, John Hymers, master joiner, aged 26, and his wife Elizabeth aged 19. In 1891, at Walton Street, Gateshead, John Haymers, joiner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 29, and daughter Laura M 2. In 1901, at Rosebery Ave., Heworth, John Hymers, joiner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 39, daughters Laura 11, and Margaret 7.

In 1911, at Eastbourne Ave, Gateshead, John Hymers, joiner, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 49, daughters Laura Mary, typist, aged 21, and Margret Ann, typist, aged 17.

John Hymers died 2nd quarter 1935, aged 80.

10th April 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 2nd inst. aged 60, Joshua Walton, quarryman.
In 1841, at Market Place, Nenthead, Richard Walton, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann (Walton, married 19th July 1806, at Alston) aged 50, children Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth 15, Pearson, carter, aged 10, John, carter, aged 10, and Ellen 15.
In 1851, at Lane End, Nenthead, Joshua Walton, lead miner, aged 31, wife Mary, (Dawson, married 16th February 1843, Alston) aged 33, and son Joshua 1 month.
In 1861, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Joshua Walton, lead miner, aged 41, wife Mary 43, son Joshua 10, and boarder Richard Dowson, lead miner, aged 40.
In 1871, at Holm Foots, Joshua Walton, quarryman, aged 51, wife Mary 53, and son Joshua, stone quarryman, aged 20.
In 1881 at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Mary Walton, quarrymans widow, aged 63, and son Joshua, quarryman aged 30.
In 1891 at Holm Foots, Nenthead, Mary Walton, widow, aged 73, and son Joshua, Cartman aged 40.
See 2nd December 1893.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
RICHARD WALTON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MAY 17TH
1851
AGED 60 YEARS
HIS WIFE DIED DECEMBER 22ND 1866
AGED 78

(Nenthead Church records give the burial of Ann Walton as 26th November 1866)

17th April 1880 (Hexham Courant)
SETTLINGSTONES
FATAL MINING ACCIDENT.
A sad fatal accident occurred in the Settlingstones mine near Newbrough, on Saturday last by which a man named John Harkness lost his life. Deceased and a son of his named James, were working in the mine together while two men named Brown with a young man called Thomas Patterson of Haydon Bridge, were also working together not far off, but reached the scene of their labours by means of another level. The two levels in which the men mentioned above worked appear to commence at two extremes, and had been almost worked up to a point opposite each other. The Browns and Patterson were working in one level making a drift at an angle, while the deceased and his son

in the other were also working at an angle so as to meet the Brown "partnership". On the day in question the men, who had been making considerable progress in their work the three previous days, had drawn very close to each other, there being we are informed only about two feet of earth separating the different "partnership" at the time the accident took place. A code of signals had been established between the two parties, and about half past eleven o'clock in the morning, Brown had signalled that he was prepared to fire the hole. The signal was answered by the deceased and his son left the drift and went into the level, but his father did not immediately follow. Before long the shot went off, the deceased being still in the drift, and on the son going back again into the drift he found his father had been killed by the effects of the shot. The body of the deceased was conveyed to his home at Settlingstones. ... The deceased was a native of Allendale, was married and leaves a widow and a family of five to lament his loss *(aged 53)*.

In 1861, Folley, Allendale, John Harkness, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret 39, children James 3, John 2 weeks, and mother Hannah Harkness, widow, aged 74.

In 1871, at Settlingstones Mines, John Harkness, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Margaret 39, children James, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Hannah 8, and John H. aged 2.

20th April 1880 (London Gazette)

THE GREENHURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Greenhurth Lead Mining Company Limited, duly convened and held at the rooms of the Incorporated Law Society, Royal-arcade, Newcastle- upon-Tyne, on the 23rd day of March, 1880, the following Special Resolution: was duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the-said Company, also duly convened and held at the registered offices of the Company, No. 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 13th-day of April, 1880, the said Resolution was duly confirmed: —

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Henry Pritchard, of No. 17, Grey-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Clothier, and Charles Webster Harrison, of No. 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Agent, he and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up."

Dated this 17th day of April, 1880. J. C. Swan, Chairman.

24th April 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Doves Pool, Allenheads, 17th inst. aged 56, Mrs Phoebe Watson.

In 1861, at Dirt Pot, John Watson, lead ore miner, aged 34, wife Phebe (Waugh, married 3rd August 1850, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 37, son John 9, and uncle Joseph Watson, labourer on the road, aged 68.

In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allendale, John Watson, lead ore miner, aged 44, wife Phebe 48, and son John, lead ore washer, aged 19.

At Allenheads, 18th inst. aged 70, Thomas Charlton, lead ore washer.

In 1861, at Allenheads, Thomas Charlton, lead ore washer, aged 51, wife Hannah aged (Stobbs, married 28th November 184, St Peter, Allenheads) 43, children William, lead ore washer, aged 19, Hannah15, Ralph 12, Mary Ann

10, Elizabeth 6, Thomas J. 7 months, and visitor Sarah Stobbs, dress maker, aged 23.
In 1871, at Allenheads, Thomas Charlton, lead ore washer, aged 61, wife Hannah 53, children Ralph, land & mine surveyor, aged 22, Mary A. milliner, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, and Thomas L. 10.

24th April 1880 (Hexham Herald)

SHOTLEY BRIDGE

DEATH OF MR THOMAS WILSON of Shotley Hall, aged 80 years died 22nd April. He was one of the sons of the late John Wilson of Shotley Hall and Nent Hall, by Mary daughter of John Bownas. Thomas Wilson was married in 1868 to Elizabeth daughter of the late Sir Samuel Cunard, Bart. His brother George died 1st January 1880. *See 10th January 1880.*

24th April 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Alston, 22nd inst., aged 80, Mary Lightbown. *She died at the residence of her son, Mr James Lightbowen, Turk's Head Inn, Alston.*
At Doves Pool, Allenheads, 17th inst., aged 56, Mrs Phoebe Watson.
At Doves Pool, Allenheads, 18th inst., aged 70, Thos. Charlton, lead ore washer.

1st May 1880 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

ADVANCE OF WAGES

The long and impenetrable gloom that has enveloped and possessed so heavily on the staple industry of this district is beginning to exhibit signs of slowly bet surely lightening, so that some feint glimmer of blue sky are now visible and it is hoped will increase in dimensions. A number of workmen employed at Mr Beaumont's smelting works have received an advance coupled with an hour shorter shifts and horse work for the conveying of timber and ore to and from the mines is considerably more in request.

8th May 1880 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 1st inst. John Richardson to Miss Jane Shield both of Garrigill.
In 1881, at Kyo, Lanchester, Thomas Nall, coal miner, aged 30, born Alston, his wife Mary 32, born Durham, niece Margaret H. Bowman, aged 6, and lodgers John Richardson Coal miner, aged 23, and his wife Jane Richardson aged 21.

8th May 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

NENTHEAD SCHOOL TRUSTEES AND THE ATTENDANCE.

A letter was read from Mr Robert Bell, one of the trustees of the Nenthead School, stating mat he was requested by the Committee to request the Board of Guardians to assist them in securing a better attendance of the scholars attending their school. If this could not be secured it would be the advancement of the system of the School Board, which they wished to avoid. The letter concluded by inquiring the date of the last day for entering plaints at the County

Court.— In explanation of this matter, the School Attendance Officer (Mr Walton) stated that he had also received a letter from Mr Bell having reference to the same subject, in which it was stated that there were 63 absentees on a certain afternoon. He went to Nenthead on Tuesday, and visited the school. The master was not present, but he (officer) was provided with a list of 52 absentees whom he visited, and the result was 26 were absent through illness; one was over 15 years of age, and they could not, therefore, compel attendance; 10 had passed the fourth standard and they could not compel them to attend after that; leaving 14 irregular attenders, and these they could not bring up as they only missed half-a-day occasionally. He called upon Mr Bell and told him the nature of the circumstances, when that gentleman informed him that he had not been aware of this sickness. The schoolmaster was suffering from the same disease; it was a sort of sweating in the head, and the affected person was rather delirious during the night. The schoolmaster had only been able to attend school one half-day during the week, and very little the week before.—Mr A. WALTON: It seems to be that they are not used to absentees at Nenthead.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

WATER SUPPLY.

The CLERK remarked that the Surveyor had prepared a plan at the request of the Committee of the sewers and also of the water pipes, which was now lying at his (Clerk's) office, and use could he made of it at any time.—The CHAIRMAN: You have had no more complaints about the water lately; is it getting all right?—The Surveyor: Yes; I think so. I have no complaint.—Mr Richardson: is that Committee which was appointed by the old Board to stand on as it has been standing on for a long time.—Mr M. A. WALTON: It would be a Provisional Committee at the time.—The CLERK remarked that before proceeding any further, he supposed that it would, be agreed that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Guardians were to be the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of that Sanitary Authority.—This was answered in the affirmative.—Mr DICKINSON, in reference to the water supply, said the water was all right now; the Committee were not there half an hour before they found out the remedy.—The CHAIRMAN remarked that the water lower down the street was not so good as the water at the Cross.—The CLERK said the Committee gave the Surveyor instructions to prepare a plan of the sewers and water pipes.— Mr A. WALTON remarked that he considered that this Committee was existing till this plan was considered.—The CLERK: If you were going into the water supply it would be better to appoint a Committee specially.—It was agreed to appoint a Committee but the matter was allowed to stand over till next meeting.

DR. CARSON'S REPORT.

Dr. Carson's (medical officer for No. 2 District) quarterly report, for the three ending 31st of March was read. Visits had been made to Nenthead and Garrigill, which were found in satisfactory sanitary condition. The death rate was very low—9 for the quarter, There had been a few mild cases of measles at Garrigill, but they had now disappeared.

INSPECTORS REPORT

The Inspector of Nuisances' book was examined, in which was a complaint made by Mr Isaac Vipond, Market Place, Alston, of water standing in his cellar which wanted removing.— Mr DICKINSON: Well, he will have to take his pump in and pump it out. (Laughter.)— The Inspector said he wished his landlord to draw it out; he desired to have a drain put in.—The CLERK: Well, let him get the

landlord to drain it; we have nothing to do with it; get the landlord to do it.—A letter was read from the medical officer (Dr. Gill) with reference to it. It stated that he had inspected the premises occupied by Mr Isaac Craig. There was a great need of a change, there being a pool of standing water in the cellar. It required repairs in a sanitary view. How that could be accomplished he left to the Sanitary Authority to decide.—The Inspector said he had seen the landlord that morning and he had promised to have the matter rectified.—The Inspector also reported that he visited Nenthead and Garrigill Districts. The manure heaps had all been removed, and it was all very satisfactory at present.

NENTHEAD

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.—The Wesleyans of Nenthead celebrated their Sunday School anniversary on Saturday and Sunday last. The morning of Saturday was clearly a May morning, and invigorating to the human frame. The morning was only a prelude to the after proceedings of the day. At one o'clock p.m. the scholars and teachers were to be seen wending their way to the Wesleyan Chapel, and by half-pest one they formed themselves into a procession and visited the principal places in the village, singing appropriate hymns and anthems. The procession terminated at the London Lead Company's School room, where the scholars were regaled with tea gratuitously, and the public at the small charge of sixpence each. At the close of the tea meeting a public meeting was held in the chapel, presided over by Mr Robert Bell, the superintendent of the school, who called upon Mr Joseph Vickers, the secretary, to read the report, which was as follows: Number of scholars on the class register—girls, 73; boys, 81; total, 154; average attendance, 119; number of teachers—females, 5; males, 27; total, 32; average attendance of teachers, 27; classification of scholars-13 Bible classes; 7 Testament classes; 6 reading book , classes; 27 alphabet scholars; 14 scholars meet in society classes. Literature circulated and distributed in the school monthly—" British Workman," 23: "Family Friend." 15; “Children's Friend," 24; "Band of Hope," 15; "Our Boys and Girls," 16. Financial statement—income, £18 6s 1½d: expenditure, £17 13s 4d; balance, 12s 9½d . The scholars were examined in scripture history and dialogues and acquitted themselves in a creditable manner. An address of a practical nature was given by the Rev T. J. Despres, of Allendale. The services were resumed on Sunday morning at half-past nine o'clock, the, scholars being examined in the Wesleyan Catechism. In the afternoon Mr Despres preached at two and in the evening again at six, both sermons demonstrating the well-merited reputation of the preacher. The singing was conducted by Mr George Angus, the organist of the chapel, for whom too much praise cannot he given for the patience and plodding shown in getting the choir into an efficient state. The singing might be considered really excellent. Collections were made at all the services except Sunday morning in aid of the Sunday School funds.

Marriages

At the Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 24th ult. by the Rev. T. J. MacCartney, Mr George Millican to Miss Jane Dent.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Robert Dent, schoolmaster, aged 47, born Haltwhistle, his wife, Jane aged 45, born Lambley, children Fanny 18, Jane 16, William R 14, Sarah E 4, Anne 1, and granddaughter Sophia J Dent 5.

In 1871, at Hill House, Garrigill, George Millican, farmer of 59 acres, and lead mine agent, aged 60, his wife Mary aged 53, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Mary 22, Hannah 20, George Alfred, lead miner, aged 17, Walter,

shepherd, aged 14, Cresswell Friend 12, and Emily 9. In 1881, at Mid Lee House, George Millican, moor master & farmer of 47 acres, aged 70, his wife Mary 63, children Thomas, game keeper, aged 34, Walter, lead miner, aged 24, and Emily 19.
George Millican snr. died 1st quarter 1890, aged 79.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, George A. Millican, lead miner, unemployed, aged 27, his wife Jane 26, children Amelia 5, and Joe 10 months.
In 1891, at Garrigill, George A., lead miner, aged 37, children Jane 36, Amelia D 15, Joe 10, Wilfred D 8, Marion 6, Jennie 3, and Elsie 9 months.
In 1901, at Brook Cottage, George A Millican, mine agent, aged 47, his wife Jane 46, children Amelia D 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Wilfred D, lead miner, aged 18, Marian 16, Jennie 13, Elsie 10, Winnifred 7, and Edison 3.
George Alfred Millican died 3rd quarter 1905, aged 51.
In 1911, at Garrigill, Wilfred Dent Millican, limestone quarryman, aged 28, sisters Marian, dressmaker, aged 26, Jennie, domestic servant, aged 23, Winnie, domestic servant, aged 17, and brother Edison 13.
See 18th October 1861, 12th June 1880, 3rd July 1886, 25th January 1890
At the Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 24th ult. Mr Robert Nevin Heslop to Miss Jane Millican.
In 1881, at Greenends, Nenthead, Robert Nevin Heslop, hind on farm of 35 acres, aged 28, born Allendale, his wife Jane 36, son Joseph 1 month, domestic servant Catherine Storey 16.
In 1891, at Greenends, Robert N Heslop, farm servant, aged 38, his wife Jane 46, children Joseph 10, Annie M 5, George N 3, and domestic servant Hannah Richardson 14.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert N Heslop, mining agent, aged 48, his wife Jane 50, children Joseph, joiners apprentice, aged 20, Annie M 15, and George N 13.
Robert Nevin Heslop died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 48.
In 1911, at Holmesfoot, Nenthead, Jane Heslop, widow aged 66, and son George Nevin Heslop, joiner, aged 23.
See 22nd September 1883
Deaths
At Alston, 27th ult., aged 8 years, Ralph Whitfield, son of Mr Joseph Haldon,
At Alston, 6th inst., aged 47, William Dickinson, carter.
At Whitehall, Nenthead, aged 19 months, Jane, daughter of Mr Henry Little.
At Alston, 27th ult. aged 66, Thomas Dickinson, Lead Miner.
In 1851, at Front Street, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann (Richardson, married 25th January 1844, Alston) aged 28, children Robert 6, Hannah 4, Margrt 2 and Phoebe 6 months.
In 1861, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 38, children Robert joiners apprentice 16, Hannah 14, Margaret 12, Phebe 10, and Sarah Ann 8.
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, lead ore miner, aged 56, his wife Ann 48, children Robert, joiner 26, Hannah 24, Margaret 22, Sarah A 18, and Thomas joiners apprentice 13.
In 1881, at Thirlwells Lane, Ann Dickinson, lead miners widow, aged 58, son Robert, joiner & millwright, aged 37, and daughter Sarah Ann 27.

15th May 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Low Row, *(Haltwhistle district)* near Alston, 4th inst., aged 24, Lucy, second daughter of Walton Lee.

22nd May 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
The regular meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, in the Board Room, at the Town Hall, the Rev O. James (chairman) presiding. The other members present were—Mr J. G. Millican, Mr H. Walton, Mr Isaac Walton, Mr Jonathan Carr, Mr J. T. French, Mr Thos. Dickinson, Mr Thos. Richardson, Mr Thos. Walton, Mr Adam Walton, Mr Wm. Lee, and Mr Robert Ward.—There was no business of any public interest to transact, the attention of the Board being principally taken up with applications for relief and charity.
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.—The monthly meeting of the School Attendance Committee was held at the conclusion of the Guardians' meeting, when the School Attendance Officer reported that the monthly average attendance at the different schools in the district was as follows:—

	No. on register	Weekly average attendance
Leadgate	49	39
Nenthall	51	39
Garrigill	96	75
National (Alston)	64	47
Infant (Alston)	88	78
High School (Alston)	230	174
Tynehead	45	35
Nenthead	207	162

—The Officer also reported that he had given notices to several parties whose children were irregular attenders at school, but as this mode of making them attend did not apparently answer, it was resolved to issue summonses against them.
Marriages
At Alston, St Augustine's Church, 18th inst., Mr John Geo. Kay, of Darlington, to Miss Isabella Little, of Alston.
Deaths
At Alston, 16th inst., aged 47, Tom Bowman, Sergeant Drill Instructor.
At Alston, 10th inst. aged 59, Mary wife of Joseph Nattrass, carter.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Joseph Nattrass, cartman, aged 51, wife Mary 48, born Haltwhistle, and son Robert, Ag. Labourer, aged 21.
At Alston, 18th inst. aged 66, Mary widow of Joseph Foster, lead miner.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Foster, lead miner, aged 38, wife Mary (Hall, married 22nd January 1835, Alston), straw bonnet maker, aged 37, children Thomas 16, Elizabeth 13, Sarah 6, Anne 3, and mother in law Ann Hall, widow, aged 70. In 1861, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Joseph Foster, lead miner, aged 49, wife Mary 47, children Sarah, housemaid, aged 16, Anne 13, and Ruth 5. In 1871, at Kate's Lane, Mary Foster, widow, formerly domestic duties, aged 57, children Sarah, domestic duties, aged 26, Anne, dressmaker, aged 23, and Ruth, twister at woollen mill, aged 15.
At Low Greenends, 14th inst. aged 89, Robert Graham, lead ore washer.

29th May 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

THE "CRANSTON" ROCK DRILL.—The Commissioners of Patents have granted a further renewal of seven years to Mr J. G. Cranston, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, for his invention of improvements in machinery, for drilling rock and cutting coal, on which patent the stamp duty, £100, has just been paid. The "Cranston" rock drill and air-compressing machinery is already well-known, and extensively employed in mines, quarries, and tunnels in various countries, and the rapid and economical work they are doing will, no doubt, ensure their being yet much more extensively used.

Deaths

At Rose Hill, Allenheads, 9th inst., aged 56, Matthew Lee, lead ore miner.

12th June 1880 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston, St Augustine's Church 5th inst., Robert Thompson eldest son of Thos. P. Marshall Esq. Newcastle to Fanny second daughter of Robert Dent, Garrigill.

See 8th May 1880

12th June 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ACCIDENTS AT THE ALSTON LIME WORKS.—Last week two accidents happened at the Coal Pit of the Alston Lime Works, situated at Mount Holy, near Alston. On Tuesday last, a man named Forster Halton living at Physic Hall, went in to work when he got his leg broke by a fall of stone from the roof. On Thursday another man named Jos. Lee, Low Bailes, was working in the pit, and he sustained a similar catastrophe by a similar mishap.

Deaths

At Alston Workhouse, 9th inst., aged 73, Mary Walton.

At Alston Workhouse, 31st ult., aged 39, Joshua Johnson, lead ore washer.

In 1851, at Hard Struggle, Garrigill, Joshua Johnson (son of Joshua Johnson and Elizabeth Setree), lead ore miner, aged 56, his wife Ann aged 36, children Ann 12, Joshua 10, Mary 8, and Jane 4.

Joshua's father died 1851 or 1852.

In 1861, at Hard Struggle, Garrigill, Ann Johnson, lead miners widow, aged 55, her son Joshua lead miner and daughter Jane aged 14.

Joshua's mother Ann died in the first quarter of 1871.

At Alston, 7th inst., aged 64, Thomas Richardson, lead miner.

In 1861, at the Butts, Alston, Thomas Richardson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margery A 33, children Jane 13, and Frances 5.

Margery Anna Richardson died in 1861.

In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, Thomas Richardson, widow, joiner, aged 54, son in law Joseph B Hinde, coal miner, aged 25, daughter Jane Hinde 23, and daughter, Frances Richardson 15.

At Middle Craig, Garrigill, 1st inst., aged 86, John Millican, yeoman.

See 16th October 1857

19th June 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 11th inst., aged 68, William Hall, Lead ore smelter.

See 22nd February 1873, 25th July 1874, 29th July 1882, 21st July 1888, 29th April 1893, and 11th November 1893.
At Loaning Head, Garrigill, 12th inst., aged 75, Hannah Little, widow of John Little, lead miner.
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Jane Vipond, lead miners widow, aged 54, boarder Hannah Little lead miners widow, aged 56, and grandson Thomas Vipond aged 3 years.
In 1871 at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Vipond, joiner, aged 63, his brother, Ralph Vipond, lead miner, 55, sister Hannah Little, house keeper 65, and his niece Elizabeth Rain, house maid, 20.
At West End, Allendale, 12th inst. aged 20, Sarah Elizabeth Lee, daughter of the late Thomas Lee of Middle Rigg, Allenheads. *See 8th January 1875*

26th June 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Loanning Head, Garrigill, 20th inst., aged 43, James Stephenson, lead miner.
In 1851, at Calvert, Garrigill, Henry Stephenson lead ore miner, aged 39, his wife Mary (Graham, born Allendale, married at Alston, 4th December 1834) aged 32, children Margaret 15, James lead ore miner, aged 14, Mary Ann 12, Thomas Graham 8, Henry 6, John 4, Adamson 2, and Fanny 1.
In 1861, at Garrigill, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 42, children James lead miner, aged 24, Thomas lead miner, aged 18, Henry lead miner, aged 16, John lead miner, aged 14, Adamson lead miner, aged 12, Frances 11, Elizabeth 9, Hannah 7, Joseph 5, Matthew 1, and Robert 6 months.
In 1871, at Calvert Fold, Garrigill, Henry Stephenson, farmer of 42 acres, aged 59, his wife Mary 52, children Thomas G lead ore miner, aged 28, Hannah 16, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Matthew G., lead ore washer, aged 11, and grandson Thomas R Gaddas 6 years. Henry senior died in 1875.
In 1871 at Hill House, Garrigill, James Stephenson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary (Currah, married 1862) aged 29, children Isaac Henry 7, Jonah Adin 4, and James Charles 8 months.
In 1881, at High Windy Hall, Garrigill, Mary Stephenson, lead miners widow, aged 39, children, Isaac H. lead miner, aged 17, Jonah A. lead ore washer, aged 14, James C. aged 10, and Joseph C. aged 6 years.

10th July 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 5th inst. Martin Brown Smith aged 21 years.
At Fallowfield, 29th ult., aged 50, Edward Eddy, lead miner.
In 1861, at Shildon, Blanchland, Edward Eddy, (son of John & Jane Eddy, John born at Hunstanworth and his wife Jane at Stanhope), born Weardale lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary Ann, (Wilson, married 1852, registered at Hexham) born, Blanchland, aged 28, children Elizabeth 8, William 4, Joseph 2, Mary Jane 8 months, and niece Hannah Wilson 3 months.
In 1871, at Fallowfield Village, Edward Eddy, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary Ann, aged 38, children Elizabeth 18, William lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph lead ore washer, aged 12, Mary Jane 10, John 8, Catherine 6, and James Wilson 1 year.

In 1881, at Fallowfield Village, Mary Eddy, lead miners widow, aged 49, children Joseph lead miner, aged 22, Mary Jane 20, John coal miner 18, James Wilson 11, Hannah 9, and Edward 7. Mary Ann's son William was also living at Fallowfield Village in 1881, William Eddy, lead miner aged 24, his wife Annie Maria, aged 24, children, Mary Ann 5, Edward 3, and John 3 months.

17th July 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 12th inst., aged 67, Jane Bowman, widow of John Bowman lead miner.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, John Bowman lead miner, aged 41, his wife Jane (Surtees, married 7th January 1838, at Alston) aged 37, children John stone breaker, aged 13, Mary factory girl wool, 11, Elizabeth 7, Margaret 5, Thomas 2, and Robert 5 months.
John Bowman died either 1862 or 1864.
In 1871, at Town Head, Jane Bowman, widow, laundress, aged 57, children Elizabeth 26, Thomas stonebreaker aged 22, Robert lead miner aged 20.

24th July 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Marriages
At Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst. Mr Wilkinson Smith to Miss Little, both of Alston.
In 1861, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Moses Smith, lead miner, aged 55, born Yorkshire, his wife Margaret (Modeland, married 19th December 1835, at St John, Garrigill) aged 47, born Alston, children Elijah, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah 17, Joshua, lead miner, aged 15, Margaret 12, Elizabeth 9, Wilkinson 7, David 4, and Thomas V 1.
Moses Smith died 3rd quarter 1869, aged 63.
In 1871, at White Syke Cottage, Alston, Margaret Smith, widow, aged 57, sons Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 17, David, deaf & dumb from birth, aged 14, and Thomas T 11.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Wilkinson Smith, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Annie aged 30. In 1891, at Charles Street, Darlington, Wilkinson Smith, machinist at engine works, aged 35, his wife Annie 40, children Louis C 6, Mary H 9, and Edith E 3.
In 1900, at Granville House, Darlington, Wilkinson Smith, drilling machine minder, railway engine works, aged 45, his wife Annie 50, children Mary H 19, Lewis C., railway engine fitter, aged 16, Edith E 13, and niece Mary M Pryde 13. In 1911, at Waters St., Darlington, Wilkinson Smith, machinist driller, aged 55, his wife Annie 60, son Lewis Christopher 26
Edith Emily, shop assistant, aged 23.
Wilkinson Smith died 1st quarter 1914, aged 58.
Deaths
At Alston, 19th inst., aged 3 years, Patrick, son of Patrick Gilmore, marine store dealer.
At High Rotherhope, 19th inst., aged 9 weeks, Frances, infant daughter of John and Elizabeth Watson.
At Clitheroe, 19th inst. aged 53, Joseph Place, lead miner.
In 1851, at Low Skelgill, John Place, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth (Proud, married 7th December 1822, Alston), aged 48, children Joseph, lead

miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 17, and Elizabeth 10.
John Place died 20th May 1854.
In 1861, at Skelgill Toll Gate, Joseph Place, lead miner, and tollgate keeper, aged 34, his wife Sarah aged 27, children Sarah J 4, Thomas 2, and Elizabeth aged 1.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Joseph Place, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah 36, children Sarah J 14, Thomas 12, Elizabeth 11, Mary P 8, Eliza A 6, and Joseph 2. In 1881, at Clitheroe, Sarah Place, widow, aged 47, daughter Elizabeth 15, and son Joseph 12.

31st July 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 23rd inst. aged 21, Sarah Ann, daughter of Mr Christopher Carrick, bath and washhouse keeper.
See 4th February 1859, and 20th December 1913

31st July 1880 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 15th inst., William only surviving son of Thomas Pears, grocer, Ramshaw, to Eliza, eldest daughter of John Morpeth, manager Derwent Mines.
See 25th March 1864, 28th March 1866, and 31st July 1880

7th August 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON
VOLUNTEER REVIEW AT CARLISLE.—The Alston Volunteers attended the review held at Carlisle on Friday, July 30th. It has been said that it was the largest ever held in the old city, although there were such downpours of rain during the day. The total strength of the Alston, 1st Cumberland, which were present is as follows: —4 officers, 5 sergeants (including drill instructor), 15 band, and 40 rank and file, making a total of 64. On their return Captain Dickinson complimented the men as to the highly efficient manner in which they had performed their duties that day. The men were not long in making for home after being dismissed, as they nearly all got a good drenching
NENTHEAD. In our obituary of this week, it is our painful duty to record two very sudden deaths. Mrs Frances Hetherington, relict of the late Geo. Hetherington, lead mining agent. On the 30th she had partaken of supper as usual, and then retired to bed. Finding herself very unwell, she informed her daughter and immediately afterwards took an apoplexy fit, from which she never recovered. Deceased was 62 years of age.—On the 1st inst., Mrs Margaret Cousin, wife of Mr Wm. Cousin, Wellgill, died suddenly, her illness continuing only three hours. Her parents, Mr and Mrs John Stephenson, and the other members of the family are located in the state of Texas, America. Deceased was only 32 years of age.
Deaths
At West Nenthead, 30th ult. aged 62, Mrs Frances Hetherington, relict of the late Mr George Hetherington lead mining agent.
In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Frances (Hornsby, married 24th June 1837, at Alston) aged 36, children, George 9, Sarah 7, Ann 4, and Robert 2. In 1861, at Town End, Middleton in Teesdale, George Hetherington, lead mine agent, 43, his wife

Frances 40, children Sarah 17, Ann 14, Robert 12, Mary 9, Frances 7, Tamer 5, their son who was visiting, George draper & grocer, aged 19.
George senior died at Teesdale 2nd quarter of 1861.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Frances Hetherington, widow, innkeeper, aged 53, children Robert lead miner, aged 22, Mary 19, Frances 17, and James 15.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Hetherington, draper & grocers assistant, aged 39, his wife Ann (Hodgson, married 1870, at Alston) aged 32, children George W. 10, Robert W. 6, Tom Lee 4, Martha A. 2 years, and niece Jane Hodgson, nurse & domestic servant, aged 14 years. In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Robert Hetherington lead miner aged 32, his wife Elizabeth (Trathen, married 1877, at Alston) aged 25, children, Elizabeth 1, and George 3 months.
See 5th May 1877, 3rd May 1879, and 25th November 1882
At Whitehall, Nenthead, 3rd inst, aged 64, Catherine, widow of Mr George Hutchinson, lead miner.
See 25th February 1843, 25th December 1867, and 31st December 1887.
At Wellgill, Nenthead, 1st inst. aged 32, Margaret wife of Mr William Cousin, lead miner. *She was about to be confined, but died very suddenly, her parents Mr John and Ann Stephenson, and all other members of the family are now located in the state of Texas, America.*

OBITUARY
JOHN COUSIN DIED AT
WELLGILL
DEC. 30TH 1865 AGED 60 YEARS
HANNAH HIS WIFE DIED
JUNE 22ND 1864 AGED 58 YEARS
THOMAS THEIR SON DIED
SEPT 21ST 1848 AGED 15 YEARS
ISABELLA THEIR DAUGHTER
DIED JAN. 2ND 1837
AGED 4 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED AT ALSTON
ALSO WILLIAM THEIR SON WHO DIED
JANUARY 28TH 1893 AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO MARGARET HIS WIFE WHO DIED
AUGUST 1ST 1880, AGED 32 YEARS.

In 1841, at Green Ends, Nenthead, John Cousin, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Hannah (Parker married 3rd July 1831, at Alston) aged 36, children Thomas 5, and William 2.

In 1851, at Wellgill, John Cousin, lead miner farming 10 acres, aged 46, his wife Hannah aged 45, and son William, employed at lead mines, aged 12.
In 1861, at Wellgill, John Cousin, lead ore miner, aged 56, his wife Hannah aged 55, and son William, lead miner, aged 22.
Hannah Cousin was buried at Nenthead, 25th June 1864, aged 58.
Probate 1866: The will of John Cousin late of Wellgill in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Miner deceased who died 30th December 1865, at Wellgill aforesaid was proved at Carlisle by the oath of William Cousin of Wellgill aforesaid Miner the Son the sole Executor. Effects under £300.

In 1871, at Wellgill, Nenthead, William Cousin, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Margaret (Stephenson, married at Nenthead, 14th June 1868) aged 23, and daughter Hannah aged 2 years. See 6th June 1871
In 1881, at Wellgill, Nenthead, William Cousin, widow, lead miner aged 42, his daughters, Hannah aged 12, and Sarah Ann aged 3 years, and domestic servant Elizabeth Coates aged 31.
In 1891, at Wellgill, William Cousin, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 52, daughters, Hannah 22, and Sarah Ann 14.
Probate 1893: William Cousin of Welgill, Nenthead, Cumberland, miner, died 28th January 1893, Probate Carlisle 1 April to John Bright and Thomas Parker farmers. Effects £265 5s 8d. See 10th October 1874

In 1861, at Ruffside, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann (Dover, married at Nenthead 19th December 1846) aged 34, children Margaret 13, James Dover 11, Sarah Ann 9, Frances 7, Jane 5, John Joseph 2, and Wm Henry 1 month.
In 1871, at Ruffside, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 44, children James Dover lead miner, aged 21, Jane 14, John Joseph 12, William Henry 10, Lucy Caroline 6, and Priscilla 4.

James Dover Stephenson & Julia Stephenson
(Smalts Koerber family photo)

The 1880 USA Federal census gives at Precinct 1, Kendall County, Texas, John Stephenson, farmer aged 59, his wife Ann 54, children John Joseph labourer, aged 21, Jane 23, William Henry labourer 19, Lucy Caroline 15, Ella aged 13. James married in 1878, and is also living in Kendall County, Precinct 1, with his wife Julia (Perrin, married 22nd December 1878) and daughter Daisy aged 8 months; he is listed as a farmer.
In the 1900, Federal Census, at Precinct 1, Kendall County, Texas, Wm G Hughes (born in Wales, emigrated in 1880), farmer aged 41, his wife Lucy C. aged 35, children Jane E 11, George F 7, Gerard 5, servants, Olive Claridge 20, Francis McNeil 16, mother in law Ann Stephenson widow (John died in 1895), aged 73, sister in law Ella Stephenson 33. The census further tells us that Ann & Ella Stephenson emigrated in 1873. Ann Stephenson died 1n 1905, aged 78.
In 1900, at San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, James Stephenson, dairyman, aged 50, his wife Julia 43, children Daisy 20, Floy 19, Walter 17, Wilford 17, Annie May 15, and Mabel 12.
The 1900, Federal Census gives the following for John Joseph Stephenson: at Baker Township, Crawford County, Kansas, John Stephenson, farmer, aged 41, his wife Nola Ann (Cusic, married 1886) aged 30, children William N 13, Bessie E 8, Edward J 5, Harry B 3, and Joseph 8 months. John Joseph died in 1936.
The 1900 Federal Census gives the following for William Henry Stephenson: at Precinct 8, Kaufman County, Texas, William Stephenson, carpenter, aged 37, his wife Nettie aged 22, they had been married less than a year. William Henry died in 1937. In 1910, at District 19, Lagow, Dallas, Texas William H Stephenson, carpenter, aged 47, his wife Lettie 31, children Inez 9, John 6, Perry 3, and Baby Stephenson 11 months.

21st August 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 14th inst. Mr William Godfrey of High Rotherhope to Miss Rachel Davidson, High Brownside.
In 1881, at Trumpet Street, Cleator Moor, William Godfrey, iron ore miner, aged 28, born Suffolk, his wife Rachael 29, and boarders Vipond Parmley, iron ore miner, aged 31, his wife Maria 21, and son John Parmley 2. In 1891, at Cleator Moor, William Godfrey, iron miner, aged 37, his wife Rachel 39, children John H 9, Rhoda J 8, Aptavious 6, and Emily H 3. In 1901, Trumpet Road, William Godfrey, iron miner, aged 48, his wife Rachel 49, children John Hy, hairdresser, aged 19, Aptavious 16, Emily H 13, and Rachel D 3.
William Godfrey died 4th quarter 1906, aged 53.
In 1911, at Ennerdale Road, Cleator Moor, John H Godfrey, hairdresser, aged 29, his wife Mary 28, daughter Dorothy aged 1, mother Rachel Godfrey, widow, aged 59, and sister Rachel Godfrey 13.
At Alston, St Augustine Church, 17th inst. Mr Ralph Chalder of Haydon Bridge to Miss Annie Forster, Alston.
In 1871, at Walton Place, Haydon Bridge, Ralph Chalder, fitter, aged 24, born Bellingham, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 3rd quarter 1867, Alston) aged 23, born Alston, daughter Jane A 3, and son Joseph N., 11 months.
Elizabeth Chalder died 2nd quarter 1873, aged 25.

In 1881, at Walton Place, Ralph Chalders, engine fitter at works, aged 34, his wife Annie 33, sons Nathan 10, and Henry 7.
In 1891, at Cochrane Street, Benwell, Ralph Chalder, fitter at ordinance works, aged 44, his wife Annie, aged 43, children Jane Ann, dressmaker, aged 23, sons Joseph Nathan, apprentice fitter ordnance works, aged 20, and Henry apprentice grocer, aged 18.
Ralph Chalder died 1st quarter 1901, aged 53.
In 1901, at Hugh Gardens, Benwell, Annie Chalder, widow, aged 53, sons Joseph N. fitter ordnance works, aged 30, Henry, grocers assistant, aged 27, and Anthony O Sander, grandson, aged 7.
At Nenthead, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 15th inst. Mr John Stout of Donkshall, to Miss Elizabeth Hetherington, Overwater.
In 1871, at Wellgill, Thomas Stout, carrier, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 52, children Ann 15, John, cartman, aged 13, and William 11.
Thomas Stout died 1st quarter 1877, aged 58.
In 1881, at Fiddler Street, John Stout, Cartman, aged 24, and his wife Elizabeth aged 22. In 1901, at Overwater, John Stout, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 42, children Jane 17, born Alston, John 12, born US America, and William 9, born US America.
In 1911, at Nenthead, John Stout, mine foreman, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 52, daughter Jane 27, sons William, grocers shop assistant, aged 19, born US America, and grandson Reginald Henry Stout 3.
John Stout snr. died 2nd quarter 1916, aged 59.
Deaths
At Wooley Burn Foot, Allendale, 19th inst. aged 33, Fanny Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Thomas & Mary Carrick.
In 1871, at Keenly Well House, Thomas Carrick, farmer of 33 acres, aged 55, wife Mary (Harle, married 1st December 1845, Allendale) aged 47, children Fanny Elizabeth 24, William 23, Mary Ann 20, Margaret 18, Sarah Harle 14, Jane 12, Jonathan 10, Julia Sophia 5, and Elizabeth Harle, widow, annuitant, aged 81.

26th August 1880 (Northern Echo)
THE PUMPING APPARATUS which has been in the course of erection some time at the Crookburn, Dubby Syke, and Greenhurth Mines is nearly completed.

28th August 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
NENTHEAD
SUNDAY CENTENARY CELEBRATION.—The Nent valley has spoken out plainly what she thinks of Sunday Schools as an institution, and her appreciation of the founder of Sunday Schools by a demonstration on Saturday last, which has out-stripped everything in her local annals. In attempting to subscribe our humble tribute of respect to the benefit of Sunday School tuition, it will not be in flattering vain words, but mature profound respect for the gratuitous system of inculcating the principles and doctrines of Christianity in the youthful mind. The national attachment to the Sunday Schools has been developed in the amount of attention paid to the centenary year by the gatherings in city, town, country, and village. This national attitude towards the Sunday Schools will nerve and stimulate the humble Sunday School teacher, pregnate his holy ambition and

aspirations that he is not only working for time but for eternity. As soon as the idea had been conceived of holding a local centenary gathering, vigilant committee formed from the schools formulated the scheme, which was so auspiciously held on Saturday last, and terminated successfully The day was everything that could be desired, and the fears of a failure dismissed from the minds of the teachers, and by one o'clock the teachers and scholars were wending their way to their respective schools, and precisely at half-past one o'clock the schools all met beside the Wesleyan Chapel and formed in marching order, headed by the Nenthead Union Brass Band and their noble banner, whose leading motto is the "Good Samaritan." Each school had its banner, and these reflected great artistic credit upon our local amateurs who had got them up. The procession was imposing, about 526 teachers and scholars took part, wearing a centenary medal which had been supplied by a Sheffield firm. The first school in the procession was the Nentsbury Primitive Methodists, and we inferred from its banner it had been established in 1823. No. 3, the Nenthead Wesleyan School, and from its banner it had been established in 1860. No. 4 in the procession was the Nenthead Primitive Methodist School, which, like its neighbour, had been established in 1860. A little explanation is needed to the reader here. A Sunday School was held in Nenthead long before they assumed a devotional form, which was conducted by the London Lead Co., the schoolmaster being the superintendent; the company's officials and workmen formed the staff of teachers. A noble feature of the patrons of the school was on a male scholar arriving at the age of eighteen was presented with a handsome Bible, small pica type, 7s 6d each, and the female at sixteen years was presented with one of the ruby type at 3s 9d each; both subject to a Bible examination. The procession terminated in the field granted for the occasion by Pearson Walton, Esq., of Foulard. At three o'clock p.m. the scholars partook of tea gratis and afterwards the public for the charge of 6d per ticket; about 1,000 partook of tea. In the interval between the tea and public meeting, various games were indulged in—football, cricket, kissing rings, jolly miller, &c., all seeming to squeeze as much enjoyment out of the day as possible and made it a gala. At six o'clock a public meeting was held on the ground, the chair being occupied by Jonathan Walton, Esq., of Donk's Villa, who said he was glad to meet them on that occasion, and more especially so as the memorable occasion was the celebration of the Sunday School centenary, and was not likely that any now present would be privileged to celebrate the by-centenary of Sunday Schools. The first Sunday School he attended was the Nentsbury Wesleyan School, which was held in a mining shop at Haggs, prior to the erection of the Wesleyan Chapel at Nentsbury. Sunday School teaching in that day was very much different from what it was in this day. The spiritual and doctrine was more left to the itinerant and local ministry. The Chairman called upon Messrs T. W. Snowdon H. Dowson, J. Teasdale, and Thomas Pearson to address the meeting, each making an appropriate reference to the establishment of a centenary of Sunday Schools.—Votes of thanks was accorded to Mr Pearson Walton for the loan of the field, the waiters, band, and all who took part therein.—A collection was taken at the meeting to help to defray expenses—A confectionery stall was provided on the ground in connection with the movement.—The tables were spread, and a number partook of supper, and a sale of bread wound up the proceedings.—The income amounted to £19 13s 1d, including collection; the expenditure being. £22 3s 9d. The deficiency was

made up by a gift from Mr J. Walton, Donk's Villa.—The committee purpose giving a present to the lender of the ground in gift of a Bible, value £1.

4th September 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

FLOWER SHOW.

NENTHEAD.

The Nenthead Floral and Horticultural Society held their annual show on Friday, the 27th ult., in the Lead Company's school-room. The weather was unexceptionally fine and the number of visitors all that could be desired, showing a fair average compared with previous years. The general arrangements were under the management of Mr Wm. T. L. Shaw and Mr Anthony Bolton, and were in every respect satisfactory, the show altogether being highly creditable to the district. During the afternoon and evening the Nenthead Union Brass Band played selections of popular music to the enjoyment of those present. The judges, who, we might mention, considered the display of flowers superior to those hitherto exhibited, were Mr Greg (from Messrs. Little and Ballantye, Carlisle) and Mr D. Carruther, Stanwix Villa, Carlisle. …

6th September 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel 30th ult., Mr Alfred Hornsby to Elizabeth Walton both of Nenthall.

In 1871, at Overwater, Ann Hornsby, widow, grocer, aged 43, children Garthwaite, lead ore washer, aged 13, Alfred 11, Mary Margaret 6, Isaac 4, and step son William, shoe maker, aged 17. In 1881, at Nenthall, Alfred H. Hornsby. married, coachman, aged 21. In 1881, at Park, Alston, Elizabeth Walton, widow, aged 65, married daughter Elizabeth Hornsby, grooms wife, aged 36, son Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 32.

In 1891, at Marian Street, Gateshead, Alfred Hornsby, cartman, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 32, children Mary L 8, Alfred W 5, boarders George Kindred, railway checker, aged 25, born Alston, and Thomas Kindred, policeman, aged 23, born Alston. In1901, at Skinners Rd., Elswick, Alfred Hornsby, horse keeper, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 50, daughter Mary Lizzie 18, and son Alfred W., butchers apprentice, aged 15.

Elizabeth Hornsby probably died 2nd quarter 1905, aged 52.

In 1911, at Parkers Cottages, Shot Factory Lane, Elswick, Alfred Hornsby, horse keeper, at lead manufacturers, aged 51, his wife Margaret (Turner, married 4th quarter 1907) aged 43, born Berwick, son Norman 2, married daughter Lizzie Sharp 28, and granddaughter Florrie Sharp 6.

Alfred H Hornsby died 4th quarter 1927, aged 68

See 1st May 1869, 17th October 1885, and 23rd February 1901

11th September 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Allendale Primitive Methodist Chapel, 8th inst. Matthew Glendining of London to Martha Shield of Allendale Town.

At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Mr J. J. Newrick of Darlington to Miss Rebecca Little of Alston.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Christopher Little, blacksmith, aged 38, his wife Hannah 35, children Annie 10, Isabella 7, Rebecca 5, and Mary J. 2. In

the 1871 census Rebecca is working as a general servant domestic for Robert Bell and family, at Nenthead.
In 1881, at Aldam Street, Darlington, John J. Newrick, pattern maker, at engine works, aged 25, and his wife Rebecca, aged 25.
In 1891, at Shildon Street, Darlington, John J Newrick, pattern maker at engine works, aged 35, his wife Rebecca 35, Percy M. 9, Frederick W. 8, Louis 6, James A. 4, and Christopher C. 2 years.

Deaths

At Low Wanwood, 27th ult. aged 26, Jane daughter of the late Isaac Craig, lead miner. *See 30th May 1866, & 12th September 1878.*
At Loaninghead, Alston 31st ult., age 74, Phyllis, widow of John Kirsopp, lead miner. *See 24th June 1871, 24th April 1886, and 17th April 1897*

18th September 1880 (Northern Echo)

SEVEN MEN IMPRISONED IN A LEAD MINE

Seven men have been imprisoned in a lead mine at Eyam, near Sheffield, since Wednesday night, in consequence of the mine being flooded by the heavy rains, were released yesterday morning. They escaped drowning by climbing into the higher parts of the mine.

18th September 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON

The rainfall measured at Lovelady Shield, Alston, on Wednesday at 9 a.m., was registered at 1.81 inches for 24 hours. This is the heaviest known register in the district. Over 200 people availed themselves of the four days' excursion from Alston to Newcastle, Sunderland, and Tynemouth, last Friday, the 10th inst.

25th September 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Tallulah, Louisiana, 24th ult., aged 32, Joseph Dinning.

25th September 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

NENTHEAD.

The Nenthead Agricultural Society has been yearly increasing in popularity and importance until it has now taken a high standing as a local agricultural show. Certainly the exhibits on Saturday last excelled any previous show held under the society's auspices, both as regards quantity and quality; there were upwards of 180 entries, and the judges themselves expressed their surprise and stated it was far beyond their expectations. Although the weather was unfavourable, yet the attendance was very numerous, and at an early, hour numbers of visitors were seen coming in from all quarters. It is only five years since the first show was held in connection with this society, and was comprised of only one class, viz., hat of pigs; so that it is really surprising, and very creditable to the promoters, at the success which has attended it since that time. The arrangements were satisfactorily carried out under the management of the secretary, Mr Thomas Swindle, the treasurer, Mr Walton Holmes, and a general committee; amongst whom we might mention Mr James Atkinson and Mr J. Erwin, whom we are given to understand first proposed a Nenthead Cattle Show, and to whom many thanks are due for their energy displayed in bringing it to its present proportions. The Nenthead Brass hand was in attendance and played a

popular selection of music during the proceedings. The gentlemen who officiated as judges were:—Mr Walton Raine, Wanwoodside ; Mr Thomas Moore, Softley; Mr Ellerington, Coanwood; and Mr Stobbs, Allendale. …

2nd October 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
Deaths
At Croft House, Alston, 23rd ult., aged 58 years, William Akerigg (late of Kendal).
At High Galligill, 28th ult., Matthew Edward, son of Thomas Harrison, farmer.

9th October 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 1st inst., aged 54, Martha daughter of the late Joseph Watson, lead miner.
Joseph Watson married Mary Pearson 17th May 1810, Alston.
There is a record of a burial of Joseph Watson, aged 41, of Lee Houses, at Garrigill, dated 3rd April 1831.
In 1841, at Low Skides, Garrigill, Mary Watson, farmer, aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 30, Nancy 25, Martha 15, and Thomas 10.
In 1851, at Low Lee House, Thomas Pearson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 96, daughter Mary, widow, housekeeper, aged 60, granddaughter Martha 25.
In 1861, at Low Lee House, Mally Watson, widow, landed proprietor aged 68, and her daughter Martha, aged 35. In 1871, at Low Lee House, Mary Watson, widow, annuitant, aged 80, and her daughter Martha, annuitant aged 44.
At Alston workhouse 6th inst., aged 61, John Price, lead miner.
In 1841, at Holmfoots, Nenthead, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth (Blacklock, married 21st November 1816, Alston) aged 44, children John, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Stephenson, lead miner, aged 14, and Joseph 6.
In 1851, at Homes Foot, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 54, and son John, lead miner, aged 33.
Thomas Price died in 1851.
In 1861, at Holme Foot, Elizabeth Price, lead miners widow, aged 64, and son John, lead miner, aged 43. In 1871, at Nenthead, William Price, shopman, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 43, children Lucy 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Stephen W 12, and boarder John Price, unmarried, formerly lead miner, aged 53.
At Garrigill Gate, 5th inst., aged 90, Simeon Moor, lead mine agent.
In 1841, at Garrigill, Simon Moor, lead smelter, aged 50, his wife Sibyl (Jackson, married 16th November 1811, Haltwhistle) aged 50, children Robert, lead smelter, aged 25, Elizabeth 20, Sibyl 15, and Nicholas 14.
In 1851, at Langley Hill Top, Simeon Moore, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Sibel 62, and daughter Elizabeth 34.
In 1861, at Langley Hill Top, Simon Moor, agent at the smelt mill, aged 67, born Knaresdale, his wife, Sybil 68, daughter Elizabeth, milliner, aged 37 and granddaughter Tanson Stout 9. In 1871, at Langley Hill Top, Simon Moor, widow, foreman at the lead works, aged 77, and his daughter Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 48.
At Garrigill Gate, 6th inst., aged 63, John Parmley, lead miner.
Jonathan Hodgson married Ruth Vipond, 14th December 1839, at St John Garrigill.

In 1841, at Garrigill, Jonathan Hodgson, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Ruth 20, and son John 7 months.
In 1851, at Skydes, Garrigill, Ruth Hodgson, lead miners wife, aged 30, children John 10, Emma 7, and Elizabeth 5.

Jonathan Hodgson died either 1854 or 1856.

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Margret Parmley, widow, aged 74, and son John, lead miner, aged 33. In1861, at Pry Head, Garrigill, John Parmley, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ruth (Hodgson, married 7th April 1859, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 39, step son, John Hodgson, lead miner, aged 20, and step daughter, Elisabeth Hodgson 15. In 1871 census at Garrigill Gate, John Parmley, unemployed lead miner, aged 54, living with Ruth his wife aged 50, son in law, John Hodgson, lead miner unemployed, aged 30, Daughter in law, Elizabeth Hodgson, dressmaker, aged 25, and son Hazwell Parmley aged 7. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Ruth Parmley, widow, aged 60, and son Hazwel, lead miner, aged 19.
See 8th April 1859, & 6th November 1886

16th October 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 9th inst., aged 74, John Erwine, Blacksmith.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Erwin, blacksmith, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth (Moffatt, married 3rd October 1835, at Alston) aged 56, children, Thomas blacksmith 25, Sarah bonnet maker 23, Elizabeth house maid 20, and John Erwin, lead ore washer 16.

IN
MEMORY OF
JOHN ERWIN OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED 9TH OCT. 1880
AGED 74 YEARS
ALSO ELIZABETH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED 29TH JANUARY 1878
AGED 73 YEARS
ALSO SARAH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED IN LONDON
8TH NOVEMBER 1877
AGED 39 YEARS
ALSO JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED AT NEWCASTLE
6TH OCTOBER 1880
AGED 36 YEARS

In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, John Erwine, blacksmith, aged 64, his wife Elizabeth 66, unmarried daughters, Sarah, milliner, 32, and Elizabeth aged 29. See 2nd February 1878

22nd October 1880 (London Gazette)

WHITEHALL, OCTOBER 19, 1880.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto John Wilson Walton, of Shotley Hall, in the parish of Shotley, in the county of Northumberland, Gentleman, eldest son of Thomas Walton, late of Albany House, in the parish of St. George, Camberwell, in the county of Surrey, Gentleman, by Maria, his wife, daughter of John Wilson, late of Shotley Hall aforesaid, Gentleman, and sister of Thomas Wilson, also late of Shotley Hall aforesaid, Esq., in the Commission of the Peace for the counties of Durham, Northumberland, and Cumberland, all deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his maternal uncle, the said Thomas Wilson, assume and use the surname of Wilson, in addition to and after that of Walton, and that he and they may bear the arms of Wilson quarterly with his and their own family arms; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

23rd October 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Hill House, Tynehead, 19th inst. aged 92, Mary widow of Francis Philipson, lead miner.

In 1841, at Thorn Green, Allendale, Mary Philipson (Her husband Francis died 3rd quarter of 1840) aged 50, children Nicholas, lead ore miner, aged 30, George, lead ore miner, aged 20, John, lead ore miner, aged 20, Elizabeth 20, Henry, lead ore miner, aged 15, Ann 14, and Edward 11.

In 1851, at Shield Bank, Allendale, Mary Philipson, widow, farming 60 acres, aged 62, children John, lead ore miner, aged 32, Ann 23, Edward 21, Francis 39, Margaret 11, William 10, Margaret 8, and sister, Jane Dixon, widow, aged 66.

In 1861, at White Rigg, Allendale, John Philipson, single, tile manufacturer, aged 42, his mother Mary, widow, aged 73, niece Mary E Philipson 13, niece Sarah A Philipson 11, nephew William H Philipson 8, and house servant Sarah Martin 17.

In 1871, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Millican (Philipson, married 10th May 1848, at Ninebanks), widow (Husband Wallace, farmer, died 2nd quarter of 1866, aged 42), farmer of 44 acres and landowner, aged 50, children Francis, lead ore miner, aged 20, James, lead ore miner, aged 18, Joe, lead ore miner, aged 15, Leah 13, Albert 11, Jesse 7, Philipson 5, and lodger Mary Philipson, widow, annuitant, aged 83.

See 23rd August 1890

6th November 1880 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 28th ult. Mr Edward Little, Alston, to Mary Davidson, High Skelgill.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Edward Little, widow (his wife Isabella died 25th January 1870, aged 61), farmer of 23 acres, aged 74, married son Edward

Little, grocer, aged 38, sons wife Mary 30, and granddaughter Isabella Little, 1 month.
Edward Little snr., draper & grocer, died 7th August 1884, aged 77.
In 1891, at Diana Street, Westgate, Newcastle, Edward Little, coal merchant, aged 48, his wife Mary 40, children Isabella 10, Sarah 8, and William 6.
In 1901, at Oak St. Benwell, Edward Little, general labourer, aged 57, his wife Mary 45, and daughter Sarah, dressmaker machinist, aged 18.
Edward Little died 13th April 1901, aged 57, interred at Benwell.
In 1911, at Corby Gates, Alston, Jane Davidson, single, housekeeper, aged 67, brother Joseph, single, farmer, aged 64, brother John, single, farmer, aged 56, sister Mary Little, widow, washer woman, aged 60, sisters daughter Isabella Little, domestic servant, aged 30.
See 8th February 1870 & 30th August 1879

Deaths

At Overwater, 27th inst. aged 1 year, Phoebe Hannah Archer.

23rd October 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

GARRIGILL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CENTENARY CELEBRATION.—Never in the measure of duration was there such a gathering of Sunday School teachers and scholars in Garrigill, as was collected together on Saturday last, being the centennial celebration of different schools in the neighbourhood. At four o'clock the scholars belonging to the Primitive Methodists, Ashgill, Wesleyan Methodists, Tynehead, Primitive Methodists, Garrigill, and the Wesleyan Methodists, Garrigill, met at the Wesleyan Chapel, each scholar being presented with a medal by their respective teachers and managers, the medals bearing the following inscription Sunday School Centenary, Garrigill,—each school taking its own name on the medal. Beneath the inscription is a portrait of Robert Raikes, founder of Sunday Schools. After the distribution, the scholars formed a procession and marched into the centre of the village, accompanied by their teachers, and a number of local musicians, where they sang a number of delightful pieces, prepared for the day. The weather being gloriously fine a very large number of people made their way into the village to view the procession, which numbered about 400 teachers and scholars, the scholars belonging to the Primitive Methodists Garrigill, being the first in the procession, the Wesleyan scholars, Garrigill, second, Ashgill, Primitives, third, and Tynehead, Wesleyans fourth. Having sung a number of pieces on the village green, the scholars were again formed into processional order, and marched to The Primitive Chapel, where a public meeting was held, the chair being ably occupied by Mr Jahn Pickering, superintendent of the Wesleyan school, Garrigill. Able addresses were also given by the Rev B. Wild, Alston; Rev W. Shavelton, Alston; and Mr W. Craig, formerly of Garrigill. Attached to Primitive chapel pulpit was a large engraving of Robert Radices, enclosed in a massive gilt frame, giving it a most magnificent appearance. After the usual vote of thanks had been given to the speakers, chairman, and singers, the doxology was sung, and the meeting brought to a conclusion.—A collection was taken at the close of the meeting in aid of defraying the expenses.

Deaths

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6th November 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

The School Attendance Officer (Mr N. Walton) stated he had visited the various schools in the district and reported as follows:—Number of scholars on Tynehead register 46, average attendance 32; Garrigill register 94, average attendance 76; Leadgate register 46, average attendance 37; Nenthall register 62, average attendance 52; High School, Alston, register 219; average attendance 161; National School register 60, average attendance 50; Infant School 100, average attendance 75.
Nenthead school had been closed three weeks on account of the prevalence of measles; and Nenthall two days owing to the severe weather. 16 notices and five summonses had been served upon parents for the continued irregular attendance of their children.
Mr French I don't know that it is imperative to serve notices to all. The Clerk: The attendances at schools in Alston are decidedly worse than they are in the country. Three cases of relief were disposed of according to their merits.
There was no more business of a public character.

ALSTON.

SNOW STORM.—A snow storm of great violence was experienced on Wednesday and Thursday week, accompanied with a strong north-east wind. Considerable damage was done to telegraph wires in this neighbourhood, communication by which was entirely interrupted for some time. By the force of the wind together with the weight of snow, many trees were nearly stripped of their branches some broken down, while others were uprooted. Great anxiety was occasioned to flock-masters as to the safety of their flocks. Many sheep have been dug out of the drift alive; in some cases they were entombed six feet deep, while others which remained buried have been drowned by the sudden thaw which set in on Friday afternoon, and serious loss has been the result. Traffic was entirely suspended on most of the fell roads, the consequence was, only one cart of potatoes found its way to market on Saturday; it is needless to

say they were quickly bought up. Gangs of workmen were busily engaged on Friday and Saturday clearing the roads. A cart laden with dynamite from the Hebburn Manufactory on its way to the Nenthead lead mines, stuck fast on the Whitfield road on Friday, the driver having to come to Alston for assistance. Some of our oldest inhabitants say they never remember so much snow fall in so short a time, and more remarkable is it for its early appearance.— The weather is now very fine with a keen frost.

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Edward Little snr., draper & grocer, died 7th August 1884, aged 77.

In 1891, at Diana Street, Westgate, Newcastle, Edward Little, coal merchant, aged 48, his wife Mary 40, children Isabella 10, Sarah 8, and William 6. In 1901, at Oak St. Benwell, Edward Little, general labourer, aged 57, his wife Mary 45, and daughter Sarah, dressmaker machinist, aged 18.

Edward Little died 13th April 1901, aged 57, interred at Benwell.

In 1911, at Corby Gates, Alston, Jane Davidson, single, housekeeper, aged 67, brother Joseph, single, farmer, aged 64, brother John, single, farmer, aged 56, sister Mary Little, widow, washer woman, aged 60, sisters daughter Isabella Little, domestic servant, aged 30.

At Nentsbury, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 30th ult., Alfred Hornsby, to Elizabeth Walton, both of Nenthall.

In 1891, 83 Mariah Street, Gateshead, Alfred Hornsby, cartman, aged 31, born Alston, and his wife Elizabeth aged 32, born Alston, children, Mary L 8, Alfred W 5, and boarders, George Kindred, railway checker, aged 25, born Alston, & Thomas Kindred, Policeman, aged 23, born Alston.

Deaths

At Alston, Workhouse, 26th ult., aged 80, Mary Dobson.

20th November 1880 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT

On Tuesday, George Watson of Brokenway, near St John's Chapel died from the effects of injuries received on the previous Wednesday at the Parson Byers Limestone Quarry, when he was crushed by a fall of earth. He was 45 years of age and leaves a wife and family.

In 1871, at Brokenway, St John's, George Watson, lead miner and farmer of 9 acres, aged 31, his wife Frances (Philipson, married 1865, at Weardale) aged 28, children William 3, Mary H. 2, and George 5 months.

In 1881, at Brokenway, St John's, Frances Watson, widow, aged 38, children William 13, Mary H. 12, George 10, John 8, and Joseph R. 4.

Frances died in 1889, aged 46.

Mary Hannah Watson died at Weardale in 1883, aged 14 years.

In 1891, John aged 18, and Joseph, aged 14, are living at Frog Hall, St John's Chapel, John is a pupil teacher and Joseph a grocers apprentice. George is working as a domestic servant at Prise, St John's Chapel, William is working

as a Railway porter, lodging with Garthwaite Hornsby (born Nenthead) and his family at Gateshead.

27th November 1880 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Middleton House, Middleton in Teesdale, 19th inst., aged 70, Jane the wife of R W Bainbridge. *See 15th September 1888.*
At Darkdale, near Alston, 1st inst. aged 58, William Kindred.
In 1871, at Ratten Row, Knaresdale, William Kindred, farmer of 44 acres, wife Elizabeth aged 39, children, John 15, Jane Ann 12, and Mary 6.
At Coal Pits, near Allendale, 15th inst., aged 74, Jane Varty, widow of the late Tingate Varty. *See 3rd March 1873*

4th December 1880 (The Times)
THOMAS WILSON deceased—Pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Victoria Cap 35 intituled " An Act, to further amend the Law of property and to relieve Trustees" Notice is hereby given that all CREDITORS and other persona havening any debts claims or demands against the Estate of THOMAS WILSON, late of Shotley Hall in the County of Northumberland Esquire deceased (who died on the 22nd day of April; 1180 and whose will with two codicils thereto was presented by Thomas Wilson Esquire and the Reverend Thomas Isaac Walton the Executors thereof in the Newcastle on Tyne District Registry of the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice on the 26th day of August 1880) are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their debts claims or demands to me the undersigned the Solicitor to the said executors on or before the 31st day of December 1880 after which day the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Testator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the debts claims or demands of which they shall then have had notice, and that they will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose debt claim or demand they shall not then have had Notice Dated this twenty seventh day of November 1880.
JOHN WILLIAMSON BROWN; Percy Chambers, 29 Grainger Street West, Newcastle upon Tyne, Solicitor for the said executors.

4th December 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)
ALSTON
THE WEATHER.—A severe storm of wind and rain was experienced here on Sunday last and during the week the weather has been extremely boisterous.
A fire, which might have proved disastrous, considering the heavy wind that was blowing at the time, occurred on Sunday evening lust, on the premises belonging to Mr George Thompson, chemist, Market Place. It appears that a beam in the chimney, immediately above the fireplace in the kitchen, ignited, and had it not been for the promptitude of the family in securing a few buckets of water, it might have reached serious dimensions.
ALSTON SKATING CLUB.—The Committee of this Society held their second meeting on Tuesday evening, and reported favourable progress, the trial to flood the field belonging to Mr William Hymers, Golden Lion Hotel, being a great success. The Committee, composed of the following gentlemen, are now open to sell tickets for the season 1880 and 1881:—Mr Lawrence James, hon.

treasurer; Mr James Akerigg, hon. secretary; Messrs Jacob Walton; Joseph R. Walton; H. L. Dickinson; Steward Carson, junr.; H. S. Dryden; Edmund Crawhall; F. B. Sheppard (Alston Herald Office); Maughan; Charles Millican; John Dawson, grocer; and Cranston, grocer. Season tickets, 2s 6d each; evening tickets, 1s 6d each; daily tickets, 3d.

Marriages

At Alston, Independent Chapel, 2nd inst., by the Rev. Wm. Farries, Mr William Craig, to Miss Sarah Routledge, both of Flatt.

In 1881, at Hermitage, Garrigill, William Craig, lead miner (out of employment), aged 26, his wife Sarah 23, children, Walton Routledge 2, and Joseph Craig, 1 month.

In 1891, at Acomb Terrace, West Acombe, William Craig, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah 38, children, Joseph 10, Robert W 8, Thomas 5, John 1 month, and sister in law, Hannah Routledge 22.

Deaths

Langley Hill Top, 20th ult., in her 67th year Mary relict of the late W. H. Bright of Allenheads.

See 19th October 1864, 12th June 1867, and 24th July 1886

11th December 1880 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

A CHILD SUFFOCATED.

On Wednesday last, Hannah Jane Pearson, daughter of James Pearson, lead miner, Guide Post, Allendale, was suffocated under very painful circumstances. She was about 9 weeks old, and the mother it appears started from the Guide Post on the day named between 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, taking the baby with her. To protect the child from the wind and the cold, she wrapped her shawl and the skirt of her gown round about it and when she got to the house at Pease Meadows she found the child was dead. Mr R. Y. Green, deputy coroner, held an inquest at Pease Meadows yesterday, when the jury returned a verdict to the effect that the child had been accidently suffocated.

11th December 1880 (Alston Herald and East Cumberland Advertiser)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS.

FRIDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

(Before Rev. O. JAMES (chairman), and Thos. W. CRAWHALL WILSON, Esq.) **DRUNK AND DISORDERLY AT ALSTON.**

William Featherstone was charged with being drunk and guilty of riotous behaviour in the Front Street, Alston, on the night of the 13th November last. P.C. Byrnes said that about half-past five he found defendant drunk and making a disturbance in Front Street, and requested him to go away, which he did, but at half past eleven the same night he found him still drunk and wanting to fight. In answer to the charge the defendant admitted the offence.—The Chairman cautioned him against such conduct in future, and in answer to a question put to Sergt. Calvert as to defendant's previous character took a lenient view of the case.—Fined 5s and costs.

John Redshaw, who did not appear, was also charged with being drunk and disorderly. Sergt. Calvert proved the case, and stated that he had seen the defendant since, who acknowledged offence, and hoped the magistrates would

deal as leniently with him as possible.—Fined 5s and costs, or in default seven days.

Wm. Hall and Nicholas Spottiswood were charged by P.C. Byrnes with fighting and refusing to quit licensed premises, to wit, that at twenty minutes past eight on the night of the 13th November, he (P.C. Byrnes) at the request of a son of Mr Jonathan Walton, proprietor of the Blue Bell Hotel, went down and found both defendants under the influence of drink and fighting, they at first refused to go out, but after sitting some time consented.—Fined 10s each and costs.

NEGLECTING TO SEND CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Elizabeth Woodmass, William Armstrong, William Thompson, Hannah Lee, and Jane Coates, were all charged on remand with neglecting to send their children to school. The School Attendance Officer said that since the last magistrates' meeting the attendance at school had been better in every case with the exception of Hannah Lee's child, who had not been at school since. She (Lee) was fined 5s., or in default seven days in prison.—The Bench, considering the other cases satisfactory, dismissed them. Robert Holmes. John Walton Armstrong, Edward Wallace, and Obediah Clarkson, boys, were all charged with sliding and causing an obstruction on the footway at Alston. Sergt. Calvert and P.C. Byrnes proved the cases. The Bench dismissed all with a caution, except John Walton Armstrong, who did not appear. The magistrates therefore issued a warrant for his apprehension. Two tramps were charged with begging on Thursday last, but promising to leave the town they were discharged.

NENTHEAD.

BAZAAR AND MUSICAL FETE.—The Primitive Methodists of Nenthead held a bazaar for the sale of useful and fancy articles on Saturday, in the Lead Company's School Room. The members and friends met in the Chapel at one o'clock, and processioned to the school room, headed by the Weardale Brass Band, conducted by Mr W. English. Mr Thos. Golightly, of Sunderland, opened the bazaar, after which business commenced immediately. The stalls were well laden with goods, which was very creditable them, considering the short time the ladies had on hand for collecting them together. The stalls were efficiently presided over as follows:—No. 1, Mrs Walton, Mrs Doyle, Miss Wilkinson; No. 2, Miss Dalton, Miss Thompson; No. 3, Mrs Robson, Miss Hudspith, Miss A. Cowing; No. 4, Miss S. Pattinson, Miss Robinson; No. 6, Mrs Raisbeck, Miss Hill, Miss Lattimer; the hardware stall by Mr Thos. Harrison and Mr Tim. Armstrong. As usual in connection with bazaars, the physical wants of humanity were well provided for, and to all appearance a good stroke of business was done in this line, more especially in the evening, as the ladies were kept going who presided over this department, namely, Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Stephenson, Mrs Hall, Mrs Walton, Mrs Bell, Mrs Sparke, and Miss Rutherford; carvers and bread-cutters, Messrs John Hall, Wm. Pattinson, C. Carrick, and Wm. Rutherford. The confectionery stall had supreme attraction for the children and young visitors, who were promptly attended to by Messrs Havelock and Wilkinson. Not only was the varied wants of humanity attended to, but likewise provision was made to gratify the sense of hearing in the sweet strains of music, both the Weardale Brass Band and the choir of the Primitive chapel being in attendance, and performing an excellent programme of music. Great credit is due to Messrs English and Raisbeck for their efficient services.

5th January 1881 (Teesdale Mercury)

LEAD MINING IN 1880.

To the animation that has increasingly characterised the mining industries during the year 1880, the lead mining trade has been an exception. At the beginning of the year the price of pig lead was rising rapidly, and the prospects in most or the lead mining centres were improving. But the maximum price was soon attained in February, when the quotation was £19 10s. per ton, and from that time to June there was a continuous and rapid descent in the price of lead, that month giving the minimum price of the year—£13 15s per ton. Since then the reaction has been slight, and the year closes with English pig lead at from £15 to £15 6s. per ton, with an addition of about 7s. 6d. per ton for special brands. Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at that the course of the lead ore trade has been dull, and that the amount of labour employed in one of the northern deles is rather limited. An effort it being made in several quarters to secure a reduction of the royalties that are paid, and if this is successful, it is probable that in the Teesdale district mining will be prosecuted much more actively. As some of the Weardale mines have been working, and as most of these were closed in 1879, it is expected that the output of the present year for the North of England will exceed that of the past, but it ii believed that it will not be an average yield. Until the tardy publication of the official returns—towards the close of 1881—it is impossible to state the exact output of 1880.

7th January 1881(Newcastle Courant)

A NIGHT IN THE SNOW ON THE WEARDALE MOUNTAINS A NARROW ESCAPE.

The snow storm in Weardale brings to remembrance those old-fashioned winters which are associated with stories of numberless sheep being overblown and of persona being lost on the mountains, more particularly as the great snowy storm on the evening of Wednesday last will mark the time when two men and four horses passed the night on the mountain pass between Allenheads and Cowshill. Snow, fell on Wednesday last almost incessantly, and the storm continued bitterly through the night, the wind whirling the snow into massive ridges, underneath which numberless sheep were buried. At about six o'clock in the evening two cartmen each with two horses left Allenheads on their way over the fell to Cowshill, and thence home to Earnwell. After they had proceeded to the top of the pass, the blinding snow rendered it impossible to proceed further with the carts, and the horses were un- yoked, and an attempt was made to continue the journey with the horses. The night was now far gone, and there stood the two men and four horses surrounded by a dreary, trackless moor, which presented an endless sea of blinding I snow on every side. The party, however, made an effort to proceed onwards, but after a considerable struggle, and having lost the road, they gave up the idea of thus reaching a place of safety. Mr John Watson, one of the men, a strong hale young man, son of Mr Wm Watson of Earnwell, now gave his overcoat to his partner, Mr Richard Slater, whom he left with the four horses, and started alone to find his way to Cowshill for help. Watson had a heavy struggle, and knew little as to the direction he was taking. For some half mile, he crept on hands and knees on the top of a stone fence, and after several hours' plodding in the snow, with little progress, he reached Mr Richard Bright's inn at Cowshill at five o'clock in the

morning. Mr Bright promptly attended to the wants of the exhausted traveller, and such was his exhausted condition he is said to have reached the inn on his hands and knees. None but a strong, hale man could have withstood the many hours of exposure and exertion. A search party of miners and others was soon in readiness, and proceeded at once, and found Slater and the horses a considerable distance from the road on the Weardale side of the hill, over which they had crossed, Slater was found with the horses, which he held by their head; standing round him, and was in an exhausted condition. Twice he had been about to fall asleep, and he has not yet quite recovered from the effects of the exposure. It was nearly nine o'clock before he was got to Mr Bright's inn, where he was duly attended to. That the two, men ultimately reached home safe is a happy sequel to the adventure of a night in the snow on a Weardale mountain.

8th January 1881 (Hexham Courant)

LETTER FROM A WEARDALE MINER IN NEW ZEALAND

The following letter has been received by Mr Joseph Coats of Allendale from one of the miners who left Weardale in October, 1879, for New Zealand.

Riccerton Oct. 14th, 1880

Mr Coats

Dear Sir, Before leaving home I promised to write to you. A year having past away since that, I think the time somewhat opportune for that purpose. It was on the 14th Oct., 1879 that we left Weardale for New Zealand. Our journey to London was a pleasant one, after riding in the train about ten hours we arrived safely in that great city. Many of our Weardale friends were very curious about the subterranean railways and the electric lights, for they had never seen anything of the kind before. We only stayed one day and one night in London, so we had not much time to view the wonders of the world's metropolis.

We went on board our ship at ten o'clock the night after we arrived at port. At midnight we left the dock and were towed down to Gravesend; here we stayed all day and a few more came on board. The steamboat left us and the pilot came on board. At night we set sail.

For the next ten days we were tossed about the English Channel with very heavy seas, and were all very sick; some of us not tasting food for three days. On the 27th October the weather began to clear up, and the sea became more peaceful and calm. On the following Sabbath we were able to hold divine service. We had no minister on board but we had five Methodist lay preachers who willingly and ably supplied a minister's place, and preached alternately every Sunday during the voyage. On Nov., 4th we came in sight of the Canary Islands; a head wind sprang up and we were detained two days. On Nov., 6th it became very stormy, the sea ran the highest we had ever seen it. It broke over the decks and did considerable damage: one of our boats was lifted out of its place and

broken to pieces. The sails were much torn, and the first mate received a bad cut on the forehead while endeavouring to draw them in. On Nov., 8th the weather again cleared up,

and we had a concert on deck, which went off very well. This we continued every

Saturday afternoon, which greatly relieved the monotony of the voyage. Nov., 9th we entered the tropics. On the 20th we crossed the equator. It was rather

hot while passing through the tropics, but we put off our underclothing, and our stocking, and none of us took any harm. While in the tropics we were entertained and amused every day by seeing large flocks of flying fish about our ship. We also saw the Nautilus scudding along among the rippling waves. As we approached the Cape of Good Hope the weather became more cool: when reaching the Cape it was so cold that we could not go on deck without wrapping ourselves in our big coats. On Dec., 8th we sighted Tustanda Cunah Island (*sic*). When we came in sight of it the passengers all rushed on deck to see land, a thing which we had not seen for some weeks. All were very curious about it. Some said it was the Cape of Good Hope; others said it was Australia, while others declared it was New Zealand.

Between the Cape and New Zealand we derived much sport from catching birds with lines, which are very numerous; some of these birds are very large. The Albatross, four or five of which we caught: some of them measured fourteen feet from wing end to wing end. We were also delighted by seeing a few Whales and many large herds of porpoise, which often went alongside the vessel for many miles, sometimes leaping many feet above the water. On Jan., 8th we encountered another heavy storm, during which we shipped large quantities of water. In this storm the Captain's dog was washed from off the poop and lost.

On Jan., 9th we could see in the far distance the land for which we were bound. It was very indistinct, and many concluded that it was only a cloud, but on the following morning (Sunday) we fully realised what we had faintly seen on the previous day. As we stood on the deck we could distinctly see the coast spreading itself out before us, some twenty miles in the distance. It was one of the finest and most lovely mornings we have ever seen, there was not a ripple on the waves, the sun was shining brilliantly yet not oppressively; all were anxious to arrive. At two o'clock the pilot came on board, the steamboat was signalled for but did not come out to meet us until it was dark in the evening. Our Captain then refused to enter the harbour, which is rather a dangerous one until daylight next morning. At break of day we entered the port. It was a fine morning, and all were on deck by half past three o'clock. The scenery around the bay at Port Chalmers is beautiful and picturesque; & everywhere you may see rugged cones and towering peaks covered with trees and scrub, which renders it profoundly grand to the spectator. We came by train from Port Chalmers to Dunedin, which is nine miles. The line is a very poor one compared with the home lines, and the route one of a very serpentine character. We stayed at Dunedin about a fortnight, one week of which I worked on the railroad for which I received seven shillings a day. Dunedin is a very clean and pleasant town, beautifully situated on sloping ground, sloping down to the bay. The houses are fine specimens of buildings, the streets are uniform and well arranged. Almost every denomination of the church is fairly represented in Dunedin, and have built beautiful churches on the choicest sites. The Wesleyan Methodists held their annual conference in Dunedin the week after we arrived. I had the pleasure of hearing a few of their most able preachers preach, which to me was a treat. The harvest commenced about the 1st February, three weeks after we arrived; I went up the country to harvest; almost all our Weardale friends who came out with us did the same. We harvested about two months and were paid the sum of tenpence

halfpenny an hour. During the last six or seven months I have worked at a number of different jobs, road making, railroad making, cutting water races, and at present am engaged in sinking a shaft for a coal pit. I have never been more than two or three days together out of work since I came to the colony, and when working for wages I have never been paid with less than seven and never more than ten shillings a day. Eight hours a day is the regular shift throughout New Zealand.

Now, as to how we like the colony, I can assure you that we like it much better than Weardale. We like it better because it is a finer climate. I never saw so much fine weather in a summer in the North of England as I have seen this winter in this colony. I have seen men living comfortably in calico tents all winter. We like it because we are better remunerated for our labour. There is not that worry and struggle here for existence that there is at home. If you cannot get rich you can pay every man his own, and live comfortably. We like it better because we are better fed. The poor here can affords steaks or chops every day, things which are quite out of date in Weardale, excepting among a few of the more opulent. It is true that the government of this colony have committed some fearful blunders, and have run the country into a great amount of debt, so that times are not near so good as they were four or five years ago: but still the operative class is infinitely better off here than they are in most places in the North of England.

Now just a few words about the country before I close my letter. I hardly need say that New Zealand throughout the length and breadth of it is a very mountainous country: so that in general it is better adapted for grazing purposes than for tillage, yet a great amount of land has been tilled and there are still hundreds of thousands of acres which may yet be made to bear grain: but having had no experience in producing grain, we would not venture one word of remark. The experience we have had has been in the shape of grazing farming, and the middle part of Otago, where we have been for the last nine months (which is very hilly) is eminently fitted for sheep and cattle farming. The staple production of the colony is wool, which has always found a market in England, and which can be shipped there for one penny a pound. Good returns also may be got by cattle

which run out all the year round. Butter and cheese are about the same price as they are at home; but cows are not more than one third of the value that they are in the old country.

You can buy a good cow for £6 and one of the best for £8. Now just let me add that there are plenty of farms in New Zealand which may be taken for very reasonable nay even moderate rents, and if there is not so much land for sale by the government as there formerly was, there is still plenty of improved land for sale by private parties, which may be bought at quite a low figure, and will save purchasers a lot of rough hard work which they would otherwise have to do.

Then who are suitable persons to come to New Zealand? None but those who like work. The colony is of American industry, and is in every way more of the American type than of the English, and if you are a farmer you may be sure you will have an assiduous hard worker for a neighbour, and if you are to compete with him you will have to be out of bed in the morning before you get your breakfast. No one should come to the colony who is of a delicate

constitution, unless he has got other means to live upon than his own hard labour.
Hard, strong, robust men are the men which the employers of this colony look after, so that when you go to look for work, if you are rather thin, you will fare no worse if you have half a dozen shirts on your back and a couple of pair of trousers. Those who are well off at home should not come here lest they fare worse. Clerks and those who have worked in pin and needle factories need not come, for there is already a superabundance of clerks, and as to pins and needles there is none manufactured in the colony.
Anyone may come to the colony, and will do well, who can turn his hand almost to any and every job, but to come out here with the knowledge of one single trade is dangerous speculation in the extreme.
Now let me just mention a few things which intending emigrants should bring with them. If you are not married bring as little with you as possible: a portmanteau or small box will be quite sufficient to hold all you need bring: but if you are married and intend settling in the colony you need not fear bringing a few things with you. You will not sell your little things for much at home, and it will only cost you a trifle to bring them with you, and in setting up house here and having every little thing to buy you will find it very dear. Bring one box of provisions for the voyage, and place it in your berth where you can get at it at any time.
Put in this box one bacon ham, two or three dozen of herring, a good number of eggs, a tin or two of biscuits, some butter, cheese, jam, and some baking powder, and any other thing you may have a fancy for. Bring a camp stool with you; three months is a long time to be on the water, and it will be useful also when you arrive. Also bring all your wit and a good stock of shrewdness: you will need some of them on board. You need not bring your grammar, but be sure to bring your logic. Bring frugality and temperance, self reliance, and perseverance; also a good quantity of common sense and industry. Pack all these where you can get at them at any time, and come away at once, and you are sure to
succeed well in this country.
I am, &c., PLAIN TRUTH

8th January 1881 (Hexham Courant)

PRESENTATION TO MR ROBERT LEE

On New Year's Day, the friends and admirers of Mr Robert Lee, late of the Hope, Allendale, met at the King's Head Inn, Allendale Town, to present him with a gold stop watch, value thirty guineas, and Mrs Lee with a diamond ring value five guineas, the occasion being their leaving England for New Zealand, the presents being intended as a souvenir of the many kind friends they left behind them. …

The 1861 census shows, at Lands End West, Haydon, George Lee farmer of 1000 acres employing 8 labourers, aged 49, his wife Mary 42, children George G 14, Matthew 14, Robert 11, Sarah 9, Joseph 7, and Mary 5.
George Lee senior died 19th March 1868, leaving an estate valued at £6000.
The 1871 census shows, at Hope, Allendale, Robert Lee, farmer of 348 acres employing 7 men and 1 boy, aged 21, his mother Mary aged 52, an annuitant, sisters Sarah 19, and Mary 15.
See 8th January 1912

15th January 1881 (Hexham Courant)
At Low Bayles, 6th inst. aged 83, Sarah, widow of William Goodfellow, lead miner.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 35, wife Sarah (Price, married 7th June 1829, Alston) aged 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, Nancy 9, John 6, Mary Ann 4, and William 2.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 48, wife Sarah 54, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Nancy 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Mary Ann 14, and William 13.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Alston, William Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 56, wife Sarah 64, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Mary Ann 24, William, lead miner, aged 23, granddaughter Mary Armstrong 9, and grandson Thomas Goodfellow 4. William Goodfellow, died 1st quarter of 1864
In 1871, at Leadgate, John Goodfellow, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres, aged 36, wife Ann 26, daughter Elizabeth Sarah 5, mother Sarah Goodfellow, widow, aged 75, and nephew Thomas Goodfellow, lead ore washer, aged 14.
At Dykeheads, 5th inst., aged 84, Mary, widow of James Armstrong, lead miner.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Nenthead, James Armstrong, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary (Thompson, married 24th June 1820) aged 45, children Mary 15, Elizabeth 15, Christopher 12, and Hannah 7.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, James Armstrong lead miner, aged 58, his wife Mary 52, children Elizabeth 24, Christopher lead miner, aged 21, Hannah 10, and Jane 7. James Armstrong died in 1860.
In 1861, at High Dyke Heads, Mary Armstrong, lead miners widow, aged 65, and granddaughter, Jane Ann aged 1 year. In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Mary Armstrong, widow, aged 74, nieces Jane Ann 11, and Mary 9.

15th January 1881 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
On the 31st ult., aged 80 William Walton of Peasmeadows, Allendale, who for upwards of half a century was smelting agent at Allenheads Smelt Mills.
See 24th July 1875, 3rd February 1883, and 14th June 1884.

St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

Sacred
To the Memory of
Mary wife of
William Walton of Peasmeadows
who departed this life Sept. 28th
1861 Aged 65 years
The above William Walton
died ay Peasmeadows
31st December 1880
Aged 80 years
He was for 55 years an
agent at the W. B. Smelting Mills

22nd January 1881 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

CHARITIES

The Nenthead coal committee has again presented twenty four cartloads of coal for distribution amongst the poor of Nenthead to alleviate them from the pinching hard weather.

15th February 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mrs Race widow of the late Rev J. Race, Wesleyan Minister in China, arrived in St John's Chapel, her native town on the 22nd ultimo. The youthful widow and 3 children were accompanied by a Chinese nurse to London, where she was met by her father, Mr Jos. Dawson and one of her sisters. …

The 1881 census tells us that Hannah was living with her parents, her children: Florence A, aged 4; Russell T, aged 2; and Joseph D, aged 6 months, all born at Hankon B S, China. Hannah remarried in 1893 to the Rev. Thomas H. Penrith, Wesleyan Minister, in 1901 she was living at High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, with her husband and son Russell. Joseph was a bank clerk living in West Hartlepool, Florence was at the time of the census staying with her Aunt Phoebe & Uncle Albert Woolley a Wesleyan Minister at Kilham, Yorkshire.

Deaths

Alston, Alston House, 31st ult., in her 20th year, Fanny Maud E. Crawhall, eldest surviving daughter of Thos. W. Crawhall Wilson Esq. of Alston House.

12th February 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEST ALLEN

FATAL ACCIDENT:—An accident occurred in the lead mine at Coalcleugh, West Allen, on Tuesday 25th ult., by which a man named Christopher Walton, a miner was instantaneously killed. It seems that the unfortunate man was ramming home a charge of powder, which exploded and blew his brains out.

In 1841, at High West Allen, Allendale, Isaac Smith, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 40, children Jane 15, Mary 10, Sarah 8, and Hannah 6.

In 1851, at Wellhope, Allendale, Edward Armstrong, unmarried, lead miner, aged 40, sister Elizebeth Smith, widow, housekeeper, aged 49, nephews, Joseph Smith, lead miner, aged 28, John Smith, lead miner, aged 21, George Smith, lead miner, aged 18, James Smith, lead miner, aged 15, niece Jane Walton, widow, aged 27, her children Jane Walton 5, Christopher Walton 4, and John Walton 2.

In 1861, at Wellhope, Allendale, Elizabeth Smith, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 59, sons Joseph, lead miner, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 32, James, lead miner, aged 26, granddaughter, Jane Walton 16, grandsons, Christopher, lead miner, aged 14, and John Walton 12

In 1871, at Hearty Cleugh, Wellhope, Allendale, Elizabeth Smith, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 70, sons Joseph, lead miner, aged 49, John, lead miner, aged 41, James, lead miner, aged 35, daughter Jane Swindle, widow, aged 50, grandson Christopher Walton, lead miner, aged 24, grandson John Walton, lead miner, aged 22, granddaughter Elizabeth Swindle 12, and servant Ann Swindle, domestic servant, aged 20.

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The clerk read the Medical Officers report of No. 2 district. He reported having found the district in a satisfactory sanitary condition. Measles had been epidemic at Nenthead and on death had resulted from them. There had bean a few cases of fever in a mild form. During the quarter, there had been 65 births and 39 deaths.

19th February 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Births
At Garrigill, 17th inst. wife of Jacob Craig, mine agent of a son.
See 11th June 1887

26th February 1881 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope, Weardale, 16th inst., aged 41, Mr John Russell, late of Allendale, lead miner.
In 1871 living at Lead Gate, Allendale with his wife Margaret aged 30 (born Yorkshire) and daughter Annie aged 1 year. The 1881 census has Margaret living at Front Street, Stanhope, with her children Annie11, George 9, John R 5, Jane 2; she is working as a Baker.

12th March 1881 (Hexham Herald)
GREEN HURTH MINING CO.

The annual report of the company has been issued: The operations of the past year have been on the whole more successful than those carried on in previous year. The anticipation of increased production set forth in the last annual report have been fully realised. The lead ore raised has been 820 tons or about double the quantity raised in previous year; notwithstanding the very low price of lead there has been a profit on the year of £5331 1s 9d. In all a sum of £5320 equal to 11s per share has been paid in dividends. … The transfer of a portion of Green Hurth sett to a company, with the object of securing the effective exploration and working of the veins in the ground in question has been successfully completed during the year.
Deaths
Alston, Glenwood House, 3rd inst., aged 69 Phoebe relict of the late Jacob Walton of Green Ends. *See 23rd November 1864.*

26th March 1881 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
NENTHEAD POULTRY SHOW. This annual poultry show was held on Thursday, in the Lead Company's new School Room, and was one of the best ever held, there being no fewer than 150 entries. In some of the classes the Judge had difficulty in selecting those for highest honours. Mr. Enoch Hutton, Pudsey, Leeds, acted as judge, and gave every satisfaction. …

15th April1881. (London Gazette)
ANTHONY DODD BROWN, Deceased.

Pursuant to an Act of Parliament 22nd and 23rd Victoria, chapter 35, intituled "An Act to further amend the Law of Property, and to relieve Trustees."

NOTICE is hereby given, that all creditors and other persons having any claims, debts, or demands on or against the estate of Anthony Dodd Brown, late of Nenthead, in the parish of Alston, in the county of Cumberland,
Miner, deceased (who died on the 23rd day of September, 1873, and whose will was proved by John Lattimer of Nenthead aforesaid, Draper and Grocer, the sole executor therein named, in the District Registry attached to the Probate Division of Her Majesty's High- Court of Justice at Carlisle, on the 9th day of December; 1879), are hereby required to send, on or before the 10th day of May next, full particulars, in writing, of such debts or demands to the said executor, at the offices of us, the undersigned, the Solicitors for the said executor, after the expiration or which time the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said testator amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the debts and demands of which the said executor shall then have had notice; and further, that the said executor will not be liable for the assets of the same testator, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose debt or demand he shall not have had notice. —Dated this 14th day Of April 1881.
BAINBRIDGE and MILLICAN, Alston, Cumberland,
Solicitors for the Executor.

29th April 1881 (London Gazette)

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 AND 1867, AND OF THE ROOKHOPE LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED. —IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Rookhope Lead Mining Company Limited (in Liquidation), will be held at the office, 8, Austin Friars, in the city of London, on Thursday, the 2nd day of, June 1881, at twelve o'clock noon precisely, for the purpose of having laid before such meeting an account showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and the properly of the Company disposed of and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators.
Dated this 27th day of April 1881. William Edwards, & John Henry Murchison, Liquidators

7th May 1881 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Pry Hill, Allendale, at the residence of his son John Carr, on the 24th ult. aged 86, Henry Carr. *Retired Forester*
At Allenshields, Blanchland, 4th inst. aged 68, William Price senior, for upwards of 40 years smelting agent at Derwent mines.
In 1841, at Allenshields, William Price, lead agent, aged 25, wife Hannah (Green, married 23rd May 1839, at Blanchland) aged 25, daughter Isabella 1, Roger Price, independent, aged 30, Sarah Butt, independent, aged 70, and servant Jane Sanderson 30.
In 1851, at Allenshields, Rodger Price, farmer of 16 acres, aged 43, brother William Price, widow (Hannah died 1st quarter of 1847), smelt mill agent, aged 38, niece Isabella Price 11, niece Hannah Price 9, nephew William Price 7, niece Jane Price 4, house keeper Jane Sanderson 43, and servant Jane Murray 17.
In 1881, at Allenshields, Hunstanworth, William Price, widow, retired lead ore smelting agent, aged 68, daughter Isabella 41, daughter Hannah 39, son William farmer of 120 acres, aged 37, house keeper Jane Sanderson 77, and

domestic servant Mary Bell 14. See 4th April 1866, and additional records 13th March 1840

14th May 1881 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON LEAD MINES

At the Haggs mine, near Alston, a large piece of solid ore, weighing nearly 2 cwt was brought out last week.

21st May 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL MINE ACCIDENT. John Maddison, of Side Head, Weardale, died on Thursday from the effects of injuries received from a shot on the previous day at Bollihope Lead Mine.

The 1881 census gives living at Side Head, St John's, John Maddison lead miner, aged 35 living with his wife Mary Ann aged 32, and brother William also a lead miner aged 21. In 1885, Mary Ann re-married, the 1891 census shows her living at Crook, Barnard Castle with her husband John Bell, farmer, aged 42, and his son John H. aged 18, a masons labourer.

28th May 1881 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th inst. Robert Graham, High House, Nenthead, to Jane Ann Armstrong, Nenthead.

In 1871, at High House, Nenthead, John Graham, lead ore smelter, and farmer of 65 acres, aged 50, his wife Martha aged 44, children Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Margaret 12, Robert 11, John 8, George 6, and William 3.

In 1881, at High House, Nenthead, John Graham, farmer of 65 acres, aged 60, born Allendale, his wife Martha, aged 53, children Thomas, farmers son, aged 24, Margaret 22, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, George, lead ore dresser, aged 16, and William, lead ore dresser, aged 13.

John Graham died 3rd quarter 1888, aged 67.

In 1891, at High House, Nenthead, Robert Graham, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Jane Ann 31, children Mary Marg 7, John 6, Joseph 5, Martha Eliz 2, and Robert Will 3 months.

In 1901, at Hard Edge, Nenthead, Robert Graham, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane Ann aged 42, children John, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 14, Martha E 12, Robert Wm 10, Violet 7, Albert 4, George Sydney 3, and Lily 8 months.

In 1911, at Hard Edge, Nenthead, Robert Graham, widow, farmer, aged 51, children John, ministerial studies, aged 26, Joseph, lead & zinc miner, aged 25, Martha E 22, Robert Wm, lead & zinc miner, aged 20, Violet, dairy work, aged 16, Albert, labourer, aged 14, George Sydney 13, and Lily 10.

Probate records give: —

Graham Robert of Whitehall, Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, died 14th October 1936. Probate Carlisle 12 March to John Graham Methodist minister and Joseph Graham Farmer, effects £1369 1s 9d.

Deaths

At Garrigill, 16th inst. aged 46, Mary wife of Matthew Millican.

In 1851, at Dyke Nook, High West Allen, James Millican, joint farmer of 76 acres, undertaker of drawing at lead mines employing 10 labourers, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth (Lowes, married 29th June 1820, Alston) aged 61, son Matthew aged 25, and niece Margaret aged 14.
William Millican, joint occupier for both land and drawing at mines, aged 49, wife Mary (Coats, married 19th January 1826, Alston) aged 47, children Matthew 24, Mary 21, Ann 16, and Thomas 10.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Matthew Millican, widow (Matthew married Mary Jackson 4th quarter of 1857), contractor of earth work, aged 35, children Mary J. 2, Thomas J. 2, and housekeeper Betsy Heatherington aged 20.
Matthew married Mary Ridley 2nd quarter of 1862.
In 1871, at Pasture House, Matthew Millican, farmer of 44 acres & landowner, aged 43, wife Mary 34, children Mary Jackson 12, Thomas Jackson 12 Ridley 8, and Bessie Alice 5.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Matthew Millican, master joiner, aged 55, wife Mary 45, children Thomas J. master joiners assistant, aged 22, Ridley, engineers apprentice, aged 18, Bessie A. 15, and sister in law Sarah Ridley, annuitant, aged 38. See 28th June 1890, & 27th January 1894
At High Ashgill, 19th inst. aged 92, John Richardson, lead miner.
John Richardson married Tamar Shaw, 4th May 1797, at Garrigill, Tamar died 28th November 1830, aged 55.
His daughter Mary Richardson married Joshua Parker 30th June 1836, at St John Garrigill.
In 1841, at High Ashgill, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 50.
In 1841, at Ashgill, Joshua Parker, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mally, 25, children Sarah 4, Hannah 2, and John 1 month.
Joshua Parker of Ashgill, was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 18th March 1845.
In 1851, at Ashgill, John Richardson, widow, labourer, aged 62, daughter Mary Parker, widow, parish relief, aged 36, grandchildren Hannah Parker 11, John R Parker 9, and Mary Parker 7.
In 1861, John Richardson, widow, Ag. Labourer, aged 72, daughter Mary Parker, widow, house keeper, aged 46, grandson John R Parker, Ag. Labourer, aged 19, grandson Emerson Parker 3, and lodger Robert Robson, woodcutter, aged 56.
In 1871, at Ashgill, John Richardson, widower, formerly lead miner, aged 82, daughter Mary Parker, widow, aged 56, and grandson, Emerson Parker, lead ore washer, aged 13. In 1881, at High Ashgill, John Richardson, farmer of 15 acres, aged 92, daughter Mary Parker, widow, domestic and dairy work, aged 66, grandson Emerson Parker, lead miner, aged 23, lodger William Beautyman, engineman at lead mine, aged 37, and lodger John Brag, engineman at lead mine, aged 54.

4th June 1881 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allerwash, 28th ult., aged 72, suddenly Robert Hall Lead Miner.
In 1881, at Allerwash, Newbrough, Robert Hall, widow, lead miner, aged 72, daughter Ellen, housekeeper, aged 27.
Alston 30th ult., in her 29th year Mary Jane (Minnie) the beloved wife of George Gill. *In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, George Gill, Brewer Master, Junior*

partner, aged 33, born Knaresdale, his wife Mary Jane 28, born Gateshead and mother in law Margaret Grieveson, widow, aged 59, born Gateshead.
Allendale Town, 30th ult., aged 62, Sarah wife of William Hall *(Miller)*

11th June 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
DEATH OF MR JOSEPH HARRISON

On Tuesday last the remains of Mr Joseph Harrison, West Black Dene were interred at St John's Chapel. The deceased gentleman was for 36 years head clerk in the W. B. Offices New House. … He succeeded his father to the above position, … he was 61 years of age. His widow lies beyond all hope of recovery. …
In 1861, at West Blackdean, Joseph Harrison, clerk in mining office, aged 41, his wife Hannah (Coulthard, married 1848) aged 33, children Margaret 12, Joseph 10, his brother Thomas blind 30 years by accident, aged 39, and niece Elizabeth Harrison, aged 21.
The census for 1881 gives the following: Joseph aged 61, Hannah his wife aged 53, Margaret daughter aged 32; Joseph son aged 30 Grocer & Draper; Josephs Brother Thomas aged 59, Blind, and his sister Margaret Featherstone a widow, aged 64. Hannah died in 1882 aged 54.

18th June 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Bailes, Alston, 14th inst. aged 68, Ann widow of the late William Dowson.
In 1851, at Bailes, Alston, William Dawson, lead miner & farmer, aged 45, wife Ann (Vipond, married 27th June 1835, Alston?) aged 39, children Mary 14, William 12, Hannah 11, John 10, Thomas 8, Henry 6, Ann 4, Frances 3, and Sarah aged 1.
William Dawson died 1st quarter of 1855, or 1861.
In 1861, at Bailes, Ann Dowson, widow, farmer of 97 acres, aged 48, children William, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner, aged 16, Ann 15, Frances 13, Sarah 11, Elizabeth 9, and Isabella 5.
In 1871, at Bailes, Ann Dawson, widow, farmer of 98 acres, aged 58, children William, farmers son, 33, Isabella, farmers daughter, aged 15, grandson Fredrick Dawson 3.
In 1881, at Bayles, William Dowson, farmer of 103 acres, aged 43, mother Ann Dowson, widow, formerly farmer, aged 68, sister Elizabeth, dairymaid, aged 29, sister Isabella, dressmaker, aged 25, nephew Frederick Dowson, shepherd, aged 13, niece Hannah Dowson 9.
See 8th April 1859

2nd July 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 30th ult. T. W. Snowdon of Cocklake to Margaret Ann Yates, Alston.
In 1861, at Cocklake, Robert Snowden, farmer of 90 acres, aged 31, and his wife Hannah (Broadwood, married 8th July 1858, Alston) aged 29.
Hannah Snowden died 2nd quarter 1863.
Robert Snowden married Jane Hilton 2nd quarter 1868.

In 1871, at Cocklake, Robert, Snowden, farmer, aged 41, his wife Jane 30, children Thomas 9, Annie 1, and domestic servant Ann Proud 19.
Robert Snowden died 2nd quarter 1875, aged 46
In 1881, at Cocklake, Thomas Walton, farmer of 222 acres, aged 45, his wife Jane (Snowden, married 4th quarter 1877) aged 40, daughter Frances Louisa 2, step children Thomas Will. Snowden, farmers assistant, aged 19, Annie Snowden 11, Sarah Jane Snowden 7, and niece Mary Jane Walton, dairymaid, aged 18.
In 1891, at Cheviot Rd., Elswick, Thomas W Snowden, dairyman, aged 29, his wife Margaret A 31, and niece Margaret A Bell, dairy assistant, aged 20.

16th July 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, Physic Hall, 12th inst. aged 68, Edward Vipond.
In 1841, at Bales, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 25, wife Isabella (Walton, married 17th March 1840, Alston) aged 20, and daughter Elizabeth 9 months.
In 1851, at Low Park, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 36, wife Isabella, aged 32, children Elizabeth 10, Sarah 8, John 3, and Edward 1.
In 1861, at Low Park, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 48, wife Isabella 43, children Sarah 19, John, lead miner, aged 13, Edward 11, William 8, Isabella 6, and Mary A. aged 3.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Top, Edward Vipond, stone waller, aged 58, wife Isabella 50, children John, coke drawer, aged 23, Edward, coke drawer, aged 21, Isabella, house maid, aged 15, Mary A. 13, grandson Walton F Vipond 6, and boarder Thomas Walton, labourer, aged 40.
In 1881, at No. 3 Physic Hall, Edward Vipond, stone mason, aged 68, wife Isabella 64, children John, general labourer, aged 33, Mary A., dressmaker, aged 23, Walton F., lead miner, aged 15, Albert 1, and boarder Thomas Walton, millers labourer, aged 50.

16th July 1881 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
LEAD MINES. The half yearly pays took place a fortnight ago, and people are much satisfied with the results, as the returns issued by the auditors of the Weardale mines of W. B. Beaumont. ... For the half year ending 31st December 1879, was 19s 3d per week per man; for half year ending 30th June 1880, £1 2s 11d per week per man, for the half year ending 31st December 1880 £1 3s per week per man. It has also been said that the Agent's salaries are included in the above, but this is not the case, as they and all other workmen are paid in full monthly, ... as the miners work only five shifts per week of 6 and 7 hours each, the above statistics show clearly that the lead miners in this part are in a very fair way, considering the present price of lead and the dullness of trade.

22nd July 1881 (Coventry Herald)
Marriages
On the 20th inst., at Nenthead Parish Church, near Alston, (by the Rev. C. Berry, M.A.) George D. Dawson, schoolmaster, Nenthall, to Mary Ann, elder daughter of William Lee, gamekeeper, Nenthall, Alston.

30th July 1881 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

MINING ACCIDENT AT NENTHEAD

On Monday, an accident of a very serious nature occurred at the Dowgang mine, Nenthead. It appears that a party of three workmen, one of whom is the injured person, Jacob Erwin, had loaded a "hole" with dynamite, which had not exploded in the usual time. The men foolishly returned to the hole to examine into the cause, when unfortunately the dynamite caught fire, the explosion inflicting some very serious injuries upon Erwin. One of his eyes is completely blown out, a deep hole caused by the driven splinters of rock has jeopardised the sight of the other, the skull is dangerously fractured, and a deep hole has been pierced in one of his arms. The other four men Anthony Thompson and John Archer of Nenthead, and two from Allendale, all of whom were close behind Erwin, probably owed their safety to the charges not having taken such a hold upon the rock as was anticipated, having what is called in mining parlance, "necked" itself. Erwin is married, and has one child, and lies in a very precarious condition.

Deaths

At Dryburn, Alston, 19th inst. aged 55, William Bell.

In 1881, at Dryburn, William Bell, farmer of 48 acres, aged 55, wife Ada 46, and visitor John Hetherington, cow keeper, aged 50.

At Garrigill, 13th inst. aged 45, Joseph Clementson.

At Garrigill Gate Foot, Joseph Clementson, single, lead miner, aged 44, sister Margaret, housekeeper, aged 39, and brother Mathew, leads miner, aged 37.

At Cape Clear, Australia, May 11th, aged 47, Robert Walton Catton, formerly of Blagill Head, Alston.

Cape Clear, approx. 30 km south west of Ballarat, Victoria

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CATTON -On the 30th July 1928, at her residence, Cape Clear, Sara (nee Conroy), relict of the late Robert Walton Catton, in her 83rd year.

Their son Joseph Henry Catton married Rosanna Lavender Furniss in 1903 (Victoria, Australia) Joseph Henry born Approx. 1873, Rosanna born approx. 1882. Joseph Henry died 1847, Rosanna died 12th December 1846.

See 13th November 1841, 17th July 1886 and 28th April 1794

30th July 1881 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

CARRIAGE ACCIDENT NEAR ALSTON.

On Friday last an accident which might have been attended with serious results occurred near Alston to some gentlemen returning in a four-wheeled dogcart from inspecting the mines at Nenthead. As the conveyance was coming down Crook Bank, a dangerous place where accidents have taken place before, the horse started to gallop. Two of the occupants jumped out, one of them getting his shoulder injured and his arm cut and the other having a bone in his ankle broken, while the driver was cut about the face. The remaining occupant, however, stayed in the dog-cart and managed to pull tho animal up without further damage.

6th August 1881 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The man Jacob Erwin, who was so dreadfully injured at the Old Dowgang mine, Nenthead, died on Sunday. The deceased man is 42 years of age, and leaves a widow and one child. - An inquest was held at the house of Mr Latimer by Mr J Lee (the deputy coroner for Cumberland) and a verdict of accidentally killed was returned. It appears that three holes had been loaded with small dynamite cartridge, two of which had exploded in due course. The fuse attached to two of the cartridges would measure twelve inches, and in the other fourteen, which would consume at the rate of one foot to the minute, assuming that it was perfectly sound and had no flaws in it. The men had waited seven or eight minutes for the third explosion to take place, when the deceased man went back and put his face to the hole and said that was it. With the assistance of the other men, he walked home, where he lived seven days in great agony. The jurymen very kindly handed their fees to the widow, as did Mr Latimer also for the hire of the room. It appears in the Act of Parliament there is no specified time to wait till the dynamite explode.

The 1871 census gives the following: Jacob Erwin born Derwent, Durham, aged 33, wife Mary Ann (Wilkinson, married in 1868) aged 29, born Alston, John 9 months born Alston. In 1881 the family were living at Kings Head, Nenthead. The 1891 census shows at Bloomsbury Hall, Nenthead, Mary Ann Erwin and her son John aged 20, John is employed as a lead ore washer.

Deaths

At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 1st inst. Joseph Teasdale aged 55.

In 1871, at Holme Foots, Joseph Teasdale, stonemason 44, wife Ann (Percival, married 2nd quarter of 1861, Alston) aged 34, children Frances 9, Elizabeth M. 6, Margaret A. 4, William P. 2, and Thomas 1.

In 1881, at Holme Foots, Joseph Teasdale, stonemason, aged 54, his wife Ann 44, children Margaret A. 14, William P. 12, Thomas H. 11, Joseph R. 9, Lydia J. 7, Edwin V. 4, and Emma 2. See 7th November 1891

At Flowedge, Alston, aged 63, Ralph Pickering.

In 1851, at Flowedge, Ralph Pickering, lead miner, aged 33, wife Elizabeth (Bainbridge, married 31st October 1840, Alston) aged 30, children Thomas 10, Peter 8, Ann 6, Matthew 4, Walton 3, and John 1. In 1861, at Flowedge, Ralph Pickering, Ag. Labourer, aged 43, wife Elizabeth 40, children Thomas lead miner, aged 20, Peter lead miner, aged 18, Ann 16, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Walton 13, John 11, Elizabeth 9, Joseph 7, Ruth 5, Margaret 3, Ralph 1, and house servant Ann Thompson 22.

In 1871, at Flowedge, Ralph Pickering, farmer of 60 acres, aged 53, wife Elizabeth 50, children Matthew, dry waller, aged 26, Joseph, dry waller, aged 17, Ruth 15, Margaret 13, Ralph 11, Adam 9, and grandson Frederick 2.

In 1881, at Flowedge, Ralph Pickering, farmer of 60 acres, aged 63, wife Elizabeth 60, son Joseph, stone mason, aged 27, daughter Margaret 23, and grandson Frederick Pickering 12.

6th August 1881 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Cumberland, Garrigill (at the residence of his mother) 26th ult., aged 32, John Coulthard, Newcastle on Tyne.

In 1861, at Garrigill, Joseph Coulthard, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Margaret 47, children Hannah 25, Thomas lead miner, 23, Joseph lead miner, 20, James lead miner, 17, Cuthbert lead miner, 15, John 12, Isabella 9, Frances 6, and William 5.
Joseph senior died in 1863.
In 1871, at Elswick, Cuthbert Coulthard, warehouse porter, aged 24, his brothers Thomas Corporation labourer, aged 33, John, Corporation cartman, aged 22, and his sister Isabella, house keeper, aged 18.
In 1881 living at 11 Day Street, Newcastle, at the home of his mother in law (Jane Allen, widow aged 67), John Coulthard, Warehouseman aged 32, his wife Margaret (married 1876) aged 28, and daughter Margaret aged 3 years.
See 6th December 1879, and 12th December 1891

19th August 1881 (London Gazette)

THE PATTERSYKE MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at No. 123, Pilgrim- street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Wednesday, the 20th day of July, 1881, the subjoined Special Resolutions were duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly, convened, and held at the same place, on the 5th day of August, 1881, the said Resolutions were duly confirmed: —

1. "That the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr. John Bell, Shipowner, and Mr. Charles Webster Harrison, Agent, both of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.

2. "That the following scheme of re-construction be and the same is hereby approved, namely That a new Company be incorporated under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1880, as a Company limited by shares, by the name of the Pattersyke and. Clargill Head Mining Company Limited, with a capital of £6,400, divided, into 6,400 shares of £1 each, and having power to acquire and take over the business, property, and liabilities of this Company, and that the said Liquidators be and are hereby authorized, pursuant to section 161 of the Companies Act, 1862, to sell to such new Company, upon such terms, and subject to such conditions as they shall think fit, all the property of this Company, but so that the new Company shall undertake all the liabilities of this Company, shall pay the costs of winding it up, and provide the funds (if any) which may be required to purchase, the interests of any dissentient members, whose interests the Liquidators may have to purchase, and that every member of this Company shall, in respect of every two shares therein held by him, be entitled to require the new Company to allot to him one of its £1 shares fully paid up, and so that the shares not so allotted be offered, in the first instance, to the members of this Company, in proportion to the shares held by them therein, and subject thereto be disposed of as the Directors of the new Company shall think fit. And that the said Liquidators be and they are hereby authorized to execute and do all such assurances and things as may be necessary for carrying the said scheme, into effect."

William Nesham, Chairman.

20th August 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, James Nicholson to Ruth Dixon.
In1891, at Front Street, Alston, James Nicholson, hairdresser, aged 30, his wife Ruth 32, children John 9, Fred H 7, William N 5, James D 3, and Frances A 1 month. In 1911, at Market Place, James Nicholson, hairdresser, aged 50, his wife Ruth 52, children Wm Newton, groom at hotel, aged 25, James, hairdresser, aged 23, Frances Ann 20, Tom, hairdresser, aged 15, and visitor Frederick Godfrey, railway clerk, aged 23.
James Nicholson died 3rd quarter 1931, aged 70.
Deaths
At Ashgill, Garrigill, 17th inst. aged 87, Thomas Richardson.
See 30th November 1864, & 10th December 1881

31st August 1881 (Teesdale Mercury)

A VISIT TO THE LEAD-WORKS AT EGGLESTONE, NEAR BARNARD CASTLE.

It is a rather curious fact in human nature that many persons spend their lifetime in the near neighbourhood of beautiful scenery, of interesting historical remains, or of important branches of industry, and yet remain in almost perfect ignorance of them. Numbers of people bring under the shadow of St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, and the British Museum, hare never been inside those buildings; and illustrations of the same strange indifference to objects of local interest may be found in all parts of the country. There are probably many natives and old residents of Barnard Castle who have never examined the ruins of their own Castle, never explored the beauties of Deepdale and Rokeby, never visited Bowes, the burial place of the lovers who are the subject of Mallet's pathetic ballad "Edwin and Emma," to say nothing of the curious literary reminiscences connected with "Nicholas Nickleby." The same remark would probably apply to the important lead-mining industry carried on at Egglestone and Middleton-in-Teesdale, full of interest as it is. Of the 65,000 tons of lead procured annually in Great Britain, nearly a fourth is derived from the Northumberland and Durham district; —the quantity of silver separated from British lead amounting to some 600,000 ounces a year, value £140,000.
Through the courtesy of the Rev. Joseph Lee I obtained an introduction to Mr Pinkney, the manager of the lead-works at Egglestone, and had the privilege of being one of a small party lately conducted over the works under this kind and able guidance of Mr Pinkney himself. Without any attempt at an exhaustive description of the various processes, (which must be left to those who are more familiar with the subject than I can profess to be) it occurs to me that a brief popular account of our visit may not be uninteresting to the readers of the Teesdale Mercury.
After a short railway ride to Romaldkirk, amid fine pastoral scenery, and a delightful drive of about three miles, we entered the works through great stacks of "pigs " of lead, and were shown through the various departments. In one place we saw the ore, looking like very small bright coal, kept in an ingeniously contrived series of what I may call shoot-bins. In another department we were shown a range of open furnaces, on the bright fuel of which men were employed constantly throwing small quantities of the ore. The lead, speedily melting and separating from the dross, runs down small channels in a sloping iron plate,

fixed under and in front of each furnace, and collects in a pot at the right hand side, from which the men dip it in large ladles and pour it into "pig" moulds. It soon cools sufficiently to be turned out, when it shows a variegated bluish tint on the surface, and bears, in deeply indented letters, the words "Lead Company." In another department huge cauldrons are seen full of boiling lead, from which, when tapped, the lead runs like water into great round moulds, shaped like the tins in which small pies are baked; an iron crook having been placed in each mould, by which the great mass it lifted by means of a powerful crane, and deposited on a pile of what looks like enormous leaden pies. But one of the most interesting of the processes is that for the treatment of the fume. Large quantities of lead are carried off in the smoke or fume, and it is a very important matter to prevent the waste of the lead so carried off. Mr Pinkney has contrived a method of accomplishing this, which is most ingenious and successful. The fume is made to pass through a long succession of flues placed longitudinally, and in its course is condensed by water falling on it, the result being seen in a substance which has the appearance of fine drab liquid mud. This is rich in lead, and the produce of the fume under the improved treatment of it introduced by Mr Pinkney, has increased from 200 tons to 600 tons per annum. This mud-like substance is thrown upon a furnace, in small shovel-fulls, and, bulk for bulk, yields more lead than the ore itself. The long range of flues for condensing the fume stretches up the hillside enclosed in an enormous wooden casing (ingeniously constructed without nails) the small remainder of smoke escaping by a tall chimney. An important collateral advantage of this excellent mode of condensing the fume is seen in the beautiful foliage of the trees, and the healthy-looking sheep in the immediate vicinity of the works. Formerly vegetation was killed by the poisonous exhalations, and the health of man and beast was seriously injured.

The separation of the silver from the lead is accomplished by a process invented by the late Mr H. Pattinson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. We had the pleasure of seeing a large cake of silver taken off, weighing 1744 ounces, which, at four shillings and eight pence the ounce, was worth £406 18s. 8d. This was broken into two to examine its quality, which was pronounced to be excellent, the fracture revealing a fine, sparkling, granular appearance. A peep into the assaying office, where the proportion of pure silver in a given quantity of lead is ascertained by a delicate process with "cupel," "muffle," etc., brought this very interesting visit to a close; and, with hearty thanks to our kind, instructive, and hospitable guide, we walked back to Barnard Castle wiser than when we left home some hours before, feeling thankful that our lot is cast in such a lovely and interesting part of the country; and not without the hope for ourselves and all we love, that a refining process continuously in operation might result in an ever increasing proportion of the silver to lead in the composition of that strange, that endlessly-interesting alloy, the human mind.

F. Haydn Williams

Barnard Castle, August, 1881.

3rd September 1881 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON MINING ACCIDENT

On Monday, an accident, which might have resulted fatally, occurred at the Craig Green mine. It appears that the two men who are employed at it - John Shield and Matthew Davidson - had worked their last shift on Wednesday last,

previous to the former attending the Edinburgh review. On Monday, they returned to their work, Davidson first ascending a rise by means of a ladder to ascertain the effect of a shot, which had been fired the previous Wednesday. On his return, Shield ascended to examine the place also, and when in the act of descending, a large piece of rock or plate suddenly fell, striking him from the ladder, and inflicting some rather serious injuries upon the side of his face and chest. With the assistance of his fellow partner, he walked home, and has since been attended by Dr Pickworth of Nenthead.

10th September 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 8th inst. John Robson, West Nenthead, to Hannah Renwick, Nenthead.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Nenthead, John Robson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah 30, born Allendale, children Mary Jane 8, John Joseph 5, and Grace Ann 1. In 1901, at Whitehall, John Robson, lead miner, aged 42, Hannah 41, children Mary J 18, John J. lead ore washer, aged 15, and Grace A 11. In 1911, at Whitehall, John Robson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 50, son John Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, and granddaughter Norah Isabel Robson 3.
John Robson died 1st quarter 1927, aged 67.

17th September 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Greenends, 12th inst. aged 25, Thomas Walton.
In 1861, at Low Cragnook, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 30, wife Hannah (Roddam, married 16th April 1854, Nenthead) aged 27, and son Thomas 4.
In 1871, at High Galligill, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 40, wife Hannah 37, children Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 14, Margaret 9, Elizabeth Ann 5, and Mary Jane 1.
In 1881, at Greenends, Jonathan Walton, lead miner & farmer of 27 acres, aged 50, wife Hannah 47, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, married daughter Margaret Walton, lead miners wife, aged 19, Eliz. Ann 15, Mary Jane 11, and Frances Isa. 6. In 1891, at Greenends, Jonathan Walton, widow (Hannah died 2nd quarter of 1882), lead miner, aged 60, and daughter Frances I., housekeeper, aged 16.
At Alston 9th inst. aged 71, Thomas Robson.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Thomas Robson, railway guard, aged 60, wife Mary 46, and John 14. In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Robson, railway guard, aged 70, and his wife Mary 55.
At Nenthead, 11th inst. aged 8 months, John Joseph Hind.
At Leadgate, Alston, 13th inst. aged 3 years, Matthew Fawcett.
In 1881, at Middle Houses, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 28, wife Jane aged 25, children John 4, Matthew 2, and William 5 months. In 1891, at Leadgate, Smith Fawcett, lead miner, aged 38, wife Jane 35, children John, lead ore washer, aged 14, William 10, Joseph 8, Matthew C 6, Hugh 4, and Mary J. 11 months.
See 3rd June 1876, 22nd December 1888, 27th January 1912

17th September 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

There appears to be an opening for lead mining enterprise in Weardale, as the lead mines under a considerable tract in the Eastern portion of the Weardale lead mining field, including the parish of Wolsingham, belonging to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and held by W. B. Beaumont Esq., MP., are now offered for sale.

23rd September 1881 (Newcastle Courant)

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

The lead trade, which is the staple industry throughout Teesdale, continues in very depressed state, chiefly owing to the fact that the price of pig lead still rules exceedingly low in the market. The London Lead Company have large stocks on hand, and for some considerable time past there has been a paucity of orders. Twelve men have just been paid off at the Egglestone smelt mill, and it is feared others will shortly have to find employment elsewhere.

23rd September 1881 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD.

The annual show Society of this Society was held Saturday last in field belonging to Mr. R. Ward, Over Water. There was a good many visitors on the ground. The entries were in excess of last year. After the show, dinner was held in the Miner's Arms.

24th September 1881 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

West Wylam, 20th inst., aged 63, Joseph Robson late of Alston *(Retired post messenger).*

1st October 1881 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A large batch of emigrants for America leave here on Wednesday next, amongst whom is Mr T. Fleming, White Stones, and some of our most promising young men in the dale.

The only T Fleming on the 1881 census at White Stones was Thomas Fleming, lead miner, aged 41, wife Mary 40, and daughter Mary Ann aged 17 dressmaker.

Deaths

Stanhope, 22nd ult., in his 79th year Nicholas Urwin, innkeeper formerly of Allendale Town and Ovington.

1st October 1881 (Hexham Courant)

At Nenthead, 26th ult., aged 63, Jos. Raisbeck, lead miner.

In 1841, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Nancy Raisbeck, supported by sons, aged 60, sons Francis, lead miner aged, 30, and Joseph, lead miner aged 22. Joseph married Mary Bell, 12th December 1844, Mary died in 1st quarter 1850. In 1851, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Joseph Raisbeck, widow, lead miner, aged 32, his son William aged 2 (died 1863), his brother Francis, lead miner, aged 41, and servant, Jane Bond, aged 19.

In 1861, at Parsonage House, Nenthead, Joseph Raisbeck, lead ore miner, aged 42, his wife Margaret aged 38, sons William 12, and Matthew aged 8 years.
In 1871, at Wardway foot, Joseph Raisbeck lead miner aged 52, his wife Margaret aged 48, and son Matthew, blacksmith aged 18.
In 1881 at Hillersdon Terrace Joseph Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 62, with his wife Margaret aged 54, and married son Matthew, blacksmith, aged 28, with Matthew's wife Mary Ann aged 23.
Margaret Raisbeck died in 1893 death registered at Alston. See 15 March 1879

19th October 1881 (Teesdale Mercury)

EGGLESTONE

THE LEAD COMPANY'S SMELT MILL. —The Lead Company obtained their Charter as an Independent Company for Lead Mining and Smelting Lead Ore about 180 years ago, in the reign of William and Mary. They carried on smelting operations at a small establishment a few hundred yards further down the ravine up to the year 1818, when they purchased the present establishment from a Mr D. Crawford, of Newcastle, and, by exchange, secured land adjacent to it for chimney extension. At that time the whole of the lead smelted had to be refined to extract the silver. The litharge had to be subsequently reduced to convert it into market lead. This involved the loss of about half of the lead operated on; and, as the fume- collecting only amounted to about twenty tons in the year, after the horizontal chimney had been extended to 600 yards in length (which took place about the year 1824), the Company were among the first to take up the patent of the late Mr Hugh Lee Pattison, for desilverising the lead by crystallisation, somewhere about the year 1834. By this process the waste was reduced to a fractional part of what it previously had been, and lead of a better quality produced for the market, and the silver concentrated into from a 20th to a 30th part of the original lead, which contained on an average about 10 oz. per ton, instead of which the Pattison process turned lead out for refining containing from 200 oz. to 300 oz. per ton. The next improvement was in the condensing by means of Mr J. D. Stagg's patent, by which the smoke was thrown through water, in large condensing chambers, made of wood and lined with lead, through the operation of air-pumps driven by a water wheel, by which the quantity of lead from fume was raised from 20 to 50 tons in the year; but these pumps were utterly inadequate to draw the whole of the smoke, and the irregularity of the draught was not adapted for the reverberatory furnaces. In the year 1857-8, an extension was made of about 800 yards of flue, and a new stack made with self-acting buckets inside. The condensing flues emptied into a filter-bed of rubble stones. This raised the amount of lead from fume to nearly 200 tons. In the years extending from 1870 to 1880 the greatest improvements were made by the introduction of wooden flues and large condensing chambers. The extension thus made comprised over 1,200 yards of wooden flues, and over 600 yards of stone flues covered with wood, and has resulted in an increase of fume which, in the year 1880, yielded over 635 tons of lead. The Rosan process of crystallising has now also superseded the Pattison process for desilverising the lead. In 1 pan upwards of 20 tons are operated on at once, and the process of crystallisation and purification are accomplished together. Under the Pattison process, 2 men wrought 2 pots of 6 tons each, in 8 hours;

under the Rotan process 2 men with 6 pots, 20 tons each, in 12 hours; while the percentage of silver in market lead is less than under the old system. It will thus be seen how readily the Lead Company have always availed themselves of every discovery for the better refining of the lead, and the consequent diminution of waste. This, whilst creditable to their own efforts, end profitable to themselves, has also stimulated the inventive powers of their employees, and not a few of the ingenious minor processes in the smelting of lead have been devised and carried out by members of the Company's staff. Though there is at present a cloud over the mining industry of Teesdale, it cannot be said that the Lead Company have themselves neglected anything calculated to advance the interests of their workpeople or of the inhabitants generally of the district, and a return of the old prosperity is anxiously desired, if but to reward the company for their unwearied exertions.

22nd October 1881 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 16th inst. Robert Clark, Coanwood, to Frances Hannah Irving, Alston.

In 1861, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Joseph Clarke, lead & ironstone miner, aged 53, born at sea, Chatham, his wife Frances (Philipson, married 21st July 1832, Alston) aged 49, born Alston, children Frances 20, Mary Ann 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, William 11, and Robert 8. In 1871, at Herdley Terrace, Lambley, Joseph Clark, coalmine labourer, aged 63, his wife Frances 59, children Mary Ann 26, Robert, coal miner, aged 21, and granddaughter Jane Clarke 1.

Joseph Clark, snr. died 2nd quarter 1879, aged 74.

In 1881, at Chapel House, Haltwhistle, Fanny Clerk, widow, aged 69, sons William, coal miner, aged 31, and Robert, coal miner, aged 28. Also at Chapel House, Robert's brother, Joseph Clerk, coal miner, aged 33, his wife Margaret, 27, children, John 8, Frances 6, Mary 4, Dorathy 2, and Sarah Jane 4 months.

In 1891, at Herdley High Terrace, Lambly, Robert Clark, coal miner, aged 37, his wife Frances H 32, children Jane E 9, Frances H 7, Joseph W 4, Christopher 2, and Lily 3 months. In 1901, at Middle Friar Side, Tanfield, Robert Clark, coal miner, deputy overman, aged 49, his wife Frances H 42, Frances H 16, Joseph W 14, Christopher J 12, Lilly 10, Sarah C 7, and Florence M 4. In 1911, at Middle Friar Side, Tanfield, Robert Clark, coal miner, deputy overman, aged 58, his wife Frances Hannah 53, Joseph William, coal miner, hewer, aged 24, Christopher Irving, coal miner putter, aged 22, Sarah Cecilia 17, and Florence Mary 14.

Frances H Clark died 4th quarter 1928, aged 70, a probable death for Robert Clark is 1st quarter 1921, aged 69.

Deaths

At Nenthead, Greenends, 18th inst. aged 11 months, Phoebe Shield.

In 1861, at Low Blue Row, Ninebanks, Thomas Shield, lead miner, aged 44, wife Barbara (Roddam, married 15th June 1839, Ninebanks) aged 43, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Isaac 9, Hannah 6, and Elizabeth 3.

In1871, at Shield Ridge, Ninebanks, Thomas Shield, lead mine rail layer, and farmer of 8 acres, aged 54, his wife Barbara 53, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, and Elizabeth 12.
In 1881, at The States, Ninebanks, Thomas Shield, lead miner unemployed, aged 64, and his wife Barbara 63.
Thomas Shield died 4th quarter 1883, aged 66.
In 1891, Barbara Shield aged 74, a widow, stocking knitter, was living at Blue Row, Carrshield.
In 1871, at Blue Row, Carrshield, Jonathan Shield, leads ore miner, aged 30, wife Dinah aged 33, and son Thomas R. 1 year.
In 1881, at Carrshield, Jonathan Shield, lead miner, aged 40, born, Allendale, wife Dinah (Rodham, married 2nd quarter of 1866) aged 43, born Stanhope, Thomas R. 11, Mary A. 9, Hannah E. 6, Joseph W. 3, and Phebe 4 months.
In 1891, at Foulard, Nenthead, Jonathan Shield, lead miner, aged 50, wife Dinah aged 53, sons Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 21, and Joseph William, lead ore washer, aged 13.
In 1901, at Foulard, Jonathan Shield, widow (Dinah died 2nd quarter of 1897, aged 59), lead miner, aged 60, sons Thomas R., lead miner, aged 31, Joseph W., lead miner, aged 23, and house maid, Dorothy A Graham, aged 25.
In 1911, at Foulard, Jonathan Shield, widow, retired lead & zinc miner, aged 70, and his son Thomas R., hand drilling lead & zinc miner, aged 41.
Jonathan Shield died 1st quarter 1917, aged 76.
See 15th May 1897.
At Nenthead 16th inst. aged 45, Joseph Robson, lead miner.
In 1871, at Spring House, Nenthead, Margaret Robson, widow, farmer of 6 acres, aged 69, children Thomas, leads ore miner, aged 42, Grace 40, Joseph leads ore miner, aged 35, grandson John Robson11, granddaughter Jane Robson 7.
In 1881, at Fiddler Street, Nenthead, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 53, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 45, nephew John Robson, lead miner, aged 21, niece Jane Robson, domestic servant, aged 17, and niece Grace E. Robson, house keeper, aged 18.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Spring Houses, Thomas Robson, single, retired lead miner, aged 63. At Whitehall, John Robson, lead miner aged 31, his wife Hannah 30, children Mary Jane 8, John Joseph 5, and Grace Ann 1 year.
See 16th April 1842, 27th January 1872, 13th January 1877, and 9th November 1895

5th November 1881 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Carson reported that all was in a fair sanitary condition at Nenthead and Garrigill. Diarrhoea had been prevalent but no deaths had resulted from it. There had been 20 births and 11 deaths.

WEARDALE

DEATH OF RALPH MARTINDALE

On Wednesday, last the remains of Mr Ralph Martindale of New House were interred in St John's Churchyard. In early life, the deceased followed the profession of Cordwainer and when a little over twenty years of age he suddenly left his native Weardale no one new whither. But it appears he journeyed to

Scotland working at his trade in Edinburgh and Glasgow, and when the Crimean war broke out in 1854, he imbibed the patriotic spirit of the time and enlisted in the 47th Foot. As soon as efficiently disciplined, he was dispatched to the Crimea and was present at the fall of Sebastopol, for which he received the Turkish medal. The Indian Mutiny breaking out, his regiment was at once dispatched to take part in the suppression of the sepoys. He afterwards served with his Corps in Bermuda and other military stations in the Mediterranean. On his return to England, his whereabouts were discovered to his relatives in Weardale through a singular incident. His brother Thomas Martindale then in the Life Guards, getting into conversation with a soldier of the 47th, who was extolling the splendid bass voice of a certain Ralph Allison of his regiment caused enquiries to be made by Thomas who elicited that the vocalist was his long lost brother, Ralph Allison Martindale. He at once communicated with his friends in Weardale who purchased his discharge after 10 years service. He received a good conduct medal and a first class certificate of character. On his return to Weardale, he was employed at the W. B. Shops, and on the decease of Mr Whitfield Harrison was appointed Store Keeper, a position of trust, which he fitted with integrity. On conversion to Wesleyan Methodism, he strove by word and deed to retrieve his past. He was unfortunately seized with inflammation of the lungs, which proved fatal in a few days. Out of respect to the deceased Mr Thos. Rumney, Agent ordered the offices and shops to be closed and the whole of the employees attended the remains of their deceased friend to their last resting place aged 55 years.

The 1851 census tells us that Ralph was lodging in the town of Dalkeith (High St West), aged 24 years a Journeyman shoe maker.

47th (Lancashire) Regiment of Foot.

The 47th landed with the rest of the British at Calamity Bay. They then began the journey to the Russian naval base of Sevastopol. On the 30 September the regiment, in the Battle of Alma.

On 5 November, the regiment took part in the battle of Inkerman. The regiment was part of the force besieging Sevastopol, a siege that lasted from September 1854 to September 1855 when the British captured it.

The regiment returned to Malta in 1856 upon the war.

In 1861 the regiment went to Nova Scotia, Canada to reinforce Canada's defences against the USA. In 1866 during the raids by Irish-American ex-soldiers who invaded Canadian territory, the 47th assisted in the defence of Canadian territory. In 1868 the 47th arrived in Barbados in the West Indies.

12th November 1881 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 8th inst. Joseph Spark to Elizabeth Hymers both of High Galligill. *See 24th March 1883*

Deaths

At White House, Catton, Allendale, 9th inst. aged 51, Mary wife of Joseph Craig.

At Swainby near Northallerton, 31st ult. William oldest son of Mr Tom Hutchinson formerly of Fourdargue, Alston.

In 1851, at Aimshaugh, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary, aged 24, and daughter, Mary Ann 3 months.

In 1861, at Annatwalls, Alston, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 42, wife Mary, aged 34, children, Mary A 10, William 8, Elizabeth 6, and Joshua 2.
In 1871, at Fourdargue, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 52, his wife Mary 44, children, William, lead miner, aged 18, Joshua 12, Isabella 9, Barbara 6, and Thomas 3.
See 13th December 1873

26th November 1881 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

DEATH IN A WEARDALE LEAD MINE

A lamentable death took place in a Weardale lead mine on Monday. Whilst two miners were proceeding to their work, in a rise at Quarry Level lead mine, their candles went out, indicating foul air. Joseph Robinson, one of the men, proceeding further, soon died. Deceased resided at Huntshieldford, Weardale, was much respected, and leaves a widow and two children.

1881 Mines Inspectors Report

Source North of England Institute of Mining and Mechanical Engineers, Neville Hall, Westgate Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Joseph Robinson 21st November 1881

Greenlaws Lead Mine
Robinson, Joseph, aged 38, Miner, suffocated by gas while climbing a rise to another level

Description

No. 5 on the list took place at the Green Laws Mine, where Joseph Robinson was suffocated by gases; it appears that deceased and Thomas Eggleston went to work in a rise in the quarry level of Green Laws Lead Mine; the rise was 14 fathoms up, and when they had climbed up about eight fathoms both their candles went out owing to foul air. They tried to re-light them with matches but could not, and Robinson said he would go up to the end of the Air-box and light his candle there. Eggleston advised him not to do so, but he went, and, when about three fathoms from the top, was overcome by the foul air and suffocated. The rise was ventilated by 5-inch air boxes from a water blast, with a column of eight fathoms, but the current had been too feeble to sweep away the foul air which had escaped from the strata during a falling barometer. These two men had driven the rise from the level, and Eggleston said it was usually well ventilated, but that occasionally, when there was a change in the weather, they had seen foul air, and gone home. They did not report this to anyone, and the agent said he was not aware of it.

In the 1851 census Joseph aged 8 is living at Chapel Prospect, St John's, with his widowed father John (in 1841 John was living at home with his mother and father John & Margaret Robinson, both aged 40, at Newlandside, Stanhope) aged 31, who was working as a lead miner.
In 1861, at Huntshieldford, St John's Chapel, John Robinson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah (Walton, married 1851, this is John's second marriage) aged 35, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Phebe 9, George 6, Mary 4, and Addy 2.
John Robinson died in the last quarter of 1871, Sarah died 1900?
In 1871, at Huntshieldford, St John's Chapel, Joseph Robinson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret 26, children Isaac Vickers 2, and John 6 months.

In 1881 census Joseph Robinson, Huntshieldford, Lead miner, aged 38, wife Margaret aged 35, Isaac aged 12 (Isaac married Annie Dalkin in 1898 she was aged 34 in 1901, Isaac died 1909), John aged 10.
In 1891, Margaret living at Huntshieldford is listed as a widow, farmer, with her are Isaac a saddle & harness maker and John a farmers son. In 1901 Margaret is still living at Huntshieldford with her son John.

Deaths

At Australia, Sept 10th Hugh Johnson, late of Sunnyside, Catton, *born about 1852, son of Thomas lead ore smelter and Margaret, Farmer.*

10th December 1881 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Garrigill Church, 26th ult. Mr John Watson, Middleton in Teesdale, to Annie seventh daughter of the late Thomas Richardson, Ashgill, Garrigill.
In 1841, At Ashgill, Thomas Richardson, game watcher, aged 45, his wife Isabella 25, children Thomas 5, Mary 3, and Sarah 1.
In 1851, at Ashgill, Thomas Richardson, game protector, aged 57, his wife Isabella 37, children Thomas, labourer, aged 15, Mary 13, Hannah 8, Sarah 6, Isabella 4, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Thomas Richardson, game watcher, aged 67, his wife Isabella 49, children Thomas, forester, aged 25, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18, Isabella 14, Elizabeth 11, and Anne 6. In 1881, at Low Ashgill, Thomas Richardson, retired game watcher, occupies 15 acres of land, aged 87, his wife Isabella 67, children, Thomas, schoolmaster, elementary, aged 45, Elisabeth, dairymaid, aged 31, Annie, dairymaid, aged 26, grandson Joseph E. Richardson 13, and granddaughter Alice E. Richardson 3.
In 1891, at Town Head, Middleton in Teesdale, John Watson, cartman, aged 39, born Holwick Yorkshire, his wife Ann 36, children Mabel 5, Joseph R 3, and Sarah A 3 months. In 1901, at Market Place, Middleton in Teesdale, John Watson, manager of flourmill, aged 49, his wife Ann 46, children Mabel 15, Joseph R 13, and Sarah A 10. In 1911, at Middleton Mills, John Watson, corn miller, aged 59, his wife Ann 56, children Mabel 25, Joseph Richardson, assistant corn miller, aged 23, and Sarah Annie 20.
John Watson died 1st quarter 1920, aged 68.
See 30th November 1864, 20th August 1881

10th December 1881 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Nenthead Parish Church, 2nd inst., W. T. Dalton of Winnipeg, Canada, son of the late William Dalton Esq., of Nenthead to Miss Fanny Walton, daughter of Jonathan Walton of Donks Villa, Nenthead.
See 2nd September 1876
William T Dalton, son of William (Assistant Mine Agent Lead Smelting) and Frances Dalton (Frances Millican, married 15th September 1853, at Nenthead), Living at Rose Hill, Nenthead in 1861. William Tinniswood Dalton was born in the 4th quarter of 1854.
In 1871 William Tinniswood Dalton (16 years old Clerk) was living in Bishop Gate London with his Uncle Henry Dalton.
See 10th October 1874, and 10th November 1883.

Jonathan Walton was a lead mining agent Fanny (baptised Frances Mary) was born in the 2nd quarter of 1856, she was one of 6 children.
See 25th February 1888

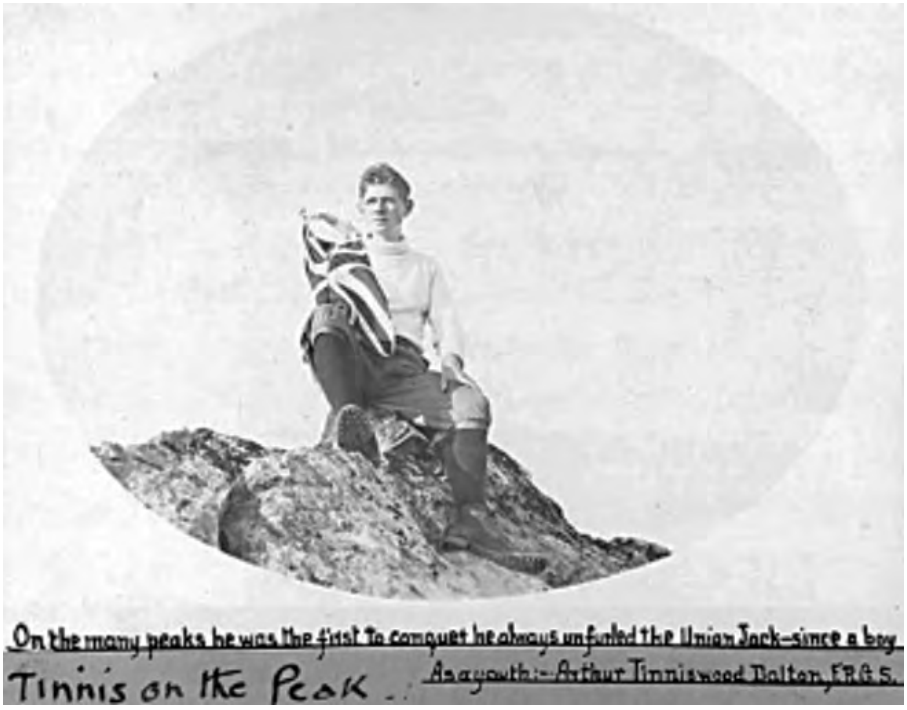
William Tinniswood & Frances Mary had the following children:
Arthur Tinniswood Dalton was born on 11 Nov 1883 Winnipeg, Manitoba West, Canada.
Joanna Frances Dalton born 21st September 1885 in Winnipeg, Manitoba West, Canada.
In 1891 living in the district of New Westminster, Vancouver City, British Columbia.
In 1901 living in the district of Burrard, Vancouver City, British Columbia

The British Columbia Geographical names Index gives the following:
Dalton Dome named after Arthur Tinniswood Dalton (1883 -), FRGS, Vancouver architect, city assessor and mountaineer. Member of first ascent party on Mount Garibaldi, also Mounts Albert, Alfred, Alexander, Victoria, Tinniswood, Wellington and George Edwards. Born at Winnipeg; came to Vancouver with his parents in 1889; 2 years at McGill; worked with his father, William Tinniswood Dalton, pioneer Vancouver architect; Port Grey building inspector c1922.

Mount Tinniswood named by Arthur Tinniswood Dalton and Percy W. Easthope, of Vancouver, in honor of the former's father, William Tinniswood Dalton (1854 - 1931), early Vancouver architect. Born in England and trained as a church architect in London; arrived in Vancouver in 1889. Designed first Tranquille Sanitarium; supervised Vancouver Court House, Customs House and other early buildings in Vancouver. Took up mountaineering as a sport in 1894, and was an enthusiastic mountaineer and explorer; one of the party credited with first ascent of Mount Garibaldi, 1907. Died in Vancouver 1931.
William Tinniswood Dalton (Architect) died on 26 May 1931 in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Information sources:
upsdell.com/genealogy/tree/ pafg230.htm
British Columbia Vital Records, and Manitoba vital records.

Camera Workers:
The British Columbia, Alaska & Yukon Photographic Directory, 1858-1950 - D - Volume 1 (1858-1900)
NAME: **Dalton, William Tinniswood.**
LIFE DATES: 1854 11 21-1931 05 26.
BUSINESS ADDRESS/YEAR: 512 Hastings St. W./1896.
HOME ADDRESS/YEAR: 1319 Georgia St./1896-1897.
STATUS: Amateur.
BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY: Educated in England, he articled as an architect there in 1872, then moved to Winnipeg where he practiced between 1880-1889. He moved to Vancouver in 1889. After the turn of the century he was a partner in the firm of Dalton & Eveleigh (Sydney Morgan Eveleigh). Some of his Vancouver buildings are still standing.


On the many peaks he was the first to conquer he always unfurled the Union Jack—since a boy
Tinnis on the Peak
As a youth:—Arthur Tinniswood Dalton, F.R.G.S.

Ascent of Mount Crown, 1902. Major Matthews Collection, Vancouver City Archives.

George W. Edwards and William Tinniswood Dalton in the Climbing gear
Studio photograph Edward Bros. 1895. Major Matthews Collection
Vancouver City Archives

17th December 1881 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Middle Scalegill, Alston, 11th inst., aged 61, Isaac Archer, lead miner. *Son of Joseph and Elizabeth. In 1841 Joseph Archer, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 40, children, Isaac 20, lead miner, Valentine 15 lead miner, Elizabeth 12, Hannah, 11, Mary 7, Agnes 5, Thomas 2, Joseph 2, living at Skelgill Plains. Joseph Archer snr. died 1850/51.*
In 1851 at Skelgill Plains, Elizabeth Archer, widow, aged 50, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 31, Valentine, lead miner, aged 25, Mary, spinner woollen factory, aged 17, Agnes, machine feeder, wool factory, aged 15, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Josh 9, and William 7.
In 1861, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, Isaac Archer, lead miner, aged 41, and his wife Mary aged 34. In 1871, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, Isaac Archer, lead miner, aged 51, and his wife Mary aged 44, and daughter Sarah E. aged 8 years. In 1881 Isaac and his wife Mary are living at Middle Skelgill with their daughter Sarah E aged 18 years their only living child.
At Haggs, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 36, William Glendenning, lead miner,
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Susan 42, children John lead miner, aged 16, Jane 13, William 5, Robert 3, and Margaret 2 years. Susan died in 1856.
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendening, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 16, Robert, lead miner, 13, Margret 12, Mary 9, Susannah 7.
In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning, widow, lead miner, aged 62, children William, lead miner aged, 25, Robert, lead miner aged, 23, Margaret 22, Susannah 17.
Thomas Glendinning was buried at Nenthead 30th October 1873, aged 65.
In 1881, William, unmarried, is living with his sister Susan (Susannah) aged 27 at Haggs.

24th December 1881 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
THE LEAD MINES. It is rumoured throughout Weardale that all the lead miners employed by Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP., at the Weardale lead mines are under notice, and that the works will in all probability be stopped about the New Year.

28th December 1881 (Morning Post)
THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES,
Subjoined is the letter from Mr. Wentworth Beaumont respecting the closing of the Weardale Lead Mines, which was referred to in a paragraph inserted on Tuesday: —
"Bretton Park, Wakefield, December 22, 1881.
"Dear sir, —Upon the eve of closing the mines it is but considerate to the miners employed under me that I should offer some observations upon a course so distasteful to me—one which I fear will be injurious to many persons in Weardale; and it is convenient I should do so in the form of a letter to you. In 1878 the attention of the late Mr. Edmund James Smith, the agent of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, was called to the complicated nature of the arrangements with the lessors, and to the great desirability from many points of

view of simplifying them, and of reducing the rents, regard being had to the great fall in the value of lead ore, and to the increasing difficulties of lead mining owing to the exhaustion of the richest portions of the Weardale mines, and it was furthermore pointed out that unless this course were adopted neither the London Lead Company nor I, lessees of the commissioners, could be expected to, neither would we, risk money in exploring and trying to increase the productiveness of mines not our own, but that, on the contrary, we must restrict our operations within a very limited scale. It is due to the memory of one who in all business transactions was actuated by a high sense of what he considered to be just and fair to all persons here to say that he more than once expressed his personal agreement with the above views; but he pointed out that before a public department could act upon them it was necessary to have a report from some well-known man of eminence in the mining profession, and accordingly Mr. Warrington Smythe was, in the spring of 1879, selected by the board to investigate the whole case. That gentleman being largely occupied upon the royal commission on mining accidents stated when he was appointed that a considerable time must elapse before he could exhaustively examine the district, and consequently, after some delay, a temporary reduction of rent was, under his advice, made from June, 1879, to June, 1880. In the middle of the latter year, 1880, Mr. Warrington Smythe made his report to the commissioners very shortly before the death of the late Mr. Edmund James Smith, but, unfortunately, not in time to enable him to take part in the settlement of a question in which he had evinced so much intelligent interest. This report advised that considerable concessions should be made; but the commissioners, after Mr. Smith's death, not only refused to give effect in any way to the advice of their chosen adviser, but, turning their backs on their former course, they have recently stated that, as trustees for the public, they do not feel justified in altering the terms of the leases held by the London Lead Company and by myself, and they decline negotiations upon the subject. In Alston, the Lords of the Admiralty have hitherto met their mining tenants with consideration, and it is difficult to understand upon what reasonable grounds another Government department will not act upon the same lines when owners of property throughout the length and breadth of the land are making fair concessions to tenants. Whatever may be the future of this matter, I wish our people to understand that, having done, all which in me lies to place on a proper basis the relations of lessor and lessee, the responsibility for the unsatisfactory state of mining operations in Weardale rests not with my agents but with the London board.
Kept, during the last three years, in continued uncertainty, and harassed for a long time by vexatious litigation, in which the plaintiff commissioners were wholly unsuccessful, it has been impossible to carry on proper mining adventure.
I remain, very faithfully yours,
“C. Cain. Esq." “WENTWORTH B. BEAUMONT. ESQ.”

28th December 1881 (Teesdale Mercury)
NORTHERN LEAD MINING.—Probably the experience in the lead mining industry in the North of England is different to that of almost every other mining and metallurgical industry in the district in the year that is now so near its close. Most of the mining industries have recovered from the depression that set in a few years ago, so far as the quantity of the production is concerned, but they

do not as yet seem to have recovered entirely the value of the output. But in lead mining, not only is the value but the volume of the production also far below that of a few years ago, in several of the districts that were amongst the most productive In the North of England. Especially does this seem the case in the great lead mining district of Weardale. There are in that district unhappily local differences that affect the industry, but that need not be indicated in detail here. It may, however, be stated that the great “W. B.” mines In Weardale have in the past been amongst the most productive in the world, the output having long been from 10,000 tone to 16,000 tons yearly. But since the dullness in trade set in, it has shown itself in the most marked form in that district, and during part of a recent year the mines were for a time entirely closed. It is rumoured that such a step is now again contemplated, though the statement has not yet been officially made. Still the fact that such a rumour has arisen, and the lesser output of the last few years, is enough to illustrate the great dullness of the trade in the district, and this at a time when there is in the southwest of the kingdom a very marked increase ta activity in lead mining. The Weardale mines are the property of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and there have been once or twice statements made that it is the question of the “dues" payable to them that is responsible for the present condition of the industry. The question is worth the consideration of those interested in the trade. The North of England has long been the largest contributor to our production of lead, and the whole nation is interested in the conditions that affect its prosperity, and possibly' prevent its further growth and development. —*Engineer*

31st December 1881 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

TYNEHEAD SULPHUR, COPPER, AND LEAD COMPANY LIMITED.

Upon terms of an agreement of the 13th September, this Company propose to purchase from Mr T. Nicholas Woolton of the West Villas, Tollington Park, certain mineral property situate at Tynehead, in Priorsdale, Parish of Alston, Cumberland, held for a term of 21 years, from the 3rd August last. The Company was registered on the 5th inst. with a capital of £75,000 in £1 shares.

31st December 1881 (Hexham Herald)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

With the close of this week, the Weardale Lead Miners notices will expire, and the New Year will find the mines belonging to W. B. Beaumont Esq., MP., in Weardale closed. ...

The London Lead Company’s Agent, speaking a few days ago, expressed a fear that unless the dues were lowered, Teesdale would be little better off than Weardale, and said the condition of Weardale was due to the hard heartedness of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. Now, Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP., in a letter addressed to his chief agent, Mr Cain, and dated the 22nd inst., throws the blame upon the lessors. From the letter, we learn the following:- “In 1878 the attention of the late Mr Edmund James Smith, the agent to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, was called to the complicated nature of the arrangements of the lessors, and to the great desirability from many points of view of simplifying them, and of reducing the rents, regard being had to the great fall in the value of lead ore, and to the increasing difficulties of lead mining, owing to the richest portions of the Weardale mines; and furthermore pointed out that unless this

course was adopted neither the London Lead Company nor I (W.B. Beaumont), lessees of the Commissioners could be expected to, nor would we, risk money in exploring and trying to increase the productiveness of mines not our own; but that on the contrary, we must restrict our operations within a very limited time scale."

After recounting delays, we are informed that Mr Warrington Smythe was selected in 1879 to investigate the whole case. In the meantime a temporary reduction of rent from June 1879 to June 1880 was made and in the middle of this latter year, 1880, Mr Warrington Smythe made his report to the Commissioners, shortly before the death of Mr E. J. Smith, but too late to enable Mr Smith to take any steps in "a question in which he had evinced so much intelligent interest." "This report advised that considerable concessions should be made; but the Commissioners, after Mr Smith's death, not only refused to give effect in any way to the advice of their chosen adviser, but turning their backs on their former course, they have recently stated that, as trustees for the public, they do not feel justified in altering the terms of the lease held by the London Lead Company and myself (Mr W. B. Beaumont) and they decline negotiations upon the subject." Mr Beaumont refers to the Lords of the Admiralty at Alston having met their mining tenants with consideration, and in conclusion says:- "Whatever may be the future of this matter I wish our people to understand that having done all which in me lies to place on a proper basis the relations of lessor and lessee, the responsibility for the unsatisfactory state of mining operations in Weardale rests not with my agents but with the London Board."

7th January 1882 (Hexham Herald)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

Earl Stanhope, in a letter to the Northern Echo, replies to the letter written by Mr Beaumont, MP., blaming the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the stoppage of mining operations in Weardale. His Lordship points out that the Commissioners have already reduced the Royalty from one fifth to little more than one thirteenth of the output. On Mr Beaumont applying for a further reduction of the rent, the Commissioners asked to be furnished with full information as to his receipts and profits during the past ten years. Mr Beaumont refused to give the information, and says Earl Stanhope, is the cause of the disastrous state of things in Weardale. Mr Beaumont, moreover, gave them no intimation of his intention of closing the mines.

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

MEMORIAL TO THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS

On Friday, the representative committee, convened by Mr John Thompson, solicitor, held their first meeting at the Board Room, Stanhope, for the purpose of considering what was best to be done on behalf of the Weardale Lead mines. The committee agreed to adopt a memorial to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, a copy of which is to be sent to the Bishop of Durham asking his Lordship's assistance, and a copy also to the lessee of the lead mines of Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP.

REPLY OF MR BEAUMONT MP. TO LORD STANHOPE'S LETTER.

Mr W. B. Beaumont, writing to the "Northern Echo," in reply to Lord Stanhope, says: -

There is no provision in the lease for the render of one fifth, and consequently the contention that the lessors have reduced therefrom by allowances fall to the ground. But it is the fact that the reservations made due to the high price of lead were considered so very large that the lessors and lessees became apprehensive some years ago (as set forth in a case which the Board themselves submitted to the present Solicitor General) as to the exhaustion of the mines, and they wisely determined to make their lessees considerable exploration allowances; and for these the lessees have, I respectfully submit, received full value. - Indeed, it is my humble opinion that had these allowances not been granted the crisis in Weardale, which we now deplore, would have arisen several years ago. Supposing for the sake of argument, that the profits in the earlier years of the leases have been considerable, I fail to see what that has to do with the matter. Fortunately, for the Commissioners, they have reasonable lessees, but had irresponsible companies been their tenants would it have been any satisfactory reason for crippling an important industry to say that many years ago the shareholders earned good dividends? When the landlords were asked for a remission in rent, they did not decline on the grounds of prosperity in former years; nor so far as I know, did they ask their tenants for an account of past profits. But believing however, that exaggerated reports had found currency in London, and determined to meet the Board more than half way, I placed last spring in the hands of the Chief Commissioner a confidential memorandum giving the average cost of the ore during the period of ten years covered by their request. The price at which the Board had sold me the ore they had at command, and the difference between these two figures, constituting the lessees moderate profit, the Commissioners know perfectly well. They then asked leave for their officials to examine my books for detailed information, which request ought never to have been made, and was accordingly declined. No formal communication was made to the Board of my intention to close the mines, because under the circumstances hereinafter mentioned such notification was deemed useless on my part. My manager in Newcastle has never received even an acknowledgement of the receipt of his letter to the Board, and after waiting a reasonable time; I called on their financial secretary, Mr Porter, with whom I had two or three interviews. This advisor, able as he is, impressed me with the idea that his duties were mostly limited to obtaining as much money as he could for the Ecclesiastical Commissioners; and he informed me the Board had come to the conclusion that they would make no alterations in their Stanhope leases; he further pointed out that the Commissioners were the most indisposed to do so on account of the prevalent agricultural depression. An observation of mine that I did not follow this reasoning which led the lessors to refuse consideration to their mining tenants because they had made remissions to agriculturalists did not appear to strike this gentleman as pertinent. Not only this: he told me the Board objected to entertaining any proposal for new terms until within two years (viz., 1884) of the expiration of the first break in the lease; and my remark in reply that this decision coupled with the consequent uncertainty as to the Commissioners intentions about the future, would necessitate the limitations of exploration and workings to immediate necessities, and the throwing many people out of employment, did not do more than call forth the official <u>non possumus</u>. On leaving him, I said that the matter would not end thus. King Red Tape has long reigned triumphant in Whitehall Place. No one who knows my noble friend doubts for a moment

the truth of the assurance given me by the late Mr Edmund James Smith, that Lord Stanhope is personally most anxious that justice should be done, and equities liberally considered; but the office has hitherto been too strong for him.

14th January 1882 (Hexham Herald)

THE WEARDALE MINES
REPLY OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS.

In answer to the memorial sent from Stanhope by the Representative Committee to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, praying that some steps may be taken to remove the great distress caused in Weardale by the closing of the lead mines, the committee have received a copy of a letter addressed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners on the 6th inst. to Mr R. W. Beaumont, MP. After referring to the said memorial on behalf of the Weardale lead miners, to the letter addressed to Mr Cain, and the editors of the Northern Echo, all of which they have considered, the Commissioners understand that Mr Beaumont's contention is that the royalties payable under the terms of the lease are so onerous that the working of lead ore in Weardale can no longer be carried on at a profit. In view of this contention on the part of the lessee, and the existing pressure of distress among the mining population, the Commissioners offer, in the letter referred to, to accept as from the 30th June next, a surrender of the lease, and thereby release Mr Beaumont from the liability for the payment of the yearly rent of £4,600 to which the lessee is bound up to the year 1886. This however, is on the condition that the mines be at once reopened so as to provide employment for the inhabitants of the dale, who have hitherto been engaged in that work. The Commissioners further state that they would be ready to entertain proposals from Mr Beaumont for the grant of a new lease of some portion of the Weardale Lead Mines, and in the event of their entering into negotiations they would be content to refer any points on which difference might arise to an arbitrator, and suggest for that purpose Mr David Dale, a gentleman of high standing, and fitted for the purpose, being hitherto entirely unconnected with the case. The Commissioners deeply deplore the distress and hardships which have fallen on the industrial population of Weardale by the closing of the mines, and hope that their proposals may result in the mines being reopened at an early date.

REOPENING OF THE MINES.

Mr J. C. Cain has received a letter from Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP., in which he says:-

"It is impossible to carry on lead mining in Weardale with satisfaction under existing circumstances. As you are aware, your respected predecessor, the late Mr Sopwith, no mean authority on such questions, always considered the conditions of the Stanhope leases onerous. While however, the mines were productive, and lead kept a good price, things went on well. Now all is changed, speaking in round numbers, lead has fallen from £22 to £15 per ton, and the best known veins have largely worked under the pressure system which to pay great rents, has been forced upon the lessee. It is not wise to kill the goose which lays the golden egg; the not distant future must be cared for as well as the immediate present, which I fear the lessor will fail to do, unless they follow the advice of a practical man like Mr Warrington Smythe, who understands lead mining. For a long time he has superintended the mines belonging to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales in the Duchy of Cornwall. He has held other

important posts, and I am confident he may be trusted to advise the church authority what they should do for the due management of their Metalliferous mines. A right decision in this matter is the foundation on which is built the prosperity of the mining population, a prosperity in which the Ecclesiastical Commissioners assure the public they "feel so deep an interest," and I doubt not that they will soon make good their words with due regard to everyone concerned. The state they are most desirous of bringing to an end the recent crisis, and under these circumstances I have great pleasure, pending negotiations with the Commissioners, in authorising you to reopen the mines."

21st January 1882 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINES. On Friday, many of the lead miners in the Upper Part of Weardale took their bargains at the lead offices. The bargain day for the miners in the St John's Chapel and lower part of the district was held on Saturday. The mines were reopened on Monday.

21st January 1882 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE LEAD MINES

Much dissatisfaction has existed amongst the miners of Weardale at the present arrangements for working the mines and an agitation is going on with the view of getting some better system. According to the Old System of working they obtained lent money; now this is not given, and hence they argue that a good deal of hardship arises. So great is the interest manifested in the movement that, at a public meeting held at St John's Chapel on Saturday night, the Town Hall was crowded.

28th January 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

In this town, Hencoats, 24th inst, aged 53, Nicholson Dixon, Lead Miner. *He was the son of Stephen (Lead ore washer) and Elizabeth of Low house Allendale.*

The 1881 census has Nicholson and his wife Hannah (Hannah Foster married 1857) aged 52, with their son Stephen N. aged 12, living at Hencotes, Hexham. Nicholson is recorded as a lead miner unemployed ill health. In 1871, they had lived at High Shield Allendale.

Union Workhouse, 21st inst., aged 68, Clemitson Currey, Lead ore Smelter *In 1851 Clemitson Currey was living at Union Cottage, Allendale, aged 37, with his wife Sarah, 38, and children Mary 14, Robert C. 8, John 1.*

In 1881, Clemitson was listed as a Widow, living at Mill Cottages, an unemployed Lead weigher.

Green Pit, Allendale, 18th inst., aged 50, Christopher Ashman.

Lead miner, he did not marry.

Parents Thomas & Elizabeth Pears, married at Allendale 19th May 1821, Thomas died in 1854, Elizabeth died in 1847.

In 1851, at Pry House, Allendale, John Ashman, lead ore miner, aged 27, his brothers Christopher lead ore miner aged 19, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 22, and sister Frances 24. In 1871, at Allenheads, John Ashman mine inspector, aged 47, his wife Barbara 39, brother Christopher lead ore miner

39, and domestic servant Hannah Reed 15. In 1881, Christopher is a boarder at West End, Allendale, with Mary Pearson & her family.

28th January 1882 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

WOMAN KILLED AT NENTHEAD.

On Monday an inquest was held at the Miners' Arms Inn, Nenthead, by Mr. J. B. Lee, on the body of Elizabeth Hewitson, aged 63, who had been run over on the previous Thursday, by a horse and three stone waggons whilst crossing a line of rails between Nenthead and Overwater. It appeared from the evidence adduced that for some distance above the "crossing" the rails form an incline along which the waggons gather sufficient momentum to carry them along independent of the exertions of the horse. No brakes are attached to the waggons, and the only means at hand for regulating the rate of speed is by pulling up the horse and allowing the waggons to "bump" against its hindquarters.—In reply to the Coroner, Isaac Hornsby, the lad who was driving the horse, stated that he shouted with all his might when the deceased stepped on the rails some two or three yards in front of the horse, and instead of stepping right across, she commenced to Walk or half run between the rails, and in the same direction as the horse was going. He jumped off the waggons and attempted to stop them by backing the horse, but was not successful until they had run over the woman and dragged her a distance of fifteen or twenty yards. The Coroner: Is that the only way to stop the waggons?—Witness: Yes; the horse's head is held back and it holds the waggon.—A Juryman: The horses wear leather backskins on purpose for stopping them, and some can do it in two or three yards.—The Coroner, addressing the jury, said if they considered the place dangerous to too public he had no doubt the London Lead Company would listen to any recommendation they might make.—The jury considered the place sufficiently safe, and returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

4th February 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 26th ult. aged 42, Mary Hetherington

In 1871, at Fiddler Street, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 29, wife Mary (Walton, married 16th November 1869, at Nenthead) aged 31, daughter Mary Alice 1 (died 1st quarter of 1872).

In 1881, at Overwater, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 39, wife Mary 41, children Isaac 9, Mary E. 7, Alice 6, and William 4. In 1891, at Overwater, George Hetherington, widow, general labourer, aged 49, sons Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, and William, lead ore dresser, aged 14.

George Hetherington died 1st quarter 1906, aged 64.

See 23rd April 1870, & 7th November 1874.

11th February 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Allendale Town, 2nd inst., aged 30, Hannah fourth daughter of the late Thos. Todd Mulcaster. *See 12th June 1875*

Dipton, 2nd inst., aged 51, John Vipond, late of West Allendale.

In 1851, at Leight Shield, West Allendale, Joseph Vipond, farmer of 7 acres & lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Ann 44, children John lead ore miner, aged 20, William 10, Sarah 7, and Hannah 4 years. In 1861, at Nether Houses,

Ninebanks, Allendale, John Vipond, grocer, provisions dealer, and farmer of 7 acres, aged 30, his wife Hannah 31, children Francis Joseph 3, and Isabella A. E. J. 10 months; and brother William lead miner, aged 20.
In 1881 John Vipond a General dealer was living at Front Street, Dipton, County Durham with his wife Hannah aged 57, sons Francis J. aged 23, general dealer; John W. T. aged 10; and daughters Sarah Ann, 16; Isabella D. aged 13, and John W. T. aged 10.

25th February 1882 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

This Board met on Saturday, under the presidency of the Rev. O. James. There was a fair attendance.—A letter was read from the Local Government Beard sanctioning the appointment of Drs. S. Carson, junr., and Pickworth medical officers of health in Nos. 1 and 2 districts.—A letter was also read from Dr. Canon, senr., resigning his situation of poor-law medical officer at Nenthead.—An application was read from Dr. Carson jnr., for the post of poor-law medical and vaccination officer in the Alston district.—Notices were arranged to be given to the poor-law medical and vaccination officers of Nos. 1 and 2 district terminate their offices on the 25th March, prior to the better arrangement the whole _____. **The meeting of the Highway Board was held on Saturday.**—The Surveyor reported encroachment on road at Blaygill by Mr. Crawhall-Wilson putting up certain wire fences, but stated he was willing to widen the road by removing certain mining deposits, &c.—This was agreed to. A letter was read, signed by several persons in the town, asking the Board to take a certain road leading past the Congregational Chapel.—In reply to the Chairman it was stated that the road in question was a parish road, and the application was consequently refused. It was, however, decided that the Sanitary Inspector should see that no nuisances were placed upon it.—The Highway Committee reported that they had inspected the roads at Overwater, Nenthead. Clarghyll, and Newshield. They recommended the Board not interfere with the gales in the Garrigill, Nentwater, and Blaygill districts. As regarded the application of the inhabitants of Overwater for a road to be repaired between Nenthead and Overwater the Committee stated the distance to be some 270 yards. Some of this was paved some forty or fifty years ago, but was now much injured by the public traffic as be almost impassable. They reported that several complaints had been made of late of no snow posts being on the road between Nenthead and Killhope; they recommended that posts placed. They found the roads in the Clarghyll district (with the exception of Lowbyre) in good repair, and they did not find the expenditure heavy. They condemned the system of allowing persons who had private gateways opening on the highways to block up the ditch, thus turning water upon and damaging the road. They recommended the Board make application for the district road between Howgill and Garrigill to be made a main road; and also, to consider if it was not desirable be at some expense put the road between Garrigill and Hartside into condition, with the same object in view. -It was staled that if the roads in question had to be made main roads would have referred to the County Surveyor.—On the motion of Mr. Millican it was decided to put up snow posts between Nenthead and Killhope, and refer the Overwater and Nenthead road to the Highway Committee for an estimate of the cost.— Some considerable diversity of opinion prevailed as whether the road ought to repaired or not.— No decision was arrived regarding the entrances into

private fields from the highways.—The recommendation referring to the parish gates was adopted.

25th February 1882 (Hexham Herald)

THE WEARDALE MINES
MR BEAUMONT AND THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSION.

A long correspondence has taken place between Mr Beaumont, MP., and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners relative to the reopening and working of the Weardale mines, an alteration in the lease, and a surrender of it having been discussed.

The present position of affairs is indicated by the two last letters:-

9 Bow Church Yard, Cheapside, London, E.C. 15th February 1882
Weardale Lead Mines

Sir, The matter has been placed in our hands. Mr Fothergill not having been favoured with a reply to his letter of 24th Ultimo, we beg leave to say we cannot accept your offer to take off our client's hands his mining lease without compensation for his outlay.

The present Bargains expire at the end of next month, and unless satisfactory arrangements can be made, the mines will be closed.

We are, Sir your obedient servants
Bell, Broderick, and Grey.

The Secretary, Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

Ecclesiastical Commission, 10 Whitehall Place, London, SW.
16th February 1882
Weardale Lead Mines

Sirs, I am directed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to acknowledge your letter of the 15th instant, informing them that the matter of the Weardale Mines has been placed in your hands, and stating that "unless satisfactory arrangements can be made the mines will be closed at the end of next month." Upon the receipt of Mr Fothergill's letter of the 24th ultimo the Commissioners instructed their mineral agents to advise with the least possible delay as to sliding scale of Royalty, which the Commissioner's could accept in respect of the portion of the mines which Mr Beaumont might wish to retain after the contemplated surrender of his lease in June next. It is obvious that a scale of Royalty for so important a property cannot be settled without the most careful consideration. The Commissioners hope to be in position to name terms at an early date.

But as you make it a ground of complaint that no reply has as yet been sent to Mr Fothergill's letter of the 24th ultimo, and in view of the announcement that the mines may be again closed, I am directed to make the following observations in reply to that letter:-

The Commissioners regret with Mr Beaumont the divergence of views which exist between themselves and him in reference to the proposal for the surrender of the lease of the Weardale mines.

The Commissioners have already stated that there can be no question of compensation in connection with the surrender of the lease, and I am to point out that more than one half of the total expenditure of £200,000 which Mr

Fothergill states Mr Beaumont has made upon the mines since the commencement of the present lease, has been paid by the Commissioners out of their rent and royalty. The statement in Mr Fothergill's letter that Mr Beaumont looks upon the allowance to him of the sums of £108,000 only as a matter of account is quite unintelligible to the Commissioners.

Mr Beaumont having declined to furnish the necessary information in support of his request for a modification of the terms of his lease, the Commissioners have endeavoured to ascertain from other sources the approximate cost of working the mines with a view of deciding upon the terms which might be accepted by them for the portion of the mines which Mr Beaumont might be desirous of taking after the present lease is surrendered. Taking the year ending 30th June 1878, as an average year (for 8,196 tons of ore were raised in that year, and the output for the seven years ending June 1878, averaged about 8,000 tons), the Commissioners have reason to believe that the whole of the expenditure made by Mr Beaumont in exploration, added to the net rent and royalty paid by him to the Commissioners did not amount to £18,000. Adding to this sum, in respect of dead work (apart from exploration) for establishment expenses at Newhouse, and for the carriage of the ore to the smelting house, a sum of £7,000, which the Commissioners believe to be a fair estimate, the total expenditure, apart from the cost of raising and washing the ore, the Commissioners understand that this part of the work is paid wholly by results, bargains being made with the men at various rates per bing of ore washed ready for smelting according to the assumed difficulty of raising such ore from the various veins; all the expenses incidental to the bringing out, crushing, and washing of the ore being in the first instance defrayed by Mr Beaumont, but afterwards deducted by him from the amount paid to the men when the bargains terminate. The Commissioners also understand that the rates paid vary from 8s to 10s per bing at the lowest to 45s and 54s at the highest, or say from £1 per ton to £6 15s per ton. The Commissioners believe that £3 2s 6d per ton will be found to be a fair average for the cost of raising and washing ore in that year. The cost therefore upon 8,000 tons will be £25,000, which added to the above mentioned sum of £25,000, make a total expenditure of £50,000 in respect of 8,000 tons of ore. The market value of lead ore for 1878 was about £10 10s per ton, or say £84,000 for the 8,000 tons; and assuming these estimates to approximate to the actual cost, it would leave a profit of £34,000 upon the years workings. If these estimates were extended to the years from 1872 to 1877, when the price of lead ore amounted on the average to £14 per ton the net profits in these years would be found to have been not less that between £50,000 and £60,000 per annum.

It has been a matter of some difficulty for the Commissioners to obtain the necessary information for making this estimate, and if Mr Beaumont is not prepared to accept the conclusions which the Commissioners are disposed to draw from the information they have obtained, it will be for him to refute them by producing his books and disclosing the actual figures.

The Commissioners feel bound to make public the correspondence which has passed between Mr Beaumont and themselves since January 11th.

I am Sirs, your obedient servant
George Pringle

Messrs Bell, Broderick, and Grey, 9 Bow Church Yard.

2nd March 1882 (Northern Echo)

LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE

A new company has taken over the lead works of the Pattersyke Lead mines, and it has been registered as the Pattersyke and Cargill Mining Co. (Limited). Its capital is £6,400 in 6,400 shares of £1 each. The main turnpike between the Market place of Alston and Middleton-in-Teesdale passes through the Company's grounds.

11th March 1882 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE SMELT MILLS.

For a considerable time past the men employed in the above works have had good cause for being discontent at the amount received weekly by them as wages, and even now, although matters are much improved it cannot be said that their income will enable them to indulge in the smallest extravagance. The "separators," we are informed have received an advance of three pence per shift, there being four shifts in a week; while the "smelters" and "roasters" have received an advance of three pence per ton. We may state also that the washer lads in Weardale have received an advance of four pence to six pence per day, and it is hoped that those employed at Allenheads will get a similar advance.

18th March 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, Whitehall, Nenthead, 9th inst., aged 21, Margaret *(Walton),* wife of Henry Barron.

In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Barron, lead ore miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 55, children Elizabeth, house maid, aged 30, Hannah, house maid, aged 28, Robert, lead ore miner, aged 25, George, lead ore washer, aged 15, Cowper 13, grandson Henry 5, and granddaughter Elizabeth 3.
In 1871, Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 69, wife Elizabeth 65, children Betsy, domestic servant, aged 40, George, lead miner, aged 25, Cowper, lead miner, aged 23, grandson Henry, lead ore washer, aged 15, granddaughter Elizabeth 13, and granddaughter Margaret 2.
Robert Barron died 3rd quarter 1878, aged 76.
In 1881, at Whitehall, Henry Barron, lead miner, aged 25, his mother, Betsy Barron, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 50, sister Margaret, servant girl, domestic, aged 12, and Thomas Richardson, nurse child aged 4 years.
Henry Barron married Margaret Walton 2nd quarter of 1881.
In 1891, Henry Barron, aged 35, was living in Byker 103 Felton Street, working as a lead separator, with his wife Margaret (Nattrass married 3rd quarter of 1884 in Newcastle upon Tyne) aged 29, and their children, Florence 5, and Henry 8 months.
In 1901, at Chirton Street, Byker, Henry Barron, widow, lead worker, aged 45, children Florence 13, Henry 10, Mary E. 8, Elizabeth 4, and John A. 1.
Margaret died 2nd quarter of 1901 aged 39. In 1911, at Chirton Street, Henry Barron, widow, red lead furnaceman, shipbuilding, aged 55, children Henry, steam hammer driver, aged 20, Florence, housekeeper, aged 25, Mary Ethel, factory girl, aged 18, and Elizabeth Moor 14.
Henry Barron died 3rd quarter 1914, aged 57.

25th March 1882 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Matakana, Auckland, New Zealand, 14th January, aged 57, William Vipond, late of Green Hurth mine Durham.
William Vipond son of Thomas Vipond and Catherine Shield born 30 September 1825, he had two brothers Thomas born 1826, Joseph born 1830, and a sister Catherine born 1837.
Joseph married Sybil (Sibyl) Stout in 1860, his was Sybil's 2nd marriage, she had 5 children from her previous marriage, the1861 census shows she and Joseph had a 4 month old daughter Catherine.
William and Mary had seven children:
In the 1851 census William and his wife Mary are living at Lane Head Alston with their two children Edward Carr aged 3, and Catherine aged 1.
Edward Carr born 1848 (in 1861 family living at Dufton, Edward listed as lead ore washer).
Edward Married Elizabeth Green in 1891, at which time he was working as a coal miner, in 1901 they were living at Peters Bank, Kyo, Annfield plain, the 1901 census gives the following: Edward aged 51, coal miner hewer; Elizabeth aged 55, laundress domestic; Dorothy J Green daughter aged 19, laundress domestic; Florence Green daughter aged 14, Elizabeth A Shield daughter married aged 22, Robert Shield aged 3, grandson; Hilda A Shield, aged 1.

Catherine born 1850 married John Carlton Holmes (born Westmorland) in 1876 at Alston, John was a ticket collector for North East Railways, they were living in Middlesbrough in 1881. In 1871 John was living with his parent working as a labourer in a quarry at Dufton.

Margaret Carr born 1852 (living with her grandmother Margaret Carr in 1861 census). Married William Harrop at Alston 1874?

Alfred Carr born 1854 (living with his grandmother Margaret Carr in 1861 census) died 10th December 1923, married Isabella McMillan on 28th April 1876 in South Malvern, Canterbury (NZ), they had 11 children

Harriet born 1856, married John Potts at Alston in 1878, they emigrated to Australia and had 6 children, Mary born 1878 at Alston, Lizzie Jane born 1880, Amelia born 1882, Harriet born 1890, Catherine born 1891, and Minnie born 1893, John V 1896, all births registered at Lithgow, NSW. Harriet died in Australia in 1917 death registered at Windsor New South Wales, John was buried on 30th December 1937 his death registered at Lithgow, New South Wales.
John Potts was born 1853, son of Matthew & Dorothy both born 1830 (Moffat, married 1850), in the 1871 census he was listed as a lead ore washer. Matthew was a lead miner, living at Flat, Garrigill in the 1861 census Dorothy is listed as a widow, Matthew had died in 1860.
The children listed below travelled to New Zealand with their parents Joseph & Mary on the "Wellington" arriving at Auckland 2nd January 1882.
Walter Carr born 1858 died 1919
Mary Carr born 1865 died 1927, married Alon Vipond on 24th August 1882 in Port Albert, they had 5 children Esther Elizabeth, Eric, Maude Mary, Una

Matilda, and Gerald Alon. Alon Vipond was the son of Joseph and Elizabeth Vipond of Alston, he was born in 1855, died 1917.
Spencer Carr born 1870 died 1949, married Miriam Agnes Landall in 1904.

1st April 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At High Lovelady Shield, Alston, 22nd ult., aged 57, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner.
Isaac Hornsby son of Isaac Hornsby & Hannah Walton, christened 17th January 1770, married Mary Dodd, (daughter of Thomas Dodd, chief agent of the London Lead Company) 4th July 1791, Mary died 16th January 1810, aged about 36 years, (baptised, 28th March 1773). Isaac remarried 1st June 1811 to Isabella Cain. Isaac was buried 17th December 1835, aged 66, at Alston.
Children of Isaac's first marriage to Mary Dodd:
Mary/Sarah, baptised, Tuesday, February 21, 1792 died Wednesday, November 9, 1864 aged 69
Garthwaite, baptised, Thursday, November 14, 1793
Thomas, baptised, Wednesday, September 23, 1795
Isaac, born Saturday, August 26, 1797
Anna, born Wednesday, January 7, 1801, died Tuesday, February 9, 1869, aged 67
Isabella, born Tuesday, August 24, 1802
Adam, born Tuesday, May 15, 1804 died Tuesday, January 8, 1805
Jonathan, born Monday, July 8, 1805 died Thursday, April 13, 1809
Emma, born Tuesday, January 5, 1813
Children of Isaac's second marriage to Isabella Cain:
Matthew, baptised 27th August 1814
Sally, baptised 27th August 1814
Hannah, baptised 4th March 1818
Emerson, baptised 24th July 1819
John George, baptised, 26th December 1820
Adam, baptised 27th December 1822
Jane, baptised 27th December 1822
Jonathan, baptised 30th June 1826
Forster born about 1818
Benjamin born about 1827
Rebecca born about 1829/30
In 1841, at High Dyke Heads, Isabella Hornsby, widow, independent means, aged 54, children, Emerson, lead miner aged 22, Jane, 18, Jonathan 16, Benjamin 14, and Rebecca 12.
In 1861, at High Love Lady Shield, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Phoebe (Teasdale, married 23rd December 1847, at Nenthead) 42, children Matthew lead miner 13, John 11, Isaac 9, Emerson Cain 6, Jonathan 4, and Joseph 1 year.
In 1881, at High Love Lady Shield, Jonathan Hornsby, farmer of 39 acres, aged 57, his wife Phoebe 62, sons Joseph, Cordwainer, aged 21, and Thomas, farm servant, indoor, aged 19. In 1891, at High Love Lady Shield, Phoebe Hornsby, widow, aged 70, and her son Thomas, farmer, aged 27. The 1901 census shows Phoebe and her unmarried son Thomas still at Lovelady Shield. Phoebe died in 1906.

See 24th April 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 15th June 1878 and 23rd February 1901.
At Garrigill, 26th ult., aged 10 years, Elizabeth Ann, daughter of John Hill, lead miner.
In 1841, at High Craig, Garrigill, Matthew Hill, farmer, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Elliot, married 1 October 1826) aged 30, children Elizabeth 14, Frances 12, Margaret 11, Hannah 9, Lucy 6, Jane 4, and Sarah 1 year.
In 1851, at High Craig, Mathew Hill, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Hannah aged 45, children Jane 14, Sarah 11, Mathew 3, John 6, Thomas 4, and Susanna 1 year.
In 1861, at High Craig, Matthew Hill, lead miner & farmer, aged 61, his wife Hannah 53, children Lucy dairy maid, aged 26, Matthew lead miner, aged 19, John lead miner, aged 16, Thomas lead miner, aged 14, and Susannah 11.
In 1871, at High Craig, Garrigill, Matthew Hill, farmer of 29 acres, aged 71, his wife Hannah 63, children John lead miner, aged 26, and Susannah 21.
Matthew Hill died 1st quarter 1876, aged 76; his wife Hannah died 3rd quarter 1882, aged 75.
In 1881, Hannah, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 75, was living at High Craig, with her unmarried daughter Jane who was a dairymaid, aged 44.
See 30th September 1882.
In 1881, at High Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, John Hill, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary (Fawcett, married 1871) aged 30, children Elizabeth A. 9, Lucy H. 7, Matthew 4, William 4, and Joseph 1 year.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Hill, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 41, children Matthew lead ore washer, 14, William lead ore washer 14, Joseph 11, and Walter 9. In 1901, at Gatefoot, John Hill, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 51, children Lucy Hannah 27, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 24, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 21. In 1911, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Hill, cartman, aged 66, and his wife Mary 61.
John Hill died 4th quarter 1922, aged 78.

7th April 1882 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

This Board met on Saturday under the presidency of the Rev O. James There was a fair attendance The Chairman referred to the cattle restrictions and said the counties of Cumberland, Westmorland, and Northumberland were all clear. A letter was read from the Local Government Board sanctioning the appointment of Dr, Carson, jnr., as medical officer of No. 1 (Alston) district, and as medical officer of the work house A letter was also read sanctioning the of Dr Pickworth for No. 2 (Nenthead and Garrigill) district. —The Clerk said he had prepared receipts to the amount of £1100 for the parish, and £450 for sanitary work, which also included the Highways making a total of £1,550. He further added that the full rate of 2s would be levied, but it would be collected in two instalments of 1s each.

17th April 1883 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORTS.—At the Alston Board of Guardians on Saturday, the Rev O, James in the chair , the Clerk read Carson's quarterly report for No. 1 district which stated that 14 deaths had occurred during the

quarter, the death-rate being 6.1 per 1,000, The death-rate for the corresponding quarter last year was 3.1. Seven of the present quarter's deaths occurred during the month of March. The number of births was 13—4 males and 9 females, The birth-rate was 5.6 per 1,000, The sanitary condition of the district was generally satisfactory.

ALSTON WORKHOUSE.—At the Alston Board of Guardians, on Saturday, Mr. George Peart reported having visited the workhouse and found all satisfactory. There was a large accumulation of stones at the workhouse, and unless something was done they would shortly have to be stored in the gardens — it would be a good thing to sell them, but the Clerk pointed out it would render them liable to pay dues to the lords of the manor.—Some desultory conversation took place, and the matter dropped.

22nd April 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 67, John Havelock.

In 1841, at Low Hill Top, Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Jane (Elliot, married 26th December 1811, at Alston) aged 52, children John lead miner, aged 25, Mary 20, Smith 20, Jane 15, Ridley 15, Thos 13, and Betsy 10. In 1851, at Low Hill Top, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Jane 61, children Ridley, lead miner, aged 27, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Betsy 20, and granddaughter Jane Hutchinson 8.

William Havelock aged 61, of Hill Top, was buried at Nenthead, 16th July 1851.

In 1851, at Homes Foot, Nenthead, John Havelock, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Hannah (Wilson, married 31st January 1845 at Alston) aged 25, and children George 5, and Jane 2. In 1861, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, John Havelock, cartman, aged 46, his wife Hannah aged 35, children George lead ore washer, aged 15, Jane 12, John 8, Mary Ann 4, and William 6 months.

In 1871, at Low level, Nenthead, John Havelock, cartman & labourer, aged 56, his wife Hannah 46, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Jane, dressmaker, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, and William 10. In 1881, at Low Level, Nenthead, John Havelock, general labourer, aged 66, his wife Hannah 55, and son William lead miner, aged 21.

See 25th April 1863, 3rd December 1870, 3rd August 1872, 9th August 1873, 14th August 1875, 9th January 1875, 22nd April 1882, 11th October 1884, and 8th December 1894.

At Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 71, Agnes, widow of Robert Doyle.

In 1841, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Doyle, lead miner aged 33, his wife Agnes 30, children Betsey 10, John 8, Robert 6, Hugh 4, and Hannah 1.

In 1851, at White Hall, Nenthead, Robert Doyle, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Agnes 41, children Elizabeth 20, John lead miner, aged 18, Robert lead ore washer, aged 16, Hugh lead ore washer, aged 13, Hannah 11, Agnes 9, Ann 4, Cowper 1, and Elizabeth Hall, mother, aged 70, born Catton, Northumberland. Robert Doyle senior, died in 1855 aged 47, he was born in Dublin, Ireland.

The 1861 census shows a further child Mary born 1853. In 1881, Agnes was living at White Hall, Nenthead with her son Cowper Doyle, lead miner, aged 31.

See 1st February 1845, 30th October 1869 and 20th May 1893

At Foulard, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 14, Joseph William Graham.

In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead, William Graham, wood cutter, aged 43, born Allendale, his wife Jane 40, children Thomas lead miner, aged 18, Agness 16, Joseph lead miner, aged 14, William lead ore washer, aged 12, Margaret 10, Sarah 8, John 6, Mary 4, and Jane 1 (buried at Nenthead19th May 1851, aged 2 years).
In 1861, at Pry House, Nenthead, William Graham, wood cutter, aged 53, his wife Jane 50 (buried at Nenthead 13th November 1863, aged 52), children Joseph 24, William 22, Margaret 20, John 16, Mary 14, Hannah 9, and Ann 5.
Also at Pry House in 1861, Thomas Graham, widow (Thomas married Mary Cousin 2nd February 1854, she died in 1860), lead miner, aged 28, his children, Jane aged 5, Hannah aged 3, and William aged 1.
In 1871, at Pry House, William Graham, widow, farmer, aged 63, children William lead ore miner, aged 31, Mary 24, John wood cutter, aged 26, Ann 15, Jane aged 3 (buried at Nenthead, 5th February 1890, aged 22), and visitor Jane Robinson, aged 15.
Also at Pry House, in 1871, Thomas Graham, widow, lead miner, aged 38, his children, Jane, aged 15, Hannah 13, and William 11.
See 23rd September 1871 for the record of Thomas's Grahams death aged 39.
In 1881, at Pry House Nenthead, William Graham, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 73, his unmarried sons William lead miner, aged 42, John lead miner, aged 36, grandson William Graham, lead miner, aged 21, granddaughter Hannah Graham 23, and Jane Graham, 13.
William Graham was buried at Nenthead, 2nd June 1881, aged 73.
In 1871, at Foulard, Nenthead, Joseph Graham, wood sawyer, aged 35, his wife Isabella (Johnson, married 12th July 1866, at Allendale, place of her birth) aged 36, children Joseph William 3, Sarah J. 1, and sister Agnes Hall, widow, aged 34.
In 1881, at Foulard, Nenthead, Joseph Graham, lead miner and farmer of 8 acres, aged 45, his wife Isabella aged 45, children Joseph W. lead miner, aged 13, Sarah Is. 11, John H. 9, and Isabell 6.
In 1891, at Rede Street, Newcastle, Joseph Graham, aged 54, his wife Isabella 55, children Sarah J. dressmaker, aged 21, John H. wharfman, aged 19, Isabella, dressmaker, aged 16, and boarder John Hetherington, railway porter, aged 22, born Allendale.
Joseph Graham died 17th December 1900, aged 64
In 1901, at Askew Road West, Gateshead, George Simpson, tobacconist & newsagent, aged 31, his wife Isabella 26, children George 6, Jane Isabel 4, and mother in law Isabella Graham, widow, aged 65. See 31st October 1840, 2nd November 1844, 28th March 1846, 23rd September 1871, 13th July 1872, 11th December 1875, 27th April 1878, & 21st December 1901
At Greenends, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 48, Hannah, wife of Jonathan Walton.
In 1871, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Jonathan Walton, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Roddam, married at Alston 1854) aged 37, children Thomas 14, Margaret 9, Elizabeth Ann 5, Mary Jane 1.
In 1881, at Greenends, Nenthead, Jonathan Walton, lead miner & farmer of 27 acres, aged 50, his wife Hannah 47, unmarried son Thomas lead miner aged 24, married daughter, Margaret Walton, lead miners wife 19, daughters, Eliz. Ann 15, Mary Jane 11, and Frances T. 6.

In 1891, at, Greenends, Nenthead, Jonathan Walton, widow, lead miner, aged 60, and daughter Frances T, housekeeper aged 16 years.
Jonathan Walton died 3rd quarter 1898, aged 68.

28th April 1882 (London Gazette)

DUBBY SYKE MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, duly convened and held at the Company's registered offices, No. 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in the county of the same town, on the 28th day of March, 1882, the following Special Resolution was duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened and held at the same place, on the 18th day of April, 1882, the following Special Resolution was duly confirmed: —

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that James Jons Clark, of No. 127, Park-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Agent, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up."

J. W. Swinburne, Chairman.

29th April 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Congregational Chapel, 27th inst. Christopher Pattinson, Hay Ring, to Ann Kindred, Lovelady.

Ann Walton married Joseph Kindred, 4th quarter 1871, Joseph Kindred died 4th quarter 1874, aged 30.
In 1881, at Love Lady Shield, Roland Walton, farmer of 18 acres, aged 66, his wife Martha, aged 58, and daughter Ann Kindred, widow, aged 36.
In 1891, at Hayring, Christopher Pattinson, yeoman, aged 43, his wife Ann 46, and son John Walton 7. In 1901, at Hayring, Christopher Pattinson, farmer, aged 53, and his wife Ann aged 56.
Ann Pattinson died 2nd quarter 1905, aged 60.
In 1911, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Christopher Pattinson, widow, retired farmer, aged 63.
Christopher Pattinson died 1st quarter 1913, aged 65.
See 19th December 1874, and 19th April 1884

Deaths

At Nenthead, 27th inst., aged 42, Isabella, wife of Havelock Lattimer.

In 1841, at Nenthead, Sarah Lattimer (Havelock, married Matthew Lattimer, 28th June 1818, at Alston, Matthew died in 1839, aged 46, burial 4th June 1839), grocer, aged 43, children Jno 22, Thos 18, Ann 16, Mathew 7, and Havelock 5.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Nicholas Harrison (Marriage to Sarah registered at Weardale in 1845), draper & grocer, aged 50 (born Stanhope), his wife Sarah, aged 52, sons in law Matthew Lattimer aged 17, and Havelock Lattimer aged 14.
In 1861, at Nenthead, Nicholas Harrison, grocer and local Methodist preacher, aged 60 (not at home), his wife Sarah 62, step sons Matthew, porter, aged 27, Havelock, carter, aged 24, boarder, Thomas Fetherston, draper, aged 36, Jane Hutchinson, house servant, aged 24, Sarah Graham, house servant, aged 18

In 1871, at Nenthead, Havelock Lattimer, draper & grocer, aged 34, his wife Isabella (Stout, married 1st June 1862, at Nenthead) 31, children Jane 10, Matthew 8, Margaret 4, Thos Havelock 6 months, and general servant, Hannah Stout, aged 20.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Havelock Lattimer, draper & grocer, aged 44, his wife Isabella 41, children Thomas Havelock 10, Ridley C. 7, visitor Annie Gray 11, and general servant, domestic, Harriot Teasdale, aged 17.
Havelock Lattimer died 29th October 1907, aged 70.
See 1st May 1869, 17th May 1873, 2nd May 1874, 24th February 1877, 28th May 1877, 22nd December 1877, and 29th April 1882

IN MEMORY OF
MAGGY THE BELOVED DAUGHTER
OF HAVELOCK AND ISABELLA
LATTIMER
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MAY 11TH 1873
AGED 6 YEARS AND 11 MONTHS
ALSO OF JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED MAY 17TH 1877
AGED 1 YEAR AND 9 MONTHS
ALSO OF SARAH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED DEC. 19TH 1877
AGED 5 YEARS AND 2 MONTHS
ALSO OF ISABELLA WIFE OF
HAVELOCK LATTIMER WHO DIED
APRIL 27TH 1882 AGED 42 YEARS
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
HAVELOCK LATTIMER
WHO DIED OCT. 29TH 1907 AGED 70 YEARS

1st May 1883 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON

MEDICAL REPORT OF NENTHEAD.—At the Alston Highway and Sanitary Board on Saturday, Dr Pickworth's report of Nenthead district was read, and stated the births and deaths for the quarter each to have been 12, giving a death rate 5.14 per 1000. One case of smallpox occurred at Tynehead, but it was of a mild type and the patient had recovered.

13th May 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Walhi, Taranaki, New Zealand, February 25th 1882, Hugh Nixon, engineer, Ketemarse, late of Stonecroft mines, to Annie, only daughter of Mr Wm. Jemison, formerly of Prudhoe on Tyne.
Hugh son of William & Mary Nixon of Stonecroft Mine, Hugh was listed as Fireman at lead mine in 1871, born about 1856. See 11th November 1876, 28th July 1888, & 17th December 1898.
Deaths
At Alston, aged 5 months, Annie Isabella, daughter of Jonathan Woodmass, Alston. *See 19th March 1842, 27th May 1871*

15th May 1883 (Carlisle Journal)
THE SURVEYOR'S REPORT OF THE ALSTON ROADS.
At the meeting of the Alston Rural Sanitary Authority on Saturday, Mr. Walton in the chair, the surveyor's report of the condition of the main and district roads, together with the probable cost of repairing &c., from March 25, 1883, to March 25, 1884, was read by the clerk. The report stated the main roads and highways in the Alston district were in good order. The arch at Moscow had been re-built, and would now prevent any further damage to the roads, The usual quantity of metal and ditching would be sufficient to keep them in repair for the year. In the Nenthead district the roads were in fairly good condition. A little more metal was required between Foulard and Galligill and Nenthead and Garrigill. The worst portion, between Garrigill and Hartside, had been reformed. Some few more pieces required repairing and would be attended to during the summer Owing to other work occurring during the year, and the great expense entailed in cutting snow he had suspended the operations. The probable expenditure for the year on the main roads would be—manual labour, £240; team labour, £60; material, £160; tradesmen's bills, £5 total, £465 and on the district roads—manual labour, £105; team labour, £20; material, £40; tradesmen's bills, £5; ; salaries, £70; total, £240. On the motion of Mr. George Peart, the report was passed. In reference to a dangerous place in the road between Garrigill and Nenthead, the Board decided to divert the road and re-form it, provided the Dowgang Mining Company would purchase the land and build fences on each side.

20th May 1882 (Hexham Courant)
THE TEASDALE LEAD MINES
An influential deputation of South country gentlemen, shareholders of the London Lead Company have just paid a visit of inspection to their mines and works in Teesdale; and though nothing definite is known as to the import of the inspection it is thought that the event may have an important influence on the languishing lead industry. …

27th May 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hill Top, Nenthead, 19th inst., aged 71, Matthew Pattinson.
See 23rd October 1869, and 5th April 1879.
At Haggs, Nenthead, 21st inst., aged 27, Susannah Golightly

In 1851, Low Galligill, Thomas Glendenning, lead miner, aged 42, born Knaresdale, his wife Susan aged 42, born Alston, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 3, William 5, Robert 3, and Margaret 2.
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Thomas Glendening, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 16, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Margaret 12, Mary 9, and Susannah 7.
In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Thomas Glendenning, widow, lead miner, aged 62, children William lead miner, aged 25, Robert lead miner aged 23, Margaret 22, and Susannah 17.
Thomas Glendinning, died 4th quarter 1873, aged 65.
In 1881, Susannah Glendinning, aged 27, is living at Haggs, she was acting as housekeeper, for her elder brother William, lead miner, aged 35.
In 1881, at High Nentsbury, Nenthead, Hannah Golightly, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 64, born, Ninebanks, her unmarried children, John lead miner, aged 37, Mary Ann dairy maid, aged 3, Thomas farmer & shoemaker, aged 34, and Marg. general servant, aged 24, her unmarried sister Mary Forster, formerly a dressmaker, aged 68, all born Ninebanks.
John Golightly married Susanna Glendenning in the first quarter of 1882; he remarried in 1890 to Elizabeth Whitfield. In 1901 at Hayring, Nenthead, John Golightly, lead miner aged 57, and his wife Elizabeth aged 48.
John Golightly died 1st quarter 1911, aged 66.
In 1911, at Path Head, Allendale, Thomas Golightly, single, boot and shoe maker, aged 59, born West Allendale, Elizabeth Golightly, widow, aged 57, born West Allendale, and boarder, Thomas Renwick, butter, egg, and poultry dealer, aged 50, born Tynehead, Garrigill.
At Corby Gates, Alston, 21st inst. aged 52, William Watson.
In 1881, at Corby Gates, William Watson, farmer of 150 acres aged 51, wife Ann 48, children George 25, Annie 21, William 18, Alexander 16, Joseph 15, Robert 14, Hannah 11, Mary 9, Charley 6, and Harrison 5.
See 2nd April 1887.
At Clitheroe, Alston, 23rd inst aged 26, William Lowe.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, Teasdale Lowe, lead miner, aged 65, wife Margaret aged 47, children Eunice 23, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, John, lead miner, aged 11, and William 5.
Teasdale Lowe died 1st quarter of 1867, aged 70.
In 1861, Joseph Lowe, aged 8, was boarding with the Varty family, at Swalway Cottage, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Margaret Lowe, widow farmer, aged 59, children Teasdale, cart driver, aged 29, Thomas T., lead miner, aged 27, Phoebe, domestic servant, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, cartman, aged 19, William 16, granddaughter Sarah A. 8, and grandson Thomas W. 6.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Margaret Lowe, widow, farmer of 21 acres, aged 67, children Teasdale, carter, aged 37, Thompson, general labourer, aged 35, William J., general labourer, aged 25, granddaughter Sarah A., domestic servant, aged 18, and grandson Thomas W., carter, aged 15.
In 1891, at Proudlock Hill, Cumwhitton, Brampton, Isaac Leach, single, miller & farmer, aged 58, servants, Susannah Lowe, domestic servant, aged 40, John Corrie, farm servant, aged 17, and aunt Margaret Lowe, widow, domestic servant, aged 78

See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896.

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 23rd inst. Mr George Black, Nenthead, to Margaret Graham, High House, Nenthead.

See 15th March 1879, 17th March 1883, 24th November 1888, 9th May 1891, 18th April 1908

27th May 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Stanhope, 21st inst., aged 70, Esther, the beloved wife of Thomas Crawhall.

In 1851, at Stanhope Castle, Thomas Crawhall (Parents William & Mary, wife Julia?), widow, woodman, aged 64, his son Thomas clerk and storekeeper at ironworks, aged 35 his sons wife Esther (Raine married at Newcastle 1844) aged 39, and grandsons, Thomas 4 (died 1861), and John 1 year. In 1861, at Stanhope Thomas Crawhall, widow, miner of fluorspar aged 74, his son Thomas clerk at ironworks, aged 45 his sons wife Esther aged 49, and grandson, John 11 years.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas clerk accountant ironstone mining, aged 55 his wife Esther aged 59, son John accountant ironstone mining, aged 21, and his father Thomas Crawhall, widow, formerly woodman, aged 84

In 1881, at Quakers Square, Stanhope, Thomas Crawhall, accountant, aged 65, his wife Esther 69, grandson, Thomas Currah Crawhall 6, and domestic servant Elizabeth Annie Jones 21.

Alston Middle Park, 19th inst., aged 57 Thomas Walton.

In 1861, at High Annatwalls, Mary Walton, widow, farmer, aged 67, children Thomas, butcher, aged 35, Frances 25, John lead miner, aged 23, granddaughter Sarah Lee 10, and grandson William Walton 2.

In 1871, at High Annatwalls, Thomas Walton, unmarried farmer of 40 acres, aged 45, brother John, woodman, aged 33, sister Frances, aged 35, house keeper, Niece Sarah Lee, dairymaid aged 21, nephew William Walton aged 12, and Niece Mary F. Maughan aged 6.

In 1881, at Park, Thomas Walton, unmarried, farmer of 40 acres, aged 56, his unmarried sister Fanny aged 40, nephew William, butcher aged 22, and niece Mary Francis, dairymaid, aged 16.

Alston 18th inst., aged 67 Robert Walton.

In 1841, at High Skelgill, Alston, William Walton, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 50, children Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 15, William lead miner aged 12, grandson Isaac Walton 2.

In 1851, at Ramage buildings, Alston, William Walton, widow, lead miner aged 62, his sons, William, lead ore miner, aged 22. Robert, lead ore miner aged 36, daughter Mary aged 28, and grandsons, Isaac, 12, and John 7.

In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, Robert Walton, unmarried, lead ore miner, aged 6, his brother in law Robert Snowdon, stone mason, aged 48, his sister Jane Snowdon aged 58, and his unmarried niece Sarah Scaife, house keeper, aged 21. In 1881, at Vicarage Cottage, Alston, Robert Walton, unmarried, lead ore miner, aged 66, his brother in law Robert Snowdon, widow, stonemason, aged 58, and his unmarried niece Sarah Scaife, house keeper, aged 31.

3rd June 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, Independent Chapel, 29th ult. Robert Hope, Tynehead, to Margaret Storey of same place.
In 1891, at Benfieldside, Durham, Robert Hope, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret 34, children John R 5, Emley 6 months, and visitor Mary A Hope 28. In 1901, at Benfieldside, Robert Hope, coal miner, aged 54, his wife Margaret, aged 42, and son John R, labourer at paper mill, aged 15. In 1911, at Cutlers Hall Road, Black Hill, Benfieldside, Robert Hope, coal miner, aged 64, his wife Margaret 53, and sister Mary Ann Swenson, widow, aged 48. Robert and Margaret Hope had 4 children of which 3 died before 1911.
Deaths
At Nenthead, 22nd ult., aged 21, Margaret *(Walton married 1st quarter of 1881)* wife of John Walton.

3rd June 1882 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
We understand that the workmen employed at the Killhope and Burtree Pasture Lead Mines have unanimously resolved to take no further bargains under the present system, or under the present Chief Agents. A similar resolution was carried by a large majority at a meeting of the miners belonging to Greenlaws mine. The present bargains will expire at the end of June.
On Saturday night last, a public meeting was held in the Town Hall, St John's Chapel, the object of which was to present a testimonial to Mr Nathan Race, of Weardale, a miner, who has been for some time past, through sickness, unable to follow his employment. Mr Walter Beaumont (*W. B. Beaumont's brother, he spent a lot of time preaching, and encouraging the miners to fight for their betterment*) presented the testimonial, which consisted of a purse of £23 0s 6d, accompanied by a beautiful bouquet freshly pulled in Hexham that morning. ...
See 25th February 1888

10th June 1882 (Hexham Herald)
Letters to the Editor
THE WEARDALE LEAD MINERS.
Sir, A lead miners meeting was held in the Town Hall, St John's Chapel, Weardale, on the 2nd inst., and unanimously passed the following resolutions:-
1st. That we protest against the New System of lead mining.
2nd. That we protest against the present agents, and do declare that we will take no more bargains under them. We do most humbly pray our employer, W. B. Beaumont Esq., MP., that he will change the New system back to the Old System of working the mines; also change the present agents, and we will do our very best for him as working men.
3rd. That we disapprove of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners letting a lease for one year only, because such a short period generally leads to the plundering of lead mines.
Lead mining is not like ironstone, limestone, or coal mining. It sometimes takes a trial of one, two, or even three years to cut a good vein. There is no return to the speculator until the vein is cut, and some lead ore is got, and a short lease, is therefore, detrimental both to the lessor and lessee. Men are not likely to sink money in trying to find a vein, because there is not time for a return of the money

expended. We would advise the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to let leases for long periods, so that the mining fields can be fully explored. The total number of pickmen now employed under Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP., in Weardale is 191, of whom 159 voted against the present system and agents, leaving a small number of 32 men in their favour.

I am &c.

Secretary for the miners

10th June 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

West Nenthead, 25th ult., aged 2 years, Frances Sarah Hetherington.

Loatburn, Nenthead, Alston, 2nd inst., aged 62, Jonathan Parmley.

Jonathan Parmley baptised 4th January 1794, son of John and Dorothy Parmley married Elizabeth Kindred in 1814.

In 1841, at Rotherhope, Elizabeth Parmley, farmer, aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Richard, lead miner, aged 15, Dorothy 14, Robert 12, Milburn 11, and James 9.

In 1851, at Garrigill, Elizabeth Parmley, widow, farmer of 30 acres, 61, children John, lead miner, aged 37, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Milburn, lead miner, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 19, and house servant Eliza Bramwell 17.

Jonathan Parmley married Hannah Bell 4th quarter 1855.

In 1861, at Main Street, Jonathan Parmley, draper & grocer, aged 37, his wife Hannah aged 41, and servant, Elizabeth Bell aged 13.

In 1871, at Front Street, Jonathan Parmley, draper, aged 49, his wife Hannah aged 52, servant Mary Bell aged 13.

Hannah Parmley died 4th quarter 1871, aged 53.

In 1881, at Lotburn, Nenthead, Jonathan Parmley, farmer of 35 acres, aged 59, his wife Ann (Snowdon, married 28th May 1873, at Nenthead) aged 48, sons Thomas W. Snowdon draper & grocer, 19, and George Snowdon 17.

See 9th August 1873

17th June 1882 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

MINING ACCIDENT

Whilst Mr John Emerson, innkeeper of St John's Chapel, and Mr John Forster of Stone Carrs, lead miners, were preparing to fire a shot on Friday afternoon at Grean Laws mine, a stone weighing some six or eight tons fell and struck both men. Emerson was rather seriously injured and had to be carried home, while Forster was injured in the leg.

See 5th July 1890

17th June 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston, Workhouse, 15th inst., aged 63, Robert Barron.

In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Mary Barron (Husband Robert died 1837 aged 55, buried 19th January 1837)), widow, aged 72, son Robert Barron, lead miner, aged 36, and daughter Mary aged 28.

In 1871, at Fair View, Nenthead, Robert Barron, unmarried, lead miner, aged 53, and his unmarried sister Mary aged 50. In 1881, at Fair View, Nenthead, Robert Barron, unmarried, road labourer, aged 65.

24th June 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Wesleyan chapel, 21st inst. Robert Young McIntosh *(about 23 years of age, living at Elswick, Secretary at Engine works)*, 2 Grainger Villa, Newcastle, to Elisa Emily *(about 23),* 2nd daughter of Mr John Millican *(Draper),* Alston.

27th June 1882 (Northern Echo)
MINING ROYALTIES IN TEESDALE
A petition to His Grace the Duke of Cleveland, praying for a reduction of royalty payable on his Teasdale leadmines, worked by the London Lead Company, is being largely signed by the miners and others in the dale.

1st July 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Garrigill, 22nd ult. aged 66, George Peart, lead miner.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, George Peart, unmarried, lead miner, aged 64, and his sister, Ann Nall, widow, housekeeper, aged 62.
At Nenthall, 24th ult. aged 48, Ruth wife of Henry Wailes.
In 1881, at Overwater, Henry Wailes, grocer, aged 38, his wife Ruth aged 47, step children Jacob Blacklock, grocer, aged 21, Nancy, grocers assistant, aged 21, F. Ruth Blacklock 14, J. Hayton Blacklock 9, T. Hall Blacklock 7, and general servant domestic, Agness Archer, aged 20.
See 5th August 1876, 12th January 1878, 16th February 1884 & 6th December 1884
At Allendale, Plantation House, 25th ult. aged 49, Rachel, beloved wife of Joseph Parker.
In 1861, at Sinderhope, Joseph Parker, lead ore miner, aged 25, his wife Margaret (Woodmass, married 4th quarter of 1859, Hexham) aged 22, and son John 1 year. Margaret died 2nd quarter of 1864.
In 1871, at Plantation House, Joseph Parker, widow, lead ore miner, aged 35, children John 11, Hannah 9, Thomas 7, and general servant domestic, Rachel Woodmas aged 38.
In 1881, at Plantation House, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 45, wife Rachael (Woodmass, married 2nd quarter of 1872, at Newcastle) aged 48, sons John, general labourer, aged 21, William, stone mason, aged 18, Thomas, general labourer, aged 17.
Rachel and Margaret were sisters, the 1841 census shows, at Sipton Shield, John Woodmass, Ag. Labourer aged 30, his wife Isabella (Coates, married 21st November 1829, Allendale) aged 35, children Rachael 8, William 5, Margaret 2, and Thomas 3 months.
In 1891, at Plantation House, Joseph Parker, widow, grocer, aged 55, his daughter Hannah aged 29, and granddaughter Meggie Parker aged 2.
Joseph Parker died 2nd quarter 1899, aged 63.

1st July 1882 (Hexham Herald)

TEESDALE

THE TEESDALE LEAD ROYALTIES

A deputation from the lead miners of the London Lead Company has waited upon Mr W. T. Scarth (Chief Agent to the Duke of Cleveland) by appointment at High Force Hotel. The desire of the deputation was to present through Mr Scarth a petition to his Grace in favour of reduction in royalties now charged on the lead mining estate. …

8 July 1882 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD MINES CRISIS

Threat of a strike at WB Beaumont mines. Also W B Beaumont was in dispute with the Ecclesiastical Commission over Rent and Mine Leases.

Deaths

At Physic Hall, Alston, 30th ult., aged 17 years, Jane Ann Bainbridge *(Milliner, daughter of Joseph and Isabella Bainbridge, farmer, Joseph died in 1869 aged 62).*

8th July 1882 (Hexham Herald)

THE LEAD MINES

A crisis of a two fold character has come to the lead mining industry in Weardale. On Monday morning the miners under the employment of Mr W. B. Beaumont came out on strike, according to resolutions passed at their meetings, that they would take no more bargains under the present agents and the new system, their second quarter's bargains of the year having terminated at the end of June. In the meantime, Mr Beaumont and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners do not appear to have come to any settlement in respect to the further working of the mines from this date. The Board of Commissioners have submitted to Mr Beaumont a scale of rents and dues upon which to base a new lease, failing the acceptance of which the Board are willing to submit the whole question to arbitration by Mr D. Dale; or thirdly will accept an immediate surrender of the lease, taking at a valuation the machinery and movable plant. On the other hand, Mr Beaumont wishing to retire from mining has offered to sell out to the Board his leasehold mining interest in the Parish of Stanhope, or transfer it to a new company. The Commissioners are however, not prepared to negotiate for the purchase of such mining interest, and in respect of a new company a guarantee of financial strength would be required. As the scale of royalties submitted does not appear to commend itself to the present lessee, the position is critical, for should none of the terms offered by the Commissioners be accepted we are informed by them that the conditions of the present lease will have to be left undisturbed. It is however to be hoped that six months correspondence between the lessee and lessor will have brought negotiations so close as to result in a speedy and lasting settlement of the terms on which the mines may be worked in future.

Deaths

Durham North Bailey, 2nd inst., aged 83, Margaret Widow of Joseph Crawhall Esq., of Stagshaw, Close House, Corbridge, and St Ann's Newcastle upon Tyne.

10th July 1883 (Carlisle Journal)

DISCOVERY OF SILVER LEAD NEAR KESWICK.—The Thornthwaite Mine, near Keswick, one of the Cumberland Lead Mines Company's properties, has just added to the positive proof of the enormous mineral wealth of the north which may fairly be said to possess the greatest mineral producing strata of the United Kingdom, particularly that of lead and iron. A rich vein has just been cut into at Thornthwaite. The Company possess, by lease the whole manor of Thornthwaite and its four mines, having 13 miles in the aggregate of known lodes which are highly productive of lead and blends only awaiting the erection of dressing machinery to make the ores marketable. A limited liability company is being formed to provide means to lay down machinery to treat 100 tons per day.

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS

The usual meeting of this Board was held on Saturday.

Damage to a Road by a Mining Company.—A letter was read from Mr. Walton, agent for the Dowgang Mining Company, stating that he had received a letter from the Surveyor referring to the damage done by the company to the road between Nenthead and Garrigill. Seventy yards of wall were required to be removed into an adjoining allotment, the ground for which would have to be purchased to form the road; the mining company had ceased to work the mine but if the Board would permit the road men to form the road, &c., he would pay £7 towards the alterations. The Surveyor said he had seen Mr. Walton, who was willing, provided £7 would defray the expenses, to put up the fences and purchase the land. He thought £4 10s. would do the work, and the remaining £2 10s. was as much the land was worth.—On the motion of Mr. Isaac Walton, seconded by Mr. T. Dickinson, it was agreed that the road men should give their services if Mr. Walton would pay for the fencing and the land.

15th July 1882 (Hexham Courant)

MINERS DEMONSTRATION IN WEARDALE

The leases had not been renewed by Mr Beaumont from the Ecclesiastical Commission. The miners were not sure whether they were on strike or lock out. The miners wanted Mr Beaumont to seek arbitration with the Ecclesiastical Commission, or have another Company take over the mine leases.

15th July 1882 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A case of smallpox has broken out during the past week at Physic Hall.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

Dr Pickworth reported that an epidemic of Mumps had broken out at Garrigill, and there had been 19 deaths and 12 births in his district (No. 2).

Marriages

Alston Independent Chapel, Wm. Rutherford, Nenthead to Mary Ann Smith, Green Ends. *See 5th April 1884*

19th July 1882 (Teesdale Mercury)

PETITION TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF CLEVELAND. —The following is a copy of the petition (signed by nearly 400 lead miners, smelters, farmers, &c.,) recently presented to the Duke of Cleveland:

To His Grace the Duke of Cleveland, Lord of the Manor of the Teesdale Lead Mines. —The humble petition of the miners for many years employed in the above mines, and of other inhabitants of the district directly or indirectly interested in mining operations, respectfully showeth: That in times past, in Teesdale, most spirited explorations have been carried on by the London Lead Company; as well as by various other companies, all of which in the lower part of the dale, with the exception of the London Lead Co., have ceased to exist. That the London Lead Company's Mines have for a long period been in an ore-yielding condition; while experience has shown that few of the hitherto opened out mines in the Teesdale district here continued productive for long, but have in a comparatively short time, been exhausted. It has therefore always appeared to your petitioners, that in order to carry on wholesale mining; systematic explorations in virgin ground, they most be carried on simultaneously with the working of the opened mines. That the now working mines are, without exception, really poor mines, some of them nearly exhausted, and can only be carried on by good management and the strictest economy, so as to meet their attendant outlay, without leaving any margin for dead-work operations. That under the expenditure of dead-work operations the Lead Company’s mines have been kept in the condition of ore- producing mines, and have up to a recent period, afforded employment to a large portion of the population; whilst the price of lead remained above £20 per ton their dead works were spiritedly maintained, and the best mining opportunities were developed, and notwithstanding frequent occurring disappointments arising from the found veins proving barren, yet from time to time more happy discoveries kept the population employed. That under the most unfortunate prevailing average low price, £15 per ton and under, of lead, during the last four years, it has been too evident that even ore-yielding mines, like these of the Lead Company, cannot be worked with adequate profit. The upper and more easily worked, and in Teesdale invariably the most productive, portions of the veins having been extracted, while the deeper and harder, and consequently the more expensive, portions now working, are found less productive than in the higher strata. In several of the mines the ore having gone down below the free water level, recourse must be had to machinery for pumping the water and lifting the work, or to the costly operations of driving deeper levels to the submerged ore. That under these circumstances, and the excessively high rate of royalties paid to your Grace, and the absence of any prospects of improvement In the lead market in consequence of the increasing quantities of lead imported into England from Spain and other countries where it is produced at much less coat, owing to the cheapness of labour and a nominal royalty charged. That under the curtailment of employment and wages Teesdale has been suffering, though in a far less degree than the adjoining valley of Weardale, the condition whereof has been truly miserable. Your petitioners are sincerely apprehensive that if the present policy be pursued much longer, the position of Teesdale will be similar to Weardale, no longer affording employment to the natives, profits as in time past to the lessees, revenue to your Grace, and a contribution to the national welfare. That in Teesdale the employers and employed have already undergone their full share of the consequence of the lead market depression, and they have learned, with regret, that the royalties of your Grace's lead mines have not yet been reduced in favour of your suffering lessees, whose proportion of the market value of the ore-yield remains at the rate of six to one in the more

productive mines, —of eight to one in a poor vein in the north side of Wiregill, —and of nine to one at Ashgillhead. That your petitioners deem it their duty to bear testimony to the disinterested manner in which the London Lead Company have deported themselves towards the natives of Teesdale in times past—by their handsome donations to every local object calculated to advance the interests of the dale, —their outlay in making new roads, in erecting miners' cottages, and in providing gardens for the recreation and solid advantage of their workmen. That, with respect to their management of mining operations, your petitioners need only mention the satisfaction of your Grace's agent, Mr Scarth, evidenced by his public remarks made in 1878, on the occasion of the presentation of the testimonial to the company's present Superintendent, many of your petitioners being present. That in view of the disaster that has overtaken Weardale, a first class mining field, and where substantial returns have been made by the lessors towards dead-work explorations, as has been recently stated, mining operations cannot be carried on by the lessees with profit, your petitioners believe that it may reasonably be shown that but for the plucky perseverance of the said company, Teesdale would have gone first to the wall. Your petitioners beg to observe to your Grace that mining in Teesdale is very uncertain, from the extreme fluctuation in the ore deposits; and in order to keep mines in an ore-yielding condition it requires a constant outlay in dead-work explorations. Your petitioners believe that the Lead Company's outlay at various times must have been enormous; they would instance the period previous to the discovery and opening out of Little Eggleshope Mine in 1848, when the mines in Teesdale were exceptionally poor, and the lead market in a depressed state, yet, under these circumstances and a royalty of five to one, or 20 per cent, of the ore produced, with, as your petitioners understand, no return for exploration, the Lead Company persevered with their explorations and maintained their full complement of men; this could scarcely have bees done but for the profitable state of the Alston Moor Mines at the time. Your petitioners would observe that the Lead Company's Alston Moor and Teesdale Mines have seldom, if ever, been both poor at the same time, and being under the same Company, the one has, up to this present period, pulled through the other. That we, your petitioners, most earnestly beseech Your Grace, whose actions through life have been characterised by a noble disposition, will give this our most humble petition your kind consideration, and your petitioners will, as in duty bound, ever pray.
JOSEPH RICHARDSON, Secretary.
AAEON MORTON, Chairman to the Lead Miners Committee

22nd July 1882 (Hexham Courant)

SAD MINING ACCIDENT AT NENTHEAD.
FATHER AND SON KILLED

On Thursday, last a fatal mining accident occurred to two men at the London Lead Company mine Nenthead. The two deceased men Christopher Armstrong and James Armstrong were drilling for purpose of blasting when a rock ten feet in length and three in breadth, fell and killed them instantly. Two other men working along with them appear to have escaped.
Christopher aged 54, James aged 29.
Parish records show Christopher Armstrong married Tamar Walton at Alston, 10th October 1809, Children, John, Walton, Robert, Stephen, George, Sarah, I

have yet to find Christopher's baptism. Christopher senior died in 1828 aged 41, and his wife Tamar died in 1830 aged 41.
In 1841, Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 20, Robert Armstrong, lead miner aged 20, Stephen lead ore washer, aged 15, Christopher lead ore washer, aged 13, George lead ore washer, aged 11, Sarah 15, and Tamar 3.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Mary (Armstrong, married 10th August 1837, Alston) aged 22, children Tamar 3, and Mary Ann 7 months.
In 1851, at Clog Hall, John Armstrong, lead miner aged 34, his wife Mary aged 32, children, Tamar 13, Mary Ann 10, William 6, John 3, and brother Christopher lead miner, aged 23.
In 1861, at Overwater, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann 29, children James 7, William 6, Jane A 4, and Sarah A 1.
In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 39, children James lead ore washer, 17, William lead ore washer, 16, Jane 14, and Sarah Ann 11.
In 1881, at White Hall, Nenthead, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann 51, unmarried children James lead miner aged 27, Sarah A. 21, dumb from birth, Margaret 9, and granddaughter Jane Ann Barrow/Barron 4 years. In 1891, at Mawson Street, Byker, William Armstrong, single, Police Constable, aged 36, his mother Ann, widow, aged 62, sister Sarah Ann 32, paint factory labourer, aged 32, sister Maggie, paint factory labourer aged 19, Jane A, aged 13, Mary A Armstrong, aged 2, born Newcastle, married sister Jane Richardson, aged 33, and John Joseph Richardson aged 8 months. In 1901, at Dean Street, Newcastle, William Armstrong, police constable, aged 46, his wife Eliza 40, sister Sarah A Armstrong, deaf & dumb from birth, aged 42, and daughter Mary A Armstrong 12. See 29 July 1882

22nd July 1882 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead 16th inst., aged 54, Pearson Walton.
In 1841, at Market Place, Nenthead, Richard Walton (son of John & Ann Walton), lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann aged 50, children Joshua, lead miner aged 20, Elizabeth 15, Pearson, carter, 10, John 10, and Alice 15. In 1851, at Nenthead, Richard Walton, lead miner aged 61, his wife Ann aged 62, son Pearson, lead miner aged 23, and nephew George Walton, lead miner aged 15.
Richard Walton died 2nd quarter 1851.
In 1861, at Holmes Foot, Nenthead, Ann Walton, widow, proprietor of houses, aged 73, son, Pearson, drawer in the lead mines with a horse, aged 33, and Susan Trathan, house servant, aged 17.
Ann Walton died 22nd December 1866, aged 78.
In 1871, at Foulard, Pearson Walton, farmer of 140 acres, aged 43, his wife Hannah (Watson, married 1st June 1862, at Nenthead, Hannah's place of birth Middleton) aged 42, children Joseph 9, Margaret 6, Alice 5, Ruth 3, Ann 2, and general servant Mary Dobson aged 16.
In 1881, at Wood Braes, Nenthead, Pearson Walton, farmer of 36 acres, aged 53, his wife Hannah aged 52, children Joseph 19, Margaret 16, Ruth 13, Ann 12, and Pearson 9 years. In 1891, at Wood Brae House, Hannah Walton,

widow, living on her own means, aged 62, and her unmarried daughters, Margaret 26, and Ann 22.
See 1st January 1867, 9th May 1891. See 6th February 1892

IN
LOVING
MEMORY
OF
PEARSON WALTON
OF FOULARD, NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
JULY 16TH 1882
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO OF HANNAH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED MAY 2ND 1891
AGED 63 YEARS
ALSO OF RUTH THEIR
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED NOV. 7TH 1888
AGED 21 YEARS
ALSO OF ANNIE THEIR
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED FEB. 1ST 1892
AGED 23 YEARS

Garrigill, 7th inst, aged 30, Thomas Smith.
In 1861, at Low Houses, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, farmer of 202 acres, aged 38, his wife Mary (Gill married at Alston 19th February 1852) aged 33 children Thomas 9, Stephen 7, John 5, Ann 2, niece Margaret Peart, domestic servant, aged 20, nephew George Peart 11, and Elizabeth Shield, farm servant, aged 35.
In 1871, at Fausteads, Garrigill, Joseph Smith, retired farmer, aged 48, his wife Mary 44, children Thomas lead miner 19, Stephen lead miner 17, Ann 12, and Elizabeth 6.
Joseph Smith died in 1874, aged 51.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Smith, widow, retired farmer, aged 54, children Thomas retired grocer aged 29, Ann 22, and Elizabeth 16. Mary died in 1883.

26th July 1882 (Teesdale Mercury)

LEAD-MINING IN TEESDALE
THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY AND THE DUKE OF CLEVELAND'S ROYALTIES
IMPORTANT CONFERENCE AT MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

On Friday morning last, Mr W. T. Scarth, J.P., the Duke of Cleveland's Chief Agent, who was accompanied by Mr W. Watson (of the firm of W., W., and W. J. Watson. Barnard Castle, His Grace's solicitors), met a deputation of Teesdale lead miners at the office of the London Lead Company, at Middleton. Mr R. W, Bainbridge and Mr C. E. Bainbridge, the chief superintendents of the company, were also present. The conference had been arranged in consequence of a petition having been forwarded to Mr Scarth, at Raby, praying for a reduction of

dues, and which the petitioners hoped would be presented to the Duke of Cleveland. The conference was opened shortly after eleven o'clock, and the proceedings lasted several hours, the discussion being of a comprehensive and thoroughly exhaustive character.

Mr Scarth, at the commencement said the text of the petition having been printed in *extenso* in the columns of the Teesdale Mercury, and this, too, before the document itself had been presented to the Duke of Cleveland, he had asked the Proprietor of the Teesdale Mercury to lend a representative to that meeting. He went on to say that at the last interview when he met the deputation, he had suggested that they should have a meeting in the presence of Mr Bainbridge.

Mr Bainbridge said he favoured the idea of the men representing themselves. That was his wish, as be wanted the subject considered as an independent matter.

Mr A. Morton: Yes, Sir; you gave us to understand that.

Mr Scarth affirmed that the petition contained statements, which were not borne out by the facts.

Mr Bainbridge said he was prepared with the facts Mr Scarth: If you read the Teesdale Mercury you will find that it states that the lessor's dues are respectively one-sixth, one-eighth and one-ninth.

Mr Bainbridge: It is rather a round-about way of expressing it

Mr Scarth: The fact is the dues are one-seventh, one-ninth and one-tenth, which are paid to the Duke of Cleveland, and this requires some explanation which the public don't get.

Mr Bainbridge: I took the same view, and when I read it I said, "Here is an error;" but when we come closely to look at it, it is easy of explanation, as the respective proportions of the lessees and lessor are in fact at the rate of six to one in the more productive mines.

Mr Scarth: As it reads it would convey the idea that a duty of one-sixth was paid. It may be perfectly correct, but any person reading this petition would imagine that the Duke of Cleveland's royalty was actually according to that rate.

Reference having been made to a letter sent to Mr Scarth, on the 31st of August, 1878, wherein Mr Bainbridge said, "I am instructed at the approaching quarterly bargains to reduce 82 pickmen in the Teesdale district, about two-thirds whereof will be in the mines held under the Duke of Cleveland, and the remaining one-third within the poor mines of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners adjacent to Eggleston"— Mr Scarth said that, in 1878, the price per ton of lead sold by the Company was £l7 16s. 11d.

Mr Bainbridge: That was only for a small quantity,

I apprehend, which our people sold, and then they determined to hold out for a better market; and it so happened that the market came down, and down, and down still. I may take the opportunity of saying that several of these average sales for subsequent years were much within the avenge price throughout the kingdom. Mr Bainbridge went on to describe bow the Company accumulated lead, in the hope of a rising market.

Mr Scarth: Consequently you must take an average of years.

Mr Bainbridge said they might take the average of the Company's sales up to the end of 1881. He had always told Mr Scarth that the figure of the company's sales was higher than it would have been if they had gone on selling their products throughout the year.

Mr Scarth: Therefore, I say, you must take an average.

Mr Bainbridge: If you take an average up to 1881 I am quite prepared to adopt it.
Mr Scarth said he made it out to be £19 per tom Mr Bainbridge: I wish it bad been so.
Mr Scarth: In 1869, according to the company's sales, lead realised an average of £18 18s. 8d. per ton; in 1870. £19 1s. 5½d. per ton; in 1871, £18 17s. 5d. per ton; in 1872, £20 1s. 10½d. per ton; in 1873, £23 6s 6½d. per ton; in 1874, £21 12s. 9½d. per ton; in 1875, £22 18s. 2d. per ton; in 1876, £22 3s. 6d. per ton; in 1877, £20 9s. 5¼d. per ton; in 1878, £17 16s. 11¾d. per ton; in 1879, £14 8s. 3¼d. per ton; in 1880, £17 4s. 9¼d. per ton; and, in 1881, £14 0s. 9½d. per ton. Mr Scarth proceeded to explain what he termed was another fallacy in the petition, which set forth that the Duke of Cleveland, as lessor, received a fixed payment, whereas it varied with the fluctuating price or lead, at the rate of 5s. for every £1 per ton in the price of lead. The consequence was that the Duke of Cleveland suffered equally with the lessees, and that in point of fact His Grace's income from the royalties in question was reduced fully one-half last year. In proof of this Mr Scarth said that last year when lead averaged £14 0s. 9½d. per ton the Duke of Cleveland's income from the mines leased to the Lead Company was reduced to £3,873, as against £9,370 before. Again, in 1872, when the price of lead was £20 per ton, the Duke's income was £7,085 11s 8d.; and, in 1873, when lead was £23 6s 6 d. per ton, and the ore raised was only 9,100 binge, the sum paid to the Duke was £8,147. Clearly, then, the Duke participated in the bad times.
Mr W. Watson: The fallacy that runs through the memorial is that it implies that there is a fixed due paid without reference to the pries of lead. The idea seems to be conveyed that the Duke does not suffer in the same proportion as the lessees, whereas he certainly does in depressed times, according to the sliding scale.
Mr Bainbridge then entered at length into the history of the negotiations conducted with his predecessors and previous lessors, as to payment of rates and other matters, and be maintained with regard to the sliding-scale as then existing, that it was simply applicable as to what was to be the value of the Duke's royalty for the time being, and it did not, as a matter of fact, so fluctuate as to give the lessees the benefit in adverse times. Whatever might be the Duke's reduced revenues he contended that it put nothing into the company's pockets, inasmuch as when a depression existed the products of the mines were not of the same value. The sliding scale did not determine the value of ore in relation to the lead market.
In reply to Mr Scarth, Mr Bainbridge said the miners had received so average wage during the post year of 17s. per week, and in the course of the discussion he insisted that the render in kind, which was commuted to a money payment, should be lowered, adding that the sales had taken place at the top of the market. He proceeded to give statistics: — In 1876 there were raised 11,305 bings 6 cwt, at 14s. 5¾d. commuted royalty for one-seventh; and five bings 5 cwt., at a commuted royalty at 10s. 1¾d., on a basis of one-tenth. The total rent-yield from the bulk amounted to £8,192 15s. 9d. In 1877 there were 8,497 bings 5 cwt, at a commuted royalty of 13s. 2½d Per bing on a basis of one-sixth, and 170 bings 6 cwt. at 10s. 3¼d. per bing, on a commuted royalty of one- ninth. In 1879 they had a three-fold example.

10,279 bings 7 cwt, at 8s. 8d., based on one-seventh; 354 bings 6 cwt, at 6s 8¾d., based on one-ninth; and 55 bings at 6s 0½d., based on one-tenth.
Mr Scarth said that year £4,590 17s. 2d. was paid to the Duke, the number of men employed was 508, and the price of lead per ton as fixed by the company's sales amounted to £14 8s. 3¼d.
Mr Bainbridge continued: —In 1880 there were raised 9,715 bings 5 cwt, at 10s. 9¼d. per bing, based upon one-seventh, 268 bings at 8s. 6½d., based upon one-ninth, and 170 binge at 7s. 6½d. per bing, based upon one-tenth.
Mr Scarth: The duty-payment in money that year was £5,416 1s. 8d., the number of men and boys employed 492, and the price per ton £17 4s. 9¼d. In 1874 the price of lead was £21 12s. 9½d. and only 479 men and boys were employed, and in 1877 when the price of lead was £20 9s 5d. you had 691 men and boys employed. Mr Scarth further stated that £19 1s. per ton was the basis of the sliding-scale, whereas the average price of lead sold by the company, according to their own returns, during the 13 of the 42 years of the leases, was £19 6s. His impression was that the Teesdale mines, as a separate mining property, had paid uncommonly well, and he would remind them that after all, a bargain was a bargain, and whilst the London Lead Company could at any time terminate the leases, the lessor could not, so long as the covenants were observed.
Mr Bainbridge said it was entirely discretionary with the company as to the number of men they employed, and so it should be. He went on to say that certain items of expenditure had increased, and that they had paid a higher rate for timber. The principal ground of complaint, however, was that the Duke of Cleveland exacted one-seventh when he ought to exact less, and that was the real case as between landlord and tenant. When the lease was executed the incidence of local taxation had not been enlarged, but the parochial burden, when mines were rated, fell absolutely and exclusively upon the company and, as to making a bargain, and wanting to break the lease, he candidly asked Mr Scarth if anybody could have foreshadowed, when the leases were executed, the depression which had set in on the lead trade, and which would undoubtedly continue. They would have made no complaint if the higher sales had gone on, but when lead came down to £14 and £15 per ton the whole circumstances were altered.
Mr Scarth repeated that the Duke’s income from this source, in consequence, had been reduced one- half.
Mr Bainbridge: You look at it from a landlord’s point of view.
Mr Scarth asked if the Duke was to have nothing? Mr Bainbridge continued that owing to the extremely low price of lead they had been obliged to curtail their explorations for fresh veins to the minimum of their legal obligations under the terms of their leases. He might tell them that at Ashgill Head they had spent £6,127 7s. 6d.; in the north side plot, £7,940; and in the south side plot, £7,762, making an aggregate of £21,830 in trials alone in these plots, and that was a serious question for them to consider. He went into further statistics showing the aggregate outlay of the company for the past year. They paid £511 in poor-rates alone.
Mr Scarth said these uncertainties were peculiar to lead-mining.
Mr C. E. Bainbridge went into some calculations showing that the average cost of production of a ton of lead was, last year, including duty-ore and other expenses, £13 14s. 9d., exclusive of ore-carriage to mill, smelting costs, and

carriage of lead to shipping wharf, as against an average sale price of pig lead at £14 0s. 9½d. per ton. Hence some idea might be formed of their present difficulties.

Mr R. W. Bainbridge then went minutely over the map, and pointed out that at Little Eggleshope east and west ends, they had met nothing but barrenness, and the same results had attended the explorations of the company elsewhere.

Mr Bainbridge, jun., then compared the productive character of the Greenhurth mines—rich in silver, which was now worth 4s. 8d. per ounce—with the poverty of the existing workings held under the Duke by the company.

Mr Bainbridge, sen., followed by saying that the explorations in the north and south plots ought to have been bringing them in mines to take the place of the present ones, but they had not. He further submitted as a most important point the question of submerged ore, intimating that Mr Bowes's dues above water-level were one-twelfth, and under water-level one-fifteenth. They would be driven to work below water-level, and this at an enormously increased cost.

Mr Scarth reminded Mr Bainbridge that the London Lead Company had had the offer of the Green-hurth royalty. As the discussion proceeded be contended that the number of men employed did not at all depend on the price of lead, seeing that in 1875 when lead was upwards of £20 per ton, only 420 men and boys were employed, being the smallest number of any in the 13 years.

Mr Bainbridge said that certain of their mines would gradually diminish, and this fact was apparent to their men, and too much importance could not be placed upon the statement. The men saw that the open mines were being exhausted, and that new ones were not being opened out in Teesdale to take their place. The inevitable result would be a collapse of the mining industry in the dale. As the conversation went on Mr Bainbridge said be would like Mr Scarth's attention riveted to the question of the future of Teesdale, That in reality was the great question, for, whilst in prospecting they had buried in the bowels of the earth many thousands of pounds, and had sustained these losses, he submitted that they had acted in the most commiserating manner towards their workpeople. This would readily be admitted by everybody, and surely the company were entitled to some consideration. This, however, could not go on unless they had more favourable terms with regard to the dues, to encourage them to increase their explorations.

Mr Scarth maintained that the Duke of Cleveland's Teesdale mines, as a separate district, and disconnected from their Weardale and Alston Moor mines, had returned a fair profit to the lessees, in proof of which Mr C. E. Bainbridge had stated that the cost of producing a ton of lead last year was £13 14s, 9d., whereat the selling price that year was £14. He deduced from this that even in a year of extreme depression the price left a bare margin of profit, whilst in the years when the price was £20 and upwards the percentage of profit must have been very large,

Mr W. Watson suggested that in future the lessor's dues should be adjusted upon the basis of a double sliding-scale, which he explained to mean that the proportion of duty-ore to be rendered, as well as the price per ton, should be regulated by the average price of lead, and rise or fall accordingly, thereby encouraging the Lead Company to persevere in their explorations even in the worst of times, and at the same time securing to the lessor a fair share of the results, if successful.

Mr Bainbridge said he would be quite prepared to recommend this suggestion to his directors.
Mr Scarth said be was also in favour of its adoption; but, before the Duke of Cleveland could entertain the question, the receipts and payments of the London Lead Company, from the commencement of their present leases, would have to be examined by a professional accountant, with a view to shew the actual results of their operations, as it was utterly futile to lay before His Grace any statement which was not borne out by facts. He might tell them that the whole of the Duke's income from his landed property in Teesdale had been spent in building houses for the miners and other improvements, and His Grace, ever mindful of his obligations, had continuously contributed to the institutions of the dale and to the benefit of the inhabitants,
Mr Bainbridge said that the improvements in Tees-dale, as carried out by the Duke, in the formation of small holdings, had militated against the operations of the Lead Company, inasmuch as the dormitories were a considerable distance from the company's mines. The men, carrying their wallets, were exhausted before they reached their employment, and, moreover, they were anxious to get away from the mines to their work on the farms He himself had given many an aged miner a lift on the road to his work.
Mr Scarth said he was really surprised to hear that Mr Bainbridge held such a view, because it had always been understood that these little farm holdings were a great advantage to the miners. The district was much more healthy now than it formerly had been, and he would ask any miner whether he would not sooner go home to his rosy-cheeked children, with plenty of milk and dairy produce, than live in the confines of Middleton town.
Mr W. Watson remarked that the misers must surely be better off with their cottages and little farm holds, at easy rents, than if they had to depend wholly upon their earnings at the mines, and that, in point of fact, the Duke of Cleveland by this means largely aided his lessees to maintain the mining population of Teesdale, enabling them to work for a lower scale of wages than they could otherwise have done,
Mr C. E. Bainbridge said it was useless to deny the fact that unless the price of lead improved British lead-mining was a dead letter.
Mr Bainbridge remarked that since 1854 the London Lead Company had paid the Duke of Cleveland, in dues, £256,084—a quarter of a million of money.
Mr Scarth replied that the Company had taken away the back-bone of the Duke’s land, and that if the amount of the lessor's dues had been so large, the Company’s returns from the Teesdale mines must have been proportionately great.
After further discussion, in the course of which, Mr Bainbridge drew pointed attention to the American, Spanish, and Chinese competition with which the home industry had to contend,
Mr Scarth repeated that it would be necessary before the Duke of Cleveland could entertain the question in a tangible form that be should know the rate at which lead had been sold, the cost which had been incurred in raising the ore, together with all receipts and expenditure, in order that he might determine whether the undertaking had been remunerative or not.
Mr Bainbridge argued that the lease up to the present time was no criterion as to what the terms of the lease ought to be in the future. They were now arranging for the future—the past was gone.

Mr Watson suggested that the adjustment of the scale should abide the result of a private examination of the Lead Company's operations as shown by their books for the last thirteen years, to be made by a professional accountant appointed by the lessor.
The suggestion, together with the contemplated adoption or a second sliding-scale, was approved of, after some discussion, by all parties, as embodying a sound and equitable principle, and presenting a practical solution of the difficulty.
Mr A. Morton, one of the deputation, thanked Mr Scarth for the kind and courteous manner in which he had entertained the question, and, speaking in the name of the whole of the lead-miners in Teesdale, be expressed a conviction that the Duke of Cleveland's chief agent would act justly and conscientiously in the responsible and important position which he held.
The deputation then withdrew, it being understood that a corrected memorial would be prepared for presentation to the Duke of Cleveland.

29th July 1882 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT AT NENTHEAD.

An inquest was held on Friday last at the Miner's Arms Inn, Nenthead, before Mr Carrick, coroner for East Cumberland, on the death of two men, Christopher Armstrong and James Armstrong, aged respectively 53 and 29 years, who had been killed the previous day by a fall of rock in the Middlecleugh mine. The jury consisted of the following gentlemen:- Messrs W L Hornsby (foreman), John Latimer, Watson Wallace, George Hetherington, T Harrison, R Ward, T Swindle, J Blacklock, T W Snowdon, W Liverick, H Latimer, and H Liverick. The first witness called was William M Hetherington, who deposed that he and his son were working with the deceased men. - Coroner: What time of day was it? - Witness: Between one and half past one. - Coroner: What were you doing? - Witness: I was marking a hole for me and my son; the deceased men were drilling a hole together. The father was striking the hole and his son was turning it. - Coroner: What relative position was the piece they were striking to the piece that fell? - Witness: They were boring right beneath the piece that fell in another portion of rock. - Coroner: Did you hear it and see it give way? - Witness: No. - Coroner: On what portions of their bodies did it fall? - Witness: On their heads and shoulders. - Coroner: What weight might it be? - Mr Thompson (overman): The piece was 2 feet 2 inches wide, 9 feet long, 16 inches deep, and probably weighed one and a half tons. - Coroner: How far were you from the piece of rock that fell? - Witness (Hetherington): It didn't touch me, but it rubbed down my son's shirt sleeve. - Coroner: No one else was near? - Witness: No. - Coroner: What kind of seam is it? - Mr Thompson: It is a perpendicular vein about for feet wide. - Coroner: How long have you been working in this seam? - Witness (Hetherington): Six weeks, but about the same place for nearly two years. - Coroner: Could you tell the jury how this piece of rock gave way? What caused it to give way? - or could it result from the men working at this piece of rock? - Witness: No I don't think I could. - Coroner: What supports the roof? - Witness: The sides. - Coroner: Never saw an accident before? - Witness: No. - Coroner: The roof give way? - Witness: No. - Coroner: Every precaution taken for the working of it? - Witness: Yes. - Coroner: Was it impossible to foresee this? - Witness: Yes. - Coroner: You cannot account or explain to the jury any reason for the piece falling? - Witness: I cannot. - The next witness called was

Joseph Thompson, who deposed that he was overman at the mine, and knew the deceased men well. - Coroner: Were the deceased steady men? - Witness: Yes, steady men and good practical workmen. - Coroner: Have you seen the place since the accident? - Witness: Yes. - Coroner: What did you find? - Witness: We found the stone as the men had removed it from the bodies, and the place is now quite safe. The reason we give for its falling was that there had been a natural crack in it; the local term given would be a "back" or "lead". - Coroner: Do you mean that the crack would be above the piece that fell or through it? - Witness: The crack would be at one side. It is sometimes foreseen under particular circumstances but in this particular case, it could not be seen. - Coroner: Is there anything else you could suggest Mr Thompson? - Witness: Well I would like to add that Christopher Armstrong is a man that has worked consecutively in the mine for at least 35 years, and was a good predictable miner and quite able to work the mine in all its varied technicalities. - At this stage of the inquiry, the coroner stated that he had received a telegram from the Inspector of Mines, asking that the inquiry should be adjourned till Thursday, for his attendance. He did not see much use of adjourning the inquiry, but as the Inspector wished to be present they would have to do so, but in the meantime, the bodies of the men might be buried.

THE ADJOURNED INQUEST

The adjourned inquiry into the cause of the death of the two men Christopher and James Armstrong, who were killed the previous Thursday at Nenthead by a fall of stone, was resumed on Thursday, before J B Lee, coroner, and Mr J Willis, Mines Inspector. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidentally killed."

See 22 July 1882

29th July 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Nenthead, 25th inst., aged 2 years and 11 months, John Hall, son of Henry Hall.

In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 59, his wife Hannah aged 47, children Henry lead ore smelter, aged 23, Emerson Carr lead miner, aged 20, Esther 19, William 17, John 12, Stephen 10, Jane 7, and Margaret Ann 5 years.

In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Henry Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Sarah (Tatters, married 1874) aged 33, children Hannah L. aged 4 and John aged 1 year. Henry and his family emigrated to Canada.

See 22nd February 1873, 25th July 1874, 19th June 1880, 29th July 1882, 21st July 1888, 29th April 1893, and 11th November 1893.

Cowshill Weardale, 22nd inst., aged 28, Hannah Ridley.

In 1871, at Burtreeford, William Ridley, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Hannah 55, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, and William, lead miner, aged 13.

In 1881, at Cows Hill, William Ridley, lead miner unemployed, aged 70, his wife Hannah aged 66, unmarried daughter Hannah aged 27, and unmarried son, William, lead ore dresser (miner), aged 23.

William Ridley died 1st quarter 1884, aged 72.

In 1891, at Cows Hill, Hannah Ridley, widow, aged 76, sons John, lead miner, aged 39, and William, general labourer, aged 34.

2nd August 1882 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

From an advertisement in another column it will be seen that a temperance entertainment on a grand scale comes off in the Park ad joining Middleton House on Saturday afternoon next, and should the weather prove propitious, a large gathering may be looked for, and the efforts of its promoters successful, as they deserve to be.

THE LEAD MINERS' COMMITTEE have resolved, after due consideration of the remarks made by Mr Scarth (who met the deputation of the Lead Miners and the Superintendents of the Mines in so frank and open a manner at the recent conference held at Middleton-in-Teesdale), to alter their petition so as to make plain the dues of the lessor, as specified therein. They admit that though it might be easily understood by the practical mining population of the dale, yet they agree with Mr Scarth that, as the petition read, it might be misleading to general readers, and this the committee had not the slightest intention of: they, therefore, submit the following amended clauses:—" That in Teesdale the employers and employed have already undergone their full share of the consequence of the lead market depression; and whilst it must be obvious to all that your Grace's revenue from the Teesdale Mines has undergone heavy diminution—owing to the consequent reduced value of the royalty-bing, which your petitioners greatly regret,— yet they perceive that this does not afford any relief to your Grace's suffering lessees so long as their proportion of the ore-yield remains the same as in the departed period of prosperity, viz., at the rate of one- seventh in the more productive mines, one-ninth in a poor vein on the north aide of Wiregill, and one-tenth at Ashgillhead, the lessees in every case bearing the whole working cost and risk, and having no allowance for exploration. That your petitioners deem it their duty to bear their grateful testimony to the very great improvements effected in buildings, fences, drainage, and planting on your Grace's extensive Teesdale Estates, as well as to the manner in which the Lead Company have deported themselves towards the natives of Teesdale in times past—by their handsome donations to every local object calculated to advance the interests of the dale,—their outlay in making new roads, in erecting miners' cottages, and in providing gardens for the recreation and advantage of their workmen," (Signed)—Joseph Richardson, Secretary; Aaaron Morton, Chairman of the Committee.

5th August 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Newcastle, Blenheim Street Chapel, 22nd ult., John Slack Goodfellow, to Jessie Bell, both of Alston.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Robert Goodfellow, woollen draper, aged 41, his wife Margaret (Slack, married 8th December 1859, Alston) aged 47, children John S. tailor, aged 21, born Kirkoswald, Joseph, tailor, aged 19, Thomas W. 14, Robert H. 12, and Mary 9. In 1891, at Cranworth St. Chorlton on Medlock, Manchester, John S Goodfellow, tailor, aged 31, his wife Janet 29, born Alston, children Wilfred L 4, Tom J E 1, Jessie L 5 months, and lodger Jane Vickers, dressmaker, aged 20. In 1901, at Callender St, Chorlton upon Medlock, John S Goodfellow, tailor, aged 41, his wife Janet 40, Wilfred T, office boy, aged 14, Jessie 9, William B 7, Allen V 2, and Percy H 7 months.

12th August 1882 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 66, Woodmass Thompson, lead miner.
In 1841, Mary Thompson, supported by sons, aged 70, John, lead miner aged 30, and Woodmass, lead miner aged 25 (son of Thomas Thompson & Mary, born 27th June 1815, Thomas Thompson married Mary Pattinson 24th March 1805).
In 1851, at Nenthead, John Thompson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Sarah 30, children Mary 3, Thomas 1,Jane 7 months, and lodging with them Woodmass Thompson, lead ore miner, aged 36.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Woodmass Thompson, unmarried, retired lead miner, aged 65, and his brother Joseph Thompson, married, surface lead miner, aged 73.

19th August 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Newcastle, St Phillip's Church, 16th inst. James Smith of Newcastle to Sarah, 2nd daughter of the late Thomas Gill, Nenthall, Cumberland. At the same time & place Joshua Brown Anderson of Newcastle to Margaret 3rd daughter of the above late Thomas Gill.
See 11th July 1868, and 30th July 1870
Deaths
At Garrigill, 10th inst., aged 11 months, Mary Hannah daughter of John Vipond Spark, lead miner.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Ann Spark, aged 50, Hugh Spark, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan Spark, lead miner, aged 20, James Spark, lead miner, aged 15, John Spark13, Ann Spark10, and Vipond Spark 8.
Ann Spark of Loaning Head, was buried at Garrigill, 6th March 1843, aged 51.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN VIPOND SPARK
OF ROSE COTTAGE ALSTON
BORN FEB 17TH 1847
DIED JULY 29TH 1910
ALSO OF HANNAH WIFE OF THE
ABOVE WHO DIED
MARCH 20TH 1933 AGED 80 YEARS

ALSO MARY HANNAH
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED IN INFANCY

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Hugh Spark, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary, (Vipond, married 6th February 1845, at St John, Garrigill) aged 26, children Ann 5, John Vipond 4, Jonothan 2, and brother Vipond Spark, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Hugh Spark, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary aged 36, children Ann 15, J Vipond lead miner, aged 14, and Jonathan aged 11.
Hugh Spark was buried at Garrigill, 18th August 1866, aged 48.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Mary Spark, widow, farmer of 6 acres, aged 46, sons John V. lead miner, aged 24, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 22, and Hugh aged 9.
In 1881, at Lane Head, Mary Spark, widow, farmer of 36 acres, aged 56, sons Jonathan, lead miner, aged 31, and Hugh, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Lane Head, John V Spark, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Hutchinson, married 1877) aged 28, and daughter Ann Alice aged 3.
In 1891, at Garrigill, John V Spark, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Hannah 38, and daughter Ann A 13. In 1901, at Rose Cottage, Alston, John V Spark, watch maker & tax collector, aged 54, his wife Hannah 48, and daughter Ann Alice 23.
John Vipond Spark died 3rd quarter 1910, aged 63.
In 1911, at Rose Cottage, Hannah Spark, widow, private means, aged 58.
Mary Spark, was buried at Garrigill, 10th March1917, aged 93.

28th August 1882 (Northern Echo)

MINERS' MEETING IN WEARDALE.
WORKMEN LEAVING THE VALLEY.

On Saturday evening, a meeting of Weardale miners was held in the Town Hall, St. John's Chapel, Weardale, to consider the present condition of their affairs. The hall was crowded. Mr Wm. Robinson presided, and was supported by several prominent dalesmen. Mr Walter Beaumont arrived during the course of the proceedings and was received with welcoming cheers.

Mr THOMAS PEADON, who was the first speaker, said he hardly knew what to say that evening. He was very much against the holding of the meeting at that time, because it would do nothing to help their cause, and he believed it was useless to be continually agitate when they knew nothing of the new company.

He had felt for some time tint they should have a truce to agitation. It was neither wise nor patriotic to continue it at the present moment. They did not know who the new company were to be; they did not know the shareholders. They did not know the system, and they did not know who the agents were to be. He knew from his own feeling it was most distasteful to the people of Weardale to ask for charity, but necessity knew no law, and if there was no work to be had it must be done. Perhaps work was to be got elsewhere, but a number, and a great number of them could not go away and leave their countryside at that time. Something must be done for those who were not able or did not wish to leave their valley. It was a very great shame that they should, in a land flowing with milk and honey, have to appeal to the world for charity, or to beg, emigrate, or starve in the midst of plenty created by their own industry. But they must look facts in the face. They had tried the Commissioners, and they knew they were going to do little for them. If they knew what prospect there was of the mines being opened they would know what policy to take. The lessee, had never come

among them, and they might beg, borrow, or steal for anything be cured. It would not, as he said before, be wise to continue the agitation until they knew something more.
Mr JOHN EMMERSON, in an able speech, enlarged on the benefits of unionism, and urged the formation of a federation of all the workmen of Weardale.
Mr THOS. EMMERSON, secretary to the Miners' Association, said if any miner desired to leave the valley, they had thought it would be desirable that he should be helped to do so out of the funds. (Applause.) He knew that there were many of them who would rather hunger than ask for help, but if they would but give half a hint that they wanted money their case would be at once laid before the association. He hoped they would be friendly with one another and not be afraid of one another, and if any were badly off that they would speak out, and the association would help them so long as the money lasted. He would like all the miners to join the union. He was glad to hear that all Burtree Pasture men had done so already. (Applause.) He had written to the Commissioners asking them to receive a deputation of miners, at any time and place they might flx upon, and he had received a reply saying that his letter would be laid before the Commissioners after the recess.
The CHAIRMAN expressed some doubt as to whether the money subscribed by the public should be used for helping men away from the valley.
Mr W. MILBURN believed they were right in relieving the men and helping them away to get work. Many of them could not go any distance without help, and if the money was not for forth coming they could not go. The tradesmen had no doubt subscribed very liberally; but be could not see the difference between helping them away and having to help them at home.
Mr THOMAS DAWSON spoke of the unsafe character of Burtree Pasture Mine. He did not know why the mines were not inspected, or how it was the inspector never came to Burtree Mines, except it was that none of them were ever manly enough to write for him. God had placed the ore in the bowels of the earth, and He too had told them, “Thy bread shall be given thee, and thy water shall be sure." He put his trust, in the living God. He had often, when he got one new Jacket, wondered where he would get the next. The very first pay after he took a woman to be his wife he want homo with but sixpence in his pocket. He and they might have to go elsewhere. The Lord would open a door to them in His own good time, but they would always remember that Weardale was their home.
The CHAIRMAN said he believed in spending the money to carry on the agitation, but it any man took money for himself he would lower himself in the eyes of the people. He believed that if every man would seek work he would find it.
After a few words from Mr H. FEATHERSTONE
Mr WALTER BEAUMONT supported the view that men should be helped to find work elsewhere.
The CHAIRMAN then put the matter to the meeting, when the majority voted in favour of the men being helped away when necessary.
Mr BEAUMONT then offered to lend the committee £10 to be expended in assisting the miners to leave the valley. They could pay him when they were able, and if they never were able it could not be helped.

Mr W. MULBURN said Mr Beaumont always dealt with his money as though it was their own, but they ought not to take £10 from him so long as they had funds of their own.
The CHAIRMAN quite agreed, Mr Beaumont had done too much for them already.
A vote of confidence in Mr Beaumont was then unanimously and enthusiastically carried, and the proceedings ended.

9th September 1882 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

TWO MEN IMPRISONED FOR SIX HOURS.

On Thursday, evening considerable commotion was caused in the town when it became known that two men Joseph Cousin and Robert Bowman engaged in repairing Nent Force level, had not returned from their work. They were engaged some two and a half miles from the entrance, and were expected at their homes about three o'clock. Some three hours, however passed away, and a suspicion gained ground that all was not right, and a party of gentlemen (Mr A. Walton, Mr John Walton, Mr John Lowe, Mr John Haddon, Mr M. Pickering and Mr E. Ben) took the reserve boat kept at the mouth of the level and went in search of the men. About a mile and a half up the level they found the boat which had conveyed the men to their work in the morning and proceeded onwards another mile they found them sitting in darkness unable to make their way out owing to the boat having broken away from the moorings. A considerable number of people gathered around the entrance of the level, and were much relieved when the rescued and rescuers stepped into the open air all safe. The men had been prisoners upwards of six hours.
(*The rescuers were given 10s each as a reward, from Greenwich Hospital*)

9th September 1882 (Hexham Herald)
Alston
Rural Sanitary Authority
Dr Pickworth, Medical Officer of No. 2 district stated that a case of Smallpox had occurred at the Flatt. The infection had been derived from a similar case in Alston. The case in his district had been a mild one, the room had been disinfected and no other cases had occurred to his knowledge.
Deaths
Nenthead, 4th inst., aged 40, Thomas Brown, Stonemason.
At Alston Cemetery
Headstone

In Loving Memory of Thomas Brown
of Foulard Rigg Nenthead who departed this life
September 4th 1882 Aged 40 years
And was interred in Nenthead Churchyard
Also his beloved wife Hannah of Town Head Alston
Who departed this life August 9th 1898 aged 48
Also George their son of Foulard Rigg Nenthead
Who departed this life September 28th 1882 aged 4 years
And was interred in Nenthead Churchyard

In 1881, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Thomas Brown (born Knaresdale, Northumberland), mason & farmer of 30 acres, aged 38, his wife Hannah (Lee

married 1866?) 31, children Alfred 13, Mary 11, Elizabeth A. 9, Margaret 7, Mildred 6, Thomas W. 4, George 3, and John J. 1 year.

16th September 1882 (Hexham Courant)

RODDERUP FELL MINING COMPANY

On Monday morning, notice went up saying that from Friday 15th September 1882 that work will be suspended due to "depression in the lead trade" signed I Walton Manager. Rodderup mines are "High Level," "Middle Level," "Cleugh" and "Low Level." The three former of which, commenced some sixty or seventy years ago and have for some time been unworked. The latter " Low Level" commenced in 1835 it employs thirty five adults and eleven washer boys.

Marriages

At Alston Independent Chapel, 9th inst., Watson Smith *(lead miner),* Greenends to Mary Ann Fairless, Haggs, Nenthead.

In 1861, at Green Ends, George Smith, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary aged 58, children Mary 33, Thomas H, lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, grandchildren Watson Smith 6, and Jane Smith 2.

In 1871, at Green Ends, George Smith, lead miner, aged 70, his wife Mary aged 68, daughter Mary 43, son George, lead miner, aged 33, grandchildren Watson Smith, lead miner, aged 16, Jane Smith 12, John Smith 9, and Dorothy Ann Smith 6.

In 1881, at Greenends, George Smith, farmer of 6 acres, aged 80, his wife Mary 78, daughter Mary 55, sons Watson, lead miner, aged 26, John, no occupation, aged 19, daughter Dorothy Ann, nurse domestic servant, aged 16. George Smith died 4th quarter 1884, aged 84.

In 1891, at High Galligill, Watson Smith, aged 36, his wife Mary Ann 27, children Minnie 8, and Joseph Henry 5.

In 1901, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Mary Ann Smith, married, dressmaker, aged 37, children Minnie, dressmaker, aged 18, and Joseph H, lead & zinc miner, aged 15. In 1911, at Hayring Cottages, Mary Ann Smith, married, aged 47, and son Joseph Henry, zinc miner, aged 25. Watson Smith was an inmate at Carlisle Mental Hospital in 1901 & 1911.

Watson Smith died 1st quarter 1923, aged 68, death registered at Carlisle.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 4th inst., aged 66, Isabella, widow of Thomas Thompson.

In 1851, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Isabella Thompson (Liverick, married 7th June 1834), lead miners widow (Thomas Liverick died 1848/9), aged 35, children Matthew 15, Ann 12, Thomas 9, Isabella 7, and Mary 4.

In 1881, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Isabella Thompson, widow, farmer of 7 acres, aged 65, her unmarried children, Matthew lead miner, aged 45, Mary domestic servant, aged 34, and grandson George Thompson, lead miner, aged 24.

20th September 1882 (Glasgow Herald)

COMMERCIAL NOTES

It is reported that a fine new vein of lead has been cut by the London Lead Company in the Lady's Rake Mine, Harwood, which is expected to yield 4 tons of lead ore to the fathom. The new vein is in what is called the Ashgill Lead lease, is near to Green Hurth Mine, and is in the same stratification as the Green

Hurth was first found in. Lead mining in Teesdale is rather improving in prospect, and prices, though very low, are better than they were.

22nd September 1882 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

FATAL MINE ACCIDENT

On Saturday evening last Ralph Fairless, (38) Ironstone miner, Brother Lee, Weardale, died from the effects of injuries received on the head on the previous day, at Red Vein, Ironstone mine, Stanhope Burn whilst following his employment.

In 1841, at Westgate, Weardale, William Fairless, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Hannah aged 20.

In 1851, at Brother Lee, William Fairless, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Dawson, married 1840) dressmaker, aged 31, children Margaret 9, Ralph 6, Edward 5, William 3, and Mary 5 months.

ERECTED IN REMEMBRANCE
OF
JOHN FAIRLESS
OF HIGH BROTHER LEA,
WEARDALE
WHO DIED APRIL 8TH 1885
AGED 62 YEARS
AND GEORGE FAIRLESS
OF HIGH BROTHER LEA
NEPHEW OF THE ABOVE WHO WAS
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED BY A
RUNAWAY HORSE
NEAR HORSLEY HALL AUGUST 28TH
1878 AGED 34 YEARS
ALSO RALPH FAIRLESS
NEPHEW OF THE ABOVE
JOHN FAIRLESS, WHO DIED
FROM INJURIES RECEIVED WHILE
AT WORK IN STANHOPE BURN MINE
DECEMBER 16TH 1882
AGED 38 YEARS.

In 1881, at Brother Lee, Ralph Fairless, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Adah (Walton, married 1867) aged 34, children Elizabeth 13, Hannah 10, and John W. 3 years.

In 1891, at Brother Lee, Ada Fairless, widow, aged 44, son John W. aged 13, daughter Mabel aged 8, son in law Thomas Thompson, Limestone Quarryman, aged 28, his wife, Elizabeth, dress maker aged 23, their son Ralph aged 10 months.

See 6th October 1894

30th September 1882 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE MINERS
MEETING AT ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
DISCUSSION TO REFUSE BARGAINS

A crowded and enthusiastic meeting of miners was held on Wednesday night at St John's Chapel. Mr Thomas Emmerson, secretary, was unanimously called to the chair. After the Lord's Prayer had been fervently offered.

The CHAIRMAN said he had been in the front of this movement, and intended to remain so if opportunity was to offer itself. There were always two sides to every question. He was of opinion they were right. (cheers) They did not expect to get through life without labour and persecution, but he hoped they were prepared to abide by the former resolutions to take no more bargains under the present agents and the "new system." (prolonged cheers)

MR JOHN ROBINSON, in moving the first resolution, said when he took a stand he always meant winning, and it would grieve him much if the miners gave way. Such gentlemen as Mr J V Walton, Mr Bainbridge, Dr Livingstone, and Mr Dawson has promised substantial support. He then moved the following resolutions.

"That this meeting is of opinion that the system of short agreements pursued by the lessors and lessees of the Weardale mines is detrimental to the mines and miners and as such prevents prospecting thus impoverishing public property." (Applause)

MR THOMAS PEADON had pleasure in seconding the resolution and it was carried amid cheers.

MR HENRY FEATHERSTONE moved the second resolution as follows:-

"That we adhere to the former resolution not to take any more bargains under the present agents and new system."

MR THOMAS DOWSON seconded, and MR THOMAS SMITH (Sunderland) urged them, after these terrible sufferings, which had gone forth to the world, to stand fast. They had the sympathy of all working men. Any who blacklegged deserved boycotting. Treat them as lepers. The speaker concluded an eloquent address amid enthusiastic cheering.

The resolution was carried with acclamation.

MR WILLIAM MILBURN moved MR JOHN WILSON seconded and MR WALTER BEAUMONT supported, a resolution that the committee be empowered to take all honourable means to inform the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Home Secretary to get the present state of things in Weardale remedied.

30th September 1882 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
THE CRANSTON ROCK DRILL

Some very interesting experiments are at the present time being carried out at Messrs J W Pease and Co's Swinston Quarries, Weardale. The ordinary system of hand drilling has been adopted from the commencement until very recently, when a number of deep holes have been drilled by machine power. One of these holes, described and known by the quarrymen as the "jumbo" hole has been drilled to a depth of 18 feet by 2 inches in diameter, being completed within 5 hours. By an excellent system of charging the hole was blasted with 450 lbs of powder, whereby it is estimated that 3,000 tons of rock have been

economically removed; and it is considered to be the most effective blast of the kind ever known in the Weardale district. The machine employed at these extensive quarries is the well known “Cranston” patented rock drill.

Deaths

At Wellgill, Nenthead, 26th inst., aged 78, Mary Armstrong, widow of Walton Armstrong.

John Dryden married Mary Bell, 3rd June 1824, at West Allen, Ninebanks, John Dryden died in 1840.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Mary Dryden, widow, aged 35, children Jane 10, Catherine 5, and Elizabeth 2 years.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary 47, children Thomas 8, Mary 8, Sarah 5, Phebe 3, Margaret 1, step daughters, Jane Dryden, employed at home, aged 22, Catherine Dryden, washer woman, aged 16, Elizabeth Dryden 12, brother George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 57, step daughter Elizabeth Dryden, dress maker, aged 22, children, William lead miner, aged 21, Mary dressmaker, aged 18, Sarah house maid aged15, and Phebe 13.
Walton Armstrong died 2nd quarter 1865.
In 1871, Mary and Phoebe were living at Wellgill.
In 1881, at Wellgill, Nenthead, Mary Armstrong, lead miners widow aged 77, and her unmarried daughter Phoebe aged 34, no occupation; in 1891 Phoebe was in receipt of Parish Relief.
See 22nd July 1882.

Garrigill High Craig, 22nd inst., aged 75, Hannah Hill widow of Matthew Hill.
See 1st April 1882

7th October 1882 (Northern Echo)

THE WEARDALE MINERS

A Weardale correspondent writes:” —Mr J. C. Cain, chief agent attended Newhouse W. B. offices on Thursday to let bargains for Killhope and Burtree Pasture Mines, but no miners put in an appearance. The Miner’s Committee yesterday distributed £1 10s each to old miners who have not obtained temporary employment, which is to be continued every month until further notice. Much excitement prevails in the dale.

7th October 1882 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD MINES

On Monday, the Weardale lead mines were partly opened. At the end of June, the miners, numbering under 200, turned out on strike, on a resolution that they would take no more “bargains” under the present agents and the “new system” under which bargains had been taken. “Bargains” were consequently not offered for the September quarter, the formation of a new company for the working of the Weardale mines being anticipated. This company however, does not appear to have been yet finally formed, pending which a temporary reduction of royalties we understand has been made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners so that the mines could be opened. “Bargains’ were consequently offered late last week, when about 30 persons entered into quarterly stipulations to commence on Monday. In the meantime, mass

meetings of the lead miners have been held, and resolutions passed confirming their resolution on which they acted at the close of June. The bulk of the miners are consequently still out, refusing to present themselves for bargains on the above ground.

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 5th inst., Thomas Millican, Garrigill to Isabella Armstrong, Alston.

See 22nd February 1873, and 7th July 1877.

7th October 1882 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Beldy, Garrigill, 28th ult., aged 76, Elizabeth Coates widow of Matthew Coates.

Nenthead, 28th ult., aged 4 years, George Brown son of Thomas Brown.

See 9th September 1882.

14th October 1882 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT

On Thursday a fatal accident occurred at Newlandside, Limestone Quarry. While a workman Robert Collingwood was tipping a tub of limestone, the tub slipped over the face and deceased with it falling 46 feet. The poor fellow was instantaneously killed. Deceased was about 26 years of age, was a well respected and steady young man, and son of Mr Wm. Collingwood of Stanhope.

William Collingwood married Margaret Dixon, 2nd quarter 1849, at Weardale.

In 1851, at Stanhope, William Collingwood, lead ore washer, aged 25, his wife Margaret, 25, and son John J, 9 months.

In 1861, at Stanhope, William Collingwood, lead ore washer & Wesleyan local preacher, aged 35, his wife Margaret aged 35, children John J, lead ore washer, aged 10, William 8, Elizabeth 6, Robert 4, and George A 10 months.

In 1871, at Stanhope, William Collingwood, mineral agent in Iron works, aged 45, his wife Margaret aged 45, children John J, labourer, aged 20, William, labourer, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, Robert, labourer, aged 14, George Alfred, errand boy at Iron works, aged 10, Thomas Dixon 9, Septimus 7, and Ann Mary aged 5.

Margaret Collingwood, died 2nd quarter 1878, aged 52, registered at Weardale.

In 1881, at Stanhope, William Collingwood, widower, coal agent, aged 55, children John J, quarryman, aged 30, Robert, quarryman, aged 25, Thomas, pupil teacher, aged 19, Septimus, pupil teacher, aged 17, and Annie Mary 15.

In 1891, at Front Street, Stanhope, William Collingwood, widower, retired coal agent, aged 65, son, John J, limestone quarry labourer, aged 40, daughter Elizabeth Gibson, married, aged 36, and granddaughter Annie aged 7 months.

William Collingwood, died 3rd quarter 1895, aged 70, registered at Weardale.

NENTHEAD

The Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company, Limited, according to the 'Investors Guardian,' propose to take over the London Lead Company and the Tindale Spelter Company. It was registered on the 28th ult., with a capital of £120,000 in £1 shares with the following first subscribers:-

T. Bell Barker, South Shirley	5,000
J. C. Swan, Newcastle, Spelter Manufacturer	5,000
J. Pattinson, Newcastle, Analytic Chemist	5,000

J. G. Cranston, Newcastle, Mining and C. E.	500
R. S. Watson, Newcastle, Solicitor	1,000
J. W. Swan, Coleman St, Chemical Manufacturer	5,000
J. J. Sellon, 78 Hatton Garden, Metallurgist	5,000

The number of directors is not to be less than five, nor more than eight; qualification, shares or stock to the nominal value of £250; the subscribers are to appoint the first and are to act ad interim; the company in general meeting will determine remuneration.

Deaths

Alston, 4th inst., aged 43, Teasdale Whitfield.

In 1871, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Ann Whitfield, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 66, unmarried children Mary domestic servant, aged 46, John, lead miner, aged 44, Teasdale lead miner, aged 30, grandson Ralph Whitfield, lead miner, aged 16.

In 1881, at 15 Edmunds Lane, Alston, John Whitfield, unmarried, coal miner, aged 52, his unmarried brother Teasdale coal miner, aged 42, sister Mary house keeper, aged 54, son Ralph lead miner, aged 22 (birth registered at Alston, 1855). In 1891, at Edmunds Lane, Mary Whitfield, single, aged 64, and son Ralph , masons labourer, aged 30. In 1901, at Grisedale Lane, Mary Whitfield, single, aged 77, and son Ralph, lead miner, aged 45. In 1911, at Wolsingham, Thomas Whitfield, house joiner, aged 71, his wife Anna 68, son Richard, steel works labourer, aged 33, daughter Mary Ellen 32, nephew Ralph Whitfield, steel works labourer, aged 60, and niece Honey Whitfield 8. Ralph Whitfield died 2nd quarter 1924, aged 69.

See 22nd June 1878

Garrigill 10th inst., aged 58, Mary Pearson wife of Joseph Pearson.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Pearson, Cordwainer, aged 53, born Burgh by Sands, his wife, Mary 57, children Harriot dress maker, aged 21, John J. Cordwainer, aged 18, and James lead miner, aged 16. In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Pearson, widow, Cordwainer, aged 63, daughter Harriet 31, and son John J, Cordwainer, aged 28.

Joseph Pearson died 4th quarter 1904, aged 76.

21st October 1882 (Hexham Courant)

THE LONDON LEAD COMPANIES MINES.

The London Lead Company have now handed over their Alston Mines and plant to a new Company formed by Messrs Swan Bros. Newcastle. The other night the miners held a meeting of inquiry as to what was to be done with their fund a sick and burial and Pension Company. A deputation waited upon Mr Bainbridge, Newhouse Middleton, and he stated the money would stay in the hands of the old Company, and that Gentleman would be prepared to transact the Alston moor business and correspond with the Company as before. Some miners at Nenthead prefer to have their share of the capital so that they might break up the concern and some are trying to make out how much they would get.

27th October 1882 (Newcastle Courant)

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

In conformity with arrangements entered into between Mr R. W. Bainbridge, the Superintendent of the London Lead Company, and Mr W. T. Scarth, J.P., the

chief agent of the Duke of Cleveland, the books of the Governor and Company, are being examined by professional accountants with a view of presenting to the lessor of the royalties a statement as to the receipts and expenditure of the company for the past 30 years. Contingent upon the character of the statement of facts submitted to the Duke of Cleveland will hinge a reduction of the royalty dues, and in fact, an answer to the prayer or memorial of the lead miners already presented. It is well known that during the past few years a very large expenditure of capital has been incurred by the London Lead Company in barren and futile explorations, but in the meantime comes the gratifying intelligence that a new and rich vein of lead has been struck by the workmen of the London Lead Company at the Ashgill Head Mine. There are other and independent workings in Teesdale, which are being carried on to profit, and notably the lead mine at Green Hurth, leased under the Duke of Cleveland, and which is rich in silver.

1st November 1882 (Teesdale Mercury)

HARWOOD.

Sad and Fatal Accident at the Greenhurth Lead Mine. —On Thursday last, whilst Mark Allinson and Nicholas Wearmouth were engaged at the forehead of the working, at the above mine, as pickmen, a heavy fail of stone suddenly came upon Allinson, crushing him to death instantly. The other partner, Wearmouth, barely escaped, most fortunately only sustaining a few slight bruises. The deceased leaves a wife and four young children to deplore his loss.

Mark Allinson married Margaret Walton, 2nd quarter 1876, at Teesdale.

In 1881, at Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Mark Allinson, labourer, aged 31, his wife Margaret 25, children, Thomas 7, William 4, Frederick 2, and Margaret Ann 0.

Margaret Allinson married Jonathan William Hutchinson, 2nd quarter 1885, at Teesdale.

In 1891, at Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Jonathan Wm Hutchinson, farmer & lead miner, aged 34, his wife, Margaret 35, children, Albert 5, Selinea 3, children in law, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 17, William Allinson, lead ore dresser, aged 14, Frederick Allinson 12, and Margaret Ann Allinson 10.

11th November 1882 (Hexham Courant)

ROOKHOPE

Fatal Accident occurred at Grove Rake in Rookhope. Whilst John Joseph Roddam, lead ore washer was engaged at the ore washing place, (*Friday last*) he got one of his legs entangled in the washing machinery, and it was so severely crushed that he died from his injuries about six and a half hours after the accident. *In 1881, at Wolfcleugh, Stanhope, George Roddam, shepherd, aged 39, his wife Esther (Walton, married 1865, at Weardale) aged 38, children John Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Thomas lead ore washer, aged 13, Robert P. 11, Leah 8, George W. 5, and lodger Mary Ann Walton, widow, aged 65.*

Deaths

At Nenthead, Brownley Hill, 5th inst., aged 38, Dinah, wife of James Rutherford.

See 5th April 1884

13th November 1882 (Northern Echo)
THE WEARDAL MINERS. —The wage men employed at Burtree Pasture Mine ceased work on Saturday, as a protest against the present agents and their system. The enginemen at Green Laws left work a few days ago.

25th November 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 19th inst., aged 34, John Trathan.
In 1871, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Richard Trathan, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Catherine (Erwin, married 25th May 1837) aged 55, son James labourer, aged, 33, married daughter Jane Barkla labourers wife, aged 23, son John lead miner, aged 23, daughter Elizabeth dressmaker, aged 15, grandsons William 8, Walton 7, George 2, and grand daughter Ruth 4 years.
Richard died in 1879, aged 67.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead Catherine Trathan, widow, aged 65, children, James cartman, aged 42, Thomas general labourer, aged 31, John farm servant, aged 32, William general labourer, aged 18, Walter lead ore washer, aged 17, Ruth dressmaker, aged 14.
See 5th May 1877, 3rd May 1879, and 7th August 1880.
At Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 13 years, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Roddam.
In 1841, at Brown Gill, Joseph Roddam, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Margeret (Bell, married 11th June 1815, Alston), aged 45, children John 20, William 13, Elizabeth 10, Hannah 7, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Browngill, Margaret Roddam, widow, annuitant, aged 57, children Elizabeth 19, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 17, and Thomas 11.
In 1861, at Browngill, Margret Roddam, widow, annuitant, aged 65, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1871, at High Nentsbury, Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah 33, Joseph 9, Priscilla A.7, Margaret 5, John 3, and Elizabeth 2.
In 1881, at High Nentsbury, Nenthead, Thomas Roddam lead miner and farmer of 12¾ acres, aged 42, his wife Hannah aged 44, children, Joseph, general labourer, aged 19, Priscilla 18, Margaret 16, John general labourer, aged 13, Elizabeth 12, Sarah Jane 9, Norton 4, and Thomas 8 months. In 1891, at High Nentsbury, Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 53, children Joseph W, road surfaceman, aged 29, Norton C 14, and Thomas 10.
In 1901, at High Nentsbury, Thomas Roddam, grazing farmer, aged 61, his wife Hannah 64, children Joseph, highway worker, aged 39, Sarah Jane 28, Thomas 20, and Laura 2.
Thomas Roddam died 4th quarter 1901, aged 61.
In 1911, at Nentsbury, Hannah Roddam, widow, aged 73, son Joseph W. road surveyor, aged 49, daughter Sarah Jane 39, son Thomas, farm labourer, aged 30, grandchildren Laura Amelia Roddam 12, and Thomas Baty Roddam 9.
See 9th July 1870, & 6th September 1873.

1st December 1882 (Newcastle Courant)
GREEN HURTH LEAD MINE
This mine continues to give good returns; about 100 tons of lead ore per month. The Swan shaft is now sunk to 45 fathoms the ore continuing good to this depth, thus ensuring good returns for a long time to come. Not withstanding the low

price of lead, and the unusually heavy outlay for machinery, sinking the shaft &c., a dividend of 3s per share has been paid this month, being the third dividend this year of the same amount.

6th December 1882 (Teesdale Mercury)

Sir, —A subject of considerable local interest was discussed at the meeting of the Tees Conservancy Commissioners held at Darlington, on the 28th ult., and one which is ever and anon cropping up in the proceedings of the above authority. I allude to the pollution of the water of the river Tees, caused by the old and now almost obsolete mode of exploration for lead veins by the process of “hushing.” To those of your readers unacquainted with this method of “prospecting,” I may explain that in order to discover the vein or lode, a reservoir or dam of suitable dimensions is constructed on the side of the hill, on ground where it is supposed the metalliferous vein is hidden from view, such ground being usually “picked,” or otherwise partially broken up preparatory to the discharge of the large volume of water from the reservoir. The roughened and disturbed character of the surface of the ground allows the rushing waters to obtain a firmer grip of the portion to be bared, and the weight and force thus brought to bear on the area desired to be exposed, speedily carries away the alluvial deposit, which overlies the strata underneath. From the comparatively light nature of the soil and clay thus displaced, the finer particles are carried a considerable distance down the river, giving it a sort of yellow tinge, and the nearer the vicinity of the bushing operations the thicker does the muddy appearance of the water become. And it is this discolouration which is so an annoying to the angler who indulges in the art of fly fishing, bait fishing not being quite so much interfered with, as the fish will frequently take the latter when they cannot see the fly through the polluted water. The remedy for this vexatious and troublesome annoyance suggested at the above meeting of having pits in which to allow the muddy matter to settle, would be altogether impossible of application in the case of "hushing;” the only measure of an effective character would be an entire stoppage or disuse of this old-fashioned method of mining, which we understand is now only followed by a single party in Upper Teesdale. Reference was also made at the Darlington meeting to the extensive ore dressing arrangements of the London Lead Company. I can safely state that every precaution is taken by this old-established and enterprising firm of mining adventurers to secure the smallest particles of lead that may happen to pass from their dressing floors in the form of mud, and which is held in suspension by the water, by the erection at considerable expense, of thousands of feet of settling pits, where, as alluded to by one of the speakers, the water is allowed to stand until the muddy matter has subsided. And it may also be added, that in this Company’s Teesdale lease, a clause is inserted prohibiting the use of “hushing"—in the proper acceptation of the term —in their mining operations, which has hitherto been observed to the letter. The small quantity of discoloured water* from the ore-dressing floors being somewhat of a heavier specific gravity than those arising from “hushing," are soon lost in the larger volume of the Tees water when they reach that natural drainer of the valley, and are scarcely traceable beyond a few miles after their entry therein. The Lead Company have ever evinced their readiness to meet the wishes of the authorities in the important matter under consideration, and their efforts in this respect have been

praiseworthy. —I am, &c., AN INHABITANT OF UPPER TEESDALE. Dec. 4th. 1882.

9th December 1882 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

The Weardale Lead Mines announced with much regret that Mr Chadwicks efforts to form a company for working and developing the Weardale lead mines have been finally abandoned.

Marriages

At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 4th inst. William Fawcett of Craig Shield, near Alston to Tamar 4th daughter of the late Matthew Robson of Low Farnberry near Alston.

See 8th June 1878, 7th February 1891, 4th March 1893, and 12th October 1895.

16th December 1882 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 30th ult., aged 26, Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Caleb Walton, lead miner.

In 1841, at Bloomsbury Hall, Nenthead, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Ann 50, children William 27, Robert 25, Caleb 15, Margaret 13, Sarah 12, and George 9 years.

In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Ann Walton, lead miners widow, aged 58, children, William, lead miner, aged 37, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Caleb, lead miner, aged 26, Margaret 24, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 22, and George, lead miner, aged 19. In 1861, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary aged 32, born Stanhope, children Robert 9, and Elizabeth A 5. In 1871, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 42, children Robert, lead ore washer, aged 18, Elizabeth Ann 15, Mary Jane 6, and Bridget 4.

In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Mary (born Stanhope) aged 49, children Robert lead miner, aged 28, Elizabeth A. general servant, aged 25, Mary J. general servant, aged 15, and Bridget aged 13.

Caleb Walton died 1st quarter 1890, aged 62.

In 1891, at Overwater, Mary Walton, widow, aged 62, and daughter Bridget, dressmaker, aged 23.

At Alston Workhouse, 3rd inst., aged 78, Edward Percival, formerly lead miner.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Hannah Percival, aged 70, Edward Percival, lead miner, aged 30, John Percival, lead miner aged 30, Robert Percival, apprentice shoemaker, aged 25, and Hannah Percival 9. In 1851, at Fair Hill, Hannah Percival, lead miners widow, aged 81, son John, lead ore miner, aged 42, and granddaughter Hannah aged 19.

In 1861, at Shield Hill Top, Garrigill, Nancy Shaw, widow, farmer of 76 acres, aged 67, unmarried sister Mary Percival, domestic servant aged 57, unmarried brother Edward Percival, carter, aged 55, and Isaac Thompson, lead miner, aged 45. Edward was living with his sisters in 1871, in 1881 his listed as being in the workhouse.

At Nenthall, 4th inst, aged 51, George Spark, lead miner.

In 1841, at Beldy, Ann Spark, widow, aged 40, John Spark (son of George Spark and Ann Pearson who married 3rd July 1817. George's burial is

recorded at Garrigill 9th October 1834, aged 44 years.), lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan lead miner, aged 15, Thomas 15, Jane 13, George 10, and Ruth 1.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Nanncy Spark, widow, domestic servant, aged 51, children, Jonathan lead miner, aged 28, Thomas lead miner, aged 25, Jane 23, George lead miner, aged 20, granddaughter Ruth Spark 11.
In 1861, at Pasture House, Jonathan Spark, lead miner, aged 38, sister Jane Spark, housekeeper, aged 33, brother George Spark, lead miner, aged 30, nephew William Spark, aged 6.
In 1851 at Nenthall, Elizabeth Lee, widow, grocer, aged 75, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 38, sons wife Ann (Spark, married 26th June 1845, Alston) aged 31, grandchildren Elizabeth 5, Anne 3, and William 1.
Thomas Lee died 3rd quarter 1856.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Ann Lee, widow, grocer, aged 41, children William 11, George 9, and Wallace 6.
In 1871, at Nenthall, Ann Lee, lead miners widow, aged 51, sons William Lee, lead miner, aged 21, George Lee, lead miner, aged 19, Wallace Lee, lead miner, aged 16, and boarder George Spark, lead miner, aged 40.
In 1881, at Nenthall, Ann Lee, lead miners widow, aged 62, and her brother George Spark, lead miner aged 50.

16th December 1882 (The Times)

NENTHEAD AND TYNEDALE LEAD AND ZINC COMPANY (LIMITED)

Comprising—1. The Lead Works and Silver Works at Nenthead; 2. The Spelter or Zinc Works at Tindale; 3. The Freehold Estate Mines, and Royalties of Priorsdale; 4. Leasehold Mines at Nenthead, Garrigill, and Alston Moor; 5. Freehold and Long Leasehold Properties at Nenthead and Garrigill. The whole being in the County of Cumberland.

CAPITAL £120,000, IN 120,000 SHARES OF £1 EACH,

Of which 40,000 have already been privately applied for. 2s. 6d. on application, 2s. 6d. on allotment, and the remainder as may be required.

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ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

This company is formed for the purpose of acquiring all the freehold and leasehold property, mines of lead ore and zinc ore, crushing, dressing, and other machinery; and smelting mills, situated in the valleys of the Tyne and Nent, and hitherto owned and worked by the London Lead Company, and by the Tindale Spelter Company.

Some idea of the great extent, value, and importance of the undertaking will be gathered from the brief statements following.

The freehold property of the company is extensive, and largely increases the value and solidity of the undertaking. The Priorsdale estate covers 3 square miles. It consists of sheep farms and grazing land, with suitable farmhouses and buildings, together with 400 acres of plantations. There are besides numerous parcels of land and many houses in Nenthead and Garrigill held for the residue of term of 1000 years. The rents amount to £677 yearly. There are other houses and buildings either reserved to the use of the company or to the public, on which no rental is charged. The growing timber on the Priorsdale estate is valued at upwards of £7000 (see Mr. Bewick's report). This property not being essential to the working of the mines could, if necessary, be sold, reserving royalties, roads, reservoirs, and water rights.

The lead smelting works are complete in every department, and fitted with modern appliances for economical working. They are now equal to a production of 2500 tons of market lead per annum, and are at present in nearly full work.

There is also an extensive manufacture of litharge, of a quality much appreciated, and there is a constant and strong demand for all that is turned out.

The extraction of silver is effected by the Rozan patent process at a great saving in cost. The make of the current year is calculated at above 12,000 ozs. The spelter or zinc works comprise crushing; mills, ore-dressing machinery, eight calcining furnaces, 14 smelting furnaces carrying 912 retorts, retort manufactory, kilns, 40 workmen’s' cottages, manager's house, and all accessories of a large spelter manufactory. The grinding mills and machinery are driven by waterpower; the situation is advantageous for cheap working, and there is good railway connection with the North Eastern system. These works have of: late been largely increased. In 1869 the out-

turn was 626 tons; last year it reached 1410 tons, and the present output is equal to 1600 tons per annum. The produce of these works meets a ready sale, as the metal is of high-class quality.

The zinc works are of exceptional importance. They secure the means of advantageously treating the immense reserves of zinc ore existing in the company's mines, and of making the working of the mines profitable, even in times like the present when the price of lead is extremely low.

The mines and mining property of the company are of the most extensive character, covering an area of nearly 13 square miles, and comprising some of the richest mining ground ever worked in the United Kingdom. Of this, 3 square miles are freehold, and the remainder leasehold.

There are 51 important veins and branches, besides others of less value. From 21 of these ores of lead and zinc are being raised, and in six veins work of exploration and development is being carried on. There is thus the certainty of a steady yield of ore. Much attention has lately been given to the development of the mines, and the production is increasing. Last year's produce exceeds 4000 bings lead ore and 1500 tons zinc ore, and is the largest since 1875. From the work already done it is seen that there will be a further increase during current year. There are 163 men raising ore, and 26 employed in exploration and development. The reserves, as set forth in the report of Mr. Bewick are computed at 12,000 to 15,000 tons of lead ore, and 40,000 tons of zinc ore.

The ore is cheaply extracted, for there are 43 miles of levels (of which 35 miles are laid with iron rails), and these effectively drain the mines, and by them the mineral is brought to the day, and direct to the various dressing-floors There is thus no cost for pumping nor for lifting the ore from shafts. This extensive system of levels, besides securing the cheap extraction of the ore, gives easy access to the great extent of valuable mining ground in which new developments and exploring works are being advantageously carried forward.

The Admiralty deep level driven from Alston up the Nent Valley unwaters a section of strata 40 fms. deeper than the present working levels.

All the machinery in connection with the ore-dressing and in the smelting works is of the latest and most complete description, and, except in the silver works, is worked by water-power, which is of unusual extent. The main storage reservoir, which is on the company's freehold, has an area of over 6 acres. Its cubic capacity is equal to 17,465,000 Imperial gallons.

Great advantage results from the combination of the lead and zinc industries. The company having their own mines of both lead |and zinc ores, and having smelting works for both metals, is, it is believed, the most extensive and complete of the kind in the United Kingdom.

The smelting works, both for lead and zinc, are very advantageously situated for the purchase and treatment of ores obtainable from the neighbouring mines of other companies.

The mines and works are taken over at a moment when the prices of lead and zinc are extremely low, and, in consequence, come into possession of the company on most favourable terms. It is calculated that even at present prices the undertaking will yield good returns on the capital invested, while an improvement in prices to a point much below the average of the last 30 years will make it largely profitable.

The transfer will be direct from the London Lead Company and the Tindale Spelter Company respectively, to the present company, the actual purchase-money being £66,000, but in addition there will be a sum of £2500 paid to cover cost of inspections, agency, and other expenses connected with the negotiations for sale to the company.
The purchase dates from Sept. 30,1882, and all profits from that date accrue to the company.
In the event of no allotment being made, the deposit paid on application for shares will be returned in full. Should the shares allotted to any applicant be less than the number applied for, the surplus paid on application will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment.
Full Prospectuses and Forms of Application for shares can be obtained at the offices of the company, and from the Bankers, Brokers, and Auditors.

23rd December 1882 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Whitehall, Nenthead, 20th inst., aged 52, Betsy daughter of the late Robert Barron, lead miner.
See 15th September 1877, 2nd March 1878 & 28th September 1878.

30th December 1882 (Hexham Herald)
CHARLES LANGHORN'S CHARITY.
... In consequence, however, of Langhorn being an illegitimate child, his will was ineffectual until about the year 1818. A petition was sent to, and a Royal Warrant granted from, the Prince Regent George IV, empowering the trustees to distribute the money according to the will. ...
The sum amounts to £23 6s 2d annually and was this year divided amongst 32 poor persons, the sum apportioned to each varying according to the circumstances and necessities of the respective recipients.

THE WEARDALE LEAD TRADE
Mr W. B. Beaumont MP., lessee of the lead mines in Weardale, having failed to arrange terms with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners respecting the Royalties dues has surrendered his lease and closed the mines. ...

The Weardale Bargain book (NRO 672/E/5A/23) gives the following information.
W. B., Beaumont Bargains 6th January to 31st March 1883.

Mine Working	No of Bargains	No of Men	Type of Bargain
Killhope	1	6	Raise ore in veins and flats
Burtree Pasture	1	2	Raise ore in Slitts
Craigs Level	1	1	Raise ore from Deads
Greenlaws	4	22	Raise ore in old ground
Groverake	9	36	Raise ore in old ground
West Pasture	1	4	Raise ore in old ground
Totals	**17**	**71**	

Deaths
Nenthead, 25th inst., George infant son of Ridley Graham.
In 1881, at Pry House Nenthead, Thomas Graham, farmer of 20 acres, aged 65, his wife Sarah (Cowing, married 13th June 1839) aged 64, children Agnes

38, Ridley lead ore smelter, aged 33, Sarah 28, Joseph general smith, aged 26, John farmers son, aged 24, and William, stoker at lead smelting works, aged 24.
Ridley Graham married Ann Armstrong 2nd quarter of 1882.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Ridley Graham, lead ore smelter, aged 43, and his wife Ann aged 42. See 30th December 1882, 10th September 1892, 7th June 1890, 15th May 1897, & 18th March 1909

6th January 1883 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF JOHN WEARMOUTH

It is with the greatest regret that I note the death of a friend and a true son of Weardale, John Wearmouth. It is said that some people are born to trouble. Truly it may be said that the brave fellow who has just passed away was one of these. He was for some time a Clerk at Allenheads W. B. office. About 13 years ago he removed to Newhouse W. B. offices. For some 3 years since, and he then removed to Gateshead, where on Saturday last he expired after an illness of some months duration. Since July, he has lost three of his family, John Wearmouth was a man of undoubted talent. He is the author of several stories and poems. A true friend and a jovial companion, many will be the expressions of regret at his being called away at the early age of 48 years.
In 1841, at Frog Hall, Stanhope, Richard Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Watson, married 26th May 1827, Stanhope) aged 30, children Mary 12, Ann 10, John 7, and Frances 2.
In 1851, at St John's Chapel, Richard Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Mary 22, John lead miner, aged 17, Frances 11, Elizabeth 8, Joseph Walton 1, and lodger, Jos Bownas, surgeon, aged 42, born Allendale.

St John's Chapel

Sacred to the memory of
ANN DAUGHTER OF RICHARD
AND ELIZABETH WEARMOUTH
OF ST JOHN'S CHAPEL WHO DIED
SEPT. 27TH 1845 AGED 15 YEARS
ALSO FRANCES THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED MARCH 22ND 1864
AGED 24 YEARS 11 MONTHS
ALSO ELIZABETH THEIR DAUGHTER
AND WIFE OF GEORGE SANDERSON WHO
DIED MAY 6TH 1867
AGED 24 YEARS 5 MONTHS
ALSO THE ABOVE RICHARD WEARMOUTH
WHO DIED DEC. 24TH 1875
AGED 71 YEARS

In 1861, at St John's Chapel, Richard Wearmouth, victualler, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth aged 55, children Frances aged 21, Elizabeth 18, and boarder Joseph Bownass, surgeon general practice, aged 51.
In 1871, at Hood, Stanhope, Richard Wearmouth, landowner, late lead miner, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, and grandson John J Sanderson aged 8.
In 1881, at St John's Chapel, Elizabeth Wearmouth, widow, aged 75.
In 1861, at Lane Hill, St John's Chapel, Thomas Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 35, his brother John, lead miner, aged 25, and sister Margaret aged 21.
In 1871, at Parsonage House, Allenheads, John Wearmouth, clerk in lead mining office, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Moore, married 1st quarter 1862, Weardale) aged 32, children Sarah A 8, Maggie 6, Emily 2, and Clara 2 months. The sixth child was John William born 1873.
Elizabeth Wearmouth died January 1876, aged 37.
In 1881 at 83 Chichester Street, Gateshead, John Wearmouth, widow, timekeeper at an Iron Foundry, aged 46, children Maria 14, Emily 12, Clara 10, and Jno. Wm. 8. Maria, Clara & Sarah Ann, all died in 1882.
See 15th January 1876

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES
THE MINES TO BE CARRIED ON FOR THREE MONTHS

The following letter was on Wednesday received by the miners secretary (Mr T. Emerson): -

Ecclesiastical Commissioners London.
S.W 1st January 1883
Weardale Lead Mines

Sir, In reply to your letter of the 25th ultimo, I am directed to state the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have agreed to accept a surrender of the lease of these mines held by Mr W. B. Beaumont, on end from 31st March 1883. It is understood that the working of the mines will be carried on by Mr Beaumont during the interval which must be occupied in making arrangements for the surrender. Mr Beaumont has I believe given notice that his agents will be prepared to let bargains in the usual way (to expire on the 31st March) to those miners who wish for employment. The Commissioners trust that it will be found practicable to make arrangements for the carrying on of the mines by other parties as from the date of the surrender by Mr Beaumont.

I am dear sir your very obedient servant George Pringle.

13th January 1883 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
SAD DEATH BY FIRE

During Friday evening, an aged woman named Dorothy Heatherington, residing at Burnfoot, near St John's Chapel, Weardale, was accidentally burnt to death in her cottage. Her clothes it is supposed had accidentally caught fire.

In 1881, at Burn Foot, Stanhope, Dorothy Heatherington, unmarried, aged 80.

Marriages

At Newcastle Brunswick Place Chapel, 6th inst. Edward Vipond Armstrong to Frances 2nd daughter of the late Thomas Todd of Alston.

In 1881, at Clarence St, Newcastle, John Robinson, bread & biscuit baker, aged 52, his wife Hannah 57, nephew Edward V. Armstrong, printer compositor, aged 26, and nephew, Andrew Armstrong, printer compositor apprentice, aged 16.
In 1901, at Stanton St., Newcastle, Edward V Armstrong, printer compositor, aged 47, born Newcastle, his wife Frances 42, born Alston, children Florence Vipond 17, Mary H, saleswoman draper, aged 16, Thomas Robert, apprentice draper, aged 14, John A, 10, Edward S, 8, and Cecil 3.
In 1911, at 286 Wingrove Avenue, Newcastle, Edward Vipond Armstrong, printer compositor, aged 56, born Newcastle, his wife Frances 52, born Alston, children Florence Vipond 27, Mary Horsley, cashier at drapers, aged 26, Thomas Robert, assistant draper, aged 24, John Arthur, colliery clerk, aged 20, Edward Sidney, student teacher, aged 18, and Cecil 13.

13th January 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Hay Ring, Nenthall, 8th inst., aged 73, Ann widow of Joseph Bainbridge.
In 1851, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead smelter, aged 39, his wife Ann 39, children William 10, Joseph 8, Isabella 6, Christopher 4, and Mary Ann aged 1. In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead crystalliser, aged 50, his wife Ann 50, children William, lead ore roaster, aged 20, Joseph lead miner, aged 18, Isabella 16, Christopher lead miner, aged 14, and John 9.
In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann 60, children William, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Isabella 26, Christopher, blacksmith, aged 24, and John, lead ore smelter, aged 18. Joseph Bainbridge died 3rd quarter 1871.

27th January 1883 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
Dr Pickworth's medical report for No. 2 district was read. It stated the number of deaths for the year to be 55, 27 males and 28 females. The sanitary condition of the district was satisfactory.

3rd February 1883 (Hexham Courant)
ALLENDALE
THE SINGULAR QUARRY ACCIDENT
THE INQUEST
An inquest was held on Saturday last, at the house of Mr Robert Henderson, Broad Gate Head, before Mr W. Brewis Elsdon, deputy coroner on view of the body of Wm. Parker who was killed on the preceding Thursday through falling over a precipice at Holmes Lane Quarry. The first witness called was Joseph Parker, who said he was a grocer and lead miner, and lived at Plantation House, Low Forest. The body lying dead within his house and viewed by the coroner was that of his son, William Parker aged twenty years. He was a stonemason and lived with him (witness) at Plantation House. Deceased was brought home dead about one o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday the 25th January last. He

saw him last alive at seven o'clock on the forenoon of the same day at which time he left the house to go to work.
Thomas Dodd said he was a stonemason and lived at Spring House, Allenheads. He knew and was well acquainted with Wm. Parker the deceased. The deceased and himself were for the time being employed at Holmes Lane Quarry, at Sinderhope. The quarry was situated on the face of a very steep hill. On Thursday there was a considerable of hewn trees lying on the hillside between a public footpath and the quarry. At ten o'clock in the forenoon of the day in question deceased and he left off work in the quarry and went to a lodging house attached to the Holmes Lane Lead Mine and had something to eat. They were both there about fifteen minutes and then left to return to work. They were perfectly sober having had nothing to drink except tea. They approached they approached the quarry by a footpath across which was lying the trunk of a hewn tree resting on some loose branches. There was a little snow on the ground, which was in a melting state. The ground was wet and slippery. In climbing this bank towards the quarry he (witness) went first and would be about three yards from the deceased, who of course was behind him. In stepping over the trunk of the tree across the footpath before mentioned he (witness) must have trod on one of the branches because the trunk itself was seen by him in motion just as he was in the act of stepping over it. The tree was in motion down the hill. It struck the deceased on the legs and threw him down. The trunk dragged him down the hill for a short distance and then passed over his body. When the tree trunk struck the deceased he was in the act of running away from it. The thick end of the trunk struck the deceased on the right leg. After deceased was struck as before mentioned he rolled down the hillside and over a steep precipice thirty feet high or thereabouts. Witness at once went to the assistance of the deceased and found him insensible and bleeding from the mouth and nose. Joseph Forster and Joseph Stoker came to the spot within a minute and they carried the deceased to his fathers house. He (witness) went for the doctor, and deceased was then alive. – By a juror: The footpath in question leads to the quarry and is only used by the workmen. - Deceased and he could have got to the quarry by another road where no timber was lying. They had passed over the same tree trunk several times previously and never suspected any danger.
Joseph Forster said he was a farmer and lived at Holmes, Sinderhope. He knew and was well acquainted with the deceased. About a quarter past ten o'clock on Thursday, he saw deceased lying near Holmes Lane Quarry, Thomas Dodd was beside him. The trunk of a hewn tree was also lying beside the deceased. He was bleeding from the mouth and nose. Thomas Dodd at once left for a doctor. He (witness) and two men carried the deceased into the shop attached to the Holme Lane Lead Mine, and he died there in his (witnesses) presence about half past ten o'clock in the forenoon of the same day. He was never conscious after he first saw him.
The jury returned a verdict "that William Parker died on the 25th of January, at Holmes Lane, Sinderhope, from injuries received through being thrown over a hill side and precipice by a trunk of a hewn tree which was accidentally set in motion by Thomas Dodd."
In 1871, at Sinderhope, John Woodmas, farmer of 40 acres, aged 64, his wife Isabella 65, son Thomas, stone mason, aged 30, adopted daughter Margaret Coats 21, and grandson William Parker 8.

In 1881, at Plantation House, Joseph Parker, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Rachael 48, unmarried sons, John, general labourer, aged 21, William, stone mason, aged 18, and Thomas, general labourer aged 17.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 18th ult., aged 7 years, Hannah, daughter of Jonathan Cousins, lead miner.

In1861, at Welgill, Jacob Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Jane aged 49, born Stanhope, children Francis, lead miner, aged 22, Jane19, Jacob, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, and William 11.
Jacob Richardson probably died 3rd quarter 1868.
In 1871, at Welgill, Jane Richardson miners widow, aged 59, son Jacob, lead miner, aged 26, son William lead miner, aged 21, and servant Sarah Patrick, dairymaid, aged 28.
In 1841, at Welgill Dykeheads, William Cousin, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Todd, married 14th May 1825, Alston) aged 35, children Joseph 15, Hannah 13, Ann 12, Thomas 11, John 9, Mary 8, William 6, Matthew 5, Phebe 2, and Isaac 5 months.
In 1851, at Welgill Dykeheads, William Cousin, land owner, farming 12 acres, aged 51, born Allendale, his wife Hannah 46, born Alston, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Matthew, lead miner, aged 11, Phebe 12, Isaac 10, Jonathan 7, Henry 5, and Margaret 1.
In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Nenthead, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres, aged 62, born Allendale, his wife Hannah aged 56, born Alston, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer on farm, aged 15, and Margaret 11.
William Cousin died 2nd quarter 1861, Hannah died 4th quarter 1866, aged 62.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary (Richardson, married 28th April 1867, Nenthead) aged 24, children Jacob 4 and John 2 years.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Jonathan Cousin, farmer of 10 acres, aged 37, his wife Mary 34, children Jacob 14, John 12, Mary Jane 9, Hannah 5, and Jonathan 1 month. In 1891, at Nenthead, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 44, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Mary J 20, and William 8.
In 1901, at Holme Foot, Jonathan Cousin, married, lead miner, aged 57, children Mary J 29, and William, lead miner, aged 15.
Jonathan Cousin died 13th April 1903, aged 59.
Probate gives: —Jonathan Cousin of Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, retired miner died 13th April 1903. Probate Carlisle 8th May to Jacob Cousin fireman, William Cousin miner, and Mary Jane Cousin spinster. Effects £665 6s 4d.

At Hawthorne, Melbourne, Australia, 18th December, aged 50, William Walton, 3rd son of the late William Walton of Peasemeadows, Allendale.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 19 December 1882

One of the oldest and most respected officers of the Railway department, Mr William Walton, died at his residence, Hawthorn, yesterday morning. His health of late years began to fail, and as his case became serious, he was about 18 months ago granted a years leave of absence. He went to England, and remained there during the greater part of his holiday, returning to the

colony about six months ago. On his again resuming work the illness returned and he gradually sank until his death. He was 52 or 53 years of age and he leaves a wife and two children. Mr Walton occupied the position of engineering surveyor and first entered upon his duties in the latter part of 1855 he was thus 27 years in the department, and was universally regarded as one of its most able and efficient officers. During his life, he was connected with some of the earliest railway undertakings in the colony. He was engaged under Mr Greene, engineer of existing lines, on the main lines and under Mr. Watson on the North Eastern system, the Gipps Land line and more recently on the lines in the North Western district, such as Boort and Charlton. *See 24th July 1875, 15th January 1881, and 14th June 1884*

At Garrigill, 27th ult. aged 1 year, Alfred son of Jacob Craig, lead mine agent. *See 11th June 1887*

3rd February 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages

In this town United Methodist Free Church, 27th ult., third son of Mr W. Watson, Mine Agent Settlingstones, to Mary C. third daughter of Mr G. Armitage, Greenside.

3rd March 1883 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD SCHOOL

On Tuesday evening last, the Nenthead school committee met at their monthly meeting. Mr Jonathan Walton, Donk's Villa, occupied the chair as appointed at the yearly meeting, the voting at which by ballot was as follows:- Messrs. R Bell (secretary), Bolton (treasurer), Jonathan Walton (president), Joseph Thompson, Walton Holmes, Dr Pickworth, Stephenson, T Harrison, and Hill, Mr Walton Holmes and Dr Pickworth not being on the last committee. The chief difficulty which this committee have to contend with is the irregular payment of school pence and irregular attendance of children. It was agreed that several parents and guardians of children be warned to attend the arrears, or they would be summoned at the next county court at Alston.

3rd March 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages

Heathery Cleugh Church, Weardale, 1st inst., Alfred Shield, Garrigill to Phoebe daughter of the late John Featherstone, Wearhead.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore dresser, aged 60, his wife Hannah (Peart, married 14th October 1852, St John, Garrigill) aged 60, children Alfred, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 21, Harriet, dressmaker, aged 18, and Thomas 6.
Joseph Shield died 2nd quarter 1895, aged 73.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Alfred W Shield, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Phebe 29, children Florence 7, John J 5, Lily Med. 3, and James B 3 months. In 1901, at Nest View, Garrigill, Alfred Shield, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Phoebe 38, children Florence 17, John Jos 15, Lily Medora 13, and Arnold 1. In 1911, at Garrigill, Alfred Shield, quarryman, aged 54, his wife Phoebe 49, daughter Florence 27, sons John Joseph, woodman, aged 26, Arnold 11, and visitor Minne Stalker 3, born Carlisle.

Alfred W Shield died 4th quarter 1933, aged 77, his wife Phoebe died 2nd quarter 1935, aged 74.

10th March 1883
Deaths
Greenends, Nenthead, 1st inst aged 19, Jane daughter of Catherine Currah.
In 1861, at Low Crossgill, Garrigill, Matthew L. Currah, unmarried, lead miner, aged 35, his sister Catherine, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 29, Nephew Walton, 18, Niece's Frances 6, and Susanna 9 months.
Matthew Lee Currah died 3rd quarter 1864.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston. Catherine Currah, unmarried, charwoman, aged 33, daughters Susan Currah 11, and Jane Currah 7. In 1881, Jane was working as a general servant.
Garrigill, 1st inst., aged 6 years, Emily Florence only daughter of Adam Pickering.

17th March 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Chapel, 11th inst. Thomas Pelter, Alston to Hannah Lee, East Nattrass.
In 1881, at East Nattrass, Hannah Lee, single, farmer of 26 acres, aged 33, and her son Emerson Lee aged 11.
Hannah Pelter, died 1st quarter 1901, aged 53,
In 1891, at Blitter Lees, Holme Low, Cumberland, Joseph Shadwick, farmer, aged 39, his wife Martha M 28, and servant, Barbara Forsyth, domestic servant, 21, farm servants John Little 21, Emmerson Lee 21, and Joseph Carr 27. Emerson Lee emigrated to Canada in 1897. The 1901 census of Canada, has Emerson Lee, single, aged 31, at Macleod, Alberta.
Deaths
Nenthead 11th inst., aged 7 months, Robert son of George Black.
See 15th March 1879, 17th March 1883, 24th November 1888, 9th May 1891, and 18th April 1908.

21st March 1883 (Teesdale Mercury)
ACCIDENT AT THE LEAD MINES. —We regret to say that, on Monday sen., John Walton, a pickman at the Wiregill Mine, whilst at work, was severely hurt through a fall of stone. He had one leg broken, beside sustaining internal injuries.

24 March 1883 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
DISTRESS IN WEARDALE
A Weardale correspondent writes:- "The effects of the present severe weather are being heartily felt in Weardale. The whole of the carts employed in the transit of the ironstone from the several mines to the depot at Westgate, which number nearly 100, have been suspended until the weather changes. This is a serious blow to the inhabitants as the carting is the principle source from which they gain a livelihood at present owing to the limited working of the lead mining industry. The dale is in an unprecedented depressed state throughout. A thaw has now set in.

CHILD OVERLAID

At Ireshopeburn, Weardale, on Tuesday morning an infant two months old was unfortunately overlaid by its mother and suffocated.

ALLENDALE

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT

On Thursday afternoon last, an inquest was held at the house of Mr Thos. Whitfield, Scotch Meadows, Allendale, by Mr W Brewis Elsdon, deputy coroner for South Northumberland, touching the death of John Philipson lead miner who was accidental killed on Tuesday evening while following his usual employment. - Thomas Dodd, stonemason, living at Spring House, near Allenheads, said he had seen the body viewed by the coroner and jury and identified the same as John Philipson, aged 42 years. He was a lead miner and lived at Scotch Meadows, and was his brother in law. - John McMillan, lead miner, living at Cupleshaw, said he knew and was well acquainted with John Philipson, who worked alongside him and other miners in Holmes Linn lead mine. About half past five o'clock on Tuesday evening Philipson and he were in the mine, and were occupied together in driving an 'end." Whilst occupied in filling the tub with refuse, which had been taken from the "forehead," a considerable portion of roof gave way. Philipson was struck down, and held beneath the stone. He at once set to work to release him; he would not be beneath the stone for more than two minutes. As soon as he was released he struggled slightly and gasped and then died. The accident took place in the Whiting vein level, and the stone that tell consisted of black shale. The stone fell in two pieces, and about a ton and a half or two tons would fall on the deceased. The stone struck the deceased on the head and then glided on to his shoulders, crushing his breast on to the tub. There were plenty of props where the accident occurred. The Whiting's vein level is six feet in height and perfectly dry. Before commencing to work on the spot where the accident took place, deceased and he together sounded the roof, but failed to discover any unsoundness. The roof was sounded immediately before they commenced filling the tubs: perhaps some twenty minutes before the accident happened. Deceased and he had worked four hours at the place. They did not think it necessary to put in extra timber up to the "forehead." The roof was timbered up within 10ft of the "forehead,' and there were plenty of props lying about the place. The mine belonged to W B Beaumont, Esq., MP. It was the duty of the deceased he to see that the roof was safe before commencing to work, and it was also their duty to keep themselves supplied with props. The stone that fell was thicker at one end than the other, and the thinnest side struck the deceased. It came away without any warning. He had worked for two years past in the mine, and a fall of stone had not taken place before during that period. He had lived for ten years past in the locality, and had never heard of a fall of stone in the mine during that time. The mine required good and careful timbering. He had never known any of the levels propped within 10ft of the "forehead" or "face" of the lead. A verdict to the effect that deceased was accidental killed was returned. The deceased leaves a wife and nine children, and what renders the case still more sad is that his wife is expected to be confined of her tenth child.

In 1871, at Scotch Meadows, Allenheads, John Philipson, lead ore miner, aged 29, his wife Jane (Dodd, married 19th December 1868, at St Peter's, Allendale) aged 25, children Joseph 2, and Elizabeth 1 year.

In 1881, at Scotch Meadows, Allenheads, John Philipson, lead ore miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 35, children Joseph 12, Elizabeth 11, Mary 9, Christopher 7, John 6, Levyah 4, Margaret 3, and Robson 1.
In 1891, at Scotch Meadows, Allenheads, Jane Philipson, widow, farmer, aged 45, children Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 22, Christopher lead ore dresser, aged 17, John lead ore dresser, aged 16, Levyah J. 14, Margaret 13, Robson 11, and Lucy 9 years.

24th March 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Middle Galligill, 16th inst, aged 29, Elizabeth wife of Joseph Spark.
Joseph Spark married Elizabeth Hymers 1st quarter of 1881.
Alston, aged 21 Frances Mary, daughter of Tom Spark, Lead miner.
See 12th February 1876

31st March 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stonecroft Menes near Newbrough, 22nd inst, aged 26 after a lingering illness Mar Ann Jackson, daughter of the late Mr Joseph Jackson.
Garrigill, 22nd inst., aged 58, Jane wife of Edward Rain.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Edward Rain, farmer of 54 acres, aged 57, and his wife Jane aged 55.
Garrigill, 20th *(25th?)* inst aged 83, Mary widow of William Stout.
In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Wm Stout, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 50, children John lead, miner, aged 26, Wm, miner, aged 18, and Utrick, miner, aged 15.
In 1861, Mary is listed as a widow (William died 1859), and proprietor of houses.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Stout, lead miners widow, aged 81. Also at Garrigill Gate, Utrick Stout, lead miner & grocer, aged 45, his wife Hannah aged 41, son William aged 12 and daughter Jane aged 12.
Donks Hall, Nenthead 18th inst aged 60, William Stout, Quarryman.
See 1st May 1869, 29th May 1869, and 11th April 1874.

7th April 1883 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
THE LEAD MINES
The long pending Weardale lead mines question which was expected to culminate in a satisfactory arrangement on Saturday, as between the lessors and lessee, does not appear to have done so. In answer to an inquiry, the miners committee were three months ago informed by the Ecclesiastical Commission that they (the Commissioners) had "agreed to accept a surrender of the lease of these (the Weardale) mines held by Mr W B Beaumont, on and from the 31st March 1883." In the meantime, bargains could be let to terminate at this date. The Commissioners also expressed an opinion that they hoped to find it practicable to make arrangements for the carrying on of the mines by other parties from Saturday; but the three intervening months do not appear to have been sufficient to complete negotiations on all sides, according to a communication on Tuesday from the Commissioners to Mr Beaumont's solicitors stating that they (the Commissioners) held the leases "pledged to

deliver possession" on the 31st ultimo, and that they up to Friday had received no reply. The present position of affairs is consequently, not what was anticipated by the lead miners who have so long been in suspense and who anxiously await a settlement of the question. Mr Beaumont's present lease commenced in 1859, and in the ordinary course of events could terminate at his sole option in 1886 and 1897. Some years ago, the question of dues arose, the rent being £4,600. From 1879 to 1880, a temporary reduction of dues was made. From the close of the year 1881, a great deal of correspondence has taken place between lessor and lessee in respect to the terms of the lease. No terms being made as to dues the lessee intimated his intention of abandoning lead mining and the lessors offered to accept a surrender of various conditions where stated, but the present crisis appears to rest upon the communication above referred to. The Commissioners state that no difficulties arise with them and that they are willing to take current going plant. Further information in answer to the Commissioners is anxiously awaited and it is to be hoped that arrangements are so far advanced as to cause as little delay as possible. The Commissioners however, say they "cannot sanction offers of Bargains by Mr Beaumont," and after the date agreed upon must hold him responsible for the condition of the miners. We need not state that Mr Beaumont's answer to the Commissioner's communication is anxiously looked for.

Miners meeting

At a meeting at St John's Chapel on Saturday of the lead mines employed in that district, it was stated by Mr T Emmerson that he would like to see the following epitome of facts, to show the public that their servants (the Ecclesiastical Commission) were justified in demanding the surrender of the lease from the present lessee. Twenty five years ago twenty mines were in full work, giving employment to 1,200 pickmen, besides all other wage men, washers &c. In 1871, only nine mines were working and 722 pickmen, &c., whereas when the mines stopped in July 1882; only four mines were working and 191 pickmen.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 31st ult. aged 64, Mary wife Isaac Armstrong.

See 10th September 1887

7th April 1883 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

Also appeared in the Hexham Courant of the same date.

Weardale "Blacklegs."

Deaf to pity's tender pleadings,
Destitute of generous feelings,
Starving hosts by double dealings -
Scheming blacklegs.

Patriots freely give their gold
To feed and cloth miners old,
Whilst your hearts are basely cold -
Selfish blacklegs.

Sunk ye are in deeds of shame,
Cause of famine grief, and pain,
Dalesmen loath your very name -
Sneaking blacklegs.

Wrecking churches, mines and homes,
Filling earth with sighs and groans,
Crushing womens, hearts like stones -
Ruthless blacklegs.

Bound not of your vain resources,
Damning gold is in your purses,
Stained with bribes, and blood, and curses -
Woeful blacklegs.

May God the humble poor release,
And ghostly, hungry ruin cease,
And miners reap and honoured peace,
And brotherhood.

F. Matindale
Westgate 23rd March 1883

14th April 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 65, Jonathan Vickers, lead miner.
See 10th January 1880

14th April 1883 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
WEARDALE MINES.

The following communications have been received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, Whitehall Place:-

"Gentlemen, The subjoined communications have passed between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Mr W. B. Beaumont, MP., relative to the Weardale mines, and the Board are desirous that the same should be made public at the earliest opportunity:"

Telegram from Messrs White, Borrett and Grey and Co., to Messrs Dees and Thompson dated April 2nd.

In the absence of any communication from you on behalf of Mr Beaumont, and before placing the papers in the hands of the Counsel, the Commissioners have authorised us to make the following offer, without prejudice, however, to the agreement to surrender on the 31st of March, or to their present position, and with a view, if possible to an amicable settlement of the matter, viz., 'provided possession is given to the Commissioners on or before Saturday next, the 7th April, the Commissioners will be prepared, on receiving possession, either (1) to pay Mr Beaumont the sum of £25,000 for the whole of the contents of the two schedules delivered by him, with the exception of the lead ore referred to in the miscellaneous schedule; or (2nd), to pay to Mr Beaumont the sum

of £20,00, and undertake to pay the balance which shall be found to remain when the valuation has been made by the umpire, together with the interest rate of 4 per cent per annum from the date upon which possession is given. Any question, which may arise in reference to the right of the lessee in regard to the various items in the schedule to be determined by a legal referee.

Copy of letter from Messrs Dees and Thompson, to Messrs White, Borrett and Co., dated Newcastle, 3rd April 1883.
We telegraphed today to state that the offer of the Commissioners made in your telegram of yesterday cannot be accepted. We venture to hold a view entirely different from that which you express yourselves as taking of the effect of the correspondence and the position of the parties.

"We are now anxiously waiting for another reply from Mr Beaumont. Nothing has been received up to this date."

21st April 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead 16th inst., aged 39, John Nicholson, lead miner.
In 1861, at Strellas, Nenthead, Robert Nicholson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Frances 47, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 12, and Thomas 8.
In 1881, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, John Nicholson, unmarried, lead miner, aged 37.
See 11th January 1868, 29th May 1869, 4th May 1872, and 15th November 1873.
At Kilrks Houses, Allenheads, 14th inst., aged 32, Thomas Renwick, lead miner.
In 1861, at Guide Post House, Allendale, Thomas Renwick, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 36, children Ann 12, Joseph 10, Thomas 8, Elizabeth 6, William 4, Jane 1, and Dixon Philipson 2 months.
In 1871, at White Ridge, Allendale, Thomas Renwick, widow, lead ore miner, aged 51, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, labourer ironstone, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, William, lead ore washer, aged 14, Jane 11, and son C V 9. In 1881, at White Ridge, Thomas Renwick, widow, farmer of 24 acres, aged 61, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, William, lead miner, aged 24, Jane 21, C.M.V., lead miner, aged 19, and grandson John Renwick 6.
Thomas Renwick snr. died 2nd quarter 1885, aged 65.
In 1881, at Kidds Houses, Thomas Renwick, lead ore miner, aged 28, his wife Margaret (Middleton, married 1878) aged 26, born Weardale, daughter, Elizabeth A. 1, and mother in law, Sarah Middleton aged 60.
Margaret Renwick remarried 4th quarter 1884, to John Reed.
In 1891, at Ropehaugh, Allenheads, John Reed, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Margaret 36, children Annie 11, and Ellie 4. In 1901, at Jewellers shop, High Street, Wolsingham, John Reed, Jeweller, aged 39, his wife Margt 46, children Annie 21, Ellie 14, Lillie 9, and Mabel G 3.
Mabel Gwendolin Reed died 3rd quarter 1907, aged 10.
In 1911, at Oak Lea, Wolsingham, John Reed, watchmaker dealer, aged 49, his wife Margaret 56, daughters Annie 31, Ellie 24, and Lillie 19.

21st April 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
New Seaham Colliery, 12th inst., aged 58, John Archer son of the late Valentine Archer and Mary Archer, late of Nenthead.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Valentine Archer, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary (Dodd, married 22nd May 1819, at Alston) aged 48, children Hannah 19, Ann 15, and John, lead ore washer, aged 14.
In 1851, at Holms Foot, Nenthead, Valentine Archer, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Mary aged 53, children Hannah 33, Ann 29, John, lead miner, aged 26, granddaughter Mary 8, and grandson Thomas 5.
Valentine Archer died 2nd quarter 1851.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Mary Archer, lead miners widow, aged 71, daughter Hannah aged 40, and grandson Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 15,
Mary Archer died 22nd January 1867, See 25th January 1867.
In 1861, at Overwater, John Archer, lead ore miner, aged 33; his wife Jane (Swindle, married 11th July 1858, at Nenthead) aged 27, children Mary 2, and Margaret A. 9 months.
In 1871, at Nenthead, John Archer, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Jane 37, children Mary 12, Margaret Ann 10, unmarried sister Hannah Archer, aged 56, nephew, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1881, at Tudhoe, Durham, John Archer, coal miner, aged 56, his wife Jane 49, unmarried daughter Margaret Ann 20, grand child Mary Jane Archer 1 year, (born Spennymoor, Durham).

28th April 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Augustine Church, Alston, 24th inst. Mr John Pattinson Haldon to Isabella only daughter of Mr Thirlwell Storey, Alston.
In 1881, at Front Street, Thirwall Storey, chemist & dentist, aged 57, born Farlam, Cumberland, his wife Elizabeth 55, born Alston, children Isabella 28, George Wm. stocking manufacturer, aged 26, and Thomas J. dentist, aged 21.
In 1871, at Town Foot, William Haldon, joiner & grocer, aged 51, his wife Sarah aged 47, sons James, joiner, aged 21, John, joiner, aged 19, William, draper, aged 16, Thomas, grocer, aged 14, Hugh 12, Joseph 9, and niece Betsy Bell, domestic servant, aged 18.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Sarah Haldon, widow, grocer, aged 58, sons John Pattinson, joiner, aged 28, and Joseph, draper, aged 19.

4th May 1883 (Newcastle Courant)
THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE
The books of the London Lead Company have been examined by professional accountants, and it is understood that the audit embraces a period of over thirty years. The action was taken on the suggestion of the Chief Agent of the Duke of Cleveland, who is the lord of the manor and lessor of the mines, in order to determine the grounds upon which the application of the workmen for a reduction in the dues, was based. No reply has yet been received and meanwhile, although a gloom still rests upon the lead mining industry, the new workings at Wiregill has proved rich in silver. Explorations, however, so far indeed, as the London Lead Company's operations are concerned are not being

extensively carried out. The price of pig lead remains exceedingly low, and in consequence, comparatively few sales are being effected.

12th May 1883 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE MINES

A letter to Mr T Emmerson (secretary to the Weardale miners committee) from the Ecclesiastical Commission secretary George Pringle.

Sir, I have to acknowledge on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Commission your letter of the 1st inst. asking for information respecting the probable date of the reopening of the mines, and in reply I am directed to state that the Commissioners did all in their power to bring about a settlement with their lessee on the agreed date of the 31st March last.

Other terms have been proposed by the lessee, and every effort is being made on the Commissioner's part to come to a final settlement, if possible before the 30th June.

The Commissioner's greatly regret the protracted delay, but as soon as they can obtain possession of the mines steps will be taken for reopening them so as to put an end to the state of uncertainty and anxiety, which has so long prevailed.

I am Sir

Your obedient servant

George Pringle

12th May 1883 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead 6th inst., aged 42 Joseph Millican, lead miner.

In 1881, at Greenends, Nenthead, Joseph Millican, unmarried, lead miner & farmer of 15 acres, aged 39, and his unmarried sister Frances, house keeper, aged 41.

See 21st Nov1868, 28th Sept1872, 8th July 1876, and 11th Oct1884

12th May 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE LEAD MILL.

A MAN IN THE CHIMNEYS. HAIR BREATH ESCAPE. HEROIC RESCUE.

Last Friday afternoon an accident occurred which might have been attended with fatal results, had it not been for the courage and prompt action of those present. It appears that 3 men were repairing the chimneys, when one of them stepped on the arch, which gave way and precipitated him into the chimneys a height of 25 feet, into about 4 feet of soot. The other 2 missed him but saw the hole, and at once divined the cause. Looking down the hole they saw him immersed among the soot. Having obtained a ladder they descended, and through several turns and windings forced their way to the unfortunate man, who was up to the breast in dry mill soot. On arriving at the spot in the flue where he had fallen in he could not be seen as he was then overhead among soot. The gallant fellows at last found him almost suffocated and blinded. … His name s Thomas Longstaff and he is one of the oldest hands at the lead mill having wrought there over 50 years. The names of his gallant rescuers are respectively, William Burns, and William Isaac Blades; both lead smelters.

18th May 1883 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)
WEARDALE BALANCE SHEET. —For the half-year ending Lady Day the gross income from the rates of the four parishes of Stanhope, Wolsingham, Hunstanworth and Edmund Byers is £2,848 7s 7d. The total outlay is £2,366 0s 1d, made up of the following items: —Maintenance, £310 3s 4d; out relief, £1,366 4s 3d; lunatics in asylums, registered hospitals, or licensed houses, £232 8s 3d; salaries or other remuneration of officers, £193 11s 0d, officers' rations, £42 17s 6d; extra medical fees, £3 7s 10d; vaccination, £28 11s 0d; building expenses, £21 2s 5d; furniture and property, £49 1s 3d; establishment, £67 10s 10d; removal expenses, 10s. The rateable value of the Weardale mines has increased to the amount of £2,556. The liabilities show a decrease on the corresponding rate of last year. The expenditure of the present as compared with the corresponding half of last year shows a decrease of £403 2s 5d.

19th May 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 32, Sarah Ann, wife of Christopher Armstrong, lead miner.
In 1841, at Holmfoots, Walton Armstrong, lead miner, aged 20, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 20, Stephen Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 15, Christopher Armstrong, lead ore washer, aged 13, George Armstrong 11, Sarah Armstrong 15, (all previous were the children of Christopher & Thamar Armstrong) and Tamar Armstrong 3 (daughter of John and Mary Armstrong, John Armstrong also being the son of Christopher & Thamar Armstrong).
In 1851, at Lane End, Nenthead, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann aged 25, children Diana 7, and Christopher 11 months.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Nanny 35, children Dianah 17, Christopher 11, and Mary J 1.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann, aged 46, son Christopher, lead miner, aged 21, and daughter Mary Jane aged 12 (Mary Jane married John Stout a railway porter, in 1878, and in 1881, they are living at 6 Plummer Street, Elswick, and have a son Robert aged 2).
Ann Armstrong was buried at Nenthead, 2nd October 1878, aged 53.
Robert Armstrong was buried at Nenthead 13th November 1879, aged 57.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 30 and his wife Sarah Ann (Price married 17th December 1873, Nenthead), aged 31.
In Christopher remarried, to Frances Richardson at Alston 22nd May 1884.
In 1891, at Holmefoots, Nenthead, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner aged 40, his wife Frances, 29, son Robert 6, and daughter Ann Mary aged 2 months. In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Christopher Armstrong, mining agent, aged 50, his wife Frances 39, children Robert, apprentice fitter, aged 16, Annie M 10, Salvin 7, John E 4, and Chris 1.
Christopher Armstrong died 1st quarter 1909, aged 58.
In 1911, at Hillersdon Terrace, Frances, widow, aged 49, Salvin, grocers apprentice, aged 17, Vernet, labourer at lead & zinc mines, aged 14, Malcolm 11, Frances 4, married son Robert, fitter at lead & zinc works, aged 26, and daughter in law Annie, 24, born Frosterley, Durham.
See 5th October 1878, 15th November 1879 & 24th May 1884

26th May 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Carrshield 14th inst., aged 71, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore miner.
In 1851, at Throstle Hall, Carrshield West Allen, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore miner & farmer of 10 acres, aged 39, his wife, Sarah (Lowes, married 12th July 1834, Alston) aged 40, children Caleb, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Betsy 10, John 7, Sarah 2, and mother in law, Sarah Lowes, widow, aged 81.
In 1861, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, lead miner & farmer, aged 49, his wife Sarah 50, children John, lead miner, aged 17, Sarah. 12, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 9, and Mary J. 6
In 1871, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, farmer of 10 acres, aged 59, his wife Sarah, aged 60, son, Thomas, enginewright (apprentice) aged 19.
In 1881, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, unemployed lead miner, aged 69, and his wife Sarah, aged 70.

2nd June 1883 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES
An announcement on Saturday that the long pending question between the Ecclesiastical Commissioner's and the lessee, Mr Beaumont, points to the beginning of a new era in the history of the old established lead mining industry in Weardale. For some years, the Weardale lead mining question has kept the dale in anxious suspense, and the news of the settlement was received with some excitement, and banners were displayed in various parts of the dale. Mr W B Beaumont retires from lead mining in Weardale with which district the Blackett and Beaumont families have been associated for a considerable period. The produce of the "W B mines" was at one time one-sixth of the produce of Great Britain, and about one-tenth of the produce of Europe, whilst the number of hands employed was at one time from two to three thousand, with a depending population on the industry of some ten or eleven thousand. The present employees will terminate their engagements on Saturday, and we understand, the tenant farmers under Mr Beaumont are under notice. The Commissioners it is said will take over the whole of Mr Beaumont's interests in the Weardale lead mining field. The miners feel grateful to the Commissioners who have done their utmost to bring matters to a close. The lessor's arrangements have not been disclosed, but the miners have been informed that as soon as they have obtained possession the Commissioner's would take steps to have them reopened, so as to put an end to the long prevailing uncertainty. These arrangements are supposed to be complete. The question being the all-absorbing topic, the probability has been discussed in the dale of the present companies figuring in the arrangements. The London Lead Company are now working the south side of Bolihope, and the company and the Stotfieldburn Lead Mining Company are supposed to be in the want of extension of royalty. The Weardale Iron and Coal Company is working at the Red vein Weardale that if the royalties held by Mr Beaumont were in the hands of some four or five companies it would be best for the interests of the valley.
ALSTON
A young man named W. A. Hutchinson, nephew to Mr William Philipson; Alston has just had, or is having a very successful career at Balmain, Sydney, New

South Wales. Mr Hutchinson served his apprenticeship at Alston as a joiner with Mr Grisdale and shortly afterwards emigrated to N.S.W. His father Mr Thomas Hutchinson who was a lead ore miner, and the remainder of the family followed their son to N.S.W. some few years after but the father is now deceased. The son W. A. Hutchinson was an alderman for some years and for two years mayor of Balmain, and has somewhat recently been elected one of the members of parliament for Balmain. … *See 31st July 1886*

6th June 1883 (Teesdale Mercury)

Mr William Lee of Holwick (a trusted servant of the London Lead Company), who died the other day, at the great age of 83 had, in his time, seen many of the vicissitudes attendant upon mining enterprise. Entering the Company's service in his boyhood, he was one of those who worked at Lodgesyke Mine—one of the richest mines ever opened, perhaps, in Teesdale, —and a few words concerning which may be here appropriately introduced. The ground at Lodgesyke had been previously tried by local speculators, to their serious loss, but when the Lead Company obtained the lease of the site they began operations with great vigour. A number of miners were engaged in the labour, who worked for more than a year without result, and it was at one time contemplated to abandon the undertaking. Fortunately, however, this idea was not carried out, and at length the vein of lead was struck. In six weeks the miners procured the astonishing quantity of 1,212 bings of ore, and in a subsequent year, from this mine, 16,000 bings were sent to the smelting-mill. It is stated that the Company, after receiving a liberal amount of interest for their outlay at Lodgesyke, invested the surplus—a princely sum— as a provision for contingencies; and it is probable that this store enabled them to prosecute their after-researches to a more successful issue than would have been the case had they had less command of capital. About forty-five years ago there was a depression in the Lead Mining of Teesdale. Lead was selling at a low price, and the yield to a certain degree had fallen off. Under these circumstances many of the miners sought employment in the adjoining coalfield, but the mines again became prolific, and most of the workmen returned. Middleton- in-Teesdale and the district generally have greatly benefitted through the instrumentality of the Lead Company. Schools have been built, reading-rooms established, and many other institutions founded for the welfare of the population. Agriculture has also profited through its connection with the Mining-industry of the locality, for there has always been a market for the produce of the soil. The lead trade of Teesdale is now said to be "under a cloud," but, as we have seen, it has had its alternate periods of good and ill fortune. Let us hope that it may soon again be in the full tide of prosperity, for permanent injury to its Lead Mining would he one of the greatest calamities that could befall the district.

HOLWICK.

The late Mr William Lee, of Holwick. —

Mr Lee died on the 17th ult., at the advanced age of 83, and was interred in Middleton churchyard on the 21st. A few particulars of this much-respected inhabitant of Upper Teesdale may fittingly find a place in our pages. Mr Lee's working days were spent as Master Washer in the lead-ore dressing floors of the London Lead Company, where he was considered a faithful and diligent servant. He dressed the produce of the mine at Lodgesyke, and worked there during its richest and best days, or up to the time when Little Eggleshope mine

was cut, whither be was removed, and where he continued up to the period of the Miners' strike, a few years ago, when he was handsomely pensioned off by the Company. Mr Lee was, in every sense of the word, a good man, to which all who knew him will testify. He was among the pioneers of Primitive Methodism in the district, and might almost he said to be the founder of that Society in Upper Teesdale. He was a local preacher and class-leader for more then sixty years, and travelled hundreds of miles to preach the Gospel, visit the sick, and administer consolation to the dying. He was one of the first to establish a Sunday-school and lending- library in the village, in behalf of which he took an active interest up to about four years ago, when he was disabled by paralysis. It was common for Mr Lee, when the circuit comprehended a part of Westmorland, to leave work on a Saturday, at noon, walk across the hills to Dufton, Gulham Holme, and other remote places, to preach, and be back home again in time to start work on Monday. He also occasionally preached at Dalton, Barningham, and other villages near Barnard Castle, always walking to and from those places. Among his intimate friends In the connexion, he numbered Mr Richard Peel and the late Mr Thomas Dalkin, of Barnard Cattle, and others, whose example has done much to forward the interests of Primitive Methodism in Teesdale. On the day of the funeral, at the house of the deceased, the Rev. W. Cuthbert, Primitive Methodist Minister, gave out the hymn, "There is a land of pure delight," which was sung most impressively, and the reverend gentleman then offered up prayer. The coffin was lifted at 2.30 p.m. and was followed to the graveyard by a large number of Mr Lee's descendants, down to the third generation, besides a host of relatives, friends, and acquaintances who had assembled from the neighbourhood. As the funeral procession passed through Middleton, it was joined by a number of the leading inhabitants of the town. The Rev. John Milner, Rector, read the beautiful burial-service in a truly affecting manner, and the grave closed over all that was mortal of the pious and venerable dalesman.

Possible marriage for William Lee to Mary Raine, 4th March 1821, at Middleton-in-Teesdale.

In 1851, at Teesdale, William Lee, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 51, children, Elizabeth 27, William, lead miner, aged 25, Hannah 20, James, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 11, Thomas 9, Ann 6, Grandson John Longmire 5, John Lee 4, and James Lee aged 1.

In 1861, at Holwick, William Lee, aged 61, his wife Mary 61, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Ann 16, and grandson John Lee, lead ore washer, aged 15.

In 1871, at Holwick, William Lee, lead miner, aged 71, his wife Mary 71, son Thomas, stonemason, aged 28, grandsons, John Longmires, lead miner, aged 24, granddaughters, Mary Lee 19, and Mary E Walton 4.

Mary Lee died 21st October, and was buried at St Mary the Virgin, 24th October 1874, aged 74.

In 1881, at Holwick, William Lee, widower, retired Lead Miner & Farmer, aged 81, sons, Isaac, slate gold miner, aged 46, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 37, and granddaughter Margaret Cameron 19.

9th June 1883 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

NARROW ESCAPE AT THE NENTHEAD MINES

On Thursday, a miner named Robson Madgin had a narrow escape in one of the Nenthead lead mines. It appears that a "hole" had not exploded at the regulation time, and the miner in question had returned to ascertain the cause, when the charge exploded. Madgin is stated to have received no injury whatever.

The Alston marriage records show Leonard Madgen married Hannah Robson, 25th December 1827, at Alston.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Leonard Madgin (son of Thomas Madgin and Margaret Dixon, of Armathwaite, Cumberland), lead miner, aged 35, Nancy 25, Mary 15, Stephen 13, Robson 11, Ann 7, Margaret 5, Thomas 3, John 2

In 1851, at Swalwell, cottage, Nenthead, Leonard Madgin, widow, lead miner, aged 47, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 23, Robson, lead miner, aged 20, Ann 16, Margaret 15, John 11, Leonard, 9, Hannah, 7, Robert 5, and granddaughter Hannah 6 years. In 1861, at Swalloway Cottage, Leonard Madgin, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Hannah (Cook, married 4th quarter 1859, Penrith) aged 38, children Hannah, dressmaker, aged 17, and Robert, lead miner, aged 15.

Leonard Madgin died 15th August 1864, probate awarded 30th September at Carlisle to his son Robson Madgen, lead Miner, and John Hill lead miner, of the Parish of Alston.

In 1861, at Overwater, Robson Madgen, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Phillis (Hall, daughter of William & Hannah Hall, lead ore smelter, of Nenthead) aged 23, children Leonard 4, and William 2.

In 1871, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Phillis 33, children William 12, Hannah 9, Stephen, 6, Joseph, 3, Robson 1 year.

In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres, aged 50, his wife Phillis 43, children William farmers son, aged 22, Hannah dairy maid, aged 19, Stephen, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Robson 11, Jane 9, Thomas 7, Annie 5, and Phillis aged 3

In 1891, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgin, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Phyllis 53, children Robson, blacksmith, aged 21, Thomas, general labourer, 17, Annie 15, and Phyllis 12. In 1901, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, retired lead miner, aged 70, his wife Phillis 63, son Thomas, blacksmiths striker, aged 27, and daughter Annie 25.

Robson Madgen, died 3rd January 1904, aged 73. Probate awarded 7th March 1904, at Carlisle to Thomas Madgen, miner, and Ann Madgen spinster; effects £727 10s 72.

In 1911, at Nenthead, Phillis Madgen, widow, farmer, grazing, aged 73, and daughter Annie, dairy & domestic work, aged 35.

16th June 1883 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Holme Foot Nenthead, 7th inst, aged 61, Hannah wife of John Lattimer.

At Kings Head, Alston, John Lattimer, draper & farmer of 31acres, aged 62, his wife Hannah 60, Dianna, farmers daughter, 22, and Thomas, farmers son, 15.
See 26th January 1887, 2nd May 1885, 29th January 1887, and 7th June 1890
At Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 35, Ridley Robson, lead miner.
In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Ridley Robson, lead miner, aged 33, his sister Tamar aged 39, and niece Isabella aged 6 years. In 1891, at Overwater, Nenthead, Tamar Robson, charwoman, aged 48, and visitor, Isabella Robson, domestic servant, aged 16.
See 8th May 1875, & 5th April 1879.

16th June 1883 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Mr. George Peart, manager of the Alston Branch of the Carlisle and Cumberland Bank, died on Monday morning after an illness of a few weeks, aged 51 years. He was well known in the country, was an eloquent Wesleyan local preacher, and his loss to that body will be long felt. At the last contested election be was returned a member of the Alston Board of Guardians, and took an active interest in local matters.
Cuthbert born 28th June 1798, at St John, Garrigill, 4th Son, of George Peart, Tynehead, Miner, of Kirkhaugh, by his wife Nancy daughter of Thomas Peart, of Stanhope.

Cuthbert Peart married Catherine Hetherington (daughter of Joseph and Margaret Hetherington), on 23rd May 1821.
Catherine Peart, aged 35 was buried at Alston 21st December 1837.

In Memory of
George Peart
of Alston
who died on
11th June 1883
aged 52 years
Erected
by public subscription in
honour of his helpful and
benevolent character

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston Cuthbert Peart, miller, aged 40, children Ann aged 15 (baptised at Alston 28th November 1830), Margaret aged 14

(baptised at Alston 28th November 1830), George aged 10 (baptised at Alston 14th August 1831), and Thomas aged 3 (Thomas William was baptised at Alston 21st December 1837), Joseph Peart son of Cuthbert and Catherine Peart was (born 27th January 1822) baptised at Alston, 28th November 1830.
In 1851, at Easton Court, Gateshead, Joseph Peart, Timber Merchants clerk, aged 29, born Alston, his wife Ann aged 27, born Reeth, and son Cuthbert George aged 1, born Gateshead.
In 1851, at Hill House, Alston, Cuthbert Peart, widow, Mine Agent, aged 52, born Alston, children Ann, milliner aged 36, Margaret, Bonnet maker, aged 24, George, Pupil teacher, aged 19, and T W aged 13.
Cuthbert Peart married Jane Pattinson 2nd quarter 1852, registered at Alston.
In 1861, at Main St., Alston, Cuthbert Peart, Land Agent and Wesleyan Preacher, aged 62, his wife Jane 49, and son George, teacher and local Wesleyan preacher, aged 29.
Cuthbert Peart died 2nd quarter of 1862, at Alston.

In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, George Peart, High Bailiff to Alston County Court, aged 39, and his cousin, Ann Hetherington, housekeeper, aged 33.
In 1881, at 18 Front Street, Alston, George Peart, Bank Agent, Land Agent, High Bailiff to Alston County Court, aged 49, and his cousin, Ann Hetherington, housekeeper, aged 43.

23rd June 1883 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE MINERS

We are glad to state that those extensive royalties lately held by Mr W B Beaumont MP., have been relet by the Ecclesiastical Commissioner's for England. The new lessees are a large and wealthy London mining company, the chairman of which is Mr Batters, London. We are also informed that the new company have power given to sub-let any portion they may desire. They have also taken the whole of the plant &c., off the hands of the lessors, and are busy making arrangements to commence operations about the beginning of next month, when they expect to be in a position to give employment to some hundreds of pickmen. Mr Blenkron has been offered the post of chief agent, with Mr Trulees as sub agent. What has been the great drawback to the thorough development of mining - a lent money system to the miners - will be again instituted.

30th June 1883 (Hexham Courant)

At Garrigill, 30th inst., aged 66, Thomas Walton, lead miner.
In 1861, at Turnings, Garrigill, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary (Watson? married 2nd quarter 1842, at Alston) aged 37, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Sarah 14, and Guy 9.
In 1871, at High Snappers Gill, Garrigill, Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 47, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Sarah 24, and Guy aged 19.
In 1881, at High Snappergill, Garrigill, Thomas Walton, lead miner aged 64, his wife Mary 57, children, Joseph, lead miner & taxidermist, aged 38, Sarah Hunter, married, ironstone miners wife, aged 32, Guy, lead miner, aged 28, grandson, Thomas Hunter, aged 5, born Frizington, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hunter aged 3, born Ulverston.

27th June 1883 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE LEADMINES.
A MINERS VIEW OF THE SITUATION.

[BY A PRACTICAL MAN.]

Out of the midst of the grossest official darkness and the direst mismanagement comes the welcome news of fresh lessees, which will be hailed with joy by the Weardale inhabitants. Leadmining is not like coal, ironstone, or limestone, always lying at the face, but it lies in pockets or ranges, hidden away, and has to be explored: therefore a monthly guarantee of lent cash is advantageous both to the employer and employed.

First, It enables the unfortunate miner to work on till he is more fortunate; second, it helps to find new “leads" of lead ore, and opens out a far wider mining field. A few facts of the past history of Weardale leadmining will show what the lent-money system has done as regards finding veins and lead ore. In I860 Cain Peart (six partners—that is, six men) was sent to the west end in the Whin sill, Burtree Pasture, and wrought for ten and a half years there, drove a length and slit. They sometimes made good money; other times little money. Other partnerships were sent, till at last the place was given up by the masters. The first partnership (Cain Peart) would not give it up, still kept working on the strength of their lent money, still having confidence that beyond the bad ground there would be some good ground. They drove on till at last they came to a rib of good ore ten inches wide; then other men were sent to drive and slit.

In 1872 there were above 100 men employed at this very place, which this partnership found through their own perseverance, working on the strength of their lent money, and the place yielded thousands of bings of lead ore. Grove Heads Mine was proposed by the men. They wrought nearly a year before they reached the old workings, and had nothing for it. By bargain, of course, they got their lent money to support them, and, contrary to the agent’s predictions, thousands of bings of lead ore in five or six years, and was the inducement or the cause of Craig's Level being driven; also led to the finding of the present mine, which has been vary rich with lead ore. Lodge Syke Mine was the result of the miners’ speculation. With the assistance of lent money they drove a level 100 fathoms for the sum of £30. It took over one year's labour, However, they succeeded in finding a good vein that produced thousands of bings of lead ore, sometimes working at 12s per bing. Green Laws Mine is due to a miner (viz., Walter Jackson) urging the masters to risk a little money, and the result of this trial is well known to every person in the dale. There have been hundreds of thousands of bings of lead ore got at this mine, and it is still open to the present day. Many more might be named, but let those be sufficient to show that the lent money system is quite preferable to any other system.

Leadmlning requires a great deal of thorough practical learning before the work can be managed, as it ought to be done. Alter a man has learned leadmining he is fit to manage any kind of underground work. Indeed a leadminer can turn his hand (after having had the advantage of due instruction from the veteran explorer and experienced old worker) to the most different kinds of work, more than any other workmen. Therefore we think it would be wisdom to train the young men up in the mines, and not leave them out till twenty-four or twenty-five years of age and then take thorn inside. By doing so, we get a bettor class of workmen. It would be preposterous to send an untrained soldier into the field

of battle to command an army, or an inexperienced man to superintend any kind of work.

30th June 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Whitlow near Alston, 28th inst., aged 38, Hannah wife of Thomas Bramwell.
In 1871, at Church Croft Terrace, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, coal agent, aged 26 his wife Hannah aged 25, and son John J. 7 months.
In 1881, at Whitlow, Kirkhaugh, Thomas Bramwell, farmer of 360 acres, aged 36, his wife Hannah, children John Joseph 10, Emily Ann 8, Anthony Allen 5, Margaret 3, Edith Mary 4 months, brother Joseph Bramwell, farm servant, indoor, aged 47, Catherine Dodd, domestic servant, 18, and Lily Ann Walton, domestic servant, 14.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Bramwell, widow, Coal agent & Farmer, aged 46, children, Emily A. 18, Anthony A. 15, Margaret 13, and Edith Mary, 10.

30th June 1883 (Northern Echo)
TEES SALMON FISHERY BOARD, POLLUTION OF THE RIVER. NECESSITY FOR WATCHING.
At the last meeting of the Tees Fishery Board, a deputation of the Tees Anglers' Association waited upon the Board and stated their views with respect to the present extent of “hushing” in the river, and also as to increasing the present number of watchers in the upper portion of the river; and a committee of nine was appointed to confer with the Anglers' Association upon the various matters brought before the Board. A meeting of this committee was hold yesterday (Friday) at the Police Court, Darlington. …
THE “HUSH” QUESTION. The Clerk having read the minutes of the Board authorising the conference, the Chairman requested the deputation to state the nature of their complaint with respect to the "hush.” —Mr Barron said they had ascertained that the "hush" came from Middleton-in-Teesdale, and was the outcome of the lead-workings; but the worst part was at Bowlees Beck, near Barnard Castle, and was caused by the lead washing of one individual. —The Chairman inquired if the deputation considered one person solely responsible for the state of the beck, because there was also the London Lead Company's works. —Mr Barron had understood the London Lead Company's workings were confined to Middleton-in-Teesdale. —The Chairman: Oh, no! They wash a considerable amount of ore that comes into Bowlees Beck. If the person they referred to was the sole cause, he (Mr Scarth) could at once remedy the matter by having it stopped. He understood that opposite Cauldron Snout there was a great deal of "hush" on the Yorkshire side towards Mickle Fell. They might apply to Mr Dent to remedy that, —After some further discussion, in the course of which it was stated that the quarries were blameable as well as the leadmines, Mr Wooler moved that Messrs. Scarth, Chaytor, Dent, Ball, and Captain Johnson be appointed as sub-committee to investigate the matter on the spot, and that Messrs Barron, Webster, Lear, Russell, and Ramsey, of the, of the Anglers Association, be invited to accompany them. —Mr Bell expressed the hope that the committee would have the pleasure of the Secretary's presence. —Capt. M. B. Dodds having duty at York could not promise. —Captain Johnson seconded the proposition, which was unanimously carried. …

7th July 1883 (Hexham Herald

WEARDALE

WEARDALE MINES

The New Company took possession on Saturday last, a joyous announcement to the Weardale miners. The following has appeared in the Mining Journal:-
Weardale Lead Company (Limited). Capital £200,000 in shares of £4. To take on lease, or otherwise acquire a certain mineral property known as the Weardale Lead Mines, together with the premises situated in the County of Durham, and with such plant, buildings, machinery, rights and powers as may be found requisite. To thoroughly develop and work this or any other similar property and to smelt and refine the products thereof.
The subscribers are:-

G. Richardson, 3 Lombard Court, merchant	2,000
B. Broughton, Bradford, no occupation	2,000
A. H. Lancaster, St Peter's Chambers, merchant	1,000
J. Maxfield, Sheffield, manufacturer	1,000
W. G. Woolston, Austin Friars, stockbroker	1,000
G. Hopkins, 30 Parliament Street, C.E.	2,000
T. Southgate, 7 Kings Bench Walk, solicitor	2,000

Deaths

At Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 51 Elizabeth wife of John Hill. *See 9th April 1887*

11th July 1883 (Northern Echo)

THE WEARDALE MINES.

On Monday, bargains were let for the Greenlaws and Daddry Mines at New House Offices, by the representatives of the new company, and yesterday for Killhope and Burtree Posture,
The agents lately employed by Mr Beaumont, who have been re-engaged, are Mr J. Thompson (Burtree Pasture), Mr Stephen Watson (Backdean), and Mr Philipson (Grove Rake). The mines will be opened to-day. The Chairman (accompanied by Mrs Richardson) and other directors were at the lettings, and Seemed very pleased with the attitude of the men and the terms on which bargains have been let have given great satisfaction to the miners. The directors give 50s "lent money," and have fixed three months' bargains, terminable at the option of the men at the end of one or two months, but stand good on the side of the company for three months. Sixty eight men will be placed in Killhope, thirty-six in Burtree Pasture, forty-four at Greenlaws Mine and about fifty will be employed at Rookhope. —Mr Hopkins addressed the men yesterday, and said that they wished to establish perfect confidence between the men and masters, and that the company intended setting on as many men as possible.

14th July 1883 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

The directors of the Weardale Lead Company, Limited are now staying at Stanhope Hall, and are active in arranging for a commencement of work. On Saturday a meeting of the Board took place, and also an inspection of the Killhope district. The Board considered and agreed several preliminary points in respect to the early commencement of mining operations. In the first place the directors met the representative of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, Mr Linsey Wood, who handed over to the new company the mines and royalties,

plant, &c., which had been paid for prior to the directors coming down to the north. At the respective mines, several appointments were made of under-agents or local men, retaining as far as possible those who had been in the service of Mr Beaumont. The chief appointments of the company are under consideration by the Board. A Stanhope correspondent was informed on Saturday evening by the Board of Directors that they had agreed that the men should have monthly subsistence or "lent money," and that every encouragement would be given to the miners in respect to the working and developing the mines. On Monday the representatives or agents of the mines. on Monday the representatives or agents of the company went through the mines, for the purpose of setting as many bargains as possible, as the directors are anxious that the distress in the dale may be as early as possible relieved. Bargains will be let to the miners set to work as far as possible during the week. Whilst the Directors were at Cowshill on Saturday they were waited upon by a deputation of miners, and several points interesting to the men were laid before the Board and considered, and upon the whole the deputation were encouraged and satisfied with the interview. There is every prospect of the old mining field of Weardale again coming to the front.

Bolihope Lead Mines

The Bolihope royalty now in the hands of the London Lead Company has been extended. The operation in this vale have been limited to the south side of the stream of Bolihope. The royalty will now include the north side, bounded by an imaginary line running from Buddy Holm Bridge on the Wear and the corner of Rogetley Park to Westernhope Burn Head. This worked, and will be a great acquisition to the London Lead Company, who at present employs considerable number of men at their Bolihope mines.

OPENING OF THE WEARDALE MINES

On Wednesday the Weardale, lead mines under the new company were opened. On Monday and Tuesday the directors, Mr G Richardson (chairman), Mr George Hopkins, Mr Maxfield, and Mr B Broughton, accompanied by Mr Batters and the engineers, Mr Treleare and Mr Blenkiron, went through the mining fields and attended to the letting of bargains assisted by the local agents, Messrs Watson, Thompson, and Philipson. The chairman (accompanied by Mrs Richardson) and the other directors were very pleased with the attitude of the men, and the terms on which bargains have been let have given great satisfaction to the miners. The directors give the 50s "lent money," have fixed three months bargains which can be terminated at the option of the men at the end of one or two months, but stand good on the side of the company for three months. During Tuesday Messrs Richardson and Hopkins, and Mr Treleare and the agents Messrs Watson and Thompson, let bargains and placed 60 men in Killhope, and 36 in Burtree Pastures; and on the previous day Messrs Maxfield and Broughton attended at the offices at the letting of the bargains at Green laws mine. About 50 will be employed at Rookhope. Mr Hopkins addressed the men prior to taking bargains on Tuesday, and said that they wished to establish perfect confidence between men and masters, and the company intended setting on as many men as possible. A Stanhope correspondent in an interview with the directors was informed that the company were disposed to break virgin ground as early as possible, that instructions had been given to the mining engineers with that view, and that the company were not at present disposed to sublet any of this royalty. A large number of men

have returned to Weardale, and ultimately whole will no doubt be employed, as the company seem anxious to fully develop the resources of the dale. On Saturday, the Weardale miners held their second annual demonstration and gala on Ireshope Plains, near St John's Chapel.

14th July 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The clerk read the medical officers report for the Nenthead district, which stated that during the quarter no serious epidemic had occurred. Several cases of Measles had appeared, but they had now disappeared. With this exception the health and sanitary conditions were satisfactory. During the quarter there had been, 11 births and 11 deaths, which gave a death and birth rate of 4.71 per 1000.

Deaths

Settlingstones mines near Newbrough, 4th inst., aged 93, Hannah Ellison formerly of Studdon, Allendale.

27th July 1883 (Durham County Advertiser)

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY (LIMITED).

A new era has commenced in Upper Weardale by opening of the lead mines under a limited liability company. These mines have figured nearly all through the varied history of the northern See of St. Cuthbert, whose early bishops drew their silvery revenues partly from the metalliferous rocks of western Durham. The Weardale lead industry has been of considerable importance for many centuries, and a source of wealth to the rich Bishopric of Durham. In later times the royalty has been in the hands of the Blackett and Beaumont families, the connection of the Blacketts with the mines dating as far back as the days of Charles II. The Blacketts were cradled at Woodcroft near Stanhope, in the far off ages when it was customary to distinguish men by, in some cases, personal appearance, as John the Blackhead. In more recent times the "W.B. Mines" which included those in the Allen dales, produced about a sixth of the lead ore raised in Great Britain, and whilst between two and three hundred hands were employed there was depending upon or interested in the industry a population of over ten thousand. Fourteen years ago Mr Beaumont's Weardale and Allendale mines produced over ten thousand tons of ore, so the mining field covering the mountainous sources of the Tees, Tyne and the Wear, is well known to the mining community. Prior to the transferring of the temporalities of the See of Durham to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in1836, the lease of the Weardale mines was for three lives, and renewable. In lien of the ninth lot-ore, doe to the bishop, a rent of £5,000 was fixed in 1834, and a little later the tenth lot-ore, due to the rector of Stanhope, was fixed at £3,750, whilst a life cost about £6,000 renewing; the old rent for the Moormaster's Place being £150. The recent rent of these mines was £4,600, with exploration allowances, and the dues. The royalty has now been transferred to a new company. The Weardale Lead Company have been formed to work the mines in Weardale lately held of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by Mr W. B. Beaumont. The nominal capital of the company is £200,000, divided into 50,000 shares of £4 each. The charges for the tenants' plant, stores, &c., namely, £25,000, have been paid, the royalty handed over to the directors, and the miners are now at

work. The lease, we are informed by the prospectus is for sixty years, commencing 1st of July last, is tithe-free, and on more favourable conditions as regards royalty, &c., than those of the former lessee, and no price is charged for the mines, conditions which will probably meet the present lead market. The area is about eighty-five square miles, being the parish of Stanhope, less Bolihope Vale, south of a line from Buddy Holm Bridge on the Wear at Rogerley Park to Westernhope Head. The directors are Mr George Richardson (chairman of the North Metropolitan Tramways Company), chairman; Mr Benjamin Broughton (deputy-chairman of the Richmond Consolidated Mining Company), Mr George Hopkins (chairman of the Richmond Consolidated Mining Company), Mr Joshua Maxfield, and Mr Tufnall Southgate (chairman of the Roman Gravels Lead Mining Company), gentlemen principally connected with other lead mining companies. The directors have all been down to Weardale, except Mr Southgate, who was unable to attend the directors* meeting in the north owing to ill-health. The above gentlemen were accompanied during their visit by Mr George Batters, the able promoter of the company. During their sojourn at Stanhope Hall, and in their various inspections of the mining field in the dale Mr Richardson, the chairman of the company, has been frequently accompanied by Mrs Richardson. This lady has been very much pleased with Stanhope, the dale of the Wear, and with the generally satisfactory appearance of the miners, their homes, their wives, and their children. The company have had the valuable services of the mining engineers Mr J. B. Stewart, of Wanlochead, mineral agent to the Duke of Buccleugh; Mr James Blenkiron, of Arkindale; and Capt. John Trelease, of Healeyfield. On Saturday, July 7th, Messrs Richardson, Broughton, and Max field, accompanied by Mr Batters and the engineers, Messrs Blenkiron and Trelease, went over Kilhope and several other portions of the mining field. They also met Mr Lindsay Wood, the representative of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, who handed over to the directors the mines and plant. The directors engaged several of the under agents and mechanics, retaining those who had been in the service of Mr Beaumont, some of them for periods varying from eighteen to twenty-five years, and made other arrangements for commencing the working of the mines, the under agents, Mr Stephen Watson, Mr John Thompson, and Mr George Phillipson being engaged. On Monday and Tuesday the agents went through the mines, locally called “riding the mines,” fur the purpose of valuing the workings so as “bargains” could be let to the men. Captain Trelease went through Kilhope mine, and Mr Blenkiron Green Laws and the mines in Rookhope. On Monday Messrs Maxfield and Broughton and Mr Blenkiron, and the under agents let “bargains” at the company offices at Newhouse, and placed some forty-four men at Green Laws mine. On Tuesday Messrs Richardson and Hopkins, and Mr Trelease, and the agents, Messrs Thompson and Watson, let “bargains,” sixty-eight men for Kilhope Head mine, and some thirty-six or forty were placed at Burtree Pasture, whilst over fifty took bargains at Grove Rake, &c., in Rookhope, where Mr Blenkiron and Mr Phillipson attended. Some few miners have also been placed at Stanhope Burn. The total number of pickmen, or bargain-men, will be between two hundred and two hundred and fifty. In addition to which there are the wagemen, or company's daymen, and mechanics. The directors had an interview with a deputation of miners on Saturday, and on the two bargain days, the terms of engagement, and conditions of working appeared to be satisfactory on both sides. On Tuesday

Mr Hopkins addressed the men at the Newhouse offices, and in a few pointed remarks informed them that they, the directors, had invested their capital for the purpose of exploring and working the lead mines. That they would employ as many men as possible on fair terms, and that the directors hoped to establish confidence between man and master, with the hope of satisfactory results being obtained, not only for the shareholders, but for the miners they had in their employment. The directors have granted fifty shillings “lent money,” on which to subsist during the time the work (the excavated rock material consisting of metalliferous vein- stuff mixed with ore) is being washed, dressed, and the ore weighed and credited to the miners, when at the end of three months the mens’ accounts are made up and the balance paid over. In 1818 the miners had thirty shilling “lent money,” forty shillings were first “lent” in 1846, and fifty shillings first granted in 1872. The "bargains” are for three months, and may be terminated at the end of the first or second months by the men, but holds good on the side of the masters for the stipulated period. By this condition a partnership of men who have entered into a bad bargain, or if the rock or vein alters for the worse in the course of one or two mouths, a rearrangement of price or a new place will, we suppose, be taken into consideration. The general conditions appear to have given satisfaction to the men, and the directors expressed themselves pleased with the attitude, intelligence, and general bearing of the workmen. The mines known as Kilhope Head, Green Law, Grove Rake, and others will be put on regular work; that at Burtree Pasture, owing to some defect in ventilation, will probably not be worked full time at present. The head or top price per bing of ore for miners searching for themselves is forty-eight shilling; thus any set or partnership of men can, after all working places have been filled, search out a place for themselves, and the company will pay forty-eight shillings per bing, or £6 per ton for all the ore they find. The company as soon as possible purpose making new trials in the royalty, through which run two master reins, the Slitt and the Red Vein, with several cross veins. A large number of the men who had been working at the Stanhope limestone quarries hare found their old employment in Upper Weardale, and as the company purpose working the old and exploring the new ground, the whole of the old hands will ultimately no doubt find employment in the ancient industry of lead mining. The Blacketts were seated at Woodcroft Hall, near Stanhope, at a very early period. John of this name resided here 500 years ago, and Sir John Blackett, of that place, was one of the heroes of Agincourt. A descendant of the Woodcroft stock had a son William, who is supposed acquired considerable wealth by his mines and collieries. He was created a baronet in 1684 was a popular man, and distinguished as an orator in the Home of Commons. “Sir William Blackett, 1684,” is inscribed on one of the Allendale lead mines. Sir W. C. Blackett became owner of the Weardale mines. He was Mayor of Newcastle, High Sheriff of Northumberland, M.P. for Newcastle, and was a very popular and a charitable gentleman. With the assistance of £50 given by the Rector of Stanhope he rebuilt St. John's Church, in Weardale, now undergoing restoration. Sir Walter died in London in 1777 aged 68 years, and without surviving issue, hence the lead mines came into the hands of his cousin, Thomas Wentworth, who, assuming the name of Blackett, became Sir Thomas Wentworth Blackett, Bart., having inherited the title from his father. Upon the death of Sir Thomas in 1792, an only daughter succeeded to the manor of Bretton Park, Abbey of Hexham, and to the Weardale lead mines. This lady

married Thomas Richard Beaumont, Esq., of the Oaks, and thus the mines came into the hands of the Beaumont family. T. R. Beaumont, Esq., represented the county of Northumberland in five successive Parliaments. Colonel Beaumont, whose, death occurred in 1829, was succeeded by his son, and the celebration of the majority of T. W. Beaumont, Esq., of Bywell Hall and of Bretton Hall, took place November 5, 1813, and was an event well remembered by the oldest miners, and some of the mugs imprinted with the date of the event may yet be found in some of the miners' cottages. Mr Beaumont represented Northumberland in 1818 and 1820. He was defeated in 1826, and on this occasion fought a duel on the sands at Bamborough with Mr Lambton, afterwards Earl of Durham. Mr Beaumont represented Stafford in 1822, and afterwards Northumberland. He was one of the chief originators of the *Westminster Review* and was a gentleman of wit and intelligence, and has secured for himself the attachment of a large body of friends. He died in 1848, and was succeeded by his eldest son, who now retires from the lead mining industry in Weardale.

28th July 1883 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON CASHWELL MINE

Alston readers will be glad to hear that there has been of late a great improvement in the ore bearing prospects of Cashwell mine, there being now, we understand a splendid vein of ore something like 6 feet in width.

1st August 1883 (Teesdale Mercury)

"HUSHING" IN THE RIVER TEES.

At a meeting of the Tees Fishery Board, held at Darlington, on Monday, the report of the committee on the subject of ''hushing" was read. From this report it appeared that on the 10th July, the committee assembled at the High Force Hotel, whence, under the kind direction of Mr Scarth, they proceeded to inspect the comparatively new workings of the Lady's Rake Vein, and also the operations at Green Hurth Mine, There was no "hushing," as the term is understood, at either of these mines. On the 11th inst., the inquiry was continued, and it was observed that decidedly the most injurious and wasteful use of water was that at Pike Law. Here the party witnessed the whole process of baring the ore by means of "hushing" from a reservoir at the head of the dale, the whole accumulation of a pent-up stream through a narrow gorge, which was many yean ago the universal practice, and gave rise to the term "hushing." Mr Collinson and his assistants were induced to discharge the water from the reservoir at the head of the valley, and it was noticed that the stream carried away a vast amount of debris, being for the most part of the consistency of diluted clay and mud. Mr Collinson was strongly of opinion that no injury whatever to the fish resulted from this process, but the committee were certain that the degree of discolouration that every such discharge must impart to the stream was calculated to make successful angling In the Tees impossible. A settling reservoir at the lower end of the valley could be easily constructed, the Chief Agent (Mr Scarth) being quite willing to give the material for the purpose, and Mr Collinson was not unwilling to contribute the labour. The committee were of opinion that some such expedient should be tried rather than that this industry should be permanently interfered with. The committee, on the whole, were inclined to think that where ore washing was a regular daily operation, it was

safer to let foul water pass off daily, rather than incur the risk of a sudden discharge, down one of the smaller streams, under the impetus of a partially local flood, of a vast quantity of impurity into the main channel of the Tees. — On the motion of the Chairman.it (Colonel Scurfield) seconded by Mr Morritt, it was resolved to have the report printed and circulated amongst the members, so that they might have time to give it their full consideration.

4th August 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Newcastle, Nelson Street Chapel, 28th ult. Henry Jackson, Newcastle, to Isabella Erwin of Nenthead.
In 1891, at Waller Street, Byker, Henry Jackson, printer compositor, aged 31, born Newcastle, and his wife Isabella 28, born Alston.
At Gateshead St Mary's Church, 1st inst. Harold Olsen of Leith, to Mary, 3rd daughter of Whitfield Martindale of Gateshead, formerly of Weardale.

7th August 1883 (Carlisle Journal)
ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
This Board met in the Town Hall, the Rev. O. James in the chair. There were only three members present, and they had the following business before them:—
Vaccination Returns.— The local vaccination return for the half year ending Dec., 1882, showed the number of births to have been 55 ; successfully vaccinated 48; died unvaccinated 4; postponed by medical certificate 2; removed to other districts of which the medical officer had been appraised, 1.
ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AND HIGHWAY BOARD.—The following business was before this Board, which met at Alston on Saturday:—
The Cholera.—In reference to the cholera the Clerk said he had read a circular from the Local Board last Board day as he thought it was very necessary the medical officers should have the circular as soon as possible. He had received a letter from Dr. Pickworth, Nenthead, with a public notice which had been issued by the medical officer of the Haltwhistle Sanitary Authority, and the Doctor suggested that a few similar ones should be printed for distribution at Alston.— On the motion Mr. J. G. Millican it was agreed to have a few similar ones printed and posted at Alston.
Medical Officer's Report of No. 1 District. — Dr. Carson's report for the quarter ending June showed the deaths to be 6, the death-rate being 2.66. The number of births was 17. The district was free from all zymotic disease and in a very satisfactory condition,
The Damage to a Road by a Mining Company. —The Surveyor reported that the party owning the land which was required to be purchased in order to re-form the road at Dowgang Mine refused to take 2d. per yard, but she would take 2½d. per yard. He thought that at the latter price, the sum which Mr. Walton had offered to the Board would be sufficient to meet the expence.—On the motion of Mr. A. Walton it was agreed to give the 2½d.

11th August 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Chapel, Joseph Currah, Garrigill to Mary Raisbeck, Nenthead.

See 27th April 1855, 5th May 1877, 2nd August 1879, 26th September 1891, & 18th April 1914

Deaths

At Townfoot, Alston, 1st inst., aged 86, Elizabeth, widow of Joseph Redshaw.

Joseph Redshaw married Elizabeth Moffat, 5th February 1820, Joseph died 1829 aged 43.

In 1841, at Aimshaugh, Alston, Elizabeth Redshaw, agricultural labourer, aged 40, children John, lead miner, aged 15, Adah 15, Sarah 15, and Elizabeth 12.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Elizabeth Redshaw, lead miners widow, aged 65, son John, lead miner, aged 35, daughter, Adah, dressmaker aged 33, and granddaughter Elizabeth aged 5.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Elizabeth Redshaw, formerly domestic servant, aged 74, and son John Redshaw, agricultural labourer, aged 48.

In 1881, at Front Street, Elizabeth Redshaw, lead miners widow, aged 84.

18th August 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

CHILD SCALDED TO DEATH.

On Wednesday week a child named Phoebe Spottiswood aged one year and 7 months, daughter of James Spottiswood, Blaygill, received injuries from scalding which resulted fatally on the following day. It appears that the child had, in the absence of its parents, pulled a pot of boiling coffee off a table, the contents of which went over its head and breast.

In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, James Spotswood, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann (Litel, married 4th April 1818, at Alston) aged 54, children Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, James, lead miner, aged 15, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 12.

In 1851, at Middle Skelgill, James Spottswood, widow, lead miner, aged 61, son Nicholas, lead miner, aged 21, and servant Agnes Armstrong, housekeeper, aged 23.

James Spotswood snr. died in 4th quarter 1860 or 2nd quarter 1861.

In 1851, at Middle Park, Alston, James Spottswood, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Phebe aged 23, son James 1 month (died before the 1861 census, see above). In 1861, at Middle Skelgill, James Spottswood, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Phebe 33, daughters Mary Ann 8, and Jane 7 months. In 1871, at High Skelgill, James Spottswood, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Phoebe 43, children Jane 10, James 8, William 3, and Hugh 2. In 1881, at Blaygill Head, James Spottiswood, farmer of 40 acres, aged 54, his wife Phoebe 53, sons James, coal miner, aged 18, William, coal miner, aged 13, Hugh 12, and John J. 9. In 1891, at Milestone House, Melmerby, James Spottiswood, farmer & innkeeper, aged 64, his wife Phebe 63, sons William, farmers son, aged 23, Hugh, farmers son, aged 22, John, farmers son, aged 19, and domestic servant Fanny Reed 13. See 19th April 1884, 20th January 1894.

Deaths

Garrigill, 10th inst., aged 55, Jane, widow of John Watson.

In 1871, at Pasture Houses, Garrigill, John Watson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Jane (Spark, married 27th April 1867) aged 43, stepsons, William Spark, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas Spark 7.

John Watson died 27th October 1871.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Jane, lead miners widow, aged 53, and son, Thomas Watson, shoemaker aged 17.
See 4th November 1871, 22nd December 1883, & 30th September 1893

24th August 1883 (The Times)
THE WILL OF MISS ISABELLA BEWICK, late of 19, West street, Gateshead, who died on June 8 last, was proved at the Durham district; registry on the 21st ult., by Joseph Crawhall and John Wheeldon Barnes, the executors, the value of the personal estate amounting to over £12,000. The testatrix bequeaths £1,000 to the National Lifeboat Institution, Adelphi, to build and maintain a lifeboat to be called the "Thomas Bewick," in respect to the memory of her late father, to be stationed at Tynemouth, or some other part of the coast of Northumberland; £200 to the Newcastle-on-Tyne Museum; £100 each to the Abbot Memorial School, Gateshead, and the Newcastle-on-Tyne Refuge for Destitute Boys; her paintings, water-colour drawings, prints, engravings, and the bust with pedestal of her late father, to her executors absolutely, in confidence that they will present or dispose of them to such institution or institutions as will best perpetuate and keep alive the memory of Thomas Bewick and his ability; and many legacies to relatives and others. The residue of her property is to go to the children of Ralph Ward, a relative of her late mother.

25th August 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Leadgate, Alston, 19th inst. aged 80, Elizabeth widow of Daniel Thompson.
In 1841, at Skelgill Plain, Daniel Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, wife Elizabeth (Goodfellow, married 3rd October 1825, Alston) aged 35, children Hannah 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, John 8, and Daniel 5.
Daniel Thompson snr. died at Leadgate 22nd November 1849, aged 52.
In 1851, at Leadgate, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 46, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, Daniel, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 9, and Ann 6. In 1861, at Leadgate, Elizabeth Thompson, masons widow, aged 57, children Joseph, widow, stone waller, aged 33, Daniel, lead miner, aged 25, Ann 16, and grandson Daniel Thompson 6.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Joseph Thompson, widow, mason & farmer of 6 acres, aged 43, son Daniel, lead ore washer, aged 16, mother Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 68, and brother John, lead miner, aged 38.
In 1881, at Leadgate, Joseph Thompson, widow, farmer of 28 acres & dry Waller, aged 53, his mother Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 78, brother John, lead miner, aged 44, general domestic servant, Jane Armstrong aged 21.
In 1891, at Leadgate, Joseph Thompson, farmer, aged 63, brother John, lead miner, aged 58, and servant Sarah A Parkes, housekeeper, aged 22.
John Thompson died 3rd quarter 1897, aged 65, Joseph Thompson died 2nd quarter 1900, aged 72
At Butts, Alston, 20th inst. aged 59, Thomas Burn.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas Burn, shoemaker, aged 71, (probable death 1st quarter 1859) his wife Mary aged 69 (died 4th quarter 1858), daughter Catharine 28, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1861, at Butts, Thomas Burn, single, lead ore miner, aged 36, sister Catharine, housekeeper, aged 38, and niece Elizabeth Burn aged 7.
In 1871, at Butts, Thomas Burn, single, lead ore miner, aged 46, sister Catharine, housekeeper, aged 48, and niece Elizabeth Burn, domestic servant, aged 17
In 1881, at Butts, Thomas Burn, single, lead miner, aged 56, sister Catherine, housekeeper aged 59.

1st September 1883 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT.

On Monday, a quarry man named Philipson, the elder of two brothers employed at the Ashes Limestone quarry Stanhope, fell over the face of the quarry there and received injuries from the effect of which he died 2 hours after the accident. Deceased belonged to Allendale and was a much respected young man.
Harland Philipson born 1862 at Allendale, son of John (Farmer of 33 acres) and Elizabeth living at White Ridge, Allendale.
The 1881 census has him as one of 6 children, the others being, Hindmarch 17, Jasper 16, Demanda 13, Plestonia 11, and Naaman 9. In 1881 he and his brother Hindmarch are listed as Bricklayers labourers.

1st September 1883 (Northern Echo)

LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE.

Something over a year ago the workmen employed in the mines of the London Lead Company made a respectful approach to the Duke of Cleveland. They had a petition to deliver upon a matter of vital interest, to them and their families, being, in brief, their daily bread With pathetic urgency they proffered their request—first in writing and subsequently to Mr SCARTH, the Dukes chief agent, by word of mouth, in a conference arranged by that gentleman, and held in the offices of the Company. Weeks, months have passed, and no reply has yet been received. Need to say that there has been sickening of heart by reason of the long-deferred hope. It cannot but be that the grave facts upon which the appeal was based have been long since weighed and estimated: why so much delay in communicating the results
The circumstances under which this presentation of a memorial took place are extremely interesting. Lead mining is one of our oldest industries; and it has been carried on for a great while in an exceptionally methodical and persevering way by the London Lead Company. For more than a century — how much more we are unable at the moment to say—their mines have been open in Teesdale. They have thus found work for the dalesmen; and. more than work, for being inspired by a lofty regard for the well being in all respects of their dependents, they have provided education, instituted facilities for thrift, and exerted themselves generally in a spirit of enlightened philanthropy.
Middleton, the district headquarters of the Company, is, with its several institutions, a fairly good proof of the beneficence of their operations; but the best evidence is to be found in the character of the population. There is not in England, or out of it, a more intelligent or a more virtuous people than those

located in the mining district of Teesdale. It is reasonable to presume that the London Lead Company have made money by their enterprise. But the money-making, whatever may have been its extent, is a thing of the past evil times have come uponn the lead trade. The price was unremunerated to the British producer a year ago and it is worse now. Lead was sold a few days ago in Newcastle at £12 2s. 6d., a ton, which is several pounds under the bare cost, with average luck, of getting it, and not much more than half the price current nine or ten years ago. The chief cause of this tremendous fall in the value of the product is, unfortunately for the producer, one likely to last. Lead mining has been taken to by capitalists in America, who are now sending into the market not only enough to meet local wants, but a surplus for export. America, consequently, which used to take from 40,000 to 50,000 tons of British lead, has ceased to be a customer; and is, moreover, actually competing with our producers, in China and elsewhere. This, we say, is the chief cause. America does not need our lead, and takes particular care, by the imposition of a high protective duty, to keep it at a distance. It does not get the article cheap for its own use—it is content to pay a big price for the satisfaction of obtaining the native article; but it can afford to sell it cheap to the foreigner, partly because it pays the difference out of its own pocket, and partly because its ore is unusually rich in its yield of silver. But besides the change we have mentioned—pre-eminently, and, there is reason to believe, permanently, adverse to any considerable recovery there are other causes in operation similarly effective and similarly discouraging. Spain is an old competitor, and is as vigorous as over, while other European countries, notably Germany and Sardinia, have been cultivating the business with increased energy and success.

The London Lead Company have had a long run of bad experience; and the shareholders who by this time must have forgotten the sensation incident to the receipt of a dividend, are fairly entitled to the sympathy we freely give to all who suffer by the remorseless vicissitudes of trade. It is not, however, of thorn we have to speak, except in so far as their case is typical, and explanatory of the action of the miners in their appeal to the Duke of Cleveland. In lead mining it is necessary, while extracting the treasure of one mine, to be exploring and opening out; another. If this is neglected, the work comes speedily to an end; But a Company, which is not earning dividend, cannot be expected to spend money except upon what is likely to be immediately productive. The London Lead Company have lately, confined themselves, almost if not altogether, to their working of the mines already open. There has been little or no prospecting, and little or no excavation of fresh levels for now developments of the industry. It was this fact, menacing to their future, which the miners had in view when they resolved upon the course of action we have specified. Why go to the DUKE? Mr Scarth, we think, asked the question; and, if he asked it, others may. They went to the DUKE because he is the owner of most of the country where the mining operations of the Company are carried on, and because he is, even in these bad times, netting a large sum, in the shape of royalty dues, by the working of the mines. Their prayer was for a reduction of these dues, the men sagaciously reasoning that by this means their employers would be placed in a position to deal liberally with them in respect to the remuneration for their labour, and at the same time to take the steps, and incur the outlay needful to keep the industry alive in the district.

There was, as will be perceived, an element of novelty in the request. It does not, however, follow that it was one, which should not have been preferred. About a seventh part of the gross product of the mines goes to the Duke. He has nothing to do for it—no risk. When lead was at £20 a ton, or upwards, capitalists and labourers in the trade could bear to be handicapped by the imposition of these exorbitant dues, but not now. It is a hard and unpromising race they have to run with their foreign rivals and if they are to have anything like a chance, they must be put upon something like equal terms. It would be too much to claim from the Duke of Cleveland a total remission of the dues, though possibly, by-and-bye, it may be considered right, not in his ease alone, but generally, to revise the rights of ownership, peculiar to this country, upon which such dues, a heavy tax upon-brains and sinews, are exacted. It is not, however, too much to ask for a reduction; and we venture to hope that, the prolonged silence will be early broken with words of good cheer. It was not to be expected that the decision upon such a matter would be arrived at in a moment; but twelve months—thirteen, to be more exact, reckoning from the date of the conference—could scarcely be required. The miners are wearily waiting for their answer; it will surely not now be much longer withheld.

THE WEARDALE LEAD AND IRON MINES.

Our Weardale correspondent writes: —A very important feature in the economical working of the Weardale lead and Iron Mines has been under consideration for sum time by the two companies now working the Upper Weardale minerals—the Weardale Lead Company and the Weardale Iron and Coal Company—and is about to be if it has not already been, satisfactorily settled. Where metalliferous veins traverse the limestone frequently, both ores are to be found in close proximity; hence one company, in getting their-special minerals, may win also that of the other company's, and the arrangement is for the companies to exchange minerals not their own at given prices, as in former years, the iron company won quantity of lead ore at some of their mines. This arrangement is important in the working of iron, for when lead ore is won in the pursuit of iron, it will cheapen the cost of winning the iron, a great desideratum in the working of the minerals in Weardale. These minerals are rich in quality, but carriage, particularly in iron, is considerable; hence anything done to lessen the expense in bringing the ores to market will help the dale. The iron company is working fairly well at present, but the stock on hand checks any extra demand. The mints, however, are on about full lime, and the Old Slitt Pasture mine will probably, be soon, opened.

The lead Company's mines in Kilhope, we understand, are promising. Preparations for further development are progressing. Upon the whole, the iron and lead industries and the limestone quarries at Stanhope, are fairly steady.

14th September 1883 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

MINING PROSPECTS IN WEARDALE.

On Thursday the directors of the Weardale Lead Company, Messrs Richardson (chairman), Hopkins, and Maxfield, accompanied by the manager, Mr Blenkiron, made a special survey of the Rookhope mining field. The Stotsfield Burn mine, lately worked by the Northern Lead Company, was first inspected, and the Weardale Company, having the royalties of this field, are negotiating for the machinery and plant with a view to opening this mine, and also the adjoining one of Brandon Walls. At Grove Rake, now in work, several improvements were

arranged for the comfort of the bargain men lodging there. At Bolts Burn the mine is being repaired with the view of opening ore workings. When these matters are completed a good number of men will no doubt find employment here. The Lead Smelting Mills were also visited. These mills are expected to be vacated in a few weeks by Mr Beaumont, and when Green Laws washing floors, &c., are handed over to the new Company they will have possession of the whole, or nearly so, of the plant and stores on the royalty. The other mines in Weardale have been inspected, and preparations are being made for opening some of the old mines, after which some new trials are in view. Considering the several points which have been settled during the sojourn of the Church Estates Commissioners, it may be expected that in a given time the whole of the dales people will find work at their old industry. The question of removing the workshops at Newhouse down to the flat by the Wear is one of the questions under consideration as being more convenient for the Lead Company. The directors left Weardale on Thursday night.

15th September 1883 (Hexham Herald)

THE TEESDALE LEAD TRADE

The annual visit of a deputation of directors of the London Lead Company to their extensive mines in Upper Teesdale is expected to take place this week. It is currently rumoured that a number of the Company's miners and other workmen will shortly be dispensed with until some satisfactory rearrangement of the Royalty question is made.

Deaths

Holme Foots, Nenthead, 8th inst., aged 67 Mary wife of Thomas Price.

In 1851, at Holme Foot, Thomas Price, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary (Tatters, married 7th October 1843) aged 35, children John George 7, Elizabeth 4, and Sarah Ann 1.

See 14th October 1843, 14th April 1865, 3rd August 1872, 9th October 1880, 19th December 1885.

22nd September 1883 (Hexham Herald)

BLANCHLAND

FATAL ACCIDENT

On Thursday week about 10 o'clock in the forenoon, a fatal accident happened at the Derwent mines, Blanchland, by which a miner named John White, residing in Blanchland lost his life. White and another workman called Adam Murray, with the underground agent Mr Jonathan Morpeth, were engaged in repairing the 144 fathoms shaft known as "Taylor's Shaft," they having reached the 60 fathom stage or landing termed in mining phrase a "bunning," when a portion of wood on which they were standing suddenly fell and the unfortunate man was precipitated to the next stage a fall of about 20 fathoms. The other two men fortunately seized hold of some of the side timber, to which they most tenaciously clung, and ultimately succeeded in safely ascending the shaft, having had a very narrow escape with their lives. ...

John White was 41 years of age he had worked for the Derwent Mining and Smelting Company Limited for some time as a timber man.

In 1881, at Baybridge, Shotley High Quarter, John White, born Blanchland, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth, 39, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, Mary, 12, Ellen 10, John 14, and Parker 5 years.

Deaths
Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 20 Robert William Barron.
George Angus married Sarah Barron, (daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Barron), 29th January 1865, at Nenthead.
Robert William Barron was born 4th quarter 1862.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, George Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 29, his wife Sarah 29, children Robert William 8, Hannah 6, and John 2. In 1881, at Hill Top, George Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 39, his wife Sarah 39, children Robert W. lead ore smelter, aged 18, Hannah 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Sarah A. 9, Elizabeth 7, Mary J. 5, and George 3.
In 1891, at Byker Street, Byker, George Angus, lead ore smelter, aged 49, his wife Sarah 49, children John, railway porter, aged 22, Sarah A. dressmaker, aged 19, Elizabeth 17, Mary J 16, George, grocers errand boy, aged 13, Joseph 9, and Esther A 6.
George Angus died 3rd quarter 1891, aged 49.
In 1901, at Algernon Street, Heaton, Sarah Angus, widow, aged 59, children Elizabeth 27, George, postman, aged 22, Joseph, general labourer, aged 19, and Esther A 16.
Sarah Angus died 1st quarter 1910, aged 67.
See 15th September 1877, 2nd March 1878, & 28th September 1878
Greenends, 23rd inst., aged 10 months, Mary Hilda daughter of Robert Nevin Heslop. *See 8th May 1880*

6th October 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Pickworth reported the sanitary condition of Nenthead and Garrigill was very satisfactory, and that during the past quarter the health of the people had been good. A single case of German Measles had occurred at Nenthead.
In reference to the damage done to the highway between Garrigill and Nenthead by the Dowgang Mining Company the Surveyor stated the road had been repaired to his entire satisfaction. The sum which Mr Walton the mine agent had offered had been quite sufficient, as after paying for labour 2s 5½d remained.
Marriages
Alston, St Augustine's Church, 1st inst., Robert, 2nd son of the late Robert Varty, Alston, to Sarah Elizabeth, 3rd daughter of Joseph Dawson, Alston.
In 1891, at Denmark Street, Byker, Robert Varty, butcher, aged 33, his wife Sarah E 29, daughter Isabella 4, Kate 1 month, and visitor Mary J Dawson 31.
See 13th January 1877.
Deaths
Clitheroe, Alston, 1st inst., aged 11 years, Annie daughter of the late John Barron. *In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, John Barron, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Ann 32, children Mary J. 11, Hannah, Joseph W. 6, Frances E. 5, and John J. 2. John Barron senior died in the first quarter of 1875 aged 39.*
In 1881, at No. 10 Clitheroe, Alston, Ann Barron, widow, aged 42, children, Joseph W. piecer in woollen mill, John L. 12, Annie 9, Louisa 6, and grandson Herbert aged 1 year.

13th October 1883 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

ACCIDENT TO A LAD AT NENTHEAD

A lad named Dryden, aged 8 years, whilst alighting from one of the Lead Company's empty wagons which was returning from the "pier," fell under the wagon and was run over. The accident took place just where the rails cross the road, and opposite the clock known by the name Peter. Several persons were attracted by the lad's cries, and he was speedily conveyed to a house where his injuries were attended to by Dr Pickworth. He was afterwards conveyed to his own house. Both of his legs were run over and bruised, but we understand no bones were broken.

27th October 1883 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

BURTREE PASTURE MINE. NARROW ESCAPE.

As a partnership of miners were coming out of the Old Bottom level on a "bogey" the foremost man Mr Featherstone, observed a support "creep", and heard a cracking noise. With great presence of mind, he shouted to back the "bogey", which was no sooner done than down came a great quantity of roof, sufficient to have buried the lot if they had not gone back.

Deaths

Nenthead, 23rd inst., aged 1 year, Joseph, son of Robert Armstrong.

See 7th September 1878

3rd November 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Pickworth medical officer for Nenthead reported that during the quarter ending 30th September there had been 17 births in his district, 8 males and 9 females; and 9 deaths, 1 male and 8 females. The birth rate was 7.28 per thousand, and the death rate 3.25. The district was in a very satisfactory condition.

10th November 1883 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Winnipeg, Canada, 16th October, aged 11 months and 14 days, Cecil Albert, son of W. T. Dalton, late of Nenthead, Alston.

See 10th October 1874, and 10th December 1881.

10th November 1883 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Weardale, High House Wesleyan Chapel, 4th inst., Mr John Thompson, Burtree Pasture to Jane Ann Hewitson, Allendale.

Deaths

Green Pit, Allendale, 4th inst., aged 57, Frances wife of Thomas Varty.

In 1861, at Green Pits, Allendale, Thomas Varty, lead miner aged 35, his sister Elizabeth, housekeeper, and brother Joseph, shepherd aged 32.
In 1864, Thomas Varty married Frances Ashman, the unmarried sister of John Ashman, lead miner of Middlehope, Allendale.

In 1871, at Green Pits, Allendale, Thomas Varty, retired miner, aged 45, his wife Frances 44, and nephew E A Robson aged 13. In addition, at Green Pits, Joseph Varty, farmer of 10 acres, aged 42, his sister Elizabeth, 47, and nephew John J. P. Varty aged 6 years.
In 1881, at Green Pits, Thomas Varty, farmer of 10 acres, aged 55, his wife Frances aged 54. See 9th November 1864 & 2nd August 1884.

17th November 1883 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Dyke Heads, Nenthead, 11th inst., aged 4 months, Agnes daughter of Sarah Ann Pattinson.

1st December 1883 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, Congregational Chapel, 24th ult. Robert Robson to Margaret Spottiswood, both of Clitheroe.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Hugh Spotswood, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann aged 44, children James, lead miner, aged 23, Hugh, lead miner, aged 21, Mary A 17
John, apprentice carpet weaver, aged 14, Leah 11, Margaret 8, Miles 5, and Matthew 2. In 1881, at Bridge End, Wardew, Northumberland, Margaret Spottiswood, aged 18, was working as a domestic servant for Edward, Turnbull, road maker & rate collector, aged 29, and his mother Elizabeth, widow, aged 69.
The nearest fit for this couple is as follows:
In 1891, at Scotts Close, Selkirk, Margaret Robson, fireman's wife, aged 28, children, Ann aged 7, born England, Robert aged 3, born Selkirk, and Mary H. aged 1, born Selkirk. In 1901, at Wilton Cres, Howick, Roxburghshire, Robert Robson, labourer, aged 40, born Denholm, Roxburgh, his wife Margaret 39, children Annie 17, Robert 13, Mary E 11, Hugh 9, James 6, Elizabeth 3, and Margaret 2.
See 19th April 1884, and 20th December 1884

7th December 1883 (Northern Echo)
DERWENT MINES
It is not, we understand, correct, as reported, that a new company has been formed for the working of these mines. They have been purchased, together with the plant, by the owners of the adjoining Hunstanworth and Newbiggen Estates, who have taken advice from Mr Cain as to the disposal of some of the plant; but there is no intention at present to work them.

21st December 1883 (Durham County Advertiser)
THE WEARDALE MINES. —During the week Mr Richardson (chairman of the Weardale Lead Company) accompanied by Mr Maxfield, another of the directors, has been busy looking through the mines and plant, with the object of considering the projected exploration. Their main attention is centred in the Killhope and Burtree Pasture Mines. The last named is the largest the company have. Air shafts are, we hear, to be sunk to ventilate it.

22nd December 1883 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

FATAL PIT ACCIDENT

Inquest held on the body of Joseph Forster *(of Mohope 31 years of age, unmarried)* who had been killed on Thursday whilst working in one of the pits belonging the Alston Lime Works. John Thompson, Deputy at the pit deposed that he inspected the pit every morning before the men went to work. On Thursday morning he had told the deceased to remove some loose stones and afterwards to pull down the stone, which eventually fell and killed him. Deceased moved the loose stone, but instead of pulling down the dangerous stone he commenced to hew coal. He warned the deceased, but he could not stand over him and see him do the work. Deceased was a very careless man, and he had told him that morning to pull down the stone, but he had taken no notice. Hugh Spottiswood, a putter lad, corroborated the above evidence and the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Marriages

Garrigill Wesleyan Chapel, 15th inst., Thomas Anderson Millican to Elizabeth Lancaster both of Garrigill.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Henry Millican, farmer of 90 acres, aged 47, his wife Hannah 47, children Thomas A. farmers son, 23, Sarah 20, John W. farmers son, 18, Elizabeth E. 14, Mary H. 9, and George N. 6.

In 1891, at Red Brow, Garrigill, Thomas A Millican, carter, aged 33, his wife Elisabeth 33, children Joseph H 7, Herbert 5, Caroline M 3, and Thomas E 11 months.

In 1901, at Brinkburn Ave, Gateshead, Thomas Anderson Millican, general labourer, iron works, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 43, children Joseph Henry, drapers assistant, aged 17, Herbert, wine merchants clerk, aged 15, Caroline Maud 13, Thomas Earnest 10, Isa Mary 8, and Jenney 3.

In 1911, at Eastbourne Ave, Gateshead, Thomas Anderson Millican, cartman mineral water trade, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Herbert, clerk wine & spirits merchant, 26, Caroline Maud, shop assistant drapers, aged 23, Thomas Ernest, bootmakers assistant, aged 20, Isa Mary, factory hand electrical, aged 18, Jane 13, visitors Emily Watson, married, aged 36, Cyril Doncaster Watson 10, and Norman Watson 3.

Thomas Anderson Millican died 4th quarter 1941, aged 83.

See 24th November 1917

Deaths

Garrigill, Redwing, 11th inst., aged 4 years, Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Matthew Bramwell.

In 1861, at Red Wing, Garrigill, Matthew Bramwell, farmer, aged 50, his wife Jane 51, children Robert, lead miner, aged 26, Ann house maid, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Matthew, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 12, and Robert 6.

See13th December 1870, & 24th May 1873.

In 1881, at Red Wing, Garrigill, Mathew Bramwell, farmer of 70 acres, aged 35, his wife Mary (Mason, married 9th September 1876, at St John, Garrigill) aged 24, mother Jane Bramwell, widow aged 70, children Sarah J. 4, Elizabeth A.1, Mathew H. 2 weeks, and nephew Robert Bramwell, labourer lead mine, aged 25.

In 1891, at Low Redwing, Mathew Bramwell, farmer, aged 44, his wife Mary 36, children Sarah J 14, Mathew 10, Frances 8, Maggy 5, Hannah 3, Lillie 2, and Thomas 4 months.
In 1901, at Redwing, Matthew Bramwell, farmer, aged 54, his wife Mary 45, children Matt Henry, lead miner, aged 20, Frances Mary 18, Lily 12, Thomas 10, Joseph 8, Jessie 6, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1911, at Redwing, Matthew Bramwell, farmer, aged 64, his wife Mary 55, children Lily 22, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 18, Jessie 16, and Lizzie 11. Matthew & Mary had 11 children, of which 2 died before the 1911 census.
Matthew Bramwell died 3rd quarter 1918, aged 71.
Garrigill 13th inst, aged 69, Tamar Slack, widow of John Slack.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate John Slack, lead miner aged 20, his wife Tamar, (Watson, married 17th October 1839, Garrigill) aged 20, and their daughter Mary 8 months.
John Slack died 1st quarter 1846, aged about 29.
In 1851, Tamar Slack, widow, annuitant, aged 35, daughter Mary Ann aged 10, and son Ralph aged 5. John Slack aged 7, is at Snappersgill, Garrigill, listed as a grandson: - John Watson, retired lead miner, aged 67, his wife Jane aged 60, sons, John, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner aged 20, Christopher age 17, and John Slack, grandson, aged 7.
In 1861, at Garrigill Gate Head, Tamar Slack, widow, aged 46, sons John, lead miner aged 17, and Ralph, lead miner aged 15.
In 1871, at High Crossgill, Garrigill, Tamar Slack, farmer of 245 acres, aged 56, her sons John, farmers son, aged 27, Ralph, farmers son, aged 25, and farm servant Mary Ann Holmes, aged 16.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Tamar Slack, lead miners widow, aged 66, and her unmarried son Ralph, retired farmer, aged 35.
See 4th November 1871, 18th August 1883, & 30th September 1893

4th January 1884 (Northern Echo)

THE TEESDALE LEAD MINES
THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY RECONSTITUTED.

Presiding at a holiday gathering at Middleton in Teesdale, Mr R. W. Bainbridge, widely known and esteemed as the chief agent of the old established London Lead Company in Teesdale, remarked that during the last six years the lead mining industries in the dale had been labouring under a heavy depression, owing to the low price of lead compared with what it was say 10 years ago when it was selling at £20 per ton; whereas recently the London Lead Company had disposed of a large quantity of lead at £12 10s. per ton. The mines had been worked at a loss during the last six years, which loss has been most keenly felt by the weaker shareholders, and consequently the industries during that time had been considerably curtailed. He was glad however, to say that negotiations) a Northern Echo report on the matter being quoted to the meeting) were now being carried on with a view to the reduction of the royalty dues, and which might tend to the further development of the mining industries in the dale; and the company being to a large extent re-formed; many of the smaller shareholders retiring; would enable the new company; composed principally of large capitalists; to carry on the enterprise in a more spirited manner. He only trusted that those who might succeed him in directing the affairs of the company

might emulate that kindly spirit which had always hitherto prevailed. (Cheers) Being in his seventy-eighth year, he must now think of retiring (having laboured amongst them for the last 40 years) so as to enable him, during the remainder of his life, to apply himself more devotedly to the nobler and higher purposes of life. (Cheers)

5th January 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

A Company has been found to take over the property and recommence the mining enterprise in Weardale. "The W.B. Lead Company Limited," was registered on the 24th ult., and its purpose is stated to be, "to acquire and work lead and other mines in Northumberland and Durham or elsewhere in the United Kingdom." The capital is fixed at £75,000 in 750 £400 shares and the first subscribers are :-

W. B. Beaumont, MP., J. C. Cain, mining engineer, Gateshead; J. M. Fothergill, agent, W. B. Lead office Newcastle; John Ridley, mining engineer, Allenheads; Joseph Coats, civil engineer, Allenheads; R. R. Dees, solicitor, Newcastle; and T. W. Thompson, solicitor, Newcastle.

12th January 1884 (Hexham Courant)

LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE

It is now certain that the London Lead Company is to be reconstituted and that new and additional capital will shortly be introduced into the concern. The affairs of the Company under the recent arrangements will also be under new and independent management. The mines have been worked at a considerable loss during the past six years, which have been keenly felt by the weaker shareholders as marketed lead has barely reached £12 10s per ton. The new Company will be composed principally of large capitalists and contemporaneously with the announcement comes the fact that application for a reduction in royalty dues on lead mining is in a fair way of being settled in the interests both of the lessor and lessees. The chief lessor of the Company's workings in Teesdale is the Duke of Cleveland, who for some time past has been considering the question.

19th January 1884 (Hexham Herald)

FALLOWFIELD

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On Thursday while a number of men were getting their "bait" in that part of the mine called the Dene, a considerable fall of stone took place by which a young man named Hugh Pattinson, Alma Cottages, Acomb, had his collar bone broken, and another man named Richard Mews, St Oswald's was seriously injured about the head and back. The stone fell without any warning, and Robert Mews, a son of the above had also a narrow escape, being almost covered with gravel. On the same morning in another part of the mines, Codlaw Dene, about half a mile distant a stone one and a half tons in weight fell within a foot of a man named William Moore, belonging to Acomb. His legs were injured by the gravel, which was brought down by the stone.

WEARDALE

The price of the Weardale Company's lead is £12 15s. The mines are rather dull, though lead is firmer.

25th January 1884 (Durham County Advertiser)

SUDDEN DEATH IN WEARDALE

On Thursday morning Mr John Coulthard, Laneside, near Wearhead,died suddenly. The deceased had been in his usual health, and at work at Burtree Pasture Lead Mine. Mr Coulthard was an "old standard" in the dale, and universally respected.

John Coulthard married Mary Peadon, 31st January 1807, at Stanhope.
Children of John and Mary Coulthard:
Thomas born 18th May 1807, baptised 7th May 1808, at Stanhope
John, born 22nd March 1809, baptised 6th October 1809, at Stanhope.
William born 8th October 1811, baptised 13th October 1811, at Stanhope
John Coulthard married Frances Coatsworth 28th March 1835, at Heathery Cleugh.
In 1841, at Haliwell House, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Frances 25, children, Frances 8, William 5, Mary 3, Margaret 11 months.
In 1851, at Hallywell House, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Frances 35, children, William, lead miner, aged 15, Mary 13, Margaret 10, John 7, Jane 5, Ann 3, and Phebe 1.
Frances Coulthard died 1st quarter 1858
In 1861, at Sedling, Heathercleugh, Stanhope,John Coulthard, widower, lead miner, aged 52, Children, John, lead miner, aged 17, Jane 15, Anney 13, Phebe 11, Sarah 9, and Joseph 3.
In 1871, at Lane Side, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, John Coulthard, widower, lead miner and farmer of 15 acres, aged 61, children, John, lead miner, aged 27, Ann 23, Phebe 21, Joseph 13, and grandson, Thomas Coulthard, aged 1.
In 1881, at Lane Side, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, John Coulthard, widower, lead miner, aged 71, son Joseph, limestone quarryman, aged 22, and grandson, Thomas Coulthard, aged 11.

26th January 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The annual report of Dr Pickworth (No. 2 district) was read. The births during the year had been 52, 25 females and 27 males. Deaths 38, 24 females and 14 males. The birth rate was 22 per 1000 and death rate 16 per 1000 per annum.

WEARDALE LEAD MINES

Price of lead £12 17s 6d, an advance of 2s 6d on previous week; they run from one eighth to one quarter premium. This company was only established six months ago, and during this period have raised over 1,100 tons of ore. Last week they sold their first parcel of lead (100 tons) which realised £12 10s per ton. Monthly sales will now take place, and from developments already made the company hopes to make a profit notwithstanding the low price of lead. Mining Journal 19th January.

Deaths
Red Wing Garrigill, 17th inst aged 72, Ann widow of Joseph Ward.
In 1881, at Red Wing, Garrigill, Ann Ward, widow, farmer of 61 acres, aged 69, unmarried daughter Martha, farmers daughter, aged 44, and unmarried son Thomas, farmers son, aged 28.
See 5th November 1879.

2nd February 1884 (Hexham Herald)
BLANCHLAND
DERWENT MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY LIMITED
The above mines have been almost idle during the last 18 months, with the exception of about 18 or 20 men engaged in driving drifts and washing up refuse ore. But on 1st December 1883, the mines, mineral, and material, or plant, together with the horses, houses, and all the props, &c., of the above company were bought and came into the possession of James Joicey Esq., of Gateshead, and up to Tuesday night, the above 20 men have been employed clearing the mine of rails, machinery, and everything of value, preparatory to laying the mines in for an indefinite period. … The engine whose stroke could have been heard at night for miles round, and which has been at work day and night for the last 25 years, and which wrought three sets of pumps, Taylors shaft, 1444 fathoms, the Presser, 110 fathoms, and also another set from the Sun veins, by means of spear rods over half a mile in length, is now lying idle.
Deaths
Sparty Lea Allendale, 6th ult., aged 65, Thomas Archer.
In 1841, at High Round Hill, Allendale, Joseph Archer, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Tamer (Roddam, married 11th October 1809) aged 50, children Joseph 25, Thomas 20, Robert 15, Bettsy 14, and Jane 11.
Joseph Archer died 1st quarter 1848.
In 1851, at Stobb, Allendale, Tamar Archer, widow, annuitant, aged 60, children, Joseph 36, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 33, Elizabeth aged 24, and Jane aged 22.
In 1861, at Stobb, Allendale, Tamar Archer, widow, proprietor of land, aged 70, son Thomas, farmer, aged 43, and daughter Elizabeth aged 34.
In 1871, at Low Stobb, Thomas Archer, landowner, aged 53, and general servant, Mary Farbridge (daughter of Thomas Farbridge, listed as widow agricultural labourer aged 45 in the 1851 census, Tamar Archer, was working as a domestic servant, for Thomas, she was the daughter of Joseph & Tamar Archer), aged 33.
In the last quarter of 1871, Thomas Archer married Mary Hewitson, of High Water House, Allendale, a dressmaker.
In 1881, at Sparty Lea, Thomas Archer, retired farmer, aged 63, his wife Mary aged 56.

9th February 1884 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENDALE TOWN SMELT MILL
We understand that 19 of the men employed at this mill have received notice that their services will no longer be required after the 22nd March. There are about 50 men employed at the mill at present.

WEARDALE

In the Mining Journal, James Blenkiron (manager for the Weardale Co.) reports under the date of 26th January.

Killhope: There is not any change to note in general appearance in Killhope Head vein and workings. In Old Moss, the East Level is being pushed forward by eight men; stope above looks very promising. Ore in top worth 3 tons to the fathom solid in some parts, and 10 to 12 in. wide. West End tributer's work is not yet cleared out; end standing, consequently pushing all we can. Having arranged for 8 men to cut out Whimsey Ring with labourers to assist.

Greenlaws: In Watson's drift, Middle level, the ends are a little more kindly, and slight improvement for ore. The Quarry level West is stopped for the present, and men set to rise to communicate with Lowe's drift 10 fathoms above; when this communication is made it will considerably improve ventilation, and open out a large area of stoping ground. Bowe's rise in Dent's level, the vein is kindly but narrow; ground compact and slow to work; will undoubtedly open some good stoping ground and ventilation drift.

Grove Rake: There is no change worth naming in this mine, we are pushing the ends or points in Middle drift to open the ground for stoping and ventilation; the various drifts are on the centre lode. We expect better ore to be found when stoping commences.

Burtree Pasture: In Donaldsons level the end is very hard, but a strong powerful vein; we have not got all the strength up from the North side yet. I trust soon to report a good mine at this point. The men have met with little ore in a new rise. I trust this will open out some payable ground. There is no other change. The air has been very bad in all the mines last week on account of unsettled and strong weather, and the men have not been able to work their full time.

Marriages

St John's Chapel, Weardale, James Sparke, jun., of Wearhead, eldest son of Wm. Sparke of Allenheads Corn Mill, to Miss H. Fleming of Level Gate.

Deaths

Nenthead, 31st ult., aged 71, John Atkinson.

William Armstrong married Nanny Pearson, 2nd September 1809, at Alston, William, (Bill) died 1819, buried 28th June 1819. In 1841, Nanny Atkinson, carrier aged 50, John lead miner aged 25, James lead miner aged 20, and Elizabeth Pearson aged 40. James Atkinson married Hannah Carr in June 1841 his wife died in October 1842, leaving a son, his mother Nanny died 3 weeks after his wife.

He married Jane Winskill 3rd quarter of 1845.

In 1851, at overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, lead ore washing foreman, aged 33, his wife Jane 27, children, William 9, John James 4, Alfred 1 month, and brother John, lead miner, aged 38.

In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, lead ore washing foreman, aged 43, his wife Jane 36, children John J. 14, Alfred 10, Hannah 8, Ralph W. 6, brother John Atkinson, cartman, aged 48, house servant Jane Coats, aged 16.

In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, lead ore washer & land owner, aged 53, his wife Jane 46, children John G. lead ore washer, aged 24, Hannah 18, Ralph W. lead ore washer, aged 16, Pearson 2, and brother John Atkinson, blacksmith labourer and landowner, aged 58

In 1881 at Overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, manager of lead ore washing, aged 63, his wife Jane 57, children John James, foreman of lead ore washing, aged 34, Hannah 28, Pearson 12, grandson John James Atkinson 2, unmarried brother John Atkinson, formerly lead miner, aged 68.
See 2nd September 1843, 4th November 1893, 15th December 1894, & 15th July 1905.
Clitheroe, 3rd inst., aged 1 year, Matthew Spottiswood.

16th February 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 12th inst. aged 41, Henry Wailes.
See 5th August 1876, 12th January 1878, 1st July 1882, & 6th December 1884.
At Fairhill, Nenthead, 13th inst. aged 79, Thomas Hutchinson.
See 23rd April 1870

16th February 1884 (Hexham Herald)
THE DERWENT LEAD MINES in West Durham, as intimated some time ago, have been closed, partly owing to the low price of lead and partly on account of the veins getting poorer in depth. These mines have been worked for many generations, and a large number of men employed. The late proprietors worked the mines 40 years. Some years ago, a number of Cornish miners were brought here, but all have now left, the works being entirely closed. The Royalties of the mines and the plant, materials &c., were purchased by the executors of J and E Joicey, who are also owners of an extensive estate in district. ... *Mining Journal*.

23rd February 1884 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Lead stands this week at £12 10s. It still continues very low, which makes lead mining very depressed. The following is a report by James Blenkiron, Esq., head agent to the Weardale Company. February 9th.
Killhope: The Trent level west continues extremely hard and consequently only slow progress is made. We expect to get to easier ground shortly. The Sills are rising. The Coal drift or stope, East has improved a little ore to save. The Firestone rise in plate above the Firestone, the vein appears to have hitched to the South. Two stopes in flats. Killhope Head: Milburn's Low, and Dalton's High flats have both improved for ore; worth 2 tons per fathom each. There is no change to note in any other part of Killhope Head vein or flats. Nine sets of workings are tribute in ground worth from 16 to 40 cwt of ore per fathom.
Old Moss vein: The East level end is looking more kindly still in plate, but vein shewing more mineral matrix and yielding ore to save. Stope over said level East from cross cut worth 3 tons of ore per fathom. West in Old Moss, Elliott's bouse now all cleared out, and four men commenced to drive main level or End west at 95s per fathom. Elliott's stope worth 2 tons per fathom. Five sets of tributer's at work in Old Moss, in ground worth 16 to 60 cwt per fathom; three of the above sets stoping in Old Moss. In the new Whimsey ring the men have cut through the central part of the ground and will now make rapid progress in blasting the outsides and roof, there is no other change in this mine.
Burtree Pasture: In Milburn's or 75-fathom level, there is no change to report. We have 10 sets of men stopping on tribute above the said level in Nattrass Gill

Hazle, and 4-fathom limestone; in ground worth from 20 to 30 cwt per fathom. Donaldson's or 103-fathom level East in Wetsone sill the vein is 5 feet wide, composed of flour-spar and quartz and extremely hard; part of the vein is still to the North, set at £10 per fathom and worth 16 cwt of ore per fathom. One set of tributer's above said level worth 30 cwt of ore per fathom.

Greenlaws: In Jackson's drift the top level is suspended on account of an intersection by a cross vein, which has thrown beds or sills down on the West sides about 4 fathoms. We have set men to drive in the South vein, which we think has not been fairly tried or proved. There is no change in Watson's drift in West or Middle level; the air is very bad. We have set four men to push forward the air course and we expect this to open out some payable stopping ground. Lowes drift East has considerably improved. The vein is 4 feet wide composed of kindly flour-spar and worth 16 cwt of ore per fathom. Fosters rise above the quarry level is looking more promising; the bottom is in Slatey Hazle, a strong spary vein, worth 12 cwt per fathom, and indications of improvement as we near the 5-yard limestone. We have 21 tribute pitches working in Greenlaws in ground worth from 16 to 35 cwt per fathom. Dent's level: Bowes rise near top of Scar limestone, we are just entering plate under the Slatey Hazle we have about 7 fathoms to rise yet to reach the Middle drift. Four partnerships are raising ore in tribute ground worth from 13 to 20 cwt per fathom.

Grove Rake: In the Middle drift, 8 fathoms above Rake level a communication has been made between Hill's and Robson's rises, which has ventilated this part of the ground, and laid it open for stoping. We have 5 partnerships stoping on tribute above Middle drift in ground worth from 12 to 20 cwt per fathom. The new stope above Rake level is considerably poorer, not worth more than 12 cwt per fathom, but we think it will soon open out again. We have commenced enlarging the Winne for £9 (4 firms) and let the contract to eight men to sink Kidd's sump at £16 per fathom, the company to pay for pumping water; and have set four strong youths to prove Firestone Sills.

Mining Journal.

1st March 1884 (Hexham Herald)

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

The directors of the Weardale Lead Company are now in Weardale visiting their works. The Company has just acquired the property of the Northern Lead Company (in liquidation) at Stotsfield Burn, Rookhope, and by arrangement with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners the Weardale Lead Company have undertaken to pay the wages due to the miners and workmen of the Northern Lead Company.

ALSTON

In Alston the only mines working at all briskly, with the exception perhaps of some small ventures, are Nenthead and Cashwell, and at Nenthead Spelter rather than lead ore is depended upon for the mine being profitable.

1st March 1884 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

ALSTON. —St Augustine's Church: A meeting of gentlemen interested in the completion of this church was held in the Town Hall, on Friday afternoon, under the presidency of the vicar, the Rev. F. L. Bowman, to consider what steps were to be taken to complete the building by the erection of a tower or a spire. It was stated that towards the object to be attained there was about £300 in hand, and

it was roughly estimated that tower might cost £1,000, or a spire £2,000. The Chairman considered there was no probability of raising the latter sum. and favoured the erection of a tower, which, he thought, might be proceeded with during the present summer, himself and the churchwardens giving security for the amount still required. Mr. Crawhall-Wilson proposed that the work be deferred for few years, by which time perhaps the trade of the district might have sufficiently revived to enable them to raise the larger sum and erect a spire. This proposal was not seconded, and it was decided to take steps to carry out the vicar's suggestion.

Commercial Depression: Never in living memory, and probably never since lead mining commenced, has the stagnation in that branch of industry been so great at present, both in Alston Moor and in the upper dales of the Allen and the Tees. In Alston, the only mines working at all briskly—with the exception, perhaps, of some small ventures—are Nenthead and Cashwell, and at Nenthead, Spelter, rather than lead ore, is depended on for the mine being profitable. As a consequence, employment in this district is very difficult to obtain. A number of hands from Alston have lately been employed the Coanwood Collieries, and also the Lambley and Midgholme Collieries of Messrs. Thompson. Coanwood, however, has lately been affected the Lock-out at the ironworks in West Cumberland, so that their coke deliveries not leach half their normal quantities, and though the pit is being pretty regularly worked, most of the coals are banked, and the coke hands are not employed more than half time. At Midgholme, owing to an accident to the pumping engine, little work has been done for three weeks, and most of the hands are idle. To make matters worse, on Thursday a quantity of water was tapped in Colliery, and the pit is now rapidly filling, so that work is discontinued. It is hoped the inflow may shortly slacken and admit of the water being pumped out and work recommenced.

5th March 1884 (Northern Echo)

THE WEARDALE MINES

Our Weardale correspondent writes that the visit of the directors has been watched with keenest interest by the inhabitants of the dale. The company have purchased the Stotsfield Burn Company's mine in Rookhope, adjacent to the royalty of Grove Rake Mine already in their possession. The above company having become insolvent, and unable to disburse the miners then in their employ their earnings, orders have been issued for the latter to send in their claims to the Rookhope offices of the Weardale Company. The directors, accompanied by Mr Blenkiron and Captain Trelease have overhauled the various mines, plant, workshops &c. When at Killhope Mine, Mr Batters addressed the workmen, lamenting the present state of the lead trade. The workmen were intimate with the difficulties they had to contend with, and he, as well as his brother directors, hailed the harmonious and reciprocal feeling manifested by the Weardale men under the present depression with satisfaction, and trusted to see the time when circumstances would allow them to be able to better remunerate their employees. During his forty years' experience he had never seen trade at such a low ebb. Let them work together, and do their best to tide over the present crisis. Several practical suggestions as to future development have been noted, and will be considered by the Board of Directors in London.

8th March 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Lead Company directors have devoted the past week to an inspection of their extensive group of mines at Stanhope, and are still pursuing their investigations. The distress in the valley has been greatly ameliorated by the amount of labour employed already employed, amounting in the aggregate to upwards of 570 men, which means the support of a population of about 3,000 souls. As this extensive property is developed, more will of necessity be employed. A movement in this direction has to be recorded in the fact that this enterprising company has purchased the plant and mines, late of the property of the Northern Lead Company (Limited) in liquidation and paid the miner's wages, which have been long outstanding, and intend commencing operations at one portion of the mines, where water power is available, and where good ore is known to exist. In the driving in Dent's Level, at Greenlaws mine, which is the important pioneer level, the lode has improved to two and a half tons per fathom and easy ground. At Burtree Pasture mine, in the deepest level, a change has taken place in the lode which was left by Mr Beaumont poor and in twitch, and it is now easier for driving, having a leader of 2 feet of spar and producing good lead.

15th March 1884 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

Prime examples of lead ore have lately been raised from Craig Green Mine, some three miles from Alston, and it is understood that prospects at this mine are very encouraging.

Deaths

At Hill Top, Nenthead, 7th inst., aged 57, Joseph Erwine.

In 1871, at Burn Foot, Nenthead, Joseph Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 42, his wife Margaret 42, children John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert, lead ore smelter, aged 14, Margaret A. 11, George E. 9, Joseph W. 5, and Polly 1. In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Joseph Erwine, lead ore smelter, not able to work, aged 53, his wife Margaret 52, children John engineman, aged 26, Robert lead ore smelter, aged 24, Margaret 21, George lead miner, aged 18, Joseph W. lead ore washer 15, Polly Erwine 11.

In 1891, the family are at Birkett Field, Threlkeld, near Keswick, Margaret Erwine, widow aged 64, children, Margaret A. aged 31, George, labourer at lead mine, aged 29, Joseph W. labourer at lead mine, aged 24, Polly, dressmaker, aged 21, married son Robert, labourer at lead mine, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth aged 26, and their daughter Alice aged 5 years.

At Fawside House Allenheads, 6th inst, aged 33 Robert Heslop, storekeeper, W. B. Lead mines.

In 1871, at Rose Hill, Allendale, Thomas Heslop, lead ore miner, aged 52, his wife Mary 46, children Robert lead ore miner, aged 20, John S. lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Sarah 10, William E. 8, Mary H. 6, and Elizabeth 2. In 1881, at High Dirtpot Shield, Thomas Heslop, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Mary 56, children John S. barytes miner, aged 26, Thomas, surface labourer, lead mines, unemployed, aged 24, Sarah 20, William P. , surface labourer, lead mines, aged 18, and Elizabeth 12.

Thomas Heslop died 1st quarter 1887, aged 67.

In 1881, at Fawside House Allendale, Robert Heslop, storekeeper, aged 30, his wife Mary Anne (Curry, married 1879) aged 30.
In 1891, at Thornley Leazes, Allendale, Mary Curry, widow, aged 68, daughter, Mary A. Heslop, widow, aged 41, grandson Matthew Lee, age 10, granddaughter Winifred M. Lee aged 4, and granddaughter Gladys E. Lee.
At Alston, 9th inst, aged 71, Margaret Haldon.
See 26th October 1872, 30th January 1875, & 18th December 1875.

22nd March 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Townend, Alston, 16th Frederick son of Mr Thomas Spark. *(born 1884)*
At Physic Hall, Alston, 18th inst. aged 77, Elizabeth Cousin.
See 20th October 1877

22nd March 1884 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
KESWICK
LEAD MINING: A vein of lead, about 18 inches thick, was reached at a depth of about 20 fathoms, at the Barrow side mine, on Monday. There was great rejoicing at the event, as the mine is likely to open out a lucrative industry in the district of Keswick, Braithwaite, Thornthwaite, and Newlands.

29th March 1884 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
Walter Spence Norman Jefferies, Esq., MD., CM., of Barton on Trent, has been appointed and accepted the post of medical officer to the Nenthead and Garrigill Miners Union.

FATAL ACCIDENT
A sad accident, attended by fatal results, happened to a young man named Thomas Rutherford, aged 20 years, belonging to Dykeheads, on Thursday morning about 10 o'clock. The young man named was employed as a driver at Longcleugh lead mine, Nenthead, and had charge of a horse to which was attached four wagons. He had loaded the wagons where three men were working in the mine, and was on his way out sitting, as usual, on the fore part of the first wagon, when by some reason unknown, the wagon had left the rails and overturned, falling on the deceased young man's head, and in this position he was found by a miner named Richard Hetherington, who at once got assistance and had the wagons removed, but before this could be done life was extinct.

THE GREEN HURTH MINING COMPANY
The annual meeting of the shareholders of this company were held on Tuesday afternoon at the office, Westgate Road, Newcastle. Mr J C Swan presided. The balance sheet and reports were adopted. The chairman said that during the past year they had been able, not only to maintain their dividends, but also to somewhat improve their financial position and to carry over a larger balance than they did in the previous year. They had during the year raised, speaking roughly, 100 tons of lead more than in the previous year. The cost of raising the lead had been £890 less; and in fact, they had made a considerable reduction in the cost of production per ton. They had opened No 1 vein, which promised to be very rich; and they had also begun to open out a drift near the old workings. In reply to a question the chairman said that at the end of 1882

£406 11s 6d was carried forward, which balance of profit of £5,669 18s. Their capital was only £1,920, and for certain repairs and renewals and improvements they had had drawn upon the revenue. They had divided £4,800 in dividends during the year. Effects were being made to obtain a reduction in royalty; and taking into consideration the terms of the concession, he had hopes of succeeding. Messrs T Sheldon, T B Barker and Lieut. Colonel Monks were re-elected directors. It was resolved that in future the directors should each be paid 290 guineas per annum for their services. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

Deaths

At Physic Hall, Alston, 21st inst. aged 40 Frances the beloved wife of John Kirsopp, surface man.

In 1871, at Clay Hall, John Kirsop, road surfaceman, aged 33, wife Frances aged 27, and son John Wm. 2. In 1881, at 11 Physic Hall, Bank Foot, John Kirsopp, road surface labourer, aged 42, wife Frances 37, children John William 12, Annie 9, and Phillis Hannah 6. In 1891, at Physic Hall, John Kirsopp, widow, road surveyor, aged 51, John W. road surfaceman, aged 22, Annie 19, Phillis H. schoolteacher, aged 16, and Emily 9.

John Kirsopp died 3rd quarter 1895, aged 55.

5th April 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

INQUEST

Mr J B Lee deputy coroner, held an inquest at Nenthead on Saturday last, on the body of Thomas Rutherford, a driver in the Longcleugh Mine, who was killed as reported in our columns last week. From the evidence it appeared that one of the wagons of a set of four laden with lead ore which deceased was driving, had got off the rails and in attempting to replace it the wagon had overturned upon the deceased, crushing his head and breast. The jury, of which the Rev C Berry was foreman, returned a verdict of "Accidental death." Mr Allinson inspector of mines was present at the inquiry.

George Rutherford married Rachael Edgar 4th January 1815, at Alston, Rachael died in 1836, her burial is recorded at Alston as 2nd August 1836, aged 43.

In 1841, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane (Vickers, married 25th November 1837) aged 40, Elizabeth 20, William 20, George 18 (The census of 1851 shows George married to Ann with 3 children), Ann 16, Jane 14, Isaac 12 (Isaac died at Williamsburg, Franklin Co., North America, 14th January 1880, aged 50; see 14th February 1880), Thomas 10, Jonathan 8, Joseph 4, and Hannah 2 years.

In 1851, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, George Rutherford, lead miner washer, aged 60, children Jane aged 50, Isaac, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 12, James 9, step daughter Jane Vickers 27, and step son Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 20.

George Rutherford died 2nd quarter of 1857

In 1861, at Bloomsbury Hall, Nenthead, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Jane aged 37, son Jonathan 4, sister Hannah Rutherford, general servant, aged 22, brother James Rutherford, lead miner aged 19. In 1871, at Bloomsbury, William Rutherford, lead miner aged 52, his wife Jane aged 47, and son Jonathan aged 14. Jane Died 1st March 1876; see 11th March 1876.

In 1881, at Bloomsbury, William Rutherford, lead ore mining foreman, aged 62, son Jonathan, joiner, and local Methodist preacher, aged 24, and daughter (sister?) Hannah, housekeeper, aged 42.
William died 12th February 1891, aged 72

Jonathan Rutherford married Jane Hill 4th quarter of 1882, Jane died the first quarter of 1889.
In 1891, at Bloomsbury, Nenthead, Jonathan Rutherford, widow, joiner, and local preacher, aged 36, children William 8, Elizabeth 6, Jane 5, Florence 4, John J. 2, servant Hannah Vickers, house keeper domestic, aged 41, and servant Liddia Teasdale, nurse, aged 17.
Jonathan Rutherford Elizabeth Stephenson 7th May 1891. See 9th May 1891.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, Jonathan Rutherford, builder, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 36, children William, joiner, carpenter, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, Jane 15, Florence 14, John 12, Mary 5, and Jefferson 5 months. In 1911, at Nenthead, Jonathan Rutherford, joiner, builder, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth Rutherford 44, children Jane 24, John James, joiner, builder, aged 22, Mary 15, and Annie 6.
Jonathan Rutherford died 4th quarter 1916, aged 60.

James Rutherford married Dinah Armstrong 2nd quarter of 1867, in 1871, at Wellgill, Nenthead, James Rutherford, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Dinah 27, and daughter Jane aged 1 year. In 1881, at Brownley Hill, Nenthead, James Rutherford, lead ore washer, aged 39, his wife Dinah 37, children Jane 11, Geo. Wm. 8, Annie 6, Dinah 4, and Hannah 1 year. James wife Dinah died 5th November 1882. See 11th November 1882.In 1891, at Newbrough, James Rutherford, widow, lead ore dresser, aged 48, children Jane 21, George W. lead ore washer, aged 18, Dina 14, Hannah 11, and granddaughter Lucy Rutherford 7 months. In 1901, at Acomb, James Rutherford, barytes and lead ore dresser, aged 58, his wife Hannah (Vickers, married August 1891, see 29th August 1891) aged 51, children Jane 31, George W., barytes and lead ore dresser, aged 28, Lucy 10, and Ernest 2.
James Rutherford died 3rd quarter 1907, aged 65.
In 1911, at Hotel Terrace, Acomb, Hannah Rutherford, widow, aged 61, stepchildren Jane 40, George William, fireman stationary engine, aged 38, and Ernest 12.
In 1861, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Rutherford, widow, lead miner, aged 30, children Robert 9, Rachel 4, Joseph 3, and Isaac 2. (First wife Dinah? A Dinah Rutherford died at Alston, 4th quarter of 1860)
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Thomas Rutherford, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah (Armstrong, married at Nenthead 23rd March 1862) aged 35, children Robert, miner, aged 19, Rachel 14, Joseph, labourer, aged 12, John 8, Thomas 7, and Elizabeth 3 years (died aged 20, 22nd March 1888).
Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1880, aged 44.
Thomas died 22nd July 1875, aged 44, and his wife Hannah died in the 3rd quarter of 1880. See 31st July 1875.
Rachael married Watson Wallace (son of John Wallace lead miner & Ann Watson, married 20th March 1828) in the 1st quarter of 1878, this was his second marriage his first being to Hannah Greenwell, in 1871, Hannah died 23rd July 1874, aged 32. The census of 1881 gives, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Watson Wallace, blacksmith, aged 37, his wife Rachael 24,

children Sarah 11, Joe 8, Thomas 3, William 1, and mother Ann Wallace, widow, annuitant, aged 76.
See 25th July 1874, 24th October 1874, and 29th July 1882
Joseph Rutherford Married Sarah Jane Armstrong of Dykeheads 11th October 1878. The 1891 census shows them living at Dykeheads, Joseph Rutherford, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Sarah J. aged 31, children, Dinah 12, John 10, Ethel 8, Thomas A. 5 and Alfred 3 years.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Robert Rutherford, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Hannah 29, children Thos. Will. 2 years, Dinah 7 months, brothers John, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas lead ore washer, aged 17, sisters Elizabeth 13, Mary Ann 9, and Harriet 6.
In 1891 both Mary Ann and Harriet were living and working at St John's, Stanhope, Harriet aged 16, working as a general servant for Joseph Dalton, widow, lead miner and farmer, aged 39, and his family 5 children. Mary Ann, aged 19, was a general servant, domestic for Jessie Dalton, lead miner & farmer, aged 48 and his wife Susannah aged 47 and their 6 children.
I have found no records for Robert and Hannah Rutherford or their family, after 1881, did they emigrate?
In 1891, at Dykeheads, John Rutherford, lead miner aged 28; his wife Dorothy Ann (Smith, married1883) aged 26, and sons, Thomas 7 and Charles 4 years.
See 26th October 1878 & 13th September 1890.
See 31st March 1888
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Ann 29, children, William 9, Rachael 7, and Elizabeth 3.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann 39, children William, lead miner, aged 19, Rachel, house servant, aged 17, Betsy 13, Ann 9, David 7, George 4 years.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, George Rutherford, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 49, children William, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth 23, George 12, Jane 9, Frances 5, Dinah 2, and grandson George Wm Rutherford 2 months.
George Rutherford died 1st quarter 1881, aged 60.
William Rutherford married Mary Ann Smith in 1882, see 15th July 1882.
In 1891 at Dykeheads, William Rutherford, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary A. aged 34, and son George W. aged 5 months. See 2nd December 1837, 21st February 1891, 9th May 1891, and 29th August 1891.

12th April 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, 7th inst., Henry S. Bright, of Hudgill Rigg to Jane Jackson of High Annet Walls.
In 1841, at Spring House, John Bright, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella (Barron, married 6th January 1824, Alston) aged 58, children William 21, John 17, Hannah 15, Sarah 12, and Smith B10.
In 1851, at Whitehall, John Bright, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Isabella 68, children William, lead miner, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged 27, Sarah 22, Smith, lead miner, aged 20, and Catherine 14.
John Bright died 4th quarter 1856.
In 1861, at High Dykeheads, Smith Bright, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Stephenson, married 2nd October 1852, Nenthead) aged 30, children John 8, Henry 4, Robert W 1.

In 1871, at Nenthall, Smith Bright, farmer & lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 40, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Henry S lead ore dresser, aged 14, Robert W 11, and Isabella 4.
In 1881, at Hudgill Rigg, Smith Bright, farmer of 100 acres, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, children John, coal miner, aged 28, Henry, coal miner, aged 25, Robert W. shepherd, aged 21, and Isabella 14.
Smith Bright, died 2nd quarter 1890, aged 59.
In 1891, at Hudgill Rigg, Hannah Bright, widow, farmer, aged 60, son John, farmer, aged 38, Robert W lead miner, aged 30, and daughter Isabel Armstrong, widow aged 24. In 1901, at Hudgill Rigg, Hannah Bright, widow, farmer, aged 70, son John, farmer, aged 49, and Robert W. farmer, aged 41.
In 1891, at Nenthall, Henry Stephenson Bright, farmer & lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 33, born Haltwhistle, children John Jos 6, Thomas Smith 4, Henry Stephenson 3, and Sarah Annie 1.
Henry Stephenson Bright died 1st quarter 1898, aged 41.
In 1901, at Nenthall, Jane Bright, widow, farmer, aged 43, children John J lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas S lead ore washer, aged 14, Henry S 13, Sarah A 11, Hannah J 9, William J 7, Robert E 5, and Henrietta M 2.
In 1911, at Foreshield, Alston, Jane Bright, widow, farmer, aged 53, children Sarah Annie, dressmaker, aged 21, Hannah Jane, dairy work, aged 19, William Jackson, farmers son, aged 17, Robert Edwin, labourer mines washing floor, aged 15, Henrietta Mary 12, and Sarah Jane Jackson, widow, aged 84.

12th April 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The quarterly bargain day of the lead company was held on Tuesday. It had been generally talked that the prices would be lowered, therefore when miners were offered bargains at 4s a bing less it was quietly accepted, having no alternative but to accept or leave. The average is said to be under 12s 6d per week.

Deaths

Alston, 4th inst., aged 64 Phoebe Dobson.
At 1 Bruntley Syke, Alston, Phoebe Dobson, widow, retired draper aged 61.
St Peter's Corn Mill, Allendale, 9th inst aged 71, James Philipson.
In 1881, at St Peter's, James Philipson, stone waller aged 68, his wife Jane aged 73.

19th April 1884 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston, Independent Chapel, 17th inst. Job Wilkinson to Jane Spottiswood, Blaygill, Alston.
In 1871, there are two Jane Spotswood's, Jane aged 12, daughter of Nicholas and Sarah, and Jane aged 10 daughter of James and Phoebe. In 1881, both girls were working as domestic servants in the Haltwhistle area. I believe it probable that the wife of Job Wilkinson was Jane Spottiswood born 1860 to James and Phoebe Spottiswood, also in 1883, James Spotswood and family were living at Blaygill.
In 1871, at High Skelgill, Alston, James Spottswood, lead miner & farmer of 7 acres, aged 44, his wife, Phoebe aged 43, children Jane 10, James 8, William 3, and Hugh 2. In 1861, at Low Green Dyke, Allendale, John Wilkinson,

farmer of 30 acres & lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Pears, married, 28th May 1853, Allendale) aged 31, children Robert 7, Jane 5, Job 5, Mary 1, and John 2 weeks.
In 1871, at Coanwood, John Wilkinson, widow, coal miner, aged 45, children Robert, coal miner, aged 17, Jane, house keeper, aged 15, Mary 11, Job 13, John 10, Elizabeth 7, and Margaret 4.
John Wilkinson died 2nd quarter 1879, aged 53.
In 1881, at Brownside, Alston, Robert Wilkinson, farmer of 23 acres, aged 27, brother Job, lead miner, aged 24, brother John, lead miner, aged 20, and sister Mary, house keeper, aged 21.
In 1891, at Chapel Terrace, Benwell, Job Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 33, his wife Jane 30, children John 6, James 4, Job 3, and Phoebe E 1.
Job Wilkinson died 1st quarter 1900, aged 43.
In 1901, at Scotswood, Newcastle, Jane Wilkinson, widow, aged 39, children John, coal miner, aged 16, James, coal miner, aged 14, Job, coal miner, aged 13, Phoebe 11, Albert 8, Robert 5, Hugh 3, and Mary J 1.
In 1911, at Delaval Street, Benwell, James Barton, coal miner, aged 34, born Gosforth, Northumberland, his wife Jane (Wilkinson, married 2nd quarter 1902) aged 46, step children Robert, Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 15, Hugh Wilkinson 13, Mary Jane Wilkinson 11, and son Thomas Barton 8.
See 18th August 1883, 20th January 1894.

Deaths

At Clitheroe, Alston, 13th inst., aged 58, Ann Spottiswood, wife of Hugh Spottiswood.
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, James Spotswood, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann (Litel, married 4th April 1818, at Alston) aged 54, children Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, James, lead miner, aged 15, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 12.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Hugh Spottswood, lead ore miner, aged 32; his wife Ann (born Durham) aged 24, children James 3, and Hugh 1 year.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Hugh Spotswood, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 34, children James, lead ore washer, aged 13, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 11, Mary A 7, John 4, and Leah 1.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Hugh Spotswood, leads miner, aged 52, his wife Ann 44, children James, lead miner, aged 23, Hugh, lead miner, aged 21, Mary A 17, John, apprentice to a carpet weaver, aged 14, Leah 11, Margaret 8, Miles 5, and Matthew 2 years.
In 1881, at No. 12 Clitheroe, Hugh Spottiswoode, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Ann 54 (born Durham, Hamsterly), and son Miles, coal miner, aged15.
See 1st December 1883, 3rd December 1887, 20th December 1884, & 23rd May 1908

At Lovelady Shield, Alston, 17th inst. aged 69, Rowland Walton.
In 1841, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Amy Walton 15, and Mary Walton 30.
Rowland Walton (son of Rowland & Nancy) married Martha Stephenson, 9th June 1842, at Alston.
In 1851, at Dykeheads, Rowland Walton, lead miner, farmer of 16 acres, aged 36, his wife Martha 28, children John 8, Ann 6, and Joseph 4.

In 1861, at Lovelady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Martha 38, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Ann, housemaid, aged 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, and Henry 10.
In 1871, at Lovelady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Martha 48, children Ann, servant, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Henry, joiner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Lovelady Shield, Roland Walton, farmer of 18 acres, aged 66, his wife Martha, aged 58, and widowed daughter, Ann Kindred (Ann had married Joseph Kindred the 4th quarter of 1871), general servant domestic, aged 36. Joseph Kindred son of Thomas, a farmer of 170 acres and Elizabeth Kindred died 11th December 1874. See 19th December 1874, and 29th April 1882.
At Nest, Alston, 19th inst. aged 5 months, Sarah Hannah, daughter of Friend Herdman.
See 8th July 1876.

19th April 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Pickworth (No. 2 district) said there had been 8 deaths and 12 births giving a death rate of 3.4 per thousand per quarter and a birth rate of 5.1.

WEARHEAD, WEARDALE

The Rev. William Bee a native of the Vale of Derwent, now of Manitoba, America preached in the primitive Methodist Chapel at the above place on Wednesday night. It is above 28 years since he left the district.

Deaths

Settlingstones mines, 5th inst., age 50, Ann the beloved wife of Joseph Ellison.
In 1871, at Allendale Town, Ann Cresswell, single, housekeeper, aged, 37, married brother James Cresswell, tailor, aged 23, brother Joseph Cresswell, lead ore washer, aged 21, son John Cresswell 10, son William Cresswell 10, visitor sister Isabella Ellison, miners wife, aged 43, visitor sister Jane Lowe, miners wife, aged 32, sister in law Elizabeth M Cresswell, tailors wife, aged 22, and nephew James Cresswell, aged 9 months. In 1871, at Studdon, Hannah Ellison, widow, aged 79, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 43.
In 1881, at West Shaft, Newbrough, Joseph Ellison, lead miner, aged 53, wife Annie (Cresswell, married 3rd quarter of 1873) aged 47, son in law William Cresswell, general labourer, aged 20, son in law John Cresswell, lead miner, aged 18, and mother Hannah Ellison, widow, aged 88.
In 1891, at West Shaft Cottages, Newbrough, William Creswell, 30, his wife Isabella 37, children Mary A 5, John J 3, Lily 1, boarder William Lee, barytes washer, aged 16, and father Joseph Ellison, widow, living on his own means, aged 65.
Hayrake, Swinhope, Allendale, 12th inst., aged 42, Paul Wilkinson.
In 1871, at Hay Rake, John Wilkinson, retired lead ore miner, aged 68, his wife Jane 64, son Paul lead ore miner, aged 29, daughter Jane 21, and grandson Cain Wilkinson aged 4. In 1881, at Hay Rake, Paul Wilkinson, iron stone miner, aged 39, his wife Mary Ann (Lee, married 1877) aged 31, nephew Cain Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 14, and daughter Mary Ann aged 1 year. In 1881, at West End, Allendale, Leah Lee, widow 61, son Matthew Lee, mining blacksmith, aged 26, Joseph P. Lee, lead ore washer out

of employment, aged 19, Thompson Lee, lead ore washer, aged 17, and granddaughter Leah J. Wilkinson aged 2 years.
In 1891, at Low Hay Rake, Mary A. Wilkinson, widow, farmer, aged 43, daughter Leah Jane aged 12, and son John T aged 9.
See 9th January 1875.

25th April 1884 (Hexham Courant)

BOLLIHOPE MINES

At Bollihope mines the property of the London Lead Company the employees have been ordered to remain their full number of days weekly, and are not allowed as hitherto to work a specific number of shifts as quick as they liked. The order has caused much dissatisfaction.

26th April 1884 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENHEADS
SAD CASE OF SUICIDE

An inquest was held on Tuesday last by Mr J. R. D. Lynn, coroner for South Northumberland, at the house of Mr Thomas Hunter Dawson, Allenheads, touching on the death of Joseph Williamson Dixon, who shot himself with a rifle on Saturday. The first witness examined was Stephen Dixon, who stated he was a joiner and resided at Newhouses, Allenheads. Witness lodged with the deceased and was a member of the Allenheads section of the Allendale rifle corps. He had his rifle and some ammunition for gun practice at his brothers house. Witness left home on Monday when deceased appeared in his usual way; he had been ill for some weeks but there was nothing unusual in his manner. He (witness) returned home at half past two o'clock on Saturday last and found that his brother was dead. The rifle and ammunition produced to the jury belonged to the deceased's stepson Thomas Millican Pearson, who was also a member of the Allendale Rifle Corps. The rifle was kept in the kitchen and the ammunition was kept upstairs in a draw in his room.
Elizabeth Dixon said she resided at Newhouses near to the deceased. On Saturday last, between twelve an one o'clock Mrs Dixon the deceased's wife came into her house, and told her she was much pleased that the deceased was so much better. She knew that the deceased had been ill for some time, and the time Mrs Dixon was talking to her Thomas Millican Pearson came and called his mother out, and from what he told her witness ran with Mrs Dixon into her house and found the deceased lying on the floor on his back. He was fully dressed except his boots, which were off. The rifle was lying on his arm at his side. The house was full of smoke, and there was a smell of powder; his head was lying in a pool of blood, and he was bleeding about the face and head; he was quite dead. Mrs Dixon had only been in her (witness's) house a few minutes before she was called out. She was of opinion that the deceased shot himself with the rifle she saw near him.
Thomas M. Pearson said that the deceased was his stepfather. He resided with him. He added, I am a member of the Allendale Rifle Corps, and keep my rifle in the house. I also had some ammunition in a draw upstairs. The rifle was kept in the kitchen. I was at home last Saturday I thought the deceased rather melancholy, but apparently in other respects just in his usual way. I had my dinner with the deceased and my mother and little sister in the house. I came out of the garden and went into the barn I heard the report of a gun, and shortly

afterwards my little sister came to me and asked what was the matter with Da-da. I went into the house and found the deceased lying on his back on the kitchen floor. There was smoke in the room and my rifle was lying at his side. I immediately ran to seek my mother and found her in Elizabeth Dixon's and we all ran back and found the deceased was dead. His head was lying in a pool of blood. I immediately ran for the doctor. I examined the rifle yesterday and found an empty cartridge in the breechblock, cartridge similar to the ammunition I had upstairs. I cleaned the rifle on Saturday last, and put nothing in the barrel. I am of opinion that the deceased and shot himself with my rifle and that he had discharged the gun with his toe. He was shot in the face. There had been no domestic unpleasantness or anything to annoy and distress the deceased to my knowledge.

Richard Bright said that about twenty five minutes past one o'clock on Saturday last he was called into the house of the deceased by the last witness. He found the deceased lying dead as discovered by the previous witness. He was present when the doctor examined the body of the deceased. There was a strong smell of powder about the face, and a wound by the side of the nose and a hole in the back of the head. He was of opinion that the deceased shot himself with the rifle, and that he had discharged the piece with his foot. There was nothing to lead him to suppose that any one else had shot the deceased. He had noticed that the deceased had become dull and melancholy during the past fortnight. A verdict was returned by the jury to the effect that the deceased had committed suicide while in a state of temporary insanity by shooting himself with a rifle.

In 1881, at 39 Newhouses, Joseph Dixon, lead ore miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 42, step son Thomas M. Pearson lead ore washer, aged 16, daughter Mary A. Dixon, aged 1 year, and brother Stephen Dixon, joiner, aged 47.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 21st inst. Mr Joseph Davidson, Blaygill, to Miss Elizabeth Richardson, Ashgill, Alston.

In 1891, at Blagill, Joseph Davidson, farmer, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Isabel 7, and Jonathan 5.

Joseph Davidson, died 3rd quarter 1893, aged 51.

In 1901, at Market Square, Alston, Elizabeth Davidson, widow, grocer & boarding house, aged 51, children Isabel 17, Jonathan 15, and boarder Henry B Dolland, clergyman Church of England, aged 41, born Islington.

3rd May 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

One of the richest beds of ironstone in Weardale has been found by Mr Joshua Turner, St John's Chapel, resident agent to the Weardale Iron Company, in a pasture belonging to Mr William Vickers of Westgate, situate in Middlehope. Mr Turner has just concluded boring operations, which show a vein of ore upwards of 100 feet thick, which has been tested to be first class quality.

In 1881, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, Weardale, Joshua turner, general clerk, born Gateshead, aged 34, his wife Mary (Harrison, married 7th July 1877, at Stanhope) aged 29, born Crawleyside, children Elizabeth A 2, and Lucy 7 months. In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Weardale, Joshua Turner, ironstone mining agent, aged 44, his wife Mary aged 37, children Elizabeth A. 12, John J. 8, and Maggie 6.

In 1901, at St John's Chapel, Weardale, Joshua Turner, Mine & Limestone quarry manager, aged 54, his wife Mary 49, children, Elizabeth 22, William H 8, and visitor Dorothy Watson aged 57.
In 1911, at 13 Osnourne Terrace, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne Mary Turner, widow, aged 59, children, Maggie 26, John J, Iron steel trade Clerk, aged 28, and William H, Insurance Clerk, aged 18.

In Loving Memory
of
JOSHUA TURNER
ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
BELOVED HUSBAND OF MARY TURNER
BORN DEC. 3RD 1846, DIED NOV. 8TH 1909
ALSO LUCY, THEIR DAUGHTER
BORN AUG. 25TH 1880, DIED AUG. 1ST 1883
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
MARY TURNER
BORN AUG. 31ST 1851, DIED SEP. 6TH 1935.

10th May 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Snoddy's Mill, Fountain County, Indiana, North America, 10th ult., aged 1 year, Jane Ann, daughter of Joseph & Isabella Brown, late of Allerwash, Fourstones.

17th May 1884 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
FOUNDERING OF A BOAT AT ALSTON
No small stir was created in our small town on Friday afternoon last by the news that three miners named William Hindmarsh, Joseph Cousin, and Robert Bowman had not returned from work. The three men named are employed by the Lords of the Admiralty, and work up the Nent Force Level, which is situated close to the Alston Woollen Mill. Unlike other miners in this district, they have to row a boat for some four miles before they can commence work. Their usual time for returning home is three o'clock, but as they had not put in an appearance by four o'clock their friends began to get anxious for their safety. News was soon spread over the town and as time wore on the inhabitants began to get interested, and a great many made their way to the outlet of the level, and much speculation was indulged in respecting the non appearance of the men. At last, about six o'clock, the reserve boat was launched and manned

by a crew from the Woollen Mill, and preceded in search of the missing workmen. After having been about five hours, it returned with the objects of the search on board, at which time the crowd at the outlet must have numbered several hundreds, every person being glad that no accident had happened. It appears that the boat which the workmen used in the morning had sunk, and thus cut off their only means of exit, they having to conduct themselves as best they could until rescued. (*The rescuers were each given a reward of 5s from Greenwich Hospital*)

Deaths

At Bankfoot Nenthead, 3rd inst., aged 21, Frances Elizabeth Thompson daughter of Thomas Thompson deceased.

In 1861, at Nenthead, Thomas Thompson, lead ore miner, aged 31, and his wife Ann (Nicholson, married 1861, daughter of Robert and Frances [Stephenson, married 4th March 1841, at Alston], Robert a lead miner) aged 18.

In 1871, at Nentsbury, Nenthead, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann aged 28, children Francis Elizabeth 8, Mary Jane 7, Anne 4, and Thomas Nicholson 3 years.

In 1881, at West Nenthead, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann 39, children Frances 18, Thomas N. 13, Robert W. 6, born Middleton (died Alston 1882), Harriet 4, born Middleton, and John J. 8 months. Mary Jane was working as a domestic servant for the Walton family, living at 92 Bishopgate, London, the connection being Henry Walton, aged 52, Carpet manufacturer, born Middleton in Teasdale, and his Wife Sarah born Nenthead, aged 47.

Thomas Thompson aged 52, and his wife Ann aged 39, both died in 1881.

In 1891, John Joseph Thompson was a pupil, at Northern Counties Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, in Jesmond, Newcastle. In 1901 John Joseph, is a boarder at 45 Albert Street, Middlesbrough, working as a french polisher.

In 1891, Thomas Nicholson Thompson was a boarder with the Percival family at Dykelands, Nenthead, working as a lead ore washer.

See 18th February 1888

17th May 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

From the weekly report of the managers it appears the various mines at work are giving promising indications and results. A valuable lode has been cut in Bolt's Burn mine.

24th May 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Since the "New Company" commenced operations at Nenthead many and varied have been the changes made by them. What has not been done for the past half century will come to pass in a few days, that is the letting by contract all drawing, cartage &c., belonging to the mines, proposals for the same being received at Nenthead office on the 24th inst. Blacksmiths and woodmen have also had to submit to a reduction in wages recently. Miners report that no new trials are being preceded with inside, and the places where ore is being raised are besieged by as many men as can conveniently get elbowroom. If the lead

market does not improve there is every probability of there being still “harder times” in our dale.

24th May 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Alston, 22nd inst., Mr Chris Armstrong, Holmefoots, Nenthead, to Miss Francis Richardson, Wellgill Cottages, Nenthead.
See 19th May 1883
Deaths
At Bank Top, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 80, Hannah Archer.
In 1881, at Bank Head, Nenthead, Hannah Archer, widow, annuitant, aged 71, and Hannah Erwin, general servant, domestic, aged 14.
See 29th September 1863, 8 March 1865, 7th January 1868, and 24th February 1900.

31st May 1884 (Hexham Herald)
FALLOWFIELD
In consequence of the slackness of trade the management has decided to reduce the number of hands employed at these mines and notice has been given to nine engaged in the workings and to four on the bank making a total of 13 men and boys who will be thrown out of employment.

3rd June 1884 (Penrith Observer)
BOY DROWNED NEAR NENTHEAD.
On Thursday last a boy named Stephen Madgin, of Nenthead, was drowned in the river Tyne. At about four o'clock deceased and two of his brothers, aged 14 and 10 respectively, went to the river to bathe. Deceased took off his clothes while the other boys left him and went down the river. On their return shortly afterwards they found their brother lying in a pool of water about six feet deep, and quite dead and naked. No blame was attached to anyone. An inquest was held on Saturday morning last, when a verdict of accidentally drowned was returned.
Robson Magen baptised 23rd January 1831, son of Leonard and Hannah Madgen married Phillis Hall?
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Phillis aged 23, children, Leonard 4, and William 2. In 1871, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Phillis aged 33, children, William 12, Hannah 9, Stephen 6, Joseph 3, and Robson 1.
In 1881, at Wardway Cottage, West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres, aged 50, his wife Phillis 43, children, William 22, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 19, Stephen, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Robson 11, Jane 9, Thomas 7, Annie 5, and Phillis 3.
In 1891, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Phillis 53, children, Robson, Blacksmith 21, Thomas, general labourer, aged 17, Annie 15, and Phillis 12.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, Robson Madgen, retired lead miner, aged 70, his wife Phillis 63, children, Thomas, blacksmiths striker, aged 27, and Annie 25.
Robson Madgen died 3rd January 1904, at West Nenthead, aged 73 years
Phillis Madgen died 22nd August 1916 at West Nenthead, aged 79 years.

7th June 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

As a young man named John Walton, aged 19 years, son of Mr John Walton, White Hall, Nenthead, was preparing to wash on Thursday morning last, about nine o'clock he suddenly became ill and died in a few moments choked with blood. *See 14th June 1884*

ALLENDALE

LEAD PROSPECTS

A further instalment of men, to the number of sixteen employed at Allendale smelt mills have received notice to terminate their engagements, on the second of August. The prospects in this staple industry of the district, are, indeed, not reassuring.

7th June 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Thomas Dalton of High Allers who happened an accident some time ago in the employ of W. B. Beaumont Esq., a gift of £2 10s.

ALLENDALE

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

A lamentable accident occurred at Allen Smelt Mills on Wednesday last John Rutherford, who lives at The Throstle, near Studdon, and worked at the mill as a separator, had just stepped on to the top of one of the posts to trim his lamp which was standing there when he stepped backwards, evidently forgetting there was molten lead in the pot, and went into it. There was a depth of about two and a half feet of boiling lead in the pot at the time, but a ladle in it fortunately prevented his foot reaching the bottom. His foot and lower part of the leg were severely scalded and he was at once taken home in a cart where he was attended by Dr Arnison.

ALLEN SMELT MILL

We understand that there is to be a further reduction in staff at the mill, about a dozen smelters having received notice that their services will not be required after the lapse of two months. When these men have worked their notice, there will remain about 24 hands employed at the mills, at which about six years ago 100 men found employment and that more regular and lucrative than at the present time.

John Rutherford married Jane Graham, 4th quarter 1860, registered at Weardale.

In 1861, at West Blackdean, John Rutherford, lead miner, aged 20, and his wife Jane aged 18.

In 1871, at Whitestones, St John's, Stanhope, John Rutherford, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 28, children, Martha 7, Joseph 5, Elizabeth 3, and Anne 1 year.

In 1881, at West Studdon, Allendale, John Rutherford, separator of lead ore, and farmer of 8½ acres, aged 40, his wife Jane aged 38, children, Martha H, dressmaker, aged 17, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, Annie 11, Helena 8, Emily 6, Margaret 4, and Herman 3 (the last 3 children born in Allendale, all others in Stanhope).

John Rutherford died 3rd quarter 1884, aged 44, registered at Hexham. In 1891, at 6 Hardwick St, Gateshead, Jane Rutherford, widow, aged 48, children, Martha H, dressmaker aged 27, Joseph, clerk, aged 25, Annie, school teacher,

aged 21, Helena, dressmaker aged 18, Margaret 14, Herman 13, William 8, and Ethel 7.
Jane Rutherford died at Gateshead 2nd quarter 1910, aged 68.
See 12th July 1884

14th June 1884 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Whitehouse, Clargill, 6th inst. aged 20, Mary Jane daughter of Joseph and Ann Walton.
In 1861, at High Galligill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Ann (Fawcett, married 26th June 1856, at Nenthead) aged 23, children William Edward 3, Margaret Ann 1, and house servant, Esther Smith, aged 13.
In 1871, at Clargill, Joseph Walton, lead miner & farmer, aged 37, wife Ann 33, children William E. 13, Margaret A. 11, Elizabeth 9, Mary Jane 7, Joseph 5, and John 1. In 1881 at White House, Joseph Walton, farmer of 43 acres, age 47, wife Ann 43, children William E. labourer in lime works, aged 23, Margaret A. 21, Mary Jane, dress maker, aged 17, Joseph, labourer in lime works, aged 15, John 11, Rebecca 9, Thomas 5, Albert 3, and Herbert F. 1 year. In 1891, at White House, Joseph Walton, farmer, aged 57, his wife Ann 53, children William E, general labourer, aged 33, Joseph, general labourer, aged 25, Rebecca 19, Albert 13, and Herbert F. 11.
Joseph Walton died 1st quarter 1898, aged 64.
In 1901, at Tamworth Road, Elswick, Ann Walton, widow, aged 63, William E. Pavious cartman, aged 43, Thomas, grocers cartman, aged 25, Albert, electrical engineers, clerk, aged 23, and Herbert F. lead manufacturers clerk, aged 21.
At Alston, 8th inst. aged 38, Ann wife of Jeffrey Milburn.
In 1841, at Loat Burn, Joseph Milburn, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane 35, children Sarah 11, Joseph 9, Elizabeth 7, John 5, Jane 3, and Jeffrey 1.
Joseph Milburn died 2nd quarter 1845.
In 1851, at Leadgate, Jane Milburn, widow, washerwoman, aged 46, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, Jane 12, Jeffrey, lead miner, aged 10, Isaac 8, and Thomas 5.
In 1861, at Leadgate, Jane Milburn, lead miners widow, aged 55, children Elizabeth, milliner & dressmaker, aged 25, Jeffery, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 15, and granddaughter Sarah Jane Milburn 3.
In 1871, at Skelgill Toll Bar, Jane Milburn, widow, collector of toll bar, aged 65, and granddaughter Sarah J. aged 13.
In 1871, at Low Bailes, Jeffery Milburn, coal miner, aged 30, wife Ann, dressmaker, aged 25. In 1881, at Front Street, Jeffery Milburn, lead miner, out of employment, aged 40, wife Ann, dressmaker, aged 35, daughter Sarah Jane, dressmaker & milliner, aged 23.
In 1891, at Clarence Street, Newcastle, Jeffrey Milburn, Chapel Caretaker, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth aged 34, and domestic servant, Annie Archer, aged 16.
In 1901, at King Street, Newcastle, William J B Harris, caretaker, aged 49, born Colchester, his wife Sarah 41, born Newcastle, children Mary S 11, Sarah A 9, Beatrice G 4, mother in law, Mary Wallas, widow, aged 72, and boarder Jeffrey Milburn, married, office messenger, aged 60.
Jeffrey Milburn died 2nd quarter 1902, aged about 62.

In 1911, Elizabeth Milburn, widow, aged 53, is living at 89 Holly Avenue, Wallsend. See 21st August 1886
At Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 37, Elizabeth Tatters, Postmistress.
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 12th May 1877, 5th March 1887, & 20th August 1887.
At Christchurch, New Zealand, 4th April, Isabella, 2nd daughter of the late William Walton of Peasemeadows House, Allendale.
See 24th July 1875, 15th January 1881, and 3rd February 1883.

14th June 1884 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
White Hall, Nenthead, 5th inst, very suddenly aged 20 years, John Walton.
In 1861, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane aged 33, children Robert 7, Mary A 4, Hannah 3, and Margaret 9 months.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane 42, children Robert, lead miner, aged 17, Mary Ann 14, Margaret 10, John 7, and Henderson 2.
Henderson died 1st July 1875, and Mary Ann died 6th December 1879.
In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, John Walton, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Jane 52, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 17, niece Sarah Barron 14, and nephew John Barron 12. (children of Smith & Sarah Barron, widow, aged 25 in the 1871 census, Sarah died in the 2nd quarter of 1871)
In 1891, at White Hall, Nenthead, John Walton, lead ore washing master, aged 59, his wife Jane 62, son Robert, lead miner, aged 37, niece Sarah Barron 24, and granddaughter Mary Ann Barron 9 years. In 1901, at Whitehall, Nenthead, John Walton, miner labourer, aged 69, his wife Jane aged 72, and granddaughter Mary A. Barron, pupil teacher aged 19.
John Walton died 3rd quarter 1904, aged 73.
See 16th November 1866, 22nd January 1870, 3rd June 1871, & 7th June 1884.

21st June 1884 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
QUARTERLY BARGAINS
These bargains were let to the men on Friday last by J C Swan, Esq., of Newcastle. Rumours were afloat that number of the men's services would be dispensed with, but happily, all got a bargain of some sort. There being no change in the lead market the prices given were as usual.
WEARDALE
DEPARTURE OF A WEARDALE FARMER FOR QUEENSLAND. On Sunday night Mr Jacob Dent, with his wife and family left St John's Chapel, Weardale, on route for Queensland. He was accompanied to Stanhope by many friends from the dale.
In 1851, at East Black Dean, St John's Chapel, Frances Dent (husband Thomas Dent died 1846), widow, landed proprietor, children 37, Sarah 16, Thomas 12, Wm 8, and Jacob 6 years.
In 1861, the children were all living together at East Black Dean, Sarah, house keeper, and the 3 boys all lead miners, their mother Frances had died in 1860.

In 1881, at East Black Dean, St John's Chapel, Jacob Dent, lead ore dresser & farmer of 16 acres, aged 36, his wife Ann (Clarkson, married 1877) aged 22, and daughter Minnie R. aged 10 months.

27th June 1884 (Newcastle Courant)
IT IS STATED THAT THE DUKE OF CLEVELAND has agreed to waive the royalty dues for six months from his lead mines in Teesdale, which are leased to the London Lead Company. This temporary relief will enable the company to resume a portion of the prospecting operations some time ago abandoned, without which the continuous working of the mines for any lengthened period cannot be carried on.

28th June 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF MR AND MRS RUMNEY.

We regret to have to record the death of Mr Thomas Rumney (*aged 64 years*), Mr W. B. Beaumont's Weardale agent, which took place at Earn Well on Saturday (*21st*) last. ...
Mrs Jane Rumney died aged 57 on the following Wednesday (25th) after suffering a fit of apoplexy, they left 3 daughters, Anne L. born 1859, Elizabeth H. born 1863, and Mary J. born 1865.
The 1881 census gives, at Newhouse, St John's, Thomas Rumney, inspector of mines (lead), aged 61, his wife Jane 54, children Anne L. 22, Elizabeth H. 20, Mary J. 16, and daily governess, Annie Oliver, aged 30.
The girls all married in 1885, Anne Leah married John Waugh, Elizabeth Hannah married William Richardson and Mary Jane married John Thomas Carr.

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Thomas was born at Ireshope Burn and started his mining career as a washer boy, soon progressing to being a successful lead miner. He also became a

Wesleyan preacher. He was appointed as Inspector of mines about 1860. During the unrest and strikes he and the other Agents came under verbal attack this coming from fellow Wesleyans was too much for Thomas and he resigned his positions in the Wesleyan Church and turned to the Church of England, and attended the church at St John's Chapel.

1st July 1884 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

DERWENT LEADMINES AND SMELTING WORKS, IN THE PARISH OF HUNSTANWORTH, COUNTY OF DURHAM, AND NEAR BLANCHLAND.

RICHARD BENSON has received instructions from James Joicey, Esq., to SELL BY AUCTION, at the above Works, on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 10th and 11th days of July, 1884, the valuable FIXED and LOOSEPLANT, Pumping Engines, Boilers, Portable Engine, Water Wheels, 150 tons of Tram and Bridge Rails, ore Waggons, W. and C. I. Scrap, 2 Dunn's Patent Boring Machines, Sturgeon's Patent Air Compressor and Receiver, Schiele's Patent Fan, Blake's Patent Stone Crusher, Smelting Furnaces, and the whole of Machinery used in the Lead Smelting Business; Old Brass, Lead, and Copper; quantity of New Steel and Iron, New and Second-hand Stores, Chains, W. I. Rods, Pulleys, Timber, Carts, Conveyances, and all other Sundries.

Catalogues now ready, and may be had on application to the Auctioneer, 12, Horse-market, Darlington.

Sale at 12 o'clock each day.

5th July 1884 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Loaning Head, Garrigill, 27th ult. aged 49 Matthew Coats.

In 1851, at Seldom Seen, Garrigill, Matthew Coats, lead miner, aged 45, wife Elizabeth aged 44, children Joseph, leads miner, aged 20, Mary 17, Matthew, lead ore labourer, aged 15, Hannah 13, Thomas 8, Jane 6, and Elizabeth 2. In 1841, at Loaning Head, Thomas Vipond, leads miner, aged 45, wife Catharine 40, children Thomas, leads miner, aged 15, William, leads miner, aged 15, Joseph, leads miner, aged 11, and Catharine 4.

In 1851, at Tynehead, Mary Vipond, widow farmer of 700 acres, part of which is common land, aged 58, sons Joseph, labourer, age 30, Lenard, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, James, shepherd 12 and visitor Catherine Vipond 14. In 1851, at Lane Head, Catherine Vipond, widow, farmer of 14 acres, aged 53, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, and daughter Mary 18.

(Mary Vipond married James Slack, 4th quarter of 1859)

In 1861, at Loaning Head, James Slack, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary aged 28, mother in law, Catherine Vipond, widow, proprietor of houses, aged 63 niece Catherine Vipond 11, and niece Harriet Vipond 4.

In 1861, at Loaning Head, Matthew Coats, copper miner, aged 25, wife Catharine (Vipond, married 18th June 1857, at St John, Garrigill) aged 23, and son Shield Coats 3 years.

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Matthew Coates, leads miner, aged 35, his wife Catherine 33, children Shield, lead miner, aged 13, Martin 9, Matthew 5, and Thomas W. 11 months. In 1881, at Lane Head, Matthew Coates, lead miner, aged 45, wife Catherine 43 (Catherine died 4th quarter of 1886), children

Martin, lead miner, aged 19, Matthew, apprentice shoe maker, aged 15, Thomas W. 10, and Joseph V. 7 months.
The 1891 census showed Thomas W. Coats working as a coal miner, at Kitty Brewster, Cowpen.
In 1901, Grace Street, Byker, Thomas W Coates, storekeeper, aged 30, his wife Hannah 36, and brother Joseph V. joiner, aged 20
See 25th May 1889
At Tynehead, Alston, 25th ult. Peter Storey, infant son of Robert and Margaret Hopes. *Robert Hopes married Margaret Storey 2nd quarter of 1882 at Alston.*
At Blaygill, Alston, 2nd inst. aged 42, Mary wife of Joseph Walton, Hamilton Street, Newcastle.
In 1871, at Blagill, Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 33, wife Mary (Davidson, married 2nd quarter of 1862, at Alston) aged 29, children Jonathan 7, Nicholas 4, and Mary J. 1.
In 1881, at 86 & 84 Hamilton Street, Westgate, Newcastle, Joseph Walton, gardener, aged 43, wife Mary 39, children Nicholas 14, Mary Jane 11, and Anne 8.
In 1891, at Hamilton Street, Arthurs Hill, Newcastle, Joseph Walton, widow, gardener, aged 53, children Nicholas, draper, aged 24, Mary J. 21, and Annie, dressmaker, aged 18.
In 1911, at 228 Stanton Street, Elswick, Joseph Walton, gardener retired, aged 73, son Jonathan, married, draper aged 47, daughters Mary Jane, single, at home, aged 41, daughter Anne, single, draper, aged 38, and granddaughter Mary Doris Walton 13.
Joseph Walton died 3rd quarter 1911, aged 73.

5th July 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEST ALLENDALE
MELANCHOLY SUICIDE.

Yesterday (Friday) a man named John Proud, Mason, Black Cleugh, West Allendale, committed suicide by blowing his brains out with a gun. Deceased was about 50 years of age and had we understand been ailing for some time past. *John Proud Farmer & Stone Mason aged 56, he was found by his wife Jane, he had been receiving medical attention since September 1883, he had also recently been "dejected mentally".*

12th July 1884

ALLENDALE
INQUEST AT STUDDON

On Monday last Mr W. B. Elson, deputy coroner for South Northumberland held an inquest at the house of Mr Jos. Watson, Studdon Farm, Allendale touching the death of John Rutherford, who died on Saturday morning from burns accidentally whilst at work at Allendale Smelt Mills on the 4th June last. The following evidence was given:
Jane Rutherford deposed that she was a widow, and living at West Studdon. The body lying dead in her house and viewed by the jury was that of her husband John Rutherford, 44 years of age. He was a lead ore smelter and worked at Mr W. B. Beaumont's smelt mills near Allendale Town known as the Allen Smelt Mills. On Wednesday, the 4th June, he was brought home about six o'clock in the morning, suffering from severe burns on his right leg and foot.

He died on Saturday morning last in her presence. He was attended by Dr Arnison of Allendale Town. During his illness deceased told her that whilst he was at work in the above named smelt mills on the 4th ult., he had slipped his foot into a tempering pot filled with red hot lead. He did not find fault with anybody or anything as the cause of his slipping his foot into the tempering pot. He left the impression on her mind that it was a pure accident. Deceased died at half past eight o'clock on Saturday morning last. For three weeks before his death, deceased showed signs of lock jaw and was fed from a feeding cup. He had worked at the smelt mills for four years past or thereabouts.
John Shield stated that he was a lead ore smelter and lived at Catton. He knew and was well acquainted with the deceased. Deceased, witness and other workmen went to work in Mr Beaumont's smelt mills about 10 o'clock on the night of the 3rd ult. Deceased during his shift (which lasted for seven hours) had to work three crystallizing pots and one tempering pot. His lamp was hanging on a lamp stand, resting on his crystallizing pot No. 1. The tempering pot was between that and pot No. 2. His pot No. 3 lay beyond. Pot No. 1 was crystallizing, and the other two smaller pots were being got ready. Deceased was assisted by a mate named Henry Dixon. About 2 o'clock on the following (Wednesday) morning June 4th, he saw the deceased sitting on the pot edge with his back against the pots. He was close to the tempering pot. His attention was directed to the deceased by his calling "Oh! dear," twice. He went at once to him and found him shaking his right leg and foot, which was covered with molten lead. He took off Rutherford's clog and found that the leg and foot were much burnt. He did not notice him before that got to his lamp. After he got off the deceased's clog and stocking, the deceased said to him in the presence and hearing of John Nevin, Joseph Parker, and another, who were working in the mills at the same time. "This is a bad job lads; I don't know what I was thinking about." Deceased further said, "In stepping back I put my foot into the tempering pot." The tempering pot was full of molten lead at the time. The tempering pot was only a resting place for the separating ladle, in order to keep the ladle hot and free from lead. The heat of the tempering pot was a great deal hotter than that of the crystallizing pots. The deceased was a careful, steady workman. After the accident the deceased was carried into the barracks attached to the mills, where oils were applied to the deceased's leg by his fellow workmen. He saw the oils applied to the right leg and foot of the deceased. The foot was severely burnt and so was the leg up to about five inches from the knee joint. Deceased was afterwards conveyed to his home. Each set or pair of men attended to its own lamp. The men can place the lamp where they think proper. When he first saw deceased his ladle was in the tempering pot and the outer end was resting on the opposite wall.
A verdict was returned to the effect that deceased died on the 5th July from burns received on the 4th June by accidentally stepping into a pot of Molten lead whilst at work at Allen Smelt Mills. *See 7th June 1884*

Marriages

At the Primitive Chapel, Alston, 10th inst. Jacob Swindle, Garrigill to Miss Jane Craig, High Shield Hill, Garrigill.

In 1881, at High Lee House, Joseph Craig, farmer of 160 acres, aged 38, his wife Susannah 35, daughter Annie Mary 1, and sister Jane Craig 24.
Jacob Swindle died 4th July 1890, aged 32.

In 1891, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Jane Swindle, widow, retired farmer, aged 34, sons George 5, Isaac Craig 4, and Vipond 3. In 1901, at Low Lee House, Jane Swindle, widow, farmer, aged 45, sons George, farmers son, aged 15, Isaac C 14, and Vipond 13.
See 17th November 1866 & 12th July 1890.

Deaths

At Alston, 9th inst. aged 65, Janet Bell, widow.

In 1861, at Main Street, Thomas Bell, grocer, aged 44, wife Janet (Mcadam, married 2nd quarter of 1858, at Alston, Janet was the sister of Robert McAdam) aged 44, born Scotland, and son Thomas 13.
In 1871, at Main Street, Thomas Bell, grocer, aged 44, his wife Janet Bell, aged 44, son Thomas 13. In 1881, at Front Street, Janet Bell, widow, grocer, aged 62. See 8th December 1854.

15th July 1884 (Northern Echo)

MAN KILLED IN WEARDALE

A Cartman named Matthew Robson, in the employ of Mr John Watson, Earnwell, Weardale, and residing at the latter place, was killed near Grove Rake Mine, Rookhope, yesterday, while unloading wood, being struck with a log as it came off the waggon. The deceased leaves a wife and three children. He was a native of Allendale. *Aged 36*

Matthew Robson married Barbara Ann Lowery, 4th quarter of 1877.
In 1881, at Bridge End, Allendale, Matthew Robson, Cartman, aged 32, his wife Barbara, aged 32, children Thomasine 3, and John 1.
In 1891, at Stanhope Workhouse, Barbra Robson, widow, aged 41, Thomasine Robson aged 13, John Robson aged 11, and Joseph W Robson aged 8.
Barbara Robson, died 3rd quarter 1892, at Weardale, aged 41.

18th July 1884 (Durham County Advertiser)

GREAT FLOOD IN THE WEAR. —On Thursday evening a tremendous heavy rain fell at Stanhope, Wolsingham, and Weardale, causing streams of Water to run in all directions, the result of which was a very sudden rising of the Wear to an alarming flood height. Rain commenced at about three o'clock, and at six the Wear began to rise, whilst at eight there was a considerable flood, and about a dozen barrels, a harrow, several planks, tenoned timber, and other wreckage were carried down the stream in a very short time, showing the ravages of the flood. Stanhope Burn presented a raging torrent, which rushed right through the Stanhope Burn Lead Smelting Mills belonging to the London Lead Company, putting out the fires, drowning the pots, one of which was said to be five feet in water. A boarded road over the stream appears to have given away, and a huge iron melting pot had fallen into the stream, diverting its course through the mill, where considerable damage has consequently been done. The stream running through the pothouse is reported by the millmen to have been four feet deep. Some sheep are said to have been washed down the burn. Other tributaries were flooded, and a great amount of damage has been done over a considerable area in the Wear Valley. Some timber was carried away from Eastgate, where a new stone bridge is building at Hag Ford, over the Wear. A quantity of barrels, planks, and other wreckage was carried down Stanhope Burn to the Wear.

19th July 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The "Jiggers" at Nenthead were set a going at two o'clock on Monday morning last, and have been in constant motion ever since. The reason assigned for this unusual occurrence is that the long drought of the past interfered with the water supply, and laid off the washing machinery for several days. Water being now plentiful it has been determined to keep pace with the men and have all washed up, to meet any emergency in the future.

19th July 1884 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Allenheads Corn Mill, 13th inst aged 63, William Sparke, *miller & farmer*.
The Loaning, Alston, 12th inst., aged 72, Hannah daughter of the late Thomas Dickinson of Spency Croft.
In 1841, at Spency Croft, Thomas Dickinson, mining agent, aged 60, wife Sarah 57, and daughter Hannah 29.
Thomas Dickinson died 2nd January 1845.
In 1851, at Loaning Sarah Dickinson, widow, annuitant, aged 66, daughters Hannah, proprietor of houses, aged 39, Mary, teacher of a day school, aged 21, sister in law Elizabeth Norris, widow, annuitant, aged 67, and general servant Sarah Kirsopp aged 18.
In 1861, at Loaning, Sarah Dickinson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 76, daughters Hannah, proprietor of railway shares, aged 49, Mary S, teacher of private day school, aged 31, and domestic servant Sarah Walton aged 24.
In 1871, at Loaning, Hannah Dickinson, farmer of 6 acres, aged 59.
See 11th January 1845 and 25th January 1867.

26th July 1884 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINING

On Saturday afternoon the miners and general public assembled in the playground of the New House school, to hear an address by Mr G Batters, of London, one of the directors of the company. Mr Batters was accompanied by Mr Joseph Richardson, J P., chairman of directors, Mr Maxfield, Mr Blenkiron, Mr S Watson, Mr J Thompson, Mr Treleare, Mr Philipson, &c., Mr Batters took as the basis of his address, "personal observations in the United States and Canada, and the labour market."
After a few introductory sentences, the lecturer, said in referring to their own dale, that in 1873 handsome profits were made out of mining, but now things were in the most downward tendency ever experienced; alluding to the recent pays said the company had to forward to the local management £2,000 over-lent money. They had sold last week lead ore at £10 5s per ton, a price unknown foe 105 years, and even then the price was 10s in excess. Lead at that price in those days was equivalent to £20 of money now. This condition of affairs was a terrible drag upon all concerned- employers and employed, but they must do their best. One company in Germany alone by means of cheap labour and badly housed workmen were able to pay dividends ranging from 13 to 20 percent on the subscribed capital. In Spain the produce were rich in silver. Notwithstanding this we could have, beat them all but the railways had developed mines in America, a country which formerly also had all the surplus

lead produced in Europe. He believed however, the mines over the Atlantic would not long continue to supply the present drain, while he was confident the Weardale mines would last at least their lifetime. (Hear, hear) Nowhere could lead be produced cheaper than Weardale. The industry of the valley be with themselves. Do honestly by themselves in the labour market, fulfilling all obligations and bargains though it is at a sacrifice, and the directors would do their part. (Loud cheers) Their hills were yet rich in mineral wealth. Let them therefore stand by each other in these times of adversity - soon he trusted to be the advent of prosperity. (Loud applause) Mr Richardson spoke a few words. Let them he said, do their level best to tide over the present depression. Director, shareholder, and workmen, must work shoulder to shoulder. The directors did not want to plunder workmen to augment their capital, but would rather sacrifice their own interests to keep them going. (Prolonged cheering) Mr Nathan Race moved a vote of thanks on behalf of the miners. This was seconded by Mr Natrass and heartily carried, the mover pledging that the miners would abide by strict forbearance in the present crisis.

Deaths

At Alston, 21st inst., aged 62, Matthew Hindmarsh, head mine engineman at Cashwell.

In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Matthew Hindmarch (born Durham, Weardale), lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret (Spotswood, daughter of James & Ann, married 11th May 1845, at Alston) 40, children Ann 15, Elizabeth 13, William 10, James 5, and Matthew 8 months.

In 1871, at Front Street Alston, Matthew Hindmarch, lead ore mine engineer, aged 48, his wife Margaret 50, children Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 23, William, lead ore miner, aged 20, and James, lead ore dresser, aged 15.

In 1881, Matthew Hindmarch, Mining Engineer, aged 58, is at Cashwell, his wife is at Front Street, Alston, with her daughter Elizabeth, aged 33, and grandsons, Matthew 9, and Robert 3.

In 1891, at Wortley, near Leeds, Elizabeth Hindmarch, single, aged 43, sons Matthew stationary engine stoker, aged 19, and Robert 13.

26th July 1884 (Hexham Herald)

HAYDON BRIDGE

BEWICK AND PARTNERS MINES

The whole of the men employed at the mines of Messrs Bewick and partners at Honeycrook have received notice that their services will be no longer required after the lapse of a month. About 200 men and boys are employed at the mines.

2nd August 1884 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Green Pits, Allendale, 27th ult., Thomas Varty, farmer *(58)*.

See 10th November 1883.

9th August 1884 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

BOLIHOPE LEAD MINES WEARDALE

The whole of the employees of the London Lead Mining Company at Bolihope mines Weardale, have received fourteen days notice, the reason assigned being the refusal of the lessors, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, to lower the

royalty dues, which the lessee assert the present state of the lead market necessitates. The above company have worked steadily for many years, and have spared nothing in procuring all the modern scientific appliances for the development of the mining industry, while every comfort is assiduously attended to render their workmen assistance. The notice has cast a gloom over the district, as it is feared other important lessees may follow the example of the London Company, should the Ecclesiastical Commissioners persist in refusal.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 31st ult., aged 54, William Liverick.

In 1881, at Nenthead, William Liverick, unmarried, lead miner, aged 51.
See 19th July 1861, and 12th January 1878.

At Alston, 6th inst., Maude infant daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth Ann Walton.

9th August 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

For No. 2 district there had been 20 deaths (in last quarter) and 30 births. Bronchitis had been the most fatal complaint.

Deaths

Dipton 6th inst., aged 62, Roger Walton formerly of Nenthead.

In 1871, at Tanfield, Roger Walton, coal miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella 41, John, coal miner, aged 18, Joseph, coal miner, aged 16, Hannah 11, Jane 8, and Isabella 1 year.
In 1881, at Delight Road, Dipton, Rodger Walton, green grocer, aged 58, his wife, Isabella 52, daughters, Jane 18, Isabella 11, Hannah Stobbs 21, and son in law David Martin Stobbs, coal miner, aged 24.

23rd August 1884 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN PATTERDALE.

On Wednesday Mr. Thomas Wilson, of Westmorland, held inquest at the Traveller's Rest Inn, in pariah of Barton, on the body of Daniel Pattinson, miner, who was killed at Greenside lead mines on the previous Monday. The deceased, who was about 50 years of age, left home on the morning of the day named and about eleven o'clock was in the act of placing some stones to support a ladder on which he intended to go to a rock above, but before he had completed his task the rock came down upon him without the slightest warning, and buried him under it. About 20 men went to his assistance; and in about quarter of an hour his dead body was got out much bruised. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

26th August 1884 (Northern Echo)

AT THE "BARGAINS" OF THE BOLLIHOPE MINES ON FRIDAY, the chief agent, Mr C. Bainbridge, informed the men that arrangements had fallen through between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, respecting royalty dues, his first instructions were to close the company's works forthwith which had lately been carried on at a loss, but on his representations a greatly diminished number of miners would be employed for five weeks longer, and the remainder, he regretted would be discharged.

30th August 1884 (Hexham Courant)

STONECROFT MINES
MINERS WAGES

Three weeks ago, the miners employed at the above mines received notices for a reduction of 10 percent, in their wages. Immediately on receipt of their notices, the men held a meeting to consider what steps to take with reference to these notices. At this meeting, it was unanimously resolved not to accept the reduction and a deputation was appointed to wait upon the masters to confer with them, with reference thereto. The men refused to take their "bargains" under the proposed reduction last week until they had an opportunity of consulting the masters. An opportunity occurred on Thursday last, when the masters offered to meet the men half way, allowing them a fortnight to consider the situation. At a full meeting of the men yesterday, on considering the report of the deputation, it was unanimously decided to accept the masters terms. Hence the reduction will be 5 percent instead of 10 percent, with a prospect of an advance as soon as the lead trade briskness up a bit, and the price of lead rises.

1st September 1884 (Northern Echo)

A YEAR'S OUTPUT AT NORTH COUNTRY LEAD MINES.

During 1883, the Teesdale mines, worked by the London Lead Company, produced 3,365 tons dressed lead ore; Green Hurth, 1,049 tons; the W. B. Beaumont mines, 1,721 tons. Of all the lead counties in England and Wales, Durham headed the tonnage with 7,606 tons 6 cwt. dressed lead ore, 5,796 tons 11 cwt. amount of lead in the ore, 40,360 oz. amount of silver in the ore, and £62,839 was the total value of the ore in the mines. The Arkengarthdale (North York) mines produced 1,879 tons, and Greenside (Westmorland) 1,100.

6th September 1884 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Holm Foot, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 67, Sarah, widow of John Angus, lead ore smelter. *See 24th April 1864.*

At Overwater, Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 64, Thomas Irwine.

See 5th June 1886

4th October 1884 (Hexham Herald)

BURNHOPE
LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED

The first general meeting of shareholders of the above company was held on the 24th ult. The director's report to the shareholders was of a very satisfactory character. It will be remembered that at the opening of this mine a very rich vein of lead ore was met with, estimated to yield in some parts of the extraordinary quantity of 16 to 20 tons per fathom of pure galena ore; and about seven thousand pounds worth of ore has been raised from the top sills, but not having pumping machinery, the mine got flooded with water, stopping operations for a time. A pumping engine has been put down and a main shaft sunk 200 feet deep, and at this depth fine lead ore has been found in the same vein, immediately under where the rich course of ore was in the higher sills; and the ore is still going down deeper, proving the mine is holding out in depth. A vast quantity of productive ground is being laid open, and new crushing and

dressing machinery of the most improved principle is being erected. The lowest level is being pushed forward in a strong north and south vein from 5 to 6 feet wide, and in a few weeks a powerful east and west vein will be cut, and as the ground on both sides of this vein has been productive, this is causing a good deal of excitement in the district; and as the mine only requires more efficient machinery to keep pace with the output of which it is capable, the shareholders may be congratulated on the possession of a most valuable royalty, which promises when developed to be second to none in the North of England.

11th October 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

BROWNLEY HILL MINES

These mines the property of Messrs Walton, Dinning, Shaw, and Co., which have been closed a short time, no doubt owing to the depressed state of the lead market, have we are glad to learn, been reopened and the old staff of miners (many who have worked in the mines for upwards of fifty years) have all been reengaged

Deaths

At Greenends, 8th inst., aged 84, George Smith, lead miner.

In 1871, at Greenends, Nenthead, George Smith, lead miner, aged 70, born Allendale, his wife Mary 68, unmarried children, Mary 43, George 33, grandchildren Watson 16, Jane 12, John 9, and Dorothy Ann 6 years.

In 1881, George Smith, farmer of 6 acres, aged 80, his wife Mary 78, daughter Mary 55, grandchildren Watson, lead miner, aged 26, John 19, and Dorothy Ann, nurse, domestic servant, aged 16.

See 21st November 1868, 28th September 1872, 8th July 1876, & 12th May 1883.

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 1 year, Norah daughter of Mr John Percival, lead miner.

See 1st July 1876, 10th July 1875, and 15th July 1876.

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 54, George Armstrong, lead miner.

William Armstrong married Mary Harbutle, 24th January 1815, at St Augustine's, Alston.

William Armstrong was buried at Alston 26th May 1834, aged 47.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Mary Armstrong, aged 50, John, lead miner, aged 25, Ralph, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 14, Jane 12, and George, lead ore washer aged 10.

In 1851, at Swalwell Cottage, Nenthead, Mary Armstrong, miners widow, parish relief, aged 60, children, Jane 22, and George, lead miner, aged 20.

Mary Armstrong was buried at Nenthead 17th January, 1852, aged 62.

In 1861, at Overwater, Ann Shield, lead miners widow, aged 60, daughter Mary, seamstress, aged 40, and boarder, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 30. John George Johnson, married Mary Shield, 4th quarter 1864, registered, at Alston.

In 1871, at Overwater, John George Johnson, boot & shoe maker, aged 42, his wife Mary 50, mother in law, Ann Shield, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 74, and lodger, George Armstrong, pedler, aged 40.

In 1881, at Overwater, John G Johnson, boot & shoe maker, aged 52, his wife Mary 60, mother in law, Ann Shield, widow, formerly house keeper, aged 84, and lodger, George Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50.

Ann Shield, died 1st quarter 1894, aged 98, registered at Alston.
At Hill Top, Nenthead, 30th ult., aged 54, Thomas Havelock, painter.
In 1881, at Fair Hill, Nenthead, Thomas Havelock, unmarried, unemployed lead miner, aged 52, his unmarried sister Elizabeth aged 50, and niece 10.
See 14th August 1875, 9th January 1875, and 22nd April 1882.

11th October 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

NENTHEAD AND TYNEDALE LEAD ORE AND ZINC COMPANY LTD.

The quarterly bargains in connection with these mines were re-let to the workmen on Friday; the 3rd inst., by J. C. Swan, Esq., of Newcastle upon Tyne. All the men were retained and got a bargain of some description, although the prices given were very low.

18th October 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

NARROW ESCAPE AT GREENHURTH LEAD MINES.

An accident, which might have terminated fatally, occurred in the mines of Greenhurth on Thursday, 9th inst. It appears that a miner named John Potts, of Garrigill, along with his partner, had prepared a hole for blasting purposes, and after igniting the fuse ascended a shaft until the shot was fired. On descending again to commence work, Potts, on reaching forward to step into the cage, slipped and fell to the bottom of the shaft a distance of 36 feet. On being removed home, the injured man was found to have received comparatively slight injuries beyond having his shoulder dislocated, and a slight fracture of the right hand, but otherwise little worse.

Marriages

Alston Parish Church, Joseph Watson, farmer, Dryburn, to Mary only daughter of the late Hugh Kearton, Rodderupside, Alston.
Thomas Kirton married Mary Shaw, 23rd January 1800, Alston.
Hugh Kearton son of Thomas and Mary Kearton baptised 19th December 1813.
In 1841, at Flowedge, John Walton, Lead miner, aged 30, Mary Walton aged 30, Tamar Walton 5, Jane Walton 4, Christopher Walton 2, Thomas Walton 5 months, Mary Whitfield aged 14, and Hugh Kearton, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, Roderupside, Hugh Kearton, farmer and carrier aged 37, his wife Jane aged 37, daughter Mary 1 month, nephews Thomas Walton 10, William Walton 7, John Walton 5, wife's daughter Mary Vipond aged 6, and house servant Mary Little, widow, aged 28.
In 1861, at Rotherhopeside, Hugh, farmer, aged 47, his wife Jane aged 47, children Mary 16, Thomas 8, Hugh 8, Jane 3, nephew William Walton, stone fence waller, aged 17, and nephew John Walton, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1871, at Low House, Hugh Kearton, farmer of 178 acres, aged 57, his wife Jane aged 57, children Hugh, joiners apprentice, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Jane 13.
In 1881, at Low House, Rotherhopeside, Hugh Kearton, farmer of 180 acres, aged 67, his wife Jane 67, children Mary 34, Thomas, farmers son, aged 28, and Hugh, joiner, aged 28.
Hugh Kearton died 1st quarter 1882, aged 68

In 1891, at Low Brownside, Alston, Joseph Watson, retired farmer, aged 60, and his wife Mary aged 46.
Joseph Watson, died 5th June 1898, probate shows effects of £2750 11s 4d.
In 1901, at Chapel Terrace, Alston, Mary Watson, widow, living on own means, aged 56.

Deaths

Sparty Lee, Allendale, 23rd ult., aged 59, John Dickinson.

John Dickinson married Mary Shield 18th July 1846, at St Peter's, Allendale.
In 1851, at Peasemeadows, John Dickenson, lead and silver separator, aged 25, his wife Mary 32, children Isabella 4 and Ann 1.
In 1861, at High Swinhope Shield, John Dickinson, lead silver separator, aged 35, his wife Mary 42, children Ann 11, Mary J 9, and Elizabeth 3. Isabella aged 14, is working as a general house servant, at Black Bank for her grandparents, Fenwick Shield, farmer, retired lead miner aged 74, and his wife Ann aged 69.
In 1871, at Water House, Sparty Lee, John Dickinson, lead ore smelter, aged 44, his wife Mary 53, children Jane 19, Elizabeth 13, sister Isabella Coats, grocer & draper, aged 24, her children Sarah Coats 3, and John Coats 10 months.
In 1881, at Oakey Dean, Allendale, John Dickinson (born Slaley), stone waller, aged 55, his wife Mary 63, grandson John Dickinson 9, granddaughter Annie Dickinson 6, boarder, son in law, John Dixon, lead ore miner, aged 23, his wife Elizabeth Dixon 23, their son John Wm. Dixon aged 4 months.

1st November 1884. (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A RICH FIND IN WEARDALE.

An important discovery of a lead ore vein in the royalties leased by the Weardale Mining Company has been made to the South West of the village of Wearhead, in the hamlet of Burnhope. Two miners, Mr E. Dowson and Mr J. Rutherford, acting under the guidance of Mr J. Watson of Ling Riggs, an ex-mining agent, and one of the cleverest of mining experts in the district, proceeded to a syke or dry ditch on the hillside, cut the sod to only a moderate depth, and there found the vein, which Mr Blenkiron, Mr Watson, and Mr Thompson, and the directors of the Company believe to be one of the largest and richest yet found. During the recent visit of the directors, Mr Maxfield cut the first sod of a new level (which has been surveyed and marked out to reach the full resources of mineral which all are sanguine will be found) and christened it Lynn Syke View. This valuable acquisition to the Company's working will, it is expected, give an impetus to their explorations, and additional employment to those miners who are yet in quest of work.

STANHOPE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT

Inquiry into the death of George Heatherington of Crawleyside aged 19 years, who died on Friday from injuries received on the previous Saturday from an explosion of powder at the Ashes Limestone Quarry. The deceased's father Thomas Heatherington is now lying in a dangerous condition from injuries received by the same explosion. The father and son worked together and whilst a hole in the limestone rock was being charged a second time from a barrel containing a large quantity of powder an explosion took place, when father and

son were blown against the face of the rock behind, their clothes set on fire, and the unfortunate men were otherwise injured.

In 1881, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, Co. Durham, Thomas Heatherington, limestone quarryman, aged 38, his wife Isabella (Hewitson, married 30th December 1865) aged 36, children George, railway labourer, aged 16, Mary 13, Jane A. 10, Thomas 8, and Phoebe 7.

In 1891, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, Co. Durham, Thomas Heatherington, limestone quarryman, aged 48, his wife Isabella 46, children Mary 24, Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 18, and Phoebe 17. Thomas died 5th May 1912, aged 69, and his wife Isabella died 19th September 1909 aged 65.

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 30th ult., John Teasdale, Nether Park to Margaret Routledge, Flatt, Alston.

In 1861, at Herring Well, West Allendale, Robert Routledge, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary 41, children William, boot & shoe maker, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jane 13, Mary A 11, Sarah 8, Robert 6, Thirlwell 3, and Margaret 3 months.

In 1871, at Shield Ridge, West Allen, Robert Routledge, quarryman, stone breaker, and farmer of 6 acres, aged 54, his wife Mary 51, children William, post messenger & boot maker, aged 32, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 26, Sarah 18, Thirlwell, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Margaret 10, Elizabeth 7, and Hannah 2.

In 1881, at Far Flatt, Robert Routledge, widow, farmer of 113 acres, aged 64, sons William, boot maker, aged 42, Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, daughters, Margaret 20, Elizabeth 17, and Hannah 12.

Robert Routledge died 2nd quarter 1886, aged 69

In 1861, at Low Greenends, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 35, children John 8, Isaac 6, Eleanor 3, and Robert 2.

In 1871, at Park, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner & landowner farming 51 acres, aged 45, his wife Mary 44, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Elenor 13, Robert 12, Thomas 8, George 5 and nurse child John Coats 1.

Isaac Teasdale died 1st quarter 1873, aged 48.

In 1881, at High Park, John Teasdale, single, farmer of 47 acres & lead miner, aged 28, brothers Isaac, farm servant, aged 26, Thomas, tailor & draper, aged 18, George 16, and domestic servant Hannah Ellen Robson 20.

In 1891, at High Lovelady, John Teasdale, farmer, aged 37, his wife Margaret 30, and son John Frederick 4. In 1901, at High Lovelady Shield, John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 40, and son John F 14. In 1911, at Acomb Terrace, Acomb, John Teasdale, coal miner, aged 58, and his wife Margaret aged 50. In 1911 at Morrison Terrace, Acomb, John Frederick Teasdale, coal miner, aged 24, and his wife Emily 26.

8th November 1884 (Hexham Herald)

SETTLINGSTONES

A NARROW ESCAPE.

On Monday night a serious accident occurred at the Settlingstones mines attended with a very narrow escape. A young man named Edward Reed, belonging to Swinhope, Allendale, had made preparations for blasting a piece

of rock with dynamite, and retired to a safe distance till the charge should have exploded. After waiting a longer time than usual without hearing the explosion he came to the conclusion that the fuse had failed and prepared another one. He then went forward to where he had been working, and found everything the same as when he left. Being confident that the shot had missed fire, he inserted a "pricker" in the hole to enable him to insert a second fuse, and just at that moment the charge, which had only been hanging fire, exploded. Fortunately the hole had been drilled in a sloping direction and the shot threw the bulk of the stone &c. from the young man. Some fragments of stone however, flew up and cut his face very severely, small pieces of stone remaining in the flesh and penetrating bone. His hands, too were much injured. A cart was at once procured and e was taken to his lodgings. … For some time the young man was blind, but Dr Murray having extracted the small stones from his face, he recovered his sight. His injuries, though not dangerous, were of a serious nature, and would have been more so had he not attempted to protect his face with his hands.

In 1881, at Pry Field House, Swinhope, Allendale, Robson Reed, lead ore washer, aged 52, wife Jane (Phillipson, married 12th June 1858, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 49, children Phillis 21, Matt. H., lead ore washer, aged 17, Edward R., lead ore washer, aged 15, Thomas 13, Mary Ann 10, Joseph P. 9, Nicholas S. 7, and Sarah Jane H. 3. Edward Robson Reed died, 3rd quarter of 1887, aged 21 years. In 1891, at Lane Side, Allendale, Robson Reed, farmer, aged 62, wife Jane 59, children Matthew, barytes miner, aged 27, Thomas, barytes miner, aged 23, Mary A. 20, Sarah J. 13, and grandson Joseph Reed 1 year.

13th November 1884 (Northern Echo)

FATAL LEAD MINING ACCIDENT

An inquest was held at the Commercial Inn, Bolts Burn, Weardale, before Mr J. T. Proud, deputy coroner; touching the death of a miner named Joseph William Gardiner, who was crushed by a fall of stone from the roof whilst at work in Grove Rake Mine, last March (25th), and who had never since been able to leave his bed. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned. *In 1871, at Hylton Terrace, Bolts Burn William Gardiner, iron miner, aged 44, wife Elizabeth (Price, married 23rd June 1849, Hunstanworth) aged 44, children John, iron miner, aged 21, Joseph W. 7, and Mary A. 5. In 1881, at Bolts Burn, William Gardiner, lead miner, aged 54, wife Elizabeth , son Joseph W. Gardiner, railway labourer, aged 18, and daughter Mary A. 15.*

29th November 1884 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Walton's report for No. 2 district for the three months August, September and October was read. During the month of August, September, and October we had respectively, 2, 4, and 6 deaths, 10 cases occurred in people over 50 years of age, and 2 infants. Consumption in each of the months secured one victim. In September one case of English Cholera manifested itself, but by the precautions taken there was no further spread of the disease. The epidemic of Whooping Cough in October spread from Alston to Garrigill, appearing, however in the latter place of a milder type and showing less signs of

interference with the lungs, the reason of this I am certain being due in great measure to the better ventilation of the houses in which the cases appeared in Garrigill. The births numbered 14, females 9 males 5.

Marriages

Alston, St Augustine's Church, 18th inst., Thomas Lee to Miss Mary Wailes, both of Alston.

In 1891, at Front Street, Thomas Lee, coal miner, aged 40, and his wife Mary aged 39.

Deaths

Alston, 21st inst., aged 84 Mary Ann, widow of Thomas Pattinson.

Thomas Pattinson married Eleanor Robson 1st September 1845, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Thomas Pattinson, cart driver, aged 35, his wife Eleanor 40, children, William, labourer, aged 15, Eleanor 9, John 5, and Mary aged 3. In 1851, at Town Foot, Thomas Pattinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Eleanor, 55, children, Eleanor 19, and John, lead miner, aged 15.

Eleanor Pattinson, died 9th June 1853, aged 56, at Alston.

Thomas Pattinson, married Mary Ann Gray, 2nd quarter 1855, at Alston.

In 1861, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Thomas Pattinson coal merchant's labourer, aged 59, his wife Mary Ann 62, children Eleanor, housemaid, aged 29, John, stonemason, aged 25, and granddaughter Elizabeth 6 years.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Thomas Pattinson coal salesman, aged 67, his wife Mary Ann 70, children Eleanor, aged 39, John, stone mason, aged 35, and granddaughter Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 16.

Thomas Pattinson died 4th quarter 1873, aged 69.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Mary Pattinson 80, daughter in law Eleanor, aged 49, son in law John, master mason employing 2 men, aged 45, and granddaughter in law Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 26.

In 1891, at Bank House, Alston, John Pattinson, unmarried, stone mason, aged 55, sister Eleanor, house keeper, aged 59, and niece, Elizabeth Pattinson, domestic servant, aged 36.

3rd December 1884 (Shields Gazette)

ACCIDENT IN A LEADMINE. —On Tuesday afternoon, a leadminer named John Dawson, residing at the Hole, Ireshopeburn had his leg broken by a fall of stone while at work in Greenlaws Leadmine.

In 1841, at St John's, Stanhope, Isaac Dawson, butcher, aged 55, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 25, and Ann 20.

Isaac Dawson married Elizabeth Rumney at St John's Chapel, 16th November 1841.

In 1851, at Ireshopeburn, Isaac Dawson, lead miner aged 35, his wife Elizabeth aged 36, children, John 12, Mary 11, Isaac 8, William 4, and Thomas aged 1.

In 1861, at Brier Hill, Ireshopeburn, William Rumney, lead miner, aged 70, and his wife Ann aged 72. The next entry at Brier Hill, Isaac Dawson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 47, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Mar A 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, William, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas 11, Jonathan 7, and Elizabeth 5.

John Dawson married Hannah Wilson 1st quarter 1862, at Weardale.

In 1871, at Hole, Ireshopeburn, John Rumney, lead miner and farmer, aged 31, his wife Hannah aged 29, daughter, Mary A Wilson, 9, Elizabeth H 7, Anne 5, Isaac W 3, and Rosanna 3 months.

Hannah Dawson

John Rumney Dawson

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In 1881, at Hole, Ireshopeburn, Stanhope, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah 38, children Mary A 19, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 17, Isaac W 13, John W 10, and Lilly 4.
In 1891, at Hole, Ireshopeburn, Stanhope, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Hannah 48, children, Isaac W, lead miner, aged 23, John W, lead miner, aged 20, and Lilly 14.
In 1901, at Hole, Ireshopeburn, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Hannah 59, and grandson, Frederick Dawson, labourer outside iron mine, aged 17.
John Dawson Rumney died 31st July 1903, at Hole, Ireshopeburn.
Hannah Dawson died 19th September 1907, at Ireshopeburn
Thanks are due to "AirdandPeart" on Ancestry.co.uk

6th December 1884 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

PAINFUL ACCIDENT AT HANSOMES WASHING WORKS.

A very sad accident happened to Mr Thomas Irwin master washer at the above works on Monday afternoon last. It appears that after dinner he was engaged in oiling the machinery, when by some means or other his overcoat became entangled in the cog wheels and in endeavouring to extract himself by cutting away the cloth his right arm was drawn in and fearfully emaciated. Mr Irwin was extracted with all possible speed and conveyed home. Dr Masterton was quickly in attendance and found it necessary to amputate the injured limb above the elbow. A great deal of sympathy is expressed for Mr Irwin who has been

employed at the place where the accident occurred for upwards of 50 years, he being both an experienced and valued workman.

See 28th January 1888 and 27th October 1900

WEARDALE

On Wednesday, the ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Weardale lead Company was held at Dashwood House, London, when the directors report and statement of accounts was presented. The report stated that the 'cost of mining and smelting during the year ending June, including the cost of opening up, repairing &c., and reinstating the mines is £31,337, of which sum upwards of £21,000 has been paid in wages, the number of men employed being 600. As it is difficult to say how much of this expenditure is fairly chargeable to revenue and how much is capital, the directors have not attempted any "revenue account," or to declare any dividend this year, but to let the whole account received for sales of lead and the value of the ore in hand £18,925, go in reduction of the cost of opening the mines, and to commence the revenue account with the 1st of July this year. The directors have before them the very important question of royalties, and they propose to urge upon the lessors the desirability and fairness of having a sliding scale instead of a fixed charge, so that while in prosperous times lessors, tenants, and workmen, will all participate in the increased profits; on the other hand, in times of depression all parties will feel that they have been met fairly by the lessors in this important matter.

6th December 1884 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Nenthead, 4th inst., aged 65, Ann wife of Edward Wailes.

IN MEMORY OF
EDWARD WAILES
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DECEMBER 14TH 1890
AGED 74 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED AT
CARLISLE
ALSO OF ANNE HIS WIFE
WHO DIED DEC. 4TH 1884
AGED 64 YEARS
ALSO OF HENRY THEIR SON
WHO DIED FEB. 13TH 1884
AGED 41 YEARS

Thomas Wailes married Isabella Milburn 13th May 1809, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth (sic) aged 50, children Edward, lead miner, aged 25, Isaac, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 18, Margaret 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, and John 9.
In 1851, at Low Galligill, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Isabella (born Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham) aged 62, children Isabella 29, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1851, at Haggs Foot, Edward Wailes, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Ann aged 31, and son Henry aged 8.
In 1871, at Foulard, Nenthead, Edward Wailes, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Ann aged 51, and son Henry, joiner aged 28.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Edward Wailes, lead miner, aged 65, and his wife Ann aged 61. Edward died 14th December 1890, aged 74, his death was registered at Carlisle.
The 1881 census shows Henry married to Ruth Blacklock (married January 1878), the widow of Joseph Blacklock, see 5th August 1876.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Henry Wailes (died 13th February 1884, aged 41), grocer, aged 38, his wife Ruth 47 (died 27th June 1882), step children Jacob 21, Nancy 21, F. Ruth 14, J. Hayton 9, T. Hall 7, and domestic servant, Agness Archer aged 20.
See 11th June 1842, 8th June 1844, 12th April 1845, 5th August 1876, 12th January 1878, 1st July 1882, 16th February 1884 & 29th November 1890

13th December 1884 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE MINES

Speaking at the General meeting of the shareholders last week, Mr George Batters said it would be impossible to take out our unless the work of development went on at the same time that they were raising ore. He attached much more importance to developments then to returns, and in the present state of the lead market it was most important in the interests of the company that they should develop the mine rather than that they should take the whole of the reserve away; because the greater the discoveries which were now made the greater would be the facilities for making returns when the opportune moment arrived. He did not know a lead mine in the county (and he knew every one of them) which could make larger profits, with lead at the present low prices. The Weardale Mine now had 130 men employed on dead or tut work, which was a fair proportion compared with the force employed in the mine. Referring to the Boltsburn mine, he said that mine had been left in a derelict condition because nothing had been done in the way of getting lead from it for some time before this company took it over. What had been done there? Why simply they had been driving into the whole ground on a course of ore for the whole distance and the result was they had laid open at least £5,000 worth of ore, and no returns had been made the this company from that mine, and no ore from that mine had been sent to the smelting mill. Mr Batters then went into some further detail regarding the position of the mine, and again impressed upon the meeting the absolute necessity of keeping the work of development well ahead of the stoping. It was stated that the price for the last 100 tons of lead sold on 11th

December was £11 8s 9d. A resolution was passed that the Board urge on the Ecclesiastical Commissioners the necessity of reducing the royalties from 1/12th to 1/24th, whilst lead remains at the present low price.

ALSTON

ALARMING ACCIDENT AT BLAGILL

A somewhat serious accident occurred at Blagill near Alston, on Monday last. From accounts it appears a number of workmen had returned to a blacksmiths shop to partake of dinner when one of the number, named Anthony Martindale, living at Leadgate, reached a bottle out amongst a number of others, thinking that it contained coffee, and placed it on the fire for the purpose of warming the contents preparatory to commencing dinner. It had not remained on the fire many minutes before a loud explosion took place, when it was discovered that instead of coffee it proved to have been a bottle containing above one pound of blasting powder. The result may be easier imagined than describing. Martindale's face was severely burnt, and a young man and a lad named Dixon who were standing by suffered severely about the face also. We are glad, however, that no serious effects are likely to occur from the unfortunate mishap.

In 1851, at West Foreshield, Anthony Martindale, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Nancy (Shield, married 25th December 1834, at Alston) aged 43, children Mary 13, Thomas 10, Elizabeth 7, Hannah 5, and Anthony 7 months.
Anthony Martindale died 20th January 1857, aged 50.
See 24th January 1857, & 26th February 1870
In 1861, at Newshield Gate, Nancy Martindale, widow, toll collector, aged 53, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 15, and Anthony 10.
Nancy Martindale, died 1st qtr., 1863, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Black Burn Banks, Thomas Martindale, single, engineman, aged 30, his brother Anthony, lead miner, aged 20, and domestic servant Mary Walton 47, born Scotland.
In 1881, at Leadgate, Anthony Martindale, engineman at lead mine, aged 30, and his wife Hannah (Dixon, married 1st quarter of 1880) aged 21. In 1891, at Leadgate, Anthony Martindale, lead ore miner, aged 40, wife Hannah 31, children John W. 9, Thomas A. 7, Annie 5, Elizabeth 3, and A Stanley 1 year.
In 1891, at Leadgate, Anthony Martindale, lead ore miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 31, children John W 9, Thomas A 7, Annie 5, Elizabeth 3, and A Stanley 1. In 1901, at Leadgate, Anthony Martindale, washing foreman, leadmining, aged 50, his wife Hannah 41, children John Wm, assistant grocer, aged 19, Thomas A., blacksmith, aged 17, Annie, school teacher, aged 15, Lizzie 13, A Stanley 11, and Daisy 5.
Anthony Martindale died 2nd quarter 1902, aged 51.
In 1911, at The School House, Leadgate, Hannah Martindale, widow, aged 51, children Annie, head teacher, aged 25, Elizabeth 23, Anthony Stanley, blacksmith for lead co., aged 21, and Daisie 15.

NENTHEAD

Mr John Hall has been appointed Sub-Postmaster, at Edge Lane, Liverpool. Mr Hall is the son of the late Mr Wm. Hall of Nenthead.

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 8th inst., Mr Joseph B. Lattimer, draper to Miss Alice Mabb, schoolmistress, both of Nenthead.

In 1891, at store houses, Holywell, Northumberland, Joseph B Lattimer, managing draper, aged 30, his wife Alice 28, sons James 4, and John 1.

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 9th inst John Wilkinson to Agnes Thompson both of Alston.
In 1891, at Victoria Terrace, Benwell, John Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 30, born Allendale, his wife Agnes 27, and son Albert 3.

Deaths

Garrigill, Bunker Hill, 7th inst, very suddenly, John Joseph, son of Jonathan and Sarah Carr.
In 1881, at Bunker Hill, Jonathan Carr farmer of 85 acres, and carrier, employing 1 man, aged 66, his wife Sarah 53, Sarah, domestic & dairy work, aged 22, Jonathan, cartman, aged 18, William, farmers assistant, aged 15, John J. 12, Matthew 10, and Annie 8. See 28th April 1877.

20th December 1884 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Clitheroe, Alston, 17th inst., aged 66 Hugh Spottiswood lead miner.
See 19th April 1884.

27th December 1884 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

ALSTON

This Board met on Saturday, the Rev. O. James presiding. —The Local Government Board signified their approval of the appointment of Dr. Masterton as medical and vaccination officer for Nenthead district and their appointment of Mr. Norreys as poor law inspector in place of the late Mr. Basil Caine. —A number of applications for relief from the Fairhill Charity Funds were to hand, but consideration of these was deferred until next meeting, on the understanding that Langhorn's Charity would be distributed in the meantime. —The CLERK said they had less charity money available for Alston this year than last. They had paid £40 6s., and had a balance of £27 19s. 11d. on hand. Their receipts would be about £47, considerably less than of late, owing to a reduction in rents. Of the Garrigill money only £7 10s. had yet been distributed, and they had a balance of £15 5s. 10d., with some £16 yet to receive.

2nd January 1885 (Northern Echo)

SERIOUS ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE

On Wednesday, a lead miner named Ralph Walton, Broken Way, was seriously injured at Green Laws mine. He along with his partnership of miners, was conveying some wood, necessary for their workings. One of the planks becoming loose, caught the side of the level along which the wagon containing all was being drawn, causing it to recoil and strike the above miner in the side, seriously injuring him. But for the horse stopping he would have been killed outright. He was speedily attended by Dr Hewitson, St John's, and lies in a precarious state.
Hannah Watson married Ralph Walton, 1st quarter 1851, registered at Weardale.
In 1851, at Broken Way, St John's, Weardale, Ralph Walton, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Hannah 39, step children, Phebe Watson, 16 (married Joshua Teasdale 4th qtr 1855, at Weardale, died 21st March 1865), Jane Watson 13, George 11, William 9, and John 6.
In 1861, at Woodbine Cottage, St John's, Weardale, Ralph Walton, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Hannah 50, son Ralph 9, step sons, George Watson, lead

miner, aged 22, William Watson, lead miner, aged 20, and John Watson, lead miner, aged 18.
Ralph Walton snr died in 1862 or 1864
In 1871, at Broken Way, St John's, Weardale, Hannah Walton, widow, aged 59, and her son Ralph, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Doctors Cottage, St John's, Weardale, Hannah Walton, widow, aged 68, and her son Ralph, lead miner, aged 28.
Hannah Walton, died 1st quarter 1886, aged 73.
Ralph Walton, married Jane Peadon, 3rd quarter 1886, at Weardale.
In 1891, at Broken Way, St John's, Weardale, Ralph Walton, farmer, aged 39, and his wife Jane 32.
In 1901, at Broken Way, Ralph Walton, farmer, aged 49, his wife Jane 42, boarders, George Watson, coachman, aged 30, Joseph R Watson, draper & grocers assistant 24, and nephew, Elliott Peadon, breaking stones for roads, aged 13.

3rd January 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Alston, 28th ult., John Joe Armstrong to Miss Annie Walton, both of Nenthead.
In 1861, at Wellhope, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Ann 22, and son John Joseph 1.
William Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1870, aged 42.
In 1871, at Coalcleugh, Ann Armstrong, widow, pauper charwoman, aged 32, children John J 11, Mary E 9, Maria A 7, and Thomas W 1. In 1881, at Coalcleugh, Ann Armstrong, widow, aged 42, sons John J. driver in the lead mines, aged 21, Thomas W. 11, and Robert A. 5.
In 1891, at Esh, Durham, John J Armstrong, coal miner, aged 31, born Allendale, his wife Annie 27, born Alston, children Mary E 5, Isaac W 4, and Herbert W 6 months. In 1911, at Malton Colliery, Esh, John Joseph Armstrong, coal miner & master shifter, aged 51, his wife Annie 47, Joseph, coal miner, aged 16, and Norman, coal miner, driver, aged 14.
Deaths
At Alston, How Burn, 30th ult., in her 90th year, Margaret, wife of the late William Walton of Leazes House.
In 1841, at Clargill, Alston, William Walton, farmer, aged 46, his wife Margaret 46, children Henry 19, Elizabeth 17, Thomas 15, John 13, William 11, Isaac 9, Samuel 5, and Ann 2.
In 1851, at Leazes House, Kirkhaugh, William Walton, farmer of 34 acres, aged 56, his wife Margaret (Lee, married 13th May 1821, at Kirkhaugh) aged 56, son, Samuel, aged 15, and daughter Ann aged 12 years.
In 1861, at Leazes House, Kirkhaugh, William Walton, landed proprietor, 16 acres, aged 64, his wife Margret 66, daughter Ann 22, visitors, daughter in law Jane 26, and grandson, George 6.
William Walton died 1st quarter 1865.
In 1871, at Leazes House, Kirkhaugh, Margaret Walton, widow, aged 76, and daughter Ann aged 32.
In 1881, at Howburn, Henry Walton, farmer of 5700 acres, aged 59, his wife Jessie 60, children Thomas 28, John H. 26, Jessie 23, Mary J. 20, Elizabeth

A. 16, his mother Margaret Walton, annuitant, age 86, and John Parmley, farm servant, indoors, aged 20.
See18th January 1908, 27th July 1908, & 9th August 1913

3rd January 1885 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The price of lead has during the past year reached the lowest figure that has been known during the experience of the oldest miners, the result of which has been severely felt amongst the miners in the Dale. We learn that at the quarter pays held on December 19th that between £300 and £400 less was paid than the case in 1883. ...

10th January 1885 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT

On Monday a fatal accident occurred at the Parsons Byres limestone quarry, Stanhope. Whilst Thomas Bell a young man aged 15 years, was with others following his employment at the above quarry a large stone half a ton or more fell from the face of the quarry upon Bell who was at work below and crushed him severely about the body and his legs were broken causing almost instantaneous death. Deceased was a son of Mrs Bell of Crosshill, Stanhope.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Fairless Bell, limestone quarryman, aged 33, wife Jane (Coulthard, married 2nd quarter of 1862) aged 33, children John George 8, Matthew 4, and Thomas 2. Fairless Bell died 4th quarter of 1880, aged 47.
In 1881, at Crop Hill, Stanhope, Jane Bell, widow, aged 44, children John Geo., limestone quarryman, aged 16, Matthew, limestone quarryman, aged

14, Thomas 11, and Mary Ellen 5. In 1891, at Cross Hill, Stanhope, Jane Bell, widow, aged 54, children John Geo, limestone quarryman, aged 26, Matthew, limestone quarryman, aged 24, and Mary 15.

WEARDALE

Spanish lead in December sold for £10 17s 6d up to £11 per ton.
Weardale lead stood at £11 12s 6d to £11 15s this week.

23rd January 1885 (Northern Echo)

LONDON LEAD COMPANY

Mr Bolton, of Stanhope and Mr Pinkney, of Egglestone, both agents of the London Lead Company, are about to exchange positions. Both gentlemen are very popular, and are old and trusted agents of the company.

31st January 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The half yearly pays were held at Newhouse offices on Saturday, and there was never known such melancholy pays before. Weardale at present is in a very depressed state, and likely to be worse. Many of the miners have only got a month's bargains, and a great number have got none at all. How to account for this we do not know. When the Company took the mines they could make them pay, and now lead is £2 to £3 more per ton that it was when they took the mines and yet it is said they are loosing.

THE LEAD TRADE AND ITS PROSPECTS. (from the Mining Journal)

... the decrease between 1871 and 1881 of the population engaged in the lead mining industry in this part of the country. The six parishes of Allendale, Blanchland, Middleton in Teesdale, Muggleswick, Hunstonworth and Stanhope had fallen to 18,871 a decrease of 4,224, or 18 per cent ...

7th February 1885 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Town Head Alston, 2nd inst., aged 70, Ruth widow of James Kearton late of Bailes, Alston.

See 8th May 1875, 6th May 1876, & 27th April 1878.

20th February 1885 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The usual meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, Mr MILLICAN presiding. —The Medical OFFICER for Nenthead and Garrigill district presented his annual report, which showed that 55 births and 41 deaths had occurred during the year. No deaths had occurred in November; the highest number of deaths was registered in June. —Notice was given that at next meeting the Board proceed to appoint medical officers and an inspector of nuisances, and it was decided to inform the Local Government Board that the guardians desired to retain the two districts, and that in the case of Alston it was desirable that one man should be eligible for the offices of inspector and medical officer. —The SURVEYOR stated that the owners of the lime works had staked out the ground where it was proposed to divert the road at Mount Healy, but it was not in accordance with the wishes of the committee, and the County Surveyor would decline to sanction the division.

21st February 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Walker's annual report was read. The births numbered 55, deaths at all ages 41. The highest mortality occurred in people over 60 years. Of diseases, consumption has been the most fatal. The month of June is credited with largest number of deaths; viz. 8 while November was totally free, a fact curious in the extreme hilly district. February was the most injurious month to old people. Of infectious diseases, we have been singularly clear. Whooping cough did show itself but of a mild kind, and so extremely localised as to be of little moment. One case of English Cholera was successfully treated. Pneumonia appeared in one patient, also successfully treated and without any spread of disease. The sanitary condition of the district is good.

24th February 1885 (Northern Echo)

Mr Matthew Byers Lowes and Mr Joseph Jackson, jun., of St John's Chapel, leave Weardale today for Queensland.

Matthew Byers Lowes, baptised 23rd August 1835, at Middleton in Teesdale, parents Robert and Susannah Lowes. Robert Lowes married Susanna Byers 17th August 1820, at Middleton in Teesdale.
Matthew Byers Lowes married Phoebe Coatsworth 2nd quarter 1856, at Teesdale.
In 1861, at Travelers Rest, Heathercleugh, Weardale, Matthew Byers Lowes, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Phebe, and son Robert, aged 2.
In 1871, at Rough Rigg House, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Matthew Byers Lowes, lead miner, and small farmer, aged 36, his wife Phoebe 35, children, Robert 12, Matthew Byers 7, and Mary Elizabeth 4.
In 1881, at Rough Rigg, Forest & Frith, Teesdale, Matthew Byers Lowes, lead miner, and small farmer, aged 46, his wife Phoebe 44, children, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, John lead miner, aged 19, Matthew B, blacksmith aged 17, and Mary E aged 14.
In 1891, at Ireshopeburn, Weardale, Matthew B. Lowes, butter dealer, aged 55, his wife Phoebe aged 54, son, Robert, farmer, aged 31, daughter, Mary E Johnson, married aged 24, and granddaughter, Sarah E Johnson, aged 4.
Phoebe Lowes died 4th quarter 1896, aged 60, at Weardale.
In 1901, at Ireshopeburn, Weardale, Matthew B. Lowes, widower, farmer, aged 66, his son, Robert, breaking Whinstone, aged 41, daughter, Mary E Johnson, married aged 34, and granddaughter, Edith Johnson, aged 14.
Matthew Byers Lowes 25th April 1903, aged 68, at Weardale.
Probate 1904: Matthew Byers Lowes of Ireshopeburn, Stanhope, Durham died 25th April 1903 Probate Durham 8 March to William Watson rate collector. Effects £815.

28th February 1885 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
THE LEAD TRADE

The conditions of the lead trade in Weardale, as elsewhere, is far from encouraging. When we find that lead imported and lead obtained from imported ores rose from 74,351 tons in 1874 to 119,521 in 1883 the state of the home trade is alarming. In 1883, lead produced from British ores amounted to 39,190

tons; in the same year Spain sent us pig and sheet lead, 80,855 tons. With the extremely low rates of shipping and the comparatively high railway rates, Weardale like other North of England mining fields, is placed at a great disadvantage. The Weardale Lead Company commenced in July 1883 with about 200 men, the full compliment being 600. The state of the market, however, has caused them to recently withdraw certain mining operations, which have laid off some 100 miners. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners have been petitioned about the dues, and representatives of the men have had an interview with the directors, and which brought out this not very satisfactory fact that through the guaranteed lent money system, and other encumbrances the men were some £3,000 in arrears. The lead trade has certainly fallen to a low ebb, and if it has to keep at all a trade, something will have to be done in the way of cheap transits, or other means to keep pace with foreign markets. As far as Weardale is concerned, both the lead and Iron trade may expect some little help from the projected Weardale railway, which in due course will be brought before the public. It is the intention of Mr Hopkins to survey the line this spring, and the Lead Company having the interests of the mines in view will undertake to manipulate the preliminaries. It is the intention to survey a branch line from Eastgate to Rookhope, so as, if practicable, the Weardale lead could be transmitted by rail to their Rookhope smelting mills; and in all probability a branch line will be surveyed to Killhope mines. In surveying the line, the object of the transit of lead to the mills and markets from the mines will be kept in view. The transit of iron would no doubt greatly help the iron trade. The Weardale Iron and Coal Company's iron mines are well known in the locality, and owing to the great expense of transit to their furnaces at Tow Law and Tudhoe, the mines would not be worked but for the excellent quality of the iron.

28th February 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The following is a report of the Weardale mines by James Blenkiron Esq., head agent:

Grove Rake: The tribute pitches in this mine are looking prominent throughout, and a decided improvement has taken place since the beginning of the quarter; the stope below Wallace level is worth fully 2½ tons per fathom. We have arranged with four men to make a rise from Wallace level to surface where we hope to lay open some payable stoping ground. In Red vein we are making better progress, having six more men in end to keep level going constantly. **Brandon Walls and Nattrass Gill drift** is without change, end hard and vein narrow.

Killhope: A little better progress has been made last week at Killhope Head Sump. We have now increased partnership to 12 men.

Green Laws: In the cross vein of Jacksons level the men have completed their contract in main level, we have set them two fathoms more to drive then to rise to top drift; this will ventilate same and prove Quarry Hazel, and Great Limestone sills, in which we hope to meet some payable ore. Lowe's drift, West end is looking more kindly, more spar and rider *(un-mineralised rock),* and I hope soon to report an improvement of ore. Craig's and Bowe's pitches in said sill at a higher random and looking well; the former is worth 25, the other 30 cwt of ore per fathom.

Burtree Pasture: Burnhope the main level is now driven 20 fathoms; we have now a well defined vein with 2 feet slip or throw; the end is in plate *(Black shale; a slaty rock).* strong hazel, in roof of vein, about 12 inches wide, chiefly donk *(Donk Clay or soft earth, found in cross veins and flats)*, in which are nice pieces or stones of lead ore, and a little kindly spar. We purpose driving forward a few fathoms then sinking as the vein is strongest. In level sole we have a limestone sill a few fathoms below; indications promising. Lead is rather weaker, and there is scarce anything doing in shares which remain at nominal quotations. Weardale is quoted one to one eighth and the mines owned by the company are looking well.

7th March 1885 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

WORKMEN'S SUPPER

The Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company evinced their perfect appreciation of the faithful integrity of their workmen under their employ, and their deep interest in their happiness and welfare on the 20th inst., by inviting the workmen and their wives, tenants, and boys employed on the washing floors to a knife and fork supper provided in the Lead Company's school room.

... The perfect arrangements were carried out by Messrs Holmes, Bell, Goodburn, Bolton, Thompson and Raisbeck, who found that there had been enough and to spare, after upwards of 600 had done ample justice to the good things provided.

14th March 1885 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At the parish church, Flint, 7th inst., Mr J. W. Carr late of Cowshill to Miss Monkhouse, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale.

21st March 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Doctor Wallace's report (No 2 district) for the past two months showed that there had been 11 births and 3 deaths. Scarlet Fever of a mild type was prevailing at the present time in one or two houses; disinfectant had been freely used and he did not predict any further spread of the disease.

Dr Masterton of Nenthead appointed Medical Officer of No. 2 district after the next year. *(This choice was made as Dr Wallace lived in Alston rather than Nenthead)*

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 18th inst, aged 25, Mary Ann Walton.

In 1841, at Bloomsbury, Nenthead, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Ann 50, children William, lead miner, aged 27, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Caleb 15, Margaret 13, Sarah 12, and George 9.

In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Ann Walton, lead miners widow, aged 58, children William, lead miner, aged 37, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Caleb, lead miner, aged 26, Margaret 24, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 22, and George, lead miner, aged 19. In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Ann Walton, widow, aged 69, son William, lead miner, aged 47, daughter Sarah, dressmaker, aged 33, and grandson John Erwine 6. In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, George

Walton, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Ann (Ridley, born Allendale, married 13th May 1858, at Ninebanks) aged 48, children Mary Ann 11, Elizabeth 9, and Robert Ridley 5.
Ann Walton died in 1879, aged 56.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, George Walton, widow, lead miner, aged 49, children Mary Ann, house maid, aged 21, Elizabeth, general servant domestic, aged 19, and Robert Ridley, lead ore washer, aged 15.
George Walton died 2nd quarter 1884, aged 52.

11th April 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The marriage of Mr John Waugh, Aller Cleugh to Miss Annie Leah Rumney, eldest daughter of the late Mr Rumney, for many years Mr Beaumont's agent at Newhouse took place at St John's Chapel on Sunday morning last. Miss M. J. Rumney being the bridesmaid.

The Weardale miners took their quarters bargains at Newhouse on Monday, some of them at a reduction.

STANHOPE, FATAL ACCIDENT

On Monday last an accident occurred at the Jack Craig limestone quarries of Bell Brothers, whereby a young man named Jonathan Dodds lost his life. It appears he had got off the engine when in motion for the purpose of turning the points and crossed in before the engine to do so. The points however, did not go close, and he took his foot to make them do so, when his trouser bottom caught the points and became entangled. He threw himself down in order to clear the engine, which was coming upon him rapidly, but in doing so his leg was across the metals. The engine driver seeing his perilous position at once reversed his engine, but it was too late, and the wheel passed over his leg crushing and mangling it fearfully. He was at once conveyed home and Dr Livingstone, of Stanhope and Hood, of Tow Law, amputated the mangled limb below the knee. The poor fellow died the same evening from loss of blood and shock to the system. Deceased was the son of Mr Jonathan Dodd, clock and watch cleaner, Front Street, Stanhope, (22 years of age).

14th April 1885 (London Gazette)

HAREHOPE GILL MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at the Douglas Hotel, Grainger street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in the county of Northumberland, on the 11th day of March, 1885, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened and held at No. 9, Dean-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 26th day of March, 1885, the following Special Resolutions were duly confirmed

1. "That this Company be wound up voluntarily.
2. "That Mr. G. E. Macarthy be appointed Liquidator; that the powers of the Liquidator be such as are included in the Limited Liability Act, 1862, except as to section 161, and that the remuneration of the Liquidator shall be at the rate of twenty per cent, on the amount which may be returned to the Shareholders, exclusive of all costs, charges, and expenses properly incurred."

Henry Wilson, Chairman

18th April 1885 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Bridge End, Allendale Town, 12th inst., aged 49, John Martin, Blacksmith.
Rice Head, near Alston, 12th inst., aged 84, Robert Blair, *farmer,* formerly of Allendale.

24th April 1885 (Newcastle Courant)
THE BURNHOPE LEAD MINE
The report from the Burnhope lead mine, is of a cheering character. The north and south vein has been cut rich this week in new ground, and, as far as worked upon has every appearance of opening into a large course of rich ore, as was the case in the top sills further south. The low level has been driven in the same vein through sixty fathoms of ore ground during the time the dressing machinery has been in the course of erection, and which is now complete and works splendidly; and large reserves of productive ground will at once be taken away, and increased returns of lead ore sent to market.

25th April 1885 (Hexham Courant)
THE GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY
The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Green Hurth Lead mining Company Limited, was held at the company's offices, 25 Westgate Road, Newcastle on Tuesday, Mr J. C. Swan presiding. The report stated: "The accounts show a profit on the year's workings of £3,288 15s 5d. This together with the balance, £869 18s. brought forward from last year's account shows a sum of £4,153 13s 5d to credit of profit and loss. Of this £3,200 had been absorbed in payment of dividends. It is proposed to appropriate £88 15s 5d to depreciation, and to again carry forward £869 18s to next years account. In view of the extremely low prices of lead, which have ruled throughout the year, the shareholders will doubtless consider the financial results satisfactory. The mine continues good, the production of lead ore during the year having been somewhat in excess of the output during the previous year. A fair amount has been expended in works of exploration, and some good ore ground has been opened in the northern portion of the mine. An opening level is also being driven eastward with the object of reaching, under favourable circumstances, the vein known as the Bodder Men Vein, and which was rich in some workings, some time ago abandoned in consequence, as is reported, of deficient ventilation. As soon as a convenient point is reached a trial in the Whin will be made from the 47 fathom level, but until this trial is made it is impossible to say what prospects there may be of finding the lode to carry ore in this sill." The Chairman, in moving to adoption of the report said with regard to green Hurth it was very pleasant to be able to express satisfaction especially in times like present. They had every reason to be satisfied with their operations during the year. They had made a profit of £3,288 15s 5d and had disposed of £3,2090 in dividends. The dividend which had been paid was less by about 5s per share than previous year, but the reason of that was, as they all knew, that the price of lead had fallen considerably. In order that they might see exactly how that affected them, he would take the average prices during 1882 - 3 – 4. In 1882, they had sold their ore at £10 2s per ton; in 1883, £9 14s; and last year, £7 7s per ton, selling it at the mine. The difference between last year and the year before on the quantity actually sold, 1,198, or in round numbers, 1,200 tons, was really

£2,918, which was equivalent to about 9s per share, so that in respect to the general success of the company apart from the changes in value, they could not but say that the last year of the company had been probably the most successful they had had. The chairman explained some special features of the balance sheet, and then went on to speak of the present position of the company. He said the comments had been offered by people who had very little interest in the concern, and also by persons who had no interest in it whatever. Of the latter, he should take no notice, but regarding the former, he thought they were bound to give all the explanation they could, and justify their action, whatever it might be. They had to some extent pledged their production; a smelting company with which he had had to do had been quite willing in some cases to make an engagement with this company to take a certain proportion of their ore, and give them money and acceptance in advance, sometimes the one and sometimes the other; before they actually got it. Persons outside had supposed that this must be done at some cost to the company, but that had not been so, It had been of considerable advantage to the company, and had enabled them to force the prices up very considerably when they were selling to other people, and from his own knowledge, he was quite sure that they had on an average got 5s per ton more for the ore sold from Green Hurth. Sometimes they had forced the price up 10s per ton. The policy they were pursuing had been criticised and they had been told that they were taking all the ore out of the mine, and were leaving nothing but poverty for the future. That was an extraordinary statement, but it was also absolutely untrue. No later than last Friday he went through every working of the mine except one (No. 3 stope), and took with him the principle mining agent to the Nenthead Company, a man of great reliability and experience. He asked that gentleman to value each working, and whereas Mr Polglase gave them 17 tons, Mr Raisbecks' valuation came to 22 tons; so that at least they had the satisfaction of knowing that their agent was not overvaluing the workings, and that the workings themselves were rich and valuable. He had been to Green Hurth many a time and he did not think he had ever seen a richer working than No. 3 stope. Mr Polglase put it down at six tons per fathom, and Mr Raisbeck eight to nine tons to the fathom, and said it was as fine a mine as anyone could possibly desire to see. It might be supposed from the way in which they had been commenced upon that they were doing nothing in the ay of development. They had thirty-five pickmen employed, and ten of these were working on exploration. That was not a small proportion of the labour employed in extraction. Their development was in three directions. They had a development to the northeastward, in very rich ground, and they had another working to the nature of a development in the Whin below their feet. The third development was from a point known as Robinsons Sump, which had been thought barren; but Captain Polglase had now investigated the district with success. It looked as if they were going to add another to what was originally their mining ground.

The report seconded by Mr Mitford was adopted, after several questions put by Mr Winship, Mr Pritchard and others had been answered. Captain Polglase said he would advise them not to be cajoled out of their shares; they should stick to the mine, because he believed it could do well.

The retiring directors (Messrs J. C. Swan and D. Fraser) and the auditors (Messrs Holmes, Spence, & Co.) were re-elected, and a vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, terminated the meeting.

25th April 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

Death of Mr John Shield Dickenson, the well-known local artist which took place on Wednesday night at Allendale Town. … had achieved for himself a high reputation as a portrait painter. He was 32 years of age he leaves a widow and one child. *(Died 22nd April).*

WEARDALE

The trade in Weardale is now at unprecedentedly low ebb, the mines being very poor and necessitating the lessees to withhold the guarantee of lent money. Upwards of 100 miners are now exploring on their own responsibility. Hence, much poverty exists. Unfortunately, the new trials at Burnhope and Groveheads are also failures. Ironstone is in very poor demand Wearhead being laid in, and the company's other mines working half time.

2nd May 1885 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At North Orillia, America, 5th ult., aged 35, Sarah the wife of Thomas Swindle and daughter of John Lattimer of Nenthead.

Matthew Lattimore married Sarah Havelock 28th June 1818, at St Augustines, Alston. Matthew Lattimer died 2nd quarter 1839, registered at Alston.

EAST SIDE
IN MEMORY OF
HANNAH
WIFE OF JOHN LATTIMER
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JUNE 7TH 1883
AGED 61
ALSO OF JOHN THE ABOVE
WHO DEPARETED THIS LIFE JANUARY 24TH 1887
AGED 67

WEST SIDE
BLANK

NORTH SIDE
ALSO
IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH AND RIDLEY
THEIR CHILDREN
WHO DIED IN INFANCY
ALSO OF SARAH WIFE OF
THOMAS SWINDLE
WHO DIED APRIL 5TH 1885
AGED 35 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED
AT NORTH ORILLIA
CANADA AMERICA

SOUTH SIDE
IN MEMORY OF
SARAH WIFE OF THE LATE
MATTHEW LATTIMER
AFTERWARDS
THE WIFE OF THE LATE
NICHOLES HARRISON
WHO DIED JANUARY 11TH 1885
AGED 86 YEARS

In 1841, at Nenthead Village, Sarah Lattimer, grocer, aged 43, children, John, shopwork, aged 22, Thomas, shopwork, aged 18, Ann 16, Matthew 7, and Havelock 5.
In 1851, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, John Lattimer, draper & grocer, aged 32, his wife Hannah (Blacklock, married 24th February 1848) aged 30, children Mary Ann 4 (Mary Ann Blacklock, registered 4th qtr 1846), and Sarah 1
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, John Lattimer, draper & grocer, aged 42, his wife Hannah 39, children Mary Ann 14, Sarah 11, John H 9, Matthew 5, Diana 2, and Joseph 2 months.
In 1871, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, John Lattimer, draper & grocer, aged 52, his wife Hannah aged 49, children Sarah 21, Matthew 15, Dianna 12, Joseph 10, and Thomas 5 years.
Sarah married Thomas Swindle (son of Thomas Swindle, lead smelter & farmer) on the 30th November 1872.
In 1881, at Holm Foots, Nenthead, John Lattimer, draper & farmer of 31 aged 62, his wife Hannah 60, daughter Dianna 22, son, Thomas 15, and grandson Robert Nicholson, 7.
In 1881, at Galligill, Alston, Thomas Swindle, farmer of 150 acres, aged 27, his wife Sarah 31, children Annie 6, Hannah L. 4, John H. 2, and Dianna 1 year.
The family emigrated in 1882, leaving from Liverpool, on the Sarmatian, for Halifax, Nova Scotia, arriving 25th April 1882; the passenger lists show a daughter Florence born 1882.

Probate 1887: Administration of the personal estate of John Lattimer of Nenthead in the parish of Alston in the county of Cumberland Grocer a widower who died 24 January 1887 at Nenthead was granted at Carlisle to John Havelock Lattimer of 25 Western Hill Sunderland in the county of Durham and Thomas Lattimer of Nenthead Grocers the sons and two of the next of kin. Personal Estate £1121 16s 6d.

Thomas Swindle, aged 33, father Thomas, mother Ann, married Mary Ann Foster, aged 28, father Silas mother Hannah, at Swim Bridge, Simcoe, Ontario, on 19th April 1886.
The Canadian census of 1891, gives, at Orillia, Simcoe East, Ontario, Thomas Swindle, farmer, Methodist, aged 37, his wife Mary aged 33, born Ontario, children Annie 16, Hannah 14, John 12, Dianna 10, Florence 8, Sarah 4, and Thomas 1.
Thomas Swindle died 1st September 1923, at Orillia, Simcoe, Ontario aged 69, birth given as 10th October 1854, buried 4th September at Ardtrea
See 7th December 1872, 16th June 1883, 29th January 1887, and 7th June 1890

2nd May 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

DEATH OF AN OLD TRADESMAN.

We have to record the death of Ralph Bainbridge, tailor of Alston, which took place on the 25th ult. at the advanced age of 73 years, …

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

In Nenthead the Fever was very bad and also whooping cough. …

ALLENDALE SAD SUICIDE

Yesterday (Friday) morning it was found that Thomas Renwick, Farmer, White Rigg, near Allenheads Corn mill had committed suicide. … Deceased was 65 years of age.

9th May 1885 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Chapel, 2nd inst. Henry Ridley of Newcastle to Frances M. Hetherington, Nenthead.

Deaths

At Alston, 5th inst., aged 72, Barnfather Phillipson, miner.

Parents Jane Barnfather, and John Phillipson, married 22nd December 1791, at Alston.

In 1851, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Barnfather (George crossed out) Phillipson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Ann aged 43, daughters, Mary 4, and Jane 2.

In 1861, at Crown Lane, Alston, George Phillipson, lead miner, aged 48, and daughter Jane, aged 13.

In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Barnfather Philipson, coal miner, aged 58, his wife Sarah (Beadle, married 1868) aged 42, and step daughter Mary H. Beadle, aged 13. In 1881, at Butts, Alston, Barnfather Philipson, coal miner, unemployed, aged 68, and his wife Sarah aged 52. See 4th August 1888.

13th May 1885 (Teesdale Mercury)

LONDON LEAD (COMPANY'S MINES IN TEESDALE. — We are glad to say that the new system introduced by this company amongst their workmen some time ago, and which may he said now to have had a fair trial, is giving general satisfaction. The men are paid in total, monthly, instead of, as before, giving "sub" each month to the end of the quarter, when they were paid in full. The bargains, as a matter of expediency, are still let quarterly to the miners.

NEWBIGGIN, TEESDALE.

Terrible Accident at a Wedding. —On Saturday, a sad accident occurred during wedding festivities at Newbiggin, near Middleton-in-Teesdale. A couple belonging the village had been to Barnard Castle to be married, and returned during the afternoon, when the neighbours, as is usual in country districts, turned out to give them a welcome. During the course of this a miner, named William Temple, fired a dynamite cartridge, when by some means another one he held in his hand caught fire and exploded, completely taking off his hand and setting fire to some other cartridges in his pocket, which also exploded, mutilating him in a frightful manner, Dr. Horsfield was immediately in attendance, and did all that was possible for the relief of the sufferer. Great sympathy is manifested for the young man, who is esteemed for his kind and genial disposition. He remains in a very precarious state, we are sorry to say, and not much hope is entertained of his recovery.

16th May 1885 (Hexham Courant)

STANHOPE

On Saturday a fatal quarry accident occurred at Parson Byres Limestone quarry at Stanhope. Whilst William Hodgson was engaged in working a fly-tip, where boring was brought from the top of the quarry by horse and waggon he appears to have fallen when near the tip end, and the wheel of the laden waggon had

caught his arm on the metal and had run up the arm to the shoulder crushing it fearfully. Medical aid was procured but the unfortunate man died a few minutes after Dr Livingstone arrived. Deceased was a strong young man aged 26 years and son of Mr John Hodgson of Parson Byers, formerly of Westgate, Weardale.

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINING INDUSTRY

Lead mining in the valley shows signs of increasing development, especially in the Rookhope district, where many additional workmen have been placed; while overtures are being made to the Weardale Iron Company by the mining company for the purchase of an old building to be immediately renovated for the reception of a further contingent of nearly 100 men and boys.

20th May 1885 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE FATALITY AT A TEESDALE WEDDING. —On Friday, in the school-room, Newbiggin, an inquest was held into the circumstances attending the death of William Temple, lead miner, who died from injuries inflicted by the explosion of dynamite cartridges on Saturday. After formal evidence had been taken, to allow of the burial of the body, the inquest was adjourned until the 22nd inst., so that in the meantime the Home Secretary could be communicated with on the subject. The interment took place on Friday last, when the mortal remains of the deceased were followed to the churchyard at Middleton-in-Teesdale, by a large number of sorrowing relatives, friends, and fellow workmen, the burial service being gone through in a most solemn and impressive manner by the Rev, J, Milner.

23rd May 1885 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Allendale Sipton Terrace, 14th inst aged 9 years Laura Ann Bright.

See 2nd June 1888

27th May 1885 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE FATALITY AT NEWBIGGIN.

The adjourned inquest upon the death of William Temple (particulars of which melancholy event we published last week) was held on Friday, before Mr Coroner Dean. At the outset the Coroner read a letter, which he had received, from the Home Secretary, who had considered the case, and did not, under the circumstances, think there was any necessity for the attendance of one of Her Majesty's inspectors of explosives. Mr Dean, therefore, continued the inquiry.

William Gibson, blacksmith, the first witness called, said that on the 9th inst. he saw the deceased standing on the bridge with two balls of dynamite in his right hand. He noticed him put the balls in his left hand, strike a match, and light the fuse of one ball. He then threw it into a field, placing at the same time his left hand, containing the other dynamite ball, on his left side. The dynamite that had beer thrown into the field exploded first, and was followed immediately by another explosion. Witness then saw deceased fall to the ground, and afterwards to partly raise himself up and shout, "Oh, man; oh, man." He rushed up to him, but noticing his hand blown off, and the terrible injuries to the side, he "could not, bear the sight, and returned to the shop. A young man named Joseph Cameron was near to deceased when the explosion occurred, and he, too, was thrown to the ground by the force of the explosion, but was not injured.

Other people went at once to deceased's assistance, and had him removed home. Witness saw him twice after the accident, and he told him he did not fire both balls by the match, and could not say how the accident occurred. It had been the custom for fifty years to fire explosives at a wedding. Deceased was perfectly sober.
Joseph Cameron, leadminer, said he was within two yards of deceased when the explosion occurred, and by its force was himself hurled to the ground. He was not hurt, but frightened at the time, so he got up and ran off to give an alarm.
Jacob Temple, brother of the deceased man, said his brother had been accustomed to use dynamite for ten or twelve years in the mines, and well knew the dangerous nature of the explosive.
The Coroner then read over the Medical Officer's deposition, showing that the unfortunate man's left hand had been blown off, besides the left side and a portion of the hip hone blown completely away, was conscious up to the time of his death. As to cause of death, the Coroner said there could be no doubt but that it was due to the terrible injuries he had received by the explosion. He expressed condemnation of a custom carried on with so great a risk to life, and hoped it would be discountenanced in the future.
The Jury, without any deliberation, returnee verdict of "Accidentally killed."—Superintend, Thompson, of Barnard Castle, conducted the case on behalf of the police.
William Temple was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 15th May 1885.
Henry Temple married Jane Beadle (father William) 8th July 1848, at Middleton-in-Teesdale.
In 1861, at Newbiggin, Henry Temple, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane 34, children, John, lead ore washer, aged 11, Sarah 9, Jacob 7, William 6, Henry 3, and Annie 2.

Henry Temple was buried 26th May 1869, aged 48, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.

In 1871, at Newbiggin, Jane Temple, widow, aged 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah 19, Jacob, lead ore dresser, 17, William, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Henry, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Annie 11, Joseph 9, Leonard 7, and Margret 5.
In 1881, at Newbiggin, Jane Temple, widow, aged 55, children, John, lead miner, aged 31, William, coal miner, aged 26, Annie 21, Joseph, Joiners apprentice, aged 19, Leonard, lead miner, aged 17, and Margret 15.
In 1891, at Newbiggin, Jane Temple, widow, aged 64, sons John, farmer, aged 40, and Henry, lead miner, aged 32.
In 1901, at Newbiggin, Jane Temple, widow, aged 74, sons John, whinstone quarryman, aged 50, Jacob, whinstone quarryman, aged 47, and Henry, General Cartman, aged 43.

30th May 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 16th inst., Julian Spencer Bell to Miss Sarah Millican both of Garrigill.
In 1841, at Beldy, Albany Bell, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah aged 35, children Hannah 12, James 10, Albany 6, John 4, and Isaac 1.

Albany Bell died 3rd quarter 1841.
In 1851, at Lane Head, Hannah Bell, widow, aged 45, children James, lead miner, aged 20, Albany, lead miner, aged 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, and Margaret 9.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Mary Shield, lead miners widow, aged 65, son in law James Bell, lead miner, aged 30, married daughter Hannah (Shield, married 22nd October 1857, St John, Garrigill) aged 27, and grandsons Julian S Bell 2, and Havelock Bell 7 months.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Mary Shield, lead miners widow, aged 76, married daughter Hannah Bell, lead miners wife, aged 36, grandsons Julien S Bell, lead ore washer, aged 12, and Havelock Bell 10.
James Bell died 1st quarter 1881, aged 49.
In 1881, at Lane Head, Hannah Bell, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 48, sons Julien S. lead miner, aged 2, Havelock, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Annie E. 7, and mother Mary Shield, widow, aged 85.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Henry Millican, farmer of 90 acres, aged 47, his wife Hannah 47, children Thomas A. 23, Sarah 20, John W. 18, Elizabeth E. 14, Mary H. 9, and George N. 6.
In 1891, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Julian S Bell, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Sarah 30, sons James S 4, and Alvin E 4 months.
In 1901, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Julian Spencer Bell, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Sarah 40, sons James Stanley 14, and Alvin Emile 10.
In 1911, at Wearhead, Stanhope, Jullien S Bell, retired lead miner, aged 52, his wife Sarah 50, and son James Stanley, bootmaker, aged 24.
In 1911, Alvin Emile Bell, aged 20, working as a labourer at NER depot, is boarding at Bell Street, Bishop Auckland.
Julien S Bell died 2nd quarter 1911, aged 52.

Deaths

At Physic Hall, Alston, 22nd inst., aged 50, Edward White, miner.
In 1841, at Butts, Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 38, children Nancy 18, Fenwick 13, John 12, Elizabeth 10, Samuel 8, Edward 6, Hannah 4, and Matthew 1 year.
In 1851, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Samuel White, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 49, children Fenwick, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Samuel, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 14, Matthew 11, Thomas 9, Sarah 9, and Charlton 7.
See 14th January 1870
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Edward White, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Sarah (Coats, married 1st quarter of 1859) aged 21, son John E. 1 year, and servant Ann Coates, aged 25.
In 1871, at Snowdon's Buildings, Alston, Edward White, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah 31, children John E. 11, Lewis F. 3, and Naomi 1 year.
Sarah died 3rd quarter 1873, aged 34.
In 1881, at Physic Hall, Alston, Edward White, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary (Millican, married 1876) aged 52, sons John E. lead miner, aged 21, and Lewis F. 13 years.
See 26th May 1871, & 25th November 1876

30th May 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

During the present week the directors of the Weardale Lead Company visited each of their mines. The works at Grove Rake, Rookhope are going on very briskly and in the course of a few weeks there will be quite a change in the lead mining industry of that neighbourhood.

ALSTON

Death of the Market Keeper.

Mr Edward White who for a number of years acted as collector of tolls on market and fair days at Alston died somewhat suddenly at his house at Physic Hall on Friday evening the 22nd inst.

See 30th May 1885 above & 25th November 1876

1st June 1885 (Northern Echo)

SUPPOSED DEATH FROM THE USE OF DYNAMITE. —On Saturday, a miner named John Dawson, Wearhead, died of apoplexy. A few days ago deceased who had often complained of faintness arising from inhaling the fumes of dynamite used in the lead mines, was seized with a fit, which completely prostrated him rendering him unconscious. In that state he lingered till death ensued. The medical men in the district are unanimous in their opinion that the use of dynamite tends to produce this malady, which has carried off several miners.

Emerson Dawson married Mary Featherstone 1st May 1828, at Heathery Cleugh
In 1841, at Burnhope, Stanhope, Emerson Dawson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 30, children, John, lead miner, aged 12, Jane, 10, Emerson 6, Mary 4 and Hannah 1. Emerson Dawson died 4th quarter 1849, at Weardale.
In 1851, at White Hills, Heathery Cleugh, Mary Dawson, widow, aged 40, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Jane 20, Emerson, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 15, Deborah 9, and Stephen 7.
In 1851, at Stonedrass, Wearhead, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary (Harrison, married 2nd quarter 1850) 24, children, Joseph 4 months, and Phebe Emerson, 1.
In 1861, at High Green, Heatherycleugh, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary 34, children, Pheobe Emerson 11, and Ralph 2.
In 1871, at Wearhead, Stanhope, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary aged 44, and son Ralph 12.
In 1881, at Wearhead, Stanhope, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 56, and granddaughter Lavinia Emerson, aged 5.
Mary Dawson died 3rd quarter 1882, aged 56.

Dynamite Fume characteristics

The gases produced by the detonation of an explosive consist mostly of non-toxic carbon dioxide, nitrogen and steam. However, small amounts of toxic gases are also produced, the main ones being carbon monoxide and oxides of nitrogen.

a) Carbon monoxide (CO)

Carbon monoxide is produced by incomplete combustion of carbonaceous material. Some properties are:

- *extremely toxic - 0.1% collapse, 1% immediate death*
- *colourless, odourless, tasteless*

b) Oxides of nitrogen

The oxides of nitrogen are nitric oxide (NO), nitrous oxide (N2O) and nitrogen dioxide (NO2). Of these, nitrogen dioxide is the most toxic. The gas dissolves readily in the water in eyes and lungs to form both nitrous and nitric acids which cause irritation and, at higher concentration, corrosion of the eyes and respiratory system. At a concentration in the air of 100 ppm, coughing may commence and a concentration of 200 ppm is likely to be fatal. (McPherson, M. J., Subsurface Ventilation and Environmental Engineering, Chapman and Hall,1993.)
Source: EXPLOSIVES: PARTHA DAS SHARMA
http://miningandblasting.wordpress.com/

Exposure to Dynamite may cause:

- *Headache*
- *Decreased blood pressure*
- *Dizziness*
- *Nausea*
- *Palpitations*
- *Cramp*
- *Dilation of pupils*
- *Profuse sweating*
- *Disorientation*
- *Vision disorders*
- *Methemoglobinemia, which decreases the blood's ability to release oxygen to the tissue cells, this can give the blood a bluish or chocolate-brown colour; and results in symptoms such as dizziness, drowsiness, headache, seizures, shortness of breath, blue skin and lips, rapid heart rate, unconsciousness, and possibly death.*

Nitroglycerin is a vasodilator and has been associated with acute episodes of angina pectoris, myocardial infraction, and sudden death.

6th June 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Donk Hall, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 9 months, John son of Robert Doyle, lead miner.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, John Doyle, lead miner, and Methodist local preacher, aged 38, his wife, Rachel (Elliott, married 1st quarter of 1857) aged 37, children Robert, lead ore washer, aged 14, Henry 8, Hugh 1, and visitor Thomas Indian, shoe maker, aged 14.
In 1881, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Doyle, lead miner, aged 24, and his wife Ann (Graham, married 1st quarter of 1881) aged 25.
In 1901, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Robert Doyle, lead miner aged 44, his wife Ann 45, daughters Rachel, dressmaker, aged 20, and Jane 18.
At Overwater, Nenthead, aged 1 year, Roddam, son of James Dickinson, lead miner.
In 1871, at Fair View, Nenthead, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Maria 60, children William, lead miner, aged 28, James, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, and servant Isabella Gray aged 20.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Ann (Ann Watson married Barron Dryden 5th February 1871, Barron Dryden died 26th April 1876; Ann Dryden married James 3rd quarter of 1878)

aged 31, son James Dickinson 1, step sons Caleb Dryden 9, and Robinson W. Dryden 6.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Dickenson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 41, step sons Caleb Dryden, lead miner, aged 19, Robinson Watson Dickenson, lead ore washer, aged 16, children James Dickenson, 11, Maria Dickenson, 9, Sarah Jane Dickenson 4, and Mary Ann Dickenson 7 months.
In 1901, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Dickinson, widow, lead miner aged 54, daughters, Maria, 19, Sarah J. 14, and Mar A. aged 10.
Ann had died in the first quarter of 1901, James died in the 2nd quarter of 1911.
In 1901, Caleb Dryden, aged 29 is living at 10 Winship Terrace, Byker, with his wife Mary J. (Thompson married 4th quarter 1897 at Alston) aged 23, and their daughter Jane A. aged 2, Caleb is working as a platelayer, railway. In 1901 Robinson W. Dryden, aged 26, is working as a coal miner, (hewer), at Red Grove, Ryton with his wife Elizabeth aged 34.
In 1901 James Dickenson junior, aged 21, is unmarried and living at East Thickley, New Shildon, working as a joiner for North Eastern Railway.
See 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, 3rd August 1878 and 20th June 1885.

6th June 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A painful sudden death occurred this week at Wearhead namely that of Mr John Dawson Lead Miner, in the employ of the Weardale Lead Company. On Monday, last Mr Dawson was at work in his usual health, but on Tuesday complained of a headache, and took to his bed on Wednesday. On Friday morning he had severe apoplectic fits and expired about three o'clock on Saturday morning, not withstanding all that medical skill could do. It appears that the air in the mine where he worked had been very bad and hot.
In 1851, at Heathery Cleugh, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 23, wife Mary 24, son Joseph 4 months, and Phebe Emerson 1.
In 1861, at High Green, Heathery Cleugh, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 33, wife Mary 34, daughter Phoebe Emerson 11, and son Ralph 2.
In 1871, at Wearhead, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 44 and son Ralph 12.
In 1881, at Wearhead, John Dawson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 56, and granddaughter Lavinia Emerson 5. In 1881 Phoebe was working as a domestic servant for Tinniswood Dawson and his family (Draper, aged 36) at St John's Chapel.

WEARDALE LEAD

Satisfactory progress is being made here, with encouraging indications lead is from £11 7s 6d to £11 12s 6d.
The War Office bought 1,000 tons of pig lead this week at £11 5s per ton in lots of 250 tons from the London Lead Company, Pontifex, Wood and Co, Enthoven and Co., and Lock and Co.

Deaths

Stonecroft Mines, near Newbrough, 1st inst. aged 27, John Waugh youngest and beloved son of Nicholas Waugh.
In 1871, at Wentworth Place, Allendale, Hannah Waugh, labourers wife, (Fairlamb, married 7th August 1847, at Allendale) aged 41, children Ann 21,

John 13, Mary J 10, Hannah 7, Margaret 1, and grandson Abraham S Waugh 5. Nicholas Waugh was at Leadgate, Durham, labourer, aged 53.
In 1881, at High Stonecroft, Nicholas Waugh, cartman, aged 64, wife Hannah 50, children John, winding engineman, aged 23, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 17, Margaret 11, Rachel 9, and grandson Adam S. Waugh, general cartman, aged 15.
Pendleton, Manchester, Fitzwarren Street, 30th ult. aged 58 Margaret wife of James Richardson third daughter of the late Mr James Dixon of Alston, Cumberland.
In 1871, at Kirkoswald, James Richardson, engine driver at bobbin mill, aged 43, his wife Margaret 44 (daughter of James & Ruth Dixon, James a Merchant Tailor), children Mary Ann 11, Ruth 9, Frances M 7, Agnes S 4, and William H 1 year.
In 1881, at 23 Knightley St., Manchester James Richardson, born Kirkoswald, Engine tester, aged 52, his wife Margaret aged 53, and daughter Hilda H. aged 8 years, born Kirkoswald. In 1891, at Town End, Kirkoswald, James Richardson, widower, aged 62, no occupation listed.

20th June 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 48, Ann, wife of John Dryden, lead miner.
Caleb Dryden married Mary Watson 21st October 1819.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Caleb Dryden, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 35, children Nanny 20, Watson, lead ore washer, aged 15, Caleb, lead ore washer, aged 15, Mary 12, John 9, Jane 6, Barron 3, and Agness 5 months.
Caleb Dryden died 4th quarter 1844.
In 1851, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Mary Dryden, lead miners widow, aged 51, children, Mary 30, Watson, lead miner, aged 28, John, lead miner, aged 19, Jane 16, Barron, lead miner, aged 14, and Agnes aged 10 years.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, John Dryden, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Ann 22, children Jonathan 3, and Barron 6 months.
In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, John Dryden, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann 33, children Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 13, Barron 10, Mary 8, and Robinson 8 months.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, John Dryden, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann 44, children Jonathan 23, Mary 18, and mother Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 78.
In 1891, at Overwater, John Dryden, widow, lead miner, aged 59.
John Dryden died 4th quarter 1896, aged 64.
See 23rd November 1844, 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, and 6th June 1885.
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 16 months John, son of Barron Dryden, lead miner.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Barron Dryden (son of John & Ann, see above), aged 20, his wife Hannah (Barron, married 1879) aged 22, children Mary A. 1, and Jane 3 months.
In 1891, at West Nenthead, Barron Dryden, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah aged 32, children Mary Ann 11, John 3, and Agnes 1.

In 1901, at Strellas Cottage, Barron Dryden, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Hannah 42, children John, lead ore washer, aged 13, Agnes 11, Barron 9, and Watson 3.
See 23rd November 1844, 17th November 1868, 11th February 1871, 29th April 1876, and 6th June 1885

20th June 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The negotiations, which have been long going on between the Ecclesiastical Commissioner and Jas. Sparke Esq., have resulted in successful terms and the Iron mine at Wearhead will again resume work this week.
Report of J Blenkiron Esq. agent Weardale Lead Company:
Grove Rake: The tribute pitches are looking well, worth 32 cwt, 40 cwt, and 60 cwt per fathom; prospects promising.
Bolts Burn: There was no change in the Little limestone drift. The Coal sill drift is a little more kindly work 20 cwt per fathom.
Burtree Pasture: The tribute pitches in this mines are not payable. The prospects are a little brighter in Nattrass Gill drift east. Foremost length looking better our best workings are above.
Green Laws: There is not much change to note in general appearance of the tribute pitch. Our best workings are above Middle drift in Slatey Hazel sill. We have also discovered ore in an old working east where there is considerable length of whole ground. We purpose putting a rise in the same; this pitch is worth at present 25 cwt per fathom, the remaining pitches vary from 16 cwt to 22 cwt per fathom.

Deaths

Blagill Alston, aged 9 years Phoebe daughter of John Lowe, Coal miner.
In 1851, at Low Farnberry, Alston, Teasdale Lowe, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Margaret (Walton, married 23rd September 1832) aged 35, children Susan 12, Teasdale 9, Phebe 7, Thompson 4, and John 1.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, Alston, Teasdale Lowe, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Margaret aged 47, children Eunice 23, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 13, John, lead miner, aged 11, and William 5.

Teasdale Lowe senior died 1st quarter of 1867 aged 70.

In 1871, at Clitheroe, Alston, Margaret Lowe, widow, farmer, aged 59, children Teasdale, cart driver, aged 29, Thomas T. lead miner, aged 27, Phoebe, farmers daughter, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, cartman, aged 19, William 16, Sarah A. 8, and Thomas W. 6.
In 1881, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, John Lowe, carter, aged 30, his wife Mary A. (Spotswood, married 2nd quarter of 1873) aged 28, children Margaret 6, Phoebe 5, James T. 3, and Mary A. 1.
In 1891, at Skelgill, Alston, John Lowe, pitman and farmer, aged 40, his wife Mary Ann 34, children Margaret 16, James S. driver of pit pony, aged 13, Mary Jane 11, Minnie 9, John 7, Willis 4, Hugh 2, and Thompson 1 month.

See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 17th November 1868, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 4th April 1891, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896.

26th June 1885 (Newcastle Courant)

ALSTON CHURCH BELLS,

The Alston Church bells are three in number, one in the parish church at Alston, one in the chapel at Garrigill, and one in the district church at Nenthead, The last being of recent date and small in size, will not require further notice. The history of the Alston Church bell takes us back to the year 1714, and to the mansion of the Earls of Derwent water at Dilston. Those earls were Lords of the Manor of Alston, and owners of a considerable property in that parish. When James, the third earl, succeeded to the estates of his ancestors he made some addition to Dilston. Hall. Among the fittings of the new portion of the hall was a bell, which bore the date 1714. In the year 1715 James took up arms against George I., the reigning Sovereign, and on the 24th February 1716, he suffered the penalty of death tor his rebellion. The Derwentwater estates were declared forfeited, and in 1734 they were settled upon the Greenwich Hospital, to which they now belong. Dilston Hall forthwith fell into a state of ruin, and in 1768 it was dismantled by the orders of Smeaton, the engineer who designed the Eddystone Lighthouse, and who was a member of the Commission appointed to manage the Greenwich Hospital estates. In 1767 the people of Alston resolved to rebuild the parish church. The old church, built probably when the parish was formed in 1154, was not only too small for the congregation, but was fallen into a bad condition. The times were favourable for rebuilding. The lead, mines were rich and the population was increasing. The yield of lead ore, the staple product of Alston Moor, was larger in 1767 than it had ever been before, amounting to 24,500 bings, which were sold for £77,160. The flourishing condition of the chief industry, the growth of population, and the need of more accommodation in the old church were no doubt the circumstances which led to the erection of the new and larger church which was re-opened for public worship in 1770, that is two years after the dismantling of Dilston Hall. A local tradition says that the Dilston Hall bell was sent to Alston and hung in the belfry of this new church. Several circumstances tend to show that this was the case. The bell now in use at Alston Church bears two dates, “1714, recast 1845.” The first of these dates coincides with the date of the addition made to Dilston Hall by James, the third Earl of Derwentwater. There are now lying on the second landing of the present church tower the remains of a clock which belonged to the Ratciiffes. Smeaton, the commissioner, by whose authority Dilston Hall was dismantled, was the architect for the church which was built in 1799-1770. He was also the chief mining engineer in Alston. The Nent Force Level—a work which cost £90,000—was designed by him. It seems highly probable then that he authorised the removal of the Dilston bell to Alston, Nothing is heard of the bell between the years 1770 and 1844. The 20th of June in the latter year was the wedding day of William Ewart, solicitor* (*sic*) of Wigton, Cumberland, and Hannah Bainbridge, daughter of Robert Bainbridge, solicitor, of the Loaning House, Alston. There were great rejoicings. The church bell was not only rung vigorously, but was struck with a hammer or hammers until it cracked. In 1845, it was sent to Newcastle by Mr Jacob Wilson of Alston House, where it was recast. This bell is 23 inches in diameter at the mouth and weighs 17 stone. In its present low position the sound is much deadened by the surrounding walls. When the tower shall have been completed and a proper belfry constructed it will again no doubt ring out as in the older time. It is rung at 8:30 on Sunday morning and before every service. It is also rung occasionally on wedding days.

It is tolled for deaths and at funerals. Age is indicated by the length of the “toll” sex by “knells ” quickly repeated after the “toll;” nine knells being for a man, six for a woman, and three for a child.
The Garrigill Chapel bell is 16 inches in diameter, and should, therefore, weigh about 1 cwt. It bears the dale 1764. It is hung in a cot on the western gable, and used for the same purposes as the Alston bell Garrigill is situated in the highest part of Upper Tynedale, where the dale is narrow and deep. Under favourable atmospherical (*sic*) conditions the sound of the church bell is borne on the breezy to a considerable distance, having been frequently heard by the shepherds on Tynehead Fell.
** William Ewart was a surgeon (Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh) not a solicitor.*

11th July 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

During the last week lead advanced from £12 10s to £12 15s and was excessively firm, and up to £12 was paid for immediate delivery of Spanish. At this price however, there are sellers over for early arrival...
The quarterly bargains were held at the Newhouse offices on Friday last, many being removed to Rookhope, as the work at that place is very flourishing.

11th July 1885 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

THE POLLUTION OF LONGMARTON BECK.

The following report of the committee appointed to examine the works of the Dufton Fell Lead, Ore, and Barytes Company, Limited, was read by the clerk:—
"We, the undersigned guardians, having been deputed to inspect the Barytes Company’s Works on Dufton Fell, and to report thereon with reference to the alleged pollution of Longmarton Beck have to report that we visited the Works on the 25th June last. We examined ten settling pits through which the water, after its passage through the washing Mill runs before again joining the beck. We found the pits in good order. The water which at one time ran into and dirtied the stream is now diverted in another direction about 800 yards from the Works, sinks into limestone and does not again form a connection with the stream. We are satisfied that so long as the settling tanks are kept in the state in which we found them, no harm can arise from the water afterwards passing into the beck.
—(Signed), Henry Burns, John Irving, George Atkinson.
4th July, 1885.
—The CHAIRMAN considered the report a very satisfactory one, and this expression of opinion was endorsed by the members of the Authority who were present.

18th July 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

During the past week, a vein was cut in the cross at Killhope. It looks very well, with 9 inches of solid ore in top part of the hazel and plate, and the prospects are very good, and exceedingly promising. Lead which a short time ago, had fallen to £10 has likely been rising, and is now £13, with a further rise in anticipation. Ere long, there may probably be more doing in shares. Spanish supplies are checked, as the production in Spain in interfered with by the prevalence of Cholera in that country, and deeply as every one must deplore

the epidemic that is raging, and notwithstanding all the precautions adopted to stay the spread of the disease, we cannot reasonable expect that for the summer months, at least, supplies will come forward in the regular course from the Spanish mines. Lead is, so far, the only metal that has been influenced at all from this cause; but it is well to bear in mind that we look to Spain for supplies of other metals as well.

1st August 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wellgill, Nenthead, 25th ult., aged 59, Mary wife of J. Richardson.
See 31st July 1886

8th August 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Yorkville, Toronto, America, 3rd July, aged 82, Rev James Wallace, Wesleyan Minister, late of Alston.
The only record for this period that is close to this information is the registration of deaths for York Co., Toronto which gives, James Wallis, died 7th July 1885, 78 years of age, gentleman, born Cumberland England, died of old age, religion Methodist, interred 13th July 1885.
In 1871, at Yorkville, Toronto, James Wallis, 64, born England, Wesleyan Methodist, Blacksmith, his wife Esther aged 51, born Quebec, Wesleyan Methodist, and Sarah 21.
In 1881 census gives, at Yorkville, James Wallis 73, his wife Esther Wallis 61.

8th August 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
THE DISCOVERY AT KILLHOPE

An engine is to be fixed with all possible speed, and arrangements have been entered into with Messrs Teasdale, engineers to have everything in working order in a few weeks time. The ground so far taken away and brought to surface seems nearly all lead, and it is expected by the old hands that this mine will again be one of the foremost in the Weardale group.

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical Officers quarterly report for No. 2 District was read. 15 births and 15 deaths have been registered during the quarter ending June 30th on an estimated population of 2333; 15 deaths give a rate of 25.7 per 1000 per annum. Of the 15 deaths 9 were males and 6 were females, and of the 15 births 9 were males and 6 were females. Ages of death, one was under one year, 7 were at or under 5 years, none between 5 and 40 years, 2 were 40 and under 50 years, 1 was 50 and under 60 years, 2 were 60 and under 80 years, a 1 80 and under 90 years. Causes of death 5 died from Whooping cough with brain complications, 1 suddenly from convulsions, 2 from wasting diseases of children, 1 from pulmonary inflammation, 2 from diseases of the nervous system, 3 from decay and 1 from cancer of the stomach. Whooping cough has prevailed generally and with much severity. During the three months 5 have died from it alone, and this fact accounts for the high death rate. Scarlet fever of a mild type had broken out in Nenthead previous to my appointment. There were 3 houses affected, and the number of cases was eight. Since that time

the disease has spread chiefly through indirect communication to other five houses and there have been in all eighteen cases. Fortunately, no deaths have taken place all the cases having now fully recovered, and no fresh cases have been reported for more than two months, it may be verily hoped that the epidemic had ceased in the district. The affected houses had been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. The houses in which the first cases occurred were so scant of accommodation that a system of isolation could not be carried out and consequently all susceptible to the virus were attacked. Were there some house provided in the district, which could be used as a hospital for isolating these infectious diseases at the beginning much could be accomplished in stopping the progress and spread.
The Clerk: I am informed that Scarlet Fever has again broken out at Nenthead.
The Relieving Officer: Yes there are two families have it at present.

ALLENHEADS

SUICIDE OF A MINER. John Bell a miner about 60 years of age residing at Dudley Place, Allenheads, committed suicide by drowning himself in a small brook in Middlehope in the Parish of Allendale on Thursday morning.

15th August 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Foulard, Nenthead, 2nd inst., Nora Isabel, and the 5th inst., Margaret, daughters of William and Elizabeth Bainbridge aged respectively 3 and 5 years, Scarlet Fever.
In 1871, at Low Grassfield, Joseph Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 60, his wife Ann (Jackson, married 8th June 1839) aged 60, children William, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Isabella 26, Christopher, blacksmith, aged 24, and John, lead ore smelter, aged 18.
Joseph Bainbridge died 3rd quarter 1871, aged 60.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Richard Dawson, plate layer, aged 41, his wife Mary 40, children Elizabeth 14, James 9, Jane 6, Mary 2, and nurse child Isabella Millican 2 years.
In 1871, at White Hall, Nenthead, Richard Dawson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 50, children James, lead miner, aged 19, Jane 17, Mary 12, Ann 7, grandson John Joseph 2, and boarder, Isabella Millican, scholar, aged 12. Their daughter Elizabeth was working as a domestic servant in Alston.
Richard Dawson died 2nd quarter 1895, aged 75.
In 1881, at Low Grassfield, Nenthead, William Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Dawson, married 1872) aged 34, children John J. lead ore washer, aged 12, James 7, Mary A. 6, William 4, Elizabeth 2, and Margaret 1 year. In 1891, at West Nenthead, William Bainbridge, lead ore smelter, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 44, children John Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 22, James, lead ore smelter, aged 17, William, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth Jane 12, Christopher 7, and Ralph 5. In 1901, at West Nenthead, William Bainbridge, farmer, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 54, children James, lead miner, aged 27, William, lead miner, aged 24, Christopher, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and Ralph, drapers assistant, aged 15. In 1911, at Nenthead, William Bainbridge, retired lead miner, aged 70, and his wife Elizabeth 64.
See 11th April 1874
At Nenthead, 11th inst. aged 42, Hannah wife of John Harrison.

In 1871, at Nenthead, William Harrison, lead ore smelter, aged 49, his wife Sarah (Liverick, married 3rd January 1847) aged 52, children Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 22, and John, lead ore washer, aged 18.
William Harrison died 1st November 1889, aged 68.
In 1881, at Nenthead, John Harrison, lead ore smelter, aged 29, his wife Hannah (Pearson, married 1879) aged 36, and son William L. 1 year.
In 1891, at Pleasant Houses, Nenthead, John Harrison, widow, farmer & lead ore smelter, aged 38, and his son William L. aged 11. In 1901, John Harrison, at the Row Nenthead, John Harrison, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Hannah aged 42, and son Herbert aged 5.
John Harrison died 4th quarter 1909, aged 57.
In 1911, at Nenthead, Hannah Harrison, widow, aged 52, son Herbert, lead & zinc miner, aged 15, and boarder Thomas Coates, lead & zinc miner, aged 37.
See 5th December 1874, & 9th November 1889.

15th August 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Jos. Walton mining agent, Alston, was granted a draft licence to store 10 tons of dynamite at Galligill.

NENTHEAD

SCARLET FEVER.

This epidemic is now very prevalent in the village; there is at present upwards of a dozen cases. Two deaths have occurred during the past fortnight and fears are entertained that this contagious disease will spread still further. Up to the present, no one has been attacked above 15 years of age.

22nd August 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The mines are opening up well. The Grove Rake section has cut rich, especially in Greenclough vein. A new lode has been cut in the 20-yard level in driving it in the Red mine.

12th September 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

We observe from the Manitoban Newspapers … that Mr Charles A. Millican, son of Mr John Millican, who departed this neighbourhood some two years ago for Canada, whilst shooting in the competition at the Stoney Mountain Ranges, has brought himself well to the front. … Sergeant Millican's *(He had joined the 90th Regiment of Volunteers, Winnipeg)* score was ruled the best and he accordingly received the Associations silver badge. … he also made 26 in the Bankers and Lawyers competition.
See 6th March 1886, 21st April 1888, & 22nd February 1889

Deaths

Town Foot, Alston, 8th inst. 68 Joseph Spark.
In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Agnes aged 32, and his wife's brother John Dickinson, lead miner, aged 30.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 53, and his wife Agnes aged 53. In 1881, Alston, Joseph Spark, woodman, aged 64, and wife Agnes 64.

19th September 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Mark's Church, Ninebanks, 12th inst. Robert Bramwell of Garrigill to Mary (Polly) eldest daughter of the late Vipond Clementson of Chatt Hill, West Allendale.

26th September 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Peter's Allendale, 22nd inst. William Henry, son of the late William Sparke of Allenheads Corn Mill to Margaret (Meggie) daughter of Joseph Coats of Allenheads.

26th September 1885 (Hexham Herald)
THE WEARDALE MINES
The gloom which has for sometime surrounded the enterprise of the Weardale Lead Company now shows signs of disappearing. In the hamlet of Rookhope, the main vein of ore, so long worked with success by the late lessee Mr W. B. Beaumont MP. at Grove Rake still yields fairly well, while recently another vein of zig zag formation, running almost parallel, has been tapped, and is now being worked. A large contingent of miners from the Company's other mines of Burtree Pasture, and Killhope have been drafted thither. At the last named mine (Killhope) the vein found by the sinking of the "sump" awaits the fixing of a powerful pumping and winding engine for developments. A similar successful mining experiment has been affected at Green Laws. During the late lessees tenure of these royalties a "sump" having been sunk out of the scar limestone, into another deeper bed of limestone, the vein was cut revealing an excellent sample of fluorspar mixed with ore.

30th September 1885 (Teesdale Mercury)
LEAD IN TEESDALE. —An important discovery of lead ore was made a few days ago at the "Hardshins" mine which adjoins the celebrated old mine called "Nether Hearth," on the river Tees. There are such a cluster of veins at this place that it cannot yet be said to a certainty which one it is called; but it is probably one of the veins formerly so rich at the Teeside mine. The vein is discovered in the Whin Rock, and is best setting down in the sole; it is worth *five* tons of ore per fathom, and is well mixed with the mineral called fluorspar—the true home of lead ore. —*Mining Journal.*

3rd October 1885 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
James Blenkiron, Esq., reports: Killhope - There is not any change in the tribute pitches. We hope to get suspended stopes below Trent Level to work shortly. Greenlaws: - We have just pricked South cheek of vein, cut through 1ft thick of donk and rider, and broken into a kindly vein of good fluorspar, well mixed with ore of rich quality. I think the sinking under Quarry level when laid open will make Greenlaws a new mine. Grove Rake: - The end in middle drift East has proved a strong kindly vein, worth 20 cwts of ore per fathom. The Cross Cut (Middle drift) is down 21/2 fathoms; we have just struck another vein in the end, which we are not yet through, composed of strong fluorspar, worth, as far as proved 16 cwts of ore per fathom. From the present appearance this vein runs

by the side of Grove Rake vein, which we have been working, and I trust will open out considerable stoping ground. This is an important discovery. The tribute pitches are looking better than ever I have seen them, especially in the North Branch of Greencleugh Vein East, worth from 30 to 40 cwts per fathom.

10th October 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
LEAD MINES

The chief directors of the Weardale mines attended from London on Tuesday afternoon at Newhouse offices, and let the miners quarterly bargains on an increased basis of wages, also giving most of the men the full discharge of all arrears of lent money, in some cases £10 per man.
Messrs G. Richardson, Hopkins and Maxfield have visited each of the different mines. The engine at Killhope is now in full operation, drawing water very rapidly. The contractor (Mr Teasdale) left this locality this week. ...
Lead continues firm at £11 5s buyers of Spanish, and sellers at £11 7s 6d, but there is not much offering, and we quote English Pigs at £11 12s 6d to £11 15s per ton. ...

17th October 1885 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel Nenthead, 7th inst., Garthwaite Hornsby to Sarah Jane Pattinson both of Nenthead.
See 24th April 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 6th September 1880, 1st April 1882, and 23rd February 1901.

Deaths

At Greenside, Ryton (at the residence of his sister), 7th inst., aged 30, suddenly William Walton of Bellinghurst, Sussex, the beloved husband of Lottie Walton, and only son of William Walton, formerly of Hudgill, Alston.
In 1851, at Whigelty, William Walton, lead miner, aged 47, wife Elizabeth (Parker, married 31st December 1829, Kirkhaugh) aged 44, children Hugh, lead miner, aged 24, Dorothy 15, Mary Ann 9, and William 7. In 1861, at Hudgill, William Walton, farmer of 40 acres, aged 59, wife Elizabeth 57, daughters Dorothy 23, Mary A. milliner, aged 19, and granddaughter Isabel Walton 2 years. In 1871, at Hudgill, William Walton, farmer of 39 Acres, aged 78, wife Elizabeth 67, daughters Dorothy 29, and Mary A 27.
In 1881, at Billinghurst, Sussex, William Walton, boot and shoe salesman, aged 38, his wife Charlotte aged 34, born Storrington, Sussex, and sister Eliza D'almaine, widow, aged 40, born Storrington, Sussex.
At Hundy Bridge, Garrigill, 13th inst. aged 2, Thomas Vipond, son of Lewis Joshua Herdman, miner.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, Thomas Herdman, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah (Bell, married 26th February 1843, at St John, Garrigill) aged 36, children Mary 12, Friend 9, Thomas 7, Elizabeth 5, Lewis J. 2, and Margaret Z. 1 month.
In 1871, at Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, lead ore miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 46, children Isabella, dress maker, aged 24, Friend lead ore miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 17, Elizabeth, general servant, aged 15, Lewis J. 12, Margaret Z. 10, William E. 7, and Joseph W. 4.

In 1881, at Middle Houses, Thomas Herdman, widow, lead miner, aged 60, children Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 25, Lewis J. lead miner, aged 22, William E. lead ore washer, aged 17, Joseph W. lead ore washer, aged 14, and grandson Joseph W. Herdman 2.
Thomas Herdman died 2nd quarter 1890, aged 69.
In 1891, at Howgill Syke, Garrigill, Lewis Joshua Herdman, farmer, aged 32, his wife Mary (Swindle, married 1882) aged 27, children Johnie Friend 7, William 5, Alice 3, Sarah Hannah 9 months, brothers William Edwin Herdman, lead miner, aged 27, Joseph Walter Herdman, lead miner, aged 24, and domestic servant Frances Shield, aged 18.
See 8th July, 1876, 19th April 1884, & 23rd January 1892.

31st October 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Medical Officers report for No. 2 district was read. There were 7 births and 6 deaths during the quarter ending September 30th. The 6 deaths were all females and of the seven births, 5 were males and 2 were females. Ages at death, 3 were under 5 years, 1 between 40 and 50, 1 between 50 and 60, and 1 between 70 and 80. Causes of death, 2 were from Scarlet Fever, 3 from diseases of the respiratory organs, and 1 from heart disease. I regret to report the spread of Scarlet fever in the district during the past quarter. At the time of my last report there had been one case during the three months, and hopes were entertained that the disease had abated, but coincident with the very hot weather at the end of July, it broke out with renewed vigour, and showed itself almost simultaneously in four different houses. Since then 11 houses have been infected in which there have been 37 cases. With the 18 previously reported the number for the Nenthead district from the beginning of the outbreak amounts to 55 cases. Out of that number there have been 2 deaths, 1 aged one year and the other three years, so that on the whole the fever has maintained a mild type. Unfortunately the infection has now reached Garrigill and shown itself in two houses in each of which there are two cases. The houses stand isolated from the village, but the poison of this fever is so subtle and readily communicated, that if more than ordinary care is not taken thee is all probability if its further spread in that district.
It had spread to Garrigill due to a person from an infected house at Nenthead visiting friends in Garrigill.

Deaths

Garrigill 27th inst. aged 87 Elizabeth Holmes, widow.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth (Wallas, married 22nd November 1821) aged 40, children Thomas 15, Elizabeth 14, John 12, Isaac 9, George 5, Isabella 4, and William 3.
In 1851, at Dodberry, Garrigill, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, George, lead miner, aged 16, Isabella 14, William 12, and Ann 8.
John Holmes died 1853 or 1854.
In 1861, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Elizabeth Holmes, widow, farmer of 28 acres, aged 62, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 29, George, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary Craig, widow, domestic servant, aged 36, Hannah 14, and grandson, William Craig 11. Mary Holmes daughter of John

& Elizabeth christened at St John Garrigill, 6th February 1825; married William Craig 21st June 1849, at St John Garrigill. William Craig died 2nd quarter of 1852. In 1871,at Low Nest, Mary Craig, widow, seamstress, aged 44.
In 1871, at Dodberry, Garrigill, Elizabeth Holmes, formerly a farmer, aged 72, children George, lead miner, aged 36, William, lead miner, aged 32, and Hannah, general servant, aged 19.
In 1881, at Garrigill, Gate, Elizabeth Holmes, lead miners widow, aged 82, children, George boot & clog maker, aged 45, William, lead miner, aged 41, Isabella, domestic servant, aged 20.
Weardale Howl John Farm, 24th inst aged 95, Joseph Vickers, farmer.
In 1861, at Howl John, Joseph Vickers, farmer of 130 acres, aged 70, wife Elizabeth 60, children George, farmer, aged 37, Thomas, draper & grocer shop man, aged 32, John, farmer 29, William 12, Mary 26, Margaret 23, Elizabeth 19, and servant Stephen Robinson, carter, aged 19.
In 1871, at Howl John, Joseph Vickers, farmer of 132 acres, aged 80, his wife Elisabeth 70, son William 22, daughter Elisabeth 29, domestic servant Hannah Lee 24, and farm servant John Storey 23.
In 1881, at Howl John, Joseph Vickers, married, farmer, aged 90, (his wife Elizabeth aged 79, was visiting Joseph & Elizabeth Walton, at Albert Terrace, Stanhope, Joseph an auctioneer, & grocer aged 43, and his wife Elizabeth aged 39) son William, married, farmer, aged 31, daughter in law Margaret 25, granddaughter Emily Edith 8 months, domestic servant Margaret Hewitson 21, farm servant John Forster 17, and farm servant Thos Armstrong 16. In 1891, at Thornley Hall, Joseph Walton, farmer, aged 53, wife Elizabeth 49, son Joseph W. 9, mother in law, Elizabeth Vickers, widow, aged 89, visitor Lawrence W Vickers 9, farm servant Thomas Coulthard 25, and domestic servant Mary Fawcett 20.
See 17th December 1892

6th November 1885 (Newcastle Courant)
Below Eshgill the Tyne runs through the Crossgill estate, once the property of a lady whose name is at familiar as a household word in Alston Moor. Tradition says that Fanny Morrison (such was her name after marriage) was in her youth a "servant lass," and that a relative left her a share in the Hudgill Burn Lead Mine. A share in a mine which yields no ore is like the proverbial white elephant. Hudgill Burn was a “trial”, and all trials in mines are expensive. Fanny is said to have shared in the hopes and fears of other shareholders. She was often told that the signs were promising, that another yard or fathom might reach the ore, and then her fortune would be made, that the next " buck up” might be the last if she were only able to meet it. Fanny held on to her share, paid the call, and made her fortune. A rich deposit of ore was found, the richest, perhaps, that has ever been found in Alston Moor, which at that time was the richest lead mining district in the world. When Fanny became wealthy, her hand was sought by gentleman whose name was Humphrey Morrison. Humphrey and Fanny acquired Crossgill estate, and other property in Alston Moor. Though humbly born and meanly brought up, Fanny filled her new position with ease and dignity, and not only commanded the respect, but won the esteem of her neighbours, Moreover, she endeared herself to the poor generally, and to her poor relations especially by her kindness, She lived to a great age, and died universally respected. *See 22nd August 1818*

7th November 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Mining Company have this week sold 207 tons of lead at £11 per ton. The returns are now over 200 tons a month, and are leaving a profit.

14th November 1885

Deaths

At Alston, 11th inst. aged 87, Timothy Welsh.

In 1851, at Bridge End, Alston, Timothy Welsh, farmer & Miller, aged 52, wife Jane 48, children William, farmers son and cartman, aged 20, Jane 16, John P 13, visitor Isaac Welsh, annuitant, aged 41 and servant Mary Walton aged 20. In 1861, at Bridge End House, Timothy Welsh, miller & farmer of 60 acres, aged 62, wife Jane 58, daughter Jane 26, servant Jacob Welsh, carter, aged 51, and domestic servant Ann Langstaff aged 20. Timothy's wife Jane died 4th quarter of 1861, and in 1871, he was living with his daughter Mary Welsh, draper & milliner.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Mary Welsh, draper & milliner, aged 53, father Timothy Welsh, widow, retired farmer, aged 82, sister, married, Jane Graves, assistant draper, aged 45, niece Elizabeth J. Welsh, milliner, aged 20, and niece Agnes Welsh, dressmaker, aged 19.

21st November 1885 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Greenock, 12th inst., in his 69th year, Utrick Walton, late of Her Majesty's Customs.

See 17th February 1844, and 27th December 1844.

21st November 1885 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston St Augustine's 16th inst Thomas Ward farmer, Redwing, to Miss Mary Ann Routledge, Flatt, Alston.

In 1891, at High Redwing, Thomas Ward, farmer, aged 38, his wife Mary A 25, children Joseph S 3, Annie M 1, and farm servant Thomas Blake 31, born London.

Alston St Augustine's 17th inst. Thomas Kearton, farmer, Rodderupside, to Miss Annie Pearson, Cross Hall, Alston.

In 1891, at Low House, nr. Rotherhope, Thomas Kearton, farmer, aged 38, his wife Annie 29, children Hugh 4, Vipond 1, and domestic servant Mary A Jackson, aged 29.

Deaths

Allendale, 18th inst, Margaret Nattrass aged 54. *Unmarried grocer.*

28th November 1885 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At St Augustine's Church, Alston, 26th inst., John Lancaster to Susannah Walton, both of Alston.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, John Lancaster, miller, aged 31, his wife Susannah 27, children Edward W 5, Herbert W 3, and Thomas W 1.

Deaths

At Wooley, Allendale, 22nd inst. aged 74, Thomas Forster.

At Wooley, Thomas Forster, farmer of 47 acres, aged 70, wife Margaret 63, children Liddle, auctioneer, aged 39, Thomas, farm labourer, aged 34, Jane 37, John, jobbing labourer, aged 33, and grandson William Forster 12.

5th December 1885 (Hexham Herald
Marriages
Newcastle Byker, St Silas Church, 30th ult. George Snowden of Nenthead, Alston, to Phoebe Erwin of Heaton. *In 1891, at Byker Street, Byker, George Snowden, railway porter, aged 27, his wife Phoebe 26, children Herbert 4, Isabella A 2, and boarder Jacob Blacklock, cartman, aged 29, born Alston.*
Deaths
Garrigill, 23rd ult. aged 72 years Thomas Bailey, Oculist.
Nenthead Pry House, 24th ult. aged 51 Agnes Pattinson.
In 1871, at Low Dyke Heads, John Pattinson, stonemason, aged 42, wife Agness (Graham, married 5th March 1853, Nenthead) aged 36, children Sarah Ann 12, John 10, and Margaret 6.
John Pattinson died 2nd quarter 1873, aged 44.
In 1881, at Pry House, Agnes Pattinson, stone masons widow (John died April 1873, See 19th April 1873), aged 46, son John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Margaret, domestic servant, aged 16, and grandson George Pattinson 2.
See 16th April 1892

11th December 1885 (Newcastle Courant)
HEALEYFIELD LEAD MINE
Since the starting of the Cornish pumping engine at this mine a month ago, sinking operations have been steadily carried forward in the Whitewell Shaft; and the engineer writes that the sinkers have now reached the plate bed lying under the slate sills. The upper and lower slate sills are together, forming one fine sold stratum 54 feet thick. As soon as the necessary sump for the pumps has been cut, a cross cut will be driven in the plate to the vein, which is lying a few fathoms east of the shaft. The trial of this old mine, in the limestone rocks will be watched with great interest in the district.

12th December 1885 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 8th inst, aged 65, Leonard Hardy.
In 1841, at Butts, Alston, John Hardy, lead miner, aged 70, wife Hannah aged 70, daughter Mary aged 25, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 20, and Leonard, lead miner, aged 20. In 1881, at Butts, Alston, Mary Hardy, single, land seller, aged 65, brother Leonard Hardy, single, stonebreaker, unemployed, aged 59.
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 9th inst. aged 25, John Jos. Moore.
In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Moor, lead ore miner, aged 48, wife Elizabeth 36, children George, lead ore washer, aged 16, Margaret, house maid, aged 14, Vickers 10, Sarah 8, Isaac 5, and John J. 1 year.
John Moore senior died 13th February 1866, aged 53.
In 1881, at Rough Side, Vickers Moore, lead miner & farmer of 105 acres, aged 30, mother Elizabeth Moore, widow, aged 56, brother, George, lead miner, aged 36, sister Margaret 34, brothers Isaac G., lead miner, aged 25, John J., lead miner, aged 21, William, lead miner, aged 18, and John 11.
See 23rd February 1866

12th December 1885 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY (LIMITED)

The Annual report of the directors for the year ending June 30, states that mining operations have been actively carried on throughout the year on a large scale, about 700 men having been employed regularly by the company; £31,118 has been expended during the year, £8,118 of which has been on opening up, repairing, and timbering mines, the construction of reservoirs, additional machinery, buildings &c. The result of this outlay has been the raising of 3,165 tons of ore, the further development and improvement of the mines, and putting them into better working order and repair. ...

DEATH OF MR C. BAINBRIDGE.

The death of Mr Cuthbert Bainbridge (On 6th inst) of Leazes Houses, Wolsingham … Mr Bainbridge was 81 years of age, was twice married and is survived by his widow. … His only surviving brother is Mr Emerson Bainbridge of Eshott Hall, Northumberland, head of the firm Bainbridge & Co. of Newcastle.

19th December 1885 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINING

As a proof of the healthy state of the lead market, the London Lead Company have reinstated a number of their old workmen in the Bolihope Mines which are yielding exceptionally at present.

ALLENDALE

THE LEAD TRADE

It is cheering to learn in the middle of a general depression which prevails, that the approach of the new year brings with it somewhat brighter prospects in this, staple industry in Allendale, which has been so long in a state of stagnation. On Monday, at Mr W B Beaumont's smelt mills, near Allendale Town, eight fresh men started work, and there is hope held out of others being yet set on. The better tone noted in the lead trade has resulted in the large quantity of lead which has been standing in the yards for some time at these mills being all sold; and we understand that orders for further supplies of lead are awaiting execution. The greater part of the lead we believe has been sent to China.

Deaths

At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 14th inst. aged 64 Thomas Price, lead miner.

See 14th October 1843, 14th April 1865, 3rd August 1872, 9th October 1880, 15th September 1883

19th December 1885 (Hexham Herald)

LEAD MINING IN WEARDALE.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE WEARDALE LEAD MINING CO. LTD.

... I must refer now to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, they have met us fairly, and have adopted a sliding scale, by which the royalty is arranged according to the price of lead. When lead is £13 to £14 we pay a twelfth, when it is £11 to £12 we pay a fifteenth only. You may record £12 to £13 as the chronic figure, which you will have to look at in the time to come. That will be a good price for your lead, and you would pay one fourteenth royalty only for that. They do not insist upon us working up to the full quantity 1883-4 was £1,000; next year

£2,000; and the next four years, £3,000; after that £4,000. When we entered the mines, after the first year, it was £4,000. I think these concessions are fair and reasonable, and we have to thank the Commissioners for what they have done. ... there is a small balance in our favour of £587 16s 10d and I think, under the circumstances in which we have worked, that we have done fairly.

DEATH OF AN OLD PRIMITIVE

On Monday last the death of Mr John Spark took place at his residence at the ripe age of 71. Deceased was well known in Stanhope and neighbourhood as a workingman who had been successful in life, being possessed of considerable house property. He was a lead miner, and had also a small farm under the Walton family of Aller Gill, which he wrought and farmed with great success for a number of years. Mr Spark also brought up a large family all of whom are doing well. Deceased was a Primitive Methodist of old standing, and held office under the body as class leader for between 20 and 30 years, and was much respected. He was interred in Stanhope cemetery.

COPTHILL WEARDALE

We have to announce the death on Saturday last of Mr Joseph Dalton, whose illness has been of a lingering nature. He was much respected and had reached the age of three score and ten. The deceased was interred on Tuesday in the Heathery Cleugh churchyard.

26th December 1885 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE TOWN

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT THE SMELT MILLS.

On Thursday week, a very serious and painful accident befell one of the workmen engaged at the Allen Smelt Mills named Robert Fairlamb, who has been employed at these mills for many years. It appears that Fairlamb is a "Separator" at these works, and on the morning of the day in question he had been standing on the top of his "pot" stirring the molten lead which it contained, when he accidentally slipped and plunged into the scalding liquid with both feet. He flung himself out, and was immediately attended to by his comrades, and conveyed home, where medical aid was soon procured. The most serious injuries of the unfortunate man are principally below the knee, his face having wonderfully escaped. Much sympathy is expressed for the poor fellow, who lies in a somewhat critical condition.

See 30th January 1886

26th December 1885 (Hexham Herald)

ACCIDENT AT FALLOWFIELD LEAD MINES.

Whilst engaged at the bottom of a "sump" at these mines on Tuesday morning Mr John Henderson the leader of the famous Acomb band was struck by a fall of stone from the "Plate sill", which injured him severely about the face and back. We are glad to learn that to all appearances Mr Henderson is not likely to be incapacitated either permanently or for a longer period.

WEARDALE

MR JAMES BLENKIRON REPORT ON DEC. 12.

Killhope Engine Sump: We are down 6 fathoms into Quarry Hazel, and have struck Grey beds, with ground easier to work, five feet sunk last week. WE hope soon to open up a profitable mine here. Tribute pitches: Flat east of engine sump in Great Limestone is looking well, worth 40 cwt per fathom, the

remainder stopes in flats are valued as follows: Three worth 16, one 18, and one 20 cwt per fathom

Burtree Pasture: The Nattrass Gill end is a little easier to drive, vein 2 ½ feet wide comprised chiefly of flour-spar, worth for ore 14 cwt per fathom. The tribute pitches are without change, worth from 16 to 18 cwt of ore per fathom. We have been carting the loose ore from Burnhope to Burtree Pasture this week to dress.

Grove Rake: The operations at this mine have been making steady progress with encouraging results. The different ends maintain about the same value as last reported.

Green Laws: Under the Quarry level we sunk 8 feet last week in flat. We may reach the Tynebottom limestone any day in this sinking. The tribute pitches have not much change if anything they are a shade better than last week. We purpose at the end of the month rising from Lowe's to Watson's drift where we expect to lay open some good stoping ground.

8th January 1886 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON BOARDS.

The ordinary meeting of these Boards was held on Saturday last: the Rev. O. James in the chair. —At last meeting it was suggested that the Charity Allotment Quarry be opened out so as to find employment for people. The Clerk then expressed the opinion that the Board could not legally do so, and now stated that he had obtained further information, which confirmed him in that opinion. —Mr Henry Walton: Some persons did employ persons in that manner. —The Clerk said that by an order of 1862 certain Boards had power conferred upon them under stringent regulations as to supervision, but Alston was not one of the places on the list. In taking step like that now proposed, the Sunderland Board of Guardians had got into hobble, and he observed that it was probable they would be surcharged.—Mr Walton gave notice that at next meeting he would move that the Surveyor bare and open the quarry and fence it properly. —The Surveyor reported that alongside the Nenthead and Garrigill Road, there was deep ravine, some 50 or 60 feet deep, caused by mining operations. At several places the fence had fallen into the ravine, rendering the road exceedingly dangerous. —The Surveyor, having complained without avail to the lessee, Mr W. Dickinson, Newcastle, was now directed to lay the matter before the lessors, the Lords the Admiralty.

9th January 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE LEAD TRADE

The change in this market during the past year have not been important, the principal feature which has been brought to bear upon the market being the Cholera in Spain, and which at times tended to implant strength to the tons, and this enabled sellers to realise better prices than what were obtainable when the year began. In January the market opened firm at £11 for Spanish and some parcels of common English pigs were also obtainable there at, but the demand being dull the price of Spanish very soon eased off to £10 17s 6d whilst in the middle of January the flat state of the market induced the sellers of English also to accept that figure and suppliers of Spanish put down their prices to £10 15s. After fluctuating considerably the price is now much improved. In early November the market remained steady at £11 5s but after the first week or so

had expired sellers were quoting a further advance of 2s 6d though buyers were not at first ready to pay these advanced rates; nevertheless as the month progressed greater firmness pervaded the market, and at the close £12 5s was being quoted for Spanish and £12 10s for English; and at the beginning of December a further 2s 6d rise was realised but soon afterwards the market quoted down and prices were easier at £12 2s 6d for Spanish at about which price it closed for the year.

Two articles from the British Medical Journal give a good indication of the severity of the Cholera outbreak in Spain:

The British Medical Journal July 4th, 1885

Death Rate During the Present Epidemic of Cholera in Spain

The official returns issued by the Spanish Government are admittedly incomplete, the severity of the epidemic in certain provinces having thrown public business into great confusion; an inspection of the returns issued, however, seems to show that the death rate is not far below the average of all epidemics, which is put don at about 50 percent. During five days of 24 hours between June 25th and 30th, the number of cases reported was 5,689 and the number of deaths was 2,663; representing a death rate of nearly 47 percent.

British Medical Journal; July 1, 1893

CHOLERA: WHERE IT COMES FROM AND HOW IT IS PROPAGATED. Ernest Hart.

In1885 Spain was the scene of a cholera out break of exceptional ferocity. Introduced into Alicante on the south eastern coast in spite of quarantine, in August, 1884,the disease slumbered through the following winter, and in April, 1885,burst into an epidemic at Jativa and Alcira, when, evading sanitary cordons it was soon carried far and wide by the dispersing labourer's. Between February 5th and December 31st, 1885, 2,247 local governments, having an aggregate population of 6,576,641, had been invaded, and 338,685 cases and 119,624 deaths had occurred.

9th January 1886 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

PERILOUS PREDICAMENT OF A TEESDALE MINER

Much excitement has existed throughout Teesdale since Thursday last, when the news spread that a miner named Thomas Bellas had been buried in the workings at **Lunehead Lead mines**, which are situated ten miles from Middleton-in-Teesdale. It appears that on Thursday morning Bellas and a mate were working together in the farthest point of the mine, when they heard a creaking of the tunnelled roof, which runs along the main workings. They at once set about making preparations for their own safety, Bellas mate going for some wood close by to prop the roof. On his return within a few minutes, he found that the roof had given way, a large mass of rubbish blocking up the workings. Bellas was entombed at the furthest end of the fall. The workmen about the mine at once commenced to remove the debris it being thought possible to reach Bellas by means of a hopper. After working with this object all day on Thursday, it was found that Bellas could not reach the hopper. Help was sent for to Middleton, several men immediately leaving that place on a sleigh for the mine. Mr Bainbridge, manager of the London Lead Company's mines also sent valuable assistance. Most luckily for Bellas, the working in which he was imprisoned was fitted with air pipes, which were not damaged by the fall, consequently the ventilation remained good, whilst, better still it was

found practicable to convey to him that means plenty of food, and candles so that he might have light. The entombed miner could be heard distinctly when shouting, and heard working his end of the fall trying to extricate himself. He was warned to be cautious, lest any more falls should take place. Last night strenuous efforts were made to pierce the fall and reach Bellas, and at about nine o'clock he was safely got out.

14th January 1886 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)
A TERRIBLE DEATH. A miner named Thomas Millican has been accidentally killed at Threlkeld Lead Mines, near Keswick, by the sudden explosion of a shot. As soon as possible the man was extricated, but he had received frightful injury. His left arm was completely shattered, and a large hole made in his side. He was partly conscious when removed, but died before he could be taken off the premises. *Died 12th January 1886, aged 45.*

15th January 1886 (Durham County Advertiser)
A SERIOUS AFFAIR HAS TAKEN PLACE NENTHEAD, a mining village adjacent to Weardale, the other side of Killhope. Two boys had been breaking stones, and quarrelled over some trivial matter, when the elder of the two thrashed his companion, the father of whom repaired to the house of the former. There the mother named Hinds, is alleged to have seized the coalrake and struck him on the head, felling him, and while he was on the floor, repeating the blows until he was unconscious. He was conveyed to his home and attended by a doctor, who deemed it so serious as to have the man's depositions taken.

16th January 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The first quarters bargains for this year have just been let at the Newhouse offices, under the agents Messrs Blenkiron, Watson, and Thompson. Many more hands have been employed, but they are still working on the non-paying system.

WEARDALE IRON TRADE

The condition of the Iron trade in Weardale is anything but cheering, as the men employed under the Weardale Iron and Coal Company in this dale are under notice, which terminates on the 25th inst. The men employed number about 300, and about 50 or 60 horses are required in the transit of the stone from the iron stone quarries of Wearhead, &c., to the Westgate railway depots. The cause of the evident stoppage is want of orders and overstocked yards.

Deaths
Alston, 10th inst., aged 75 years, Margaret, wife of Thomas Thompson, bonesetter.
In 1881, at Thirlwalls Lane, Alston, Thomas Thompson, bonesetter, aged 54, and his wife Margaret aged 65.

16th January 1886 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN TEESDALE

Henry Robinson (22) of High Dike, Middleton-in-Teesdale, died yesterday from injuries caused by a fall of stone, received whilst working in the Coldberry Lead Mine on the previous day.

Henry Robinson, aged 27, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 18th January 1886.
James Robinson married Mary Parkin 4th quarter 1858, at Teesdale.
In 1861, at High Reading, Newbiggin, Durham, George Robinson, lead miner & farmer, aged 68, his wife Margaret aged 55, sons, David, lead miner, aged 21, James, lead miner, aged 26, daughter in law Mary Robinson 24, grandson, Henry Robinson, 2, and Elizabeth Parkin 18.
In 1871, at Newbiggin, Teesdale, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Mary 34, children. Henry 12, Mary 5.
In 1881, at Middleton in Teesdale, James Robinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 45, children, Henry, lead miner, aged 22, Mary 15, and Robert Parkin 9.
James Robinson aged 48, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 23rd June 1882.
In 1891, at The Hill, Middleton, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 54, and son Robert P, quarryman, aged 19.
Mary Robinson, aged 64, was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton, 28th March 1901.

20th January 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)
LOST IN A LEAD MINE. —A Correspondent says, “The recent accident at the Lunehead Mine, and the fortunate rescue of one of the workmen, reminds me of a somewhat similar incident that occurred at a mine in Upper Teesdale, about forty years ago. The mine in question is situate in a wild ravine, about two miles north of the hostelry at Langdon Beck—midway, I should think, between the Tees and the Wear. It is an ancient mine, supposed to have been worked by the 'old man,' long before there were any historical records of mining in Teesdale. There are miles of passages underground, interspersed with vast caves; and the enormous heaps of waste to be found everywhere on the surface, show the extent of the old excavations. Up to the early part of the present century the mine had been worked in true primitive fashion, by shafts or perpendicular sinking’s, and the ‘bouse,’ water, &c., drawn to the surface by the old-fashioned 'Whimsey,’ or horse-engine. There are evidences, both inside and out, that the mine has once been exceedingly rich. It seems that a period had at length come when operations had been stopped, probably by an accumulation of water, for tradition says that a partnership of miners had an escape from drowning, after driving their draining-level to a point where the ‘old man’s’ workings were tapped. They had apprehended danger, for they had effected arrangements for their speedy exit, and when the water burst upon them, they had time to get into their waggon and make their safe retreat. An extraordinary volume of water poured from the level, and the snow that was lying in the ravine at the time was dyed blood-red with the solution of iron contained in the water. The geological conformation, here, may be said to comprehend the strata between the tufa and the feldspar; and great boulders of the latter are scattered on the surface as far as the summit of Harts- hope. About forty years ago (as I have said at the commencement of this notice), two miners, named respectively, Jeremiah Cameron, of Newbiggin, and Thomas Watson, of Weardale, resolved to explore the old mine. They supplied themselves with candles, entered the mine early in the morning, and wended their way along the passages. Sometimes they had to climb over a heap of waste, at other times

they squeezed through narrow apertures, and again emerged into spacious caverns. Occasionally they ascended the decaying ‘stemples’ (pieces of round timber fixed between the vein-cheeks to prevent a collapse after extracting the ore) to reach higher chambers, which led away from the sides of the vein, and where a slip, or a breaking of the timber, would have entailed certain death. Again they were in the flats or caves, of the twelve-fathom limestone, where neither end, side, nor roof could be discerned. It was while resting in one of these caves that the terrible idea of their being lost came suddenly upon them. They were Wesleyans, and they cheered themselves by singing a hymn, the tones of which, they remarked, echoed with thrilling music, through the long and lofty passages. They now began to retrace their steps, but difficulties surrounded them, and, worse than all, their candles were burnt out. Stumbling painfully along, on their labyrinthine way, they did not lose hope or courage, and again they stopped and sung a hymn, which singularly revived them. Watson now cut his tape-line into small pieces, which were dropped here and there, as they advanced, or were placed conspicuously, so as to attract the attention of any party who might come in search of the missing miners. Worn out with fatigue, for they had been wandering for hours, they yet' put their trust in God, end once more they uplifted their voices in a hymn. Then they stretched their weary frames upon the earth, awaiting succour from outside, if haply it might come. There they were found, early in the morning, by a number of their friends who bad anxiously sought for them in the mine. It is unnecessary to say how joyful all were at that moment, and what a fervent prayer was offered up to the Almighty for their deliverance. The two explorers suffered no permanent harm from their perilous adventure, and both, it may please your readers to know, are alive at this day. It was the opinion of Messrs. Cameron and Watson that some of the flats they traversed in the mine, had at one time been literally fall of lead-ore. There were good evidences of this, end they must have contained hundreds of tons of ore. The general method of working the vein had been by sinking a shaft, connected with a Whimsey. Drifting had been conducted from the bottom of the shaft with slitting of the vein, or the best part of it, leaving supports only for the sides, and the ground behind was all empty. On the vein cheeks, initials had been carved by former miner, and in one instance the date 1637 was observed.”

23rd January 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Medical Officers (Dr John Masterton) yearly report for the Nenthead district was read. He reported that there had been 54 births, 29 males and 24 females, which gives an average of 23.14 per thousand on an estimated population of 2333. The deaths number 37, 16 being males and 21 females giving a death rate of 15.8 per thousand. The most noteworthy events of the year had been two epidemics one of Whooping Cough and the other of Scarlet Fever. The houses of the working class especially in that part of Nenthead known as Overwater where the fever first showed itself, have too scant accommodation for ordinary purposes, and less so for an invasion of Scarlet Fever. There have been 50 cases in all in 14 houses and out of that number there have only been three deaths, so that the fever on the whole has been of a comparatively mild type. I am glad to be able to state that there has been no further spread in

Garrigill and only two houses have been infected with four cases. It is satisfactory to note the entire absence of a diarrhoea or typhoid fever epidemic during the autumnal months, which speaks well of the water supply of the district.

STANHOPE
A CHILD SCALDED TO DEATH.

On Saturday last the child of Mr Thomas Slack of Crawleyside, fell into a bucket of boiling water and was so severely scalded that it died on Sunday. It was one year and 10 months old.

27th January 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

In the County Court of Durham, holden at Barnard Castle, between WILLIAM WILLIAMS, of BROUGH, in the County of Westmoreland, Mining Agent, Plaintiff; and JOHN SLACK, of North Road, in the City or Durham, Bookseller, Defendant.

PURSUANT to an Order made in the above action this day, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVES that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the above named Plaintiff and Defendant, for the purpose of working the **Lead Mines called LUNEHEAD MINES, near Mickleton,** in the North Riding of the County of York, is DISSOLVED as and from this day.
Dated this 18th day of January, 1886,
WM. WATSON, Registrar.

30th January 1886 (Hexham Courant)

SHOCKING FATAL ACCIDENT AT ALLEN SMELT MILL: THE INQUEST: -

On Monday afternoon Mr W. B. Elsdon, the deputy coroner, held an inquest at the Kings Head Inn, Allendale Town, touching the death of Robert Fairlamb, a lead ore smelter, who fell into a pot containing molten lead, on the 18th December last. Mr M. Stephenson was appointed foreman of the jury.

Ann Fairlamb said: I am a widow and live at Leadgate, Allendale Town. The body of the man lying dead in my house, and viewed there today in my presence by the coroner and jury, is that of my husband Robert Fairlamb aged 65 years. He was a lead ore smelter, and worked at Allen Smelt Mills, the property of W. B. Beaumont Esq. Deceased lived at Leadgate and died in my presence in his house at Leadgate, Allendale Town, about four o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday last, the 23rd January. Deceased has been ill since the 18th December 1885. On that day, he was at work at the Allen Smelt Mill. He went to work at six o'clock in the morning, and about eight o'clock the same morning he was brought home in a cart by William Ridley. Deceased was much injured about the legs by burns. Deceased afterwards said to me on the same day, "I was on the top stirring and felt as if I was going in with my head first. I gave a turn and jumped in feet first." He did not blame anyone for the accident and never done so since. Deceased during his illness was attended by Dr Arnison.

John Henderson said: I am a lead ore smelter and live at Low Mill, Allendale Town. I know and was well acquainted with the deceased man, Robert Fairlamb. He and I worked together at the Allen Smelt Mill at Allendale Town. I was in the mill at six o'clock on the morning of Friday, the 18th day of December last, and commenced my work at that hour. Deceased was there also, and commenced his work at that time. He and I had charge of a separating pot which are kept going with lead ore in a molten state. Our pot was about half

filled with molten lead, about 3 tons, when I saw him get on the top, that is to say on the edge of the pot; and go towards the back of it. I did not then know what he intended doing. I was busy ladling the pot into another, and deceased was helping me. When he got on to the edge of the pot, he staggered and seemed likely to fall head first into the pot adjoining into which I was ladling. He thereupon jumped into the molten lead, nearly up to his knees. If he had not jumped in, he would have fallen in headfirst. This occurred about half an hour after commencing work. I and other workmen about the place at once got him out of the pot. He was much burnt about the ankles and heels with the lead. His legs were also burnt, the molten lead having attached itself to his trousers nearly up to the knees. He was immediately afterwards conveyed home to Leadgate, in a cart by Wm. Ridley. Deceased had no business up on the edge of the pot, but he had a habit of getting onto the pot edges, and he had been cautioned not to do so.
The Foreman: Can you stir these pots without getting on to the top of them?
Witness: Yes.
Foreman: Is there a rule prohibiting men getting on to the top of the pot?
Witness: Yes.
The coroner remarked that they would never get those accidents prevented until they got men to think of themselves, and those they leave behind them.
The jury returned a verdict that the deceased died from burns accidentally received while at work in the Allen Smelt Mill, on the 18th December 1885, by falling into a separating pot containing molten lead.
In 1871, at Lead Gate, Allendale, Robert Fairlamb, separator of lead, aged 51, his wife Ann (Whaley, married 16th November 1844) aged 50, children Mary, servant, 21 (deaf & dumb from birth), John 16, Nicholas 12, and boarder William L. Parmley, draper & grocers assistant, aged 45
In 1881, at Leadgate, Allendale, Robert Fairlamb, lead ore smelter, unemployed, aged 61, his wife Ann 60, daughter Mary 31, John, joiner, aged 26, and Nicholas 22.
In 1891, at Alms Houses, Allendale, Ann Fairlamb, widow, aged 71, daughter Mary, 41, and son Nicholas, general labourer, aged 31.
Ann died the 3rd quarter of 1899, aged 79. See 5th August 1899
In 1901, at Alms Houses, Allendale, Mary Fairlamb, house keeper, aged 49 (deaf & dumb), and her brother Nicholas, labourer looking after a horse, groom (feeble minded).

30th January 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Ore dressing almost at a standstill at all mines on account of severe snowstorms and frost.

Deaths

Alston, Town Head, 24th inst., aged 62, Isabella Pearson, same place 28th inst, aged 61, Thomas Pearson, husband and wife.
See 6th February 1886.

5th February 1886 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

At the usual meeting of this Board on Saturday, the Rev. O. James presiding, the balance sheet of the Fairhill Charity for the past year was presented, and

showed that there was a balance available for the Alston Poor, of £15 4s 7d; and for the Garrigill poor of £7 9s 5d. —The Clerk stated that Board had in addition the sum of £12 6s 6d in the savings bank, damages by the working of the mine in the Charity field.

ALSTON HIGHWAY BOARD.

The usual meeting this Board was held Saturday. The Rev. O. James presided. —The Clerk stated there was £50 due to extra hands employed in snow cutting. The main roads from Alston to Garrigill and Alston to Nenthead had been cut, but the roads over Killhope and Yadmoss were yet closed, and so were most of the highways. —The Surveyor observed that the drift had not yet ceased, and there were no signs settled weather; and probably if cut the roads would be blocked in a short time. He wanted to know if he should leave the outlying roads for the present. —It was agreed that the Surveyor proceed with the cutting of the lower roads, and to leave others the meantime.

6th February 1886 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE STORM AND ITS EFFECTS

... The depth of snow is calculated to be at least five feet all round, although in some places it reaches an enormous depth. The road between Nenthead and Alston have been open and reopen three times within the past two weeks and were blocked from end to end. The washing material in connection with the mines and a considerable number of hands have been thrown idle, and, if a thaw does not soon take place, the smelt mill will cease performing its share of the lead manufacturing. The effects of the storm will no doubt, be keenly felt by the labourers &c.

DEATH OF MR THOMAS PEARSON OF ALSTON.

Primitive Methodism in the Alston circuit has just sustained a great loss in the death of the venerable Mr Thomas Pearson, which occurred at his residence at Alston on January 25th, in his 60th year. Mr Pearson was born at Westgate Weardale, September 27, 1825. His father dying when he was very young and the family being in humble circumstances, he was deprived of many of the advantages of early education, he being sent to work when about ten years of age, in order to add to the income of the family. While but in his teens, he manifested a decided religious trait of character and he decided for Christ when about eighteen years of age, when the Rev. John Burroughs travelled in the station. When about twenty being one Saturday afternoon in company with one of the local preachers of the station he was asked if he had any thought of trying to speak in public, to which he did not object being wishful to try and do good, and the next quarter his name appeared on the circuit plan as an exhorter, with two appointments, Hayring (now Nentsbury), and Coalcleugh. Soon afterwards he was raised up on full plan, and since then he laboured faithfully in that sphere travelling to Penrith, and preaching once or twice, and returning the same day, and then going to work on the Monday. In 1855, he entered the marriage state with Miss Errington, with whom he lived happily until her death, which only occurred a few days before his own decease. After their marriage, they went to reside in Nenthead, and being careful and industrious, they managed to save a little to maintain them in after years. In 1883, they retired from active life and came back to Alston. In the latter part of the same year, Mr Pearson went to conduct some special services in the Allendale circuit, and whilst there he

caught a cold and it fixed on his chest and from then he gradually sunk until his end came. Twice Mr Pearson was appointed to the office of Circuit steward, which office he filled very creditably, and twice he represented the Circuit in district meeting, the latter time in 1884, when he was urged to represent his district at conference, but owing to his ill state of health he declined... In private Mr Pearson was a jovial companion, and would tell some interesting stories of the early preachers. He loved the work of preaching, and often we have heard him say, "That he owed all his circumstances in life to being on the plan." He tried to live a consistent God fearing life, and also for the benefit of his fellow men, and often when following him to his appointments, he has told me "that he tried to live that he might be missed when he was gone," and we think he has so done, we miss him in the prayer meeting, in the class meeting, in the Sunday School, in the ordinary services of the sanctuary, and in the pulpit, but we believe he has gone to be with Christ, which is far better. The earnest prayer of the writer is that we may with him at last.

Thomas married Isabella Errington 4th quarter) of 1855, in 1861 they were living at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, Thomas 35, a farm servant, and his wife Isabella 37. In 1871 Thomas is listed, as a farm servant living at Fair Hill, Nenthead, and Isabella's their Thomas Errington 12, is living with them. In 1881, Thomas is listed as a Blacksmiths labourer, and his nephew Thomas a lead mine labourer, living at Nenthead House.

I believe some of the family details to be incorrect in the article above. All census information gives his place of birth as Alston, and there is a record of a Thomas Pearson baptised 1st May 1825, at Alston, son of Robert (a lead miner) and Hannah, Robert his father died aged 55 in 1827, which fits with the story above. The 1841 census gives the following:

Hannah 40, a farmer, children, John 20, Robert 18, Thomas 15, Catharine 14 Jonathan 11, William 9, Hannah 7; the three eldest all working at the lead mines. In 1851, they are living at Benks Alston, John and Catherine no longer living at home, Jonathan working as a lead miner and William as a Cartman.

6th February 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The strong weather that has prevailed in Weardale these last few weeks has been such as has not been known for many years.

... The miners who had to go to Rookhope from Weardale have had a very dangerous journey. Four of them were lost on Wednesday in going from Killhope, crossing the moor with the intention to arrive at Grove Rake, but found themselves at Burnhope, Allenheads. Had it not been daylight it would have been a serious case with the miners.

20th February 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

A letter was read from the Green Hurth Mining Company asking that the road leading thither might be opened with as little delay as possible as the engines were standing idle for want of coal.

Mr Holmes: The Nenthead Mills are standing as well for want of ore, and the men are thrown out of work. It was doing badly for them. He would like to know when it was intended to cut the snow and make the roads passable. .. It was

decided to give the surveyor instructions to get the roads open so that traffic would not be impeded.

25th February 1886 (Northern Echo)
LEAD MINE ACCIDENT. —A Mickleton lead miner named Parkin, employed at Wiregill Mine, fell from a hopper, sustaining such severe injuries that his removal home in a cart was necessary, Dr. Horsfield is in attendance.

27th February 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Lead is advancing, and a great rise in price is anticipated by many, as it is rumoured that the American Government have a Bill on the tapis to do away with duty. If true, a considerable rise may be expected. Shares in several mines have advanced in consequence. The market price for this lead is now from £13 10s to £13 15s.

6th March1886 (Hexham Courant)

FARM LANDS IN MANITOBA

An extract from a letter sent to the Hexham Courant from Charles A Millican, dated Alston, February 22nd, 1886 on a visit home from Manitoba, Canada, where he had been living for 4 years.

… I have been four years in Manitoba and the Great North West Territories of Canada, and I cannot speak too highly of it as a farming country. Essentially prairie land, there is not the labour of clearing every yard of it from timber as was the case in Ontario, where hundreds of people have farms which are valuable and remunerative, though there are here and there patches of wood of various sizes from 100 acres downwards-enough to furnish wood for building purposes, and fencing and firewood.

The soil is rich black loam, about 18 or 20 inches deep, then a clay sub-soil. Water is either close at hand on the surface, or may be had in abundance by sinking a well ten or fifteen feet. The soil is so rich that it will bear a wheat crop for 15 years without being manured or the crop being lighter. I know of land that has been cropped for over 25 years and never manured, though I do not commend such style of farming. The land is easily worked, and the soil is so light that one cannot compare ploughing here and there.

The Canadian Government give 160 acres to anyone wishing to take it stipulating of course for its cultivation. The only cost of this 160 acres is about £2 for defraying official expenses in making an entry for such land-generally called “the entry fee.” The settler has also the privilege of taking up an adjoining 160 acres (if it is vacant) for the sum of not less than 10s an acre, so that a man may become the actual owner of 320 acres of some of the finest farmland in the world from £85 to £120 say. The title or deeds of such land must be earned by the settler living not less than six months of the year for three years on his farm breaking and cropping 15 acres yearly, so that in his third and last year of probation he shall have 45 acres under crop, and also that there shall be a house and stable on such land. No man could dream of farming without fulfilling these requirements, even if they had not been required by law. At the end of three years, should the law be carried out, the Government will give deeds for the property, and then it becomes out and out the Man’s own to do with as he

may please. Should the settler go in for mixed or stock farming certain modifications are made as to the ploughing.
What can be more satisfactory to a farmer than owning the land he farms, and when it is to be had so cheaply and can be worked with so much less capital than a farm in this country it seems that it would be a great pity to allow an opportunity to pass without drawing the attention of young farmers to such a fine country.
The country is settling up, and every year sees increased facilities for marketing, &c., and year by year the land increases in value, and instead of absorbing the strength of the land to pay rent, and gradually making it poorer, a man becomes his own landlord and everything he does increases the value of his land. The climate is healthy, the summer is hot, and the winter is cold, but so healthy and invigorating, owing to the dry atmosphere, that it is more enjoyable than an English winter….
See 12th September 1885

6th March 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope, The Square, 27th ult. aged 14 weeks, Francis John son of John and Isabella Crawhall.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Crawhall (died aged 75, March 1891), accountant, Iron Stone Mining, aged 55, his wife Esther 59 (died 1882), son John, accountant, iron stone mining, 21, father Thomas, formerly woodman, aged 84.
John Crawhall married Annie Currah in the 3rd quarter of 1874, she died aged 25, 27th August 1875, their son Thomas Currah Crawhall was born the 1st quarter of 1875.
In 1881, Quakers Square, Stanhope, John Crawhall, clerk & actuary savings bank, aged 31, his wife, Isabella (Vickers, married 1878) aged 25, and son Charles Edward 1 year. Isabella died aged 32, 28th July 1888, and Charles Edward died in the first quarter of 1888. In 1881, Thomas Currah aged 6, is staying with his grandparents, Thomas & Esther Crawhall, at Quaker Square.
In 1891, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, John Crawhall, cashier at iron works, aged 41, his wife Annie Dixon (Moore, married 1890) aged 35, son Thomas 16, and daughter, Judith M. 9.
In 1901, at the Square, Stanhope, John Crawhall, cashier at iron works, aged 51, his wife Anne D. 45, children Judith M. 19, Mary 17, John 8, and Annie 6 years. John's son Thomas Currah, drug, chemist, shopkeeper aged 26, is living at 70 Station Parade, Harrogate with his wife Maria Louisa (Waterston, married 1898, at Newcastle), aged 28, they have a son Thomas Carrel, aged 1 year.
John Crawhall died 2nd quarter 1919, aged 69
Alston, Dykeheads, 21st ult., aged 5 years (Scarlet Fever) Elizabeth daughter of John Hind.
In 1851, at Bank House, Nenthead, Thomas Whitfield (died 1852), lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary (died 1858/60) aged 55, Rachel 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Elizabeth 12.
In 1861, at Pipers Row, Nenthead, John Whitfield, lead ore miner, unmarried, aged 26, sister Rachel, unmarried, house keeper aged 28, sister Elizabeth, dressmaker aged 22, and son Thomas 3 months.

In 1841, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, William Hind, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Sarah 47, Esther 20, William 20, Hannah 15, James 15, Elizabeth 10, Mary 7, John 3.
In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead William Hind, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Sarah 57, children James lead miner, aged 26, Elizabeth 20, and grandson John Hind, lead ore washer aged 13.
William Hind died 2nd quarter of either 1851, or 1857.
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Hind, lead ore miner, aged 36, his wife Phillis 34, daughter Sarah A. 5 months, and boarder, John, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, John Hind, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth 31, daughter Mary 3, servant Rachel Whitfield, dairymaid, aged 40, and nephew Thomas Whitfield 8.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, John Hind, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth (Whitfield, married 26 September 1867, at Nenthead) aged 42, children Mary 12, Thos. W. 10, John Jas. 6, Annie 3, sister in law, Rachel Whitfield, widow, general servant, aged 48, nephew Thomas Whitfield, lead ore washer, aged 18. Elizabeth was born 2nd quarter of 1881.
In 1891, at Broad House, Patterdale, Westmorland, John Hind, leads miner, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 52, children Thomas M. lead miner, aged 20, John J. lead ore dresser aged 16, Annie 13, and sister in law Rachel Whitfield, widow, aged 59.
John Hind Senior died the 2nd quarter of 1891, aged 53.
In 1901, at 12 Halton Terrace, Patterdale, Elizabeth Hind, widow, aged 64, children, Thomas W. lead miner, aged 29, Mary 32, and aunt Rachel Whitfield, widow, aged 69.
Workington, Warrington Road, 27th ult. aged 68 years Isaac Vipond, late of Rodderupside, Alston. *A retired farmer, his wife Mary died 13th December 1903, aged 68, at Workington.*

13th March 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Acting on the advice of Dr Carson, the Medical Officer for Alston, the managers of the High and Salvin schools have decided to close the respective places for a fortnight in consequence of the spread of Scarlet fever in the town.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, Alston, 8th inst., aged 77, Thomas Wilkinson, miner.
In 1851 Thomas Wilkinson lead miner 44, his wife Jane 42, children Margaret 22, Anthony 12, Thomas 9, Mary 6, and Elizabeth 4. In 1871 Thomas Wilkinson lead miner 62, his wife Jane 62, children Anthony 32, Thomas 28, Jane 19, and granddaughter Mary Ann Wilkinson 9 months.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Jane 52, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner aged 18, Mary Ann 16, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 14, and Jane 9.
In 1871 at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Jane 62, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 32, Thomas, lead miner aged 28, Jane, dress maker, aged 19, and granddaughter Mary Ann Wilkinson aged 9 months. Jane died aged 66, 11th August 1875.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, widow, lead miner, aged 72, son Anthony, lead miner, aged 40, daughter Jane, house keeper,

aged 27, granddaughter Mary Ann Wilkinson 10, and grandson Robert William Wilkinson 7.
In 1881, at White Hall, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 37, and his wife Jane (Dawson/Dowson, married 1874) aged 26. In 1891, at Oakley Terrace, West Auckland, Thomas Wilkinson, coal miner, aged 46, his wife Jane aged 36, and niece Mary Jane Dawson.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Anthony Wilkinson, single, lead miner, aged 50, sister Jane 38, and nephew Robert W. Wilkinson, lead miner aged 16.

19th March 1886 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON BOARDS.

The usual meetings of the Alston Boards were held on Saturday, the Rev. O. James presiding. The Guardians agreed to support the Whitehaven Guardians in taking steps to induce the Government to adopt a system of state-aided emigration. —The Clerk intimated that the Treasurer had received from the Treasury a cheque for £107 5s 10d in repayment of their proportion of the cost of disturnpiked roads.—Mr Henry Walton laid on the table the Surveyor's estimate of stores required for the ensuing year. The quantity required for the main roads was 1210 yards as against 1536 for last year, and for highways 470 as against 490 yards.—The Surveyor said that about £300 had been expended in snow-cutting; but the Nenthall and Greenside, the Nenthead and Coal Cleugh, the Nenthead and Garrigill, and the Tynehead and Yadmoss roads were still blocked.—The Board gave orders that the work should be continued.—Dr Carson report'd that there had been fourteen cases of scarlatina in the locality, but most of them were of a mild type. All the schools had been closed with the exception of the Grammar School, and he did not think it necessary to close it, as none of the pupils were from infected localities.

The Board agreed that a representation should be made to the Governors as to the desirability of closing the school. — Dr Carson and Dr Masterton were re-appointed medical officers, and Mr Joseph Walton was again elected sanitary inspector.

WINTER IN THE CUMBERLAND FELL DISTRICTS.

A correspondent, writing from Alston on Tuesday, says—"There has to-day been further fall of snow in this locality to the extent of four to six inches. Little of the previous snow had been removed by the sun, owing to the intense frost each night, and day by day the outlook for the sheep farmers becomes more serious. All the fences are drifted level, and owing to their wanderings in search of food the flocks are hopelessly mixed. Hay is being consumed at unprecedented rate, and many farmers have already exhausted their stocks. There have been large arrivals, during the past week, of hay and straw at the stations on the Alston Branch Railway, and seeing that these are purchased at something like famine prices the drain on the hill farmers' purses may imagined. Flockmasters know, moreover, that their darkest days are yet in store, for the ewes are emaciated that there cannot, by any possibility, sufficient supply of milk for the lambs when the season comes. It wants still a fortnight or three weeks until the lambing season on the hills becomes general, but this time is insufficient for the ewes to recuperate to the necessary extent; indeed, such is their condition now that it is a question with farmers, if rapid thaw and a quick grow the spring grass will not prove more deleterious to their stocks than will a continuance of the present temperature, if only the overwhelming weight of snow were removed. As it is,

however, the prospects of being speedily disencumbered from our white winding-sheet are not evident; for the snow is now falling sullenly and ceaselessly. Though the length of road is comparatively small, the Alston Highway Board have already expended £300 in cutting the roads, and many of these are still blocked—notably the Nenthead and Garrigill, Nenthead and Coalcleugh, Nenthall and Greenends, Tynehead and roads; and many of these have been blocked since the first week in January. The grouse have nearly all disappeared from their usual feeding grounds, and there no doubt that many have perished. At the mines all washing operations ceased several weeks ago, owing to the continued snow and frost, and, except that work on the roads has generally been obtainable, there must have been much distress."

27th March 1886 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nentsbury, Alston, 12th inst., aged 62, Thomas Carr, lead ore miner.
Matthew Carr married Elizabeth Parmaly, 25th August 1804, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Matthew Carr of Croft, was buried at Garrigill, 1st April 1832, aged 56.
In 1841, at Croft, Nenthead, Elizabeth Carr, widow, aged 60, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, Dorothy 20, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1851, at Croft, Nenthead, Elizabeth Carr, miners widow, aged 71, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 33, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Dorothy 29, and visitor, Matthew Brown, lead miner, aged 14.
Thomas Carr married Elizabeth Hind, 13th November 1851, at Nenthead.
In 1861, at Croft, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth 29, children, Mary 9, Matthew 6, Elizabeth 3, Sarah 11 months, and Mother Elizabeth Carr, miners widow, aged 80.
Elizabeth Carr was buried at Garrigill, 19th December 1867, aged 88.
See 24th December 1867
In 1871, at Croft, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 46, wife Elizabeth 39, children Matthew 16, Elizabeth 13, Sarah 10, Ann Alice 4.
In 1881, at Hayring Cottage, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth aged 49, and daughter Dorothy H. Carr aged 9 years.
In 1881, at Alma Terrace, Byker, Henry Cowling, engine man, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 58, and boarder, Matthew Carr, lead ore smelter, aged 26, born Alston Moor.
Thomas Carr died 12th March 1886, aged 62.
In 1891, at Hayring Cottage, Nenthead, Elizabeth Carr, widow, aged 59, and granddaughter Ellen Davidson aged 2 years.
At Bloomsbury Cottages, Nenthead, 24th inst, aged 76, John Percival, head ore washer.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Hannah Percival, aged 70, Edward, lead miner, aged 30, John, lead miner, aged 30, Robert, apprentice shoemaker, aged 25, Hannah 9 years (granddaughter).
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, John Percival, unmarried, lead ore washing foreman, aged 72, his unmarried sister Mary, house keeper, aged 78, niece Hannah, house keeper aged 49, nephew Robert, lead ore washer, aged 28, and nephew John, lead ore washer, aged 18.

3rd April 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF ONE OF THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES DIRECTORS

With very much regret we have announced the death on the 21st ult., at Cecil House, Waltham Cross, of Mr George Batters in his 63rd year. ... During the past 30 years Mr Batters took a prominent part in promoting metal mining not only on Great Britain but in North America and other parts of the world. …

10th April 1886 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

AN EMIGRANT FROM WEARDALE

On Sunday a large number of friends assembled at Stanhope station to bid farewell to Mr James Hornsby on his departure to Australia … He left with his wife and family.

In 1881, at Cow Garth Hill, Stanhope, James Hornsby (born Longnewton, Durham, son of John & Margaret Hornsby, John a stone quarryman) limestone quarryman, aged 32, his wife Hannah (born Wallsend) aged 34, and daughter Mary May aged 4 years.

Australian immigration records show James Hornsby, quarryman, aged 37, his wife Hannah aged 39, Children Isabella aged 4 and Mary M. aged 9, left Plymouth on the Energia, and arrived at Sydney 4th June 1886.

In 1901, at Browns Houses, Frosterley, Stanhope, James Hornsby, agent limestone quarry, aged 52, his wife Hannah aged 54, and daughter Mary May, dressmaker aged 24.

10th April 1886 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Coal Valley, Rock Island, Illinois, America, 22nd of March aged 31 years, Elizabeth wife of Rev. Wm. Todd and daughter of the late Thompson and Isabella Yeats of Hill House near Alston.

In 1851, at Low Brownside, Alston, Thompson Yeats, lead miner & farmer, aged 29, his wife Isabella (Kindred, married 18th June 1846) aged 28, children George 3, Thomas 2, Joseph 9 months, lodger, George Yeats, lead miner, aged 23, lodger, John, lead miner, aged 19, lodger, Stark, lead miner aged 16, servant, Ann Yeats, house servant, aged 13.

In 1861, at Hill House, Thompson Yeats, farmer of 65 acres, 39, his wife Isabella 38, children George, lead ore miner, aged 13, Thomas 12, Joseph 10, Thompson 8, Elizabeth 6, John H. 4, and brother George Yeats, lead miner, aged 33.

Thompson Yeats died 18th January 1864.

In 1881, ay Hill House, Joseph Yeates, farmer of 144 acres, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 35, children William 9, John Jos. 7, Isabella 5, Thomas 10 months, uncle George Yeates, unmarried, lead miner, aged 53, visitors William Todd, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth Todd 26, children Margaret Ann Todd 9, George Todd 1, and visitor John Yeates, stone mason, aged 24.

New York Passenger lists show the Todd family travelled, steerage, from Newcastle, on the Roxburgh Castle arriving at New York on the 4th May 1881.

See 18th September 1841, 22nd March 1845, 22nd January 1864, 13th January 1877, and 1st May 1886.

14th April 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

I am informed that some “prospecting” is now going on at the **Spanham Lead-mine, near Bowes,** with the view of re-discovering the vein (which is supposed to go through the hill to the Arkendale side of the range), and re-opening the works. Lead-mining here is of ancient date, and, in the immediate vicinity of the modern excavations, there is evidence of operations the history of which is entirely forgotten. These workings have been of singular extent and importance; and the numerous springs of water have been utilized in a remarkable degree for the purpose of “hushing,” that being the mode by which the metal has been brought to light. With much toil and patient assiduity the water has been conveyed in winding channels, from the highest summits, for the formation of the reservoirs by which the hushing has been accomplished. On the very top of some of the lower hills, a thousand feet above the level of the sea, these dams or reservoirs have been constructed, which is shewn by the remains of the embankments; and the force of the water is exhibited in the chasms in the hillsides, from which hundreds of tons of stone and soil have been washed into the valley, and lie spread over a great extent of ground. A huge trench has also been dug across the moor by the old adventurers, in the expectation of “baring" the vein, and the excavated earth, together with the now half-filled trench, have been overgrown with heath for centuries. On the heights bordering the Ellerbeck—a stream running a tortuous course amidst the hills—are a number of shallow pits, which have been used for smelting purposes, and "slag” has been found near them. Pits of this description were employed universally for the smelting of metals when dense forests covered the face of the land, and when luxuriant woods grew where now are desolate moors. …

17th April 1886 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE MINES

Those royalties recently leased by the Weardale Mining Company continue to develop most favourably. Quarterly “bargains” were let on Saturday to a supplementary staff of nearly 700 men, the wage basis being fair and satisfactory.

17th April 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The reports of Killhope, Greenlaws and Groverake mines this week seem to be very satisfactory. Lead is steady and little offering. We quote Spanish at £13 7s 6d to £13 10s and English at £13 15s.

On Friday and Saturday, the quarterly bargains were let at Newhouse offices. The company gave employment to a large number of extra hands, also putting the miners more strictly to their time of working.

Deaths

Garrigill, High Windy Hall, 9th inst., aged 8 years, Percival, son of Adam Archer.

In 1851, at Priorsdale House, Garrigill, John Archer, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah (Storey, married 12th February 1820) aged 51, children Mary 30, Wm, lead miner, aged 28, Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Adam, shepherd, aged 14, Hannah 11, James Octavious 5, and Elliot 3 years. John Walton died in 1860.

In 1861, at Garrigill, Hannah Archer, widow, farmer of 1500 acres, aged 61, children Mary 40, William mason, aged 30, Isaac, mason and farm manager, aged 28, James, mason, aged 15, and Elliott, shepherd, aged 13.
In 1861, at Welgill, Nenthead, Adam Archer, stonemason aged 24, and his wife Sarah aged 22. See 7th December 1860, 1st July 1871, 8th June 1878

21st April 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN TEESDALE.

LEAD COMPANY'S PAY.—On Saturday evening last, our little town assumed quite a lively aspect, the London Lead Company's monthly pays having been made on that day. The Old Brass Band (under the able leadership of Mr A. Grieve) who have attained to considerable proficiency, gave a choice selection of music in the Market Place, which was most eagerly listened to by a large number of people, notwithstanding the coldness of the evening.

Last week I named the Spanham lead-mine, and I am now informed that another of our Yorkshire lead mines—that at Lunehead—which has been intermittently worked for a great number of years, is once more the scene of busy labour, the lessee being Mr John Slack, of Durham, who, it is to be hoped, will be amply rewarded for his pains and his expenditure. It was on a fine hot summer day, more than twenty years ago, that I first saw the Lunehead Mine, I was accompanied by a friend, and, as there was then no Tees Valley Railway, we drove the whole of the distance from Barnard Castle. We started early in the morning, and, our route lying through the most picturesque part of north-west Yorkshire, it is unnecessary to say that the journey was pleasant and enjoyable in the highest degree. We left our conveyance at the Grains-o'-Beck inn, and walked forward to the mine, which is situated in a ravine almost under the shade of Mickle Fell. A "beck," one of the grains of the Lune, watered the glen, and on one side was the manager's house, a neat building, in the midst of a garden. The mine was then worked by the London Lead Company, and on making our wish known to the manager, leave was politely given, and several of the workmen were appointed lo accompany us. A cave, out of which ran a stream of water, was, we were told, the entrance to the mine, or, as it was termed, the "level;" and, on the floor of this entrance, iron rails were laid for the passage of the diminutive waggons used in bringing out the ore. One of our attendants, remarking that we should want some "different claes to what we had on," dived into a storehouse, whence he emerged with a quantity of the miners' clothing, from which he invited us to make a selection. Accepting the invitation we laid aside our hat and coat, assuming in their stead a rusty cloth cap and a linen " kitle;" whilst our friend encased himself in a voluminous fustian shooting-jacket, the property of a gigantic miner, and completed his costume by the addition of an ancient straw-hat. Having thus propitiated the Genius of the mine, we were ready for our explorations. While we were at our toilet, an active young fellow had harnessed a pony to a string of the waggons, into one of which we got, while the others were filled by the workmen, each passenger with a lighted candle in his right hand our driver cracked his whip, and away we rumbled into the "level," the pony splashing at every step. The ventilation of the mine was faultless, and our first sensation was that of a delightful coolness as contrasted with the great heat outside. The passage, cut in the limestone rock, was very low, and we sat tightly squeezed in our narrow vehicle, compressing our elbows into the smallest possible space, and bending our heads to avoid striking the

ceiling. Thus we proceeded for a considerable distance, until we reached the "dry level," when we alighted and walked. Suddenly the passage expanded, and we found ourselves in a vast natural cavern. It was impossible to guess how far it extended around us, and the united light of our candles failed to pierce the profound darkness overhead. We made a short circuit, and found that the cavern had boundaries, the walls and floor being of solid limestone. From every point, however, the roof was invisible, and our voices echoed high up in its dim recesses. There were also several smaller caves, which served as receptacles for loose stones and earth. Following our conductors we arrived in time to hear, but not see, the operation of "blasting," for, during the explosion, we were directed to place ourselves behind a rock, where, nevertheless, a shower of small splinters reached us, accompanied by the dense sulphurous fumes of the powder. On examining the scene of the blast, we observed that the vein had been laid bare, and the ore was glittering in all its native brightness. A perpendicular ''shaft" above our heads, from whence proceeded the sound of blows and the muttering of voices, attracted our attention, and we learned from our guides that the miners were here leaving the vein we had seen, and were working upwards to a parallel vein. We could dimly discern the wooden ladders and the landings upon which the men stood as they wielded their pickaxes. Having noticed all the wonders of the mine, we re-entered our waggons, and returned to the light of day, much gratified with our underground excursion, and pleased with the civility and intelligence of our attendants. We dined well at the inn, after which we again took a ramble, and, climbing the hill behind the hostelry, were soon among the heather, which was here knee- deep. Still ascending, we reached the base of a precipice, upon the summit of which were several huge upright stones, giving the place its name of the "Seven Standards." Near this was a fine sheet of water, with boathouse and boat, which we were told was the fishpond appertaining to Wemmergill Hall. Silence was supreme, and saving the occasional whir of a grouse, as it rose startled from the heather, there was no sound to break the stillness. There was a magnificent view of the surrounding bills: — Mickle Fell, clothed in purple, shone resplendent in the afternoon sun; whilst the neighbouring ranges displayed every variety of colour, from golden brown to azure, as they stretched away to the far horizon. The "grains " of the Lune were everywhere visible, as they dashed down the slopes, or ran merrily between grassy banks in the depths of the valley. Half the time we had taken to ascend conducted us again to the inn, and we set out on our homeward journey, which was safely accomplished, our visit to the Lune-head Mine surviving as a pleasant remembrance to this day. ONLOOKER.

24th April 1886 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 17th inst., Caleb Milburn, Weardale to Phoebe Hill, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Law Head, Stanhope, Robert Milburn, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Sarah 39, step son Caleb Peart, lead miner, aged 16, son, Jacob, lead miner, aged 16, son, Emerson, lead ore washer, aged 12, and daughter, Mary Hannah, aged 9. In 1881, Caleb was lodging at Tow Law, working as a coal miner.
In 1891, at Mount Pleasant, Heathercleugh, Caleb Milburn, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Phoebe, aged 34, and son Arthur Edwin 2.

Phoebe Milburn, died at Weardale 2nd quarter 1898.
In 1901, at Campbell St., Towlaw, Caleb Milburn, widow, coal miner, aged 46, children Arthur E 12, Sarah E 8, Phoebe J 6, Robert A 5, and servant, Annie Johnson 56.
In 1911, at Thornly Rd, Towlaw, Caleb Milburn, widow, coal miner, aged 56, children, Arthur Edwin, colliery labourer, age 22, Sarah Elizabeth 17, and Robert Allan, colliery labourer, aged 15.
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 17th inst., Emmerson Fairless, Weardale to Tamar Hetherington, Nenthead.
In 1891, at Wellgill Villa, Nenthead, Emerson Fairless (born Stagshaw, Hexham), travelling draper, aged 40, his wife Tamar (born Middleton in Teesdale), milliner & dressmaker, aged 35.

24th April 1886 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

DEATH OF MR JOSEPH VIPOND.

We regret to record the death of an old Parishioner of Stanhope. Mr Joseph Vipond, who died at Stanhope on Tuesday last at the age of 65 years. In early life the subject of our notice worked at the Stanhope Burn lead mine and by close attention to study he by self-help was soon able to take up the position of schoolmaster, a calling he was however compelled to relinquish owing to losing his eyesight. Mr Vipond was consequently blind for some 40 years of his life, but this infirmity did not prevent him from making rapid progress in acquiring knowledge. For many years he was engaged and successfully, in a drapery and grocery business at Stanhope. … Deceased leaves no children but leaves a wife to mourn the loss of a gentle kind and good husband.
In 1841, Joseph Vipond, lead miner aged 40, Mary aged 40, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, John lead miner aged 15, and Isaac 10. In 1851, at Crawleyside, Mary Vipond, widow, aged 52, sons, Joseph, formerly schoolmaster, aged 30, blind, John, lead miner, aged 24, and Isaac, masons apprentice, aged 19. Joseph married Mary Todd, in 1877.
In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Joseph Vipond, retired grocer, aged 60, his wife Mary 51, and brother Isaac Vipond, stonemason, aged 49.
Deaths
Alston, Physic Hall, 17th inst., aged 28, Elizabeth wife of John Place, surfaceman.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Alston, Phillis Kirsop, farmer of 15 acres, aged 53, children Mary 30, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Lancelot, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, masons labourer, aged 20, granddaughter Jane 9, and grandson John 6.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Alston, Phillis Kirsopp, widow, formerly farm servant, aged 65, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 36, Lancelot, agricultural labourer, aged 33, granddaughter Jane Kirsopp, house maid, aged 20, grandsons John Place, stone breaker, aged 16, and Alfred Kirsopp 1 year.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Top, Isabella Bainbridge, widow, retired farmer 38, children Peter 15, Elizabeth R. 13, Thomas W. 10, Jonathan W. 8, Jane A. 6, Joseph 3, and Frances M. 1 year.
In 1881, at No. 2 Physic Hall, John Place, general labourer, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth R. (Bainbridge, married 12th December 1878) aged 23, and daughter Elizabeth 1 year.

In 1891, at Physic Hall, Isabella Bainbridge (husband Joseph farmer of 120 acres in 1861, Joseph died in 1869 aged 62), widow 58, son Peter railway worker, aged 35, son Thomas W. General labourer, aged 30, grandson Herbert J. Bainbridge, aged 15, granddaughter Phillis M Place 9, and granddaughter Isabella Place 7 years.
See 24th June 1871, 11th September 1880, and 17th April 1897

1st May 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Leazes House, near Alston, 24th ult., aged 37, Thomas Yeats.
In 1861, at Hill House, Alston, Thompson Yeats, farmer of 65 acres, aged 39, his wife Isabella (Kindred, married 1846) aged 38, children George, lead ore miner, aged 13, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 12, Joseph 10, Thompson 8, Elizabeth 6, John H. 4, brother George Yeats, lead ore miner, aged 33, and house servant, Hannah Birket, aged 24. Thompson Yeats died 1864, and Isabella died 1867 aged 45.
In 1871, at Hill House, Alston, George Yeats, labourer & farmer, aged 23, his wife Elizabeth 25, brother Thomas, mason, aged 22, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, sister Elizabeth 16, brother John 14, and uncle George Yeats, lead miner, aged 43.
In 1881, at Leazes House, Ayle, Thomas Yeats, farmer of 66 acres, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann (Birkett, married 1872) aged 31, children John Geo. 8, Joseph T. 7, and Harry 5 years. In 1891, at Leazes House, Ayle, Mary Ann Yeats, widow, farmer, aged 41, children John George, farmers son, aged 18, Harry, grocers apprentice, aged 15, and Thomas William Crockett 8.
See 18th September 1841, 22nd March 1845, 22nd January 1864, 13th January 1877, and 10th April 1886.
At Greyside Mines, near Newbrough 18th ult., aged 27, James Eskdale, engineer.
In 1871, at Middle House, Newbrough, James Eskdale, born Langholm Scotland, shepherd, aged 45, his wife Joanna, born Langholm Scotland, aged 36, children all born, Warden, Northumberland, Jane 14, James 12, Walter 10, Ellen 8, Robert 6, William 4, Elizabeth 2, Mary Ann 1, and John 1 year.
James Eskdale senior died 1878, aged 52.
Walter aged 10, William aged 4, and Mary Ann aged 1, all died in the 3rd quarter of 1871, Robert died in 1874 aged 10, Ellen died in the 3rd quarter of 1875 aged 12.
In 1881, at The Bit, Newbrough, Johanna Eskdale, widow, aged 46, children James, fitter at lead mines, aged 22, Elizabeth 12, John 11, and Thomas W. 9.

8th May 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston workhouse aged 75, Sarah widow of Isaac Peart formerly of Garrigill.
In 1841, at High Shield Hill, Garrigill, Isaac Peart, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Morrow, married 17th January 1829) aged 38, Joseph Morrow, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth Morrow, aged 60, and Robert Morrow, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851, at Gate Lea, Garrigill, Isaac Peart, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary aged 58, and his wife's son Joseph Morrow, lead miner, aged 29.
Mary Peart died 4th quarter of 1858, death registered at Alston.

In 1861, at 15 Glenridding Cottage, Patterdale, Sarah Robson, widow, house keeper, aged 48, sons William Robson, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, and boarder, Isaac Peart, widow, miner, aged 54.
In 1871, at 3 miners Cottage, Patterdale, Isaac Peart, lead miner, aged 64, his wife Sarah (Robson, married 1866) aged 59, and stepson William Robson, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1881, at Alston Workhouse, Isaac Peart, lead miner aged 74, and his wife Sarah aged 69.
Isaac Peart died on 4th March 1884 aged 77.

15th May 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead Holme Foot, 11th inst aged 63, Elizabeth widow of Stephen Stout.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, John Stout, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret (Madgen, married 25th June 1818, at Alston) aged 40, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 17, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret 14, Henry 9, and Elizabeth 7.
In 1851, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Stephen Stout, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 1st July 1843) aged 27, children Walton 3, and John 1 day.
Stephen Stout died 3rd quarter of 1856
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Elizabeth Stout, widow, house keeper, aged 38, children Walton, lead ore dresser, aged 13, John 10, Richard 7, Ann 5, and William 3.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Elizabeth Stout, widow, formerly domestic servant, aged 47, children Walton, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Richard, lead miner aged 17, Ann, house maid, aged 15, and William, labourer in the lead mines, aged 13.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Elizabeth Stout, lead miners widow, aged 57, children Walton, lead miner, aged 33, Ann, domestic servant, aged 25, and William, lead miner, aged 23, in 1891, William aged 33 is living at Oakley Terrace, West Auckland, working as a coal miner, with his wife Ann (married December 1890 at Wigton), aged 36, and son Thomas James Dowson aged 5 years.

18th May 1886 (London Gazette)
THE HAREHOPE GILL MINING COMPANY LIMITED
NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at No. 9, Dean street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Monday, the 21st day of June next, at three o'clock in the afternoon precisely, to receive the Liquidator's report showing how the winding up of the Company has been conducted and its property disposed of, and to hear any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator. Dated this 13th day of May 1886

22nd May 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Heathery Cleugh Church 16th inst, John Coulthard, Cowshill to Miss Rutherford, West Black Dene, same day and place Isaac Peart to Miss English.

Deaths
At Wellgill, Nenthead, 19th inst. aged 24, Hannah wife of Wm. Stout.
William Stout married Hannah Johnson at Haltwhistle in June 1885.
William Stout married Sarah Ann Colling, 2nd quarter 1890, at Alston.
In 1891, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, William Stout, cartman, aged 24, his wife Sarah 26, born Stanhope, children Margaret 1, Elizabeth 7 months, and visitor Margaret Stout 13. In 1901, at Fairview, Nenthead, William Stout, widow, lead miner, aged 35, children Jane 8, Ethel 7, stepson Fred Colling, cartman, aged 16, stepdaughter Margaret Colling 11, and niece Margaret Walton, domestic servant, aged 23. In 1911, at Elba, West Nenthead, William Stout, widow, lead mine timberman, aged 45, daughter Margaret 21, daughter Ethel 17, stepson, Frederick Collins, lead miner, aged 26, and niece Margaret Walton, domestic servant, aged 33.
William Stout died 4th quarter 1924, aged 58.

5th June 1886 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston, St Augustine Church, 1st inst. Joseph Bramwell to Amy Bell, both of Alston.
In 1891, at Butts, Alston, Joseph Bramwell, coal agent, aged 33, his wife Amelia 26, children Elizabeth E 4, Maud J 2, and sister in law Mary H Bell, stocking knitter, aged 21.
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 65, Mary, Widow of Thomas Irwine, lead ore smelter.
In 1841, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Erwine, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Mary (Robson, married 6th February 1840) aged 20, Ridley Robson, lead miner aged 25, and James Robson, lead miner aged 15. See 27th July 1855.
In 1851, at Willington Quay, Northumberland, Thomas Irwine, smelter of lead ore, aged 32, his wife Mary aged 31, domestic at home, children, George 8 and Elizabeth 6.
Death records show a George Irwin's death in 1st quarter of 1857, and Elizabeth Irwin 2nd quarter of 1860, both at Alston?
In 1861, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Irwine, smelter, aged 41, his wife Mary aged 40, and daughter, Margaret A. aged 9 years.
There is a record of a Margaret Ann Irwin's death 2nd quarter of 1860, at Alston? In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 51, and his wife Mary aged 50.
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Thomas Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 61, and his wife Mary aged 60. Thomas Erwine died 1st September 1884 aged about 64.
Grassfield 31st ult. aged 19 months Ernest Nicholson son of Walton and Annie Holmes.
In 1861, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Thomas Holmes, lead mine agent, aged 56, his wife Jane (Walton, married 27th May 1826) aged 56, children Walton, lead miner, aged 21, Margaret, house maid, aged 19, John, cartwright apprentice, aged 14, William 11, and Margaret Wailes, aged 14.
In 1871, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Thomas Holmes, farmer of 100 acres, aged 66, his wife Jane aged 66, and daughter Margaret aged 29. Also at

Grassfield, Walton Holmes, farmer, aged 31, his wife Annie (Nicholson, married 21st June 1870) aged 21, and son Thomas A. aged 7 months. Thomas Holmes died 15th June 1871, aged 66 and Jane died 28th September 1874, aged 69, see entries for 24th June 1871, and 3rd October 1874.
In 1881, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Walton Holmes, mining agent and farmer of 90 acres, aged 41, his wife Annie 31, Thomas A. 10, Sarah I. 7, Charles W. 5, Florence A. 3, John E. 1, and domestic servant Hannah Hodgson, aged 21.
In 1891, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Walton Holmes, mining agent, aged 51, his wife Annie 42, children Sarah Jane 17, Charlie William 15, Florence Annie 13, John Cameron 11, Frederick Walton 8, Herbert Sydney 4, Eveline Mary 2, Mable Edna 1, and domestic servant Margaret Jane Craig, aged 18.
In 1901, at Grassfield, Nenthead, Walton Holmes, mining engineer, aged 61, his wife Annie 52, children Thomas A. farmer & land agent, aged 30, Herbert S. 14, Evelyn M. 12, Mabel E. 11, Richard H. 8, and domestic servant Isabella Reay, aged 24. See 17th June 1878, 22nd April 1893, 24th November 1917 & 28th February 1920.

12th June 1886 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

A WEARDALE MINING STORY

The inherent sagacity in mining matters said to exist in many northern dalesmen has just been illustrated in Weardale. On the hill adjacent to Irishope, burn is a disused ironstone quarry (Grove Heads), which was worked by the Weardale Iron Company some half dozen years ago, at which time a rich bed of silver lead ore was laid bare during operations. The Company having no claim to the lead or any reciprocal understanding with the late lessee Mr W B Beaumont, were debarred from touching this mineral wealth, which however, had not escaped the notice of a little boy prior to its being covered up with refuse, who shrewdly marked the spot and kept the secret of its whereabouts until he had completed his term of years at school recently. Being in want of work, he applied to the present Weardale mining Company's manager, and secured a "bargain" of £2 per bing (8cwts) for all the silver lead ore he could find. He then accordingly proceeded to the aforesaid spot, and speedily clearing away the dirt, he ploddingly filled his little wooden dish with nuggets carrying them to the top of the quarry - a work he still may be seen doing daily. His last consignment to the smelt mill was the large amount of 47 bings, for which the sum of £95 stands to the credit of this boy of fifteen years in the Company's books. In order to satisfy the most sceptic, it may be stated the lad's name is John W. Robinson, Greenwell - a homestead adjoining the source of his lucrative labours.
In 1871, at Wear Side House, Stanhope, Thomas Robinson, lead miner & farmer of 19 acres, aged 34, his wife, Hannah 32, children Mary A. 10, George 8, Adah 6, and John W. 9 months. Hannah died in 1880 aged 41.
In 1881, at Whitestones, St John's, Weardale, Thomas Robinson, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children Adah Robinson, housekeeper, aged 16, John W. 10, and Phebe H. 7., and Amelia 4.
In 1891, at Greenwell, St John's, Weardale, John W. Robinson, farmer, aged 20, his sisters, Phebe, housekeeper aged 17, and Amelia, housekeeper, aged 15. In 1901, at Greenwell, Ireshopeburn, John W. Robinson, Ironstone miner, aged 30, his wife Phoebe (Lee, married 1897) aged 28, daughter Hannah, aged 1, and domestic servant, Ann Emerson aged 15.

19th June 1886 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

DYNAMITE STORES IN WEARDALE.

At Stanhope Town Hall Captain Bainbridge, the responsible chief agent of the London Lead Company, was yesterday charged on a summons for that he did unlawfully keep a quantity of dynamite and gunpowder—75lbs, of the former and 30lbs., of the latter—in an unauthorised place—to wit, at a store situate at Cornish Hush, Bolihope, which was not duly licensed under the Explosives Act. —It transpired that for the convenience of the lead miners the explosive store at Whitfield Brow had been removed to Cornish Hush, Bolihope; and Superintendent Liddell's complaint was that no plan of the new store had been submitted, that no license had been obtained, and that the building wad unfit and insecure for such a purpose. —Captain Bainbridge said that Her Majesty's Chief Inspectors of Explosives had commended the Company's ten or fifteen stores as the best they had seen, Captain Bainbridge also understood the old license would cover the new store when the old one was discontinued. —A long discussion seemed to lead the Bench to a belief that there had been a misunderstanding, and the case was dismissed on payment of the costs.

21st June 1886 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

A GOOD FIND IN WEARDALE. —On Friday, the employees of the Weardale Mining Company cut another rich vein of ore in Rookhope Mine. The vein is calculated to be about seven feet thick and likely to yield nine tons of solid lead to the fathom.

25th June 1886 (Durham County Advertiser)

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE IN WEARDALE. —On Saturday, a widow, named Barbara Robson, whose husband was killed some time ago, attempted to commit suicide by hanging herself in her own house in Weardale. The poor woman was put under restraint, and will be removed to the asylum.

26th June 1886 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Congregational Church, 24th inst., Thomas James, son of Mr T. Storey, Alston to Frances Hannah, daughter of John Dickinson Esq., Town Foot, Alston.

In 1891, at Front Street, Thomas J Storey, registered dentist, aged 31, his wife Frances H 33, children John 3, and Isabel M 2.

Deaths

Blaydon on Tyne, Addison Colliery, 20th inst. aged 31, Margaret daughter of John Henderson, late of Allendale.

In 1861, at Old Town, Allendale, John Henderson, lead ore miner, aged 32, his wife Mary 35, children John 9, William 7, Margaret 5, and Edward P. 2. In 1871, at 44 Addison, Ryton, Holy Cross, John Henderson, miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 44, children William 17, Margaret 15, Edward R. 12, Mary 9, and Elizabeth 3 years. In 1881, at Addison, John Henderson, coal miner, aged 52, his wife Mary 54, son William, groom, domestic, aged 27, daughter Elizabeth 13, grandson John Henderson 2, and daughter Mary, dressmaker, aged 19. In 1881, Margaret aged 25, was working as a cook, and domestic servant for the Kelly family, at the Grove Gosforth, Newcastle.

3rd July 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Alston

SAD ACCIDENT AT GARRIGILL.

On Friday evening 25th ult., a very melancholy accident befell a young man named Walter Millican son of Mr George Millican, now resident at Pasture House. It appears that the above named left Garrigill Village to proceed home, about ten o'clock when in passing along the footpath past what are locally termed "The Straits", it is conjectured that he must have been resting on the fence which unfortunately gave way and precipitated him to the bed of the river Tyne a distance of some 60 feet with a direct fall of 10 feet.

In 1871, at Hill House, Garrigill, George Millican, farmer and lead ore mine agent, aged 60, his wife Mary 53, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 24, Mary 22, Hannah 20, George Alfred, lead ore miner, aged 17, Walter, shepherd, aged 14, Cresswell Friend 12, and Emily 9.
In 1881, at Mid Lee House, Garrigill, George Millican, Moor Master & farmer of 47 acres, aged 70, his wife Mary, aged 63, children Thomas, game keeper, aged 34, Walter, lead miner, aged 24, and Emily aged 19.
George Millican senior died 22nd January 1890, aged 79, his wife Mary predeceased him in the first quarter of 1884, aged 66.
See 18th October 1861, 3rd May 1880, 25th January 1890

ACCIDENT WITH A DYNAMITE CAP.

On Wednesday last a young man named Elliott Archer of Garrigill was picking the centre of a dynamite cap with a pin when it exploded and blew off his left thumb and more or less seriously damaged both hands.

In 1891, at High Windy Hall, Garrigill, Thomas Archer, farmer, aged 64, his wife Isabella 60, children John, lead miner, aged 42, Elliott, lead miner, aged 24, Elizabeth J. 20, Frances 14, and grandson, Allan Archer 2.

10th July 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's quarterly report for No. 2 Nenthead district was read as follows. Nenthead July 2nd 1886. 13 births and 13 deaths have been registered during the quarter ending 30th June. On an estimated population of 2333, 13 deaths gives give a death rate of 22.4 per 1000 per annum, of the 13 deaths 7 were males and 6 were females, and of the 13 births, 5 were males and 8 were females. Ages at death, 1 year and under 5, 2; 5 years and under 15, 2; 15 years and under 25, 1; 25 years and under 60, 3; 60 and upwards 5, total 13. Cause of death; three died from Scarlatinal Dropsy, one from Putrid sore throat following Scarlet Fever, one from miners Asthma, one from Heart Disease, three from natural decay, one from Phthisis, two from diseases of Nervous system, and one killed by an accident. In my report for last quarter at the beginning of April, I intimated that a fresh outbreak of Scarlet Fever had begun at Overwater and Wellgill. The fever had lain dormant during the winter months but appeared again with renewed energy at the approach of spring. Within a very short time, 13 houses were infected and there have been 34 cases during the three months. No deaths have resulted from the fever itself but diseases following the fever have proved fatal in four cases. At present, the district is again clear but it is doubtful whether we have as yet seen the last case of this epidemic, as there are still a few houses liable to become infected. Instructions

have been given for a thorough cleansing and disinfection of the houses in which the fever has appeared, and these have in most cases been effectually carried out.

Marriages

Primitive Methodist Chapel Stanhope, 4th inst., Thomas Watson, Stanhope, to Jenny only daughter of John Sparke of High House, Newlandside.

Deaths

Alston 7th inst., aged 62, Henry son of the late Toward Walton.

In 1851 at Town Foot, Toward Walton, lead ore & coal agent aged 56, his wife, Frances (Walton, married 16th June 1822) aged 54, children Henry lead miner 27, Ann 23, Mary 20, and Elizabeth 14.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Toward Walton, mine agent, aged 66, his wife Frances 64, children Henry, lead miner, aged 34, Ann, dressmaker, aged 28, and granddaughter Mary A Walton, Servant, aged 15.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Toward Walton, lead miner, aged 76, his wife Frances 74, children Ann, dressmaker, aged 38, Henry, stone mason, aged 44.

Toward Walton died 17th January 1875, aged 79, see 23rd January 1875, his wife Frances predeceased him on 7th April 1872, aged 75, see 13th April 1872. Ann married Mr W. Hallet of Stockton on 31st May 1880, see 3rd April 1880. The Alston Baptism records show 7 children, for Toward and Frances Walton, Ann 30th March 1823, Henry 5th October 1824, John 5th October 1824, Ann, 22nd April 1827, Mary 24th January 1830, Toward 25th July 1834, and Elizabeth 12th April 1838. In 1881, at 19 Front Street, Alston, Henry Walton, yeoman, aged 56.

17th July 1886 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston, Physic Hall, 14th inst., aged 10, Minnie, daughter of Matthew and Ann Cousin.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Cousin, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Margret (Watson, married 20th October 1831), born Teesdale, 30, children May 8, Matthew 6, Ann 4, and Elizabeth 1.

In 1851, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, John Cousin born Teesdale, lead miner & farmer, aged 42, his wife Margaret aged 40, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 14, Ann 13, Elizabeth 11, Margaret 8, James 5, and John 3.

In 1861, at Gate Foot, Garrigill, John Cousin, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Margaret 50, children James, lead ore washer, aged 15, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, Hannah 9, Matthew, married, lead miner, aged 26, and Margaret, dressmaker, aged 18.

John Cousin died 4th quarter 1867, aged 59.

In 1871, at Low Bailes, Alston, Matthew Cousin, lead ore miner & innkeeper, aged 36, his wife Ann 33, children Margaret 10, John 7, Alice 5, Thomas 3, and Henry Featherston 1 year.

In 1881, at 13 Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Alston, Matthew Cousin, born Harwood, Durham, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann (Ridley, married at Alston June 1860?), born Slaggy Ford, Northumberland, aged 44, children Margaret, dressmaker, aged 20, Alice, domestic servant, aged 15, Thomas 13, Mary 11, Matthew 8, John William 6, Minnie 4, and Alfred James 3 years.

In 1891, at Ropery, Alston, Matthew Cousin, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Ann 52, children Margaret, dressmaker, aged 29, Alice, stocking knitter, aged 25, Thomas, railway plate layer, aged 23, Henry, coal miner, aged 21, Matthew, butchers apprentice, aged 17, John Wm. 16, and Alfred Jas. 12.
Matthew Cousin died 3rd quarter 1906, aged 71.
West Wylam, 5th inst., aged 66, Isabella, relict of the late Joseph Robson *(post messenger)*, formerly of Alston.
Australia, Ballarat, April 26th, Joseph Catton, farmer, formerly of Moscow, son of the late Joseph Catton, Blagill Burn Head, Alston.
In 1841, at Blagill Head, Joseph Catton, farmer, aged 55, Hannah (Walton, married 23rd January 1813) aged 45, Jacob 25, Joseph?, Mary 15, Jane 15, Robert 13, Hannah 11, and Alice 6.
In 1851, at Blagill Burn Head, Joseph Catton, farmer of 829 acres, employing 2 agricultural labourers, aged 63, his wife Hannah 59, children Jane 26, Robert W. 23, Alice 18, and grandson Joseph 2 years.
See 13th November 1841, 30th July 1881, and 28th April 1794

24th July 1886 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

It is currently reported that the lease for the Ironstone ground in Weardale has been transferred to the Consett Iron Company. This news is welcomed as being the harbinger of an early recommencement of this temporarily suspended industry.
News has reached Mrs Watson this week of the death of her son George who emigrated to Queensland about two years ago. He died in March. Deceased was a carpenter and doing well.

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 18th inst, William Wilkinson to Frances Hannah English both of High Galligill.
In 1861, at Garrigill Village, John Wilkinson, lead miner & blacksmith, aged 36, his wife Mary (Bowman, married 21st June 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 36, children Thomas 11, Henry 9, Jane 7, Anne 5, Mary 2, and William 8 months.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 46, children Henry, lead miner, aged 19, Jane, milliner, aged 17, Mary 12, William 10, and Johnny 3.
In 1881, at Howgill Syke, John Wilkinson, farmer of 78 acres, aged 56, his wife Mary 56, son William, lead miner, aged 20, and daughter Mary aged 22.
In 1891, at High Galligill, John Wilkinson, widow, farmer, aged 66, and domestic servant Sarah Renwick aged 18.
In 1891, at High Galligill, William Wilkinson, farmer & lead miner, aged 30, his wife Frances Hannah 21, children John 4, and Thomas English 2.
See 13th December 1870

Deaths

Blaydon on Tyne, Summer Hill, 18th inst., aged 42, Thomas Bright late of Allenheads.
In 1851, at White House, Allendale, William H Bright, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Mary (Waugh, married at St Peters, Allendale, 26th May 1838) aged 37, children John H. lead ore dresser, aged 12 Thomas H. 6, Margaret 3, brother in law Thomas Waugh, lead ore miner, aged 32, and nephew Thomas Waugh, lead waggon driver, aged 17.

In 1861, at New House, Allendale, William Hunter Bright, lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Mary aged 47, children John H. engine wright, aged 22, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 17, Margaret 13, and Mary 6.
In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allendale, Mary Bright, widow, aged 57, and son, Thomas H. Bright, lead ore miner, aged 26.
William Hunter Bright died 19th October 1864, aged 49, Margaret his daughter died 21st May 1867, aged 17, and Mary his wife died 20th November 1880 aged 67.
In 1881, at 35 Stargate, Ryton, Thomas Bright, coal miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Dargue, married 1878?) 35, and son Frederick 8 months.
Hannah Bright died 1890.

In 1861, at Allenheads, Jacob Sanderson, joiner, aged 56, his wife Isabella (Elliott, married 25th November 1838, at St Peter's) aged 50, children Hannah 20, Jacob, joiner, aged 18, Thomas, labourer in lead mines, aged 16, William, shoe makers apprentice, aged 15, Jane 12, Joseph 8, and John S. 4.
In 1871, at Dirt Pot, Allendale, Thomas Sanderson, lead ore miner, aged 26, and his wife Ann (Dickinson, married 1870), aged 21.
In 1881, at Spencer's Buildings, Ryton, Thomas Sanderson, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Anne 32, children Mary Jane 9, John Hunter 8, and Isabel 1 year.
In 1891, at Stella, Thomas Sanderson, born Allenheads, coal miner, aged 46, his wife Annie, born Peasemeadows, Allendale, aged 41, children Mary Jane 19, John Hunter, coal miner, aged 18, Isabella 11, boarder Charles Sanderson, Coal miner, aged 21, orphan Fred Bright 10, orphan John Hunter Bright 8, lodger Joseph Johnson Short, coke man, aged 38, and visitor, Annie Dickinson, dressmakers apprentice, aged 16.
In 1901, at 8 Tempest Street, Stella, Thomas Sanderson, coal miner, hewer, aged 56, his wife Annie 51, daughter Mary Jane 29, married daughter Isabella Dickenson 21, son in law James Spark Dickenson, coal miner hewer, aged 23, grand daughter Mary E Sanderson 4, orphan Frederick Bright, coal miner, hewer, aged 20, orphan Sarah I Baker, 12, boarder Joseph Johnson Short, coke filler, aged 48, and grandson Thomas Dickenson 1 year.

31st July 1886 (Hexham Courant)

MECHANICS INSTITUTE

Mr W A Hutchinson MP. Of Sydney has presented the directors of the above institute with a large beautifully bound album of Australian views for the use of the institute. Mr Hutchinson who is a native of this neighbourhood has recently paid a visit to his old home after an absence of 29 years, …
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane (Phillipson, married 21st June 1838) aged 31, children William 12, Thomas 10, Anne 8, Hannah E 6, Jane E 6, Margaret 4, and Jemima 1.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Thomas Hutchinson, grocer and lead miner, aged 50 Jane, grocer & bread baker, aged 42, his wife Jane E. dressmaker, aged 16, Margaret , house maid, aged 14, Jemima 11, Eliza 9, Mary H. 5, at Eadelbert aged 3.

The Victoria Australia, Assisted & Unassisted passenger lists, show William Hutchinson, aged 18, arrived Melbourne Australia September 1857, port of departure Liverpool, on the Commodore Perry.
He married Barbara T. Steel, at Newcastle in 1861, The Sydney Morning Herald of 29th July 1861 records:

July 23rd, by license, by the Rev. W. Hill, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. William Alston, son of Mr. Thomas Hutchinson, of Alston, Cumberland, to Miss Barbara Telena, daughter of Mr. James Steel, engineer, of Newcastle.
On 28th October 1861, the following advertisement was placed in the Sydney Morning Herald

> "Grocers Assistant wanted, one of good references and business habits. Apply by letter, stating age, where last employed, and what salary will be expected. W. A. Hutchinson & Co., Newcastle."

Sydney Morning Herald Tuesday 8th May 1877
THE FRIENDS of Mr. W. A. HUTCHINSON, proprietor of Alston Soap Works, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased SON. William Ashton; to move from his residence, Abattoir Road, Balmain, THIS (Tuesday) MORNING, at a quarter to 10, to Balmain Cemetery.

Sydney Morning Herald Saturday 12th February 1881
MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.
BALMAIN. -Alderman W. A. Hutchinson has been elected Mayor of the borough of Balmain.

The Sydney Morning Herald, Saturday 25th February 1888
Marriages
HUTCHINSON-MANNIX, January 31, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, by the Rev. J. Byrne, James Steel, eldest son of W. A. Hutchinson, Esq., Globe Point, to Emily, second daughter of the late P. Mannix, Esq., Klng-street, and Mrs. J. F. Liddy, George-street, Sydney.
Sydney Morning Herald, Friday 17th January 1896
Hetton Coal Company
At the half yearly general meeting of the Hetton Coal Company held to day, the Chairman (Mr W A Hutchinson) stated that the company had been very successful in its attempt to establish a foreign trade. The profit tor the half year was £20, 418, out of which the directors proposed to pay a dividend at the rate of 6 percent per annum and carry forward £16,243. The report and balance sheet were adopted.

Sydney Morning Herald Wednesday 23rd June 1897
THE LATE ALDERMAN W. A. HUTCHINSON.
THE FUNERAL.
The funeral of the late Alderman W. A Hutchinson, J.P., of the Globe Council, took place yesterday morning The cortege moved from the late residence of the deceased gentleman, Alston, Globe Point, at 10 o'clock, prior to which a short service was conducted in the house by the Revs J Dixon, H T. Holliday, and J. Woodhouse. The procession, fully half a. mile in length, was then formed. The
fact that Mr Hutchinson was held in general respect was fully borne out by those who attended the funeral. Many of the shops and other places on route were partially closed, and there was everywhere evidences of the esteem in which the deceased gentleman was held. Waverley Cemetery was reached about noon The interment took place in the Church of England portion.

Sydney Morning Herald Thursday 24th June 1897

Newcastle City Council.

It was decided to forward a letter of condolence to the widow and orphans of the late Mr. W. A. Hutchinson, formerly a resident of Newcastle and president of the Municipal Association.

See 2nd June 1883

W. A. Hutchinson, Esq., M.L.A.
Illustrated Sydney News 21st November 1883

31st July 1886 (Hexham Courant) cont'd

Deaths

Alston, Bank, 26th inst., aged 81, Isabella widow of Joseph Lee.

In 1841, at Gill House, Alston, Joseph Lee (died 25th July 1850), lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella (Shield, married 19th November 1825) aged 35, children John 15, William 10, Elizabeth 8, Ann 4, and Sarah 1.

In 1851, at Gill House, Alston, Isabella Lee, widow, farmer, aged 45, children John, farmers son & lead miner, aged 24, William, farmers son & lead miner, aged 20, Elizabeth, domestic duties, aged 18, Ann 13, Sarah 11, Isabella 9, Joseph 6, and Robert 3 years. In 1881, at Bayles, Alston, Isabella Lee, widow, housekeeper, aged 75, unmarried children William, Ag' labourer, aged 50, Elizabeth, general servant, domestic, aged 46, and grandson Thomas Wm. Lee, lead ore washer, aged 15.

Garrigill Gate, 24th inst., aged 29, John Richardson, railway porter.

John Richardson married Rachel Modlin, 6th February 1813, John died 1841.

In 1841, at Dykeheads, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 15, John 8, Rachael 7, and George 6.

In 1861, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary (Black, married 27th February 1845) aged 34, children Elizabeth 14, Agnes 11, Mary Ann 5, and John 2.

In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary 45, children Elizabeth 24, John 12, Frances 8, and granddaughter Frances Mary 1 year.

In 1881, at Well Gill, Nenthead, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 59, wife Mary 54, children John, lead miner, aged 22, and Frances, house hold work, aged 19.
Mary Richardson died 25th July 1885, aged 59.
In 1891, at Holme Foots, John Richardson, widow, retired lead miner, aged 69.

14th August 1886 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston St Augustine's Church, 6th inst., Joseph Lawrence, farmer, Kirkoswald, to Hannah, 2nd daughter of the late George Irving, Alston.
Nenthead, St John's Church, 12th inst., Frederick Sutcliffe, farmer, Yorkshire to Elizabeth daughter of the late Joseph Beck Nenthead.
Deaths
Scottswood, 10th inst., aged 32, John Dawson fifth son of the late Joseph Dawson of Whitely Shield, Allendale.
Joseph Dawson (son of Hugh & Elizabeth Dawson) married Elizabeth Hetherington (daughter of Joseph & Jane Hetherington) 28th March 1840, at Ninebanks.
In 1841, at Cross Dyke, West Alle, Joseph Dawson, dresser of lead ore, aged 20, his wife Elizabeth 20, and son Hugh 3 months. Also at Cross Dyke in 1841,Joseph Hetherington, Mill Wright, aged 50, and children, Ann 20, Hannah 15, Jane 13, Joseph 11, Leah 8, and lucy 8.
In 1851, at Whitley Shield Green, Joseph Dawson, lead ore washer and farmer of 14 acres, aged 34, born Allendale, his wife Elizabeth, 32, born Allendale, children, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 10, Thomas 8, Jane 4, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1861, at Whitely Shield, Joseph Dawson, lead ore dresser, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth aged 42, Hugh, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Jane 14, Elizabeth 11, Joseph 9, John 6, Ann 4, and Samuel 2 years.
Joseph Dawson died 4th quarter 1870, aged 54.
Hugh Dawson, married Tamar Dickinson 2nd quarter 1862, registered at Hexham
In 1871, at Newbrough, Hugh Dawson, Mill Wright & coal miner, aged 30, and his wife Tamar 31.
In 1871, at Whitely Shield, Elizabeth Dawson, widow, occupier of 27 acres, aged 53, children, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 19, John, iron stone labourer, aged 16, Ann aged 14, Abraham 8, and sister Frances Armstrong, miners widow, aged 56. Also at Whitley Shield in 1871, Thomas Dawson, quarryman, aged 27, his wife Ann (Johnson, married 2nd quarter 1863, regfistered at Hecxham) aged 26, children, William 5, Joseph 2, and Tom 4 weeks.
Possible death of Elizabeth Dawson, 3rd quarter 1877, registered at Bellingham, aged 58.
In 1881, at High Clifton, Stannington, John Dawson, shepherd, aged 26 Elizabeth (Elizabeth Jane Clark, married 2nd quarter 1879, registered at Morpeth) aged 24, children Joseph Wm. 1, and Elizabeth 3 weeks.
Elliott Dinning married Elizabeth Dawson, 1st quarter 1888, registered at Gateshead.

In 1891, at Chapel Terrace, Benwell, Elliott Denning, factory labourer, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth 34, stepson Joseph W Dawson aged 11, and daughter Esther Denning aged 1 week.

In 1881, at Montague Colliery, East Denton, Newcastle, Hugh Dawson, colliery Mechanic, aged 40, his wife Tamar 41, children, Jane Esther 17, Elizabeth 8, and Joseph 4. In 1891, at Montague Colliery, East Denton, Newcastle, Hugh Dawson, colliery Engineer, aged 50, his wife Tamar 51, and son Joseph 14.

Tamar Dawson died 4th quarter 1897, aged 58, Hugh Dawson died 2nd quarter 1903, aged 62, both registered at Castle Ward, Northumberland.

21st August 1886 (Hexham Herald)

Last week nine workmen employed at the **Allen Smelt Works, near Allendale** town, received a months notice to terminate their engagements at the above works.

Marriages

Alston, Wesleyan Chapel, 16th inst., Jeffrey Milburn to Elizabeth Hindmarsh both of Alston.

See 14th June 1884.

28th August 1886 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Bank Top House Corn Mill, Allendale, 23rd inst., aged 72 Margaret widow of Nevin Philipson

Nevin Philipson married Margaret Whitfield, 22nd November 1834, at St Peter & Allenheads.

In 1841, at Round Hill Allendale High Forest Quarter, Nevin Philipson, lead ore miner, aged 25, his wife Margaret 25, children, Thomas 7, Sarah 5, and Elizabeth 3.

In 1851, at Allenheads Corn Mill, George Nevin, farmer & miller, aged 53, his wife Sarah aged 53, and daughter Margaret 20. Also at the Corn Mill, Nevin Philipson, cartman, aged 34, his wife Margaret 36, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 17, Elizabeth 13, and John 5.

In 1861, at Mill Bank Top, Allendale, Nevin Philipson, grocer aged 44, and his wife Margaret 46.

In 1871 at Bank Top House, Nevin Philipson, grocer & draper, aged 54, his wife Margaret 56, and daughter Sarah 35.

Nevin Philipson died 1st qtr 1881, aged 69, registered at Hexham.

In 1871 at Bank Top House, Margaret Philipson, widowm grocer & provisions dealer, aged 66, and daughter Sarah aged 44.

11th September 1886 (Hexham Courant)

THE LEAD TRADE IN TEASDALE

The lead trade in Teasdale, associated with the pursuit of agriculture, is the staple industry of the neighbourhood; and for a number of years past lead mining has been much depressed, although it is satisfactory to note that a favourable turn has now taken place. The London Lead Company employ the great bulk of the workmen, and are lessees of the chief royalties, the Duke of Cleveland being lord of the manor, and the owner of the mineral wealth of the dale. A short time ago the lessor acting on the suggestion of his legal advisors

and his chief agent (Mr W T Scarth) entered into an arrangement whereby the royalties or dues should rise and fall with the fluctuating price of pig lead, and at the same time the lessor signified his intention to forego between £1,500 and £2,000 in dues in order that an impetus might be given to fresh exploration, which so far have proved successful. The new arrangements have worked satisfactorily, and the general depression which has no longer overshadowed this industry show signs of improvement, and the change is heartily welcomed by the inhabitants throughout Teesdale. The Governor and Company have facilitated important alterations in the management and working of the vast undertakings all of which are resulting in the well being of the concern, and the prosperity of the working population of Teesdale.

Deaths

Clarghyll, 6th inst, aged 22, Annie daughter of the late Walton Wilson

William Wilson, married Jane Bell, 29th June 1816, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Clarghyll, Alston, William Wilson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane 50, children, George, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 15, Thomas 13, John 10, Henry 7, and Walton, 5.

William Wilson died 13th June 1850

In 1851, at Clarghyll, Alston, Jane Wilson, widow, farmer of 50 acres, aged 59, born Allendale, children, Jane 26, Mary 25, Henry 17, and Walton 15.

Jane Wilson, married Edward Robson, 4th quarter 1852, at Alston.

Edward Robson died 3rd quarter 1860, registered, at Alston.

In 1861, at Ayle, Kirkhaugh, Jane Robson, widow, farmer of 16 acres, aged 36, and visitor, Jane Wilson, widow, retired farmer, aged 71.
Jane Wilson, senior, died 3rd quarter 1868, aged 76, registered at Haltwhistle.

Walton Wilson married Ann Cawthorn, 8th March 1859, at Alston.

In 1861, at Clarghyl House, Alston, Walton Wilson, stonemason, aged 25, his wife Ann aged 26, born Durham and son William 1.
In 1871, at Clarghyl House, Alston, Walton Wilson, stonemason & landowner, aged 35, his wife Ann aged 37, children William 11, Mary 9, Ann 6, Jane 3, and Michael 1 year.

Walton Wilson died 2nd quarter of 1880 aged 44.

In 1881, at Clarghyl House, Alston, Ann Wilson, widow, farmer of 54 acres, aged 48, children William, farmers son, aged 21, Mary, farmers daughter, aged 19, Annie 16, Jane 13, and Michael 11.
In 1891, at Clarghyll, Alston, Ann Wilson, widow, farmer, aged 57, born Winlaton, Durham, children, William, Mason, aged 31, Jane 23, and Michael aged 21, probable death, 4th quarter 1894, registered at Carlisle.
Possible death of Ann Wilson, 2nd quarter 1895, aged 62, registered at Carlisle.
See 21st June 1850, 31st August 1889.

At Town Head, Alston, 2nd inst. aged 60, Mary wife of Richard Dixon.

In 1881, at Alston workhouse, Richard Dixon, master of workhouse, wife Mary, matron of workhouse, aged 54, daughters Emily I., assistant to matron, aged 21, Margaret, assistant to matron, aged 20, and visitor Sarah A. Hetherington, dressmaker, aged 21.

25th September 1886 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

Mr Stephen Collingwood, of Bollihope Shield, was interred in Stanhope Cemetery, deceased was in his 60th year, and was for a number of years lead ore viewer for the London Lead Company and their Bollihope mines.

In 1841, at Stanhope Butts, Phoebe Collingwood, Ag. Labourer, aged 35, Stephen aged 14, Joseph 12, John 10, William 8, Thomas 5, and Mary 3.

In 1851, at Stanhope Butts, Stephen Collingwood, lead ore washer, aged 24, his wife Mary A. (Walton, married 4th quarter of 1847) aged 20, children John 2, and Mary H. 9 months.

In 1861, at Stanhope, Stephen Collingwood, lead ore washer & local Methodist Preacher, aged 34, his wife Mary A. 31, children Mary H. 10, and John G. under 1 month. Mary Ann Collingwood died 2nd quarter of 1863.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Stephen Collingwood, lead ore washing overman, aged 44, his wife Esther (Jacques, married 2nd quarter of 1867) aged 29, children Mary H. 20, John Geo 10, Francis Wm 1, and mother Phoebe Collingwood, aged 67.

In 1881, at Bolihope Shield, Stanhope, Stephen Coll ingwood, lead washing agent, aged 54, his wife Esther 39, children John George millwright, aged 20, Francis W. 11, Joseph G. 3, mother Phoebe Collingwood, aged 77, general servant Hannah Forster, aged 19.

In 1891, at Albert Terrace, Stanhope, Esther Collingwood, widow, confectioner, aged 48, son Joseph G. 13, and boarder Sarah J Harrison, milliner & saleswoman aged 24.

WEARDALE

During the last two months Mr & Mrs J. Kidd have been visited by his brothers Thomas and Ralph Kidd from America. It is over 17 years since they left this country. They leave again for America this week.

In 1861, at Burtreeford, St John's, Thomas Kidd, lead miner & grocer, aged 47, his wife Jane 53, children Margaret 25, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Eleanor 18, Thomas, carter, aged 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Ralph 12, and granddaughter Jane Ann 3 years.

The 1871 Canadian census, at Mersea, Essex, Ontario, Joseph Kidd, aged 23, miller, at Tilbury East, Kent, Ontario, Ralph Kidd, farmer, aged 21; at Romney, Kent, Ontario, Thomas Kidd, farm labourer, aged 26, and his wife Annie aged 22, at the same place Jonathan Kidd, farmer aged 33, and his wife Phebe aged 33.

The 1881 Canadian census gives, at Tilbury East, Kent, Ontario, Joseph Kidd, miller, aged 34, his wife Ellen Kidd, 22, Ellen Kidd 1, and Ralph Kidd, miller aged 32, and at Romney, Kent, Ontario, Thomas Kidd, farmer aged 35, and his wife Ann aged 30; at the same place, Jonathan Kidd, farmer aged 41, his wife phoebe aged 43, daughter Elizabeth Kidd 10, and Alfred Roger 13.

Deaths

Nenthead, Fiddler Street, 19th inst., aged 55, Hannah wife of John Stout.

In 1871, at Donks Hall, John Stout, lead miner, and farmer, aged 44, his wife Hannah 40, children, Jane 16, John 14, Mary Ann 12, Stephen 9, Henry 6, William 4, Margaret 1, and boarder, William Stout, lead miner, aged 48.

In 1881, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, John Stout, farmer of 27 acres, & quarryman, aged 54, his wife Hannah (Lee, married at Nenthead, 7th May 1854) aged 50, sons Stephen, quarryman, aged 19, Henry, cartman, aged 16,

William 14, and brother William Stout, quarryman, aged 58.
See 1st May 1869, 29th May 1869, 1st February 1890, and 6th February 1892

23rd October 1886 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
EMIGRANTS

On Wednesday morning, a batch of emigrants left Stanhope station on route for Ontario, Canada. A number of friends were at the station to see them off and wish them God speed, and wish their welfare. They were:- Mr George Watson snr. (quarry man) Mr George Watson jnr., Mr John*?* William Watson, Miss Isabella Jane Watson. ...

In 1871, at Stanhope, George Watson, limestone quarryman & Primitive Methodist local preacher, aged 31, his wife Eleanor (Kidd, married 1864) aged 28, children Isabella Jane 6, Thomas Wm 4, George 4, and Margaret 1. Eleanor died the first quarter of 1872, aged 29. In 1881, at Butts Head, Stanhope, George Watson, widow, quarryman, aged 41, children Isabella Jane 16, Thos. William 14, and George 13. See 25th September 1886. It is unlikely to be coincidence that following a visit from his wife's brothers, Thomas decides to take his family to Ontario.
The Canadian 1891 census shows, at Mersea, Essex South, Ontario, George Watson, widow, Methodist, farmer, aged 51, Thos William Watson, Methodist, farmer, aged 24, George Watson, Methodist, farmer, aged 23, Isabella Watson, Methodist, aged 26.

27th October 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

A MINER'S HOLIDAY. —On the 15th inst., the employees of the Tees-side and Hood Crag Mining Companies were given a day's holiday and an excursion to Edinburgh. These companies are not of long standing, but, despite the low price of lead and the heavy royalties, they have, through skilful management, been able to keep their mines working, and have thus afforded employment for a large number of the dales people. The mines are situate at the foot of Crossfell, near to where the river Tees takes its rise, and ten miles from Alston station, the nearest and most available station for the majority of the men, consequently the employers arranged for the excursion to leave this place. All the workmen availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the "land o' cakes," and all enjoyed themselves immensely. Many of the men had read the History of Scotland, and knew something about the bitter persecutions of the Covenanters during the former part of the 17th century; and it was quite a treat to have the privilege of taking a stroll through the Grass Market, the scene of so many notable events for centuries, and the place where hundreds of the Covenanters sealed their faith with their blood. Greyfriars Church, a very old- looking building, excited considerable interest, as it was here that John Knox bid defiance to persecuting papists, and in their own church preached "Christ's blessed evangel." The old graveyard attached to Greyfriars was next visited, where so many of the Covenanters are buried who suffered martyrdom during the reigns of Charles II and James II, and where "bluidy Mackenzie" lies buried. The Regent Morton and Allan Ramsay, the poet, with many more illustrious Scots, have found a last resting-place in this graveyard. Cowgate was once one of the most fashionable parts of Old Edinburgh, but is now one of the dirtiest, lowest, and worst quarters; and many more places of interest, on account of their

historic associations, were visited during the day. New Edinburgh also was not without its attractions to these hardy toilers. The buildings are splendid, whilst several graceful monuments add to the beauty of the scene. The miners stood in groups admiring the monuments erected in memory of Robert Burns, the Scottish bard, Sir Walter Scott, the novelist, and Chalmers, the theologian. The majority of the visitors had read the works of these great men, and it was a source of pleasure to them to visit their country and see their monuments. The excursion train, which left Alston at 5 a.m., returned at 11.30 p.m., all the passengers having thoroughly enjoyed their day's outing. They unite in wishing success to the Companies and to their manager, J. H. Robinson, Esq. The most remarkable thing about this excursion was the fact that a father and his son, the latter about thirty years of ago, had neither of them till that day ever had a ride in a railway train! —*Correspondent.*

30th October 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Medical Officers report of No. 2 district for the quarter ending 30th September was read. 22 births and 9 deaths have been registered. Of the births, 15 were males and 7 females and of the deaths, 3 were males and 6 were females. On the estimated population of 2333, 9 deaths give a death rate of 15.42 per 1000 per annum. Ages at death, 3 were under one year, 1 was 5 and under 15 years, one was 15 and under 25, three were 25 and under 60, one was 60 and under 70. Causes of death, 3 died in infancy from debility, one from Scarlet Fever, one from Heart Disease and dropsy, three from disease of the lungs, and one from disease of the nervous system. During the quarter Scarlet Fever occurred in 6 houses, and in these there were 23 cases. One case, that of a girl of 7 proved fatal on the 5th day, the fever being of a more malignant type than has prevailed during the epidemic. The other cases made good recovery. No fresh case has occurred during the past six weeks, the district at present being entirely clear. Recently an epidemic of catarrh, bronchial, and intestinal disorders has prevailed extensively among the inhabitants of the Nenthead district. The bronchial variety has told most severely on the health of the youngest children, and although there have been no fatal cases, yet several of them have come through a very critical illness. Intestinal catarrh has also been very prevalent both among children and adults, diarrhoea being the result. I think it is worthy of note that last year there was an entire absence of autumnal diarrhoea in this district while this year it has been the reverse. Its prevalence during the present autumn, along with the catarrh epidemic is no doubt attributed to injurious atmospheric influences. Two cases of Typhoid fever were reported from Garrigill, both in men whose occupation lies in Harwood where several cases of this fever have occurred presumably from drinking impure water. There has been no further spread of this disease. My attention was directed to the fact that the flushing of the main sewer in Garrigill has been much neglected during the summer. I went over the watercourse with the Lead Company's agent and ascertained this to be the case, the reason being an objection to the water supply having its course through a certain field. I understand this matter has already been dealt with by the Authority, but as it is of the utmost importance for the health's sake, that all sewage and excreta should be got rid of, I may here be allowed to urge the

necessity of having the regular flushing of the main strictly enforced. The Inspector of Nuisances and myself made the usual visit of the district and found the sanitary state of the district satisfactory. John Masterton.

3rd November 1886 (Northern Echo)

SHOCKING ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE

A fearful accident occurred in the village of Rookhope, Weardale, om Monday, to a young man named William Coulthard, son of Mr J. Coulthard, Saugh Shields, St. John's Chapel. Coulthard, who is in the employ of the Weardale Mining Company, with a few companions was proceeding to spend the night in the adjoining village of Boltsburn. Having uncoupled two waggons belonging the Iron Company, whose line is adjacent, they essayed to descend the incline, Coulthard being on the front of the second one. This waggon collided with the first, causing him to fall between the two, the last passing over both legs. Drs. Hewitson and Robinson were called, and found it necessary to amputate the right leg, with but small hopes of saving the other.

See 11th November 1886

6th November 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

THE LEAD INDUSTRY

In presence of the prevailing rumour in Allendale that it is Mr W. B. Beaumont's intention to resume, at the commencement of next year, those mining and smelting operations which unfortunately have been so long on the decline, and latterly all but suspended, ...

The past few years has, however, brought matters to a climax (*the decline in the lead industry and the resulting unemployment and poverty*) with the natural result of a general exodus from the district, and our readers will be surprised to learn that the population of the Parish of Allendale has decreased during the past 25 years by some 2,500 inhabitants. The district of West Allendale, which a few years ago contained a working population of over 500, is now a desolate wilderness, painful to behold, with not a dozen workmen in employment. Allendale fares little better, the residue of the working population seeking employment many mile away from home, whilst Allendale town, once the centre of a thriving trade, is estimated to have a population of 600 or less than it had not so many years ago, is still rapidly declining, and at the present moment is fast becoming a purely agricultural village. The direct cause of the above lamentable state of affairs is the almost total closing of the lead mines, and the consequent decrease in the manufacture of lead at the smelt mills. A few statistics on this point will serve to show the actual extent of this decrease, and the great loss of wealth that necessarily follows. Commencing with the fact that at one time the Allendale mines produced one seventh of the lead ore raised in the kingdom, we may state that five years ago the output of lead ore was 2,000 bings whilst the annual output usually ranged at one time from 8,000 to 10,000 bings. It ought also to be noted that at one time the following lead mills were in full operation receiving their lead ore from the Allendale and Weardale mines, viz: Allen Mill, Allenheads Mill, Dukesfield Mill, and Blaydon Mill. The only one in existence now, doing the work formerly done by those mills, is Allen Mill. ... the Allendale mines were until 1883, leased by Mr Beaumont, the greater part of the lead ore from which was smelted at Allen Mill, and the total quantity of

lead manufactured from the Weardale and Allendale ores 20 years ago amounted to something like 10,000 tons. In the Allendale mines Mr Beaumont is now associated with a limited liability company, with a capital of £75,000, in £100 shares, under the title of the "W. B. Lead Mining Company, Limited." Since this took place, however, no perceptible change for the better has occurred in the working of the mines, so that the outlook has been very gloomy indeed ...

Population of Allendale Parish (from Bulmer's Directory 1887)

1801	*3,519*	*1811*	*3,884*
1821	*4,629*	*1831*	*5,540*
1841	*5,729*	*1851*	*6,383*
1861	*6,400*	*1871*	*5,397*
1881	*4,029*		

Marriages

Chicago Illinois, 5th ult., Jacob the second son of the late John Walton, Alston, Cumberland to Mattie MacFarlane, of Mantuvac, Wisconsin.

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 30th ult., Hazwell Parmley to Alice Gibson both of Garrigill.

In 1891, at High Windy Hall, Hazwell Parmley, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Alice 27, children Annie M 3, and Olive 1. In 1901, at High Windy Hall, Hazwell Parmley, road surfaceman, aged 37, his wife Alice 37, children Annie Margaret 13, Olive 11, Amos 7, and John 4.

In 1911, at Garrigill, Hazwell Parmley, road surfaceman, aged 47, his wife Annie M 23, children Olive 21, Amos R., road surfaceman, aged 17, and mother in law Margaret Gibson, widow, aged 74, born Middleton in Teesdale. Hazwell Parmley was buried at Garrigill 16th December 1924, aged 62.

See 9th October 1880

Deaths
Clunes, Australia, July 4th, William Maddison formerly of Stanhope.

8th November 1886 (Northern Echo)
EXTRACT FROM THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY, DIRECTORS REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED ON 16TH NOVEMBER 1886, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 1886
At Watson's Drift a number of tributers have been placed on the soles, which were formerly thought to be of little value, but which have since turned out to be the richest workings in this mine, and there is now new ground opened here (Greenlaws) for nearly 490 fathoms in length. Seeing that this drift proved so rich in the soles, Lowes Drift has been driven 57 fathoms, and a rise put up to Watson's Drift above. This has ventilated and laid open the ground for stoping, which is now being carried on with favorable results. The new pumping and winding shaft from the old workings in the "Great Limestone" (Kilhope) has been sunk through the Plate, and the "Quarry Hazel" down to the top of the "Four Fathoms Limestone." Drifts which have been run east and west on the Kilhope Head vein for a distance of 58 fathoms have opened up ground in the "Quarry Hazel" producing from two to six tons of ore per fathom. In this part of the mine there is a stretch of ground more than a mile in length, with the vein untouched below the "Great Limestone." This discovery is of great importance, inasmuch as it assures the continuance of the famous Kilhope Mine. At Groverake important developments continue to be made in the upper workings, and this mine is turning out a large quantity of ore. Boltsburn has improved since last report, but the ground is very hard, and opens out slowly. The "Coal Sill" drift has been driven 31 fathoms on the vein, and in places is very rich. It has taken the directors more than three yeas of personal supervision to bring the mines into their present promising condition, and the outlook for leadmining in Weardale is more favorable now than it has been for some years. Notwithstanding the low price of lead, which makes the profitable working of lead mines in this country difficult, and in many cases impossible, the directors congratulate the shareholders on the fact that this property is now in such a position that the payment of permanent dividends on the invested capital is in all probability assured. The efforts of the directors to open out and develop this great property have been ably seconded by the manager, Mr Jas, Blenkiron, and by the mine agents, Messrs. Phillipson, Thompson, and Watson, as well as by the mill agents, Messrs. Maddison and Bowman. Mr Tuffnell Southgate has retired from the Board, and it is with much regret the directors have to announce the death, in March last, of their esteemed colleague. Mr George Batters. All the directors retire, but offer themselves for re-election. The auditors, Mr George Broom and Mr James Fraser, also retire, and offer themselves for re-election. The directors propose that the dividend be made payable on and after the 30th instant.

11th November 1886 (Northern Echo)
THE ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE. —INQUEST. —Yesterday, an inquest was held at Rookhope on the body of Mr Wm. Coulthard, striker, in the employ of the Weardale Mining Company, who died on Monday night from injuries received a week since, and which we reported at the time.

A verdict of “Accidental death through misadventure” was returned.
In 1841, at Saugh Shields, St John’s, Stanhope, William Roddam, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary (Potts, married 24th April 1819) aged 40, Children, John, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 15, Mary 10, Jane 10, William 8, Dinah 6, Whitfield 4, and Elizabeth 8 months.
In 1841, at Dalehead, Park, Stanhope, Henry Coulthard, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Bell, married 8th June 1822, at Stanhope) aged 35, Children, John, lead miner, aged 18, Ralph, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 10, and Henry 8.
John Coulthard married Hannah Roddam 4th quarter 1846, at Weardale.
In 1851, at Westgate, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Hannah 27, and daughter, Mary A 1 year. In 1861, at Island House, St John’s, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Hannah 37, children, Mary A 12, Hannah 8, Henry 6, Jane 4, William 1.
In 1871, at Island House, St John’s, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead ore washer, aged 48, his wife Hannah 47, children, Mary A 22, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 16, Jane 14, William, lead ore dresser, aged 11, Elizabeth 8, Anna 6, John 4, and Charlotte 2.
In 1881, at Shaugh Shield, St John’s, Stanhope, John Coulthard, lead ore dresser, aged 58, his wife Hannah 57, children, William, lead ore washer, aged 21, Anna 16, John 14, and Charlotte 12.
In 1891, at Saugh Shield, St John’s, Stanhope, John Coulthard,farmer, aged 68, his wife Hannah 67, children, Elizabeth 28, John, lead miner, aged 24, Charlotte 22, granddaughters, Mary J Lee 12, and Zillah S Lee 10, (both born in Yorkshire).
Probate 1891: The will of John Coulthard late of Saugh Shields in the parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham Farmer who died 11th May 1891 at Saugh Shields was proved at Durham by John Coulthard of Saugh Shields Farmer the son one of the Executors. Personal Estate £110.
Hannah Coulthard died 4th quarter 1896, aged 73, registered at Weardale.
See 3rd November 1886

13th November 1886 (Hexham Courant)

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY LIMITED

The following is an abstract of the report of the directors for the year ending June 30th 1886:- The revenue account after payment of debenture interest, show a net profit for the year of £4,150 4s 5d, which with £587 16s 10d brought forward from last amount makes a total of £4,738 1s 3d. Deducting from this amount the interest dividend of 1s per share, paid on the 24 April last, amounting top £2,012 9s and £236 18s 1d, the directors remunerations, a balance of £2,489 14s 2d is left to be dealt with. The directors recommend that a further dividend of 1s per share be paid making a total distribution for the year of 2s per share or 8 percent per annum free of income tax. This will absorb £2,012 9s and leave a balance of £477 5s 2d to be carried forward to the next account. The 9,751 shares issued in February do not participate in this dividend. As will be seen from the balance sheet £10,000 of debentures have been issued carrying interest at the rate of 6 percent per annum. £7,730 has been expended during the year in opening up new ground, in the construction of reservoirs, and in providing additional machinery, buildings &c., &c. Mining drawing, and smelting have been carried on throughout the year, with the

exception of 6 weeks in the winter, when in consequence of the severe frost and deep snow, dressing and smelting were stopped altogether, and mining seriously interfered with. The mines, with one or two exceptions, have greatly improved during the year, and are now in good producing conditions. It has taken the directors more than three years of personal supervision to bring the mines into their present promising condition, and the outlook for lead mining in Weardale is more favourable now than it has been for some years. Notwithstanding the low price of lead, which makes the profitable working of lead mines in this country difficult, and in many cases impossible, the directors congratulate the shareholders on the fact that the property is now in such a position that the payment of permanent dividends on the invested capital is in all probability assured.

ALSTON

EMIGRATION

In furnishing the following account of the recent emigrations that have taken place from Alston and neighbourhood it may be remarked that the inhabitants of the same have always manifested a great spirit and inclination for emigration. It has been calculated by a person who has made notes of local events that about 594 people have left their native homes in the neighbourhood for the Antipodes and other parts of the British dominions, being a great number considering the sparcity of the population. These emigrations of course have taken place at different periods and extend over a great number of years.

Without, however referring further to those who emigrated some time ago, the following brief account of emigration of recent date that have taken place will not, it is hoped, be uninteresting to a portion of our readers: - On the 26th April three years ago, John P. Haldon and his wife left Alston for America. On the 30th November 1885, James Keenleyside, watchmaker, and William Dixon, druggist's assistant, left Alston for Queensland. On the 5th January last, John Walton, tinsmith, left Alston and arrived at Sydney. On the 20th March last, John Storey, jun., and his wife (son of John Storey of Tynehead House near Alston), left home for Queensland. All the above parties have arrived safely at their respective destinations and have succeeded in finding employment.

The last on my list are a young man of the name of Thomas Errington, a nephew of the late Thomas Pearson, of Alston, and his cousin, Jane Robinson, who left home on the 2nd inst., their destination being Port Elliot, Adelaide. These two young persons may be said to have a home to go to, as they go out to Thomas Robinson, who left Nentwater a long time ago, and who is uncle to the young man and father of the young woman. – May God speed them well.

Deaths

At Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, 10th inst., aged 30, Jane wife of Joseph Vickers, lead ore washer.

Matthew Vickers married Hannah Coulson, 5th August 1802, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Children of Matthew and Hannah Vickers:

Emerson, born 10th June 1803, 1st son of Matthew Vickers of Nenthead (no Weardale) by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph Coulson.

Joseph born 25th August 1805, 2nd son of Matthew Vickers of Nenthead (no Weardale) by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph Coulson.

John born 6th January 1808, 3rd son of Matthew Vickers of Nenthead (no Weardale) by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph Coulson.

Matthew born 27th December 1810, th Son of Matthew Vickers of Overwater (no Weardale) by his wife Hannah daughter of Joseph Coulson.
Hannah baptised 27th August 1814
Jonathan baptised22nd January 1820
Matthew Vickers of West Nenthead, was buried 31st December 1836, aged 58, at Alston.

Joseph Vickers married Hannah Stephenson, 4th February 1832, at St Augustine's, Alston. Hannah Vickers died 2nd quarter 1839.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Joseph Vickers, lead miner, aged 35, children, Ann 9, Hannah 6, Thomas 3, Mother, Hannah Vickers 60, and brother Jonathan 20.
Joseph Vickers died 3rd qtr 1841.

Jonathan Vickers married Ann Hind 6th March 1845, at Alston.
In 1851, at Overwater, Hannah Vickers, widow, pauper formerly lead miners, wife, aged 73, son, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 33, daughter in law, Ann32, grandchildren, Matthew 5, Joseph 3, Hannah 1, and grandson, Thomas Vickers, lead ore washer aged 13.
Hannah Vickers was buried at Nenthead 20th September 1853, aged 73.

In 1861, at Overwater, Alston, Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Ann, aged 42, children, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 15, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 13,Hannah 11, Isabella 9, Jonathan 7, Ann 5, Elizabeth 4, John 2, and brother, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23.

Matthew Vickers, died 11th July 1867, and was buried at Nenthead, 14th July 1867, aged 21. See 23rd July 1867.
In 1871, at Low Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Jonathan Vickers, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann aged 52, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Hannah 21, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 17, Elizabeth 13, and Johnny 12.
Ann Vickers was buried at Nenthead, 7th January 1880, aged 61.

In 1881, at Bloomsberry Hall, Jonathan Vickers, widower, lead miner, aged 63, children, Hannah, house keeper, aged 31, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 24, and John, lead miner, aged 22.
Jonathan Vickers was buried at Nenthead, 15th April 1883, aged 65.

In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Vickers, lead ore washer, aged 32, his wife Jane (Graham, married 2nd December 1875) aged 26, children Tom 4, William 2 (this is an error the birth was registered as Matthew), and Mary A. 1 month (buried at Nenthead, 26th June 1887, aged 6).
Joseph Vickers died 23rd April 1890, aged 42, buried at Nenthead on the 26th.

In 1891, at Hill Top, Nenthead, John Vickers, single, lead washing overman, aged 32, his unmarried sister Hannah, housekeeper, aged 41, nephew Tom Vickers, out of employment, aged 14, nephew Matthew aged 12, and niece Hannah Florence aged 5.
See 11th December 1875, 10th January 1880 & 3rd May 1890.

20th November 1886 (Hexham Courant)

LOST ON THE WEARDALE MOORS

On Saturday evening last two men left St John's Chapel about 7 p.m. for Teesdale. The night was very wet, and one of them, Thomas Horn, became exhausted and could proceed no further. His mate struggled on with him for some time, and at last left him and went for assistance to the nearest home

some distance off. On returning with help the poor fellow could nowhere be found until next day. Search parties were organised when they found him dead in Langdon Beck. He was only a young man of some 18 or 20 years of age and was well respected in upper Teesdale.

In 1851, at Frog Hall, Teesdale, Joseph Horn, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth (Watson, married 1837) aged 33, children Mary A. 11, Sarah 9, Elizabeth 6, Joseph 4, and John 1.

In 1861, at Frog Hall, Teesdale, Joseph Horn, (died 1865) lead miner & farmer of 15 acres, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth aged 43, children Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 14, John 11, Margaret 8, Rebecca 6, and George 2 years.

In 1871, at Frog Hole, Elizabeth Horn, widow, aged 52, children Elizabeth, general servant, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 21, Rebecca 16, George 12, grandson Thomas Horn 2, grandson Joshua Horn 3 months. In 1881, at Frog Hall, Teesdale, Elizabeth Horn, widow, aged 62, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 34, John, land drainer, aged 31, George, lead miner, aged 22, daughter Rebecca 25, grandsons, Thomas Horn 12, and Joshua Horn 10.

WEARDALE LEAD

The following is a report sent out on Nov. 6th by the agents of the Weardale Lead Company:

Groverake: Cross Cut north from Rake level has struck a nice vein worth 10 cwt per fathom. 40 Fathom level, vein improved, ground in lead firmer. Greenwell and Mill levels unchanged.

Boltsburn: The two branches of the Coal Gill drift are coming nearer each other, now about 3 feet apart. The main level is 2 feet wide, worth 20 cwt per fathom; north branch 12 inches wide worth 10 cwt per fathom. Red Vein level; the end has improved vein easier, and more kindly spar, worth 6 cwt per fathom. A strong east and west vein has crossed the Red vein, which we intend proving westward.

Greenlaws: Lowes Drift West; vein 2 ½ feet wide, chiefly rider and carbonate of iron, a little spar and spotted with ore, ground firm. In the foremost rise we have reached the south cheek of Scar limestone, vein 2 ½ feet wide, showing better indications of ore. Rise from Watson's drift, vein four wide, firmer spar, worth 12 cwt per fathom. Our best workings are under Watson's drift and above Lowe's Drift. Egglestone's sump is now clear of water, and work will soon be commenced in the new part of the mine.

Killhope: In Engine sump sinking in Four Fathom Limestone, the ground is very compact; 2 feet sunk last week. Quarry Hazel drift, East forehead is worth 20 cwt per fathom. Pear's West stope is worth 6 cwt per fathom. West forehead improved; vein 3 feet wide worth 30 cwt per fathom.

Middle Grove: We are driving east to find intersection of branches of vein. Reservoirs well supplied with water. Ore dressed during the week 116 tons. Ore raised during the week equal to 108 tons of dressed ore.

THE LEAD MINING IN WEARDALE

The smelting operations during the year had given every satisfaction. The average price for the year was £12 5s 4d per ton net, after paying all expenses. Their late sale price was equivalent to £12 13s a ton, showing an advance on the last previously quoted prices.

They showed a net profit for the year of £4,150 4s 6d (after payment of Debenture interest) which with the £587 16s 10d brought forward from the last

account made a total of £4,738 1s 3d. After they had paid the interim dividend of 1s per share in April last, and the directors remuneration a balance of £2,458 14s 2d remained. The directors recommended a further dividend of 1s per share should be paid. This would absorb £2012 5s, leaving a balance of £476 3s 2d.

20th November 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Death of Mr Thos. Lee. We are sorry to record the death of Thomas Lee son of William Lee, Randal Holme, who died at Assiniboine, Canada on the 25th October last. Mr Lee left New Shield Farm 6 months ago for the above place and had succeeded in getting a farm and was in a fair way of settling down when he contracted the epidemic of Typhoid fever. From this he was recovering, but on rising from his bed on the date, given above, he burst a blood vessel, which caused his death to ensue in a very short time. The deceased, who was well known around the neighbourhood, was only 26 years of age and much sympathy is expressed for his wife and young family.

In 1881, at Randel Holm, Alston, William Lee, farmer of 1000 acres, aged 52, his wife Catherine J. 43, children Annie 23, Thomas 20, Annie M. 18, Margaret 18, Samuel 16, Caroline 14, Catherine 13, Elizabeth 10, Emily 10, William 8, Robina 6, John 4, Wilhelmina 3, Joseph 1, and grandson George 4.

Marriages

Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, 18th inst, Edward Gill, Physic Hall, Alston, to Phyllis Hind, Greenends.

In 1881, at Physic Hall, John Gill, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Dorothy 38, children Mary 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Annie E. 14, Thomas 12, John G. 10, William 6, Henry G. 4, Dora J. 2, and Robert F. 3 months.

In 1891, at Wellgill, Edward Gill, coal miner, aged 28, his wife Phyllis 25, children John J 3, and Sarah A 1. In 1901, at Wellgill, Edward Gill, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Phyllis 35, children John Jas 13, Sarah Ann 11, Robert 9, Phyllis D M 3, and George Allen 1.

See 5th April 1870, 29th June 1872, and 8th November 1890

25th November 1886 (Northern Echo)

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT AT TEESDALE

A youth named Allison, son of Thomas Allinson, of High Bowbank, Lunerdale, lead miner, sustained a shocking accident at Manor Gill Mine; situate ten miles above Middleton, and the property of the London Lead Company. The lad was at a lead washing machine in which he became entangled, with the result that both legs and an arm were broken. The lad is one of sixteen children, all living, and had to be carried twelve miles to his home.

In 1871, at Cross Houses, Holwick, Yorkshire, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 27, born Middleton, his wife Margaret 26, born Romaldkirk, Yorkshire, children John 5, Margaret Ann 3, and Mary J. 1.

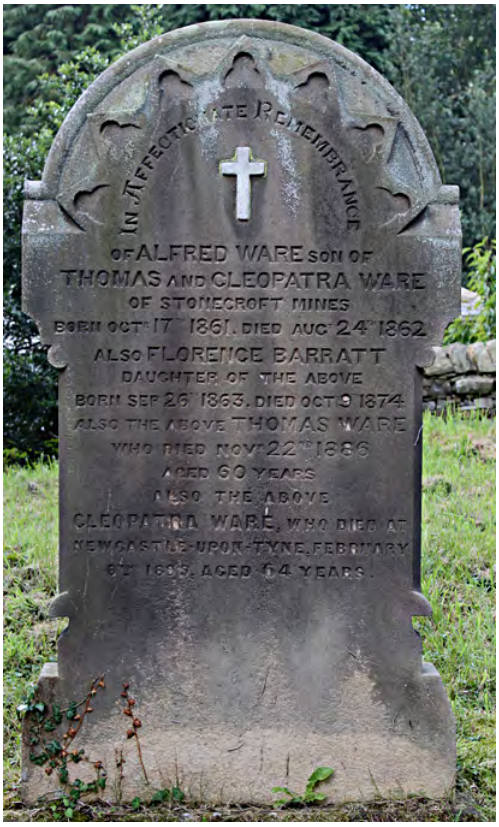
In 1881, at No. 4 Bowbank, Lunedale, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret 37, children John, lead miner, aged 15, Margaret Ann 13, Mary Jane 11, Thomas 9, Alice 8, Hannah 6, Ada 4, Agnes 2, Frederick Wm. 1, and Joseph Henry 2 months.

In 1891, at Bowbank, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 48, wife Margaret 47children Agnes 12, Frederic W. 11, Joseph H. 10, Ralph 8, Minnie 7, Beatrice E. 4, and Dorothy A. 2.

27th November 1886 (Hexham Herald)

STONECROFT

Death of Mr Thomas Ware. After a protracted illness of some months which originated in spring of the year we regret to record the death of Mr Ware Manager of Stonecroft mines, which took place at his residence early on Monday morning at the comparatively early age of 60 years. Deceased was manager of Stonecroft and Greyside mines for the long period of nearly 30 years. Deceased interred at Newbrough churchyard by the side of his daughter.


IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE
OF ALFRED WARE SON OF
THOMAS AND CLEOPATRA WARE
OF STONECROFT MINES
BORN OCT 17 1861. DIED AUG 24 1862
ALSO FLORENCE BARRATT
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
BORN SEP 26 1863. DIED OCT 9 1874
ALSO THE ABOVE THOMAS WARE
WHO DIED NOV 22 1886
AGED 60 YEARS
ALSO THE ABOVE
CLEOPATRA WARE, WHO DIED AT
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, FEBRUARY
6TH 1895, AGED 64 YEARS.

St Peter's, Newbrough

In 1841, at Petertavy village, Devon, Thomas Ware, Inn Keeper, aged 39, Thomas Ware, copper miner aged 16, James, copper miner aged 15, Henry 12, and George 11.
In 1861, at Greyside Farm, Thomas Ware, born Petertavy, Devon, lead mining agent, aged 34, his wife Cleopatra (Bennetts, married 1857, registration district Tavistock), born Marytavy, Devon aged 29, son Francis Thomas aged 1, and brother George Ware, accountant, aged 31.
In 1871, at Thomas Ware, lead mine agent, aged 43, his wife Cleopatra aged 39, children Francis Thos. 11, Florence 7 (died 1874), Harold 5, Laura 2, Maria 11 days, nurse Alice Lee, widow, aged 45, and servant Mary J Chicken, aged 19.
In 1881, at Stonecroft Mines, Newbrough, Thomas Ware, mining engineer, aged 55, his wife Cleopatra, aged 49, children Laura 12, Emily 10, Norman 7, and servant Isabel Turnbull, age 17.

In 1891, at 10 Haldane Terrace, Jesmond, Cleopatra Ware, widow, living on her own means, aged 59, children Harold, chartering clerk and cashier, aged 25, Laura 22, Emily 20, and Norman, office boy, aged 17. See 7th February 1866, 29th November 1873, 15th September 1888, & 11th February 1895.

1st December 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-in-TEESDALE.

Serious Accident to a Washer Boy at the Wire Gill Mine Ore Dressing Floods. On Monday, the 22nd ult., Thomas Allinson, who is about 15 years of age (and son of Mr T. Allinson, of the Mount, Bowbank, Lunedale, a lead miner with a large family), sustained very serious injuries by being drawn in by some pinions of the machinery at the above place, whereby he was crushed in a most fearful manner, so much so, that at first his life was despaired of. A messenger was quickly dispatched for Dr. J. C. Neligan and Sergt. Catterick, who were promptly in attendance, notwithstanding the mine is distant about 5 miles from this town on the Stanhope road. It was found on examination that the boy's thighs were broken, and also one of his arms, besides an ugly wound on the body. The little fellow was taken to his home in one of the Company's conveyances, and every necessary attention was paid to him by Drs. Atkinson and Neligan; but he is still in a very precarious condition.

Possible marriage for Thomas Allinson, to Margaret Shield 4th quarter 1862, registered at Teesdale.

In 1871, at Holwick, Durham, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Margaret, 26, children, Sarah 7, John 5, Margaret 3, and Mary J 1.

In 1881, at Bowbank, Lunedale, Teesdale, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret aged 37, children, John, lead miner, aged 15, Margaret Ann 13, Mary Jane 11, Thomas 9, Alice 8, Hannah 6, Ada 4, Agnes 2, Frederick Wm 1, and Joseph Henry 0.

In 1891, at Bowbank, Lunedale, Thomas Allinson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 42, children, Agnes 12, Frederick W 11, Joseph H 10, Ralph 8, Minnie 7, Beatrice E 4, and Dorothy A 2. In 1891, Thomas Allinson, aged 19, was working as a farm servant, for Thomas Porter, at Bowbank Lunedale.

4th December 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE TOWN

Inquest … respecting the death of a miner named Wilson Forster aged 59 who died very suddenly at his residence, Moor House Gate on Sunday night last. It appeared from the evidence that the deceased who has been employed at Settlingstones near Haydon Bridge, had been ailing during the past week, but his ill health was not of a nature to cause alarm. On Sunday evening however he expired quite suddenly. Dr Arnison ascribing heart disease as the cause. Verdict, "Death from natural causes".

In 1861, at Low Custley, Allendale, Wilson Forster, lead ore smelter, aged 34, his wife Mary Ann 29, children George 11, John 7, Wilson 5, and Ridley 1.

In 1871, at Couperhaugh, Allendale, Wilson Forster, lead ore miner, aged 44, his wife Mary Ann 39, children George, miner, aged 20, Wilson, labourer, aged 15, Ridley 11, Joseph 9, and Mary Ann 2 years.

In 1881, at Juniper, Allendale, Wilson Forster, coal miner, aged 52, his wife Mary A. 49, children Joseph, labourer general, aged 19, children Mary A. 12, and Elizabeth E. 8.

15th December 1886 (Teesdale Mercury)

LEADMINING IN SWALEDALE.
DISCOVERY OF A NEW VEIN.

For many years the lead mining industry of Swaledale has been declining. It is therefore gratifying to hear that at length there are prospects of a revival of the industry, for the men employed at the Hurst mines, which are backed up by some enterprising gentlemen, have struck a most valuable vein. It is said to be the largest and richest ever discovered since the commencement of the Hurst mines.

The boy, Thomas Allinson, who recently sustained such serious injuries at the lead mine, is (we are glad to say) progressing most favourably towards recovery.

18th December 1886 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF MR GEO. RACE Sen.

Our obituary columns of today contain the announcement of the death of George Race, the elder of Westgate, Weardale which took place on Saturday at the age of 76 years. Mr Race was a man of no common range. He was an accomplished local geologist a powerful local preacher in connection with the Primitive Methodists, and one of the most trusted men in Weardale. Throughout his native dale, throughout the Primitive Methodist churches of the North, and amongst a large circle of scholastic friends, the intelligence of his death will be very sad news… The family of Race's has been located in Weardale for centuries. Anthony Race mentioned in the records, as one of John Wesley's converts was grandfather of the deceased. This Anthony after preaching the gospel of Christ for almost forty years in the Northern dales, died in 1818, leaving a large family, one of whom was Nathan Race, father of the deceased born August 15, 1810. In early life, George Race was a lead miner. The theory and practice of lead mining he perfectly understood and his experience in this work greatly aided him in after life in his geological studies. Mr Race afterwards carried on the present business of the family, that of drapers and general merchants. It was during this period he found time at home for intellectual pursuits. From the first introduction of Primitive Methodism into Weardale George Race figured as a local preacher. … As a local geologist, Mr Race was second to none on the record having made this a lifelong special study. … In 1873, he published a pamphlet on the "Formation of Valleys", being a testimony to the Yoredale rocks as to their form and mode of stratification. … Deceased leaves a son Mr Geo. Race, builder, and a daughter Mrs Moore, and a wide circle of friends to mourn his loss.

In 1841, at Westgate, George Race, merchant, aged 30, his wife Martha 25, and daughter Mary aged 4. Martha died the 4th quarter of 1845. In 1841, George Race junior aged 7 is staying with Martha Coulthard, widow, & family at Swinhope Burn, St John's, Stanhope. The 1851 census has George junior still staying with Marth at Swinhope burn: Martha Coulthard, widow, house keeper, aged 78, son Thomas lead mine agent, aged 34, and grandson George Race, joiner aged 17.

In 1851, at Westgate, George Race, widow, grocer & draper, aged 40, and daughter Mary Ann aged 15.

In 1861, at Westgate, George Race, widow, grocer, aged 50, daughter Mary Ann aged 23, and granddaughter, Martha aged 2. Also at Westgate George

Race, Joiner aged 27, his wife Phoebe (Watson, married 1857) aged 26, and son George 9 months.
In 1871, at Westgate, George Race senior, widow, draper & grocer, aged 60, his married daughter Mary Ann Moor (married Joseph Moore in 1861), aged 33, grandson George Moor 9, granddaughter Annie Moor 8, and grandson George Race 10. Also at Westgate, George Race junior, joiner employing 5 men and 1 boy, aged 37, his wife Phebe, aged 36, children Martha 12, Anne 8, William 5, and Lizzie 1 month.
In 1881, at Westgate, George Race, widow, draper & grocer, aged 70, his widowed daughter Mary Ann Moor, aged 43, grandson George Race Moor, joiner aged 18, and granddaughter Annie Moor 18. Also at Westgate, George Race, builder, aged 47, his wife Phebe, aged 46, children Martha 22, Anne 18, William 15, Elizabeth 10, and Thomas 8 years.

18th December 1886 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE
FATAL ACCIDENT

A young man named Thomas Short whose parents reside at Sparty Lee, Allendale was accidentally killed a few days ago whilst working at some water works near Manchester. The deceased, who was a charger, met his death by a shot going off unexpectedly.
In 1881, at Byer Hope, Thomas Short, lead ore miner, aged 53, wife Hannah (Heslop, married 28th May 1853, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 52, children Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 23, Mary Ann 20, William, masons labourer, aged 16, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 15, Maria 12, Elizabeth Jane 8, Emerson 5, and Joseph 2.
In 1891, at Water House, Sparty Lea, Thomas Short, farmer, aged 62, wife Hannah 60, children William, freestone quarryman, aged 25, Robert S, freestone quarryman, aged 24, Maria, domestic servant, aged 20, Elizabeth J. aged 17
Emerson, clerk in printing office, aged 15, grandson Joseph Short 13, and granddaughter Hannah E Short 7. See 8th January 1887.

ALSTON
MEASLES EPIDEMIC

In consequence of the prevalence of Measles in this town all the day schools, as well as the Sunday schools have been closed for the past fortnight, and will remain so until the New Year. There have been as many as 150 cases in one day. They are however principally of a mild type, no deaths having been as yet reported from any of the attacks.

31st December 1886 (Carlisle Patriot)

SINGULAR LOCAL CHARITY. —Amongst the various charities which are distributed at Alston at this season is one with a somewhat curious history. **Charles Langhorn**, formerly of Nenthead, by his will dated the 25th June, 1802, bequeathed the interest of £777 2s 1d, which he directed to be divided on Christmas Eve in every year, amongst "such poor persons having legal settlements in the parish of Alston shall not have received parochial relief within one year then next preceding," such poor people to reside at or near Nenthead. In consequence, however, of Langhorn being of illegitimate birth, his will was ineffectual until about the year 1818. A petition was sent to, and "Royal warrant"

granted from, the then Prince Regent, empowering the trustees to distribute the money according to the will. The money thus distributed this year was upwards of £20. It may be added that the testator came into Alston Moor at some period between the middle and the end the last century as poor workman in search of employment, which he obtained at the Nenthead Lead Mines.

1st January 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Physic Hall, 16th inst., aged 1 year and 10 months, Thomas William son of Thomas and Sarah Spark.
In 1851, at Low Farnberry, Alston George Spark, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Ann 27, children John 6, Mary 5, Thomas 2, and Ann 11 months.
In 1861, at Low Farnberry, Alston, George Spark, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 35, children John, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Ann 10, Sarah J. 9, Hannah 6, George 4, and Joseph 1 year.

George Spark senior died in 1870 aged 53.

In 1871, at Ropery, Alston, Ann Spark, widow, aged 46, children John, lead miner, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Hannah, reeler at woollen factory, aged 16, George, winder at woollen factory 14, Maggie 9, William 7, James 4, and Henry 2 years.
In 1881 at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, Thomas Spark, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Sarah (Wilkinson, married 24th August 1871) aged 29, children Mary Jane 10, Margaret A. 6, Sarah E. 4, and George 1.
In 1891, at Physic Hall, Alston, Thomas Spark, coal miner, aged 43, his wife Sarah aged 40, children Mary J. stocking knitter, aged 20, Margaret A. stocking knitter, aged 16, Sarah L. domestic servant, aged 14, George 11, and Matthew W. 9 years.
In 1901, at Physic Hall, Thomas Spark, coal mine hewer, aged 52, his wife Sarah 49, daughter Margaret A. drapers assistant, aged 26, and son Matthew W. railway engine stoker, aged 19.

Thomas Spark died 4th quarter 1908, aged 60.

In 1911, at Hampstead Rd, Newcastle, John Nicholson, glass warehouseman, aged 44, his wife Mary Jane (Spark, married 3rd quarter 1899, Alston) aged 40, children Sarah 9, Mary Gertrude 7, boarder Hugh Kearton plumber, aged 20, and visitor Sarah Spark, widow, aged 59.

8th January 1887 (Hexham Herald)
ALLENHEADS
DEATH OF AN ALLENHEADS MAN AT AMBLESIDE
Death of Mr Thomas Short at the above place. It seems he was at work with another man named Crossland in Birk Hag tunnel, Rydal Park, when quite unaccountably as they were preparing a blast the charge exploded and blew Short across the tunnel which at the place they were working was 9 feet wide and dashed him against the opposite side, injuring him so much he soon died. Crossland was also severely hurt. Deceased was buried at St Mary's Ambleside. Deceased was 29 years of age. *See 18th December 1886*

11th January 1887 (London Gazette)

THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 TO 1880.
THE GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY
LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above-named. Company, duly convened and held at the offices of the said Company, No. 25, Westgate-road, in the city and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 7th day of December, 1886, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened and held at same place, on the 30th day of December, 1886, the said Special Resolutions were duly confirmed: —

1. " That the Company's property having greatly increased in value, it is desirable that the Company should be reconstructed, so that the amount of its capital may be made more nearly to correspond with the value of its property.
2. "That the Company be wound up voluntary; and that Charles Webster Harrison, of 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Agent, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.
3. "That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have already been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of tins Company.
4. " That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting, and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company Limited (being the intended new Company) of the other part, be and the same is hereby approved; and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with such new Company, when incorporated, in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect."

Jas. Monks, Chairman,

14th January 1887 (Carlisle Patriot)

Marriages

At the Parish Church, Nenthead, on the 30th ult., by licence, by the Rev. W. Berry, John Stamper, headman for Mr Potter, Barron Wood, to Catherine, third daughter of Archibald Dodd, Ashgill New House, Nenthead.

In 1881, at Ashgill Side, New House, Archibald Dodd, shepherd, aged 52, born Bellingham, his wife Ellen ged 47, born Scotland, children, Archibald, shepherd, aged 16, Ellen 13, Mary 10, and Matthew 4, all children born at Bellingham.

22nd January 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Ralph Walton. Weardale has lost another of its worthy sons by death, Ralph Walton Stone House, Stanhope, aged 59. … As a euphonium player, he was at one time second to none in England. For a long time he had been connected with the Stanhope Saxhorn Band and was, up to his death its respected conductor.

In 1841, at Newfield, Stanhope, George Walton lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 45, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret 15, Elizabeth 15, Ralph 13, Mary 11, Jane 8, and Hannah 5.
In 1851, at Newfield, Stanhope, Mary Walton, widow, aged 57, children Ralph, iron stone miner, aged 23, Jane, dressmaker, aged 17, and Hannah, farm servant, aged 15.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Ralph Walton, lead miner, aged 33, daughter Mary 7, son George 5, mother Mary Walton, widow aged 68, servant Jane Proud, aged 25.
In1871, at Stanhope, Ralph Walton, lead worker, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth (Wallace, married 1862) aged 45, children Mary 17, George, labourer, aged 15, William 8, Tom 6, and Frederick 3.
In 1881, at Stone House Stanhope, Ralph Walton, engine driver at lead mills, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 56, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 27, William, grocer, aged 18, and Frederick W. 13.

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton in his annual report for No. 2 district stated that there had been 40 deaths, equal to 17.14 per 1000 of the population and 60 births. Scarlet Fever had been very prevalent, and there were no facilities for isolation. There had been in two years 111 cases of which 9 had proved fatal. There had also been an epidemic of Measles. The prevalence of these epidemics in the autumn of this year I can only attribute to injurious atmospheric influences, the season being notable for its mildness and extensive rain. In the Garrigill, district two cases of Typhoid Fever occurred both men work in the Harewood district, where they had been infected with this disease along with others, the drinking of impure water being assigned as the cause. The neglect of the flushing of the main sewer in Garrigill during the summer was also brought before your notice and received your attention. Towards the end of the year, an epidemic of Measles broke out in Garrigill, which spread so rapidly among the children as to necessitate the closing of the school. I have been unable to ascertain the exact number of cases, but it has been so general that scarcely a house in which there are children escaped. I have visited the district regularly with the Sanitary Inspector and directed the removal of nuisances where they existed and our requests have been complied with.

Deaths

Alston Town Head, 18th inst., aged 53, Margaret wife of Robert Goodfellow, tailor. In 1881, at Butts, 14th inst., aged 4 years 10 months Sarah Jane daughter of William and Hannah Featherstone.
In 1881, at Butts, Alston, William Featherstone, coal miner, aged 23, wife Hannah aged 23, and son John 9 months.
In 1891, at Butts, Alston, William Featherstone, coal miner, aged 33, wife Hannah 33, children John 10, William 7, Alice 5, Thomas 3, and George D. 2.

26th January 1887 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

Deaths

At Nenthead, Alston, 24th inst., aged 67, John Lattimer. Will be interred on Friday.
See 16th June 1883, 2nd May 1885, 29th January 1887, and 7th June 1890

29th January 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Becal Grove, Australia, 2nd November 1886, very suddenly, aged 65, William Armstrong, orchard proprietor, formerly of Alston.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 27 November 1886
NOTICE is hereby given, that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof application will be made to the supreme Court of the colony of Victoria, in Its Probate jurisdiction, that PROBATE of the LAST WILL and TESTAMENT of WILLIAM ARMSTRONG, late of Wooragee, near Beechworth, in the colony of Victoria, fruit grower, deceased, may be granted to John Armstrong, of Beechworth, draper, and Benjamin Horsfall of Wooragee aforesaid, farmer, the executors named in and appointed by the said will Dated this twenty fifth day of November 1886
TUTHILL and PERRY. Camp-street, Beechworth,
proctors for the said executors.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 18 February 1887
THURSDAY, FEB. 17.
EQUITY COURT.
(Before His Honour Mr. Justice Webb.)
PROBATES AND LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION.
Probate was granted to the wills of the following:- William Armstrong, on the motion of Mr. Dunkley; John Frederick Booth, £555.

At Nenthead, Alston, 24th inst., aged 67, John Lattimer.
In 1881, at Holmefoot, Nenthead, John Lattimer, draper & farmer of 31 acres, aged 62, his wife Hannah 60, daughter Dianna, farmers daughter, aged 22, Thomas, farmers son, aged 15, and grandson Robert Nicholson 7.
See 16th June 1883, 29th January 1887, and 7th June 1890.

29th January 1887 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
SUDDEN DEATH
A little girl *(Annie)* 5 years old daughter of Mr David Smith, Alston, died suddenly on Saturday last from the effects of an attack of Measles.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, David Smith, deputy overman at coalmine, aged 35, his wife Louisa (Graham, married 1st quarter of 1881) age 29, and son John aged 7.
Deaths
Alston Union Workhouse, 23rd inst aged 65, Jane, widow of John Walton, joiner.

5th February 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Silly Hole, 27th ult., aged 74, Margaret widow of Matthew Cousin.
In 1851, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, Matthew Cousin, born Allendale, lead miner age 47, his wife Margaret (Varty, married 14th June 1834), aged 38, children Hannah 13 (died 1851?), Joseph 10, Mary 8, John 5, and Matthew 2 years (died 1852).

In 1861, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, Matthew Cousin, retired lead miner, aged 57, his wife Margaret 47, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Mary 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Jane 6.
Matthew Cousin was buried at Garrigill, 23rd April 1867, aged 63.
In 1871, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, Margaret Cousin, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 58, children, Joseph, Iron miner, aged 30, Mary 28, John, Iron miner, aged 25, and Jane 16.
In 1881, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, Margaret Cousin, widow, farmer of 40 acres, age 68, married son John Cousin, lead miner, aged 35, daughter in law Elizabeth 29, grandson Matthew 1, and granddaughter Margaret 9 months.
In 1891, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, Joseph (sic) Cousin, farmer aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 39, children, Matthew 11, Margaret 10, John Joseph 8, Ruth 6, Walton 4, George 2 (buried at Garrigill 6th May 1891, aged 3), Ralph 9 months (buried at Garrigill 31st May 1891, aged 11 months) and Elizabeth 9 months (buried at Garrigill 22nd November 1891, aged 17 months).
In 1901, at Low Silly Hole, Garrigill, John Cousin, farmer aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 49, children, Matthew, lead miner aged 21, Margaret 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Walton, 14, Thomas, 8, Frederick 6, and visitor Peter Pickering, aged 58.

St John's, Church Yard, Garrigill

John Cousin buried at Garrigill, 8th December 1917, aged 71.

Probate 1918: John Cousin, of Low Silly Hole, Alston, Cumberland, Farmer died 5th December 1917, Probate Carlisle 11 January to Thomas Cousin farmer. Effects £316 15s.
Elizabeth Cousin was buried at Garrigill, 31st May 1932, aged 80.

12th February 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Low Craig, Alston, 1st inst, aged 64, Mary widow of Thomas Davidson.
In 1851, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Thomas Davidson, farmer & proprietor, aged 57, his wife Mary (Shield married 4th quarter of 1845) aged 28, children Joseph 8, and Mary Ann 5.
In 1861, at Nether Craig, Mary Davidson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 38, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, daughter Mary A 15, niece Jane Shield 1, and brother Walton Shield, lead miner, aged 28. In 1881, at Nether Craig, Garrigill, Mary Davidson, widow, farmer of 28 acres aged 58, and daughter Mary Ann 35.
Dryburn, Alston, 4th inst., aged 52, Mary, widow of Jonathan Spark, formerly of Tynehead.
In 1841, at Low Redwing, Thomas Spark, lead miner, aged 30, Martha (Watson, married 5th July 1827, Alston) aged 40, children Sarah 13, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas 8.
Thomas Spark died September 1850, aged 42.
In 1851, at Skydes, Martha Spark, widow, groser (sic) aged 50, sons Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 18.
In 1861, at Skydes, Jonathan Spark, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary (Watson, married 29th June 1854, Alston, daughter of Thomas & Elizabeth Watson, of Dryburn, Garrigill) aged 24, children Thomas 4, and John 2. In 1871, at Low Lee House, Garrigill, Jonathan Spark, farmer of 132 acres, and lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 36, children Thomas, shepherd, aged 14, John 11, Joseph 9, George 7, Jonathan 5, Sarah Jane 2, and domestic servant Betsy Stephenson aged 19. In 1881, at Low Lee Houses, Jonathan Spark, farmer of 132 acres, aged 51, his wife Mary 46, children John, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, farmers son, 19, George Watson, lead miner, aged 17, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 15, Sarah Jane 12, Mary Elizabeth 7, and Vipond 4.
Jonathan Spark died 4th quarter 1883, aged 54.
Alston Union Workhouse, 31st ult., aged 73, Elizabeth Raine, formerly of Garrigill. *unmarried dressmaker, in 1881 living at Garrigill Gate.*

19th February 1887 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
ACCIDENT
Whilst two miners named Joseph Allison, Chesters, and George Gardiner, Sidefoot, were at work in Daddry Mine, their powder flask containing some pounds weight, was accidentally exploded by a spark from a candle, burning the first named fearfully about the face and neck, and the other about the arms and sides.
In 1881, at High Chesters, Joseph Allinson, lead miner, aged 27, and his wife Elizabeth aged 31. In 1891, at High Chesters, Joseph Allinson, lead miner, aged 37, and his wife Elizabeth aged 41.

In 1891, at Side Foot, John Gardiner, lead miner aged 61, wife Frances aged 59, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 24, and Mary 18.

24th February 1887 (Northern Echo)
ANOTHER MINE DISCOVERED IN TEESDALE. —The men engaged in sinking the "sump" at Wiregill have opened into a rich deposit of lead ore in the coal sills, and the mine agents have pronounced the vein very hopeful and good. If the vein bears down, which is probable, it means work their for several years.

5th March 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Report of the different lead mines opened by the Weardale Lead Company.
Groverake: Rake level driving resumed in a strong vein, Douglas Drift East vein improving, 50 East vein, easier to work, 40 East vein worth 10 cwt per fathom. Greenwell's level suspended on account of bad air. Mid level in plate and grey beds under the coal sills.
Boltsburn: Coal sill drift vein more mixed with stone rider, five feet wide, very firm, ventilation bad. Red vein, North end, more kindly, Spar cross cut, south east end chiefly iron rider, level north west of Foulwood no change.
Greenlaws: In Jackson's level the vein 2½ feet wide composed of spar and hazel rider. In Rowell's rise, Lowe's drift east, the vein is showing more strength, 2½ feet wide of spar and rider spotted with ore. Egglestone's sump under Quarry level 11 fathoms drift west, strong vein in single post limestone; 4 feet wide and chiefly spar. Tynebottom drift east, under Tynebottom Lime vein 2½ feet wide, chiefly rider. West vein 2 feet wide slightly improved, ground very hard and firm. Loop level by side of crushed ground, 5 fathoms driven last week.
Burtree Pasture: Drift from Dawson's rise above Donaldson's level in firm plate. Nattrass Gill drift east, and extremely hard and poor.
Killhope: Engine sump, quarry hazel, west forehead, end narrower vein 2½ feet wide worth 3 tons per fathom. East forehead vein 3 feet wide worth 3 tons per fathom. Cross cut south under 4 fathom limestone; south cheek of the vein not yet cut. Vein chiefly composed of rider, some spar and good stones of ore. Firestone drift, vein 2 feet wide, chiefly flour-spar, ground broken and loose. Middle Grove, a cross cut has been commenced to the south to prove spar leads. Water has been scarce this week owing to frosts. Ore dressed, 119 tons. Ore raised equal to 103 tons of dressed ore.
Lead is steady, but inactive at £12 12s 6d to £12 13s 9d for Spanish and £12 17s 6d to £13 for English.

Deaths

Durham, Ontario, Canada, February 7th aged 36, Mary Jane Teasdale wife of Mr Joseph Teasdale, formerly of Nenthead Alston.
In 1851, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Ralph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Isabella 38, Lidia 13, Frances 11, Isabella 8, Mary 6, Elizabeth 3, and Joseph 1 year. In 1861, at Elba, Nenthead, Isabella Teasdale, (stone masons?) widow, aged 47, children Elizabeth 13, Joseph 11, Ralph 9, nurse child Margaret A Bramwell 4, and nurse child May J Bramwell, 8 months.
In 1881, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Joseph Teasdale, lead miner, aged 31; his wife Jane (Tatters, married 24th August 1872) aged 30, children Ralph 6

and Isabella 1 year. The death of their daughter Annie Lizzie at the age of one month, occurred 29th April 1877, see 12th May 1877.
The family travelled on the Polynesian (three masts, single screw, built 1872), arrived Quebec 14th June 1882, port of departure Liverpool, Joseph listed as a labourer.
In 1891, at Bentinck, Grey South, Ontario, Joseph Teasdale, farmer, aged 41, his wife Isabella 29, children Ralph 16, Isabella 11, John 7, Herald 5, and Margret 6 months. The Record of Josephs second marriage show that at the age of 38, he married Isabella Robinson, born, England aged 26, father Anthony Robinson, mother Esther Robinson on the 25th December 1888, at Bruce.
The 1901 census has at Bruce East, Brant, Ontario, Ralph Teasdale, born England, 31st March 1874; Farmer aged 26, his wife Matilda born Ontario, aged 27, and son Joseph born 16th March 1901. Also in 1901 at Bruce East, Brant, Ontario, Isabella Teesdale, born 7th February 1880, working as a servant, the census contradicts itself stating she in English but born Ontario!
Ontario marriage records give Joseph Teasdale, born England, about 1876, aged 24, father Joseph Teasdale, mother Mary Jane Tatters Teasdale, spouse aged 25, born Canada, father Joseph Stancil mother Jane Campell Stancil, marriage date 4th March 1900 at Bruce County.
In 1911, at Bentinck, Grey South, Ontario, Joseph Teasdale, farmer, aged 61, his wife Isabell 49, children Lizzie 19, Francis 15, Linda 10, Newton 11, Stafford 7, and Stewart 4
Isabella, father Joseph Teasdale, mother Mary Jane Tatters married John Wall, aged 41, son of the late Henry Wall, mother Elizabeth Hills, married at Grey County 19th December 1911. Isabella died 1858, at Bruce, Ontario.
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 19th February 1876, 29thJuly 1876, 12th May 1877, 14th June 1884, & 20th August 1887.

12th March 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Edward Baty, of Wellhope, died on Thursday week after a brief illness. He was only 56 years of age, and was much respected. For a number of years he had acted as foreman at the Killhope mines, ...
In 1851, at Wellhope, John Baty, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Hannah 51, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Ann 23, Edward, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret 13, and Elizabeth 10.
In 1861, at Pudding Thorn, St John's, Edward Baty, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 38, children John Joseph 7, and Esther 5.
In 1871, at Pudding Thorn, St John's, Edward Baty, engine keeper, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 48, children John Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17, Esther 11, Thos Edward 7, and Hannah 5 years.
In 1881, at Wellhope, Edward Baty, farmer of 27 acres, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth aged 58, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 27, Esther 25, Thos. Edwd. pupil teacher, aged 17, and Hannah 15.
In 1891, at Front Street, Stanhope, Elizabeth Baty, widow, aged 72, and grandson, John F. Baty, gardener & domestic servant, aged 19.
In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, John Roddam, lead miner aged 33, his wife Hannah (Baty, married, 2nd quarter of 1899) aged 35, and mother Elizabeth Baty, widow, aged 78.

16th March 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

A deputation from the London Lead Company's Court of Directors, composed of F. H. Ianson, Esq., governor, and Messrs Foskett and Mennell, assistants, recently paid a visit to their extensive mines and smelting works in Teesdale, and Bollyhope in Weardale. The newly cut lead veins at their Coldberry and Wiregill mines are quick and of a hopeful character, and it is confidently expected will fully justify the large amount of capital expended in making the explorations, and afford employment to a large number of workmen for many years.

17th March 1887 (Northern Echo)

THE WEST DURHAM LEAD MINES

A deputation of the London Lead Company, including the governor and assistants, have just concluded an inspection of their extensive mines in Teesdale and Bolihope. The newly cut veins at the Coldberry and Wiregill mines are “quick” and of a hopeful character, and are expected to fully justify the large outlay of capital expended on their explorations, and to afford employment for a large body of men for many years.

SAD OCCURRENCE IN WEARDALE.

A FATAL WRESTLING BOUT.

Yesterday, an inquest into the cause of death of a young leadminer—Obadiah Featherstone—took place at the Queen’s Head Inn, Wearhead, Weardale, before Mr Coroner Dean. It appears that deceased had been at a practice, on the 5th inst., of the string band, of which he was a member, as he was of the Athletic Club, which had the final contest for the All-Weight Cup on that night. Featherstone was walking with nine of his companions on the highway near the above village in the bright moonlight after ten o’clock, and proposed to Tom Whitefield, son of Mr Henry Whitefield, Irestone—both being very clever light-weight wrestlers—that they should go over into the field and have a bout, which was agreed to. After a merrily contested “hold." Whitefield fell uppermost, and it was alleged in so doing injured his young friend so as to ultimately cause death on Monday last—a week after. The conflicting rumoured causes of death and public opinion rendered it imperative for the local constable, J. Sidgwick, to lay the matter before the authorities, who wisely ordered an inquiry. Owing to the limited time to warn the witnesses—two of the principal ones, who were in Rookhope working, having to travel through the snowstorm—the Coroner dispersed the jury, pending their arrival in the afternoon. On reassembling. Sergeant George watched the case in the absence of Sergeant Liddle. The first witness called was

Tom Whitefield, who wrestled with deceased, and who was visibly affected. He described the bout as above. He threw Featherstone. He did not think his head struck the ground. He walked home, but complained of being hurt. There was no malice. He went to see deceased twice after he was laid up. Deceased never blamed him. —Sergeant George: Is it true that you've wrestled with this man before, and broke his leg? Yes, sir. —You were companions and friends, and bore no malice? No sir. None at all.

Thos. Whitfield, a cousin of the former witness, was the other witness. He was present on the 5th of March with his cousin and deceased, and saw the last-named two wrestle. It was a fair and square friendly hold.

Dr. Wm. A. Hewitson, Jun., who represented his uncle at St. John's Chapel, and who is M.R.C.S, and L.R.C.P., London and Edinburgh, said he was called to deceased early on Sunday morning, and found him suffering from pain in the testicle and swelling up of the adjacent right parts. He also complained of pain in the bowels. He attended him with his (witness's) uncle till his death, which was caused by general shock to the nervous system from the result of the fall. He grew gradually weaker. Deceased was only a weak man, else he would have pulled through.
The CORONER (addressing the jury): Wed, gentlemen. I think of wrestling as I do of football—that it is somewhat of a dangerous pastime, if not a brutal one, and though both may be lawful, it is certainly fraught With sad consequences.
The FOREMAN of the Jury endorsed the remarks of the Coroner, and added that though he didn't say they (the young dalesmen) hadn't to wrestle yet in these weekly contests they should be very cautious. —The Jury at once returned a verdict, under the guidance of the Coroner, of "Accidental death through misadventure."

19th March 1887 (Hexham Courant)

EMIGRATION

On Wednesday morning last by ten o'clock passenger train, Percy son of Mr John Millican, Alston; Messrs Philipson Millican, Tynehead, and Peter Potts of Garrigill left Alston railway station, their destination being Winnipeg. It is understood that each of these three young men have left their native dale for the purpose of commencing farming pursuits on their arrival in Canada.
Philipson Millican returned, the 1891 census shows him living at Hillhouse, Garrigill aged 25, a farmer, with his mother Elizabeth, widow aged 70, also Bridget Ann Currah, aged 17, general servant, Philipson married Bridget at St John's Garrigill, 20th September 1891. See 26th September 1891, he and his family emigrated to Australia in 1895.

DEATH OF MR ADAM WALTON

We regret to announce the death of Mr Adam Walton of Loaning Foot House, which event occurred at his residence on Sunday afternoon (*13th March. He was 63 years of age*.), …
As Moor Master to the Lords' of the Admiralty, Mr Walton occupied a prominent position in connection with the mining district.
In 1841, at Red Burn, Joseph Walton, lead mine agent, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 30, children Adam, lead miner, aged 15, Anne 7, Joseph 3, and John 11 months.
In 1851, Adam Walton aged 27, was lodging with Anthony Armstrong, lead miner & his family at Overwater, Nenthead, Adam was working as lead mine overman and clerk.
In 1861, at Manor House, Alston, Adam Walton, clerk of ore deliveries to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, aged 37, his wife Lydia (Stephens married 24th September 1853) aged 34, children Marian C. 6, James S. 4, Florence E. 2, house servant Ann Cousin, aged 25, and nurse Hannah Teasdale, aged 14.
In 1871, at Manor House, Alston, Adam Walton, clerk of ore deliveries to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, aged 47, his wife Lydia aged 44 children, Marian 16, James S. stationer, aged 14, Florence E. 12, Rosa B. 7, Clara 5, Herbert 3, Constance L. 1 year.

In 1881, at Loanning House, Blagill, Alston, Adam Walton, mining engineer, aged 57, daughters, Clara 15, Constance L. 11, and domestic servant Phoebe Richardson, aged 20.
In 1891, at North Loanning, Lydia Walton, widow, living on her own means, aged 64. See 23rd September 1853, 19th June 1875, & 11th June 1892

2nd April 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

Last week four men employed at the Allendale Smelt Mills received a month's notice to terminate their engagement at these works.

A man named Dixon Bell residing at Catton, Allendale, was severely burnt last week at the Allenheads Smelt Mills, whilst engaged in extracting roasted soot from a furnace. A fellow workman named Edward Parker, who was standing near at the time, was also slightly burnt.

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th ult., Thomas Walton Thompson, Blagill to Annie third daughter of the late William Watson, Corby Gates, Alston.

In 1841, at Wellgill, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Isabella, (Liverick, married 7th June 1834, Alston) aged 25, children, Matthew 5, Ann 3, and Thomas 2 months.
Thomas Thompson died 1st quarter 1848 or 4th quarter 1849.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Isabella Thompson, lead miners, widow, aged 35, children Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 15, Ann 2, Thomas 9, Isabella 7, and Mary 4.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Isabella Thompson, widow, aged 45, children Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 19, Mary 14, and George 4.
In 1871, at Blagill, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, and farmer, aged 29, his wife Jane (Walton, married 3rd quarter 1864) aged 33, children Thomas H 5, John 4, Isabella 2, and uncle Jonathan Walton, single, stone waller, aged 47.
In 1881, at Blagill, Thomas Thompson, farmer of 36 acres, aged 39, his wife Jane 43, children Thomas W. 15, John 14, Isabella 12, and lodger Jonathan Walton, single general labourer, aged 51.
In 1891, at Behind Burn, Alston, Thomas W Thompson, coal miner, aged 26, his wife Annie 30, children Mable 2, and Thomas Wm. 3 months. In 1901, at Blagill, Thomas W. coal miner aged 34, his wife Annie 41, children Mabel 12, Thomas W 9, and John W 7. In 1911, at Blagill, Thomas Walton Thompson, miner, aged 45, his wife Annie 51, sons Thomas, quarryman, aged 20, and John, saddler, aged 18.
See 19th April 1890

Deaths

Alston Church, Croft Terrace, 31st ult., aged 76 George Shield, late Master Washerman. *See 1st October 1836*

6th April 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE PROJECTED RAILWAY FROM MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE TO ALSTON.

From time to time during the last twenty years, public attention has been excited by reports relating to two projected lines of railway. It has been said that the people of Weardale, and others interested in that dale, were endeavouring to promote a line from Stanhope to Alston, and that the people of Teesdale,

together with their friends, wished to connect the Tees Valley Branch with the Alston Branch. It is generally understood that the Alstonians would co-operate most heartily with the promoters of either line, though they regard the Teesdale connection with most favour. The Weardale project is now again before the public, and is, we understand, being powerfully supported. We earnestly wish that its promoters may meet with success. The Weardale route presents great difficulties to the engineer; but as a set off against these difficulties there is the possibility that valuable deposits of ore might be discovered in the cuttings, and other works that would be necessary for its construction. Kilhope Law has, in the past, yielded a vast amount of mineral wealth, and may yet yield more. A line from Stanhope to Alston would, in any case, greatly facilitate the carriage of mining requisites and ore to and from the Nenthead and Kilhope mines. The case for the Weardale route has however been already placed before the public, and does not need to be discussed here. We shall, therefore, turn our attention to the alternative route through Teesdale.

There is no barrier like Kilhope Law between Middleton-in-Teesdale and Alston. The configuration of the land is here as favourable for the construction of a railway as it could well be in any mountainous district. The valleys of the Tees and the Tyne are connected by means of a pass through the mountains, which, at the highest point, is probably 300 feet below the summit of Kilhope Law, and 600 feel below Burnhope Seat. The two valleys lead into each other. An examination of the rocks on both sides of the mountain reveals some interesting facts. The Tynebottom Limestone—a stratum which has derived its name from the fact that it forms the bed of the Tyne for many miles—found on Teesside; and not only so, but it lies near the surface over the whole of the district between Tynehead and Teesdale. The Whin Sill bassets at Tyne-head, and has been sunk into at Garrigill and Rodderup Fell, near Alston. It bassets also in the Tees in several places between here and Middleton-in-Teesdale. The Providence Shaft on the Tees pierces this sheet of igneous rock quite through, and other shifts at Hardshins and Green Hurth penetrate it to some depth. According to the latest information, the Green Hurth vein continues to bear ore in great abundance in the Whin Sill.

These facts show that Upper Teesdale and Upper Tynedale are, geologically, on the same horizon, the water-shed being formed by an anticlinal curve, the crest of which is near Lady's Vein mine. The towns of Middleton-in-Teesdale and Alston stand upon the same strata, and are about equally distant from the crest of that curve. We venture then to affirm what has already been said, that, considering the character of the district, the configuration of the land is favourable for the construction of a line of railway between those two towns. This statement seems paradoxical, but it is not really so. A flat surface is of course, much more favourable for the building of a railroad than a curved one, but such a surface is only found in flat districts. But assuming that the Teesdale route presents to the engineer no difficulties of an insuperable character, there yet remains for consideration the vital question “Would the projected railway pay”? The answer to this question depends upon several considerations, such as the cost of labour, the price of materials, and the produce of the district through which the line would pass. No attempt will be made here to answer the question fully, because the writer is conscious of his inability to deal with the matters, which it involves. His efforts will be restricted to the consideration of the mineral resources of that part of Teesdale which is situated above the High

Force, and of that part of Tynedale which lies above the village of Garrigill, or, in other words, of the district through which the proposed line would pass.
The remainder of this paper is, in fact, simply a continuation of the Rambles in Teesdale," which, as the reader is perhaps aware, practically terminated at Langdon. Of the ten beds of limestone which occur in the Lead Measures, eight basset in Langdon Beck and its tributary Harthope Beck. The Single Post appears in the former beck, very near Langdon Bridge, and the Cockle Shell Limestone crops out between Langdon Inn and Valence Lodge. At the latter place the Scar Limestone (of the Lead Measures, which must not be confounded with the Scar Limestone below the Whin Sill) becomes visible, and above it appear, in rapid succession, the Five Yards, Three Yards, Four Fathom, and in Harthope Beck, at the distance of a mile from Langdon, the Great Limestone. The Little Limestone bassets near the crest of the mountain. Harthope Beck was at one time the scene of a busy lead-mining industry. According to a tradition, which still lingers in the dale, a colony of Cornish miners were the first to commence operations. In more recent times the mines were carried on by a Mr Hopper, who is said to have raised large quantities of ore, mainly from the lower flat of the Great Limestone. Hopper's level is still in existence, its mouth being still open at a distance of about three- quarters of a mile above the confluence of the Langdon and Harthope Becks. This level is said to have been driven forward to the crest of the mountain. Another level, apparently older than it, has been driven in the same vein, but at a lower random (in the deeper strata). Besides these levels, there are numerous shafts in and near Harthope Beck, some of them penetrating the strata to a great depth, but all now abandoned. Would the construction of a railroad within a short distance of Langdon lead to the revival of this extinct industry? Under more favourable conditions of trade, a revival would be not only possible, but very probable. The geologist will be interested to learn that the great. Burtreeford Dyke crosses the mountain to the north-west of the Langdon Mine, upheaving the strata on the west side of its course to the extent of 480 feet.

GRASS HILL AND ASHGILL HEAD, IN HARWOOD.

Grass Hill, which is situated at the distance of three miles above Langdon, is now, or was recently, an abandoned mining field. The history of this place is very similar to that of the Harthope mine, and, indeed, of most of the lead mines in Britain. It has experienced the usual vicissitudes, being at one time rich, and at another time poor, then rich again, and lastly given up as a bad speculation. It is a coincidence worth noticing that this Grass Hill is underlaid by the Five Yards Limestone, the stratum which also underlies the town of Middleton. The distance between Grass Hill and the Ashgill Head Mine is only half-a-mile. The operations carried on here have been very extensive. The ramifications from the Ashgill Head main level are numerous, and large deposits of ore were found in them, first, by the Earl of Darlington, Lord of the Manor, and subsequently by the London Lead Company. The Great Limestone was especially rich in ore.
The geology of Harwood is extremely puzzling. Many of the strata, which are found in the ordinary sections of the lead measures, are either entirely wanting, or else very much attenuated, in a Harwood section. In Forster's and other sections of the strata, the Whin Sill is 600 feet below the top of the Great Limestone; but in Harwood this 600 feet of strata is represented by only 300 feet. Many attempts have been made to explain the cause, or causes, of the difference, but not one of them seems to us to be entirely satisfactory. An

enquiry into the condition of the strata in Harwood is not, however, pertinent to our purpose. Ashgill Head Mine is situated at some distance from the route of the projected railroad, but the presence of such a mine should be taken into account when an estimate of the mineral resources of Teesdale is made. With bare mention of Willey Hole Mine, which largely added to the fortune of the late Mr Sherlock our account of the Harwood district must close.

THE TEES VALLEY PROPER

The Pencil Mill near Cronkley, which formerly gave employment to a few hands, is now closed, the little industry having been killed by the cost of carriage. The Cronkley pencils were of excellent quality and vastly superior to the hard gritty stones, which are now used in our schools. Under more favourable conditions as to carriage, the pencil industry would probably revive, and not only revive, but assume larger proportions. Widdy Bank, a farm house which stands on the left bank of the Tees above Cronkley has derived its name from the pencil mill, the stone from which the pencils were made being called Widdy. In the estimation of a Teesdale school-boy the Widdy pencil ranks in value with the pocket knife and the marbles.

To be continued

9th April 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 62, John Hill, miner.

In 1861, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 29, children John 9, Hannah 7, Phebe 5, Thomas V. 3, and Jane 1.

In 1871, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 39, children John, lead ore washer, aged 19, Hannah, domestic maid, aged 17, Phebe, domestic maid, aged 15, Thomas Vipond Hill 13, Jane 11, Jacob 9, William E. 6, Joseph 4, and Matthew H. 2.

In 1881, at Nenthead, John Hill, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth (died 29th June 1883, aged 51) aged 49, children, John lead miner & Primitive local preacher, aged 29. Phoebe house maid, aged 25, Jane house maid, aged 21, Thomas lead miner, aged 23, Jacob lead miner out of employment, aged 19, Joseph lead ore washer, aged 14, Matthew H. 12, James 9, and William 3.

At Redwing, Garrigill, 31st ult. aged 76, Jane widow of Matthew Bramwell.

In 1881, at Redwing, Mathew Bramwell, farmer of 70 acres, aged 35, his wife Mary 24, children Sarah J. 4, Elizabeth A. 1, Mathew H. 2 weeks, mother Jane Bramwell, farmers widow, aged 70 (her husband Matthew died in 1873, aged 63), and nephew Robert Bramwell, labourer lead mines, aged 25.

16th April 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical Officer for No. 2 district submitted his quarterly report for the quarter ending March 31st. Registered 7 deaths and 4 births. Fever has shown itself recently in a mild form at Skydes, Rotherhope, where three cases occurred.

22nd April 1887(Carlisle Patriot)

On Friday night last a fire broke out in shop Nenthead, Alston, tenanted by Mr Utric Yeats, grocer and innkeeper, and before it could be extinguished damage

was done to the extent of between £30 and £40. The damage is covered by insurance. It is not known how the fire originated.

23rd April 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

SUPPOSED DROWNING OF ALSTON MAN IN THE ATLANTIC.

On board the steam ship Cranbrook of Newcastle which left Newport on the 30th November last, on a voyage to New York was Mr George Shield a native of Alston who was acting in the capacity of 2nd engineer.
Thought to have foundered during the gales at the beginning of December last. Deceased was 36 years of age.
The only George shield I can find for this period is: —
In 1851, at Swidick, Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Sarah (Walton, married 22nd September 1836, Alston) aged 37, children Ann 14, Mary 11, Sarah Jane 8, Elizabeth 4, and John James 1.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, George Shield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Sarah aged 47, sons John James 11, and George 8. In 1871, at Town Foot, George, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 57, sons John James, lead miner, aged 21, and George, black & white smith, aged 18. In 1881, at Front Street West, George Shield, lead miner, aged 70, his wife Sarah 67, and son John James, butcher & lead miner, aged 31.
George Shield senior, died 2nd May 1887, aged 76.

The official wreck report is as follows: —
"CRANBROOK" (S.S.)
The Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 to 1876.
IN the matter of the formal Investigation held at Westminster, on the 4th of April 1887, before H. C. ROTHERY, Esquire, Wreck Commissioner, assisted by Captains RONALDSON and KIDDLE, R.N., as Assessors, into the circumstances attending the supposed loss of the steamship "CRANBROOK," of North Shields, with a crew of 23 hands, whilst on a voyage from Newport to New York.
Report of Court.
The Court, having carefully inquired into the circumstances of the above mentioned shipping casualty, finds, for the reasons annexed, that when the said vessel left Newport on her last voyage she was in all respects in a good and seaworthy condition; that she was not overladen; that her cargo was properly stowed; and that there is nothing to shew how she was lost.
Dated this 4th day of April 1887.
(Signed) H. C. ROTHERY, Wreck Commissioner.

30th April 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Richmond, Victoria, Australia, on the 5th March 1887, Joseph Bownas, formerly of Dukesfield Hall, in the parish of Slaley, and the last surviving member of the family of the late John Bownas senior of Allenheads.
In 1851, at Dukesfield Hall, Joseph Bownas, farmer of 380 acres employing 3 labourers, aged 40, his wife, Cicely (Cook, married 25th December 1838, at Slaley), aged 34, children John 5, William 3, George 6 months, and Thomas Bownes, contractor of carriages for a lead mine, aged 37.

In 1871, at Hutton Mulgrave, Yorkshire, Joseph Bownas, born Allendale, farmer of 130 acres, employing 3 labourers, aged 58, his wife Cicely born Slaley, aged 53, and son William A. born Dukesfield, farmers son, aged 23. The Victoria Passenger lists state, Cicely Bownas, born abt. 1819, John Bownas born abt. 1847, W. A. Bownas born abt. 1849, Rachel Bownas born abt. 1853, John C Bownas born abt. 1875, George W. Bownas born abt. 1877, and George W. Bownas born abt. 1878, sailed from London on the John Elder which was destined for Adelaide, Melbourne & Sydney, Australia, they arrived 28th February 1880. There is a record of a Joseph Boonas born abt. 1822, sailing from London on the North American, for Melbourne, arriving 24th October 1878.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 29 April 1895

DEATHS.

BOWNAS: - On the 27th inst., at her son's residence, No. 243 Church-street, Richmond, Cicely, relict of the late Joseph Bownas, aged 67 years.

5th May 1887 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

ACTION AGAINST THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY. —Yesterday afternoon at the Consett County Court, before his Honour Judge Meynell, Mrs Isabella Lowden, of White Lees Farm. Hunstanworth, near Blanchland, sought to recover from the Weardale Lead Company the sum of £45 compensation for damage to her crops by noxious fumes arising from the defendants' works. —Mr Meynell, barrister, appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr Strachan, barrister, defended. —His Honour, in summing up the evidence, pointed out that it was exceedingly difficult to assess the actual damage done to plaintiff s farm by the Weardale Lead Company. He awarded plaintiff, £25 with costs.

13th May 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)

PROJECTED LOCAL RAILWAY EXTENSION.
CAULDRON SNOUT.

The supporters of the Ambleside Railway Bill contended that the projected extension from Windermere to Ambleside would be a great boon to the working classes of Lancashire, inasmuch as it would enable them to visit the Lake District, from which they were then practically excluded. Keswick and Bassenthwaite are now accessible from the North, and thousands of people from Tyneside and Sunderland visit them every year. The proposed extension would, it was said, render the lakes easy of access from the South also, and thus bring them within the reach of the Lancashire people. The fine waterfall at High Force, and the beautiful cataract, for such it really is, at Cauldron Snout, attract, at present, a considerable number of visitors to Upper Teesdale, chiefly from the East Coast. Can there be any doubt that a through line from the East to the West, passing within a very short distance of the Fall and the Cataract, would be the means of largely increasing the number of visitors? We think not. The presumption that the people of West Cumberland would avail themselves in large numbers of the opportunity afforded by the new line for seeing two natural objects so widely known as the High Force and Cauldron Snout is a reasonable one. We do not think, however, that this presumption will be taken

into account by practical men, or, if taken into account at all, will be allowed to have much weight. They will attach much more importance to the fact that the Lodge Gill lead mine is only about two miles distant from Cauldron Snout, and not half that distance from the route of the proposed line. The Lodge Gill vein yielded lead-ore in the Tyne-bottom limestone.

The Force Burn and Green Burn mingle their waters with the Tees above Lodge Gill, without, however, adding much to the volume of the river. Between the points of confluence, the Whin Sill is visible in the bed of the river, the lead measures having been entirely swept away by denuding agencies.

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINE.

Mining operations were at one time carried on by the London Lead Company in the Green Burn, but they led to no useful results, the Dow Green vein, which crosses the Burn, and which was the objective of their trial, being found to be unprofitable. The uncertainty, which attends metalliferous mining, is as we have already said, very great. Whilst the London Company were spending money freely and vainly in exploring the south bank of the Tees, a local company, with little capital, had the good fortune to strike a rich lode on the north bank, which has yielded ore in large quantities. Greenhurth mine promised to continue rich for some time to come. The vein is said to bear well, in the Whin Sill—a fact which is of great importance, inasmuch as it shows that the deposit of ore is not one of those “bellies” for which the Tees head and Tyne head districts are so noted, but regular and continuous, not only in a vertical but also in a longitudinal direction. The existence of such a mine as Green Hurth, about midway between Middleton-in-Teesdale and Alston, and almost on the route of the proposed railway, could not at the time fail to exercise considerable influence over practical men. The ore was conveyed at considerable cost to the Alston railway station. The distance between the mine and the station is ten miles, and the road over one half of that distance is not- good. During the winter of 1885-6, communication by means of carts was for a considerable time absolutely cut off by the snow, which blocked the road over Yad Moss. This gives some idea of the outlandish character of the district.

THE TEES-SIDE MINES.

Of all the tributaries of the Upper Tees, Crookburn is the one best known. It constitutes the boundary between the counties of Durham and Cumberland, between the manors of the Greenwich Hospital and Lord Barnard, and also between the manors of Lord Hothfield and Colonel Byng of that day. In pre-reformation times it formed a portion of the southern boundary of the Manor of Priors Dale, which belonged to the Priory of Hexham. The junction of the Crookburn with the Tees is an interesting geographical point. Here the counties of York, Durham and Cumberland come together, and Westmorland is not a mile distant. The Metal Band Lead Mine is situated at the foot of Crook Burn. It is an old mine, having been first opened by the Derwent Company, who put down a shaft into the Whin Sill. The Tyne-bottom Limestone, Single Post, Cockle Shell, Scar, Five Yards, Three Yards and Great Limestone, with their associated sandstones and shale’s, in the immediate neighbourhood. A short walk from Metal Band towards the source of the Tees brings the traveller to the Tees-side mines, once the seat of a considerable industry, but now almost abandoned. An Alston gentleman is said to have opened those mines, first by sinking a shaft into the Whin Sill, in the Providence Vein, and subsequently by driving levels in the vein. His efforts were rewarded by the discovery of about

1000 bings of lead ore, for which he probably obtained a good price. The mine, after having been in the possession, of various companies, was closed some years ago. We think that if the Teesdale and Alston line should ever be made, the Tees-side mines would probably be re-opened. The Hardshins Mine is situated on the right bank of the Tees, and only about 200 yards above the Providence shaft. The London Lead Company raised some ore in the Hardshins vein, but probably not sufficient to pay expenses. The vein is indeed very poor. The Lady's Vein is half a mile above Hardshins, on the north east bank of the Tees. Small quantities of ore have been obtained from this vein in the Tyne-bottom Limestone, but not sufficient, we think, to remunerate the miners. It is at a point near Lady's Vein mine that the route of the new line would leave Teesdale and pass into Tynedale. But before closing our account of the former dale, it may be well to notice one or two mines situated near Tees-head, which, if they should ever be re-opened, would become a source of revenue to the railway company. Swathbeck mine is up wards of a mile above Lady's Vein. It was at one time a profitable concern, yielding excellent ore in the Great Limestone. The other strata, above and below, have not, we believe, been tried, notwithstanding that the configuration of the land affords unusual facilities for the driving of a level under the Four Fathom Limestone. The ruins of the old mines are found still nearer the source of the Tees, but they are not worthy of particular notice. The Trout Beck mine derives its name from a small stream, which rises in Dun Fell, and joins the Tees near the Tees side mines. It is simply a continuation of the Hardshins Mine. A north and south vein, which was cut by the miners at the distance of a mile from the Hardshins level mouth, yielded some or, and might yield more if opened out in a southerly direction. A level driven south in this vein to the foot of the mountain would cut the Nether Hurth, east and west veins, and probably others, which have not yet been discovered. Such a level, driven in the Whetstone bed would not entail a large expenditure. The Nether Hurth veins have been worked for upwards of a century, at intervals, and have yielded ore in the Tynebottom limestone. Mining operations on a small scale have been carried on in many other places in the basin of the Trout Beck, but our space would not suffice for an account of them. Some of them might be resumed if greater facilities for the conveyance of ore and mining materials were created. All the Trout Beck mines, with the exception of Over Hurth, are within the distance of two miles from the route of the proposed line. The old mines in Maize Beck and Stake Beck are practically inaccessible for any other means of transport than ponies. Whether, under any circumstances, they would prove to be remunerative is a matter upon which we express no opinion.

To be continued

18th May 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE PROJECTED RAILWAY FROM MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE TO ALSTON.

(Concluded).

It may be well to explain here that in our last paper we assumed that the projected railway would follow the left bank of the Tees, the only divergence being at Widdy Bank, where there is a sharp bend in the course of the river. We are, however, aware that the route staked out by the surveyors, now many years ago, followed the Middleton and Alston turnpike to the southern edge of Yad Moss, and thence across the moor to a point which is a short distance to the

east of Lady's Vein Mine, entering Tynedale at Tyne Green. We do not understand that there is any difference of opinion as to the route from Middleton to the Forest and Frith, or from Lady's Vein Mine to Alston, that is to say, for three-quarters of the whole length of the line. The route by the bank of the Tees obviously presents greater difficulties to the engineer than that by the turnpike road, but it has the advantage of being more central with regard to the lead mines, laying very near to the Green Hurth, Metal Band, and Hardshins mines. The turnpike route passes Ashgill Head, but it leaves one of the most romantic and interesting portions of the Tees Valley far to the west.

TYNE HEAD.

For the purpose of this paper it will be convenient to resume our account of the district through which the railway route lies at Lady's Vein Mine. The Tyne Green, in which the Tyne takes its rise, is situated to the north of Lady's Vein. The appearance of the Green indicates that the rock which lies beneath it is limestone, and an examination of the old mining ruins shows that, the limestone is the one known as the Tyne- bottom Limestone. The Tyne Green formerly belonged to the Priory of Hexham, but is now, we believe, the property of Colonel Byng. It is crossed in a direction from east to west by two mineral veins, known respectively as the High Tyne Green and the Tyne Green Veins, both of which have been tried by means of shafts, and have yielded some lead ore. The Green lies at the top of the pass, 12 miles from Middleton-in-Teesdale, and 10 miles from Alston. It is approached on both sides by gradients, which are undoubtedly heavy, but not very much heavier than the gradients on the Alston branch, and certainly much lighter than those on the Hexham and Allendale brunch. We have no data at hand on which to found a comparison between the gradients on this route and those on Shap Fell, but from an inspection of the two routes we inter that the latter are steeper than the former. We have travelled over some portions of the Highland Railway, and have received an impression that there are, on that line, gradients much heavier than the heaviest on the Teesdale and Alston route. The gradients are, however, matters for the consideration of the engineer. We resume our account of the mineral resources of the district. The Doosey Mine is situate at the north-end of Tyne Green, and the Calvert Mine is still further north. Both these mines are closed.

THE GREAT SULPHER VEIN OR BACKBONE.

All North-country geologists and most lead miners have heard of the Great Sulphur Vein, or Backbone, which traverses Tyne Head from the north-west to the south-east, and disappears in a mysterious manner on Tyne Head Fell. The course of this vein is easily traced. It appears at the north-end of Yad Moss, near the confluence of the Darngill and Clarghyll Burns, and again to the south-west of this point in the river Tyne, where it displaces the Whin sill to the extent of 180 feet. It presents a grand appearance on Noon Stones and in Crossgill Burn, and it forms the cascade known as the Cash Bum Force. It is seen again in Smittergill and on Hart side, and finally disappears in the Pennine Fault. No vein has been the subject of more anxious speculation and more trials than this Great Sulphur Vein. On Yad Moss it was tried by the late Mr Jacob Walton, of Alston, who found that it was divided into a number of weak veins, which were unproductive. A little to the west of Yad Moss, and near the confluence of the Darngill Burn with the Tyne, a level was commenced and driven forward so as to cut, first, Sir John's Vein, and then the Sulphur Vein. Ore was found, but not in sufficient quantities to pay the cost of extraction. In Crossgill Burn, which is

three miles further to the west, mining operations on a considerable scale were conducted in the Sulphur Vein in 1815-25, first, by a private company, and subsequently by the Commissioners for Greenwich Hospital, but nothing valuable was discovered. Copper ore, in small quantities, was obtained, but we are not aware that any lead-ore was found. Forster says that a collateral string, on the north side of the principal vein, wan cut in Crossgill, which yielded some very fine specimens of copper pyrites, or yellow copper ore, blended with malachite, which is a strong indication of the presence of ore. The indication in this case was deceptive, for no ore was found. The veinstone consists of a mixture of quartz in the amorphous state, with rider and pyrites. Sir John's Vein, which has just been mentioned, runs from north to south, and interacts the Sulphur Vein at Tyne Head. It is a remarkable fact that the only valuable deposit of copper, which has yet been found in Alston Moor, occurred in Sir John's Vein, and at a point, which is not far from its intersection with the Sulphur Vein. A Whin Dyke of great thickness, but unaccompanied by any dislocation of the strata, runs almost parallel with the Sulphur Vein, though nearly 400 yards to the south-west, and, like the vein, disappears in the Pennine Fault on the west, and in Yad Moss on the east. The parallelism between the Dyke and the Backbone, the proximity of the one to the other, and the disappearance of both on Yad Moss, are facts, which seem to indicate a relationship between the two. We have said that the trials in the Sulphur Vein or Backbone have thus far proved abortive. We do not, however, conclude that these trials have shown that this great vein has no economic value. We are aware that some minerals, which were once regarded as worthless and were buried without the least reluctance in the dead heaps, are now in considerable request. Black Jack (blende) and red clay (umber) are now marketable commodities, and the pyrites, iron, and copper of the Sulphur Vein may become so in the future. Moreover, the occurrence of a rich deposit of copper ore in Sir John's Vein, and the discovery of copper in the Backbone itself, are matters, which deserve, and will, we believe, some day receive serious consideration. The Backbone is of immense strength, and should it ever acquire a commercial value it will supply the means of employment for hundreds of men for a long time.

The route of the proposed line crosses the Vein at Tyne Head, and is only a few hundred yards distant from it; where are the works, at Crossgill Burn, which were abandoned more than half-a-century ago by the Commissioners for the Greenwich Hospital because the yield of ore was not sufficient to pay ordinary expenses.

OTHER VEINS IN TYNE HEAD.

Sir John's Vein is also of great strength, and traverses Alston Moor from north to south, crossing most of the east and west veins, and throwing the strata up on the west side of its course. In Tyne Head, and almost on the route of the railway, this vein intersects two other veins, which have yielded large quantities of lead-ore, —the one being known as the Ashgill Field Vein, rich, and the other as the Potato Garth Vein. Both traverse the Ashgill Plantation, a place which is well- known to travellers from Middleton-in-Teesdale to Alston. The Potato Garth Vein intersects the Ashgill Field Vein on the east side of Ashgill Burn, and near the point of intersection a deposit of ore, containing a few thousand bings, was found by the miners. The other veins in Tyne Head and Ashgill are of minor importance, and can only be mentioned here. The Windy Brae Vein has yielded lead-ore in the Great and Scar Limestones; the Clargill Vein has yielded silver

ore in the strata below the Scar Lime, Lee House Vein is said to have yielded copper ore in the Copper Hazel and other sills.

CASHWELL AND CROSS FELL MINES.

The Cashwell and Cross Fell mines lie to the west of the Tyne Valley proper, the former being four miles, and the latter upwards of five miles from the village of Garrigill. The produce of these mines is taken to the Alston station, which is situated at a distance of four miles beyond Garrigill. The Cross Fell mine was at one time very rich. Tradition says that the deposit was discovered accidentally by the pawing of it horse. As a matter of fact, the ore was found immediately under the moss, and therefore, very near the surface. For a few years this mine yielded 5,000 bings of ore per annum, and as the average price per bing was £5 10s. the gross revenue from the mine was £27,500 (Forster's Strata, page 149). The deposit was exhausted long ago, and the mine is now being worked on a very small scale, if not abandoned altogether. The Cashwell Mine has experienced many vicissitudes of fortune, being at one time rich, at another time poor, but always, we believe, in working order. A deposit of ore was discovered there quite recently, sufficiently extensive to have enriched the larger shareholders if the price of lead had been as high us it was twenty-five years ago. Besides the Cashwell and Cross Fell Mines there are many small concerns in the Cross Fell district, but all, or nearly all, are now closed. The cost of carriage to and from Alston Station was, no doubt, a heavy item in the mining accounts, for the road over one-half the distance is not only in a bad condition, but very steep. The proposed line passes at one point within two miles- and-a-half of the Cashwell Mine, and would, therefore when made, reduce the cost of carriage very considerably; and would thus, perhaps, enable the shareholders to carry on the mines with profit. The principal mines in Garrigill are situated on the east side of the Tyne, and would not, therefore, be greatly benefited by the railway. The Nenthead mines are separated from the Valley of the Tyne, at Garrigill, by a mountain barrier scarcely less formidable than Killhope, but the access to them from Alston, by the valley of the Nent, is comparatively easy. The Rodderup Fell Mine, now closed, is only three miles from Alston, and would not, therefore, be much affected by the new line.

GENERAL REMARKS.

This rapid sketch of the district through which the line from Middleton-in-Teesdale to Alston will necessarily pass, shews (1) That the route presents no extraordinary difficulties, and (2) That it lies almost wholly in a mining field. True it is that, the lead mining industry is now in a depressed condition, and that a large majority of the mines are closed, but there is another side to this dark picture. With the decline of the old industries, new ones are springing up. We have already referred to the spelter and umber industries, which are both things of yesterday when compared with lead-mining. With these should be mentioned the limestone and basalt industries. Lime is now being sent from Alston as far north, we are informed, as Aberdeen, and from Weardale into Cleveland; and the road metal prepared from basalt by Maddison & Co., in Teesdale, commands a ready market. The Pennines abound in other minerals besides blende, umber, limestone, and basalt. The Backbone, as we have already seen, contains some copper and an immense quantity of sulphur. Is there not a possibility that some use may, in the future, be found for this last mentioned mineral.

Again, the crow coal of the lead measures will almost certainly rise in value with the exhaustion of the Northumbrian and Durham coalfields. Even at present crow coal is extensively used in the limekilns. Iron-stone, of poor quality, building-stone, and sulphate of barytes, are also found in abundance in Upper Teesdale and Tynedale.

28th May 1887 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

Lead is a shade firmer with buyers of Spanish at £12 and sellers at £12 1s 3d. English is quoted at £12 7s 6d to £12 10s per ton.

4th June 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr John Thompson happened a terrible accident in the Burtree Pasture Mine last week. While he was working at his employment, a "fall" occurred, crushing his hand, and causing a very deep wound in his back. He is now recovered from his injuries.

11th June 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Garrigill, 5th inst., aged 53, Jacob Craig, mining agent.

In 1871, Jacob is lodging at Garrigill gate, a mining agent aged 35.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Jacob Craig, born Catton, Northumberland, lead mine agent, aged 45, his wife Sarah (Brown, married 18th October 1871) aged 39, sons, John 3, and Alfred 1 month (died 2nd February 1883).
In 1891, Sarah, widow, aged 49, living on her own means is living at Quatre Brae, Hexham, with her sons, John aged 13, Thomas B. aged 8, and William B. aged 6.
See 26th October 1864, 21st October 1871, and 3rd February 1883

18th June 1887 (Hexham Courant)

STANHOPE

On Tuesday an accident of a deplorable nature took place at Broadwood Limestone Quarries, Frosterley, the property of Messrs Peas & Co., to a young man named Joseph Temperley. A huge stone fell on his foot while at work, completely smashing it. Medical aid was summoned from Stanhope and the foot was amputated.

24th June 1887 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON RURAL

At an informal meeting of this Authority on Saturday, the Rev. O. James presiding, Messrs. Holmes and Harrison, who were appointed at a previous meeting to report on the water at Nenthead, stated that at the present time there was an absolute water famine. The water from the pipes supplying the wells in the village had been diverted by drains in an adjoining field apparently tapping the spring. After considerable discussion it was decided to connect the pipes with the main drain for the present. Afterwards a spring in an adjoining meadow might also be connected when the grass was cut.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports

Report of Mr Bell 1887. 24th June 1887, Burtree Pasture, Weardale, Weardale Lead Co. Fatal Incident report concerning the death of Thomas Rutherford aged 45

Died from natural causes whilst walking along the level to his work.

In 1881, at West Fall, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope, Thomas Rutherford, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Esther 29, and son Joseph 3 months. In 1891, at Castle Bank, Tow Law, Esther Rutherford, widow, aged 39, sons Joseph 10, Walter 8, and boarder John G Lawson, manager of boot shop, aged 20.

2nd July 1887 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 25th ult., William Peart, Burtreeford, to Annie, eldest daughter of John Peadon, North Grain.

5th July 1887 (London Gazette)

BURNHOPE LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at No. 9, Dean-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 18th day of June, 1887, the following Extraordinary Resolutions were duly passed: —

1. "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily.

2. "That Mr. William Logan, of Langley Park, county Durham, and Mr. John George Murray, of 42, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, be appointed joint Liquidators, and that the remuneration of the said Liquidators be fixed at £75."

W. Featherstonhaugh, Chairman.

9th July 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Orion, Michigan, U.S.A., the Rev. John Scott formerly of Alston, Cumberland, to Miss Phoebe M. Hubbard of Armada, Michigan, U.S.A.

23rd July 1887 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston, Foul Loaning, 17th inst., aged 74, Elizabeth, relict of Wm. Kindred.

In 1871, at Foul Loaning, William Kindred, farmer of 187 acres, aged 76, his wife Elizabeth 56, and son Swinburn Kindred, land owner, aged 50.
William Kindred died 9th March 1874, aged 79. See 14th March 1874.
In 1881, at Foul Loaning, Swinburn Kindred, unmarried farmer of 230 acres, aged 60, and mother in law Elizabeth Kindred, widow, aged 67.

30th July 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Melbourne, Australia, June 1st in his 54th year, John the beloved husband of Catherine Shield of Alston, and eldest son of the late James Shield, of Alston.

In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, James Shield, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret (Todd, married 29th July 1830) aged 30, children Sarah 9, John 7, and James 10 months.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Alston, James Shield (died 1854), lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Margaret 40, children Sarah 19, John, lead miner, aged 14, Mary Ann 15, James 10, Jacob 3, and Wm Walton 1 year.
John shield aged 20, born about 1837, left Liverpool on the Ellen Stuart, for Melbourne, arriving 7th September 1857. (Marriage to Catherine Commons 1867?)
In 1861, at West Street, Newbrough, Margaret Shield, lead miners widow, aged 50, children James, lead miner aged 21, Jacob, lead miner, aged 13, William, lead miner, aged 11, daughter Sarah Lee, married, lead miners wife, aged 30, granddaughter Isabella Lee 5, grandsons William M. Lee aged 3, and James Lee aged 3 months.
At Allendale, Pry Hill, 21st inst., aged 79, Mary, relict of Wm. Parker of Hunt Rods.
In 1861 at Hunt Rods, William Parker, farmer, aged 65, his wife Mary (Graham, married 4th July 1842?) 52, children William, lead ore miner, aged 17, John, labourer (jobbing) aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Thomas J. 11, Hannah Parker, widow of lead miner, aged 95, and visitor Frances Roddam 7.
William Parker had died 1863 or 1865.

6th August 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical Officers report for the No. 2 District was read, and showed for the quarter ending June 30th, 1887, 13 births and 7 deaths had been registered. The deaths were equal to about a rate of 12 per 1000 per annum. During the quarter, there were 7 deaths against 12 during the corresponding period last year and in the month of May, no death was registered. There is an entire absence of infectious disease in the district, which could not be in a more healthy condition than at present.

6th August 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At The Raise, Alston, 3rd inst., aged 47, Mary Ann the beloved wife of Joseph Dickinson junior, solicitor and eldest daughter of the late John Lee of West Hill, Brampton. *In 1881, at Raise House, Joseph Dickinson, junior, solicitor, aged 40, his wife Mary Ann, (Lee, married at Brampton, 29th June 1880) aged 40, and domestic servant Sarah Carr aged 20. In 1891, at Raise, Joseph Dickinson, widow, solicitor, Elizabeth I. Lee, sister in law, aged 48, Emma H. Lee, sister in law, aged 37, and domestic servant Annie R. Ridley, aged 26.*
At Australia, at Bathurst, Sydney, June 5th aged 47, Mary Jane wife of Michael Askew and youngest daughter of the late Joseph Ritson of Ninebanks, Allendale.
In 1851, at Ninebanks, Joseph Ritson, cartwright & joiner, aged 42, his wife Jane 42, children Thomas, cartwright & joiner, aged 17, Elizabeth 16, John 14, Ann 12, Mary Jane 5, visitor Joseph Wilson, Primitive Methodist minister 25, and servant John Hymers, cartwright & joiner, aged 26.

In 1861, at Ninebanks, Joseph Ritson, cartwright, builder, and cabinet maker aged, 52, his wife Jane 52, children John, cartwright & builder, aged 24, Mary J. 15, Joseph 9, and apprentice Robert Stobart, cartwright & builder, aged 19.
Mary Jane Ritson married Michael Askew 9th September 1864, at Hexham.

13th August 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Durham, Leasingthorne Colliery, 8th inst. suddenly, Teasdale Stephenson, eldest son of the late William Stephenson of Alston.
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, William Stephenson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary (Liddle, married 1st March 1831) aged 30, children Teasdale 9, Mary 6, and Hannah 4.
William Stephenson died 3rd quarter 1845.
In 1851, at Town Head, Alston, Mary Stephenson, widow, confectioner, aged 42, children Teasdale, lead miner, aged 19, Mary, factory girl, aged 16, Hannah, factory girl, aged 14, Joseph 8, and John 6.
Teasdale Stephenson married Rebecca Cooper Young 2nd quarter of 1864, at Durham.
In 1871, at Carrville, Durham, Teasdale Stephenson, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Rebecca C. 38, children George W. 2, and Jane Y. 1 month.
In 1881, at Leasingthorne, Middlestone, Durham, Teesdale Stephenson, coal miner, aged 48, his wife Rebecca 48, children George William, driver, aged 12, Jane Young 10, and Teesdale 7 years.

20th August 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At the Post Office, Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 77, Elizabeth Tatters, relict of the late John Tatters.
In 1851, John Tatters, at West Nenthead, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth (Cousin, married 25th June 1840) aged 41, children Isabella 10, Sarah 7 (married Henry Hall, in 3rd quarter of 1874; emigrated to Ontario), Elizabeth 4, and Mary Jane 3 months.
In 1861, at Bank Foot, Nenthead, John Tatters, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 51, children Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 14, and Mary Jane 10
In 1871, at Nenthead post office, John Tatters, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 61, children Elizabeth, dress maker, aged 24, and Mary J. milliner, aged 20, Also at the post office, Thomas Roddam, lead miner aged 29, and his wife Isabella aged 30, Isabella Tatters married Thomas Roddam 25th February 1869.
John Tatters died 27th October 1872, aged 61.
John Tatters, mine washing Overman, Nenthead, will dated 23rd October 1872, proved at Carlisle 1st August 1874, effects under £450. Names mentioned in the will: —
Wife Elizabeth Tatters, brother Walton Tatters, clerk, Alston, Sophia Wilson and Isabella Anne Wilson, children of the late Ann Wilson late of Carlisle, deceased. His children Isabella wife of Thomas Roddam, Sarah Tatters, Elizabeth Tatters, and Mary Jane wife of Joseph Teasdale.
Thomas Roddam husband of Isabella died 28th January 1879, Isabella died 6th August 1879.

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TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN TATTERS WHO DIED
AT NENTHEAD OCT^{R} 27TH 1872
AGED 61 YEARS
ALSO OF ELIZABETH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED AUGUST 13TH 1887
AGED 77 YEARS
ALSO OF ELIZABETH
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JUNE 6TH 1884
AGED 37 YEARS

Mary Jane Married Joseph Teasdale, 24th August 1872, emigrated to Ontario in 1882.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Elizabeth Tatters, widow, shop keeper & grocer, aged 71, daughter Elizabeth, post mistress, aged 31, granddaughters, Sophia S. Wilson, apprentice milliner, aged 16, Isabella A. Wilson 13, and grandson John H. Roddam 8.
In 1871, at Denton Street, Carlisle, Thomas Wilson, painter, aged 44, his wife Ann (Cousin, married 1861), aged 37, Children Sophia 6, and Isabella 3. Both parents died before the 1881 census.
See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 12th May 1877, 14th June 1884 & 5th March 1887.
At Mishawake, US America, 6th inst., aged 74, William Milburn, formerly of Alston
Cumberland.
In 1850, William Milburn (son of Thomas Milburn, and Ann (Nancy) Dickinson, born 5th August 1813, baptised at Redwing Methodist Chapel, Garrigill, Alston, 24th February 1814) sawyer, value of real estate $5000, aged 36, his wife Sarah (Chandler) aged 30, born Kentucky, children all born Indiana, Elizabeth 9, Martha 6, George 3, Hannah 2, sisters Hannah Milburn 28, and Jane Milburn 17.
In 1860, USA Federal Census, Penn, Saint Joseph, post office district Mishawake, Indiana, William Milburn, farmer, value of real estate $4250, value of personal estate $4210, aged 46, Sarah, born Kentucky, children all born in Indiana, Elizabeth 20, Martha, 16, George 14, Hannah 12, William 10, Cora 8, Sarah 6, Frank Edward (Eddy) 3, and Mary 1.

In 1870, USA Federal Census, Penn, Saint Joseph, post office district Mishawake, Indiana, William Milburn, farmer, value of real estate $25000, value of personal estate $16000, aged 56, Sarah, born Kentucky, keeping house aged 48, Mary 11, born Indiana, Bessi, born Indiana, 6, and Frank, born Indiana, 13.
Sarah died 26th November 1870, William married 25th April 1872 Jane Eldest daughter of William Dickinson Esq., of Spency Croft, at Alston. See 4th May 1872.
In 1880, USA Federal Census, Penn, Saint Joseph, post office district Mishawake, Indiana, William Milburn, farmer aged 67, his wife Jane born England, parents also born in England, aged 48, son Eddy, farmer, born Indiana, aged 23, father born England mother born Kentucky, daughter Bessie aged 17, and mother in law Elizabeth Chandler, born Kentucky, aged 90. See 10th May 1879, 6th July 1889, & 23rd April 1892

24th August 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)
LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE. —The discovery of a lead ore vein at Blea Gill, near Newbiggin, is reassuring. The London Lead Company, who have been exploring for some time past, and have been at considerable outlay at the above place, have now cut a quick vein which gives fair promise of developing into a good mine. The vein has been cut into at the bottom, or low flat, in the great limestone, and there being a good section of sills overhead, and, besides, the whole being virgin ground, with the exception of what has been done by hushing operations on the surface, there is every prospect of a new mining field being opened out, which we may say is being regarded both by the employers and employed in the dale as most opportune.

27th August 1887 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
KESWICK.—SATURDAY, AUGUST 20
CASES UNDER THE EMPLOYERS AND WORKMEN ACT. — Joseph Bay, and Edward Edwards, lead miners, employed by the Barrow, or Braithwaite, Lead Mining Company, sued the Company for wages due to them, to the amount £2 9s 6d, each.—Mr. J. Broatch appeared for the complainants, and the Company were unrepresented, an effort having been made to evade the service of the summonses. —Police-constable Garnett deposed to serving the summonses on the person in charge of the works Monday last. His name was Davis. On the following day he returned the summonses stating that his employers said he had nothing to do with taking them.—Mr. Bruatch explained that the Company had no registered office, therefore they could only serve them upon the person in charge the works. —The Bench decided that the summonses had been properly served, and heard the cases. —Mr. Broatch then produced the due pay bill made out by the company, showing that the complainants were entitled to the amounts claimed. —The complainants having given evidence the time they had worked and when the money was due, an order for payment with costs was made. —
Thomas Lancaster, lead miner, Thornthwaite, made claim against the Cumberland (Thornthwaite) Lead Mining Company for £1 wages and the return of fine of 5s. which had been imposed open him. The company brought counter claim of £3 alleged to have been paid on account of the complainants negligent work.—Mr. J. Broatch for the complainant, and Mr. I. Lowthian for defendant

company.—Mr. Broatch stated that complainant was one of a gang six men who had a contract under the Company to certain work in the getting out of ore £2 per fathom. —Mr. Lobb, the manager, admitted that they would not have brought any claim for damage by negligence if complainant had not summoned the company for his wages.—The Bench considered that the counter claim was out of court by this statement of Mr. Lobb's and made on order for the payment £l, and the return of the fine.

27th August 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DISCOVERY OF A NEW VEIN

The London Lead Company have discovered a valuable vein of lead ore at Blea Gill, where exploring operations have been going on for some time. The men have cut a quick vein, which gives fair promise of developing into a good mine. The vein has been cut at the bottom of Low Flat, in the Great Limestone stratum, and there is a good section of sills overhead, the whole being virgin ground.

Deaths

Alston Town Foot, 21st inst., aged 48, Elizabeth eldest daughter of the late John Woodmass, land surveyor.

In 1841, at Callington, Liskeard, Cornwall, John Woodmas, land surveyor, aged 25, his wife Margaret (Dickinson, married 6th December 1835) aged 25, children Jonathan 4, and Elizabeth 1 year.

In 1851, at Town Foot, Alston, John Woodmass, Auctioneer, & mine agent, born Alston, aged 39, his wife Margaret 38, children Jonah 14, Eliz 11, Jas H 9, T W 5, and Hannah 8 months.

John Woodmass probably died 2nd quarter 1865, at Alston

In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Margaret Woodmass, widow, dressmaker, born Knaresdale, Northumberland, aged 59, children Jonathan, surveyor, born Alston, aged 34, Elizabeth, milliner, born, Thorncombe, Devon aged 32, John Henry, joiner, born Callington, Cornwall, 29, Thomas William, joiner, born Alston, aged 25, and grandson, Herbert W Woodmass 1 year.

See 20th June 1868, & 17th January 1914

Alston, Town Head 25th inst aged 86, Sarah relict of Joseph Pearson

In 1841, at Town Foot, Alston, Joseph Pearson (born Durham), dealer in earthenware, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Pearson, married 7th December 1823, Alston) born Alston, aged 40, Isabella 15, Sarah 14, Elizabeth 9, Adam 7, Jonathan 4, Lucy 1, and Mary Pearson 45.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Pearson, letter carrier, aged 54 Sarah, school mistress, aged 53, children Adam, labourer, woollen manufactory, aged 16, Jonathan, labourer, woollen manufactory, aged 14, Joseph 3, son in law, Levi Salkeld, lead miner, aged 25, daughter Sarah Salkeld, domestic duties 24, grandson Wm Salkeld 4 months.

In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Pearson, Alston letter carrier, aged 64, his wife Sarah 62, and son Joseph 13.

In 1871, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Pearson, formerly letter deliverer, aged 74, his wife Sarah 70. Joseph Pearson died 2nd quarter 1872, aged 75.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Sarah Pearson, widow, earthenware dealer, aged 80, and unmarried daughter Isabella, earthenware dealer, aged 56.

Stanhope Croft House, 20th inst., Susan wife of Richardson Robinson.

In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Richardson Robinson, master mason, aged 61, his wife Susan, born Scotland, aged 56, niece Elizabeth Jeffrey 24, granddaughter Annie Adamson 5 years.

3rd September 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Leadgate, Alston, 24th ult., aged 32, Mary Jane, wife of Thomas Parmley, lead miner.
In 1871, at High Aimshaugh, Alston, Elizabeth Parmley, widow (her husband William a farmer, died 1871, aged 51), farmer of 100 acres, aged 47, children Hannah, dress maker, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, Margaret 13, William10, Elizabeth 8, and niece Mary Jane Hetherington 4 years.
In 1881, at Aimshaugh, Leadgate, Alston, Thomas Parmley, farmer of 15 acres & lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary Jane (Pearson, married 1875) aged 24, children William 4, Florence Hannah 2, and Robert 1 year.
In 1891, at 44 Adelaide Terrace, Benwell, Newcastle, Thomas Parmley, widow, general labourer, aged 38, children William, dairy man's assistant, aged 14, Robert 11, and his sister Elizabeth, house keeper & domestic servant, aged 27. Florence Hannah, aged 12 is staying with relatives at Leadgate Alston (William & Hannah Richardson). In 1901, at Theodosia Street, Elswick, Thomas Parmley, coal merchant, aged 48, his wife Annie E (Matthews, married 4th quarter 1894, reg. Newcastle) aged 40, and son Robert, coal merchant, aged 21. In 1911, at Theodosia Street, Thomas Parmley, coal merchant, aged 58, and his wife Annie Eliza, aged 50.

10th September 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, Alston, 6th inst, aged 73, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong, (son of Robert & Hannah, baptised 27th August 1814) lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary (Blacklock, married 22nd October 1835) aged 23, children Dinah 5, and Mary Ann 3 months. In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, farming 9 acres, his wife Mary aged 32, children Dianah, employed at home, aged 15, Joseph 8, Hannah 4, Isaac 2, Ann 2, and Mary 7 months.
In 1861, at Dykeheads, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 44, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah, house servant, aged 15, Isaac 12, Mary 9, and grandson, Thomas Rutherford 4 months.
In 1871, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 52, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 28, daughter Ann, servant, aged 22, grandson John Armstrong 4.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, & farmer of 27 acres, aged 66, his wife Mary 62, daughter Ann 32, grandsons John Armstrong, labourer general, aged 14, and Ralph Armstrong 11.
See 7th April 1883.

17th September 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 13th inst., William Hall, coal agent, Alston to Jane fifth daughter of the late J Walton, Relieving Officer Alston.

Deaths
Alston Town Foot, 10th inst., aged 65 Martha relict of Rowland Walton, late of Lovelady Shield.
In 1861, at Lovelady Shield, Alston, Rowland Walton, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Martha (Stephenson, married 1842) aged 38, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Ann16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, and Henry 10.
In 1871, at Low Love Lady Shield, Rowland Walton, lead miner 56, his wife Martha 48, children Ann, servant, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 24, and Henry, joiner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Low Love Lady Shield, Rowland Walton, farmer of 18 acres, aged 66, his wife Martha 58, widowed daughter Ann Kindred, general servant domestic, aged 36. Ann married Joseph Kindred in the 4th quarter of 1871, Joseph died 4th quarter 1874, aged 30. Joseph was the son of Thomas Kindred farmer (180 acres in 1861) and Elizabeth, of Bailes, Alston.
Rowland Walton died 2nd quarter of 1884, aged 69.

24th September 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston Market Place 16th inst., aged 2, Lawrence son of James and Phoebe Ann Walton. *James Walton married Phoebe Ann Dawson, 4th quarter of 1884, registered Alston; on the death register their son was registered as James Lawrence.*

1st October 1887 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE REPORT OF THE LEAD MINES
Groverake: The 50 fathom level under the great limestone and continues strong. Vein chiefly fluorspar. Rise from the 50 fathom level now up 10 fathoms to the top of great limestone. This rise when through to the 30 fathom level will open up both great limestone and coal sills. Rise from the 30 fathom level to random of Rake level, a cross cut to communicate with the same will be made at once. - Mill Level: Have reached far cheek of vein, which is 12 to 14 feet wide; donk caulk, and sulphur. Vein barren looking; suspended for the present. - Boltsburn: Coal sill drift, vein 2 feet wide, extremely hard and firm, end poor. - Red Vein Level: Rise from Mary's vein in clay and tumblers; east drift chiefly iron rider; no ore to value. - Greenlaws: Bowes rise and stopes between Watson's and Lowe's drifts looking better for ore. Slaley hazel drift, east vein 3 feet wide work 12 cwts per fathom. Egglestone's sump, 11 fathoms drift east, vein 3 feet wide work 16 cwts per fathom. West string, sparry vein, 4 feet wide of spar and rider. Tynebottom limestone west end continues poor, east end better quality of vein, more strength, 3 feet wide chiefly spar. - Killhope: Engine sump, quarry hazel, west forehead, vein shows a little more strength, 3 feet wide, chiefly spar mixed with ore. South lead retains its value. East end, sinking in down 10 feet below drift, strong kindly vein, 3 to 4 feet wide, worth 3 tons per fathom. Main shaft making fair progress in strong hand post, 2 feet sunk last week. - Wellhope: Handsome new vein has been cut, but indications are not promising for top sills; vein 2 to 3 feet wide; matrix chiefly donk. Water supply is abundant. The ore dressing during the week was 143 tons. Ore raised during the week equal to 60 tons of dressed ore. The lead trade is quiet and business is reported at £11 17s 6d to £12 for Spanish and £12 5s for English.

1st October 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

MINERS TREAT

On Friday, last the workmen employed at the Cashwell Mine were treated with a trip to Newcastle. Leaving Alston by the 7.20 excursion train, Newcastle was reached at 10 o'clock; and the day was most pleasantly spent in visiting the Royal Industrial Exhibition.

15th October 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ROOKHOPE

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On Tuesday morning, while some workmen employed at the Smelt Mill, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, were engaged washing the soot down the flue connected with the mill, a large accumulation of soot and water, running about three feet deep, burnt away down the flue, which is very steep. Four men were working a little further down the flue, and seeing the flood coming ran for their lives. One poor fellow, however, named, John Parker, was caught by the stream and carried about a mile in the nasty fluid. When rescued he was quite insensible, and his recovery is despaired of. A man named Oliver had a very narrow escape from a similar fate.

22nd October 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES

Twenty Allendale men, principally residing in the upper reaches of the dale, employed at the Rookhope lead mines have received notice to terminate their engagements at these mines, which belong to the London Lead Company.

THE SAD ACCIDENT AT ROOKHOPE.

The young man named John Parker, who was carried down a flue connected with the Rookhope Smelt Mill on Tuesday week by a flood of water and soot which had burst away, as previously reported died of his injuries on Saturday.
Parker and Oliver were engaged doing the periodical cleaning out of the soot, and which is facilitated by the use of water, which finds its way in from the surface. Large air ventilators, which are always opened prior to beginning operations are placed at short intervals, with doors for egress at the side of the flue, which is seven by four feet in size, so that there is ample space to move in. Fortunately five of the men had just passed out one of the said doors, when it is supposed that from the recent heavy rains after the long drought a terrific "hush" rushed down the flue catching deceased. ... Dr William Robinson, Stanhope, ... found him (Parker) suffering from concussion of the brain, and there were four lacerated wounds on the head exposing much of the skull. He treated him accordingly. He was covered with the lead fume; it was also rubbed into the wounds. He attended him up to the day of his death. ... They had let in no water to carry away the heap which swept deceased away, and where it came from he could not tell, as there was more fume than he had seen before.
Verdict of inquest accidental death.

In 1851, at Chestergarth House, Rookhope, Stanhope, Thomas Parker, lead ore viewer, aged 49, his wife Isabella (Bowman, married 27th June 1830) aged 44, children James, lead ore washer, aged 21, Thomas, lead ore washer,

aged 16, Jane, house maid, aged 14, Isabella 11, Mary 9, George 7, Hannah 5, and Joseph 4 months.
In 1861, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, James Parker, lead ore washer, aged 30, his wife Mary A. (Hodgson, married 1855) aged 29, children Elizabeth 6, Thomas 5, John 2, visitors Hannah Watson 23, and Mary A Rutherford 20.
In 1871, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, James Parker), lead ore washer, aged 42, his wife Mary A. aged 40, children Elizabeth, servant domestic, aged 16, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 15, John P12, Mary I. 6, and James 3 years.
In 1881, at Bank Foot, Rookhope, Stanhope, James Parker, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary A. 50, children John, lead smelter, aged 22, Mary I. 16, James 13, and mother in law, Mary Hodgson, aged 74.
In 1891, at Bank Foot, Rookhope, James Parker, lead ore dresser, aged 61, his wife Mary Ann, aged 60, and son James, lead ore smelter, aged 23.
In 1901, at Bank Foot, Rookhope, James Hodgson, stone mason, aged 38, his wife Mary Isabella, aged 36, children, John P. 13, James E. 11, Annie. E. 9 months, and father in law James Parker aged 70.

Deaths

Allendale Moor House, 17th inst., aged 51, Jane daughter of the late John and Hannah Chatt.

In 1851, at Moor House, John Chatt, lead ore smelter, and farmer of 72 acres, aged 58, his wife Hannah (Smith, married 26th June 1826) aged 54, children Sarah 24, Thomasine 20, Jane 14, John 12, Thomas 9, niece Elizabeth Sanderson 10, and niece Frances Stobbs 5 years.
In 1861, at Moor House, John Chatt, farmer of 72 acres, & lead ore smelter, aged 67, his wife Hannah, aged 63, children, Sarah 34, Thomasine, dress maker aged 30, Jane aged 24, John aged 21, and grandson John aged 1.
In 1871, at Moor House, John Chatt, farmer of 72 acres aged 77, his wife Hannah aged 73, children John farmer of 50 acres, aged 32, Thomasine, dress maker, aged 39, and Jane, dress maker, aged 34.
John Chatt died, 2nd quarter 1874, aged 80.
In 1881, at Moor House, Hannah Chatt, widow, farmer of 26 acres, aged 84, daughter Jane 44, and farmers son John 42.

29th October 1887 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's report for No. 2 district for the quarter ending Sept 30th stated that during the quarter, the general health of the inhabitants of the district had been remarkably good; and with the single exception of a case of Typhoid Fever in a mild form, there has been an entire absence of other Zymotic diseases.

Deaths

Clitheroe, Alston 23rd inst., (at the house of Mr Frederick Woodmass) aged 51, Thomas eldest son of Thos. Woodmass, Patley Bridge, Yorkshire, mine surveyor.

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass (father Jonathan Woodmass, mother Mary Dixon; he married Elizabeth Fairlamb 28th January 1796, Elizabeth died 1840), beer seller, aged 70, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 30, Isabella, silk hat maker, aged 38, William, mining agent, aged 25, Fredrick Hall, lead miner aged, 20, Ann 5, Jonathan 2, and Elizabeth 1 month.

Other children of Jonathan Woodmas and Elizabeth Fairlamb, Ann baptised 16th March 1797, Thomas born 12th June 1801, Betsy born 28th April 1804, John born 4th August 1811,

In 1851, at Four Dargue, Alston, Fredrick Hall Woodmass, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary Ann 30, children Jonathan 7, Mary 4, and Robert 1.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Fredrick H Woodmas, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary A. 40, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Mary, house servant, aged 14, Robert 11, John 6, Ann 3, and William H. 1.
Mary Ann Woodmass, died 26th August 1861, aged 40, at Alston.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Frederick Woodmass, widow, lead miner, aged 53, children Robert, tailor, aged 21, John, spinner, aged 16, Annie, housemaid, aged 13, and William 11.
In 1881, at No. 8 Clitheroe, Frederick H. Woodmass, widow, coal miner, aged 63, his son William H. coal miner, aged 21.
Frederick Woodmass, died at Alston, 9th August 1889, aged 71 years.
See 30th August 1861, and 17th August 1889.

In 1841, at Calstock, Cornwall, Thomas Woodmass, land surveyor, aged 35, his wife Ann (Hind, married 11th June 1825, Alston), aged 35, children Ann 12, Thomas 5, and Jonathan 3.
In 1851, at Brecken Holme, Alston, Ann Woodmass, lead miners wife, aged 48, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Jonathan 12, Elizabeth 9, John 4, and William 1 year.
In 1871, at Bridgehouse Gate, Pateley Bridge, Yorkshire, Thomas Woodmas, lead miner, aged 69, his wife Ann 67, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 34, and John 24, imbecile from birth. Thomas died at Pateley Bridge, 4th quarter of 1874 aged 73.
In 1881, at Bleazefield, Pateley Bridge, Elizabeth Procter, born Ivybridge, Devonshire, labourers wife, aged 39, children John 9, William 7, Minnie 4, Fred aged 1, mother Nannie Woodmas, born Alston, widow, aged 77, brother John Woodmass, born Carlisle, imbecile, aged 34, and brother Thomas Woodmass, born Alston, labourer, aged 44.

5th November 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

SUDDEN DEATH AT WEARHEAD

Mr Joseph Wearmouth died rather suddenly at his farmstead, West Fall, on Monday night at half past six o'clock. He was at his employment only a few days before and was in his usual robust health. On Tuesday week, after coming home he went out to seek some water, and while standing was seized with cold, which ended in his death. He was a good neighbour and possessed a kindly and social disposition. He was one of the leading wrestlers of his day … He was employed at Burtree Pasture Mines. Deceased leaves a wife and a large family, all grown up. Interred Burtreeford cemetery.

In 1851, at Earnwell, Stanhope, William Wearmouth, horse keeper, aged 59 Margaret 54, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, William, lead miner, aged 19, Dobson, lead miner, aged 17, John, scholar, aged 15, Lancelot, lead miner, aged 13, Margaret 11, Isaac 9, grandson Joseph Fleming Wearmouth, 2 years, and visitor George Thompson, farmer, aged 40.

Joseph Wearmouth married Phillis Walton 4th quarter of 1851, at Weardale.
In 1871, at Halewell House, St John's, Joseph Wearmouth, lead miner & farmer of 12 acres, aged 41, his wife Phillis 37, children Hannah 18, William, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 13, Robert, lead miner, aged 11, Joseph 9, Isaac 7, and Margaret 5.
In 1881, at Stripe Head, Joseph Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Philis 48, children William, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 23, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, Isaac, shepherd, aged 16, and Margaret 14.

9th November 1887 (Teesdale Mercury)
ACCIDENT AT COLDBERRY LEAD MINES. —A somewhat serious accident befell a young man, named John Anderson, of Hill, Newbiggin, on Tuesday, the first inst., whilst working in the above mine. A heavy fall of debris caught him, but we are glad to say that he is progressing most favourably under the treatment of Dr. Neligan.

19th November 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Coating Hill, Allendale, 13th inst. aged 76, Phillis Smith.
In 1851, at Coating Hill, John Smith, quarryman, aged 42, wife Phillis (Henderson?) aged 37, children William, quarryman, aged 18, John, quarryman, aged 16, Margaret 14, Hannah 12, Martha 10, Henry 8, Thomas 6, Esau 2, and Mary 4.
In 1861, at Coating Hill, John Smith, lime kiln labourer, aged 55, wife Phillis 46, children William, lime kiln labourer, aged 26, Hannah 21, Martha 19, Henry, cartman, aged 15, Mary 13 Esau 11, Jacob 9, and boarder Stephen Shield, excavator, aged 23.
In 1871, at Coating Hill, John Smith, farmer of 20 acres, aged 67, his wife Phillis 57, sons Henry, iron stone miner, aged 26, Esau, iron stone miner, aged 21, Jacob, jobbing labourer, aged 19, and grandson John Smith 9.
John Smith snr. died 4th quarter 1875, aged 73.
In 1881, at Coating Hill, Phillis Smith, widow, farmer of 18 acres, aged 69, son Jacob, lead ore miner, aged 27, grandson John, lead ore miner, aged 18, granddaughter Mary A. Lowdon, domestic servant, aged 16.
At Allenheads, Ropehaugh, 5th inst. aged 79, Ann Watson, relict of the late Robert Watson of Allenheads.
In 1861, at Allenheads, Robert Watson, grocer, aged 54, wife Ann (Armstrong, married 26th August 1841, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 53, son William, blacksmith, aged 18, Dorothy, assistant grocer, aged 16, and Jemima 13.
Robert Watson died 1st quarter 1870, aged 63.
In 1881, at Ropehaugh Cottages, Ann Watson, widow, grocer & draper, aged 73, daughters Dorothy 36, and Jemima 33.
See 4th November 1899

19th November 1887 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
The directors of the Weardale Lead Company have recommended for the year ending with June a further dividend of 1s per share, making with the previous dividend 2s per share, or equal to 8 per cent per annum. The report shows that

for the year the revenue account, after payment of debenture interest, shows a net profit which, with £476 brought forward makes a total of £5,465.

22nd November 1887. (London Gazette)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ALSTON MOOR MINING COMPANY LIMITED.
AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at the offices of the Company, No. 42, Mosley street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Friday, the 28th day of October 1887, the following Special Resolution was duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the same Company, also duly convened and held at the same place, on Friday, the 18th day of November, 1887 the following Resolution was duly confirmed, viz.:
"That the Company be wound up voluntarily, under the provisions of the Companies Acts, 1862 and 1867."
And at such last, mentioned Meeting Thomas Bowden, of Newcastle upon Tyne, Chartered Accountant, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of the winding up. —Dated this 18th day of November 1887.
John Carr, Chairman.

26th November 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At High Mill, Alston, 18th inst. aged 75, Thomas Goodfellow, miner.
Thomas Goodfellow married Jane Moor, 11th November 1834, at Alston; Jane died 24th April 1839, aged 23.
In 1841, at Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Sarah (Houps, married 4th June 1840, Alston) aged 20, children Ann 6, Mary 4, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah aged 32, children Nancy 16, Thomas 10, boarders Charles Airey, railway labourer, aged 23, and Richard Hill, railway labourer, aged 36. In 1861, at Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 47, wife Sarah 40, sons Thomas, lead miner aged 22, and John 3. In 1871, at Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 55, wife Sarah 50, sons Thomas, lead miner aged 31, and John aged 13.
In 1881, at Butts, Thomas Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 66, his wife Sarah 57, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 40. In 1891, at High Mill, Sarah Goodfellow, widow, aged 72, and her stepson Thomas, coal miner, aged 53.
At Holme Foots, Nenthead, 18th inst. aged 69, Richard Hetherington, miner.
In 1841, at Nenthead Hill Top, Robert Hetherington, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Jane 50, sons Robert, lead miner, aged 25, and Richard, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1851, at Nenthead, Richard Hetherington, lead ore miner, aged 32, his wife Barbary (Barbara Swindle, married 27th October 1842, Alston) aged 31, children Ann 7, and Margaret 4.
In 1861, at Holme Foots, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Barbary 41, children Ann 17, Margaret 14, Elizabeth 9, Robert 6, and Frances aged 3.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Barby 51, children Ann 27, Margaret 24, Elizabeth 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and Frances 13.

In 1881, at Holme Foots, Richard Hetherington, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Barbary 61, children Ann 37, Margaret 34, Elizabeth 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 26, and Francis, lead ore washer, aged 23. See 29th October 1842

IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
RICHARD HETHERINGTON
OF HOLEMSFOOT
NENTHEAD
WHO DIED ON THE 18TH DAY
OF NOVEMBER 1887
AGED 69 YEARS
ALSO OF BARBARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED NOV. 30TH 1895
AGED 75 YEARS

26th November 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Garrigill, Shield Hill, 18th inst., aged 73, Isaac Craig, blacksmith.
In 1881, at High Shield Hill, Isaac Craig, blacksmith and farmer of 17 acres, aged 66, his wife Ann 68, children Thomas, blacksmith, aged 38, Mary, domestic servant, aged 35, Sarah, dairy maid, aged 29, and Isaac, blacksmith, aged 26.
See 11th May 1889

3rd December 1887 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
In the Red Sea, on a voyage to Brisbane on board the SS Duke of Buccleuch, on the 27th October last aged 11 weeks, Margaret youngest daughter of Hugh and Annie Spottiswood, formerly of Clitheroe, Alston. Interred in the Red Sea on the South side of the Twelve Apostle Rock's.

In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, James Spotswood, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Ann (Litel, married 4th April 1818, Alston) aged 54, children Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, James, lead miner, aged 5, and Nicholas, lead miner, aged 12.
In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Hugh Spottswood, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Ann 24, sons James 3, and Hugh 1.*
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Alston, Hugh Spotswood, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 34, children James, lead ore washer, aged 13, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 11, Mary A. 7, John 4, and Leah 1.*
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Hugh Spotswood, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann 44, born Grove, Durham, children James, lead miner, aged 23, Hugh, lead miner, aged 21, Mary A. 17, John, apprentice carpenter, aged 14, Leah 11, Margaret 8, Miles 5, and Matthew 2 years. See 19th April 1884, & 20th December 1884.*
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Hugh Spottiswood, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Ann 54, born Hamsterley, Durham, and son Miles, coal miner, aged 15.

The 1880 Federal Census shows Hugh Spotswood, aged 29, married, miner, born England, at Marquette, Michigan, he married Annie Woodmass, daughter of Frederick Woodmass, of Clitheroe Alston.*
There is a record on the IGI of a Hugh Spottswood marrying Anna Woodmass, 4th August 1880, at Nagannee, Marquette, Michigan.

**Hugh Spottiswood birth about 1851, Annie born about 1859, Mary born?, 1877, Leah born Michigan, about 1884, Fred born Alston, 1885, and Margaret born Alston, 1887, sailed from London on 3rd March 1887, on board the Duke of Buccleuch, arriving Brisbane 6th December 1887.*
1903 Queensland Electoral roles show at Cemetery Road, Capricornia Mount Morgan, Queensland Hugh Spottiswood and Annie Spottiswood.
See 27th May 1871, 29th October 1887, & 17th August 1889.

3rd December 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

RE-OPENING OF MINES OF WEARHEAD.

The re-opening of the iron mines of Wearhead by the Weardale Iron & Coal Company after being closed for Two years will be regarded with widespread feelings of satisfaction throughout the district it being estimated that the resumption of the operations will bring about a thousand pounds per week to the vale and give employment to all who have been without work so long.

ALLENDALE

DEATH OF CAPTAIN HOLMES

We record the death of Captain Holmes (*Volunteer Corps)*, which took place at his residence, Dawson Place, Allendale Town on Saturday last. As native of the dale, the deceased was well known and respected. He was for many years engaged as Agent for Mr Beaumont. In fact, he held but one situation during his life a fact, which testified to his trustworthiness as a businessman. Five or six years ago when the Smelt Mills ceased to work on such an extensive scale as they previously had done the deceased retired from the post he had held so long and so worthily. … In May 1886, he was attacked by a severe paralytic stroke, from which he can scarcely be said to have recovered, although he was afterwards able to move about.
He was interred on Wednesday afternoon in the Church yard at Allendale Town.

Family at the funeral, Mr C Holmes Felling, Mrs Errington = Brother & Sister Mr & Mrs Dixon nephew & niece, Mrs Winter niece, Mr W Holmes & Mr J Holmes Nephews, Mr C Spark Holmes Nephew.
In 1851, at Allendale Town, William Holmes, innkeeper, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 55, children, William, smelting agent clerk, aged 32, Jane 28, James 23, Christy, 15, granddaughter Anna 8, daughter Elizabeth Richards, inland revenue officers wife, aged 30, and granddaughter Mary Elizabeth 7 months.
William never married and in 1871, he is employed at the lead smelting works, in 1881 the census records at Dawson Place, Allendale, William Holmes, Clerk (out of employment) aged 61.

10th December 1887 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead Alston, Hare & Hounds Inn, 3rd inst., aged 53, William Cousin.
In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Nenthead, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres, (previously lead miner), aged 62, his wife Hannah (Todd, married 14th May 1825) aged 56, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer at farm, aged 15, and Margaret 11 years.

William Cousin was buried at Nenthead 30th April 1861, aged 62.
Hannah Cousin was buried at Nenthead 26th June 1864, aged 58.

In 1871, at Strellas, Nenthead, William Cousin, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane (Richardson, married 21st May 1863, at Nenthead) aged 27, children Hannah 3, and Jacob 7 months.
In 1881, at Nentsbury, William Cousin, lead miner, publican, & farmer of 27 acres, aged 45, his wife Jane 35, children Hannah 13, Jacob 10, Mary Ann 7, Margaret 5, and Ruth 1 year.
In 1891, Nenthall, East of Nent, Nenthead, Jane Cousin, widow, licensed victualler, aged 44, children Hannah 24, Jacob, lead miner, aged 21, Mary A. general servant, aged 16, Ruth 11, William 9, granddaughter Phoebe Cousin 3, and grandson John G Cousin 9 months.
In 1901, at Hare & Hounds, Nenthall, Jane Cousin, widow, publican & grass farmer, aged 50, children, Hannah, domestic servant, aged 38, Jacob, lead miner, aged 28, William, lead miner, aged 19, and granddaughter, Phoebe Cousin aged 13.
Jane Cousin died 4th quarter 1903, aged 62.
See 26th October 1872, 4th April 1874, & 28th April 1900
Alston, Kings Arms Lane, 27th ult., very suddenly aged 37, Mary Ann Coats.
In 1851, at Butts, Alston, John Coats, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary 34, children Thomas 10, Isabella 7, Joseph 3, and Mary A. 9 months.
John Coats died either 1852, 1855, or 1859.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Mary Coats, widow, house keeper, aged 44, children Thomas, masons labourer, aged 20, Isabella, servant, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, Mary A. 10, and William 3 years.
In 1881, Mary Ann aged 30, was working as a general domestic servant, for Hannah Bainbridge, at Loaning House, Alston.

LANGHORN CHARITY

Applications will be received for this charity on the 14th inst., at Nentsbury. The distribution will take place on the 24th inst., in the boardroom, Town Hall, Alston, instead from the Parish Church as heretofore.

17th December 1887 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A healthy recovery is said to be now manifest in the iron and lead mining industries of Weardale. The demand by the Weardale Iron Company for the stone quite exceeds the supply. The ordinary number of leaders to cart the mineral from the quarries to the depot at Westgate has been found to be inadequate, and will be increased forth with from Alston to Tow Law; in addition to which a large number of Allendale men have been employed at the new venture in Middlehope. The greatest activity prevails at the dressing works of the lead company in getting ore ready for market.

24th December 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Ninebanks, St Mark's Church, 8th inst. G. W. Storey of Alston, to Mary Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr Bell, Nether House, Allendale.

31st December 1887 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Whitehall, Nenthead, 18th inst. after a long and painful illness, George Hutchinson *aged 42*.

See 25th February 1843, 25th December 1867, and 7th August 1880

At Park House, Alston, 24th inst. aged 80, Elizabeth relict of Thomas Smith.

In 1881, at Park House, Alston, Thomas Smith, retired farmer, aged 78, and his wife Elizabeth aged 73.

Thomas Smith died 3rd quarter 1882, aged 80, or 2nd quarter 1887, aged 85.

7th January 1888 (Hexham Herald)

LANGLEY

CLOSING OF LANGLEY SMELT MILLS

Langley Lead Smelting mills which have been established for considerably over a century, though latterly only giving employment to a small number of hands, have now been closed, and are to be speedily dismantled, and the machinery and plant sold … of Langley mills it may be mentioned that they were commenced upwards of a century ago and carried on by the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, until 1833, since which time they have been carried on by private enterprise. For many years, these extensive smelting mills were in the hands of Messrs Jos. Dinning and Co., and under their management gave employment to a good number of workmen.

14th January 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A WEARDALE MINER IN AMERICA.

Saturdays mail brought news to Weardale of the death of a young man named George Carrick, aged 23, who was killed at Huntsville, Missouri, US, on the 20th December. Carrick who emigrated only about four months ago was ascending

the Pit shaft after working his shift with his mate Dunn, belonging to Sunnyside, Tow Law, when by some means, he was caught between the cage and the side of the shaft. Dunn clung to him, thus jammed until they reached the bank, when the poor fellow expired. Deceased was a fine young fellow and was the recipient of a testimonial from his fellow teachers and scholars at High House Wesleyan Chapel prior to his departure.

In 1871, at Dog Hill, Stanhope, Thomas Carrick, lead miner, and farmer of 5 acres, aged 37, his wife Mary 31, children George 6, John 3, and Philis 11 months. Thomas Carrick died 2nd quarter 1874, aged 40.

In 1881, at Irishope Plain, Stanhope, Mary Carrick, widow, aged 41, children, George, cartman, aged 16, John, 13, Philis 13, and Thomas 7.

In 1891, at Irishope Plain, Stanhope, Mary Carrick, widow, aged 51, sons John, lead miner, aged 23, and Thomas, horse driver, aged 17.

Deaths

Nenthall School House, Alston, 7th inst., aged 52, William Lee, gamekeeper. Alston Workhouse, 3rd inst., aged 54, Ruth Richardson; on the 6th inst., aged 70, Sarah Winskell.

17th January 1888 (Carlisle Journal)

DEATH OF MR. CARSON, SURGEON, ALSTON.—The death is announced of Mr Carson, surgeon, of Salvin Lodge, Alston. Mr. Carson was a professional gentleman of good attainments who had built up an extensive practice in the Alston and Nenthead districts. A Scotchman by Mr birth, Carson's first connection with the North of England was as the assistant of Dr Byres, of Middleton, From there he came to Nenthead, and eventually to Alston. Mr Carson held several public and parochial medical appointments. Some few years ago owing to advancing years, Mr Carson resigned his practice to his son, Mr Stuart Carson, junr. *(Aged 79)*

21st January 1888 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

Deaths

At Pity Me, 20th inst., aged 45, William Armstrong, formerly of Nenthead. To be interred on Monday.

28th January 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

LONGEVITY

The oldest female in the parish of Alston, Mrs Ruth Irwin died at Nenthead on the 19th inst., her age being 96 years. Up to a very short period prior to her death she was hale and hearty.

In 1851, at High House, Nenthead, John Erwine, lead ore washer, aged 61, his wife Ruth (Bales, married 7th December 1815) aged 57, children Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 32, John, lead miner, aged 27, Mary 20, Ruth 17, Ann 15, Hannah 12, Anthony 9, and Jane 8.

John Irwin died 1st quarter 1854, or 3rd quarter 1855.

In 1861, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Ruth Erwine, lead ore washing foreman's widow, aged 67, son Thomas, washing foreman, aged 42, son John, lead ore miner, aged 39, daughter Ann, dressmaker, aged 25, granddaughter Elizabeth Brown 14, grandson Thomas Brown 11, and grandson John A Erwine 1 year.

In 1871, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Ruth Erwine, widow, housekeeper, aged 78, son Thomas, lead ore washing foreman, aged 52, Elizabeth Brown, domestic servant, 24, and grandson John Anthony Erwine, aged 2.
In 1881, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Thomas Erwine, unmarried, lead ore washing foreman, aged 62, his mother Ruth, aged 87, and nephew John A. aged 12 years.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Thomas Erwin, retired washing foreman, aged 72, nephew John Anthony Erwin, lead ore smelter, aged 22, and general servant (domestic) Leah Armstrong aged 28.
See 6th December 1884, & 27th October 1900

4th February 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Loaning Head, Garrigill, Alston, 30th ult., aged 82, Elizabeth, relict of James Slack, lead ore washer.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Elizabeth Slack, widow, grocer, aged 75.
See 3rd April 1875

7th February 1888 (Northern Echo)
MINING HITCH IN WEARDALE
Considerable disappointment and feeling was prevalent when it became known that the men engaged by the Weardale Iron Company to develop the new ironstone mine at Grove Heads, Ireshopeburn, could not start owing to some hitch between the above company and the Lead Company whose level was to be used to reach the mineral. Rumour says that the Lead Company are dissatisfied at the exodus of their workmen to the revived ironstone industry.

14th February 1888 (Northern Echo)
THE IRONSTONE INDUSTRY IN WEARDALE
The hitch we recorded has been removed at the Grove Head Mine, Ireshopeburn, and all is now in full swing, large numbers of men having been placed. These are supplemented by daily arrivals of teams of carts to convey ironstone to the depot at Westgate. Every available house and stable is occupied in the villages of Westgate, St John's, and Ireshopeburn. In the last-named accommodation for the influx is very scarce, and property owners are doing their best to find room.

18th February 1888 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
Dr Masterton's report (for the past year) showed 25 deaths, at the rate of 13.5 per 1000, and 36 births. There was a remarkable decrease of births and deaths from the previous ear, when they stood at 60 and 40 respectively. He estimated the present population of 1900 as compared with 2333 at last census. There was now an abundant supply of water at Nenthead.
Deaths
At West Nenthead, Alston, 10th inst., aged 23, Mary Jane, daughter of the late Thos. Thompson, lead miner.
See 17th May 1884

25th February 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF MR NATHAN RACE.

On Sunday Mr Nathan Race, the well known chairman and advocate of the Weardale miners died at Westgate aged 61 years. Deceased was a local preacher of 30 years standing in the Primitive Methodist body. Mr Race who had been through life a lead miner, ...

In 1841, at Church Lane, Wolsingham, Nathan Race, lead miner, aged 65, Nathan, lead miner, aged 50, Ann 50, Nathan 14, and Hannah, 12.
In 1851, at Meadhope Street, Wolsingham, Nathanial Race, retired lead miner, aged 63, his wife Ann aged 63, and son Nathanial, lead miner, aged 24. Nathan senior died 3rd quarter of 1855, his wife Ann predeceased him 1st quarter of 1852.
In 1861, at Westgate, Nathan Race, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane 35, children Ann 5, and Anthony 2 years.
In 1871, at Westgate, Nathan Race, miner, aged 44, his wife Jane (married 4th quarter of 1853), children Ann 15, and Anthony 12.
In 1881, at Westgate, Nathan Race, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Jane 55, and son Anthony, coal miner, aged 22. Jane Race died 3rd quarter of 1885. See 3rd June 1882.

Deaths

At Donks Villa, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 64, Hannah, relict of Jonathan Walton.

IN
MEMORY OF
MARY
WHO DIED JAN 22ND
1849 AGED 6 YEARS
JACOB DIED JAN. 27TH 1849
AGED 4 YEARS
MATTHEW LATTIMER
DIED FEB. 2ND 1849
AGED 8 YEARS
JANE HIS FIRST WIFE
DIED MAY 18TH 1860
AGED 39 YEARS
HANNAH CROSBY
DIED JAN. 12TH 1863
AGED 3 WEEKS
ROBERT WILLIAM
DIED AUG 16TH 1879
AGED 28 YEARS
FRIEND
DIED NOV. 21ST 1884
AGED 38 YEARS

JONATHAN WALTON
DIED MARCH 25TH 1887 AGED 71 YEARS
HANNAH CROSBY HIS SECOND WIFE
DIED FEB 17TH 1888 AGED 64 YEARS

THE FAMILY BURIAL PLACE OF
JONATHAN WALTON
OF DONKS HALL.

In 1841, at Green Ends, Jonathan Walton, blacksmith, aged 20, his wife Jane (Lattimer, married 2nd quarter 1839, at Alston) aged 20, and son Mathew Lattimer aged 1 year.
In 1851, at Rock House, Nenthead, Jonathan Walton, lead mine agent, aged 34, his wife Jane aged 30, children Friend 4, Ann 4, and Robert W. 1 month. Jane died 18th May 1860, aged 39.
In 1861, at Donks Villa, Jonathan Walton, widow, lead mine agent, aged 45, children Friend 14, Annie 12, Robert Wm 10, Sarah J. 6, Fanny 5, Jonathan C. 3, and Isabella 1.
In 1871, at Donks Villa, Jonathan Walton, mine agent, aged 55, his wife Hannah C. (Hannah Crosby Dalton, married 3rd quarter 1861, reg. East Ward, Westmorland) aged 48, children Sarah J. 16, Francis M. 15, and Isabella 11.
In 1881, at Donks Villa, Jonathan Walton, mining engineer, aged 65, his wife Hannah 58, and daughter Sarah I. aged 26. Jonathan Walton died 25th March 1887, aged 71. See 8th January 1870, and 10th December 1881.

3rd March 1888 (Lancaster Gazette)
SHOCKING DEATH NEAR PATTERDALE. — A lead miner, named Robert Gibson Bell, has met with a shocking death at the Greenside mines, near Patterdale. He was walking along a level, when about a ton of rock fell from the roof, and, breaking through the timber across the top of the level, it instantly crushed him to death. At the inquest the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death,"

3rd March 1888 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
ROOKHOPE
The village of Rookhope was alarmed on Wednesday evening by a serious and somewhat singular accident. One of the lead miners in his forgetfulness, after blasting the rock, brought home in his pocket the remaining charge. On arrival at his cottage his wet trousers were hung over the oven door to dry, and having attained the necessary heat, the charge exploded, breaking the iron work of the oven and grate to atoms. A weekly young man, a lodger named George Middleton stood near the fire and was fearfully burnt about the lower part of his body. Having cut off his clothes, his friends discovered that a piece of iron had been driven into his knee, and that the kneecap was smashed; other injuries were also visible. Remedial applications were adopted for the burns, and Drs Robinson and Livingstone from Stanhope, after administering Chloroform, amputated the limb, but the sufferer rapidly sank under the shock, even before the operation was completed. One of the miner's children was also injured. Great sympathy is shown by the inhabitants both for the deceased as well as for the unfortunate miner.
In 1881, George Middleton aged 20, was an inmate at the workhouse, Stanhope.
Deaths
At Kate's Lane, Alston, 27th ult., aged 65 Margaret widow of Matthew Hetherington, lead miner.
In 1861 living at the Butts Alston, Matthew Hetherington lead miner aged 40, his wife Margaret 39, children Thomas 13, Matthew 11, Sarah A 9, Jane 7, John 4, Margaret H. 2, William 4 months.

In 1871, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Matthews Hetherington, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret 48, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Matthew, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah A. domestic servant, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 14, Margaret H. 12, William 10, Emily 4, Susannah 2, and Elizabeth J. 2 months.
Matthew Hetherington died 1st quarter 1873, aged 53.
In 1881, at 16 Kate's Lane, Alston, Margaret Hetherington, a lead miners widow, aged 59, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 31, John, a packer, aged 24, Emily 14, and Susannah 12. The 1881 census shows Sarah A. Hetherington aged 28, and Elizabeth J. Hetherington aged 10 were inmates at Alston Workhouse.
In 1891, Sarah A. Hetherington was visiting her sister Margaret H. Bickerton, aged 32, Margaret's Husband William Bickerton aged 32, was a marine engineer, they had a son Percy aged 1 year; they were living at 89 George Street, Willington Quay.
Alston Town Foot, 29th ult., aged 38, Thomas Haldon, grocer, eldest son of the late William Haldon, joiner.
Skelgill 27th ult., aged 57 George Spottiswood, farmer.
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, George Spotswood, lead miner, aged 45, Jane (Pearson, married 30th June 1822, at Alston) aged 35, Mary 15, Hugh, lead miner, aged 13, George, lead miner, aged 11, Elizabeth 8, Thomas 5, and Ruth 2 years.
George died 10th July 1846 and Jane died 25th September 1846.

IN
MEMORY OF
GEORGE SPOTTISWOOD
OF SKELGILL
WHO DIED JULY 10TH 1846
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO OF JANE HIS WIFE
WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 25TH 1846
AGED 46 YEARS
ALSO OF RUTHTHEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 7TH 1853
AGED 14 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED JULY 17TH 1859
AGED 33 YEARS
ALSO OF CATHERINE BRAMWELL
THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED
NOVEMBER 28TH 1875 AGED 33 YEARS
ALSO OF GEORGE THEIR SON
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 27TH 1888
AGED 57 YEARS
ELIZABETH
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED AT GATESHEAD SEPTEMBER 7TH 1922
AGED 89 YEARS

In 1851, at Annatwalls, Alston, Mary Spottswood, house keeper, aged 25, brothers George, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, sisters, Ruth 12, and Catherine 9.
In 1861, at Castleside, Muggleswick, Durham, George Spottswood, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth (Watson, married 2nd quarter, 1855, at Durham) aged 26, children William 4, Mary Jane 3, and George 11 months.
In 1871, at Middle Skelgill, George Spottiswood, landowner & farmer of 34 acres, his wife Elizabeth aged 36, children, William 14, George 10, Thomas 7, Emily 4, and Elizabeth A. aged 2.
Elizabeth died 4th quarter 1879, aged 45.
In 1881, at No. 4 Middle Skelgill, George Spottiswoode, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 50, children Mary J. house keeper, aged 23, George, coal miner, aged 20, Thomas, coal miner, aged 17, Emily 14, Elizabeth A. 12, Alice 9, and Isabella 6.

10th March 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
PAYDAY

The Weardale lead miners half yearly payday was held on Saturday last.

17th March 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO A MINER.

A serious accident occurred on Friday night at Greenlaws lead mine, near St John's Chapel, to a miner named John Walton, of Westgate. It appears Walton had been preparing to fire a charge of dynamite, and was cleaning a detonator, when it suddenly exploded, shattering his hand in a frightful manner, severing two fingers and part of his thumb, also injuring other parts of his body. Dr Hewitson was quickly in attendance and pronounced his wounds to be of a serious nature.

24th March 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

On Saturday, last the remains of Mary Watson of Nenthead were interred in the church of that village. The above was one of the old school, and for some time previous the deceased had been a sufferer of bronchitis. Although only of diminutive stature, her constitution has borne many fierce conflicts with its relentless enemy, but at last at the ripe age of four score and eight had to succumb to its effects. For 66 years Mary as she was familiarly known by, visited Alston market weekly acting as a sort of agent for her neighbours in the purchase of different household commodities as well as to stock her own little shop. … On the sign above her place of business, which was as follows: - "Hot tea and coffee, bread and beer sold here."
John Watson & Mary Hutchinson married at Alston, 29th June 1822, the IGI, shows two children baptised at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, Ann 13th February 1831, and Jane 4th August 1828. There is a record of an Ann Hutchinson, aged 4 buried at Alston 8th December 1835. There is a burial at Alston 6th December 1832, John Watson, aged 38; could these be Mary Watson's family?

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Mary Watson aged 40, Mary Watson aged 18, Robinson Watson, lead miner, aged 16 (married Mary Ann Peart, 24th November 1849), and Jane Watson aged 13.
In 1851, at Overwater, John Robson, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Jane 23, son Thomas 1 month, and mother in law, Mary Watson, widow, confectioner, aged 51. In 1861, at Overwater, Mary Watson, lead ore miners widow, aged 61, her widowed daughter, Jane Robson, aged 33, grandsons, Thomas Robson 10, John Robson 8, and Liddle Robson aged 6.
In 1871, at Overwater, Mary Watson, Confectioner, aged 71, her widowed daughter, Jane Robson, House Keeper, aged 43, grandsons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Liddle, lead ore washer, aged 16. In 1881, at Overwater, Mary Watson, grocer, aged 81, her widowed daughter, Jane Robson, grocer, aged 53, and grandson Liddle Robson, lead miner, aged 26.
See 11th February 1871, 3rd January 1880, 6th July 1895, 12th October 1895, and 3rd May 1902

ALLENDALE

On Wednesday, a rather serious accident befell a man named Thomas Keenleyside, whilst working in Longcleugh mine, Ninebanks, Allendale. It appears that he was engaged in blasting operations and had prepared a shot, which exploded before he had time to get away. The unfortunate man was badly burned about the face and left arm and medical aid was at once procured.
In 1861, at Ninebanks, Martha Keenleyside, widow, charwoman, aged 47, born Whitfield, and son Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, born Canada.
In 1871, at Ninebanks, Martha Keenleyside, widow, aged 57. Also Thomas Keenleyside, lead miner, born North America, aged 38, his wife Hannah (Armstrong, married 25th June 1868, Ninebanks) aged 25, and daughter Jane 4 months.
In 1881, at Ninebanks, Thomas Keenlyside, Ag. Labourer, aged 48, born North America, Toronto, his wife, Hannah aged 35, children Jane 10, and John 8.
In 1891, at Ninebanks, Thomas Keenleyside, lead miner, aged 58, born, Canada, his wife Hannah 45, children Jane 20, John Wm., general labourer, aged 18, Emma E. 9, and father in law, John Armstrong, parish relief, aged 79.
In 1901, at Ninebanks, Thomas Keenleyside, postmaster, aged 68, his wife Hannah, 55, and son John William, lead miner, aged 28.
Thomas Keenleyside died 1st quarter 1902, aged 69.

Deaths

Alston, Kate's Lane, 16th inst., aged 8 months, Elizabeth daughter of John Thomas Walton, shoemaker.

31st March 1888 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston Town Foot, 23rd inst., aged 61, Hugh Walton, blacksmith.
Temple Croft, 25th inst., aged 75, Ann widow of Isaac Craig, late of Wanwood side.
In 1851, at Sheep Rigg, Wanwood Side, Alston, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Ann 36, children Elizabeth 7, Phillis 5, Thomas 3, and Mary Ann 10 months.

In 1861, at Egypt, Wanwoodside, Alston, Isaac Craig, lead miner, aged 46, wife Ann 46, children Betsy 17, Mary Ann 10, and Jane 7.
In 1871, at Egypt, Isaac Craig, coal miner, aged 56, his wife Annie, aged 56, and daughter Jane aged 17.
Isaac Craig died 3rd quarter of 1878, aged 64.
In 1881, at Egypt, Ann Craig, widow, laundress, aged 68.
Nenthead, Bloomsbury, 22nd inst., aged 20, Elizabeth daughter of the late Thomas Rutherford. *See 5th April 1884*

7th April 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale Town, 22nd ult., Nicholas Shield, Cabinet maker *(aged 65)*.
Alston the Butts, 4th inst., aged 26, Mary Jane only daughter of William and Mary Graham.
In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, William Graham, A. labourer, aged 45, his wife Mary 50, and daughter Mary J 9.
In 1881, at the Butts, Alston, William Graham, carter, aged 55, his wife Mary 60, daughter Mary Jane, domestic servant, aged 19, and relative John Lee, general labourer, aged 55.
William Graham died 2nd quarter 1888, aged 63.
See 7th November 1896

14th April 1888 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
Medical Officers report for No. 2 or Nenthead district was read. During the quarter ended March 31st there had been 16 births and 16 deaths registered. The death rate was 33.22, on the estimated population of 1900. The district has been free from epidemic disease.

21st April 1888 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
FEARFUL ACCIDENT TO A WASHER BOY.
A boy aged 15 named William Thompson of High House Farm, near St John's Chapel employed as a washer boy at Quarry level mine Daddry Shield, met with a most shocking accident on Monday morning. It appears that whilst the bay was engaged in oiling some parts of the crushing mill, the machinery unexpectedly moved off and he was caught by the merciless wheels. The boys right arm, was almost severed from the shoulder, and the toes of the left foot severely crushed. As soon as the boy arrived home, Dr Hewitson and his nephew were immediately in attendance, and amputated the arm of the unfortunate lad. On Wednesday when the report was posted some hopes of the boys recovery were entertained.
ALSTON
EMIGRATION
On Thursday morning last by the 10 am passenger train, Fred, son of John Millican, Alston, left Alston station, his destination being Winnipeg. On arrival, it is understood that he will commence farming pursuits. This makes the third of Mr Millican's sons that have recently left their homes to seek their fortune in Canada. *See 22nd March 1879.*

28th April 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Congregational Church, 24th inst., Henry Swinburn Kindred, Cromwell Street, Newcastle, to Mary, daughter of Jos. Craig, Flatt, Alston. Same time and place, Jos. Henry Pickering, Alston to Margaret daughter of Jos. Craig, Flatt, Alston.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Joseph Craig, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Maria aged 51, children Jane 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, Sarah 19, William, waggoner, aged 16, Maria 13, Mary 10, and Margaret 7. In 1881, at Flatt, Joseph Craig, farmer of 40 acres, aged 58, his wife Maria 61, daughters Jane 35, Maria 23, Mary 20, and granddaughter Elizabeth Evans 9. In 1881, Margaret Craig, aged 17, was working as a telegraphist, at Alston post office. In 1891, at Flatt, Joseph Craig, farmer, aged 68, his wife Maria 71, daughter Jane 45, and granddaughter Elizabeth Evans 19.
Joseph Craig died 4th quarter 1896, aged 74.
In 1891, at the Gas House, Alston, Joseph H Pickering, gas manager, aged 27, his wife Margaret 27, children Ruth 2, Margaret 5 months, and mother, Ruth Pickering 58.
In 1891, at Heaton, Newcastle, Henry S Kindred, railway vanman, aged 29, and his wife Mary 30.

5th May 1888 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
MINING PROSPECTS
It is understood that a new mining firm will shortly commence operations on what is locally known as the “Backbone”, or Great Sulphur vein. An analysis of material taken from this vein at Crossgill shows 1.76 percent copper. The vein line is something like 100 fathoms wide, but is divided into strings. At Tynehead the vein is less broken into strings, and the width is reduced to 24 fathoms at the intersection with the St John’s vein. An analysis of the mineral here has shown 1.97 percent of copper, and 35 percent sulphur. Lead and lime have both advanced in price from the ratio riding a few days ago, and possibly better times are in store for Alston miners.

12th May 1888 (Newcastle Chronicle)
NENTHEAD ALSTON.
TO BE LET, with immediate possession, the comfortable family residence known as DONK'S VILLA. situated about 4½ miles from Alston, and formerly occupied by the late Mr. Jonathan Walton. The House contains Drawing Room, Dining Room, 5 bedrooms, Kitchens, &c.—The outbuildings comprise Stable with 2 stalls, Coach-house, Wash-house, and an office.
Further particulars may be obtained of J. C. Walton. Writhlington, via Bath, and the premises can be viewed on application to Mr. Thomas Harrison, Nenthead.

19th May 1888 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
AMBULANCE
The class which for the past few months has been receiving instruction from the hands of Dr Carson of this town met in the town hall on the 12th inst., to undergo

examination by Dr Ledyard of Carlisle. Twenty one candidates were presented, and those who have been successful will receive certificates from the St John Ambulance Association. *All passed and were awarded certificates on 28th June*.

NEW MINING COMPANY

"The Investors Guardian", states that the South Green Hurth and Nether Hurth Head Mines Ltd., was registered on the 3rd inst with a capital of £30,000 in £1 shares, to acquire a leasehold mineral property known as the Nether Hurth Mine and Grant, situate at Nether Hurth in the County of Westmorland.

30th May 1888 (Teesdale Mercury)

GREEN- HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company Limited was held yesterday afternoon at the offices of the company, 23. Westgate Road, Newcastle. Mr J. G. Swan, chairman of the directors, presided, and there was a good attendance of shareholders. The auditors (Messrs. Holmes, Spence, and Co.) reported that the profit for the year amounted to £2,233 18s. 10d., out of which a dividend had been paid, for the year 1887, of £1,600, leaving a surplus of £633 18s. 10d. This amount, added to £1,252 4s. 8d., the amount of undivided profit already standing to the credit of profit and loss made a credit balance of £1,886 3s.6d. Of the undivided profit, they recommended that £1,000 be appropriated to depreciation of plant, &c., as shown in the balance sheet, and the balance (£886 3s. 6d.) carried forward to next account.

31st May 1888 (Northern Echo)

WATER SUPPLY IN UPPER TEESDALE. —Sharp Strictures. —Some cottages at Harwood, leased by the Duke of Cleveland to the Green Hurth Lead mining Company, were the subject of severe comment at yesterday's meeting of the Teesdale Sanitary Authority.—Discussion showed that for a long period fever had lingered about that property, as the result largely of bad water. — Mr Scarth, J.P., trusted sharp measures would be taken with the company, and suggested the closing of the houses. The Duke of Cleveland's offer to bear half the coat of furnishing healthful water had been made known, but they were too greedy to do anything. Mr Scarth also said he had, an appointment with Mr J. G. Swan, of Newcastle, the chairman of the company, and would press the matter upon that gentleman, The Authority will also issue a notice to the company to provide water. —Dr. Atkinson reported his recommendation to close the school, and to suspend some proposed sales of work, as a means of checking the spread of fever in the locality in question.

2nd June 1888 (Hexham Courant)

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINES

The annual general meeting of the directors and shareholders, of the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company Limited, was held on Tuesday afternoon, at the company's office, Westgate Road, Newcastle. Mr J Cameron Swan, chairman of directors presided, and there was a large attendance of shareholders. The director's and auditor's report stated that the profit for the year was £2,233 18s 10d out of which a dividend had been paid for the year 1887 of £1,600, leaving a surplus of £633 18s 10d. This sum added to £1,252 4s 8d the amount of undivided profit already standing to the credit of profit and loss, made a credit balance of £1,886 3s 6d. Of the undivided profit it was recommended that

£1,000 be appropriated to depreciation of plant &c., and the balance £886 3s 6d carried forward to next account. Operations it was stated, in so hard a rock, as the Whin, had necessarily been slow, and it had taken somewhat longer to open the rich ore ground in this stratum than was at first anticipated. As a consequence the production of ore had been smaller and the profit less than the preceding year. The scheme of working, however, had been attended with the most complete success, a considerable extent of ground had been opened up, the production had of late much increased, and there was a good reason to expect the continuance of a large output. The operations which were being carried on with the object of further proving the lode below the present deepest level showed a deposit of ore as rich as that which exists in the company's present workings. The prospect was therefore excellent.
The Chairman, at the opening of the meeting said he wished to make a few remarks concerning the works at North Green Hurth. It would be in the recollection of those who were present at the last meeting of the directors that it was decided to suspend operations in that mine. Since then the directors after taking the best advice at their disposal had entered into negotiations to have work at the mine resumed, but certain difficulties had arisen to their negotiations with the Duke's agent, which had prevented the resumption of work, although it was expected that these difficulties would be soon favourably settled. The directors wished to obtain more favourable terms in regard to royalty, terms of lease, and other modifications, and had been in negotiation with the Duke's agent to obtain them, but had not as yet succeeded. There was every prospect, however for favourable terms being come to shortly, and the mine would then again be in working order. With this explanation to shareholders who might be anxious for information on the point, the chairman moved the adoption of the directors and auditors reports and balance sheet.

2nd June 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Sipton, Allendale, 29th ult., aged 20, Sarah Hannah eldest daughter of John and Hannah Bright.
In 1871, at Bunker Hill, Allendale, John Bright, brakesman at lead mine, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Chester, married 1862) 34, children William H. 7, John J. 4, Sarah H. 2, Richard P. 10 months, and step son John Chester 13.
In 1881, at Sipton Terrace, Allendale, John Bright, engine man (lead ore mining) aged 46, his wife Hannah 43, children William W. pencil maker, aged 17, John J. general labourer, aged 14, Sarah H. 12, Richard P. 10, Emma 8, Joshua 8, Matthew H. 6, Laura A. 4 (died 14th May 1885), and Alice 11 months.
See 13th August 1870 & 23rd May 1885.
In 1901, at Comb House, Allendale, John Bright, engine man, lead ore mines, aged 66, his wife Hannah aged 63, children Joshua, lead ore mining machinist, aged 28, and Emma 28. Their Son William is living at Sipton Terrace, William, Bright, winding engine man at lead mines, aged 37, his wife Isabella, aged 37, children John W. 8, Joseph E. 6 and Edith 4 years.
John Bright died 4th quarter 1903, aged 68.

4th June 1888 (Northern Echo)
The lead miners at **Harehope Gill Mines** near Stanhope are on strike.

9th June 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 2nd inst, aged 60, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner.
In 1851, at Fidler Street, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Ann 46, children Williams, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 31, John, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 17, Jane aged 15
Ann 14, Joseph, lead miner, aged 12, Elizabeth 10, Daniel 8, James 7, and Vickers 8.
In 1861, at Foulard, Ann Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 56, John, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth, house servant, aged 20, Dan, lead miner, aged 18, and Vickers 12. In 1871, at Holm Foots, Ann Thompson, widow, housekeeper, aged 66, and son Vickers, lead miner, aged 22.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah (Irwin, married 7th June 1860, at Nenthead) aged 41, children John, lead miner, aged 19, Ruth A. domestic servant, aged 17, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, Tom 12, Erwine 9, lodger Margaret Purdon, assistant mistress of un-denominational school, aged 21, and lodger Elsie Knight, assistant mistress of un-denominational school, aged 21.

9th June 1888 (Lancaster Gazette)
A FATAL BLASTING ACCIDENT. — On Monday, Mr J. C. Wannop, deputy coroner for Carlisle, held an adjourned inquest at the Cumberland Infirmary, as to the death of William Clark, 65, lead miner, who, while employed at the Greenside Lead Mines, Patterdale, received so severe injuries from an explosion that he died in the Infirmary. The deceased had been engaged in charging a boring with gunpowder, when from some unexplained cause an explosion occurred. The fuse had not been applied, and only a copper pricker had been used. — Mr Taylor, manager of the mines, who represented the company, stated that he had on rare occasions known a copper pricker to produce a spark. The ground at the place where the accident occurred was very flinty, and it was just possible a spark might have been produced in that way. The deceased was a careless workman, and in putting the copper pricker into the hole he might have allowed it to go in a slanting direction and strike the flint at the side of the boring. The boring was twenty inches long, and contained three ounces of gunpowder. In twenty-four years there had only been four Serious accidents at the mines, although they employed 250 men. — The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

16th June 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
Weardale, Westgate, St Andrew's Church, 11th inst., Jonathan Martindale of Tynemouth to Nellie Youngest daughter of the late Vickers Hodgson of Westgate House, Weardale.
At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 9th inst. Mr J. Peart, The Moss, Weardale to Miss J. Emerson, Low Rush, Weardale.
At The Registrar's office, Wolsingham, 9th inst. Mr J. Greggs, New House, Weardale to Miss M. A. Watson, Side Head, Weardale.

30th June 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Ashgill, 22nd inst., aged 81, John Elliot, Game Watcher for the late London Lead Company.
In 1851, at Fewsteads, John Elliot, game watcher, aged 43, wife Frances aged 34, children Ann 13, Sarah 11, Frances 8, Hannah 6, Elizabeth 3, and mother in law Ann Peart, widow, parish relief, aged 71.
In 1861, at Ashgill, John Elliott, game watcher, aged 54, his wife Frances 44, children Hannah, housemaid, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Lucy 6, and Joan J. 4.
In 1871, at Ashgill, John Elliott, game watcher, aged 63, wife Frances 54, children Lucy, dressmaker, aged 16, John J. 14, Simon 8, and grandson John W. Elliott 2.
In 1881, at Ashgill, John Elliott, game watcher retired, farming 14¾ acres, aged 73, wife Frances 64, sons John J., lead miner, aged 24, Simon, lead miner, aged 18 and grandson John W. Elliott 12.

7th July 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Physic Hall, 3rd inst., aged 72, Isabel, widow of Edward Vipond late Wanwoodside.
In 1851, at Low Park, Alston, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella (Walton, married 17th March 1840) aged 32, children Elizabeth 10, Sarah 8, John, lead miner, aged 3, and Edward 1 year.
In 1861, at Low Park, Alston, Edward Vipond, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Isabella 43, children Sarah 19, John, lead miner, aged 13, Edward 11, William 8, Isabella 6, and Mary A. 3.
In 1871, at Physic Hall, Bank Top, Alston, Edward Vipond, stone waller, age 58, his wife Isabella 50, children John, coke drawer, aged 23, Edward, coke drawer, aged 21, Isabella, house maid, aged 15, Mary A. 13, and Walton F. 6.
In 1881, at No. 3 Physic Hall, Alston, Edward Vipond, stone mason, aged 68, his wife Isabella 64, children John, general labourer, aged 33, Mary A. dress maker, aged 23, Walton F. lead miner, aged 15, and Albert Vipond 1.
See 4th April 1840, 9th Dec 1871 and 16th July 1881
Nenthead 1st inst., aged 35, Joseph Waugh, Co-operative store manager, late of Allendale. *In 1871, at Low Knock Shield, Allendale, Joseph Waugh, lead ore miner, and farmer, aged 18, and his wife Mary (Martin, married 10th November 1870, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 24.*
In 1881, at Wooley, Allendale, Joseph Waugh, lead miner & farmer of 11 acres, aged 28, his wife Mary 33, and domestic servant Jane A. Routledge 14.
In 1891, at Bridge Street, Blaydon, Elizabeth Waugh, widow, household management, aged 67, sons Thomas, joiner, aged 40, George, joiner, aged 26, daughter in law Mary Waugh, widow, aged 43, and granddaughter Letitia H Waugh 7 years.

14th July 1888 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
SNOWBALLING IN JULY
Snow fell heavily at Nenthead on Tuesday evening last and a singular sight for the time of year was witnessed near the smelt mills at 2am on Wednesday morning. As the nightshift men were leaving, work snow was then lying on the

ground to a depth of two or three inches and an animated snowballing match was indulged in.

Deaths

At Intack Head, Swinhope, Allendale, 5th inst. aged 72, John Hull, miner.

John Hull married Jane Graham, at Allendale on 27th May 1815, John died 1st quarter of 1841.

In 1841, at Intack Head, Allendale, Jane Hull, independent, aged 45, John, lead ore miner, aged 25, Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 20, Phillis 20, Robert, lead ore miner, aged 15, Isaac, lead ore dresser, aged 15, Jacob ore dresser, aged 15, William ore dresser, aged 12, Jesse 10, Thomas 7, Joseph 5, and Ann 3.

Phillis Hull married Teasdale Whitfield at St Peter's Allendale on 24th May 1845.

In 1851, at Intack Head, Swinhope, Allendale, Jane Hull, miners widow, aged 54, children John, lead ore miner, aged 35, Matthew, iron miner, aged 33, Robert, iron miner, aged 29, Isaac, shepherd, aged 26, Jacob, lead ore miner, aged 25, William, iron miner, aged 22, Jesse, iron miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 17, Ann 12, daughter Phillis Whitfield, miners widow, aged 31, granddaughter Jane Whitfield 5, and grandson William Whitfield 9 years.

In 1861 at Intack Head, Allendale, Jane Hull, widow, aged 64, sons John, lead miner, aged 45, Isaac, Ag. Labourer, aged 37, Jesse, lead miner, aged 30, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, granddaughter Jane Whitfield 15, and grandson William Whitfield 19.

In 1871, at Intack Head, Allendale, Jane Hull, widow, farmer of 74 acres, aged 74, sons John, lead ore miner, aged 55, Isaac, labourer jobbing, aged 46, and Jesse, labourer jobbing, aged 40.

In 1881, at Intack Head, Allendale, John Hull, unmarried, lead ore miner, aged 66, brother Isaac, no occupation, aged 67, and brother Jesse, jobbing labourer, aged 50.

14th July 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

SUDDEN DEATH

Mr John Graham, High House, Nenthead died suddenly on Saturday last. About nine o'clock am he left the house and half an hour later was found dead in the yard adjoining. He was 67 years of age and heart disease is attributed as the cause of the sudden demise.

Children of Thomas Graham & Margaret Sanderson, Ann baptised 5th July 1806, William & Mary baptised, 22nd July 1810, Adah & Thomas baptised 27th July 1815, Joseph, Margaret & Mary baptised 6th May 1827.

Ann Graham (daughter of Thomas Graham & Margaret Sanderson born 2nd June 1806, at Allendale) married Joseph Stephenson 18th December 1828, at Alston.

In 1841, Ann Stephenson, washerwoman, aged 35, and John aged 10 years.

In 1841, at Pry House, Nenthead, Thomas Graham (father William), wood cutter, aged 60, his wife Margaret (Sanderson, married 9th December 1805, at Allendale) aged 55, children John smelter of lead ore, aged 20, and Margaret aged 15.

In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead, Margaret Graham, born Allendale, farmer of 12 acres, aged 66, son John, born Allendale, smelter of lead ore, aged 30, son Joseph, born Allendale, widow, wood cutter, aged 27, granddaughter Adah Stephenson, errand girl, aged 10, and grandson John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 21.
In 1861, at High House, Nenthead, John Graham, lead smelter, aged 40, his wife Martha 34, children Thomas 4, Margaret 2, Robert 1, and servant Adah Stephenson (married Hugh Doyle, 11th February 1866, at Nenthead), house servant, aged 20. Also at High House John Stephenson lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 31, children Henry 8 and Ann 1 year.
In 1871, at High House, Nenthead, John Graham, lead ore smelter & farmer of 65 acres, aged 50, his wife Martha 44, children Thomas, leads ore washer, aged 14, Margaret 12, Robert 11, John 8, George 6, and William 3. Also at High House, John Stephenson lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Henry, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Ann 11, Mary 6, Elizabeth 4, and Mary 2 years.
In 1881, at High House, Nenthead, John Graham, farmer of 65 acres, aged 60, his wife Martha 53, children Thomas 24, Margaret 22, Robert 21, John 18, George 16, and William 13. Also at High House, Henry Stephenson, lead miner aged 28, his wife Ellen 29, children Joseph 5, and Mary 3.
In 1881, at Pasture House, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner & farmer of 23 acres, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 51, children Thomas, lead miner 24, Margaret, dairy maid, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and John 6 years.
See 22nd Nov 1888

21st July 1888 (Hexham Courant)

DIARY OF A VOYAGE FROM ENGLAND TO CANADA

Sir,- It may prove to be of interest to many of your readers to have a narrative of a voyage across the Atlantic. We left Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, on the morning of the 13th June. Quite a host of friends and acquaintances had gathered to bid us adieu. After the process of separation from friends and cutting our residence of 40 years inhabiting in the district to try our luck in the new land, your readers may naturally conclude of the pain it cost us. However the step had been taken and we only had to keep our eyes and expectations on the journey before us, and the anticipation of a new home awaiting us.
The officials at Alston station received us with courtesy and kindness, and then, after the whistle of the engine we steamed off for Carlisle. Arriving safely at “the merrie citie,” and getting our luggage transferred from the North Eastern to the London and North Western Railway, we spent a few hours in Carlisle and saw a few acquaintances. We left Carlisle at 1 p.m., and arrived at Lime Street, Liverpool about 5 o’clock, and then went to Hirst’s Temperance Hotel, had tea and were there joined by my brother, John Hall of Edge Lane, Liverpool. Directly we went to 24 James Street, the office of the Dominion Line, paid the balance of passage money, and got our railway certificate from Quebec to Durham, County Grey, Ontario, on Grand Trunk Railway. After we had spent a few hours in Liverpool we retired to rest. On the morning of the 14th, after breakfast we went to top of Lime Street, took the trams and went to No. 1 Alexandra Dock, where the S.S. Oregon was anchored for passengers, a vessel of 4000 tons, 500 horse power, under the command of Captain Williams. All passed the doctor at 12, noon, and a few preparatory things attended to, the vessel was

loosed from her moorings and went down the Mersey as gently as a summer breeze. Immediately the bell went for dinner, and here the foreigners quite matched the British passengers, and we had to wait for No. 2 table, which learned us a lesson to waken up. We had Germans, Swedes, Norwegians, Polish Jews, Italians, and Americans returning from a trip to England. These latter generally travelled in the 2nd cabin. We had a nice sail through the Irish Channel had a fine view of the Welsh coast and the Isle of Man, and reached Londonderry about 6 o'clock on Friday morning, and waited till 8 o'clock for the tender with the mails to Canada. As soon as the mails were transferred from the tender to the S.S. Oregon, steam being ready, we soon got off again. After we left Ireland the vessel began to rock a little and by 7 o'clock there was quite a number sea-sick. By this time the waves began to dance a little but no great storm arose. They put the engines on the spur to make up for lost time. Saturday morning, June 16, promised well at 6 o'clock a.m., and we were a little puzzled whether we were going East, West, North, or South; however we soon discovered it; as the sun rises in the East we were soon put right in that direction; we had a fine day, all the passengers were on deck excepting those who could not leave their berths for sickness. By a law of etiquette the "saloon" passengers are prohibited from mingling with the other classes. The vessel made fair speed today. Sunday, June 17th-The morning opened fine and bid fair for a fine day, which was realised and we enjoyed ourselves on deck. It was quite a change, a Sunday on board a vessel, and at 9 o'clock the Sunday School came vividly in our mind's happy reminiscences. At a quarter to eleven the bell went for church service, which was held in the saloon. The Captain read the prayers of the Episcopal Church, read the lessons, and gave a short discourse from Job. 87th chap., 5th verse. On account of the diversity of creed he kept clear of doctrine and based his remarks on nature an its analogies. The singing was conducted by one of the saloon passengers on the pianoforte and prettily sung. We had tea on deck and it was a sort of family picnic; the sun shone brilliantly all day. The few British and American passengers collected together and sang a few hymns from Silver Songs, Sankey, and "Jesus, Lover of my soul," &c.
Monday did not promise well, but by the afternoon the sun gleamed out and we spent the day principally on deck. Tuesday morning was thick with fog, the fog warner was brought into requisition to give warning to other vessels, so that we might avoid collisions. This is a very wise arrangement. By 2 o'clock the rain began to fall, and it was a miserable time. Passengers huddled in the passages, engine sheds, and stokers room. The wind began to blow, and kept up till Wednesday afternoon, then we were in mid-Atlantic. The afternoon kept getting worse and worse and made the vessel rock from centre to circumference. The storm kept on till Thursday morning and then abated. It was both awful and grand to see the waves and spray landing over the deck, and sometimes down the hatchway till the doors had to be closed. The sailors don't consider it a storm till it reaches the ventilators, they reaching about 8 feet from the floor of the deck. Thursday, 21st opened better, the storm having abated, and at 7 o'clock in the morning we discovered the icebergs in the distance, it was intensely cold, we suppose it arising from the ice. During the day the sun got more brilliant, the sick passengers got upon deck, and things assumed a more pleasant aspect. Through the course of the day huge pieces of ice were seen floating detached from their "parents," some large ones appeared nearly as large as the vessel. After dinner all was buoyant with the prospect of seeing land again.

By 4 o'clock we reached Belle Isle, quietly passed through the straits, saw the lighthouse, which is occupied by a father, son, and daughter, which must be very lonely, as the Oregon is the first vessel that has come the northerly route to Quebec this season. In the evening a concert was given in the Intermediate apartments presided over by Captain Robinson, who is in the merchant service on the Mediterranean Sea, and who was going to see his mother after an absence of six years, at her residence at Halifax, Nova Scotia. Friday, June 22nd, -The morning opened bright, all the passengers appearing on deck, the atmosphere was a little warmer. However, by ten o'clock we were enveloped in a dense fog, so much so that the fog warner was brought into requisition. After dinner the rain began to fall and continued all the day. Another concert was given in the same apartments as the previous evening, Captain Robinson again presiding. Most of the English speaking tongues are invited, and here English, Scotch, and Irish are on an equality, granting Home Rule with a vengeance, without a measure going through either Houses of Parliament. Saturday morning, June 23rd: - All are up in good time, and by 5 o'clock the mainland is reached, leading us into the Lawrence Gulf. The scenery is magnificent, clothed with grass and timber, beautiful landscape scenery seldom surpassed is seen as we go along. Here and there in small plateau's are small fishing villages with wooden houses; plenty of fish abound in the gulf, and the forest provides abundance of
game for ardent sportsmen. The settlers are mostly French-Canadians, and call them the French Allotments. As we passed through the gulf the sun shone brightly and makes us feel that we are nearing the "sunny land." The shades of evening and the anticipation of reaching our destination creates a liveliness among the passengers. Dancing is going on both among the British and foreigners, and if we have to give the palm the foreigners put the British in the shade. Dutch, German, Swedes are all good dancers and card players.
By ten o'clock in the evening we reach Rimouski, a Russian name, supposed to have been settled by a Russian of that name Here the tender comes and takes the mails and parcel post boxes to be dispersed through various parts of the Dominion. Here our children are tickled with the bags and boxes, and know what they mean by the seals upon them. The day closes with a splendid sunset; by this time the moon makes her appearance, with her silvery gleams on the placid waters of the gulf. Shortly after we leave Rimouski the vessel enters the River St Lawrence, a splendid river, and goes up slowly, having the pilot on board, who frequently takes soundings as he goes along, so that we may arrive all right.
Sunday morning, June 24th. -Had breakfast on deck, and shortly commenced to pack, before the throng commenced. As we proceed along on both sides of the river are beautiful residences and holdings; the inhabitants are in much better positions than those on the mainland. As we steamed quietly into Quebec the bells were going for church and numbers were on the road riding in their "buggys." By 10:35 we are slided into dock, and then the announcement is made that those who are ticketed for the Canadian Pacific Railway will leave first, and those ticketed for the Grand Trunk after. After the process of getting luggage, we are transferred to Point Levi, and there get our certificates exchanged for railway tickets. A special train met the boat and by two o'clock we were on an inland journey. A mass of woodland is still in its pristine form, as planted by the creator between Point Levi and Montreal. At Montreal our car is put on with a

luggage van and only travels at a slow pace, having so many stops. The country grows better and better as we proceed along and within 150 miles of Toronto there are splendid holdings, large fruit orchards, good houses and out buildings. We arrived in Toronto, the Queen of western cities, situated on Lake Ontario, 25 miles wide. The conductor told us we should arrive at the place by 5 a.m. on Monday morning, but we did not reach until 6 p.m. Too late for the train for Durham, and went on as far as Guelph, that evening; a beautiful city and surrounded by good country. The Americans are not very punctual in their railway arrangements, or else we ought to have reached our destination that evening. Stayed at an hotel in Guelph, got refreshed and good beds. Got the train at Noon for Durham and arrived at 3:30, and was met at the station by my brother in law Joseph Teasdale, who left Nenthead in 1882 *(see 20th August 1887)*.

Got to his residence and all enjoyed a good cup of Nenthead tea in Canada. The question may be asked what are our impressions of Canada? Our stay has only been limited, but no doubt it is a grand country and destined to play a very important part in British affairs.

Most of the farmers have their own holdings, have no landlords to face every half year. They sell their produce well, butter is 14 cents or 7d per pound; eggs 13 cents per doz., fat steers $25; dairy cows $30; pure breed $50 to $100; houses $100; yearlings $25 to $40.

Improved farms range from $6,000 to $12,000; young pigs $8. One thing particularly strikes us in Canada is the stretch of railway and the complete network through the country. There is one striking difference between the old Country and Canada, they don't spend all their money on railway stations, but extend the line up the country. Here the Railway Co.'s of England might learn a lesson and help to develop the resources of the country. A line is now being constructed from Lake Huron to Owen's sound on the Georgian Bay. I must now conclude and may give your readers some more information after I have obtained more experience of any part of Canada.

I am

Henry Hall. June 30th, 1888, Silver Creek Farm,

Bentinck Township, County Grey, Ontario.

In 1871, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 59, his wife Hannah 47, children Henry, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Emerson C. lead miner, aged 20, Esther, domestic servant, aged 19, William, lead ore washer, aged 17, John 12, Stephen 10, Jane 7, and Margaret Ann 5.

In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, Henry Hall, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Sarah (Tatters) aged 33, children Hannah L. 4, and John 1.

Passenger records show the family travelled on the SS Oregon, arriving at Quebec on 24th June 1888.

The 1891 census record, at Bentinck, Grey South, Ontario, Henry Hall, farmer aged 43, his wife Sarah, aged 43, daughter Hannah aged 14, son William 9, daughter Isabella 6, and Ann Wilson aged 20, all born England & all listed as Methodist.

In 1901, Isabel was working as a domestic servant for John Livingstone & his family at Durham, Grey (South), Ontario.

See 27th February 1869, 31st August 1872, 28th March 1874, 25th July 1874, 12th May 1877, 19th June 1880, 29th July 1882, 14th June 1884, 5th March

1887, 20th August 1887, 21st July 1888, 29th April 1893, and 11th November 1893.

21st July 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Stanhope, aged 71, Mary, wife of John Wilson, painter.
Mary Ann Dodd baptised Monday 19th February 1816, daughter of Simon Dodd (son of Thomas Dodd Chief agent an Nenthead 1780's – 1816) & Mary Bunting, married John Wilson, painter, Saturday 15th August 1846.
In 1851, at Stanhope, John Wilson, decorative painter, aged 29, born Carlisle, his wife Mary 34, children Sophia 9, John 4, Thomas C. 2, and Mary 5 months (died 22nd June 1858, aged 7).
In 1861, at Stanhope, John Wilson, decorative painter, aged 39, his wife Mary 41, children John, decorative painter, 14, Anna 5, and brother in law Thomas Dodd aged 39; in 1851, Thomas was living with his father Simon, widow, teacher, aged 54, Thomas was described as weak minded. Simon Dodd died 11th December 1858, aged 65, his wife Mary died 1843??
In 1871, at Stanhope, John Wilson, decorative painter, aged 48, his wife Mary 50, daughter Anna 15, son John, decorative painter, aged 26, sons wife Anna 24, grandson Charles 1, and brother in law Thomas Dodd 48.
In 1881, at Ivy Cottage, Stanhope, John Wilson, decorative painter, aged 58, his wife Mary 60, married son John 34, daughter in law, Anna Wilson 34, grand children John Ed. Wilson 4, Arnold Wilson 3, brother in law, Thomas Dodd 59, and grandson Charles I. Wilson 11.
In 1891, at 20 Catherine Street, York, John Wilson, painter, aged 45, his wife Anne 45, children John Edward, grocer, aged 14, Arnold, engraver, aged 13, and Mary 4 years. In 1891, Thomas Dodd was an inmate at Stanhope workhouse, unkindly referred to as an idiot.
See 21st March 1856, 3rd December 1859, 14th October 1871, 4th May 1872, 15th February 1873, 30th June 1877, 1st April 1882.

28th July 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Skytmyr mines, Norway *(Froland, South East Norway, NE of Kristiansand, copper, lead, silver),* 14th inst., Robert William, youngest son of Henry and Ellen *Milburn late of Stonecroft.*
In 1901, at Newbrough, Henry Milburn, born Allendale, limestone quarry contractor, employer, aged 64, his wife Ellen (Forster, married 4th quarter of 1871, at Haltwhistle), born Haltwhistle, aged 52, and daughter Lizzie A. N. born Norway, aged 18.
At Mangawhare, Wairoa, New Zealand, May 20th found drowned, Mrs Mary J Mackenzie, eldest daughter of Mr Wm. Nixon, Stonecroft mines.

Marlborough Express 23rd May 1888
A MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR.
(United Press Association)
Auckland, May 22. The dead body of a woman named Mrs Mary Mackenzie, a dressmaker living at Mangawhare, Dargaville, was found yesterday afternoon on the banks of the Mangawhare River, at ebb tide. There was a severe wound on the mouth, apparently from a blow, the front teeth of deceased having penetrated the lip. Mrs Mackenzie was at church on Sunday evening,

accompanied by two gentlemen friends. About 9 o'clock screams of a woman proceeding from the direction of the river were heard, but no one was seen. The case has created considerable excitement, as circumstances' point to murder or suicide. Deceased, on returning from Church on a Sunday in March last, found some men in her house, and she had since been in great fear. Her husband is said to be working at the gum fields.

In 1861, at Newbrough, William Nixon, lead ore dresser, aged 37, his wife Mary 33, children Mary Jane 9, Hugh 5, John Reed 2, Ann 8 months, and Mary Nixon, miners widow, aged 78.

In 1871, at Stonecroft mine, Newbrough, William Nixon, lead ore dresser, aged 47, his wife Mary 42, children Hugh, fireman at lead mine, aged15, John R, lead ore washer, aged 12, Annie 10, Bessy 8, Emma 6, and William 3.

In 1881, at Stonecroft mine, William Nixon, widow, lead ore dresser, aged 57, children Annie, house keeper, aged 20, Emma, pupil teacher, aged 16, and William 13.

In 1891, at Stonecroft Mine, William Nixon, widow, lead ore dresser, aged 67, daughter Anne 30, and son William, engine driver, stationary, aged 23.

See 11th November 1876, 13th May 1882, & 17th December 1898.

28th July 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On account of the Hay harvest, lead mining operations have to be stopped for a month, with the exception of one or two “foreheads” &c. which have to be kept working, and also the dressing of lead ore will have no stoppage.

4th August 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical Officers report for No. 2 district was read and showed the number of deaths on an estimated population of 1900 gave an average death rate of 10.5 per 1000.

Deaths

Stanhope, Belle Vue, (at the residence of her father) 28th ult., aged 32, Isabella, wife of John Crawhall, The Square, Stanhope. *See 6th March 1886*

At Butts, Alston, 30th ult. aged 59, Sarah widow of George Philipson.

See 9th May 1885, her husband Barnfather also known as George.

11th August 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE

The Society of Friends have lost one of the oldest members of that body in Allendale, through the death at the age of 79 years of Abraham Shield, of Burn Law, Keenley, whose internment took place at the Friends burial ground, Allendale Town, on Wednesday last. *Farmer.*

18th August 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr William Wilkinson of St John’s Chapel left his homestead on Wednesday morning last for British Columbia. The young man has a brother to go to, who will greatly assist him at the commencement of his new enterprise.

In 1881, at St John's Chapel, John Wilkinson, sawyer, aged 59, his wife Jane 53, children William, labourer, aged 17, Margaret 14, George H. 11, Alfred 11, Joseph, coal miners labourer, aged 22. Canadian marriage records show William Wilkinson, aged 41, parents John Wilkinson & Jane Walace, married Marion Allison, parents Thomas Allison & Jane McCallister, born Culross, aged 29, at Bruce, Ontario on 22nd February 1905.

25th August 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Ashgill, Alston, 22nd inst., aged 71, Frances, widow of John Elliott, late gamekeeper to the London Lead Company.
See 30th June 1888

15th September 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Church, 12th inst., Arthur George Wood of Worcester to Clara daughter of the late Adam Walton of Alston and niece of the Mayor of Newcastle. (*Thomas Richardson Mayor in 1888*)
Deaths
Alston 8th inst., aged 58, George Ware of Stonecroft mines.

George Ware, memorial stone, St Peter's Newbrough

The Cashier to the Stonecroft mines, whilst taking a holiday at Alston with his wife and 16-year-old son. Whilst travelling from Garrigill to Alston the pony fell and then broke into a gallop, Mr Ware jumped from the trap and subsequently dislocated his neck. Mrs Ware and her son escaped as the son managed to regain control of the pony. Mr Ware died two hours after receiving the injury.

In 1871, at Stonecroft Cottage, George Ware, born Petertary, Devon, accountant, aged 41, and his wife Mary Ann (Hindmarsh, married 7th March 1869), aged 34.
In 1881, at Woodbine House, Newbrough, George Ware, accountant, aged 51, his wife Mary A. 44, son Tom E. 9, sister in law, Elizabeth Charlton, widow, annuitant, aged 58, niece Jane Hindmarsh, aged 16, niece Jane A. Stokoe, aged 28, and her son Edward Stokoe, aged 7. See 13th March 1869 & 27th November1886
Middleton Teesdale, The Grove 7th inst., in his 84th year, **Robert Walton Bainbridge** late Superintendent of the London Lead Company.
In 1841, at Middleton, Robert W. Bainbridge, solicitor, aged 35, his wife Jane (Stagg, 4th July 1837, at Middleton) aged 30, and son Robert 2.
In 1851, at Middleton House, Robert W. Bainbridge, superintendent of the London Co. mines, aged 45, his wife Jane 40, children Robert G.12, Henry G. 9, Emily Ann 6, William John 4, Charles Ed 1, and unmarried sister in law Ann G Stagg 42.
In 1861, at Middleton House, Robert Walton Bainbridge, superintendent of the London Co. mines, aged 55, his wife Jane 49, children Henry George, clerk & assistant to superintendent, aged 19 (died 8th August 1870, aged 29), Charles Edward 11, Lucy Elizabeth 9, and Laura Matilde Jane aged 6.
Emily Bainbridge married the Rev T. H. Pattinson 27th August 1868.
In 1871, at Hude Street, Middleton, Robert W Bainbridge, superintendent, of works & lead mines of lead Co. aged 65, his wife Jane 58, Charles E. superintendent of lead smelting works, aged 21, Lucy E. 19, and Laura M. 16. Jane his wife died 19th November 1880.

IHS
IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE
OF
JANE BAINBRIDGE
DAUGHTER OF THE LATE
ROBERT STAGG
AND THE BELOVED WIFE OF
ROBERT WALTON BAINBRIDGE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE AT
MIDDLETON HOUSE
ON THE 19TH NOVEMBER 1880
AGED 70 YEARS
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
ROBERT WALTON BAINBRIDGE
WHO ENTERED INTO REST
AT MIDDLETON
ON THE 7TH SEPTEMBER 1888
AGED 83 YEARS

In 1881, at Middleton House, Robert W. Bainbridge, widow, Superintendent London Lead Company Mines And Works aged 75, daughter Lucy Elizabeth 29, daughter Laura Matilda J. 26, cousin Edith Bainbridge 33, and visitor Mary Edith Beckwith 4.
Below are extracts from the company minutes:

17th September 1840 LLC 24
Mr. R W Bainbridge be appointed General Mine Agent (in addition to his present appointment as Law Agent) at a salary of £400 per annum for the joint appointment.

31st January 1850 LLC 26
Resolved that the salary of Mr. R W Bainbridge as Superintendent be one thousand pounds per annum from Lady Day next.

15th September 1868 LLC 31
The Superintendent be authorised to send his son Mr. Henry G Bainbridge to visit from time to time the principle establishments in the trade, as he may deem desirable.

22nd September 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wath Brow, Cleator Moor, 16th inst., aged 40, Robert Hymers, late of Leadgate, Alston.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Alston, Robert Clementson, lead miner & farmer of 7 acres, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 46, son John, joiner, aged 16, and nephew Robert Hymers, lead miner, aged 24. The previous census returns show that Robert had lived with relatives from the 1841 census onwards, which suggests his parents died before this date.
In 1881, at 4 Glenridding Cottages, Patterdale, James Oglethorpe, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Maria 43, niece Jane Smith 11, boarders John Dalton, lead miner, aged 32, John Harrison, lead miner, aged 49, and Robert Hymer, lead miner, aged 32.
At Dunedin, New Zealand, 28th July, aged 72, at his residence, Haydon Villa, Glen, Matthew Johnson, late of Haydon Bridge.
In 1861, at Plunder Heath, Haydon, Matthew Johnson, lead ore miner, aged 45, his wife Margaret 39, children Jane 21, John, engine keeper, aged 18, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 16, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Mary 9, Thomas 7, Robert 5, William 3, Edward 1, and niece Ann Stephenson 11.
In 1871, at Railway Cottage, Haydon, Matthew Johnson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Margaret 49, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, Mary, dress maker, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 17, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Edward, lead ore washer, aged 11, and Samuel 5.

29th September 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At London, 13th inst., aged 69, Elizabeth Dalton, late of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Foulard, Nenthead, Elizabeth Dalton, born Westmorland, unmarried, teacher, aged 52. In 1881, at Foulard, Nenthead, Elizabeth Dalton, unmarried, milliner, aged 62.

20th October 1888 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Independent Chapel, 16th inst., John G. Armstrong, Nenthead to Isabella daughter of Smith Bright, Hudgill Rigg, Alston.

In 1881 at Hudgill Rigg, Smith Bright, farmer of 100 acres, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, children John, coal miner, aged 28, Henry, coal miner, aged 25, Robert W. shepherd, aged 21, and Isabella 14.

In 1881, at Overwater Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann aged 41, children Leah 19, John G. lead miner, aged 17, and Robert W. lead ore washer, aged 14.

John Greenwell Armstrong died 1st quarter 1890, aged 26.

In 1891, at Hudgill Rigg, Hannah Bright, widow farmer, aged 60, sons John, farmer, aged 38, Robert W. lead miner, aged 30, and daughter Isabel, widow, aged 24.

See 12th April 1884, and 30th October 1875

Deaths

At Four Dargue, 11th inst., aged 26, John Ridley, son of the late John Pearson, lead miner.

The 1841 census gives John as the son of Hannah Pearson, farmer. Thomas Pearson Married Hannah Dickinson 1st July 1820.

Sarah Ridley married John Pearson at Alston on 22nd September 1850, the 1851 census shows them living at Loaning Head, John Pearson aged 29, his wife Sarah aged 24, and son Robert 1 month.

In 1861 at Fourdargue John Pearson, lead miner 40, his wife Sarah 34, Robert 10, Elizabeth 8, Mary 6, Joseph 4, and Hannah 1.

In 1871, at Fourdargue, Alston, John Pearson, lead miner & farmer, aged 50, his wife Sarah 44, children Robert, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, bobbin winder, aged 14, Hannah 11, John R. 8, Thomas 6, and Sarah L. 3.

John Pearson died 15th November 1871, aged 51.

See 25th November 1871, 8th July 1876, & 19th October 1889

27th October 1888 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's return for No. 2 district gave the death rate as 12.43 per 1000. The general health of the district had been satisfactory.

THE AMBULANCE MOVEMENT AT STANHOPE

Two large classes have been formed at Stanhope containing over 70 members. Dr Robinson is the lecturer and instructor to one and Dr Livingstone is the other. Most of the members have been supplied with illustrated bandages and books with instructions.

Marriages

Alston Independent Chapel, 21st inst., Tom Armstrong, Rice, Alston to Annie daughter of John Gill, Bale Hill, Alston

Deaths

At Allendale Town, 17th inst., aged 76, Hannah Mulcaster, widow of the late Thomas Todd Mulcaster, smelting agent. *See 12th June 1875*

At Allendale 26th inst., aged 3 years and 11 months, Willie son of William and Ellen Moore *(Draper).*

3rd November 1888 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Greenends, 27th ult., aged 21, Phillis Ann, daughter of John Archer, farmer.
In 1861, at Bank Top Head, William Archer, proprietor of work horses, aged 61, his wife Hannah 57, son John, carter, aged 30, daughter Sarah A 17, niece Sarah Archer, aged 22, and servant John Dixon, carter, aged 20.
In 1871, at Bank Head, Nenthead, John Archer, farmer of 75 acres, aged 40, his wife Jane (married 1st quarter 1865) aged 26, born Hexham, children Hannah E 5, Phillis 3, Sarah Ann 2, and general servant Phillis Renwick 18.
In 1881, at North Road, Darlington, John Archer, dairyman & hosier, aged 50, his wife Jane 36, children Hannah E. 15, Phillis 13, Sarah A. 12, John H. 6, William A. 4, and Jane 1. In 1891, at Low Greenends, John Archer, farmer, aged 60, his wife Jane 46, children Hannah E 25, John H 17, William A. grocers assistant, aged 14, Jane 11, Thomas M 9, and Winifred 5.
John Archer died 1st quarter 1900, aged 69.
See 29th September 1863.
At Alston, 27th ult., aged 61 William Tatters.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Sarah Tatters, widow, aged 66, sons Thomas, woodman, aged 41, and William, lead ore smelter aged 23.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, William Tatters, lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Rachel (Erwin, married 4th March 1860, Nenthead) aged 25, children John 3, and Sarah 2 months.
In 1871, at Front Street, Alston, William Tatters, general dealer, aged 43, wife Rachel 35, children John 13, George 8, and Thomas W. aged 4.
In 1881, at 5 Market Place, Alston, William Tatters, china merchant, aged 52, wife Rachel 45, children John, letter carrier, aged 22, George, wool spinner, aged 17, Thomas William, china merchants assistant, aged 14, Elizabeth Sarah 5, Isabella 3, Walton 1, and Ruth 9.
See 7th September 1895
Nenthead Hill Top, 26th ult., Laura, infant daughter of William and Susannah Martin.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Martha (Havelock, married 8th March 1863) aged 30, children Susannah 7, Mary Jane 6, Isabella 4, Catharon 1, and Stepson, Thomas Havelock 10. In 1881, Susannah aged 17, was working as a domestic servant for John F Sutton, Wesleyan minister, aged 31, and his family, at Westerly Terrace, Haltwhistle.
In 1871, at Ashgill, Garrigill, John Martin, farmer & lead miner, aged 43, his wife Martha 40, children Mary 17, Elizabeth 13, Henry 11, William 7, John J. 3, and Martha 1 week. John Martin died 4th quarter 1879 aged 52.
In 1881, at Little Gill Cottage, Ashgill, Garrigill, Martha Martin, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 50, children Elisabeth, domestic and dairy work, aged 23, Henry, carrier, aged 19, William, carrier, aged 16, John J. 13, and Martha 10.
William Martin married Susannah Dixon 3rd quarter of 1888.
In 1891, at 17 Stephen Street, Byker, William Martin, railway platelayer, aged 26 and his wife Susannah aged 27
In 1901, at 48 Stephen Street, Byker, William Martin, platelayer, aged 36 his wife Susannah aged 37, and daughter Florence aged 8.

10th November 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr James Sparke jun. has been appointed postmaster of Wearhead, Weardale.

17th November 1888 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

LEAD TRADE

Alstonians are at present much concerned at the drop in the price of lead. For a series of years, the price had been miserably low ranging from £11 to £13 per ton, as compared with £18 to £20, the normal range sixteen to twenty years ago. A month or two since, however, the price moved upwards until it touched, or very nearly touched £16; and high hopes were entertained that the lead mining industry was entering an era of comparative prosperity. These hopes however, have been doomed to disappointment, for the price has now fallen to £13 10s. The operations of an American ring are stated to be responsible for the rise, and its collapse for the fall of prices.

24th November 1888 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst., Robert Walton, Overwater to Susannah Pattinson, Whitehall.

In 1881, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 49, children Robert, lead miner, aged 28, Elizabeth A. 25, Mary J. 15, and Bridget aged 13.

In 1891, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Susannah 35, and daughter Mary Ellen 2. In 1901, at Lane Ends, Nenthead, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Susannah 45, and daughter Mary E 12.

In 1911, at Spring House, Nenthead, Robert Walton, retired lead miner, aged 58, and his wife Susannah 55.

Robert Walton died 3rd quarter 1912, aged 59.

See 18th January 1890

Deaths

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 19th inst., aged 30, Margaret, wife of George Black, miner.

See 15th March 1879, 27th May 1882, 17th March 1883, 9th May 1891, and 18th April 1908

24th November 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

SUDDEN DEATH OF A LEAD MINER.

Thomas Whitfield, lead miner, Greystones started for work on Wednesday morning fell sick and returned home again, where he died on Thursday morning.

In 1881, Prestone, Stanhope, John Whitfield, lead miner, aged 54, his wife 50, and son Thomas 16, died aged 24.

1st December 1888 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF AN OCTOGENARIAN AT WOLSINGHAM.

Few men were more widely known in the surrounding district than the late Mr John Egglestone whose death took place on Monday last at the ripe old age of 83 years. In his younger days he was well known as a very expert lead miner …

In 1841, Wear Bridge Lane, Wolsingham, John Egglestone, gardener, aged 30, his wife Mary (Wilkinson) aged 30, children Ann 11, Elliott 7, William 4, and Ralph 2. In 1851, at Cause Way, Wolsingham, John Egglestone, gardener and lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary 42, children Ann 20, Elliot, gardener and lead miner, aged 17, William 14, Thomas 8, and George T. 3 months. In 1861, at Foster Lane, Wolsingham, John Egglestone, gardener, aged 53, his wife Mary aged 52, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, and grandson George aged 10. Mary died in 1864.
In 1871, at Cause Way, Foster Lane, Wolsingham, John Egglestone, gardener, aged 61, his wife Ann (Bellerby, married 1st quarter of 1868) aged 55, and son, Thomas, gardener, aged 27, and grandson, George, brewers drayman, aged 19.
In 1881, at Mill Green, Wolsingham, John Egglestone, gardener, his wife Ann, dressmaker aged 66, and lodger William Tweddle, gardener, and local Methodist preacher, aged 34.

1st December 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr R. Bright the well-known host of Cowshill Hotel has taken the King's Arms together with the farm and shooting rights of Harthope Moor. It is understood that the first named hostelry will be retained under the control of Mrs Bright's daughter Mrs O. Monkhouse, the Allers.

John Egglestone death took place on Monday last at the ripe age of 83 years. In his younger days he was well known as a very expert lead miner and during his declining years his geological knowledge brought men of considerable ability to ask his advice on knotty problems concerning the rich lead ore veins of the district. He was also considerably skilled in the use of the violin. … He leaves behind his two sons, one daughter, and a goodly number of grand and great grandchildren.

8th December 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINING WAGE DISPUTE.

There were down for hearing at the Stanhope Police Court on Friday week about thirty cases in which workmen sued the principle of **Harehope Gill Mine**, Weardale for wages due to them. Half the amount claimed has been paid, and the cases were adjourned until the regular court day, before which time it is hoped matters will be amicably adjusted.

15th December 1888 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT INQUEST

At noon, on Saturday last, at the King's Head Inn, St John's Chapel, Mr Proud, deputy coroner held an inquest on the body of Joshua Watson (51) of St John's

Chapel, who was crushed to death on Friday morning, the 7th inst., at Middle level lead mine by the breaking away of some wood works and consequent fall of a quantity of debris. ... leaves a widow and eight of a family behind him. Verdict accidental death.

In 1841, at Burn Foot, Stanhope, John Watson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children Frances 9, Joseph 7, Joshua 3, and Mary 5 months.
In 1851, at Burn Foot, Stanhope, John Watson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary 41, children Frances 19, Joseph 17, Joshua 13, and Mary Ann 10, and John 6.
In 1861, at Burn Foot, Stanhope, Joshua Watson, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary Ann (Gibson, married 1st quarter of 1861), aged 20, mother Mary Watson, widow, aged 53, brother John Watson 10, sister Elizabeth Watson 8, and brother Thomas Watson 4.
In 1871, at Frog Hall, Stanhope, Joshua Watson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary A. 31, children Elizabeth 7, Joseph 6, John W. 4, and Mary H. 2.
In 1881, Burn Foot, Stanhope, Joshua Watson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary Ann 40, children Elizabeth 17, Joseph, road labourer, aged 16, John W. road labourer, aged 14, Mary H. 12, Francis A. 5, Charlotte E. 2, and Sarah A.
In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Mary Ann Watson, widow, aged 50, children Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 27, Joseph, lead miner, aged 26, John W. lead miner, aged 24, Mary H. 22, Frances A. 15, Charlotte E. 12, Sarah J. 10, and Thomas 7.

22nd December 1888 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Garden Cottage Alston, 17th inst., aged 58, John Walton, lead miner.
See 19th April 1890
At Hill Top, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 61, Sarah, relict of Joshua Cail, lead miner.
In 1851, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, Joshua Cail (born Stanhope), miner, aged 30, and his wife Sarah (Teasdale, born Alston, married 1st quarter of 1846, at Weardale) aged 25.
In 1861, at Bank Foot House, Nenthead, Joshua Cail, lead ore miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah 35, and daughter Margaret 8 years.
In 1871, at Holmefoots, Nenthead, Joshua Cail, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Sarah 46, and son Joseph T. 8 years.
Joshua Cail died 2nd quarter of 1876, aged 57.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Sarah Cail, widow, housekeeper, aged 54, son Joseph blacksmith, aged 18, and occupier, Hartley Petty, schoolmaster, elementary school, aged 27.
At Leadgate, Alston, 18th inst., Mary Jane infant daughter of Smith Fawcett.
See 3rd June 1876, 17th September 1881, 27th January 1912

29th December 1888 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
A MINE OWNER AND HIS MEN.
At Stanhope Police Court on Friday week, Mr J. T. Proud, solicitor, appeared in support of 32 summonses issued by the workmen employed at **Harehope Gill** Mine, Frosterley, claiming from their employer, Mr George Underwood, of Wimbledon, the sum of £179 15s 7d for wages. Mr Proud explained that the

summonses had been adjourned from the last court at the request of the defendant, who had since paid £103 16s 7d, and he now proposed to prove the cases and ask for an order from the bench for the payment of the balance of cash. The case of J. J. Watson having been taken, Mr Barnes, defendants' agent, was called and consented to the other cases being decided by it. The bench made an order for payment of the amount due to the men, allowing them two days for attending at court, and £5 solicitors costs.

5th January 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

ALLEGED POLLUTION OF A STREAM

The "work" brought out of Harehope Gill Lead Mine is said to be polluting water which the cattle of a neighbouring farm drink. The water running from the mine according to the Nuisance Inspector is "puddle;" and at Friday's meeting of Weardale Sanitary Authority, orders were issued to stay further pollution.

11th January 1889 (Carlisle Patriot)

NENTHEAD LEAD AND ZINC CO. —The annual meeting of the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company, Limited, was held on Friday, Mr J. C. Swan presiding. The report showed profit on mining and manufacturing account of £7317, from which interest charges and proportion of formation expenses are paid, debit balance extinguished, and £1888 carried forward to the credit of the present year's account. The production of ore has been maintained, and improvements in the mines and machinery have been carried out at the cost of revenue. The report was adopted.

KESWICK AND THE LAKES.

A MINER KILLED AT THORNTHWAITE.

On Tuesday, Edward Brown, *(aged 45)* of Keswick, lost his life at the Thornthwaite mines' of the Cumberland Lead Mining Company. He was engaged in repairing some woodwork to prevent a fall of debris, when rush took place, and buried him. Accidents have been very rare in these mines, and the occurrence caused some consternation among the miners.

12th January 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, 9th inst., aged 54, Sarah, daughter of the late John White, farmer.
See 13th January 1877

At Town Head, Alston, 6th inst., aged 27, John Smith.

At Clarghyll Hall, Alston, 9th inst., aged 71, the Rev Octavius James, Rector of Kirkhaugh.

26th January 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Leadville, Colorado, on December 6th 1888, aged 44 years, Thompson Philipson, late of Swinhope, Allenheads.
In 1851, at Allendale, John Philipson, farming 30 acres, aged 49, his wife Mary (Lee, married 13th June 1829) aged 43, children John, Agr. Labourer, aged 20, Ann 17, George 15, Mary 12, Hannah 10, and Thompson 7.

In 1861, at Allendale, John Philipson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth 30, children Mary A. 8, John 7 months, and brother Thompson Philipson, excavator, aged 17.

2nd February 1889 (Hexham Courant)

SAD END OF ALSTON MAN IN NOVA SCOTIA

Mr Errington Gibson a native of Alston, Cumberland, who many years ago emigrated to Halifax, Nova Scotia, has recently died from injuries accidentally received. By trade a joiner. He engaged in the timber trade one way or another during his long residence in Halifax and on the 11th ult., he was engaged in working a moulding machine in the mill of which he was one of the proprietors, and when in the act of adjusting a screw, by some means or other there was a slip and one of the knives coming in contact with his left hand severed the three centre fingers close by their roots, and left the little finger and thumb terribly cut and bruised. He was at once removed to his residence and two doctors were soon in attendance. On examination they recommended the use of Chloroform in connection with the necessary operation. This was administered and in a few minutes he passed away. He leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss; a daughter and two sons. Deceased was 50 years of age.

In 1851, at Beldy, Garrigill, John Gibson, house carpenter, aged 37, his wife Jane 37, children Errington, lead mine labourer, aged 13, James, lead mine labourer, aged 10, John 8, and Elizabeth 6.

In 1861, at Main street, Alston, Mary Walton, widow, furniture dealer, aged 65 her daughter Elizabeth Gibson (Walton, married 1st quarter of 1860), aged 23, son in law Errington Gibson, joiner, aged 23, and grandson Fulton Gibson 6 months.

In 1871, at Dartmouth, East Halifax, Errington Gibson, joiner, Methodist, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 32, children Fulton 10, Jane 8, Edwin 6, all born England, A Thomas 3, and J John 1 both born Nova Scotia.

In 1881, at Ward 1, Halifax City, Errington Gibson, sash & door maker, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, Fulton, sash & door maker, aged 20, Jane 18, and Edwin 16.

2nd February 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE

On Tuesday, last Hodgson Curry of Stanhope (late of Rookhope) had his leg broken in 2 places by a fall of earth in the Newlandside Limestone quarry. The ambulance men tied up his injured limb in splints and conveyed him home on an ambulance stretcher, where medical aid was called in and the leg set.

In 1881, William Curry, widow, lead smelter, aged 56, daughter Isabella A. housekeeper, aged 31, son Hodgson, railway labourer, aged 20, born Boltsburn, Rookhope, grandchildren Mary E. 11, and William T. 9.

In 1891, at Leadgate, Durham, Hodgson Curry, coal miner, aged 30, wife Elizabeth J. 23, and daughter Annie 3.

16th February 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE CLOSING IRONSTONES MINES.

The Weardale Iron Company's mines Upper Weardale are to be closed this week.

Mrs Hannah Philipson widow of Mr Dryden Philipson and one of the oldest residents in Rookhope quietly departed this life on Sunday 3rd inst., in the 80th year of her age.

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel 9th inst., Robert Bell of Middle Craig, Alston, to Elizabeth Martin, Ashgill, Alston.

In 1871, at Ashgill, John Martin, farmer & lead miner, aged 43, his wife Martha Martin 40, children Mary 17, Elizabeth 13, Henry 11, William 7, John J 3, and Martha 1 week.

In 1881, at Little Gill Cottage, Ashgill, Martha Martin, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 50, children Elisabeth, dairy work, aged 23, Henry, carrier, aged 19, William, carrier, aged 16, John J. 13, and Martha 10.

In 1861, at Moonstones, Garrigill, John Bell, lead miner & farmer, aged 34, his wife Ann 33, children Robert 5, and Anne 2.

John Bell died 1862, 1863, or 1864.

In 1871, at Lee House, Garrigill, Ann Bell, widow, aged 43, children Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Annie 12, John 9, and Elizabeth 6.

In 1881, at Middle Craig, Ann Bell, widow, farmer of 29 acres, aged 53, children Robert, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, out of employment, aged 19, and Annie 22.

In 1891, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Ann Bell, widow, farmer, aged 63, married son, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, son John lead miner, aged 29, and daughter Elizabeth 26?

In 1901, at Shield Hill, Alston, Robert Bell, farmer & lead miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 43, children John J 8, Martin 5, and Florence 3. In 1911, at Middle Craig, Alston, Robert Bell, farmer aged 55, his wife Elizabeth aged 53, son John James, bootmaker, aged 18, and daughter Florence aged 13.

Robert Bell died 3rd quarter 1915, aged 60.

See 28th August 1875.

Deaths

At Butts, Alston, 7th inst., aged 72, Ann, widow of Robert Hopes, miner.

In 1841, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Sarah Hopes (Correy, married Robert Houpes 30th January 1808 at Alston, their son Robert was born 1st October 1808), widow, aged 55, and Robert Hopes, lead miner aged 30.

In 1851, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Robert Hoops, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 33, children Jane 6, Robert 4, and John 1.

Robert Hopes, died 1st quarter 1855.

In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Nancy Hopes, general labourer, aged 43, children Robert, lead miner, aged 14, John, aged 12, Jane, worsted spinner, aged 18, and Mary A.2.

In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Ann Hopes, formerly char woman, aged 65, children Robert, masons labourer, aged 24, John, stone mason, aged 22, Jane, woollen mill girl, aged 27, and Mary A.13.

In 1881, Mary A. Hopes aged 22, employed at the woollen mill was lodging with Mary Thompson, at the Butts, Alston. Her Mother Ann was living with her son, at 27 Cutlers Hall Road, Shotley Bridge, John Hopes, stone mason, aged 27, his wife Maria 24, children Robert M. 3, Mary A. 1, and mother Ann Hopes, widow, aged 64. In 1891, at Cutlers Hall Road, John Hope, mason, aged 36, his wife Mary 32, children Robert W. 13, Mary A. 11, Jane 9, John 5, Elizabeth 3, and Margaret 10 months.

23rd February 1889 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The Morning Call a Winnipeg daily Newspaper notices the marriage of a well known and highly respected Alstonian as follows: Charles A. Millican, CE., and Miss Helen Miller of this city were married on Saturday *(26th January)* evening at 2 o'clock in Holy Trinity Church. … Mr and Mrs Millican will reside in Charlotte Street.

Canadian Census Information.
In 1891, at St Laurent, Lisgar, Manitoba, Charles Millican, aged 29, born England, Methodist, civil engineer his wife Alexandra aged 28, born England, Methodist, and daughter Winifred 10 months.

Newspaper Advertisment
Morning Call

In 1901, at Winnipeg City, Charles A Millican, aged 39, born 23rd November 1861, in England, immigration year 1882, nationality Canadian, religion Methodist, Civil Engineer General, his wife Alexandra H. aged 38, born 4th February 1863, in England, immigration year 1882, nationality Canadian, religion Methodist, children Winifred A. 10, Ivy H. 7, Robert J. L. 7, Charles A H. 4, Clifford A. 2.
Frederick A Millican, aged 30, brother, single, born 5th August 1870, in England, immigration year 1888, nationality Canadian, religion Methodist, Book Keeper Contractor.
Percy R Millican, aged 32, brother, single, born 21st December 1868, in England, immigration year 1886, nationality Canadian, religion Methodist, farmer.
See 12th September 1885.

WEARDALE

Mrs Tamar Philipson of St John's Chapel has just received the sad intelligence of the death of her eldest daughter Frances wife of Thos. Stephenson of Oak Lands, Bairnsdale, Australia. Deceased was only sick eight days and was 47 years of age. She emigrated from Weardale 28 years ago.
In 1851, at East Black Dean, St John's Chapel, Ralph Philipson, joiner, aged 42, his wife Thamar 36, children Thomas, joiner, aged 19, John, joiner, aged 17, Margaret 14, Ralph 12, Frances 8, Mary 3, and George 1 year.
Frances Philipson married Thomas Stephenson 4th quarter of 1860, at Weardale.

In 1861, at East Black Dean, St John's Chapel, Ralph Philipson, joiner, aged 52, his wife Thamar 37, children Margaret 24, Ralph, joiner, aged 22, Mary 13, George 11, Joseph 8, Thamar 7, Harriet 5, Elizabeth 3, and William 6 months.

2nd March 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston Front Street, 22nd ult., aged 31, Maria wife of Hugh Walton, tinsmith and ironmonger.
Alston, Kate's Lane, 28th ult., aged 73, Jane widow of John Goodfellow, miner.
In 1841, at Kate's Lane, Alston, John Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane (Dickinson, married 25th June 1835, at Alston) aged 25, and daughter Sarah 4 years.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, John Goodfellow, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane 34, and daughter Sarah 14.
John Goodfellow died either 3rd quarter 1856, or 4th quarter 1859.
In 1861, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Jane Goodfellow, widow, dealer in confectionary, aged 45, unmarried daughter Sarah, dealer in confectionary, aged 24, and boarder Joseph Mc Hallam 4.
In 1871, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Jane Goodfellow, widow, confectioner, aged 55, and unmarried daughter Sarah, dealer in confectioner, aged 33.
Sarah Goodfellow married Francis Lee 1st quarter of 1877.
In 1881, at 20 Kate's Lane, Alston, Francis Lee, coke drawer, aged 32, and his wife Sarah aged 44.
In 1881, at 1 Kate's Lane, Alston, Jane Goodfellow, widow, confectioner & mangle keeper, aged 65, and granddaughter Sarah Jane Goodfellow 6.
In 1891, at Kate's Lane, Alston, Francis Lee, coke man, aged 41, his wife Sarah 54, and daughter Sarah Jane aged 14.

23rd March 1889 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE EMIGRANTS FOR SOUTH AFRICA
Consequent on the news from the diamond fields, Johannesburg, South Africa, an exodus thither is expected from Weardale, the first departure takes place on Sunday night from Stanhope station in the persons of Mr T. Peart, Copt Cleugh, and Nicholas Peart, Lynn Syke, Burnhope, a well-known wrestler.
Deaths
Nenthead, 20th inst aged 16, John James, son of Robert Bell, Hillersdon Terrace.
In 1841, at Dryburn, Garrigill, James Bell, lead mine agent, aged 55, his wife Margaret 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 11, Adamson 8, Robert 6, and Ann 1 year.
In 1851, at Dryburn, James Bell, lead mine agent, aged 66, his wife Margaret 50, children Elizabeth 27, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 25, Adam, lead miner, aged 18, and Ann 10.
In 1851, Robert Bell, was a pupil at Croft House, Brampton.
James Bell died 24th October 1858, aged 75
In 1861, at Dryburn, Garrigill, Margret Bell, widow, landed proprietor, aged 60, children 60, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 37, William, lead miner, aged 35, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 31, Adamson, lead ore washer, aged 28, Robert, joiner, aged 26, Annie, house servant, aged 21.

In 1871, at Nenthead, Robert Bell, mining office clerk, aged 36, his wife Mary (Waugh, married 3rd quarter 1869, Haltwhistle) aged 28, born Haltwhistle, and daughter Margaret 4 months.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Bell, married surveyor and mine office clerk, aged 46, daughter Margaret aged 10, and son John J. aged 8.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Bell, surveyor and cashier (lead mines) aged 56, his wife Mary 48, children Margaret 20, Robert Charlton 13, and Adamson 8 years.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Bell, cashier to zinc company, aged 66, his wife Mary 58, and son Robert C., clerk to zinc co., aged 23.
In 1901, at Broom House, Bellister, Haltwhistle, Charlton Waugh, single, farmer aged 48, niece Margaret Bell aged 30, and nephew Adamson Bell, farm servant, aged 18; Adamson emigrated to North America, in 1908.
In 1911, at Nenthead, Robert Charlton Bell, mining clerk, aged 33, and his wife Mabel, aged 33, born Park, Northumberland.
Probate records give the following: —
Robert Bell of Westerley Terrace, Haltwhistle, Northumberland, retired clerk, died 23rd November 1920, probate, Newcastle upon Tyne, 28th February to Robert Charlton Bell, commercial clerk, and Margaret Bell, spinster. Effects £1920 5s.

30th March 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At the Workhouse Alston, 26th inst., aged 50, Frances Millican, late of Greenends.
In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, Mary Millican, widow, farmer of 12 acres, aged 48, children, Frances 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Mary 10, John 7, mother, Isabella Brown, widow, annuitant, aged 84, born Haltwhistle, her son, Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 25, and grandson, Jonathan Millican 3.
Isabella Brown was buried at Nenthead, 9th April 1863, aged 86.
In 1871, at Greenends, Mary Millican, lead miners widow, aged 59, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Mary aged 21, John lead miner, aged 18, grandsons Jonathan Millican, lead ore washer, aged 13, and Vipond Millican aged 2.
In 1881, at Greenends, Nenthead, Joseph Millican, lead miner & farmer of 18 acres, aged 39, and his sister, Frances, house keeper, aged 41.
Joseph Millican died 6th May 1883, aged 42.
See 28th September 1872,12th May 1883, & 24th November 1900
At Alston, 27th inst., in her 28th year, Sarah Ann (Annie) second daughter of Mr Joseph Walton, mining agent.
In 1851, at Nenthall, Mary Walton, widow (husband Joseph), annuitant, aged 46, children Mary 26, Samuel Alexander miner & mining agent, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Duncan, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and granddaughter, Sarah Walton 2.
In 1861, at Nenthall, Joseph Walton, lead agent, aged 29, his wife Sarah (Martindale, married 2nd quarter of 1855, Alston) aged 25, children Mary 4, and John Joseph 1. In 1871, at Hundy, Joseph Walton, mine agent, aged 39, wife Sarah 36, children Mary 14, John J. 11, Sarah A. 9, Alice M. E. 3, and domestic servant Sarah Walton 23.

In 1881, at The Raise, Joseph Walton, mining engineer, aged 49, his wife Sarah 46, children Mary 24, John Jos., carter, aged 21, Sarah Ann 19, Alice Maude Elizth. 13, and nephew John, lead ore dresser, aged 15.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Walton, widow (See 25th May 1889 & 14th August 1897), mining engineer, aged 59, children Mary 34, John J. no occupation, aged 32, Alice M. E.23, boarder Frank Jones, Wesleyan Minister, aged 27, born Staffordshire. In 1901, at Front Street, Joseph Walton, mining engineer, and inspector of mines aged 68, daughters Mary 43, and Alice M. E. 32. See 11th May 1907
At Alston, 27th inst. aged 52, John son of the late John White of Rice Head.
In 1841, at Annatwalls, John White, lead miner, aged 40, wife Jane aged 30, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Sarah 7, Jane 5, John 4, and Samuel 9 months. In 1851, at Battle Green, John White, lead miner, aged 51, wife Jane 41, children, Joseph, lead miner out of employment, aged 23, Sarah 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, Isaac 6, Mary 14, and William 2.
In 1861, at Battle Green, John White, lead miner, aged 60, wife Jane 50, children Sarah, dress maker, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 23, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, and William 11.
In 1871, at Rice Head, John White, farmer and proprietor of 43 acres of land, aged 72, wife Jane 62, children John, lead miner, aged 34, Isaac, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Sarah, dress maker, aged 36, aged Mary, general servant, aged 24.
John White snr., died 1st quarter of 1877, aged 77.
In 1881, at Chapel Square, Alston, Jane White, widow, retired farmer, aged 72, and her daughter Sarah 45. At Front Street, John White, grocer, aged 43, his wife Mary A. (Lee, married 2nd quarter of 1873, Alston) aged 37, and boarder Bessie Bushby, school mistress (assistant) aged 23. In 1891, Mary A. White, widow, grocer, age 47, and general domestic servant Annie Fawcett, aged 18.

6th April 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Vicarage Terrace, Alston, 2nd inst., aged 57, George Whitfield, miner.
In 1841, at Raise, Ralph Whitfield, lead miner aged 48, his wife Ann aged 38, children Mary 17, John 15, Robert 13, George 10, Sarah 8, Teasdale 5, and Thomas 1.
In 1851, at Raise, Ann Whitfield, widow (Ralph died 4th quarter of 1842), domestic duties, aged 46, children Mary, domestic duties, aged 27, John, brewery labourer, aged 25, Robert, labourer, aged 23, George, lead miner, aged 21, Teasdale, shoe makers apprentice 17, Thomas 13, and Ann 9.
In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, Ann Whitfield, lead miners widow, aged 55, children Mary, house maid, aged 36, John, cartman, aged 34, George, lead miner, aged 30, Teasdale, lead miner aged 26, Thomas, joiner, aged 22, Ann, dressmaker, aged 18, and grandson Ralph 6
In 1871, at Kings Arms Lane, George Whitfield, lead miner, aged 35, and his wife Mary Ann, aged 33.
In1881, at Edmunds Lane, Alston, George Whitfield, coal miner, aged 49, wife Mary Ann (Cox, married 1st quarter of 1871, Kendal) aged 43, born Kendal, and daughter Sarah Ellen 6. In 1891, at Front Street, Mary A. Whitfield,

widow, housekeeper, aged 53, daughter Sarah E., stocking knitter, aged 16, and sister Elizabeth Cox, dressmaker, aged 43.

6th April 1889 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

FUNERAL OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

On Saturday last the remains of Miss Annie Walton, daughter of Mr Jos. Walton, Alston were interred in the Alston cemetery. … Deceased was only in her 27th year but had been a teacher in the Wesleyan Sunday School as well as a member of the Chapel choir for many years.

Births

Allenheads, Ropehaugh, 1st inst., the wife of Jos. W. Curry of a son.

Deaths

Stanhope, Phoenix Hotel, 2nd inst., aged 54, Sarah Parkin.

Landlady of the Phoenix Inn, Stanhope, widow of Simon Parkin who had been the landlord, she left an only daughter.

In 1881, at the Phoenix hotel, Simon Parkin, blacksmith & innkeeper, aged 47 (died 1st quarter of 1883), wife Sarah 47, daughter Fanny Mary 7, and father William Parkin, widow, retired blacksmith, aged 73 (died 1st quarter of 1886).

13th April 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Settlingstones, 8th inst., aged 50, Isabella, the dearly beloved wife of John Dickinson, engineer, and eldest daughter of William Watson mining agent.

In 1851, at Settlingstones mine, William Watson, lead ore miner, aged 34, wife Mary 32, children Isabella 11, Jane 9, Sarah 6, Mary 4, and William 3.

In 1861, at Settlingstones, John Dickenson, joiner, aged 23, and his wife Isabel Dickenson 21. In 1871, at Settlingstones, John Dickinson, millwright at lead mine, aged 33, his wife Isabella 31, and son William A. J. 8.

In 1881, at Settlingstones Mine, John Dickenson, mining engineer, aged 43, his wife Isabella (Watson, married 28th April 1860, at Warden) aged 41, and son William H.J. Dickenson, mining engineers apprentice, aged 18. See 6th July 1889.

13th April 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

ABOUT TO EMIGRATE

It appears that a number of Weardale men including mechanics, miners and others, at an early date intend emigrating to South Africa to try to better themselves as Workmen.

A number of commercial travellers wishing to show their respect to the late Mrs Parkin, Phoenix Inn, Stanhope, are promoting a subscription for her daughter who is left homeless and has a desire to learn some business by which she may maintain herself.

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's quarterly report for Nenthead district was read, testifying to there having been 8 deaths and 8 births, the death rate being equal to 16.84 per 1000 per annum. One death from Colic was recorded, whilst special attention was

drawn to the prevalence of Acute Bronchitis or Quincy, combined in many cases with Rheumatic fever.

15th April 1889 (Newcastle Journal)
BAZAAR NENTSBURY, ALSTON. —In connection with the thorough renovation of the Wesleyan Chapel at Nentsbury, a bazaar was held in the Nenthead School Room on Friday and Saturday.—Mr J. Reed Newcastle opened the bazaar. In short and excellent speech Mr Reed referred to the men of sterling worth that were sent from country places to the great centres —and of such Nentsbury had sent not a few. —Mr J. Hind of Newcastle—a Nentsbury lad—spoke very happily, chiefly referring to his early life Nentsbury.—Mr Reed then, wishing them every success, declared the bazaar open. Mr Reed emphasised his good wish by extensively patronising the various stalls. Besides the hearty co-operation of the friends in and around the immediate district, valuable help was rendered by Miss Teasdale and Miss Hind from Newcastle. The bazaar reflected considerable credit upon the ladies who had the work of collecting and preparing the excellent show made on the stalls. We are not able to state the financial result, but it is hoped that it was most successful.

20th April 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
In this town, 11th inst., James Mulcaster of Allendale Town to Annie Robinson of Haydon Bridge.

27th April 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Ashgill, Alston, 15th inst., aged 65 years, Thomas Thomason, lead miner.
In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, John Thomason, lead miner, aged 55, Hannah 45, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, and Joseph 10.
John Thomason died 4th quarter 1846.
In 1851, at Gate, Hannah Thomason, widow, innkeeper, aged 58, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, and servant Isabella Kinlyside aged 13.
In 1861, at Gate Head, Hannah Thomason, widow, housekeeper, aged 69, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 37, and servant Ann Swindle 20.
In 1871, at Ashgill, Thomas Thomason, single, farmer of 9 acres of land,48, nephews Emerson Thomason, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph Thomason, lead miner, aged 17, John Thomason 11, and domestic servant Ann Swindle 28.
In 1881, at Middle Ashgill, Thomas Thomason, unmarried, farmer of 12 ¾ acres, aged 57, Nephew Emerson Thomason, lead miner, aged 29, servant Ann Swindle aged 38, and her son Elliott T. Swindle aged 3 (no relation to Thomason family).
See 22nd January 1864, 10th June 1864, 19th December 1874, 13th May 1876, & 30th May 1891.
At the Workhouse Alston, 18th inst., aged 52, John Nattrass, formerly of Nenthead.
In 1841, at Foulard, John Nattrass, leads miner, aged 45, wife Mary 34, children Thomas 10, Mary 7, John 4, and Peggy 1.
John Nattrass snr. died 1st quarter of 1848.

In 1851, at Foulard, Mary Nattrass, lead miners widow, aged 43, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 16, Emanuel 6, and lodger George Moor, lead miner, aged 41
In 1861, at Kings Head, Mary Nattrass, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 24, Emanuel, lead miner, aged 16, and boarder George Moor, lead miner, aged 53
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Mary Nattrass, widow, housekeeper, aged 64, son John, lead miner aged 33, and granddaughter Mary L. 1 year.
In 1881, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella 32, children Mary L. 11, Ellen 6, Christopher I. 3, George W. 6 months, and unmarried brother John Nattrass, lead ore washer, aged 45.

27th April 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hermitage, Garrigill, Alston, 19th Inst., aged 24, Paul, son of John and Phoebe Jackson.
At Alston, Salvin Lodge, 21st inst., aged 37, Sarah daughter of the late Stewart Carson, surgeon.
At Knaresdale, Burnstones Inn, 20th inst., aged 51, Mr William Hymers, formerly of Alston.
In 1851, at High Galligill, Robert Hymers, lead minet & farmer, aged 46, his wife Frances (Wilkinson, married 28th June 1827, at Alston) aged 43, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, John, lead miner, aged 17, and William, lead miner, aged 13.
Robert Hymers died 22nd June 1857,aged 53, at High Galligill, Alston
In 1861, at Galligill Syke, Nenthead, Frances Hymers, lead miners widow, aged 53, sons, John, lead miner, aged 27, William, lead miner, aged 23, servent, Hannah Wallace, 17, and lodger, William Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 48.
Frances Hymers died 6th April 1866, aged 59, at Alston.
In 1871, at the Black Bull Inn, William Hymers, Innkeeper aged 38, and his wife Ann (daughter of Gilbert Graham of Nenthall, Innkeeper, married 13th June 1865, at Alston) aged 32.
In 1881, at the Golden Lion Hotel, Alston, William Hymers, farmer of 25 acres & innkeeper, aged 43, his wife Ann 42, (born Catton, Allendale), William Bayne, farm servent, aged 21, and general servent Hannah Johnston 19.
In 1891, at the Burnstones Inn, Knaresdale, Anne Hymers, widow, Innkeeper, aged 52, and servent Emily Wray 20.
Anne Hymers, of Burnstones, Knaresdale died 3rd March 1904.

8th May 1889 (Teesdale Mercury)
Deaths
An inquest was held on the 3rd inst., at Primrose Hill, Baldersdale, by Mr John Stamford Walton, coroner for Yorkshire, on the body of Mr Henry Bainbridge, aged 57 years, who was found dead at Wiregill leadmine, on the 1st inst. His partner had only left him for about 2 hours, and when he returned he was found dead. Verdict, “death from natural causes.”
In 1871, at Mickleton, Durham, Henry Bainbridge, Miner farmer, aged 39, his wife Phoebe 42, and daughter Elizabeth A 9.

In 1881, at Egglestone, Durham, Henry Bainbridge, leadman mason, aged 50, his wife Phoeby 52, and son John Henry 9.
In 1891, at Quakers Square, Stanhope, Phoebe Bainbridge, widow, aged 60.

11th May 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Healeyfield Mine, 5th inst. aged 50, Lavinia Dight, wife of John Trelease.

Captain John Trelease

John Trelease married Lavinia Dight Warren in the first quarter of 1863. Lavinia was the daughter of James Warren and Mary Marie Dight who married on 6th February 1825 at Falmouth. Lavinia was born 23rd April 1835, and christened at the Wesleyan Chapel Falmouth on 1st January 1837. Between then and 1841 both her parents died. The 1841 census has Lavinia and her sister Henrietta as residents in the workhouse at Falmouth. In 1851 & 1861, the census records that she was working as a house servant in Falmouth. Her mother died in 1838, there is a record of a James Warren dying the same year but his death may have been later.
In 1971, John Trelease does not appear on the census, but his wife and first child John H. aged 3 months are living with Lavinia's sister Henrietta and her family. Henrietta aged 35 and her husband George Hitchens aged 30 a sailor her children Lavinia 2 and Henrietta 7 months. The Mining Journal of 9th September 1876 had the following advertisement.

> ***CAPTAIN TRELEASE,*** *now in London, is OPEN to ENGAGEMENTS to INSPECT and REPORT ON ANY CLASS of MINES in all PARTS of the WORLD. Knows Spanish, Portuguese, a little French and Italian. Goes to Cornwall in a few days. Address, 26 Lansmere Terrace, Victoria Park, E.; or West End, Redruth, Cornwall.*

In 1881 John Trelease and his family are living at Healeyfield, Durham: -

John Trelease	*39*	*Perranarworthal, Cornwall*
Lavina Trelease	*42*	*Falmouth, Cornwall*
John H. Trelease	*10*	*Perranarworthal, Cornwall died at Fulham, London aged 77, 2nd quarter of 1948*
Letitia Trelease	*6*	*St Ives, Cornwall*
Henrietta E. Trelease	*5*	*St Ives, Cornwall*
Charles R. Trelease	*3*	*St Ives, Cornwall*

In 1891 following the death of his wife and leaving Healeyfield in 1889 the 1891 census has John and his family living with Lavinia's sister Henrietta at Charlestown, Cornwall: -

Henrietta Hitchens	*52*
Lavinia T Hitchens	*22*
Henrietta Hitchens	*20*
Henry Hitchens	*18*
John Trelease,	*49*
Letitia Trelease	*16*
Henrietta E Trelease	*15*
Richard C Trelease	*13*

Richard C. Trelease death registered 4th quarter 1918 aged 40, Totnes, Devon.

23rd May 1889 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Marriages
At Newcastle, Bainbridge Memorial Wesleyan Chapel, Heaton, 22nd inst., by the Rev. D. Rowe, Wm. Thompson, of Newcastle, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Samuel Teasdale, of Nenthead, Cumberland.

31st May 1889 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
AN OLD DURHAM INDUSTRY. THE HEALEYFIELD LEAD MINE.
To-day, Captain John Trelease, who has had the entire management of the Healeyfield Lead Mine for nine years, will practically sever his connection with that place. Two years out of the nine were spent in the service of former proprietors of the mine, and seven years have been spent by him as manager for the Healeyfield Mining Company, Limited, which has its offices in Newcastle. The captain is a popular man in the Castleside district, and advantage is to be taken of his departure to present him with a testimonial of the regard in which he is held. His obliging son, Mr. Henry Trelease, will also be the recipient of a small testimonial from the members of the neighbouring church choir, and at the interesting proceedings, some of the directors and shareholders of the Healeyfield Mining Company are expected to be present. The mine over which Capt. Trelease has exercised a vigilant control during the past nine years has a great local interest on account of its age, for its history dates back to a period long before the extensive iron works at Consett were dreamt of, and ante-dates many of the other prominent industries to be found at that part of the county of Durham. It is situate in one of the loveliest parts o£ the County Palatine: within a stone's throw of the picturesque valley of Castleside, and distant three or four miles west of Consett, the Healeyfield Lead Mine is situate almost in the centre of a wood. At any rate, heavily wooded banks are to be found on the south, west, and northern sides of it, and the approach from the east is through a small thicket until the open valley has been reached. Here the timbered huts of the miners, with two or three more substantial dwellings, stand beneath the tall trees of as pretty a district as Durham can boast of, and here the most striking object that meets the gaze is an enormous wheel, rapidly revolving at the end of a gangway, while further on the grey shale of what may be termed the pit heap forms a not unpleasing contrast to the green background nature has formed. How long the old mine has remained in this picturesque spot is a matter largely for conjecture. Some of the best known gazetteers state that the lead mines in Durham were principally begun at the time of Edward VI. But a still greater antiquity is claimed for the Healeyfield Mine, some asserting that its origin as a mine in one form or another must go back as far as eight centuries ago. Be that as it may, it is quite certain that in past times a good deal of ore has been taken from the Royalty, which belongs to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.
An interesting fact connected with the old mine lies in the circumstance that it has been entirely worked during the past centuries in the millstone grit, which is the dividing line between the coal measures and the lead measures. The speculation that the Healeyfield Mining Company took in hand, when it was commenced seven years ago, was to sink a shaft 60 fathoms deep and drive underneath the old ore ground, the old ore having been worked out down to the water level. The company have now sunk an engine shaft 60 fathoms deep, and after driving along, they have got a continuation of the ore in depth. The

ore they have had for the last 30 fathoms in driving is very rich in silver, and they believe that this is the beginning of a long line of ore ground.
The mine is worked at present by both a shaft and a drift from the hillside, and from 30 to 40 men are employed. The ore is removed in tubs to the smelting furnace, the vicinity of which is indicated by a very tall chimney about half a mile away. The Healeyfield Lead Mine, as the remarks above will have shown, is now in a promising state, and the prospect before the company is believed to be much better than ever it has been. How much of this is due to Captain Trelease's exertions it is not for us to say, but it is quite clear from the respect that is being paid to the departing manager that the company value highly his past services and regret deeply the severance that is about to take place.
Captain Trelease leaves the district to take the control and the entire management of the La Manche Mining Grant of 100 square miles in Newfoundland and in his task as discoverer of minerals there, he will bear with him the warmest wishes for success from his many friends and admirers in the North of England.

1st June 1889 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE PRESENTATION AT HEALEYFIELD.

Yesterday afternoon, at an open-air gathering held in the dell where the mine is situated, the presentation of a testimonial to Capt. John Trelease, the retiring manager of the Healeyfield Lead Mine was made. Ald. Hindmarsh, Gateshead, one of the directors, presided, and there were present Mr. J. V. Walton, Witton-le Wear, Mr. Reid, Newcastle; Mr. J. W. Davison and Mr. W. Davison, Consett; Mr. Robert Robson, Castleside; Mr. T. J. Muse, Castleside House; the Rev. G. J. Walker, Castleside; several ladies, the workmen of the mine, and others.
Mr. C. W. HARRISON, Newcastle, secretary of the Company, read an interesting history of the mine, stating that it had been worked for 800 years. The present company, he stated, had come into possession in 1882, and had spent in plant and in developing the mine over £25,000.
The CHAIRMAN said the Healeyfield mine was in a beautiful situation, and it was a pleasure to be at an open-air meeting of that kind. He had to congratulate alike the workmen the shareholders, and the directors with the prospect that was before them with reference to that mine. He was assured by Capt. Trelease that the mine had never looked better than it did now. There was an excellent account given of the mine that morning in one of the local papers---the Daily Chronicle - which he was very glad to see. The mine was an old one, and if they went back in its history, they would find that a gentleman who once figured in that district as a very important individual used to visit it. He alluded to the unfortunate Earl of Derwentwater who was beheaded. The Earl was then the owner of the mine, and when he visited it, he used to dine; he was informed, with a farmer in the neighbourhood. The mine, he was now glad to know, was likely to be a financial success. They had had a great deal to contend with, and had spent a great deal of money to carry on their work so far, but they had now got to the end of their difficulties in that direction. He trusted they would soon be able to raise as much ore as would pay for working the mine, and that afterwards they would be able to have excellent dividends. (Applause.)
They had met that day on both a pleasant and a sad occasion--it was pleasant because they were going to give to Capt. Trelease an acknowledgement of their respect and esteem for his character. He was sure there was not one there or

one amongst the shareholders but would speak with the utmost respect and regard of the Captain, and he was certain that he possessed the full confidence of the directors in the management of that mine. (Cheers.) The occasion was sad because Captain Trelease was about to part from them. He was going to a more important and lucrative position in Newfoundland, and he hoped that his future would be bright, prosperous and successful. (Cheers.)
Mr. T. J. MUSE, in a warm-hearted speech, in which he spoke of Captain Trelease's integrity of character, then presented Captain Trelease with a handsome gold watch and Albert, subscribed for by a few friends, and the directors and workmen of the mine.
The watch, which was supplied by Messrs. Reid and Sons, Newcastle, bore a suitable inscription. Captain Trelease, who was received with cheers, thanked all who had subscribed for the handsome present. He felt satisfied that his employers and workmen appreciated the manner in which he had done his duty, and he would prize their gift for the sake of those who gave it, as it appeared to have a genuine ring about it. He would never forget the kindness, which he and his family had received from the workmen, neighbours and friends in that part of the county of Durham. (Cheers.)
Mr. WALTON and Mr. DAVISON having addressed the meeting, Messrs. D. DALKIN and THOS. WILKINSON spoke on behalf of the men and expressed the regret the workmen felt at losing so kind-hearted and so respected a manager. The Rev. G. J. WALKER presented Mr. Henry Trelease with a gold appendage, subscribed for by the church choir and the young people of Castleside.
The proceedings terminated with votes of thanks.
In 1897 Letitia married James M Williams of Consett, at Lanchester Durham. In 1901, they were living at South East Rotherham, 21 Sherwood Cres James a stock taker in the steel works, they have a son, Charles H. J. aged 2. Henrietta Elizabeth in 1901 was living with Letitia in Rotherham, single living on her own means.

The Cornishman 27th December 1894:
Deaths
TRELEASE—Dec. 23, at Charlestown, after years of patient suffering, John Trelease, late mine manager, 53.

The history of mining in the La Manche area is not a good one, many companies tried to take advantage of the mineral deposits but all ended in failure and insolvency. I have yet not found any record of John leaving for Newfoundland or returning to England. This makes me suspect that he may not have gone, especially considering the recent failures of companies in this region. The most successful venture around the time 1890 was the mining activity at Tilt Cove, Newfoundland and I have not found him mentioned in the few records I have come across for that region.

For information relating to Healey Field Lead Mine see
"SOME HISTORICAL NOTES ON HEALEYFIELD LEAD MINE CASTLESIDE" by Raymond C. Thompson March 1999

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
LAVINIA DIGHT TRELEASE
WHO DIED AT HEALEYFIELD MINE
MAY 5th 1889
AGED 50 YEARS

ALSO OF JOHN TRELEASE,
HER BELOVED HUSBAND, WHO
DIED
AT CHARLESTOWN CORNWALL
DECR 23rd 1894
AGED 53 YEARS
THEIR END WAS PEACE

11th May 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale Town, Wentworth Place, 1st inst., aged 68 Wilson Liddle.
In 1861, at Thornley Gate, Wilson Liddell, labourer at turnpike road & toll collector, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Coats, married 22nd November 1885) aged 39, daughters Mary 14 (died 3rd quarter of 1865?), Sarah 12, Margaret 9 (died 3rd quarter of 1865?), and son J Wilson, tuition at home, aged 6 (John Wilson Liddle died 2nd quarter of 1865?).
In 1871, at Allendale town, Wilson Liddle, surveyor, aged 50, wife Sarah 49 (died 2nd quarter of 1878), daughters Sarah 22, and Jane A 9
In 1881, at Wentworth Place, Wilson Liddle, surveyor of highways, aged 60, daughters Sarah 32 (died 4th quarter of 1887), and Jane Ann 19 (died 2nd quarter of 1888).
Garrigill Shield Hill, 1st inst., aged 76 Ann widow of Isaac Craig, Blacksmith.
See 26th November 1887
Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 8th inst., aged 16, Thomas son of John Robson, *Joiner. In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Robson, house carpenter, aged 31, born Weardale, his wife Mary 29, born Weardale, children Thomas 8, born Weardale, William 4, born Weardale, and George 1, born Alston. See 1st August 1891*

18th May 1889 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
The extensive Woollen Mills of Messrs Askrigg Bros. and Co., of Alston are advertised for sale on the 24th inst.

WEARDALE

On Sunday the remains of Mrs Peart, wife of Isaac Peart, Rush, were interred at Burtreeford cemetery. Deceased who had been ailing, died suddenly the Wednesday previous. *In 1881, at Rush, Stanhope, Isaac Peart, farmer, aged 44, his wife Jane aged 37, children Annie 8, Titus 7, and Elizabeth 6.*

IN SEARCH OF BETTER REMUNERATION FOR LABOUR

John Featherstone of Daddry Shield, George Race jun. of Westgate, joiner; Emerson Featherstone of Daddry Shield, John Hewitson of Stone Heap, lead miners, left their native dale on Monday morning for South Africa in hopes of securing better remuneration for their labour. *George Race was accompanied by his wife and family, they were going to Johannesburg.*

18th May 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Nentsbury, 13th inst, Tom Hewitson, Dykeheads to Sarah Ann Pattinson, Pry House, Nenthead.

In 1871, at Low Dykeheads, John Pattinson, stonemason, aged 42, his wife Agness 36, children Sarah Ann 12, John 10, and Margaret 6.
John Pattinson died 2nd quarter 1873, aged 44.
In 1881, at Pry House, Agnes Pattinson, stone masons widow, aged 46, son John lead miner, aged 20, daughter Margaret 16, and grandson George Pattinson aged 2.
In 1881, Brookham Cottage, Crackenthorpe, Appleby, Thomas Hewitson, married, railway labourer, aged 26.
In 1891, at Strellas, Thomas Hewitson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah A 31, children Dinah 13, born Appleby, Thomas W., 6, born Alston, Mary J 1, born Alston, stepsons, George Pattinson 12, and William 9.
Sarah Ann Hewitson died 3rd quarter 1891, aged 32.
In 1901, at Chapel Street, Appleby, boarders, Tom Hewitson, widow, labourer, aged 45, and son Thomas W, postman aged 16.
In 1911, at Longmarton, Brampton Appleby West, Tom Hewitson, labourer Rail Co., aged 57, his wife Mary, aged 47, Children Frederick R 8, John James 6, and William Emerson aged 3.

At the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 11th inst. Henry Martin, Ashgill to Margaret Smith, Garrigill.

In 1891, at Garrigill, Henry Martin, married, lead miner, aged 29.

Deaths

At Beldy, Garrigill, 11th inst., aged 37, Sarah Jane, daughter of the late John Stephenson, lead miner.

In 1881, at High Lee House, Mary Ann Millican, married, annuitant, aged 50, and cousin Sarah Jane Stephenson, sewing mistress, aged 29.

At Cleator Moor, 13th inst. aged 28, Caroline Elizabeth, daughter of the late Thomas Millican, formerly of Allenheads. *See 27th September 1879*

At Woodhead, Allenheads, 2nd inst. aged 75, Emmerson Liddle. *In 1871, at Woodhead, Allendale, Emerson Liddle, grocer & draper, aged 57, his wife Hannah (Sanderson, married 26th August 1841, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 50 and domestic servant Mary Charlton aged 37.*
In 1881, at 46 Woodhead, Allendale, Emerson Liddle, grocer & draper, aged 67, and domestic servant Mary Charlton aged 37.

In 1881, Hannah was visiting (her sister?), at 24 Algernon Terrace, Tynemouth, Gavin McKelvin, newspaper agent, aged 72, his wife Sarah (Burnett, married 3rd quarter of 1870, Tynemouth) aged 61, and Hannah Liddle aged 60.

25th May 1889 (Newcastle Courant)
STANHOPE PETTY SESSIONS. —At the Stanhope Petty Sessions, on Friday, before C. J. Backhouse, Esq., and Dr Arnison, George Underwood, agent and manager at the Harehope Gill Lead Mines, Frosterley, was summoned by 11 of his workmen for arrears of wages. —The Bench made an order with costs in each case except one, which was adjourned.

25th May 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Newcastle, 108 Stanton Street, 15th inst., aged 50, after a long and painful illness, Hannah Dargue, the dearly beloved wife of the late Joseph Dargue, formerly of Alston, Cumberland, much respected by all who knew. Interred at St Nicholas Cemetery. *See 25th July 1874*
At The Park, near Haltwhistle, 17th inst., Thomas, infant son of William and Isabella Robson, and grandson of the late Matthew Robson, of Low Farnberry, Alston.
At the Workhouse, Alston, 16th inst., aged 67, John Hall, carter.
At Front Street, Alston, 17th inst., aged 14, Mary Jane, daughter of John Pickering, butcher.
At The Holmes, Alston, 20th inst., aged 51, William Looney, late manager of Alston Lime Works.

25th May 1889 (Hexham Herald)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT GARRIGILL
A fatal accident occurred at Darngill Quarry, Garrigill, on Tuesday, to a labourer named Matthew Coates residing at Lane Head, Garrigill. Deceased was found about 6 pm quite dead and stiff by a neighbour named Thos. Storey, a shepherd at Tynehead who was passing. He was lying on his face in a pool of blood in the bottom of the quarry. He had been working on a breast six feet high. He had drilled a hole and had evidently put in a charge of powder. It is surmised that whilst ramming it home the powder exploded. Coates was 24 years of age, unmarried and lived with his uncle Mr Thomas Slack, at Garrigill.
See 25th May 1884

WEARDALE
A LIST OF LEAD MINES WORKING IN WEARDALE IN 1809: —
North side of the Wear:
Frosterley, Robert Wright owner, William Bell & Co.; Crow Lane Side, Bishop of Durham, Col. Beaumont; Stanhope Burn, Cuthbert Rippon, Quakers Co.; Brandon Wells and Stotsfield Burn, Dean and Chapter, Jobling & Co.; Linz Garth, Rishly, Wolf Cleugh, Groove Rake, White's Level, Slitt, Middlehope, Level Gate, West Fall Level, Black Dene, Breckon Syke, Pasture Groove, Sedling, Pudding Thorn, Killhope.
South side of the Wear:
Scraith Head, Cow Hurst, Langty Head, and Burnhope, Bishop of Durham, Col. Beaumont; Barberry, Quaker Co. owners and occupiers; Coldberry, Hawkwell

Head, Chapel Pasture, Bishop of Durham, Col. Beaumont; Newlandside, John Walton, Jonathan Vickers; Softly Side and Quarry Hill, Messrs Tweddle & Co., Henry Walton & Co.; Bollihope, Rector of Wolsingham, Henry Walton & Co.; Coves; Messrs Leaten, C. Emerson & Co.; Dryburn, John Harrison, Harrison & Co.

Derwent:

Healy Field, Dean and Chapter, Elliot & Co.; White Heap and Ramshaw, William Ord Esq., Monkhouse & Co., Jeffrey's Rake, William Scott, Easterby Hall & Co.

Mines Working to profit:

Jeffrey's Rake, Wolfcleugh, Breckon Syke, Brandon Wells, Pasture Groove, Sedling, Hawkewell head, Chapel Pasture, and Coves.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 81, Ann widow of John Erwin, lead miner.

In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, John Erwin, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Ann aged 43, children Miles, lead miner, aged 17, Sarah, employed at home, aged 15, Jacob, lead ore washer, aged 13, John 11, Ann 8, Jane 5, Stephenson 3, and Matthew 1 month.

In 1861, at Dyke Head, John Erwin, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann 53, children Miles, lead miner, aged 27, Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21 Ann, house servant, aged 18, Jane, dressmaker, aged 15, Stephenson 13, Matthew 11, and nephew Jacob Blacklock 7.

John Erwin died 2nd quarter of 1861.

In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Ann Erwin, widow, housekeeper, aged 63, daughter Jane, general servant, aged 25, son Mathew, lead miner, aged 20, nephew Jacob Blacklock, lead miner, aged 17, and grandson John Erwin 2.

In 1881, at Dykeheads, Ann Erwin, lead miners widow, aged 73, daughter Jane, charwoman, aged 35, grandson John Erwin, lead ore washer, aged 12, and granddaughter Lizzie Ann Erwin 6.

At Orchard House, Alston, 19th inst., aged 54, Sarah wife of Joseph Walton, mining agent.

See 30th March 1889

Lane Head, Garrigill, 21st inst., aged 23, Matthew Coats, labourer.

1st June 1889 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

SALE. —The largest sale that has ever taken place in this district was held on Friday last, when Messrs Walmsley and Sons, Leeds, brought to the hammer all the machinery and other effects connected with the **Alston Woollen Mills**. The building, which is a commodious structure, was erected by Messrs Akerigg Bros., some seven or eight years ago, but that firm having liquidated in September, 1884, since then it has remained inactive. being held by a local Banking Co. Any offers that were made to restart the concern seem to have proved futile, and consequently after remaining in charge of a caretaker five years every saleable item about the place was sold, the last piece of material to attract the auctioneer's attention being the mill bell, which was Lot 347 and brought the vendors the sum of 3s 3d. There was a large gathering of manufacture is from Leeds, Bradford, Hawick, Galashiels, &c., present, and there was some spirited competition, the nett proceeds of the sale being several hundred pounds more than was anticipated. The machinery was all modern,

and in that department Mr Hirst, Cleckheaton, Yorkshire, and Mr Perrott, Leeds, were the principal purchasers. In the spinning
room, 460ft. of 2in. wrought iron steam piping to mark with brass valve, brought £16. A 60in. iron scribbler, with two parts breast and licker-in by Tatham (1879), realised £49; another brought £50. A 72in. ditto brought £100. A horizontal condensing engine, with 20in. cylinder, 42in. stroke, with 12ft. fly wheel, 10½in. rim, 6½in. face, with all necessary fittings, by Petrie and Co., Rochdale (new), also piping from engine up to valves on boiler, and water piping to valves, with the engine bed, was bought by Mr Johnson, Wigan, for £112 10s (the original cost being £1100.)

1st June 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Newcastle Brunswick Place, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 30th ult., J. W. Stobbart of Hallbankgate, to Maggie, third daughter of the late Thomas Yeats Walton, Alston. *See 28th October 1871, 26th October 1872, 6th July 1889, & 10th July 1920*

8th June 1889 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
FATAL ACCIDENT
On Thursday night, Mr Thomas Fairless, Farmer, Mount Pleasant, Westgate, received injuries in Middlehope mine, which terminated fatally. Deceased who assisted in superintending the mine, was being pushed out in a waggon, when it is supposed, his head came into contact with some projection, which struck him on the temple. He died a few minutes after reaching bank. Deceased who was a prominent member of the primitive Methodist body in Weardale, was much respected, and leaves a widow and large family.

Coal Mining Accidents & Deaths (Ancestry.co.uk)
Thomas Fairless
Death Age: 57
Birth Year: abt 1832
Death Date: 6 Jun 1889
Death Place: Weardale, Durham, England
Occupation: Miner
Colliery: Middlethorpe (metalliferous)
Owner: Weardale Iron Co Ltd
Notes: While he was being taken along the level in a tub his head came in contact with the roof and his neck was dislocated.
In 1861, at Hangingwells, Thomas Fairless, iron stone miner, aged 29, wife Elizabeth (Smith, married 2nd qtr 1858, registered at Weardale) aged 24, and William 4.
In 1871, at Huntshield Ford, Thomas Fairless, iron stone miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth 34, children John 9, Catharine 8, Ann 6, Elizabeth 4, Thomas 2, and Hugh 1.
In 1881, at Huntshield Well House, Thomas Fairless, iron miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44 (died 3rd April 1891), children John, no occupation, aged 19, Catherine 18, Anne 16, Thomas 12, Hugh 11, Hannah 7, William S. 5, and Mary 2 months.
See 15th June 1889.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THOMAS FAIRLESS
WHO DIED JUNE 6TH 1889
AGED 57 YEARS.
ALSO ELIZABETH HIS WIFE
WHO DIED APRIL 3RD 1891
AGED 54 YEARS.
ALSO CATHERINE THEIR
DAUGHTER
WHO DIED JUNE 15TH 1885
AGED 22 YEARS
ALSO JOHN THEIR SON
WHO DIED AUG. 29TH 1887
AGED 25 YEARS
ALSO HUGH THEIR SON
WHO DIED NOV. 25TH 1895
AGED 25 YEARS.

Marriage

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 16th inst., Thomas Bell, Hunt Hall, Forest, to Hannah Renwick, Tynehead, Alston.

In 1841, at Cocklake, Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Mary, (Dent, married 7th March 1840, Alston) aged 20, and daughter Elizabeth 11 months.

Mary Renwick died 3rd qtr., 1850, registered at Alston

In 1851, at Cocklake, Joseph Renwick, widow, lead miner, aged 34, children Elizabeth 10, Mary 8, John 6, Henry 4, relation Molly Allison, widow, house keeper, aged 82, and sister Elizabeth Renwick 16. In 1861, at Cocklake Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Sarah (Mason, married 13th November 1858, at Croglin, Cumberland) aged 29, children Elisabeth 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Henry, lead miner, aged 14, Robert 12, Elisabeth 3, and Hannah 1.

In 1871, at Cock Lake, Garrigill, Joseph Renwick, farmer of 34 acres, aged 53, his wife Sarah 39, children Henry, lead miner, aged 24, Robert, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 13, Hannah 11, Joseph 9, Jane Ann 6, Tom 4, Isabel 2, and John 10 months. In 1881, at Dorthgill, Joseph Renwick, farmer of 89 acres, aged 64, his wife Sarah 49, children Henry, lead miner, aged 34, Elizabeth 23, Joseph, farmers son, aged 19, Isabel 13, John 11, Frank 6, Sarah 8, and granddaughter Mary Annie Renwick 6 months.

Joseph Renwick died 1st quarter 1889, aged 72.

In 1891, at Dorthgill, Sarah Renwick, widow, farmer, aged 61, born Croglin, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Jane Ann 27, Tom, farmers son, aged

24, Mary Annie 10, granddaughters Ada Renwick 1, and Alice Renwick 4 months.
In 1901, at Physic Hall, Sarah Renwick, widow, aged 68, son Joseph, limestone burner, aged 38, daughter Jane A aged 36, grandchildren Alice Renwick 10, Hannah Renwick 8, and Ernest Renwick 6.
Sarah Renwick died 1st quarter 1903, aged 70.
In 1891, at Pasture House, Garrigill, Thomas Bell, lead miner, aged 34, born Middleton, his wife Hannah aged 30, and daughter Tamar aged 2 months.
In 1901, at Elswick, Hannah Bell, widow, aged 39, children John Wm., apprentice cabinetmaker, aged 14, Mary Ethel 8, Emily 4, and Florance 1.
In 1911, at Church View, Front Street, Alston, Hannah Bell, widow, baker, aged 51, daughters Emily 14, Florence 11, and boarder, Thomas William Nattrass, joiner, aged 23, born Allendale.
Garrigill, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst., John Knight, Patterdale, to Charlotte Jane Vipond, Crossgill, Garrigill.
In 1881, at Low Lee House, Garrigill, Leonard Vipond, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Hannah, aged 46, born Harwood, children, John, lead miner, aged 26, Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 21, Leonard, lead ore washer, aged 19, Colin, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Charlotte J. aged 13. In 1891, at Low Crossgill, Leonard Vipond, retired lead miner, aged 63, his wife Hannah aged 56, and visitor, Mary Robson, single, aged 24.
In 1891, at Patterdale, John Knight, lead miner, aged 32, born Cornwall, his wife Charlotte aged 23, boarders, Wearmouth Vipond, lead miner, aged 31, Leonard Vipond, lead miner, aged 28, and visitor Alice Vipond aged 4. In 1901, at 20 Park Terrace, Knitsley, Castleside, Consett, John Knight, coal miner hewer, aged 42, and his wife Charlotte aged 33. At 21 Park Terrace, Leonard Vipond, living on own means, aged 72, his wife Hannah aged 65, sons John, widow, coal mine hewer, aged 46, Wearmouth, labourer at gas producers, aged 41, and Leonard, labourer at gas producers, aged 34.
Leonard Vipond snr., died 1st quarter 1908, aged 80.
In 1911, at Bradley Cottages, Leadgate, Consett, John Knight, coal miner, aged 52, and his wife Charlotte Jane aged 44.

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 58, Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Milburn, miner. *See 20th May 1871, & 23rd April 1892.*
Rookhope, aged 67, Cuthbert Dawson, lead smelter.
In 1861, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, Cuthbert Dawson, lead smelter, aged 38, his wife Jane 39, daughter Mary 16, and son Joseph, lead smelter, labourer, aged 12.
In 1871, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, Cuthbert Dawson, lead smelter, labourer, aged 48, his wife Jane 49, daughter Mary 26, and son Joseph, lead smelter, labourer, aged 22.
In 1881, at Bolts Burn, Cuthbert Dawson, lead weighman, aged 58, wife Jane 59, children Mary 36, Joseph, lead weighman, aged 32, and lodger Lot Squire, certificated teacher, elementary, aged 26

IN
AFFECTIONATE
REMEMBRANCE OF
CUTHBERT DAWSON
WHO DIED JUNE 3RD 1889
AGED 67 YEARS
ALSO JANE HIS WIFE WHO DIED
JULY 2ND 1896 AGED 74 YEARS
MARY DAUGHTER OF THE
ABOVE DIED FEBRY 15 1912
AGED 67 YEARS
JOSEPH DAWSON
THEIR SON DIED NOV 22ND 1929
AGED 81 YEARS

Even so them also which sleep in
Jesus will GOD bring with him
1st THESSN 4:14

8th June 1889 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

Yesterday at the petty sessions,Teasdale Lowe was summoned for an assault upon his mother, Mrs Margaret Lowe, of Clitheroe, Alston, and fined 40s and costs.

NOTICE

TEASDALE LOWE, of Clitheroe, Alston, is no longer my Manager, and has NO AUTHORITY to Sell my Stock or Crop. MARGARET LOWE, Clitheroe, Alston

A WEARDALE EMIGRANT'S VISIT
THE EX MAYOR OF EMERALD HILL, MELBOURNE

For many years the scant population in the valley, and more especially those who have gone forth to woo fortune, have been stimulated by the success long known to have been achieved by Mr John Philipson who is just in Weardale after having graduated through Victorian municipal life, and filled the highest civic office in the city of Melbourne. The ex dalesman, in the company with his brother and host Mr Ralph Philipson, East Blackdean visited Mr Thomas Pentland, Ireshopeburn (whose wife is a cousin of his ex worship), a few nights ago. To Mr Pentland we are indebted for a sketch of the interview. The mining industries of the Weardale and neighbouring valleys are so much in harmony with those of sunny climes far "ayont the sea" which Mr Philipson knows so well that, proportional numbers considered, it is not to be wondered at that our northern hills men who migrate make preference for the latter "when seeking "a home far over the deep". … "John Philipson, of Emerald Hill (says the Victorian Men of the Time, published 1877), is the second son of Ralph Philipson, of East Blackdean, Weardale, County Durham, England. His family have been in the

building trade for many generations, and leading men in their own district. Mr Philipson was educated at the local schools, and brought up to his fathers business. He started for Victoria in 1857, began business in his own trade at North Melbourne, and soon became connected in building matters with Emerald Hill. When the Port Curtis rush took place Mr Philipson started for it, but only reached Sydney as he met the return of the disheartened miners. He took a turn up to Mudgee and other places in New South Wales, returned to Victoria in 1859 and for the last eighteen years has been a resident at Emerald Hill, as architect and builder. Having received a good education, and being endowed with natural aptitude for designing and drawing, he set to work to perfect himself inn the higher branches of the building trade and architecture, and is now regarded as a high authority in these matters, and is often consulted as to design for local public buildings. Was elected Councillor for Emerald Hill in 1871, and Harbour Commissioner, and Mayor for the first time in 1877."
On his present visit Mr Philipson is accompanied by his wife, a born Australian, being the daughter of English parents settled in Queensland. Amiable courteous, and well educated she has a large fund of intelligence, and is a welcome consort to her husband by whom she has four children. The family of the former wife are grown up and settled in Victoria. Two sons carry on the extensive business from which the father some time ago retired. …
See 12th October 1889 & 30th August 1890

15th June 1889 (Hexham Courant)

ASSAULT. —A SON ASSAULTS HIS MOTHER.

Teasdale Love, farmer, Clitheroe, was summoned by his mother, Margaret Lowe, for an assault alleged to have been committed on 31st March last. —Mr Welford, Hexham, appeared for complainant; and stated that his client, it would appear, was a widow, and mother of defendant, her husband haring died 22 years ago. On Sunday, the 31st March, they were in the house by themselves. There was some dispute between them, when the defendant, in a most unnaturally cruel manner, took hold of his mother and whipped her, tore off her apron strings, seized her by the arms and gripped them till they were black and blue, and at last threw her out at the door. Witnesses would be produced who saw the old lady just after she had been put out. There could be no possible denying that the defendant had been guilty of a most uncommon assault on his mother, who was 78 years of age, and he hoped that the bench would either inflict a heavy fine or commit defendant to prison. —Margaret Lowe, complainant, was called, and said that on Sunday, the 3lst March, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, she and her son Teasdale were in the house by themselves, when without any provocation he clicked her by the arm, threw her down seized hold of her end kicked her about the house, striking her against a cupboard door. At last he put her out, and she stood beside the door for some time, although she was scarcely able to stand by herself. Another son and some neighbours then came and took her away. She had never been able to go back to her house, and, in fact, dare not, as she was frightened of defendant, he having threatened her many a time —Thompson Lowe, son of complainant, said on the above date he went to Clitheroe and saw his mother, whose arms were black and blue. She complained that Teasdale had assaulted her, and was crying. He (witness) had only been married recently, but previous to that had assisted to carrying on the farm, and had paid his mother £1 a week for 22

years.—Accused: He often gave her nothing at all, sometimes 8s per week. He had not slept in the house for 10 years. —The Bench thought they had better keep to the assault charge.—Ellen Robinson, 12 years old, said she knew the nature of an oath, and was then sworn. She remembered Sunday, the 31st March, when she came from Sunday school in the afternoon. Mrs Lowe was standing near the doorway crying. Her arms were discoloured, and she said Teasdale had done it. She then went and told her mother. —Mary Robinson, Clitheroe, stated she remembered Sunday, the 31st March. When her little girl came in she went out and saw complainant standing near her own door. Her arms were discoloured, and she said Teasdale had done it. —Mary Walker, Clitheroe, also deposed that she saw the complainant near her own door crying. Her arms were blackened, she said her son had done it. Witness could not say positively that there had been only the complainant and defendant in the house, but she thought so.—The accused, in defence, gave a flat denial to everything, and stated that his mother had discoloured her arms with sitting down on a chair. He had been a good friend to her, and had worked and slaved all his life. He had her to keep, all the other members of the family had left, and did nothing for her. He did not so much blame her as the company she had about her. They put all the bad into her. He declared he never laid hands on her at all, never.—Mr Dickinson: Do you mean to say you never touched her? - Accused: I never touched her at all sir.—The Beach retired to consider the case, and after an absence of about 20 minutes returned, and said they found the accused guilty of having committed an aggravated assault on his mother. They inflicted a fine of £2 2s and costs, or in default one mouth's imprisonment. The fine was paid.

SHOCKING FATALITY IN WEARDALE

Inquest & Verdict

On Monday the exhaustive inquiry into the death of Mr Thomas Fairless, Mount Pleasant, was conducted before Mr J. T. Proud, deputy coroner, at Mr R. Bright's King's Arms, St John's Chapel. Thomas Wilkinson said on Thursday, he was coming out of the Middlehope Mine with Thomas Smith and deceased. Witness was walking and shoving the waggon with Smith and deceased in it, the first named riding first. They had got to a curve coming into the main level from the west end, and he heard a groan as if deceased was going into a fit, and stopped the waggon, and, looking up, saw deceased's head touching the roof. He drew the waggon back, and Smith asked if he'd got hit and he said "Yes, on the head," and shortly after asked Smith to rub his legs, which he at once did, but deceased said all power had gone out of them. He then asked them to rub his hands, as they were similar in feeling. They then asked him to move his head, and he did so; and he consented to be moved forward to get him out. On reaching outside he asked to be carried into the "shop", where we took him, and having said Dr Hewitson was his doctor, never spoke more and died in about twenty minutes, showing no symptoms of suffering.

Coroner: Do you think it is likely that deceased might have taken ill and lost his sense of care to keep his head down to keep from coming in contact with the roof? Yes, that's my conviction. – Thomas Smith, the other witness corroborated, adding, in reply to Mr Plummer, that he did not notice anything at all the matter with him during the shift.

Coroner: Were you allowed to ride in and one to shove the waggon on coming out? Witness: Well there were no laws about it in any way. – Mr Plummer: I believe it's quite customary.

A Juryman: Deceased had taken fits before; at least once.
Coroner (to witness): Do you think his neck was broke? No. – Coroner and Inspector also thought he could not have talked and retained his senses as long if he had.
Coroner (to witness): Was a doctor called? Yes, but he never saw him, as he was dead, and we stopped him on the road after we knew he was no use.
Foreman of the Jury (Mr T. G. Watson): There's a witness who'll prove his neck was broken.
Coroner: Call him at once, then. Ralph Watson, Island House, engineman, said he was at deceased's house when they brought him home, and he examined the body and laid it out. There were two straight scratches on the left temple, and a slight bruise on the crown of the head. When moving the body his (deceased's) head fell forward, showing a lump below the neck on the spinal cord, with a flat place above it. He reported the fact to Dr Hewitson, who said that deceased must have died from dislocation of the neck, which would account for the loss of feeling in the extremities of the body, as recorded by the witnesses. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.
See 8th June 1899

15th June 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

ENCOURAGING FOR WEARDALE MINES.

We are informed on good authority that there is a probability of the Derwent Head Mines being taken over by a Company of Stanhope gentlemen, including County Councillor Livingstone and Mr J. V. Walton, who has succeeded in securing an encouraging lease from Mr Joicey, lessor.

Deaths

Alston, High Cowgate, 9th inst., aged 57, John Jackson, miner.
In 1861, at Rodderup, John Jackson, lead miner, aged 30, born Allendale, his wife Ann (Blair, married 1st May 1852, Allendale) aged 30, born Allendale, children Jane 9, born Allendale, Mary 7, born Allendale, Pheby 4, born Allendale, Sarah 4, born Alston, and Henry 2, born Alston.
In 1871, at Hill House, John Jackson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Ann 40, children Mary, servant, aged 17, Sarah, servant, aged 14, Henry, labourer, aged 12, Robert 9, Paul 6, Ann 4, and John George 2
In 1881, at Newberry, Alston, John Jackson, lead miner, unemployed, aged 51, wife Ann 50, children Phoebe 26, Henry, grocer journeyman, aged 22, Robert, grocer unemployed, aged 19, Ann 14, John G. 12, and Thomas W. 9.
In 1891, at High Cowgate, Anne Jackson, widow, farmer, aged 62, son John, farmer, aged 22, and granddaughter Sarah Jane Reed 13. See 18th July 1891
Blaydon, St Thomas Terrace, 11th inst., aged 63, Thomas Watson, late of Allenheads.
In 1881, at St Cuthbert's Square, Winlaton, Blaydon, Thomas Watson, general labourer, aged 55, wife Sarah 56, children William R. , general labourer, aged 31, Nickolas, fitter, aged 25, Sarah A., milliner, aged 17, and Mary J. 14.

19th June 1889 (Teesdale Mercury)

SCARGILL

Shocking Death. —On Thursday, Mr John S. Walton, coroner, opened an enquiry at the Stang Foot Inn, on the body of Robert Hillary (33), West House

Hirst, who met with his death whilst working in the **Scargill Lead Mining Company's** mines on Monday sen. It appeared that the deceased, after a shot had been fired, was working with a pick, when a huge stone unexpectedly fell upon him from the head of the drift. Death was instantaneous. A verdict of accidental death was returned. Deceased leaves a widow and several children, and much sympathy is expressed in the neighbourhood for them in their bereavement. A government inspector was present during the inquiry.

Robert Hillary married Elizabeth March, 2nd quarter 1848, registered Reeth, Yorkshire.

In 1851, at Lanehead, Marrick, Jammima Hillary, married, aged 32, daughter Susan 2, brother in law, Robert Hillary, lead miner, aged 23, sister Elizabeth Hillary, married, annuitant, aged 22, and sister Margaret March, annuitant, aged 18.

In 1861, at Skegdale, Hurst, Marrick, Yorkshire, Robert Hillary, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth, 31, children, Ann 8, Sarah 8, Robert 4, John 2, and Elizabeth 4 months.

In 1871, at Skegdale, Hurst, Marrick, Yorkshire, Robert Hillary, lead miner, and farmer of 13 acres, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth, 42, children, Sarah 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 14, John, carrier for lead mines, aged 12, Elizabeth 10, William 4, and Margaret 2.

In 1881, at West House, New Forest, Richmond, Robert Hillary, farmer of 32 acres, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth, aged 52, children, Robert, farmers son, aged 25, Elizabeth 20, William 14, Margaret 12, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Franklin 6.

Robert Hillary married Sarah Mary Fawcett, (daughter of Joseph & Mary Fawcett) 2nd quarter 1883, registered at Reeth, Yorkshire.

In 1891, at Hill Top House, Marrick, Yorkshire, Joseph Wawcett, farmer & innkeeper, aged 60, his wife Mary 58, son John, farmer & lead miner, aged 38, daughter Mary Hillary, widow, aged 29, grandchildren, Eliz Eleanor Hillary 7, Mary Hillary 5, and William Hillary 3

22nd June 1889 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 20th inst., John Armstrong, Whitehall, Nenthead, to Jane Armstrong, Low Farnberry, Alston.

In 1871, at Dykeheads, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 52, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 28, daughter Ann 22, and grandson John Armstrong 4. In 1881, at Dykeheads, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner & farmer of 27 acres, aged 66, his wife Mary 62, daughter Ann 32, grandsons John Armstrong, general labourer, aged 14, and Ralph Armstrong 11.

Isaac Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1887, aged 73.

In 1891, at West Nenthead, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 24, and his wife Jane aged 24. In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Armstrong, blacksmith, aged 34, and his wife Jane A. aged 34. In 1911, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Armstrong, blacksmith striker, working for Vieille Montagne Co., aged 44, and his wife Jane Ann aged 44.

Deaths

Whitehall, Nenthead, 16th inst., aged 61, Mary daughter of the late John Pattinson.

John Pattinson, married Jane Rodham, 20th October 1827, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Nenthead, John Pattinson, mason, aged 35, his wife Jane aged 30, children Mary 13, John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Catherine 10, William 8, George 6, Matthew 4, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Pattinson, stone mason, aged 48, his wife Jane aged 42, children Mary 23, John, stone mason, aged 22, Catherine 20, William, stone mason, aged 17, George, lead ore washer, aged 16, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas 11, Eleanor 9, Wigam 7, Jonathan 4, and Joseph 2.
Jane Pattinson died 3rd quarter 1857, registered, at Alston.
In 1861, at White Hall, Nenthead, In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Pattinson, widower, stone mason, children Mary, house keeper, aged 33, George, lead miner, aged 26, Matthew, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Ellen, 19, Wigham, lead ore washer, aged 17, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph 12, and Susannah 5.
John Pattinson, was buried at Nenthead, 7th December 1869, aged 65.
In 1871, at White Hall, Jonathan Pattinson, single, lead miner, aged 24, sister Mary, housekeeper, aged 43, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, sister Susannah 15, niece Jane Pattinson 9, niece Mary Ann Pattinson 8, nephew John Pattinson 6, visitor Mary Ann Pattinson, coal miners wife, aged 24, visitor Hannah Elliott, coal miners wife, aged 33, visitor Mary Ann Elliott 9 months, visitor Elizabeth Goodfellow, coal miners wife, aged 44, and lodger John Thompson, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1881, at White Hall, Mary Pattinson, single, housekeeper, aged 53, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 32, sister Susannah, assistant housekeeper, aged 25, nephew John Pattinson, lead ore washer, aged 16, and lodger Francis Richardson, Primitive Methodist Preacher, aged 20, born Durham.
See 12th January 1878, 1st June 1878, & 21st November 1891
Alston, Middle Farm, 13th inst., aged 23, Robert son of John and Eunice Atkinson.
In 1851, at Middle Farm, Thomas Atkinson, farmer, aged 57, his wife Ann 54, children John, lead miner, aged 20, Ann 17, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Hannah 9.
Thomas Atkinson, died 2nd quarter 1853.
John Atkinson married Elizabeth Broadwood, 6th December 1855, At Alston.
Elizabeth Atkinson died 3rd quarter 1860.
John Atkinson married Eunice Lowe, 1st quarter 1863, reg. Alston.
In 1861, at Middle Farm, Ann Atkinson, widow, small farmer, aged 65, daughter Ann, dairymaid, aged 25, and son Thomas, Ag. Labourer, aged 24. Also at Middle Farm, John Atkinson, widow, lead miner, aged 30, children Sarah 4, Thomas 2, and servant Hannah Atkinson, house servant, aged 19.
In 1871, at Middle Farm, John Atkinson, farmer of 30 acres, aged 41, his wife Eunice 45, children Sarah 14, Thomas 12, Margaret A. 7, William 6, Robert 4, Mary J. 3, and John 1. In 1881, Robert aged 14, is working for Isaac Leach at Broad Beck Hill, Brampton, as a farm servant. In 1881, at Middle Farm, John Atkinson, farmer of 30 acres, aged 50, his wife Eunice 42, children Sarah 25, Thomas 23, William, coal miner, aged 16, Mary Jane 13, John 11, Phoebe 9, James T. 7, Isaac 6, Joseph W. 1, and boarder Sarah Bell 10, born Stanhope.

In 1891, at Middle Farm, John Atkinson, farmer, aged 63, his wife Eunice 54, children Phoebe 19, Isaac 17, Joseph W. 10, and visitor Mary Wallace, single, charwoman, aged 70.
John Atkinson died 1st quarter 1895, aged 64.
See 20th September 1890, and 16th June 1894

5th July 1889 (Carlisle Patriot)
It is proposed to convert the company which works the **GREENSIDE SILVER AND LEAD MINES**, **AT PATTERDALE**, into a company under the Limited Liability Acts. This has been one of the most prosperous concerns of the kind in the country—at one time, it is said, as much as 100 per cent, of clear profit was paid annually —but there being need of more capital to develop the resources of the mines, it is intended, in the conversion. to invite the public to subscribe additional capital which will raise the total up to £76,000.

6th July 1889 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Spency Croft, 1st inst., aged 44, Elizabeth daughter of the late William Dickinson, Town Foot. *See 4th May 1872, 10th May 1879, 20th August 1887, & 23rd April 1892*
Alston, 2nd inst., aged 30, Mary second daughter of the late Thomas Y. Walton.
See 28th October 1871, 26th October 1872, 1st June 1889, & 10th July 1920.
At Settlingstones mines, Fourstones, in his 73rd year, William Watson, for 49 years a trusted and valued agent of the late Alfred and Frederick Walter Hall, and of the present Mrs F W Hall, Ruffside House.
A skilful miner he left a widow and married family, his son Mr Siddell Watson took his place in management of the mines. In 1851, at Settlingstones mine, William Watson, lead ore miner, aged 34, born Allendale, wife Mary 32, born Mickley, children Isabella 11, Jane 9, Sarah 6, Mary 4, and William 3.
In 1861, at Settlingstones, William Watson, lead mine agent, aged 44, his wife Mary 42, children Sarah 16, Mary 14, William 12, Ann 9, Joseph 7, Siddell 5, and Anthony 3.
In 1871, at Settlingstones, mine, William Watson, lead mine agent, aged 54, wife Mary 52, sons William, lead ore miner, aged 23, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 17, Siddell 15, and Anthony 13.
In 1881, at Settlingstones Mine, William Watson, lead mine agent, aged 64, his wife Mary 62, son Siddell, widow, lead mine agent, aged 25, and granddaughter Mary J. Watson, under 1 month.
Siddle married Jane Hutchinson 2nd quarter of 1880, Jane died 1st quarter of 1881, aged 25; in the 1st quarter of 1883, Siddle married Mary Ellen Armitage.
In 1891 at Settlingstones Mine, Siddle Watson, ___, and mining engineer, aged 35, his wife Mary Ellen, aged 28, children Minnie 10, J L A 7, Willie 15, Wallace 3, Sidney F. 1, and servant Ellen Veitch aged 16.
See 13th April 1889.

20th July 1889 (Hexham Herald)
SUCCESS OF AN ALLENDALE MAN
Twenty years ago Mr Jos. Nattrass, Allendale, started from Alston Station with his wife and family for Australia. On their arrival he commenced farming

pursuits and has been very successful. Mr Nattrass seems to have taken great interest in local matters around Kalkee and has been elected a member of the council for that district, which assembles at Victoria. As a Wesleyan Methodist, Mr J. W. Nattrass, son of the above is engaged as a missionary and on leaving Drouin, for another district was presented with a suitable testimonial as a token of esteem by the members and friends.

Deaths

Alston, Park House, 16th inst., aged 83 years, Hannah, relict of John Lathern, Newshield.

In 1841, at Newshield, John Lathern, mine agent, 36, his wife Hannah 35, children Margaret 11, John 9, Ann 7, Mary 5, Stephen 2, and Hannah 2 months.

Also at Newshield in 1841, Stephen Lathern, lead miner, aged 60, and Margaret Larthern aged 30, father & sister of John Lathern. The 1851 census shows Margaret Lathern, at Corby Gates, Alston, unmarried, knitter of stockings, aged 40. Margaret Lathern died 1st quarter 1865, at Alston.

In 1851, at Newshield, Alston, John Lathern, lead mine agent, 46, wife Hannah (Walton, married 25th December 1828, at Alston) 44, children Margaret 21, John, lead miner, aged 19, Ann 17, Mary 14, Stephen 12, Hannah 10, Benjamin 7, Rebecca 5, and Sarah 2.

John Lathern died 9th June 1859, he had been manager & part owner of Blagill Lead Mine. See 8th September 1848

In 1861, at Newshield, Hannah Lathern, widow, farmer of 80 acres, aged 54, children Margaret 31, Stephen, lead mine agent, aged 22, Benjamin, farmers son, aged 18, Rebecca 15, and Sarah 12.

In 1871, at Newshield, Hannah Lathern, widow, farmer of 130 acres, aged 64, children Stephen, colliery agent, aged 32, Benjamin, farmers son, aged 27, and Sarah, farmers daughter, aged 22.

MEMORY OF
JOHN LATHERN
OF NEWSHIELD
DIED JUNE 9TH 1859
AGED 54 YEARS
ALSO OF HANNAH
WIFE OF ABOVE
DIED JULY 16TH 1889
AGED 83 YEARS

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God

In 1881, at Galgate, Barnard Castle, Mary L. Brady, widow, boarding house keeper, aged 44, sons William F. wages clerk in iron works, aged 19, Albert P. 9, and mother Hannah Lathern, widow, annuitant, aged 74.
See 17th June 1859

> *Canadian Biography Online 1901-1910 (volume 13) gives the following information regarding John Lathern jnr, born 31st July 1831, at Newshield House, Alston, died 8th January 1905, Halifax.*
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> *John Lathern [Jr 1832-1905] was born in a mining district near the Cumberland-Northumberland border. His father [John Lathern (1805-1859)], who was descended from an old Northumberland family, was manager and part-proprietor of a lead mine. Mining communities in the north of England had been strongly influenced by Methodism in the 18th and early 19th centuries, and the Latherns had been among those converted. John received an educational upbringing that was both pietistic and sound, in accordance with his family's religious convictions and social standing. The family business dictated that he be trained as a mining engineer. He soon realized, however, that he felt drawn to the Methodist ministry, and by 1855 he had joined the British Wesleyan Conference as a probationer. He approached the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society with the idea of serving in Africa, but he was assigned to eastern British North America.*
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> *Following four years as a preacher at Fredericton, Cornwallis Township, N.S., and Saint John, N.B., Lathern was ordained and received into the Wesleyan Methodist Conference of Eastern British America in 1859. That same year he married the eldest daughter of New Brunswick's Queen's printer (Mary Elizabeth Simpson, they had 2 daughters and 1 son). The marriage provided Lathern with a special reason for a long-term commitment to the Maritimes, in effect changing him from missionary to immigrant. …*
> *Allen B. Robertson (Author)*

13th July 1889 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE
SUDDEN DEATH

Robert Heslop, Dove Pool, High Shield, Allendale, who died suddenly, a lead miner aged 62 years, while working in the hay field on the 8th inst., he was suddenly taken ill and died shortly afterwards.
In 1861, at Black Cleugh, Allendale, Robert Heslop, lead ore miner, aged 34, wife Mary 39, children Hannah 5, Mary E. 3, and Hannah 7.
In 1871, at West End, Allendale, Robert Heslop, lead ore miner, aged 44, wife, Mary 39, children Mary E. 13, Sarah I. 9, Peart 4, and Robert W 2.
In 1881, at West End, Allendale, Robert Heslop, lead ore miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 49, children Sarah I., domestic servant, aged 18, Peart, lead ore washer, aged 14, Robert W. 12, John 9, and grandson Herbert 9 months.
In 1891, at High Dirt Pot, Mary Heslop, widow, farmer, aged 59, son John, lead ore miner, aged 19, grandson Herbert Heslop10, boarder George Gardner, draper, aged 39.

3rd August 1889 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's quarterly report for No. 2 District showed 16 deaths and 8 births, the former being at the rate of 27.43 per 1000. The excessive death rate took place in ordinary course. Measles however had been prevalent at Garrigill. There had been four cases of mild Scarlet Fever at Ashgill, 6 cases resembling Argue or Intermittent fever, and a case of pneumonia. These complaints seemed to point to a vitiated state of the atmosphere.

10th August 1889 (Hexham Courant)

STRIKE AT NENTHEAD

An extraordinary scene was witnessed at this village on Tuesday at noon, when all the lads and young men employed at the washing operations of the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company left work and came out on strike. The chief cause of the grievance seems to be that the lads insist on an increase of wages and a diminution of night work. As the washing of ore is of vital importance, considerable inconvenience was experienced. Men had to be draw from the mines, and outside labourers were set on to the work. The strikers marched in procession through the village on Wednesday, and booed and jeered the men who were engaged in their work. Sods and other materials were brought into play, and the men were driven away. On Thursday morning at nine o'clock, the strikers were met and consulted with by the managing director, Mr J C Swan, Newcastle, but no arrangements were come to. The cases of the washer lads was pleaded by the Rev C Berry, the Vicar of Nenthead. Late in the day, a telegram had to be dispatched to Alston for police assistance on account of the threatening aspect of affairs.

10th August 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

West Allendale, Carrshield, 1st inst., aged 79, Sarah relict of Thomas Hetherington.

In 1851, at Throssel Hall, West Allen High, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore miner and farmer of 10 acres, aged 39, wife Sarah (Lowes, married 12th July 1834, Alston) aged 40, children Caleb, lead ore washer, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Betsy 10, John 7, Sarah 2, and mother in law Sarah Lowes, widow, aged 81.
In 1861, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, farmer, aged 49, wife Sarah 50, children John, farmers son, aged 17, Sarah 12, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 9, and Mary J. 6.
In 1871, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, farmer of 10 acres, aged 59, his wife Sarah 61, and son Thomas, enginewright, apprentice, aged 19.
In 1881, at Carrshield, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore miner, unemployed, aged 69, and his wife Sarah 70. Thomas died 2nd quarter of 1883, aged 71.

17th August 1889 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD
STRIKE OF WASHER BOYS

Last week the washer boys employed by the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co. at Nenthead presented themselves at the Nenthead office, and asked

the officials for an advance of 3d per day and exemption from night work. The resident manager refused to give them any satisfaction on the matter. The boys returned home in an orderly manner. The Overman of the mines then drew out some of the miners, who very reluctantly consented, and when they did were not at all aware of the existing circumstances under which the request or command was made. One man with more pluck and courage than the rest gave a positive denial, consequently the Overman refused him any more work, and ordered him to bring out his gear (tools), to which he very politely replied, "All right sir, not to-night perhaps morning will do." The few men who did go were subjected to the missiles of the boys. The managing director, Mr J C Swan, being informed of matters soon made his appearance, and although it was past nightfall the only evidence of excitement was a good hearty cheer after he passed through the village to the office. On Thursday, Mr Swan addressed the parents and workmen. He could not see his way clear to grant the advance demanded, nor yet a cessation of night work, but offered a shift and a half for the latter; an ordinary shift is ten hours. The boys have, when water has been plentiful, been working right through night and day in two sets, consequently working 12 hours per day, for which extra two hours they receive a quarter shift, making the offer of Mr Swan only a quarter shift. He further intimated that unless the terms offered were accepted, the only alternative was to close the mines. The workmen and parents met on Friday night, and unanimously rejected the offer. The mines are now closed, and washing and smelting operations are at a standstill.

17th August 1889 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD
STRIKE

A general lockout is now prevailing at the Nenthead lead mines in consequence of the action taken by the washer lads the week previous. Miners, washers, blacksmiths, joiners, cartmen, together with the other employees, are at present walking about, and of course, the main topic of conversation is the strike, when and how it will end. The request of the washer lads is held by many to be perfectly justifiable, viz., an advance of 3d per day and to be freed from night work. But the manner in which they made the demand is also held to be open to censure. Generally due notice is given to the masters when any advance is wanted by the workmen, but in this case, the demand was made to the foreman, who had no power to give any advance without consulting his managers. It seems because this demand was not complied with at once, all the lads left work. If due notice had been handed in that they would strike if their request was not complied with after the usual 14 days notice, matters might, or might not have been different; as it is, there have been several meetings of the men and washer boys. Whilst a meeting was in progress on Wednesday evening, a telegram was handed in from Mr Swan, Newcastle, asking the washers to return to work until the directors met. This they declined to do, and so the matter at present stands.

WEARDALE
ANOTHER EMIGRATION FOR SOUTH AFRICA

On Monday morning, Mr Joseph Hodgson of Westgate House (Late London) brother to Mr G. W. Hodgson, solicitor, of Stanhope, left his native dale en route for Cape Town, South Africa, where he will be employed as draper or outfitter.

Deaths
Alston, Clitheroe, 9th inst., aged 71, Frederick Hall Woodmass, lead miner.
See 23rd August 1861, and 29th October 1887

21st August 1889 (Sunderland Daily Echo)
Marriages
On the 20th, at James Williamson street, Christian Lay Church, Thomas, eldest son of the late Robert Bruce, To Frances Hannah, eldest daughter of the late Joseph Teasdale, of Nenthead, Cumberland.

24th August 1889 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
THE NENTHEAD STRIKE
The strike and lockout at the works of the Nenthead Lead and Zinc Company still continues. Negotiations have been kept up between the masters and men during the last week, but without any definite result and a number of young men and boys have left the locality.
Marriages
At the parish church Allendale, 18th inst., J. W. Richardson, Buenos Ayres, to Henrietta, youngest daughter of the late John Curry Esq. of Allenheads
At New Zealand, Inglewood, 6th July, Mr Tom Drake to Miss Bessie Nixon, fourth daughter of Mr William Nixon of Stonecroft Mines, Fourstones

24th August 1889 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
NENTHEAD STRIKE.
The Smelt Mill men in the employ of the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company struck work on Monday last. The washer boys had previously struck and owing to their determination not to resume work, the miners were locked out. The whole of the works are thus at a standstill. During the past week a number of the younger men and boys have left the locality to seek work elsewhere. The boys seek an advance of wages, and the abolition of night work. Boys of 13 to 15 receive 7d to 9d per day for a ten-hour shift by night or day, or in any state of weather. Young men 17 to 18 are receiving 1s to 1s 4d, and in rare cases 1s 6d per shift. The great objection the boys have, however is night work.
SOUTH AFRICA NOT SO GOOD AS REPORTED FOR ARTISANS
A communication has been received by the friends of Mr Madgen who recently left St John's, Weardale, for Johannesburg, stating that he had found great difficulty in getting employment at his trade, a joiner, and things are by no means as good as reported for artisans. Messrs George Race jun. Westgate and Mr J. F. Featherstone, ex postmaster, Daddry Shield, who also went and remain at Cape Town

31st August 1889 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
NENTHEAD STRIKE
Work was resumed at Nenthead on Monday morning last, but no amicable settlement has been arrived at, and the washer lads, it is understood, only commenced work with a view to completing a fortnights notice, when if the

masters do not deem it advisable to make some overtures towards meeting the demands of the washers, they will again come out. The wolf was no doubt beginning to look in at some of the doors, judging from the number of lads from Nenthead who were canvassing the town, soliciting subscriptions on Friday last. As all the works were at a stand still, the men not sheltered by a friendly society or in the Company's funds, would be beginning to feel the effects of the lockout. A good number of the workmen had this allowance secured, but there are numbers who were without it, and it is these who would feel the pinch, although the strike had lasted no time to cause any distress worth noticing.

31st August 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

AN ANNUITY FOR AN AGED MINER.

On the 24th of March 1887 a terrible colliery explosion took place at Bulli, in the colony of New South Wales. Amongst others who perished in the disaster was John Adamson, a young man 28 years of age, a native of Rookhope, in the parish of Stanhope, whose father Ed. Adamson, is still living and now works in the limestone quarries of Stanhope, for which work he is very unfitted, not only by age and infirmity, but also by the fact that he had been a lead miner in his younger days. Only two or three weeks before the disaster John Adamson had written to his father telling him he would return in a very short time, and the old man had been looking forward to his son coming home, and to his being a comfort and support to him in his old age, when he received news of the accident. A substantial fund was nobly raised and set aside by the owners of the colliery and others, for the relief of the surviving and the aid of those whose "bread winner" had been taken away. The Rev. J. P. Sheppard, kindly interested himself in Edward Adamson's behalf and through his kind offices and the persevering exertions of Mr John Thompson, solicitor at Stanhope, a sum of £110 5s to be paid at once out of the fund and an annuity of £20 a year for life has been secured to Adamson.

Marriage

Alston, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 27th inst., Hugh Bell, Alston to Amelia, daughter of Wm. Walton, Bruntly Syke, Alston.

In 1881, at Front Street, Hannah Bell, widow, grocer, aged 56, son Hugh, joiner & Wesleyan lay preacher, aged 24, born Knaresdale.

In 1861, at Annatwalls, William Walton, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah (Bell, married 25th June 1854, Alston) aged 28, children Sarah 6, Joseph 4, and Amelia 1. See 14th February 1871

In 1871, at Low Annatwalls, William Walton, farmer of 11 acres, aged 41, his wife Hannah 38, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Amelia 11, and Thomas 8. In 1881, at Annatwalls, William Walton, farmer of 23 acres, aged 51, his wife Hannah 49, children Joseph, farmers son, aged 24, Amelia, dressmaker, aged 21, Thomas, grocers apprentice, aged 18, and John W. 8.

In 1891, at Bruntley Syke, William Walton, grocer & farmer, aged 61, his wife Hannah 58, sons Joseph, farmers son, aged 24, and John W. drapers apprentice, aged 18.

William Walton died 2nd quarter 1895, aged 65.

Hannah Walton died 1st quarter 1893, aged 60.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Hugh Bell, joiner, aged 34, his wife Amelia, aged 31, and Son William H., 8 months. In 1901, at Front Street, Hugh Bell,

assistant overseer, and collector of local rates, aged 44, his wife Amelia 41, children William H 10, Florence H 8, Amelia S 5, and George W 3. In 1911, at Town Foot, Hugh Bell assistant overseer, and collector of rates, aged 54, his wife Amelia 51, children William Hugh, railway clerk, aged 20, Florence Hannah, cashier, aged 18, Amelia Sarah 15, George Walton 13, and nephew William Dawson Walton, school, & newsboy, aged 14, born Kirkby Stephen. Hugh Bell died 3rd quarter 1924, aged 68.

Deaths

At Clarghyll, Alston, 25th inst., Mary Robinson, eldest daughter of the late Walton Wilson, farmer.

See 11th September 1886

14th September 1889 (Hexham Courant)

THE NENTHEAD STRIKE

Now that the washers have resumed their duties, this village has settled down into its normal state, and the works generally are now in full swing. The strikers have had the works generally are now in full swing. The strikers have had their demands partly met by the masters and possibly some good has been attained through the sudden stoppage of the mines. It was stated that both life and property was in danger, whether this was ever really the case is a matter of great doubt, and the honest indignation of the inhabitants in general was thoroughly aroused that such should have been sent abroad. Perhaps there never was a strike and lockout, in which such a number of hands were involved that was conducted with greater decorum and strict civility.

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6th

(Before John Dickinson, Esq., chairman, and J. P. Walton, Esq.)

CAUGHT IN THE CELLAR

William Varty, labourer, Butts, Alston, and Jas Spottiswood, labourer, Millstone House, were charged with being on the licensed premises of the Sportsman Inn, now occupied by Mr J Goodfellow, on Sunday, the 14th August. —Sergeant Johnstone stated he was watching the house for illegal trading, he saw the defendants enter at 4.9 p.m. At 5.10 he sent P.C. Bell to enter the house by the back door, whilst he made his way to the front. The constable entered before he could get up, but whilst making for the front door the innkeepers daughter ran into the room shouting “Here’s the bobby coming.” On getting into the premises no one was there but the landlord and the constable. He asked the former where the men were who came into the house an hour previous, when he began to curse, swearing there was no one in the house. After searching through the bedrooms, parlour, &c., he found the defendants huddled up in a corner of the cellar, both being in an intoxicated state. On getting into the passage Spottiswood danced and sung, and said it was a “clean cop,” but they had only called to see the landlord. —Fined 5s each and costs.

21st September 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Garrigill, 19th inst., aged 28, Catherine wife of Thomas Potts, mining agent.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Fox Inn, Thomas Potts, stonemason, aged 30, wife Catherine (Vipond, married 3rd quarter of 1880, Alston) aged 20, daughter Alice 1 month. In 1891, at Barow House, Thirlwall, Haltwhistle, visitor, Dorothy

Potts, widow, aged 61, and boarder Thomas Potts, widow, stone mason, aged 40. In 1901, Alice Potts, born Garrigill, aged 20, is working as a general servant for the Wallace family, at Manchester House, Haltwhistle.
At Alston, Workhouse, 18th inst., aged 2 years, Margaret daughter of Ann Dowson.
At Ivy Cottage, Garrigill, 17th inst., aged 31, George Varty, farmer and stone mason.
At Allendale Town, 18th inst., Ann, widow of the late William Sparke, of Allenheads Corn Mill.

21st September 1889 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The annual exhibition in connection with the above was held on Saturday, the 7th last., in the large and spacious schools of the Lead & Zinc Co. The weather was most agreeable and a good attendance was secured in the evening. Owing to the early season the exhibits in several classes did not come up to the usual standard. There was a good show of cut flowers, and window plants were quite beyond the mark. Vegetables quite exceeded previous years in size and quality. Pansies were exceptionally good, being one of the finest collection that has been seen for some years. The special prizes for bread, sewing, writing, and skipping, were interesting items, while the butter prizes were keenly contested. … Music and dancing were freely indulged in during the evening. …
NENTHEAD CATTLE SHOW.—This show was held on Saturday last in a field at Overwater. In spite of the weather, which was a little unpropitious in the early part of the day the allow was quite a success. The day is observed as a general holiday in the village, and one which the inhabitants make a special point of inviting their friends, and acquaintances particularly former residents the village. Therefore, in the forenoon, when the open trotting competition commenced, there were a large number of visitors, along with the villagers gathered together to witness the event. After splendid contest the first prize was won by Mr James Hutchinson of Kirkoswald, and the second by Mr James Hutchinson of Garrigill. Judges and the officials then proceeded to the show field, preceded by the celebrated Weardale Brass band. This band did good service in the afternoon and evening, by rendering choice sections of music in a most efficient manner, to the gratification of the goodly number of visitors who assembled on the ground in the afternoon, and to the young people in the evening who gathered together in goodly numbers to enjoy the usual dance. The stock shown was described as being one the best and largest that has been exhibited since the formation of the show, the classes being especially fine. The receipts taken were in excess of previous years. …
Marriage
At St Augustine's Church, Alston, 14th inst., by the Rev Wm. Nall, M.A., Wm. Forsyth, schoolmaster, Heaton, Newcastle, to Sarah Ann Tyerman, school mistress, Alston.

31st September 1889 (Newcastle Courant)

ALSTON

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT. —A sad gun accident occurred on Cashburn Moor, some six miles from Alston, about one in the afternoon on Tuesday last,

resulting in the death of George Varty, a mason, who was employed as a loader for one of the sportsmen on the moor. An inquest was held on Wednesday at the George and Dragon Inn, Garrigill, before Mr J. B. Lee, deputy coroner for East Cumberland. —Joseph Varty said he was the brother of the deceased, who was 31 years of age, and married. — James Potts, Bridge End, Garrigill said he was engaged as a driver to Mr Rose, who leased the moor. On the day in question, there were six guns on the moor and a number of, loaders and drivers. Witness superintended the drivers. Mr Cave, deceased, and himself were looking for a bird, which had fallen. Witness and Mr Cave were close to deceased at the time; the others were some little distance away awaiting the commencement of another drive. The ground was very broken at the place. There were deep "breaks" in the moss. Mr Cave, in searching for the bird, essayed to cross one of those. His gun was over his shoulder. The "break" was about six feet deep, and the sides very slippery. Mr Cave slipped and fell on his back. The charge in the gun exploded. It was still ever Mr Cave's shoulder. Deceased was close behind, and above Mr Cave. He stood for a moment and then fell, saying, "Oh, he has shot me." Witness turned him on his back, but nothing could be done to stay the flow of blood. He was shot in the right shoulder. He breathed for about ten minutes. Mr Cave was carrying his gun in a proper and sportsmanlike manner. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," with en expression of sympathy with Mr Cave, who has been terribly affected by the unfortunate occurrence.

5th October 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel Alston, 3rd inst. William Scott, Foreshields, to Ellen Varty, Butts, Alston.
In 1881, at Butts, Sarah Varty, miners widow, aged 48, children William, coal miner, aged 22, Featherstone, coal miner, aged 17, Clara 13, and Ellen 13.
In 1891, at Blagill, William Scott, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Ellen 23, and daughter Sarah E 1.
In 1901, at Dolphin Street, Benwell, William Scott, coal miner, hewer, aged 33, his wife Ellen 32, daughters Violet 6, and Mildred 2. In 1911, at Denton Square, Scotswood, William Scott, coal miner hewer, aged 43, his wife Eleanore 43, daughters Sarah Elizabeth 20, and Mildred 12. The census shows that of their four children 1 had died before 1911.
See below.
Deaths
At Butts, Alston, 27th ult. aged 3 months, George son of William Varty, coal miner.
In 1851, at Allotment House, West Allen, Elizabeth Varty, tailors widow, aged 41, children John 13, Margaret 10, Hannah 7, and Elenor 4.
In 1861, at High Limestone Brae, West Allen, John Varty, single, lead miner, aged 23, unmarried sisters Sarah 28, Ellen 14, and nephew William Varty 2.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Sarah Varty, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 39, children William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas F. 7, Eleanore 3, Clara 3, boarder Sarah Ann Graham 1, unmarried sister Margaret Varty, domestic servant unemployed, aged 30, nephew Thomas Varty 9, niece Sarah Elizabeth Varty 5, niece Emily Varty 9 months.

In 1881, at Butts, Sarah Varty, miners widow, aged 48, children William, coal miner, aged 22, Featherstone, coal miner, aged 17, Clara 13, and Ellen 13.
In 1891, at Butts, William Varty, coal miner, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann (Hogarth, married 2nd quarter of 1883, at Haltwhistle) aged 26, children Thomas W. 8, John 6, Sarah A. 4, and Arthur 9 months.
In 1891, at Butts, Sarah Varty, single, nurse, aged 58, granddaughter Lizzie H Varty 2, boarder John Coulson 4, boarder Edwin Kirsopp 8 months, and boarder Thomas Dickinson, millers labourer, aged 19.
In 1901, Sarah Varty, single, seamstress, aged 68, granddaughter Elizabeth Varty 12, adopted sons John Coulson, butchers assistant, aged 14, and Edwin Kirsopp 12.
See 3rd January 1891.

12th October 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

PHILLIPSON MEMORIAL

Favoured with the instructions from Mr John Philipson of South Melbourne, Australia who is now on a visit to Weardale, Messrs C. Ryder & Sons, sculptors, Bishop Auckland, have completed only recently a chaste and costly headstone in memory of the parents, relatives of the dale's visitor.
See 8th June 1889 & 30th August 1890

ERECTED BY JOHN PHILIPSON ON HIS VISIT FROM
AUSTRALIA
1889
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MOTHER TAMAR PHILIPSON DIED 1838 AGED 31.
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Source: Transcribed by Ken Heatherington

12th October 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Augustine's Church, Alston, 9th inst., by the Rev. Wm. Nall, M.A., John Hodgson stone mason, to Mary Ann Lowe, Alston.

Deaths
At Front Street, Alston, 8th inst., aged 11 years, Annie daughter of John Pickering, butcher

18th October 1889 (Carlisle Patriot)
LABOUR DISPUTE AT SPELTER WORKS. —The calciners, about 16 in number, employed at the Spelter Works, near Hallbankgate, belonging to the Nenthead and Tindale Lead and Zinc Co., have received fourteen days' notice that their services will not be required from and after the 24th inst., in consequence of some dispute to the amount work allotted them and the time allowed for its performance. It appears that shortly before the late manager's death a charge of blend ore was raised from 8 cwt. to 10 cwt., the men working four changes in the twenty-four hours. It is now proposed to add other two hundredweight, with addition of seven or eight per cent, for moisture, bringing the charge up to nearly 13 cwts. This the men strongly resent, as it is sought to have the work done in six shifts, instead of seven as at present, with the Sunday included. The rate of wages is 4s 1d a shift, so that a considerable reduction in the men's wages would result. The men have had one or two interviews with the manager, but so far without any satisfactory result. It is alleged that similar work is done in the time in the South and in parts of Wales, but it is pointed out that the kilns in Wales are of a different size, which tells greatly the advantage of the latter, the Welsh kilns being 50 feet by 8 feet, whilst those at Spelter Works are 30 feet by 9 feet. The notice expires next Thursday, and it is hoped in the district that some compromise satisfactory to both parties may arrived at before then.

19th October 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, Thomas Wm. Lowe, Clitheroe to Sarah Jane, daughter of the late John Pearson, Fourdargue.
See 20th October 1888

26th October 1889 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
The Medical Officers quarterly report for No. 2 District, there had been 8 deaths at the rate of 13.71 and 9 births.
WEARDALE
DEATH OF JOSEPH ALLISON THE WEARDALE WRESTLER.
Died at Crawleyside, Stanhope, on Sunday evening at the age of 47. Allison was born at Ireshopeburn, Weardale, and has spent his life in his native dale, the last 18 years of which has been spent at Stanhope and Crawleyside and his employment been first at the lead mines then at the lead mills, and latterly at the limestone quarries. He has won 110 first prizes for wrestling, and his trophies number 15 cups and one belt. … interred in the parish churchyard Stanhope.
Deaths
Alston, 23rd inst., aged 71, Walton Tatters, solicitors clerk.

In 1881, at Crown Lane, Walton Tatters, solicitors general clerk, aged 61, wife Isabella 69, children Isabella, domestic employment, aged 36, George, solicitors general clerk, aged 30, and Eunice, domestic servant, aged 18.
Stanhope, Crawleyside 20th inst., aged 47, Joseph Allison.
In 1841, at White Stones, Stanhope, George Allison, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Margaret aged 40, daughters Mary 12, and Elizabeth 8. In 1851, at Ireshopeburn, George Allison, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Margaret 49, children Elizabeth 18, and Joseph, lead ore washer, 9.
In 1861, at Ireshope Burn, George Allison, lead miner, aged 61, wife Margaret 49?, children Elizabeth 29, Joseph 19, and grandson William 5.
George Allison died 3rd quarter 1864.
In 1871, at Ireshope Burn, Joseph Allison, leads miner, aged 29, wife Sarah 23, children George 7, Christopher 3, Sarah M. 1, mother Margaret Allison, widow, aged 69, and boarder William Allison, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1881, at Crawleyside, Joseph Allison, lead smelter, aged 39, wife Sarah 34, children George, lead smelter, aged 17, Christopher, general labourer, aged 14, Sarah M. 11, Elizabeth 3, and domestic servant Elizabeth Forster age 19.
In 1891, at Woodhouse, Crawleyside, Sarah Allison, widow, innkeeper, aged 45, children George, limestone quarryman, aged 27, Christopher, railway shunter, aged 23, Sarah Margaret 21, Elizabeth 13, Joseph William 9, and Tom 1.
Blanchland, 23rd inst., aged 25, Hannah youngest daughter of Jane and the late Joseph Peadon.
In 1861, at Low White Heaps, Joseph Peadon, lead miner, and Primitive Methodist local preacher, aged 40, wife Jane 37, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, Isaac, lead ore washer, aged 15, Margaret 12, Joseph Hutchinson 10, George 8, Mary Jane 6, Andrew S. 4, Sarah 1, and house servant Sarah Martin aged 16.
Joseph Peadon snr., died 2nd quarter of 1868, aged 47.
In 1871, at Derwent Cottages, Jane Peadon, widow, aged 47, children John, lead ore miner, aged 28, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 26, Isaac, engine driver at mines, aged 25, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 20, George, lead ore miner, aged 18, Andrew, shoe makers apprentice, aged 14, Sarah 11, Eunice 8, and Hannah 7. In 1881, Hannah aged 17, was working as a domestic servant for Thomas Murray (lead miner) and family, at Sandyford, Edmondbyers.

26th October 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 20th inst., by the Rev. E. Cairns, John Thompson, Alston, to Margaret Ann, daughter of Mr Matthew Fenwick, road surveyor.
Matthew Fenwick married Isabella Hodgson, 2nd quarter 1848, registered at Alston.
In 1851, at Buck Hall, Garrigill, Matthew Fenwick, shepherd, aged 22, born Greystead, Northumberland, his wife Isabella aged 22, born Alston, children, John 2 and Elizabeth 1.
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Matthew Fenwick, road labourer, aged 32, his wife, Isabella aged 32, children, John, road labourer, aged 12, Elizabeth 11, Mary Jane, 9, born Ireland, Margaret Ann 7, Isabella 4, and Frances sarah 1.

In 1871, at Loaning Head Gate, Alston, Matthew Fenwick, married, road surface man, aged 42, children, John, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth, housekeeper, aged 21, Isabella 13, Frances S 11, Matthew E 6, and Eleanor 6. Margaret Ann Fenwick, aged 17, was working as a servant, at Loning End, Kirkhaugh in 1871.
In 1871, at Garland Asylum, Carleton, Carlisle, Isabella Fenwick, aged 43.
Isabella Fenwick died 2nd quarter 1872, registered at Carlisle
In 1881, at Newshield, Blagill, Alston, Matthew Fenwick, widower, road surveyor, aged 51, children, Mary J, house keeper, aged 29, born Wicklow, Ireland, Margaret Ann, dressmaker, aged 27, Frances S, domesticservant, aged 21, Mathew E, road labourer, aged 18, Eleanor, nurse, aged 16, grandchildren, Arthur H 3, and Florence H 1.
In 1891, at High Hill, Alston, John Thompson, road labourer, aged 35, his wife Annie, 37, daughter, Alice 8 months, step son Harry Fenwick 14, and step daughter Edith Fenwick 8.. In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, John Thompson, limestone quarryman, aged 46, his wife Margaret 47, children, Edith Fenwick, hosiery works, 18, George 9, Alice 10, Ellen 7, and Florence 4.
In 1911, at Kings Arms Lane, Alston, John Thompson, stone breaker, aged 56, his wife Margaret Ann 57, children, George Matthew, stone breaker, aged 19, Elizabeth Ellen 17, Florence Sarah 14, and Alice 20.
John Thompson died 2nd qtr 1912, aged 57, registered at Alston.
Margaret Ann Thompson, died 3rd qtr 1921, aged 67, registered at Alston.

In 1891, at 53 Bolton Road, Silsden, Yorkshire, Matthew Fenwick, Main Road & Bridge surveyor, aged 58, his wife Eleanor, aged 46, born Alston, and children, Frances S, Cook domestic servant, aged 31, William, 4, and Florence 2, both born Alston.
In 1901, at 53 Bolton Road, Silsden, Yorkshire, Matthew Fenwick, Insurance, agent, aged 62, his wife Eleanor, aged 50, born Alston, and children, William, twister woollen mill, aged 14, and Florence M, 12, both born Alston.
In 1911, at 53 Bolton Road, Silsden, Yorkshire, Matthew Fenwick, agent for Threlkeld Granite Co., aged 82, his wife Eleanor, aged 62, born Alston, and children, William, clerk to a timber merchant, aged 24, and Florence Mary, dressmaker, aged 23.
Matthew Fenwick died 3rd quarter 1914, aged 86, registered at Skipton.

Deaths

At Foul Loaning, Alston, 20th inst, aged 56, William Wilkinson, shepherd.

29th October 1889 (London Gazette)

THE HARDSHINS MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

THE creditors of the above named Company are required, on or before the 18th day of November, 1889, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to Mr. John Hobart Armstrong, Chartered Accountant, St. Nicholas chambers, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required, by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, by their Solicitors or personally, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at St. Nicholas-chambers aforesaid, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. —Dated this 24th day of October, 1889.
JOHN H. ARMSTRONG, Liquidator.

31st October 1889 (Daily Gazette Middlesbrough)
TEESDALE RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY. —Mr Scarth presided over yesterday s meeting. Dr. Atkinson reported a case of scarlet fewer at Mickleton, attributed to contagion from Wiregill Mine Shops. Inquiry, however, proved there was no fever there; but the dirt and other conditions there were quite sufficient to cause illness; and the bad ventilation of the sleeping-room required looking into.

2nd November 1889 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
DEATH OF A STANHOPE YOUNG MAN AT CONSETT
Joseph Vickers a young man newly married and belonging Stanhope died at Consett on Monday. He moved to Consett about a month ago when he caught a fever, which resulted in his premature death. … He was 29 years of age and greatly respected.

9th November 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 68, Wm. Harrison, lead ore smelter.
In 1851, at Nenthead, William Harrison, lead ore smelter, aged 29, his wife Sarah aged (Liverick, married 3rd January 1847, Nenthead) aged 32, son Thomas 2, and lodger John Kindred, cartman, aged 23.
In 1861, at Nenthead, William Harrison, lead smelter, aged 39, wife Sarah 42, children Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, and John 8.
In 1871, at Nenthead, William Harrison, lead ore smelter, aged 49, wife Sarah 52, children Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 22, and John, lead ore washer, aged 18.
In 1881, at Nenthead, William Harrison, widow (Sarah died 2nd December 1874, aged 56), lead ore smelter, aged 59. See 5th December 1874, & 15th August 1885.

30th November 1889 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
MINING ACCIDENT A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH BY SUFFOCATION.
On Tuesday, Mr John Emerson, of Wham, Upper Weardale, whilst at work in the Middle Level Lead mine, near St John's Chapel, narrowly escaped death by suffocation by the firing of a quantity of powder in one of the workings. It appears that a dynamite "shot" had thrown its fuse to a distance, which accidentally falling upon some powder set it in fire.
In 1881, at Wham, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, Hannah Emerson, widow, farmer, aged 53, children, Mary Hannah 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Elizabeth 19, and granddaughter, Minnie Fairless 5.
In 1891, at Wham, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, John Emerson, lead miner, aged 30, his mother Hannah Emerson, widow, aged 63, sister Mary H, dress maker, aged 32, and niece, Minnie Fairless aged 15.
30th November 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Front Street, Alston, 28th inst., aged 65, Elizabeth, wife of Thirlwell Storey, chemist.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Thirwall Storey, chemist & dentist, aged 57, born Farlam, his wife Elizabeth (Thompson, married 4th qtr 1848, at Alston) aged 55, children, Isabella 28, George Wm., stocking manufacturer, aged 26, and Thomas J, dentist, aged 21. In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thirlwell Storey, widower, chemist & dentist, aged 67.
Thirlwall Storey died 1st quarter 1901, aged 77, registered at Carlisle.

7th December 1889 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

THE END OF THE RICHEST LEAD MINE IN ENGLAND

BURTREE PASTURE MINE, Cowshill, is being denuded of its plant by the instructions of the Lead Company, the rails, wagons, &c., being brought out preparatory to closing. This mine which has yielded by far the most ore of any ever known, a few years ago gave employment to 450 pickmen, exclusive of wagemen &c. It is proposed to work the strata from Rookhope, the feasibility of which is much questioned by local authorities.

Marriages

At the Registrar's office, Hexham, 3rd inst. Thomas Lowrey, Allenheads to Mrs Jane Coats, Hammershields, Allenheads.

Deaths

At Ashgill, 19th ult., aged 58, Phoebe wife of Thomas Renwick, woodcutter.
Phoebe Teasdale married Thomas Renwick 28th December 1858, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1861, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, Thomas Renwick, game watcher, aged 32, his wife Phoebe, 29, children, Esther 3, Joseph 1, and Tom 4 months.
In 1871, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Thomas Renwick, game watcher, aged 41, his wife Phoebe, 38, children, Esther 13, Joseph 11, Hannah 8, and John J 6.
In 1881, at Ashgill, Garrigill, Thomas Renwick, woodcutter (farmer 9 acres), aged 51, his wife Phoebe, 49, children, Esther, dairy work, aged 23, Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 18, John J, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Tom aged 8.
In 1891, at Mount Pleasant, Garrigill, Thomas Renwick, widower, woodcutter small farm, aged 62, children, Esther aged 33, Joseph, lead miner, aged 31, John J, lead miner, aged 26, and Tom aged 18.
In 1901, at Mount Pleasant, Garrigill, Thomas Renwick, widower, living on own means, aged 71, children, Esther Phillipson, married aged 43, Joseph, lead miner, aged 41, and Tomm woodman, aged 28.
Thomas Renwick was buried 10th January 1907, aged 78, at St John's, Garrigill.
At Garrigill Gate, Alston, 24th ult., aged 55, Lucy, widow of James Ward, auctioneer. *See 5th October 1866*

14th December 1889 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Westbury, Brackley, North Bucks, 2nd inst., aged 31, Joseph Beck, schoolmaster, formerly of Nenthead.
In 1871, at Green Ends, Nenthead, Joseph Beck, plate layer for mines, aged 49, his wife Jane 48, children, Matthew, lead miner, aged 22, Annie 15, Joseph 13, Elizabethh 11, Robert Hind 8, and Frances 6.

In 1881, at Spelter Works Cottages, Farlam, Isaac Holmes, furnace man aged 60, his wife Elizabeth 58, son Thomas, grocers shopman, aged 22, and Joseph Beck, elementary teacher aged 23.
See 1st November 1890.
At High Mill Lane, Alston, 10th inst., aged 76, Elizabeth, widow of William Watson, lead miner.
In 1881, at Globe Lane, Alston, Elizabeth Watson, lead miners widow, aged 66, grandchildren, Elizabeth Archer, spool winder, aged 13, and John Thos Archer aged 9.
At Angel Inn, Alston, 12th inst., aged 86, Mary Ann, widow of Hugh Pattinson, joiner. *See 22nd April 1893*
At Holmefoots, Nenthead, 4th inst., aged 81, Ann widow of John Wallace, lead miner.
In 1841, at Howgill Syke, John Wallace, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Nancy (Watson, married 20th March 1828) aged 35, children, William 12, Hannah 10, Joseph 7, Benjamin 5, and John 2.
John Wallace died either 3rd quarter 1841, or 4th quarter 1846.
In 1851, at Clark Hall, Ann Wallace, miners widow, aged 45, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Joe, lead miner, aged 17, Benjamin, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 12, and Watson 7.
In 1861, at Howgill Syke, Ann Wallace, widow, farmer, aged 56, children Hannah, dairy maid, aged 29, Benjamin, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 22, Watson, blacksmith, aged 17.
In 1871, at Howgill Syke, Ann Wallace, widow, farmer of 50 acres, aged 66, and son Benjamin, farmers son, aged 35.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Watson Wallace, Blacksmith, aged 37, wife Rachael 24, children Sarah 11, Joe 8, Thomas 3, William 1, and mother Ann Wallace, widow, annuitant, aged 76.
See 25th July 1874, 24th October 1875, & 5th April 1884.

21st December 1889 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

John Wilson, painter, glazier, and artist, well known in Stanhope and neighbourhood died on Tuesday at the residence of his son John after a lingering illness at the age of 71 years.
See 21st July 1888, wrong age?

21st December 1889 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

The annual meeting of the Weardale lead Company,...
In building and machinery, new shaft at Grove Rake, new mill at Ripsey House, &c., there had been expended £3,958, bringing the amount expended under capital account to £74,468. The Board borrowed during the year £12,000 on second mortgage debentures, which would expire in June next, at the same time as the first mortgage debentures, after which both series would be merged. Turning to the revenue account, the lead sales had reached £46,424. On the other hand the stock, including pig lead, and ore stores as per last balance sheet came to £23,668, wages and salaries at the mines, £24,967; stores, timber, materials, carriage, &c., £7,373. Regarding general matters, he (*Chairman*)

said that various communications had passed between the Board and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, the result being that, instead of charging the company, as hitherto, upon the price obtained at Newcastle, they would in future be charged on the basis of the average price which the company got for their lead at Parkhead. The lead sales had averaged £12 19s 7d per ton net, after deducting trade charges and discount. ... as there was less lead coming from Spain than hitherto, the present remunerative prices would he believed, be maintained for some time to come.

28th December 1889 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Newcastle, 5 Ridley Street, 22nd inst., aged 32, Isabella Carr, widow of the late George Carr, and eldest daughter the late Joseph Maughan, formerly of Alston.

4th January 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Stanhope, 25th inst. Mr G. Furnace to Miss Annie Walton, both of Westgate.

11th January 1890 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN WEARDALE MINING AGENT

On Tuesday evening, Mr Thomas Watson, Ling Riggs, Ireshopeburn, breathed his last in the paternal homestead at the age of 64, after a fortnight's illness of typhoid fever and congestion of the lungs. Since the demise of Mr George Race, Westgate, common consent voted Mr Watson – or "Owd Thomas ed Riggs," as he was familiarly called, the premier dalesman extant. Deceased was the son of the "Sammy Hicks," of Weardale Methodism (Mr George Watson), a member of that ilk who formed the yeomen of John Wesley, and who have since fostered his teachings in the venerated sanctuary of High House. While yet young the inherent ability of Mr Watson secured him the position of chief agent of the Upper Teesdale Mines at Langdon Beck, a position he filled with such marked acceptance that, although of late years the mines had to be abandoned, he was largely consulted in all enterprises of mining promoted by those who then consulted his employers, and it is to be hoped that the MSS. of his geological knowledge are preserved to supplement existing guides to strata and lodes of the Northern Dales. Although a versatile genius and a giant intellect, the gift of pulpit oratory, possessed by his father and many relatives in the Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist ministry merged into music. Fond of angling and grouse shooting, his naturalist pursuits were thus enlivened, and in a somewhat chequered decay of life, the disciples of Isaac Walton commissioned him as tutor and tackle maker. Ten years ago he started a business as a joiner in the village, in which vocation he was at the time of his death. It will be seen from our obituary column that the interment of this humorous and distinguished dalesman, who was a staunch Liberal, took place yesterday afternoon.

In Memory of
GEORGE WATSON
OF LING RIGGS
DIED DECEMBER 15TH 1864
AGED 65 YEARS.
AND WHO WAS FOR UPWARDS
OF
FORTY YEARS A LOCAL
PREACHER
AND CLASS LEADER OF THE
WESLEYAN METHODIST SOCIETY
ALSO OF SARAH HIS WIFE
DIED JULY 29TH 1850
AGED 47 YEARS
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON
DIED JANUARY 7TH 1890
AGED 64 YEARS
ERECTED BY
THOMAS MARTINDALE
PHILADELPHIA
U.S.A.

In 1841, at Ling Riggs, Heathery Cleugh, George Watson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Sarah (Thompson, married, 19th July 1823, at Stanhope) aged 35, children, Ann 17, Thomas 15, Sarah 12, John 11, Pheobe Nicholas 6, and Mary aged 3.
In 1851, at East Riggs, Heathery Cleugh, George Watson, widow, lead miner, aged 52, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 20, Pheobe 18, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 16, and Mary 14.
In 1861, at High Ling Riggs, St John's, Stanhope, George Watson, widow, retired lead miner, aged 62, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, and Nicholas, lead miner, aged 26.
In 1871, at Riggs, St John's Chapel, Joseph Watson, lead miner & land owner, aged 52, his wife Phebe aged 50, son Joseph, draper & grocer, aged 22, and boarder, Thomas Watson, mining agent & land owner, aged 45.

In 1881, at Ling Riggs, Thomas Watson, unmarried, lead mine agent, aged 55, and sister Jane Gibson, widow, housekeeper, aged 53.
Probate 1890: 8th February, Administration of the Personal Estate of Thomas Watson late of Ling Riggs near Ireshope Burn in the parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham Joiner a Bachelor who died 7th January 1890 at Ling Riggs was granted at Durham to Jane Gibson of Ling Riggs Widow the sister and one of the next of kin. Personal Estate £79.

11th January 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Overwater Nenthead, 6th inst., aged 59, John Armstrong, Platelayer.
In 1841, at West Nenthead, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Jane aged 30, children Ann 12, and John, lead miner, aged 10.

In 1851, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, lead ore miner, aged 46, wife Jane 40, son John, lead ore miner, aged 20, aunt in law Mary Pearson, unmarried, formerly cook, aged 61, and lodger Adam Walton, lead mine overman, & clerk aged 27.
In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert Armstrong, lead ore miner, aged 56, wife Jane 50, and son John, lead ore miner, aged 30.
In 1871, at West Nenthead, Jane Armstrong, widow, annuitant, aged 60, unmarried son, John, rail layer in lead mines, aged 40, and grandson, Robert Hodgson aged 6.
In 1881, at Overwater, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50, and his wife Ann, manager of household, aged 46.
At the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle, 30th ult. aged 13, John son of William Lee, Randal Holme, Alston.
In 1881, at Randal Holm, Blagill, William Lee, farmer of 1000 acres, aged 52, his wife Catherine J. aged 43, children Annie 23, Thomas 20, Annie M. 18, Margaret 18, Samuel 16, Caroline 14, Catherine 13, Elizabeth 10, Emily 10, William 8, Robina 6, John 4, Wilhelmina 3, Joseph 1, George 4, and visitor Annie M. Cowring 14

14th January 1890 (Carlisle Journal)

ALSTON RURAL.

Mr. Henry Walton, presided at the usual meeting of this authority on Saturday.—It was agreed on the motion of Mr. Pickering that in future Mrs Martha Robinson's house should be the vaccination station at Garrigill.
The SURVEYOR reported that repairs to the amount of £3 4s. were needed at Garrigill foot bridge, and to the amount of £2 10s. to Dryburn bridge.—The Surveyor was instructed to do the work.—It was agreed to refer to the County Surveyor a question as to flagging and kerbing at the town head and at the town foot.—The Surveyor was instructed to report as to what repairs were necessary to a footpath leading from Nenthead to White House.

18th January 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN STANHOPE LADY.

There died at Stanhope on Tuesday a well known Stanhope lady, Mrs Hannah Dixon, widow of the late Matthew Dixon, formerly of Rookhope. She was the stepmother of R. Walton Esq. of Stanhope House and was in the 71st year of her age.
In 1881, at Quaker Square, Matthew Dixon, retired farmer, aged 70, and his wife Hannah 64.
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 62, Caleb Walton, lead miner.
In 1841, at Bloomsberry Hall, Robert Walton, lead miner, aged 58, wife Ann 50, children William, lead miner, aged 27, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Caleb 15, Margaret 13, Sarah 12, and George 9.
In 1851, at Low Dyke Heads, Ann Walton, lead miners widow, aged 58, children William, lead miner, aged 37, Robert, lead miner, aged 35, Caleb, lead miner, aged 26, Margaret 24, Sarah, dressmaker, aged 22, and George, lead miner, aged 19. In 1861, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead ore miner, aged 36, his wife Mary aged 32, children Robert 9, and Elizabeth A. 5.

In 1871, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 46, wife Mary 42, children Robert, lead ore washer, aged 18, Elizabeth Ann, domestic, aged 15, Mary Jane 6, and Bridget 4.
In 1881, at Overwater, Caleb Walton, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 49, children Robert, lead miner, aged 28, Elizabeth A., domestic servant, aged 25, Mary J., domestic servant, aged 15, and Bridget 13.
In 1891, at Overwater, Mary Walton, widow, aged 62, and daughter Bridget, dressmaker, aged 23.
See 24th November 1888

25th January 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

News was received at Stanhope on Monday of the death of Jacob Thomas Butcher, son of Mr Horace Butcher of Cherry Tree House, Stanhope, which took place on December 4th at Glenn Innes. He was the only son of Mr Butcher and on account of failing health he went out to Australia 16 years ago where his health for a time improved. He married well and succeeded in life but consumption (that scourge of the English race) has marked him for its own. Died at the age of 38, and had been living in Sydney.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Horace Butcher, solicitors, general clerk, aged 36, his wife Mary 35, children Mary 13, Jacob 9, Horace 6, Frances 3, and Eleanora 1. In 1871, Jacob aged 19, was living at Market Street, Newcastle, a drapers apprentice.

Deaths

Bruntley Syke, Alston, 22nd inst., aged 79, George Millican, Moor Master and mining agent, late of Garrigill.
See 18th January 1840, 18th October 1861, 3rd May 1880, and 3rd July 1886

St John's Church, Garrigill

AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE OF
GEORGE MILLICAN
OF TYNE HEAD
WHO DIED JANUARY 22ND 1890
AGED 79 YEARS
MARY HIS WIFE
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 22ND 1884
AGED 66;
ALSO OF WALTER THEIR SON
WHO DIED JUNE 25TH 1886
AGED 29 YEARS
ALSO OF GEORGE WILLIAM THEIR SON
WHO DIED IN INFANCY;
ALSO OF MARY THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED MARCH 20TH 1924
AGED 75 YEARS
WAS INTERRED AT SUTTON CEMETERY,
SOUTH END ON SEA;
ALSO OF HANNAH THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED AT AINSTABLE FEBRUARY 19TH
1936
INTERRED IN GARRIGILL CEMETERY
AGED 84 YEARS

1st February 1890 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th ult., Teasdale Lowe, farmer and carrier, Clitheroe, Alston, to Margaret Ann, daughter of John White, Middle Skelgill, Alston.

In 1901, at Hill House, Alston, Teasdale Lowe, farmer, aged 59, his wife Margaret 49, and daughter Sarah E., 9. In 1911, at Hill House, Alston, Teasdale Lowe, farmer, aged 69, his wife Margaret Ann 59, and daughter Sarah Eliz 19.

Teasdale Lowe died 2nd quarter 1917, aged 76.

Deaths

At the Rice, Alston, 28th ult., aged 2 years, Annie, daughter of Elizabeth Archer.

At West Nenthead, Fiddler street, Alston, 22nd ult., aged 63, John Stout, lessor of Flinty Quarry.

In 1861, at Donks Hall, John Stout, late lead miner, aged 70, his wife Margaret (Madgen, married 25th June 1818) aged 63, sons William, lead miner, aged 38, John, lead miner, aged 34, daughter in law Hannah (Lee, married 7th May 1854, Nenthead) aged 30, grandchildren Jane 6, John 4, and Mary J. 2.

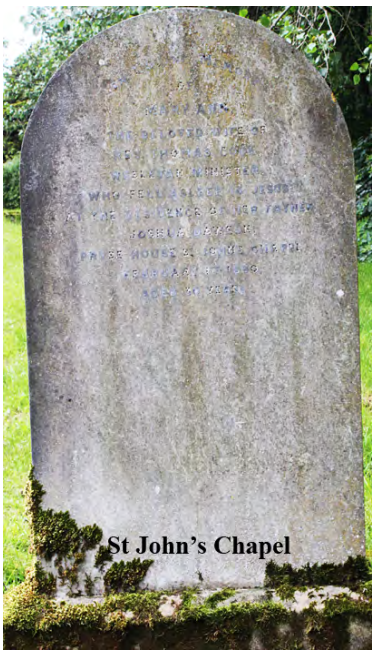
In 1871, at Donks Hall, John Stout, lead miner & farmer, aged 44, wife Hannah 40, children Jane 16, John 14, Mary Ann 12, Stephen 9, Henry 6, William 4, Margaret 1, and boarder William Stout, lead miner, aged 48.

In 1881, at Donks Hall, John Stout, farmer of 27 acres and quarryman, aged 54, wife Hannah 50, children Stephen, quarryman, aged 19, Henry, cartman, aged 16, William 14, and brother William, quarryman, aged 58. Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1886, aged 55. See 25th September 1886, & 6th February 1892

8th February 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Saturday last there died at the residence of her father (Joshua Dawson, of Pryse House, near St John's Chapel), Mary Ann wife of the Rev. Thos. Cook, Wesleyan Connexional, Evangelist, of York. The interment of deceased aged 30 years took place at St John's Chapel on Tuesday afternoon.



IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
MARY ANN
BELOVED WIFE OF
REV. THOMAS COOK
WESLEYAN MINISTER
WHO FELL ASLEEP IN JESUS
AT THE RESIDENCE OF HER FATHER
JOSHUA DAWSON
PRYSE HOUSE, ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
FEBRUARY 1ST 1890
AGED 30 YEARS

(on reverse)
IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE
OF
FRANCES
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
JOSHUA DAWSON
OF PRYSE HOUSE, ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
WHO DIED DECEMBER 16TH 1889
AGED 68 YEARS
ALSO OF JOSHUA DAWSON HUSBAND OF
THE ABOVE
WHO DIED OCT. 31ST 1892
AGED 71 YEARS
THEY REST FROM THEIR LABOURS AND
THEIR WORKS DO FOLLOW THEM

See 6th November 1875, 25th March 1876, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.

THE BROADWOOD QUARRY FATALITY.

The interment of the remains of Cuthbert Craig of Levelgate, near St John's Chapel who was killed on Wednesday the 29th ult., at the Broadwood Limestone Quarry Frosterley took place last Saturday afternoon. Deceased aged 31 years leaving a young widow and a family of four small children.

Deaths

At Pry House, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 22, Jane Graham.

William Graham of Allendale, married Jane Cowing 16th February 1832, at Alston.

In 1841, at Pry House, Jane Graham, aged 30, children Thomas 9, Agnes 7, Joseph 4, William 3, and Margaret 6 months.

Williams parents Thomas, woodcutter, aged 60, and Margaret (nee Sanderson) 55, are also living at Pry house, along with two of their other children John, lead ore smelter, aged 20, and daughter Margaret aged 15; also Ann Stephenson aged 30, and John Stephenson 10.

Thomas Graham died 1st quarter 1846 or 1847.

In 1851, at Pry House, Margaret Graham, widow, farming 12 acres, aged 66, sons John, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Joseph, widow, woodcutter, aged 27, granddaughter Addah Stephenson aged 10, and grandson John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 21.

In 1851, at Pry House, William Graham, woodcutter, aged 43, born Allendale, wife Jane 40, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 18, Agness, employed at home, aged 16, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Margaret 10, Sarah 8, John 6 Mary 4, and Jane 1.

In 1861, at Pry House, William Graham, woodcutter, aged 53, wife Jane aged 50, children Joseph, woodcutter, aged 24, William, lead miner aged 22, Margaret, house servant, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Hannah 9, and Ann 5.

In 1871, at Pry House, William Graham, widow (Jane died 4th quarter of 1863), farmer, aged 63, children William, lead ore miner, aged 31, Mary, servant, aged 24, John, wood cutter, aged 26, Ann, servant, aged 15, granddaughter Jane Graham 3, and visitor Jane Robinson 15.

In 1881, at Pry House, William Graham, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 73, sons William, lead miner, aged 42, John, lead miner aged 36, grandson

William Graham, lead miner, aged 21, granddaughters, Hannah Graham, farm servant, aged 23, and Jane Graham 13.
William Graham snr., died 2nd quarter 1881, aged 73.
See 24th June 1893
At Stanhope, Hope Level, 28th ult., aged 47, *(44)* Frances Dawson of Throssel Nest.

15th February 1890 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

EPIDEMIC.

An epidemic is at present raging in Alston and nearly every house is more or less affected with the disorder. Whether it has any connection with the Influenza disease or not is an open question but there is no doubt that it is contagious and as many as four in a family have been laid up. Utter prostration, severe headache, accompanied by violent sickness are the symptoms in many cases. Thirty employees of the Alston Stocking factory were from work on Thursday owing to the prevailing illness.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Medical officers yearly report for Nenthead district was read showing that for the year ending December 31st 1889, 36 deaths and 27 births had been registered. Of the births 19 were females and 8 were males, giving an average birth rate of 14.21 per 1000 on an estimated population of 1900. Of the deaths 18 were males and 18 were females, which gives the average death rate of 18.94 per 1000. The causes of death had been Diarrhoea 1, Pyaemia 1, Scrofulous disease 2, Phythisis 7, disease of the nervous system 4, Circulatory system 3, Respiratory system 5, disease of the stomach 1, Urinary system 2, Ulcers of the leg and general debility 1, Lead Colic 1. After mentioning that, Acute Tonsilitis, thirty cases Measles, four cases of mild Scarlet fever, 6 cases of the "Sweating fever", and various cases of the epidemic which occurred at Carlisle in the Autumn had been dealt with. The medical officer went on to say that why the district should have had such a visitation during one year of different epidemics of so uncommon a nature could only be explained by a vitiated state of the atmosphere, containing micro organisms or specific poisons, which were not yet fully investigated. They did not come under the class of preventable diseases. He concluded by stating that good sanitary work had been done in connection with the main sewer in Garrigill by the insertion of suitable traps for its better ventilation and also that a purer water supply had been given to the village. Nothing of much importance had been required at Nenthead.

WEARDALE

The Influenza is still very prevalent at Stanhope, Frosterley, and Wolsingham. No one can ever remember so many workmen on the sick list. The sick benefit societies of these places have suffered much in consequence of the extra drain on the funds. … No fatal case has occurred.

Deaths

Tynehead, 11th inst., Violet Hannah, infant daughter of Nicholas Anderson.
Nicholas Anderson, son of John & Elizabeth Anderson, born Middleton in Teesdale, married Sibyl Stout 15th April 1869, at Garrigill.
In 1861, at Town Meadow Foot, Garrigill, John Anderson, farmer of 40 acres, aged 70, his wife Elizabeth 60, son William, lead miner, aged 25, Adam, lead

miner, aged 22, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 18, and house servant Frances Thompson, aged 20.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Ivy House, Nicholas Anderson, farmer, aged 48, wife Sibyl 43, children John A. 19, Mary M. 17, Thomas 15, Nicholas 13, Joseph V. 10, Mark 8, William 6, and farm servant Mary A Cousin aged16. See 1st May 1869, & 12th March 1892.

21st February 1890 (Carlisle Patriot)

KESWICK AND THE LAKES.
PRESENTATION AT THORNTHWAITE.

Yesterday week Mr J. B. Lobb, late manager of the Cumberland Lead Mines, Thornthwaite, and Mrs Lobb, were presented by the workmen of the mines with marble clock and side ornaments, and a silver biscuit box. The presentation was made at the Swan Hotel, where the company dined together, and the proceedings were followed by a concert. Mr Lobb has recently removed to Hilton, Penrith, where he and his father have purchased some mines. He is succeeded in the management of the Thornthwaite mine by Captain John Nichol and Capt. Cornish.

22nd February 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hay Ring, Alston, 18th inst., aged 26, Thomas Armstrong, lead miner.
In 1881, at High Hermitage, Garrigill, Ralph Armstrong, lead miner, aged 41, wife Anne (Bramwell, married 28th July 1861, St John, Garrigill) aged 44, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore dresser, aged 17, Joseph H., lead ore dresser, aged 15, and Annie 12.
In 1891, Rice View, Garrigill, Ralph Armstrong, farmer 51, wife Ann 54, and daughter Annie 21. In 1901, at Nattrass, Ralph Armstrong, farmer, aged 61, his wife Ann aged 64, and son Adam Armstrong aged 16.
Ralph Armstrong died 4th quarter 1903, aged 64.

22nd February 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Greenends, aged 12 months, Anna Barron.
Stanhope, 20th inst., aged 31, Timothy, son of John Longstaff, Hope Level.
In 1861, at Spring House, John Longstaff, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary 20, and son Timothy 1 year.
In 1871, at Vicarage, Westgate, John Longstaff, lead ore washer, aged 39, wife Mary 29, children Timothy 10, Elizabeth E. 9, Frances 3, Mary H. 6 months, and general servant, Sarah Ritson aged 19.
In 1881, at Hope Cottages, John Longstaff, limestone quarryman, aged 49 Mary 39, children Timothy, cartman, aged 20, Elizabeth E., domestic cook, aged 19, Frances 13, and Ralph 5.

22nd February 1890 (Newc Courant)

WEARDALE

SNOWSTORM IN WEARDALE. —A heavy fall of snow took place in Weardale on Saturday. The hills around the dale were all covered to a depth of six or seven inches, and in some places it drifted considerably.

ACCIDENT TO A WEARDALE FARMER—On Saturday an accident happened to Mr John Watson of Earn Well, Weardale, as he was returning from Alston to Weardale in a gig in company with a friend. In the blinding snowstorm the horse got too near the edge on Killhope, causing the occupants of the gig to be thrown out. Mr Watson sustained a fracture of the ribs and shoulder.

INFLUENZA IS VERY PREVALENT IN UPPER WEARDALE.

The schools at the St. John's Chapel are closed on account of it. It has even reached the breezy uplands of Killhope, Wellhope, and Burnhope. It seems abating a little at Stanhope, Frosterly, and Wolsingham. On account of the influenza being so prevalent both in Wearhead and St. John's Chapel, Board Schools have had to be closed, so many of the children being; affected, teachers and masters as well.

1st March 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The remains of Joseph Nattrass, brother to Miss M. Nattrass, the well known revivalist of Wearhead were interred in the Burtreeford cemetery on Saturday afternoon last. … The deceased was 44 years of age.

In 1851, at East Riggs, Heathery Cleugh, Caleb Nattrass, lead ore miner, aged 50, his wife Barbara 44, children Mathew, lead ore miner, aged 16, John, lead ore miner, aged 14, Thomas 11, Ralph 8, Joseph 5, Jane 4, and Mary 1. Caleb Nattrass died 1st quarter of 1857.

In 1861, at Wearhead, Barbara Nattrass, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Mathew, lead miner, aged 26, John, excavator, aged 23, Thomas, excavator, aged 21, Ralph, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Jane 14, and Mary 11. Barbara Nattrass, died 2nd quarter of 1866. In 1871, at Wearhead, Mathew Nattrass, lead miner, aged 36, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 27, sister Jane, dressmaker, aged 24, sister Mary 21, and niece Isabella aged 10.

In 1881, at Peas Myers, Thomas Nattrass, gamekeeper, aged 41, wife Mary Ann 36, children Joseph Ralph 15, Mary Jane 8, John George 6, and boarder Joseph Nattrass, quarryman, aged 34. Josephs sister Mary, in 1891, was living at Front Street, Wearhead, listed as single, occupation as domestic aged 41.

Deaths

High Skydes, Garrigill, 23rd ult., aged 57, Thomas Spark, Yeoman.

In 1841, at Low Redwing, Thomas Spark, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Martha (Watson, married 5th July 1827?) aged 40, children Sarah 13, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 16, and Thomas 8.

In 1851, at Skydes, Martha Spark, widow, grocer, aged 50, sons Jonathan, lead miner, aged 21, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 18.

In 1861, at Skydes, Thomas Spark, lead miner, and Methodist Preacher, aged 28, wife Mary aged 30, children Martha 2, and Thomas W. 1.

In 1871, at High Skides, Thomas Spark, farmer of 34 acres & lead miner, aged 38, his wife Mary 40, sons Thomas W., 11, and Jonathan, 8.

In 1881, at High Skides, Thomas Spark, farmer of 16 acres, aged 48, his wife Mary 50, sons Thomas W., lead miner, aged 21, and Jonathan, coal miner, aged 18.

Greenends, Alston, 25th ult., aged 64, James Hind, lead miner.

In 1871, at Cob End, James Hind, lead miner, aged 46, wife Phillis (Teasdale, married 5th May 1859, at Nenthead) aged 44, children Sarah Ann 10, John 8, Phillis 5, and nephew George Hind, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1881, at Cob End, James Hind, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres, aged 56, his wife Phillis 54, children John, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Phillis, domestic servant, aged 15. In 1891, at Greenends, Phillis Hind, widow, aged 64, and son John, lead miner, aged 28.

8th March 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At High Skelgill, Alston, 2nd inst., aged 48, Jonathan Davidson, iron ore miner.
In 1851, at High Skelgill, William Davidson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah 39, children Jonathan 9, Jane 7, Joseph 5, William 2, and Mary 9 months.
In 1861, at High Skelgill, William Davidson, widow, lead miner, aged 45, children Jonathan, lead miner, aged 18, Jane 16, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 14, William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Mary 9, and John 6. In 1871, at High Skelgill, Jonathan Davidson, lead miner, aged 30, sister Jane, house maid, aged 28, brothers Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, and John, farm labourer, aged 16. In 1881, at High Skelgill, Joseph Davidson, leads miner, aged 35, brother John, lead miner, aged 25, and sister Jane, domestic servant, aged 37.
At Island Cottage, Nentsbury, Alston, 28th ult. aged 35, Mary Lowe.
See 17th September 1892

15th March 1890 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
ALSTON RURAL.
This Authority met on Saturday, Mr. Henry Walton presiding. The Inspector who had instructions to report on the matter said the only satisfactory way in which to deal with the middens in the town was to require them to be entirely removed or covered in. He thought the Authority should provide places of deposit for ashes, &c. —The CLERK: We have no ground. —Mr. Joseph Walton was re-elected sanitary inspector for the ensuing year and Dr. Carson medical officer for No. 1 (Alston) district. For the No. 2 (Nenthead and Garrigill) appointment there were two candidates viz., Dr. Masterton, who has resided at Nenthead and held this appointment for some years but has recently commenced practice at Alston, and Dr Short who has commenced practice at Nenthead. Mr. HARRISON pleaded that the appointment ought to go to the medical resident at Nenthead, otherwise they were not enabled to keep a doctor there, and they had a precedent for this in former appointments. After a somewhat warm discussion Dr Short was appointed by seven votes to four.

29th March 1890 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
THE WEARDALE IRONSTONE MINES have been started this week as far as the securing a quantity of sample stone is concerned, and some hopes are being entertained that the mines may be fully opened out this spring.
The inability of the Weardale Iron Co. to blend satisfactorily ironstone so as to make steel has necessitated the building of a special furnace at Tudhoe, which is to be lit this week with 40 tons of ironstone from the several mines of the

company in Weardale upon the result of which the resumption of this almost staple industry of Upper Weardale at present depends.

Deaths

At Haggs, Alston, 26th inst., John Clementson, lead miner.

In 1841, at Hudgill, Pry House, Mary Clementson, widow farmer, aged 55, John Clementson, lead miner, aged 25, Jonathan Clementson lead miner, aged 20, Mary Clementson 17, Vipond Clementson, lead miner, aged 15, and Ann Clementson 10.

In 1871, at Whigelty, John Clementson, single, lead miner, aged 55. In 1881, at Whigelty, John Clementson, lead miner, unemployed, aged 65.

See 19th December 1840, and 20th July 1860. 24th August 1860, 28th July 1894, and 5th April 1902

5th April 1890 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

A most popular and important character has been and will be missed daily from making his appearance in this place, Mr John Place of Alston who has for a period of 40 years travelled between Nenthead and Alston as Carrier. Mr Place has retired from the roads and gone to a large farm.

17th April 1890 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

FOR SALE, the DOWPOT SYKE and GUTTERGILL MINE. This mine is 1½ miles south of the Alston Railway Station, Cumberland, with a good road all the way. The plot contains four east and west veins, all of which have raised a large quantity of Lead Ore, with a great extent of the whole ground on each vein, and bounded on the east by the Hudgill Burn mining plot. There is a crushing mill and dressing floors all in working order. The mine is held by a lease from the Admiralty for 21 years, commencing in 1875, renewable. For particulars apply to Mr. John Peart, Agent. Alston. April 12, 1890.

19th April 1890 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

QUARRYMAN'S SAD END

Deputy Coroner Proud held an inquiry on Thursday concerning the distressing case of Thomas Hutchinson (65) quarryman who was killed immediately in Ord & Maddison's, Wear Valley Quarry, of North Bishopley. … Whilst at work was first struck on the shoulder by a half hundredweight of stone and then on the head by a stone estimated at three quarters of a ton. Verdict accidental death.

In 1861, at Kirkside House, Frosterly, Thomas Hutchinson, contractor & farmer of 10 acres, born Alston, aged 36, his wife Mary 29 (died 4th quarter of 1888, aged 34), children John 7, Isabella 5, Jane 2, and servant Elizabeth Cowing aged 18. In 1871, at Kirk Side, Thomas Hutchinson, quarryman, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 25 (died 2nd quarter of 1877, aged 31), children John, quarryman aged 17, Isabella 14, and Jane 12. In 1881, at Hill End, Frosterley, Thomas Hutchinson, widow, lead miner, aged 56, children Phoebe 8, Thomas 6 (died 2nd quarter of 1884 aged 9 years), and general servant Phillis Peart, aged 20. In 1891, Phoebe is living with her sister Jane; In 1891, at Rogerley Kiln House, Frosterley, Joseph Craig, limestone quarryman, aged 35, wife Jane 32, children Mary Hannah 7, Phoebe Emma 2, and sister in law Phoebe Hutchinson 18.

19th April 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Front St, Alston, 17th inst., Margaret, widow of John Walton, lead miner.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, John Walton, iron stone miner, aged 31, his wife Margaret (Hounam, married 4th quarter of 1852) aged 28, children Elizabeth 7, Isabella 5, and Isaac 4 months. In 1871, at King Arms Lane, John Walton, lead miner, aged 41, wife Margaret 38, children Isaac 10, and Sarah J. aged 2.
In 1881, at Garden House, Front Street, John Walton, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Margaret 48, children Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, John Wellington 7, and Sarah Jane 12. See 22nd December 1888
Alston Blagill, 11th inst., aged 48, Thomas Thompson, farmer.
In 1841, at Wellgill, Thomas Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Isabella (Liverick, married 7th June 1834, Alston) aged 25, children Matthew 5, Ann 3, and Thomas 2 months. In 1851, at Wellgill, Isabella Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 35, children Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 15, Ann 12, Thomas 9, Isabella 7, and Mary aged 4.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Isabella Thompson, widow, housekeeper, aged 45, children Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 19, Mary, dairymaid, aged 14, and grandson George 4.
In 1871, at Blagill, Thomas Thompson, lead miner & farmer, aged 29, wife Jane 33, and children Thomas W 5, John 4, Isabella 2, and uncle Jonathan Walton, stone waller, aged 47.
In 1881, at Blagill, Thomas Thompson, farmer of 36 acres, aged 39, wife Jane 43, children Thomas W. 15, John 14, Isabella 12, and lodger Jonathan Walton, general labourer, aged 51. In 1881, at Wellgill, Isabella Thompson, widow, farmer of 7 acres, aged 65 (died 3rd quarter of 1882), son Matthew, lead miner, aged 45, daughter Mary, domestic servant, aged, and grandson George Thompson, lead miner, aged 24.
In 1891, at Blagill, Jane Thompson, widow, farmer, aged 53, son John, farmers assistant, aged 24, and daughter Isabella, farmers assistant, aged 22. See 2nd April 1887
Hill Top, St John's Chapel, Weardale, 15th inst., aged 33, Jonathan Coulthard.
In 1871, at Bridge End, East Hotts, Joseph Coulthard, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Sarah 53, children Mary 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Sarah A. 23, John, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead ore washer, aged 19, Jonathan, lead ore washer, aged 14, Ralph 12, and Edward 10. Joseph Coulthard died 3rd quarter 1875, aged 62.
In 1881, at Harthope Burn, St John's, Jonathan Coulthard, labourer, aged 24, wife Jane 23, children Sarah E. 3, and Mary H. 1.
In 1891, at Burn Foot, St John's Chapel, Jane Coulthard, widow, aged 33, children Mary H. 12, Cuthbert W. 9, and Elizabeth 1 year.

20th April 1891 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
At Jarrow, 65 McIntyre Street, 19th inst., aged 48 years, Mary the beloved wife of John Thompson, third daughter of the late Francis Swindle of Nenthead, Cumberland.

In 1881, at 65 McIntyer Street, Jarrow, John Thompson, labourer in lead works, aged 39, his wife Mary 38, children, Agnes 9, Francis William 6, and Anne Jane 2.
In 1891, at 65 McIntyer Street, Jarrow, John Thompson, general labourer, aged 49, his wife Mary 48, daughter Annie 12, and grandson David Thomas 6.
See 3rd October 1846

26th April 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Parish Church, 19th inst., Frederick, eldest son of Francis Tinkler, cabinet maker, Stanhope to Frances Moffat, niece of John Crawhall Esq. Stanhope.
Stanhope Wesleyan Chapel, John Tweddle jun. to Jane Mason both of Stanhope.

3rd May 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, 23rd ult., aged 42, Joseph Vickers, lead ore washer.
See 11th December 1875, & 13th November 1886.
Alston, High Park, 30th ult., aged 22, Frances daughter of Robert Richardson.
In 1851, at Low Brown Side, Joseph Richardson, lead miner & farmer, aged 44, wife Frances (Walton, married 2nd March 1828, Alston) aged 47, children Sally, domestic duties, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 13, Elizabeth 10, Walton 7, Frances 4, and John 11 months.
In 1861, at Brown Side, Frances Richardson, lead miners widow, aged 57, children William, lead miner, aged 28, Robert, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph, lead miner, aged 23, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 20, Walton, lead miner, aged 17, and Frances, house maid, aged 14.
In 1871, at Black Burn Mill, Robert Richardson, lead miner & farmer of 16 acres, aged 35, wife Hannah (Richardson, married 16th June 1861, Alston) aged 34, children William 8, Joseph 7, George 5, Frances 3, and Robert 2.
In 1881, at High Park, Robert Richardson, farmer of 28 acres & lead miner, aged 45, wife Hannah 44, children William, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, game keepers assistant, aged 17, George, lead ore washer, aged 15, Frances 13, Robert 12, John 9, and Nora 7.
In 1891, at High Park, Robert Richardson, lead miner & farmer, aged 55, wife Hannah 54, children William, lead miner, aged 28, Joseph, farm labourer, aged 26, Robert, farm labourer, aged 21, John 19, and Nora 17.
In 1901, at High Park, Robert Richardson, farmer, aged 65, his wife Hannah 64, children Joseph, game keeper, aged 37, John, saddler?, aged 29, and Nora 27.
In 1911, at High Park, Alston, Robert Richardson, farmer, aged 75, his wife Hannah 74, son Joseph, gamekeeper, aged 48, and daughter Nora, dairy worker, aged 37.
Robert Richardson, died 4th quarter 1919, aged 84.

17th May 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Fairhill, Nenthead, 15th inst., aged 36, John Hetherington, book canvasser.
In 1841, John Hetherington, mine agent, aged 65, wife Alice aged 50, Thomas, smelter lead ore, aged 25, Christopher, apprentice shoemaker, aged 15, Ann, apprentice dressmaker, aged 14, and Robert 10.
In 1851, at High Fair Hill, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore smelter, aged 39, sister Ann, housekeeper, aged 24, and brother Robert, joiner, aged19.
In 1861, at Fair Hill, Thomas Hetherington, smelting overman, aged 49, wife Mary 38, children John 7, Alice J. 3.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Thomas Hetherington, overman at smelt mill, aged 59, wife Mary 49, and son John, scholar, aged 17.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Thomas Hetherington, lead works overman, aged 69, wife Mary 59, and son John, theological student, aged 27.

30th May 1890 (Carlisle Patriot)
REMARKABLE MINERAL HUNTING ON THE FELLS.
—The people of Dufton and the district are much engrossed, as they well may be, over the sensational character of recent discoveries of mineral veins on Dufton Fell and the range of hills among which it is situated, in Westmorland. The Dufton Fell Lead Ore and Barytes Company, Limited, of which Mr William Gibson is the manager, having a desire to make further investigations as to the mineral wealth of the fells, and hearing of the wonderful discoveries in this direction which have been made in other parts of the country by a mere boy, Francis Rodwell, through his extraordinary magnetic powers, determined to invite him to the locality, and put him to the test. The result of the visit has been little short of amazing. Veins of ore have been discovered in apparently the simplest, and yet the most marvellous manner. A succinct account of Rodwell and his discoveries has been furnished us by Mr Gibson, who says:—
“It is quite correct that we have had the boy Frederick Rodwell on our fells searching for mineral veins, and also quite correct that be can find them. He can find water either. So far as I can understand the affair, mineral veins and water have a very strong magnetic attraction for him. The boy is just 15 years of age, and of ordinary weight; but if he stands in a small quantity of water it takes a very strong man to lift him. It is not at all necessary for him to carry a stick. All he requires to do is to walk over the ground with his hands clasped, and he can immediately tell you if he steps upon a vein. He can give you the direction of the vein, and say whether it is weak or strong, he can also (simply by walking ever it) tell you if another vein crosses or comes into it. When he came here, we were all sceptical, so we took him on to a portion of the hills where we knew veins to exist, but where no outside trace of them was visible, and he correctly gave us the direction of each. In his researches he came upon a very large and strong vein, quite unknown to us. He gave us its direction and strength, and as we have since put a shaft down in this vein we have proved that he was exactly right as to its position. He does not profess to tell whether the vein carries lead ore or not all he can do is to find the vein for you, and say what size or strength it is. In the vein he found for us we have not yet come upon lead ore, but it carries rich mineral soil, and promises well."
Rodwell, who in the district is known as “the lad,” is accompanied by a medical man, whoso services, we understand, are frequently required as the work of

discovery proceeds, in consequence of repeated magnetic shocks which he receives from contact with minerals or water. We hear that Rodwell Intends shortly to proceed to Australia.

31st May 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Ralph Wilson for several years connected with the St John's Chapel, Post Office, and Mr Thomas Gardiner of Stone Heap, a Bollihope lead miner left the dale on Monday en route for South Africa.

4th June 1890 (Teesdale Mercury)

A GLIMPSE AT LEAD-MINING OPERATIONS CONDUCTED IN TEESDALE

is at all times interesting, because, in conjunction with farming, the inhabitants are chiefly supported by the pursuit of mining. The London Lead Company are at present working six mines in Teesdale, as follows: —Lady's Rake in Harwood; Coldberry, Hudeshopehead, Wiregill, Little Eggleshope, Sharnberry, and in Bollyhope, near Frosterley, Bollyhopeburn and Whitfield Brow. The most productive mines are Wiregill, Little Eggleshope, Coldberry, and Lady's Rake. The Greenhurth mine is the plot adjoining that of the London Lead Company, in Harwood, and is worked by the only other mining company in Teesdale. The Greenhurth mine has been a very remunerative concern for many years. The importations of lead are chiefly from Spain, Germany, Greece and Australia. Enormous quantities of lead are now sent to England from Australia. This lead contains a large percentage of silver. The London Lead Company have recently been buyers of two or three parcels of one hundred tons each of Australian ore, containing from two hundred to three hundred ounces of silver per ton. The same company, a short time ago, got some lead ore from the Isle of Man Mines, which is fairly rich in silver. It is not likely that the English lead market, however, is ever destined to reach the high rates, which were realised a dozen, or fifteen years ago, owing principally to the abundant supplies from abroad. The present value of lead is about £13 per ton, and it will readily be conceived that mines in this country must be of considerable richness in order to pay; more especially if the royalties are at all excessive.

6th June 1891 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

Deaths

At the house of Mrs Wilson, Scales, Threlkeld, on the 28th ult., John Hutchinson, miner, late of Nenthead, aged 59.

In 1891, at Scales, near Threlkeld, Mary Wilson, widow, aged 51, son William, lead miner, aged 18, and boarder, John Hutchinson, lead miner aged 56.

7th June 1890 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

ALSTON RURAL.

This Authority met on Saturday. Mr. Henry Walton presided, and there was an exceptionally large attendance, owing to a notice of motion by the Chairman.

An Important Question.—The CHAIRMAN moved "That subject to the approval of the Local Government Board the town of Alston be made a special drainage district charged with the cost of sewerage and water supply." He remarked that at present sewerage and water were chiefly paid for by those in no way benefitting. They would all have seen that the County Council were taking action in regard to the appointment county sanitary officer. Such officer would have

supervision over the local officers, and no doubt an effect of the appointment would be increased expenditure for sanitary purposes. No public Health Act ever contemplated that lands and farms should he rated for those purposes, as houses and scores of places of less importance than Alston had been separated from the county and made contributory districts.—Mr. VIPOND seconded the motion.—Mr. SIMPSON moved that no such resolution be sent to the Local Government Board. The town had contributed to all the country expenditure and the Contagious Diseases Rate time out of mind, and now when they wanted a supply of pure water the country tarried round and wanted to sever the connection.—Mr. RICHARDSON seconded the amendment According to the Act 1875 this resolution previously to being moved, required the sanction of the Local Government Board. Then, again, there should have been a defined area, and before a rateable area could be defined the requisition of 20 ratepayers must be had. This had not been done, nor had the inhabitants been consulted in any way. The town was necessary to the country and the country was necessary to the town. The town contributed about one-seventh of the total rate. If divided as proposed, and Nenthead and Garrigill required sanitary works, they could not call on Alston to contribute. If the place were divided who would direct? The country Guardians could not deal with the town affairs. Much of the money for the proposed water works was already voted, and if Chairman wanted division he should have made the motion when this matter first cropped up. He saw no ground for making the town a separate rateable area, and if the interference of the Local Government Board was once sought they would put the parish to an expenditure little contemplated.—Mr. CRAWHALL-WILSON said he endorsed all Mr. Richardson had said. He could only regard the grounds of Chairman's motion as selfish. They amounted to this—you are going spend more for sanitary purposes than contemplated, therefore we will divide. The logical conclusion to this argument would be that every house might claim to manage for itself. Were there a separation for one purpose, why not separation for others. The country roads for instance were of comparatively small importance to the town ratepayers, yet they contributed to them, and it struck him that those who chiefly benefited by the tramway in the street were the country carriers. Each division, town country, stood in need of each other, and must stand by each other.—Mr. LEE spoke in favour of the motion, and Mr. John DICKINSON and Mr. John MILLICAN in favour of the amendment.—Mr. HARRISON repudiated the charge of selfishness made against country Guardians.— The CHAIRMAN said that in view the opposition to his motion, seeing that it would be ineffective for its purpose if it went before the Local Government Board on a bare majority he would withdraw it.

7th June 1890 (Hexham Courant)

MINES INSPECTORS REPORT FOR 1889

In Northumberland, Cumberland, and a detached part of North Lancashire there were employed in Metalliferous mines 86 boys from 13 to 16 and 7,354 males above 16. Above ground six boys from 10 to 13, 577 boys and 3 females from 13 to 18, and 2,264 males above 18 were employed, a total of 10,290 under and above ground. Ten falls of ground occasioned as many deaths; one was caused by falling part of the way down a shaft, two from causes not defined and three on the surface, the total number of deaths being 16.

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Methodist Church Alston, 5th inst., Joseph Graham, Pry House, Nenthead, to Diana, youngest daughter of the late John Lattimer, Holmfoot, Nenthead.

In 1881, at Holmefoot, John Lattimer, draper & farmer of 31 acres, aged 62, his wife Hannah 60, children Dianna 22, Thomas, farmers son, aged 15, grandson Robert Nicholson 7, and domestic servant Mary Robson aged 24.

In 1881, at Pry House, Nenthead, Thomas Graham, farmer of 20 acres, aged 65, his wife Sarah 64, children Agnes 38, Ridley, lead ore smelter, aged 33, Sarah 28, Joseph, general smith, aged 26, John, farmers son, aged 24, William, stoker at lead smelting works, aged 24.

In 1891, at Holmefoot, Joseph Graham, blacksmith, aged 36, his wife Diana 31, daughter Bertha 2 months, and boarder Thomas Lathmer, grocer, aged 25.

In 1901, at Holmefoot, Joseph Graham, blacksmith at lead mines, aged 46, his wife Diana 42, children Bertha 10, and Rupert E D 4.

Joseph Graham died of blood poisoning see 18th March 1909.

In 1911, at Kings Head, Cottage, Nenthead, Diana Graham, widow, aged 52, children Bertha, post office worker, aged 20, and Rupert Edmund Oswald 14.

See 30th December 1882, 16th June 1883, 2nd May 1885, 29th January 1887, 10th September 1892, and 18th March 1909.

Deaths

At Clog Hall, Nenthead, 18th ult., aged 74, Thomas Renwick, lead miner, formerly of Coalcleugh.

In 1851, at Whetstone Mea, West Allen, John Renwick, lead miner & farmer 8 acres, aged 66, his wife Mary aged 61, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Jane, dressmaker, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 19, and David, lead miner, aged 17.

John Renwick died 1st quarter 1854.

In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Thomas Renwick, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary (Henderson, married 15th November 1851, Ninebanks) aged 40, children John 11, Thomas 8, Mary S. 6, Joseph 4, and Hannah 4 months.

In 1871, at Shield Ridge, Thomas Renwick, lead ore miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 50, children Tom, lead ore miner, aged 18, Mary T. 15, Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Hannah 10, and step son John Henderson, lead ore miner, aged 21. In 1881, at Greenends, Thomas Renwick, lead miner, aged 65, born Allendale, his wife Mary 59 (died 2nd quarter of 1885, aged 64), children Mary, domestic servant, aged 24, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson George H. 4. See 22nd November 1890, & 15th December 1894.

At Garrigill, 5th inst., aged 53, John Armstrong, lead miner.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Armstrong, lead miner, aged 33, wife Sarah (Jackson, married 2nd quarter of 1861) aged 29 (died 4th quarter of 1876, aged 35), and daughter Elizabeth A. 3 (died 3rd quarter of 1871, aged 3). In 1881, John Armstrong, farmer of 9 acres, aged 42, wife Jane (Bramwell, married 2nd quarter of 1878) aged 36, daughter Sarah A. 7, boarder Joe Moffatt 9, and visitor Elizabeth Potts 12.

In 1891, at 21 Copthorn Road, Bradford, Jane Armstrong, widow, aged 47, son John J Bramwell, music warehouseman, aged 25, daughter Sarah A Armstrong, domestic servant, aged 17, and nephew Joseph Moffat, warehouseman, aged 20

7th June 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE.

A sad fatal accident occurred at the Newlandside Limestone Quarry on Tuesday. Whilst John Robinson a young man aged 20, was running a tub of rubbish on bearing along the "gearing" he slipped through an opening between the rails used as a stone tip and fell 50 feet upon some stones below. The unfortunate man was conveyed home by ambulance men and Dr Livingstone and Robinson were in attendance, but he succumbed to internal injuries and died a few hours after he was brought home.

In 1881, at Frosterley, John Robinson, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 42, wife Sarah 39, sons George, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 14, and John, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 13.

14th June 1890 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 12th inst., John Joseph White, Bayles, Alston to Jane Ann Bramwell, Whitlow.

In 1871, at Leadgate, William Bramwell, lead miner & farmer of 15 acres, aged 29, his wife Nancy (Nicholson, married 2nd quarter 1870, Alston) aged 26, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 39, sister Mary 32, niece Annie Bramwell 15, nephew Joseph Bramwell 12, and niece Jane Ann Bramwell 5.

Nancy Bramwell died 3rd October 1873, aged 29. See 11th October 1873

In1881, at Annatwalls, William Bramwell, widow farmer of 80 acres, aged 39, daughter Margaret 9, sister Mary, single, housekeeper, aged 42, niece Jane A. Bramwell 15, niece Margaret Bramwell 3, and nephew Joseph Bramwell, coal merchant, aged 23.

In 1891, at Whitlow, Kirkhaugh, William Bramwell, widow, farmer, aged 49, daughter Margaret, aged 19, brother Joseph, farmers cartman, aged 59, sister Mary, housekeeper, aged 52. In 1911, at Whitlow, Kirkhaugh, William Bramwell, widow, farmer grazing, aged 69, son in law William Craig, manager of cooperative society, grocery, aged 40, daughter Margaret Craig 39, grandchildren Percy Craig 4, Joseph William Craig 2, and George Henry Craig, 6 months. William Bramwell died 4th quarter 1925, aged 84.

In 1871, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph White, farmer of 80 acres, aged 45, his wife Hannah 48, children Sarah Jane 13, May E 11, Elizabeth A 8, and John J 6. In 1881, at Upper Galligill, Joseph White, widow, farmer of 80 acres, aged 54, daughter Elizabeth A, aged 18, and son John J, farmers son aged 16.

In 1891, at Bailes, John Jos White, farmer, aged 26, and his wife Jane Ann 25. In 1901, at Brunswick Street, Gateshead, John J White, grocers manager, aged 35, his wife Jane A 34, and daughter Mary H M 9. In 1911, at Market Place, Alston, John Joseph White, grocer & provisions dealer, aged 46, his wife Jane Ann 45, and daughter Mary Hannah Mabel, assisting with the business, aged 20.

21st June 1890 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF AN ALSTON MAN IN CANADA

Mr Jonathan Holmes (eldest son of the late Thomas Holmes of Grassfield, Alston)… has succumbed to his illness… The deceased gentleman has been a

resident of Dunbarton for about 35 years… For 30 years he occupied the position of teacher at the school here…

Deaths

At Dodbury, Garrigill, 11th inst. aged 53, Elizabeth the beloved wife of Hugh Jackson.

In 1861, at Kirkhaugh, Hugh Jackson, labourer, aged 33, born Knaresdale, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 18th December 1858, at Kirkhaugh) aged 26, born Alston, children Hugh 2, and Samuel 5 months.

In 1871, at Dodberry, Hugh Jackson, farmer of 65 acres, aged 43, wife Elizabeth 36, children Samuel 10, Ann 8, and Thomas 6.

In 1881, at Dodberry, Hugh Jackson, farmer of 75 acres, aged 53, wife Elisabeth 45, children Thomas, farmers son, aged 16, Mary 9, and Margaret E. 7.

In 1891, at Dodberry, Hugh Jackson, widow, farmer, aged 63, daughters Mary 19, Margaret E. 17, and grandson Percy E. 5 years.

At Leadgate, Alston, 17th inst. aged 83, Thomas Hardy.

In 1881, at Aimshaugh, Leadgate, Thomas Hardy, retired gamekeeper, aged 72, and his wife Jane 69.

28th June 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

It is announced that the ironstone mines of the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, which have been closed for over a year, are to be restarted in the course of a few days.

Marriages

Garrigill Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 24th inst., T. W. Ward, grocer to Bessie Alice daughter of Matthew Millican, Joiner.

In 1891, at Garrigill, Thomas W Ward, grocer and farmer, aged 26, his wife Bessie A 26, visitors Mary J Spark, married, aged 32, born Morpeth, Frances A Smith, single, aged 21, born Allendale, and Edith A Spark, 11 months, born Gateshead. In 1901, at Donkin Terrace, Tynemouth, Thomas W Ward, grocers assistant, aged 36, his wife Bessie A 36, and daughters Ethel 9, and Minnie 3.

Deaths

Allenheads, 22nd inst., aged 48, Mary Jane, wife of Joseph Coats.

See 2nd October 1867.

Garrigill, 23rd inst., aged 73, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 64, and his wife Hannah aged 64. Hannah Wilkinson died 3rd quarter 1896, aged 79.

See 9th December 1871

5th July 1890

WEARDALE

THE IRONSTONE MINES.

The Weardale ironstone mines situated chiefly west or north of St John's Chapel which have been closed for about a year and four months were restarted on Monday morning.

Death of well known Innkeeper

After a somewhat prolonged affliction, Mr John Emerson, landlord of the Kings Head Inn, St John's Chapel died on Monday afternoon, in his 50th year.

Probably deceased never thoroughly recovered from the effects of a severe mining accident, which he received some eight or nine years ago.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN EMERSON
OF ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
WHO DIED JUNE 30TH 1890
AGED 49 YEARS

In 1871, at Hood, John Emerson, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Jane (married 3rd quarter of 1868, Weardale) aged 28.
In 1881, at St John's Chapel, Jane Emerson, married, aged 39, daughter Elizabeth, aged 9.
In 1891, at the Queens Head, St John's Chapel, Jane Emerson, widow, Innkeeper, aged 47, daughter Elizabeth 19, mother Elizabeth Dawson, widow, aged 77.
See 17th June 1882.

12th July 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Alston, 29th ult., Thomas Wm. Teasdale, Hudgill, to Mary Jane Vipond, Alston.
In 1861, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Isaac Vipond, unmarried, lead miner, aged 38, servant Joseph Skelton, carter, aged 25, and domestic servant, Ann Vipond aged 25. Ann Vipond married Isaac Vipond, 17th April 1862, at Alston.
In 1871, at Town Head, Alston, Ann Vipond, married, aged 36, daughters Ann A 4, Mary J 2, and Hannah 2 months.
In 1881, at Front Street, West, Alston, Anne Vipond, widow, charwoman, aged 46, children Anne Alice, wool winder, aged 14, Mary Jane 12, Hannah 10, and Thomas William 5. In 1891, at Front Street, Ann Vipond, unmarried, aged 56, daughter Hannah, stocking knitter, aged 19, and son Thomas W, living with mother, aged 16.
In 1871, at Hudgill, John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Eleanor 38, children Phillis, domestic servant, aged 13, Mary A. 11, Walter 11, John 5, Thomas W. 4, and George 1. In 1881, at Hudgill, John Teasdale, farmer of 30 acres & lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ellen aged 49, children Phillis 23, Walton, coal miner, aged 19, John, farm servant, aged15, Thomas W. shoemakers apprentice, aged 13, George 11, Joseph W. 9, Isaac 5, and

Sarah J. 4. In 1891, at Hudgill, John Teasdale, lead miner & farmer, aged 61, his wife Nelly 59, children Phillis 33, George, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph F, lead miner, aged 19, Sarah Jane 14, John James 9, and visitor Elizabeth Ann Scott 12. In 1901, at Hudgill, John Teasdale, farmer, aged 71, his wife Nellie 60, children George, farm help, aged 31, Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, Sarah 24, John 19, and niece Phyllis Teasdale 16.
John Teasdale died 1st quarter 1910, aged 80.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Thomas W Teasdale, coal man, collier, aged 24, and his wife Mary J aged 22. In 1901, at Leadgate, Durham, Thomas W Teasdale, labourer coke ovens, aged 34, his wife Mary J 31, children Annie 8, John G 7, Thomas A 4, and Alice 1. In 1911, at Nelson Street, Consett, Thomas William Teasdale, coke drawer iron works, aged 44, his wife Mary Jane 42, children Annie 18, John George, brick layers labourer, aged 17, Thomas Arthur, labourer iron works, aged 14, Alice 11, Joseph Fenwick 9, Robert William 5, and Sydney Walton 1.
See 18th April 1862, and 14th March 1891

Deaths

Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 4th inst., aged 32, Jacob Swindle, farmer.
See 17th November 1866 & 12th July 1884.

19th July 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Monday evening Mr Thomas Robinson, Greenwell, Upper Weardale died very suddenly, being choked by an unexpected flow of blood from a ruptured blood vessel, which he broke a few days ago.
In 1871, at Wear Side House, Thomas Robinson, lead miner & farmer of 19 acres, aged 34, wife Hannah 32, children Mary A. 10, George 8, Adah 6, and John W 9 months.
In 1881, at White Stones, Thomas Robinson, widow, lead miner, aged 44, children Adah, housekeeper, aged 16, John W. 10, Phoebe H. 7, and Amelia aged 4. In 1891, at Greenwell, John W Robinson, farmer, aged 20, sisters Phebe R. housekeeper, aged 17, and Amelia, housekeeper, aged 15.

26th July 1890 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Wardway Foot, Nenthead, 24th inst., aged 55, Joseph Dixon, lead miner.
In 1851, at Croft, Jonathan Dixon, lead miner, and farmer, aged 39, born Haltwhistle, his wife Mary 38, born Haltwhistle, children Robert, lead miner, aged 17, born Haltwhistle, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, born Haltwhistle, Elizabeth 14, born Haltwhistle, Margaret 12, born Haltwhistle, John 10, born Haltwhistle, Mary 8, born Alston, William 6, born Alston, Ann 3, born Alston, and Jonathan 9 months, born Alston.
In 1861, at Croft, Mary Dixon, lead miners widow, aged 47, children Robert, waggoner, aged 27, Joseph, waggoner, aged 25, Mary, house servant, aged 18, William, waggoner, aged 15, Ann 13, and Jane 7.

In 1881, at Fair Hill, Joseph Dixon, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Tamer (Armstrong, married 2nd quarter of 1865, Alston) aged 38, children Mary Margaret 16, Joseph 12, Jane 10, Walton 8, Sarah 4, and mother Mary Dixon, lead miners widow, aged 71.

In 1891, at Wardway Foot, Tamar Dixon, widow, aged 48, children Joseph, general labourer, aged 22, Jane, dressmakers apprentice, aged 20, Walton, lead ore washer, aged 18, Sarah 14, Annie Eliz 4, and mother in law Mary Dixon, widow, aged 83.
See 17th March 1894 & 14th April 1894.

26th July 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Matilda Parkin, widow residing at Martin Street, Stanhope died very suddenly on Friday week at her residence. … Had reached her 76th year.
In 1851, at Crawleyside, Matthew Parkin, engine keeper, aged 31, his wife Matilda 27, children Mary H 6, Matthew 2, and Gavin 11 months.
In 1861, at Mountain Daisy, Sunderland, Matthew Parkin, engine fitter, aged 41, wife Matilda 36, Martha 12, George 9, Matilda 5, and John J 8 months.
In 1871, at Willington Square, Matilda Parkin, married, aged 49, son George, labourer, aged 20daughter Matilda 16, son John 9, married daughter Mary H Brown 27, and granddaughter Phillis A Brown 4.
In 1881, at Martin Street, Matilda Parkin, engine fitters widow, aged 56, and granddaughter Phillis A. Brown 13.

2nd August 1890 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Short, Nenthead, reported that the death rate for the quarter had been 4.8 per 1000 and birth rate 5.3.

9th August 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 7th inst., John Dobson, Garrigill to Agnes Stephenson, Whitehall, Nenthead.
In 1861, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Joseph Dobson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Ann 32, children Mary 6, Annie 4, and John 2. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Dobson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Ann 42, children Annie 14, John 12, Hannah 9, and Thomas 5. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Dobson, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Ann 52, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Hannah 19, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 15.
Joseph Dobson died 4th quarter 1896, aged 75.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, John Dobson, lead miner, aged 32, and his wife Agnes aged 25.
In 1901, at Garrigill, John Dobson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Agnes 35, children Harold 9, Ann Ada 6, and Rosina M 3. In 1911, at Beldy Mill, John Dobson, barytes miner, aged 52, his wife Agnes 45, and daughter Rosina Martha aged 13.

15th August 1890 (North Cumberland Reformer)
Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. J. M. Parsons, William Forster, Westgate, Weardale, to Ann Stephenson, Dykeheads, Nenthead.

23rd August 1890 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF AN ALSTONIAN IN CANADA.

Mrs Hannah Keenleyside, relict of the late Thomas Keenleyside died yesterday at the residence of her daughter, Mrs Richard Elsdon, in the 89th year of her age. Mrs Keenleyside who was in this country for nearly 25 years was a native of Alston, Cumberland, England… she was the mother of Mr A Keenleyside, Mrs Richard Elsdon, and Mrs Wm. Dutton of this city. Mr Clifford Keenleyside formerly of this city who is now studying for the Methodist ministry is one of her grandsons. 'Toronto Globe'

Hannah Place married Thomas Keenlyside, 6th June 1824, at Haltwhistle.
In 1841, at High Hudgill, Thomas Keenliside, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 35, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 15, Ann 12, Hannah 11, Thomas, lead miner, aged 10, William 7, Elizabeth 4, Ellis 3, and Mary 1.
In 1851, at Hudgill, Hannah Keenliside, lead miners widow (Thomas died 4th quarter of 1843), aged 47, children Anthony, lead miner, aged 25, Hannah, dairy maid, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, William, lead miner, aged 17, Elizabeth 14, Rollins, lead miner, aged 12, and Mary 10.
In 1871, at London, Ontario, Anthony Keenleyside, oil refiner, aged 45, his wife Anna M. 37 (born Ireland), children James 16, Charles 14, Anna E. 13, Dawson 11, Ellis W. 10, Clifford 8, Antonette 4, and Rosa 2.
In 1881, at London, Ontario, Anthony Keenleyside, oil merchant, aged 53, wife Anna Maria 47, children James Ellis, butcher, aged 26, Charles T. clerk, aged 24, John D, clerk, aged 21, Ellis William, clerk 19, Clifford B, clerk, aged 17, Maria A.13, Rosalie M. 11, Rowell 7, and Hannah Keenleyside 78.
In 1891, at London, Ontario, Anthony Keenleyside, grain merchant, aged 63, his wife A M 57, children John D, clerk, dry foods, aged 30, Clifford B, at university, aged 27, Marie A 23, Rosalie Mall 20, and Rowell, clerk, aged 16.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery, London, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada
Source: Ancestry.co.uk provided by arthomas25

23rd August 1890 (Hexham Courant)

EMIGRATION

On Saturday last Mr William Walton, Alston accompanied by his wife and family of three sons and one daughter, sailed from London Docks, their destination being Beechworth, situated some 200 miles from Melbourne. Mr Walton vacated the management of Alston Gas Works on the 9th inst., having acted as manager for 18 years… he also followed the trade of plumber and gas fitter…

In 1881, at Gas House, William Walton, gas manager, aged 38, wife Jane 27, children James 7, Joseph 6, Mary E. 4, and Henry 1.

See 28th September 1872, & 5th October 1895

23rd August 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mrs Featherstone (along with one member of the family) of the Daddry Shield Post Office, leaves that place on Monday next en route for South Africa to join her husband Mr J Featherstone. The other two members of the family left on Friday.

Deaths

Garrigill Middle Craig, 10th inst., Joe, infant son of James and Annie Millican.

James Millican, son of Wallace and Elizabeth Millican, married Annie Bell, 4th quarter 1881, reg. Alston.

In 1891, at Middle Craig, James Millican, lead miner, aged 38, wife Annie 32, children John Wallace 8, born Bishop Auckland, Elizabeth Ann 5, born Alston, Albert 2, born Alston, and aunt Martha Millican, unmarried, living on own means, aged 61.

Annie Millican died 3rd quarter 1891, aged 33.

James Millican married Elizabeth Leathart, 3rd quarter 1898, reg. Newcastle.

In 1901, at Kendal St., Byker, James Millican, corporation cartman, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth aged 41, born Alston, step children Arthur L E Leathart, apprentice blacksmith, aged 20, Floria Leathart, 17, Jos Leathart, apprentice printer, aged 14, and daughter Tamer Millican 11 months.

In 1911, at Commercial Road, Byker, James Millican, general labourer at chemical works, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 51, stepson Thomas Arthur Leathart, general labourer, shipyard, aged 30, daughter Tamar Millican 10, and grandson Henry Leathart 11.

James Millican died 2nd quarter 1912, aged 58.

In 1901, at Middle Craig, Garrigill, Ann Bell, widow, aged 73, nephew George Smith, farm servant, and nephew Albert Millican aged 12. In 1911, Albert Millican aged 22, was working as a lead miner, at Thornthwaite, near Keswick.

In 1901, at High Silly Hole, Garrigill, Elizabeth A. Millican aged 15, is working as a domestic servant for Adam (farmer & auctioneer) & Jane Elliot.

Elizabeth Ann Millican married Henry Stephenson Teasdale, 3rd quarter 1905, reg. Alston. In 1911, at Nettle Hall, Alston, Henry S Teasdale, ore hauler with horse and waggon, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth A 25, daughters Frances Annie 5, and Elsie aged 1.

In 1901, John Millican aged 18, born Bishop Auckland, was lodging at Suffolk Street, Elswick, working as a milling machinist, at the ordnance works. In 1911, John Wallace Millican, aged 28, born Bishop Auckland was working as a Barytes miner, at Newbrough, lodging at Woodbine Cottages, Fourstones.

See 23rd October 1880

30th August 1890 (Hexham Herald)

SUDDEN DEATH AT ROOKHOPE. Elizabeth Fairless, *(67)* widow of the late Cuthbert Fairless, shopkeeper, Rookhope died somewhat suddenly on Tuesday.

Probate 1880: 10th June The will of Cuthbert Fairless late of Boltsburn in the parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham Draper who died 29th March 1880 at Boltsburn was proved at Durham by Betty Fairless of Boltsburn Widow the Relict one of the Executors. Personal Estate under £500.

Probate 1890: 8th November the will of Betty Fairless late of Boltsburn in the parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham widow who died 26 August 1890 at Boltsburn was proved at Durham by Thomas Robinson of Boltsburn Draper & Grocer the nephew and George Wearmouth and John Fairless both of Rookhope in the said parish Smelters the Executors.

See Rookhope Old Cemetery Memorials

Deaths

St John's Chapel, 27th inst., aged 66, Mrs Jane Philipson, grocer.

In 1841, at East Black Dean, Ralph Philipson, joiner, aged 30, Thomas Philipson, lead miner, aged 25, Joseph Philipson, lead miner, aged 20, Sarah Philipson 11, Thomas Philipson 9, Margaret Philipson 5, John Philipson 6 and Ralph Philipson 2.

Thomas Philipson married Jane Watson 2nd quarter 1844, registered at Weardale.

In 1851, at East Black Dean, St John's, Stanhope, Thomas Philipson, lead miner, aged 35, and his wife Jane aged 27.

In 1861, at East Black Dean, St John's, Stanhope, Thomas Philipson, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane aged 37, and niece Jane aged 1.

In 1871, at St John's, Chapel, Stanhope, Thomas Philipson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Jane 47, and niece Jane 11. In 1881, Thomas Philipson, Grocer, aged 65, his wife Jane 56, and niece Jane aged 21.

Probate 1883: 4 April Administration (with the will) of the personal estate of Thomas Philipson late of St John's Chapel Weardale in the county of Durham Lead ore Miner who died 20th April 1882 at St John's Chapel was granted to Jane Philipson of St John's Chapel the universal; legatee for life if she remain a widow. Personal Estate £62. See 8th June 1889, 12th October 1889

6th September 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Intelligence to hand respecting the death of George Rutherford, son of Adam Rutherford, Stanhope, at San Francisco, on the 13th August last. He was employed at that place as a street improver and was helping to remove a hill at one end of the street ends in the town of San Francisco when he was caught by a fall of earth on the 8th ult. and received injuries from which he died on the 13th. He left this country about 1 year ago and leaves behind him a wife to mourn his loss.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Adam Rutherford, limestone quarryman, aged 49, his wife Ann 40 (Collingwood, married 1845, died 1875), children Hannah 13, George 10, Ann 8, Jane 4, John 2, and Elisabeth 2.

In 1881, at Cowgarth Hill, Adam Rutherford, widow, platelayer, aged 59, children George, platelayer, aged 20, Ann 18, Jane 15, John 12, and Adam 8.

See 21st November 1891

13th September 1890 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

The "Ballarat Courier" of 26th July. Thompson, 19th July at his residence, Beverin Street, Sebastopol, William Thompson, mining engineer, second son of Joseph Thompson, Burnhope, Weardale, aged 56 years.

Deaths

At Wolf Cleugh, West Allen, 26th inst. aged 75 Ralph Dawson.

In 1841, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Dawson, lead miner, aged 50, wife Mary 50, children Ralph, lead miner, aged 25, Jane 15, Thomas 13, and Hannah 10.

In 1851, at Wolf Cleugh, Thomas Dawson, widow, proprietor of land aged 63, children Ralph, lead ore miner, aged 35, Jane 28, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 23, and Hannah 19.

In 1861, at Dyke Nook, Ralph Dawson, farmer, aged 42, wife Mary 33, children Ann 2, Elizabeth 6 months, and sister Hannah Dawson, servant, aged 28.

In 1871, at High Wolf Cleugh, Ralph Dawson, landowner & farmer of 35 acres, aged 55, wife Mary Dawson 42, children Elizabeth 10, Ralph 8, Mary I. 6, and niece Mary Dawson 10, and domestic servant Mary A Hutchinson aged 23.

In 1881, at Wolf Cleugh, Ralph Dawson, farmer of 35 acres, aged 65, wife Mary 52, children Elizabeth 20, Ralph, farmers son, aged 18, Mary J. 16.

13th September 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Ballarat Star, Saturday July 26th contains the following respecting a Weardale man late of St John's Chapel. "A miner named Stephen Bee aged 44 years, met with a fatal accident early yesterday morning in the mine of the Britannia United Company, Ballarat East. The deceased it appears was engaged with a number of mates at the 600 feet level putting in a charge of dynamite in some stone. During the process of the work one of the mates (Thomas Mueller) brother of the well-known member of the Ballarat Fire Brigade, observed looseness in the reef overhead, and suggested that the party should retire to a place of safety. All retreated except Bee. Shortly afterwards a loud crash was heard and on the miners rushing forward they found a large quantity of stuff fallen away and that Bee was covered with the debris. … After two hours, the mutilated body of Bee was recovered. Deceased, who resided in Neil Street, Soldiers Hill, leaves a widow and six children.

On initial reading, it seems an irresponsible act by Bee, but the newspaper, The Mercury (Hobart, Tas.) Saturday 26 July 1890, gives a different viewpoint. "Stephen Bee, a miner, employed at the Britannia United Co.'s mine, Ballarat, was killed to-day by the ground giving way while he was engaged timbering it, the falling earth and timbers pinning him down." This suggests Stephen Bee was trying to make the area safe rather than ignoring the danger.

His father Stephen died 1843 aged 54, Mother Mary (Mason) died in 1859 aged 59.

In 1851 at Green Foot Chapel, Mary Bee shopkeeper 51, children, Mary Ann shopkeeper 28, Peter, lead miner, aged 18, Jane 16, and Stephen 7.

In 1861 at St Johns Chapel, Mary A Bee, grocer, aged 38, sister, Elizabeth, grocer, aged 37, sister, Jane, 26, and brother, Stephen, lead miner aged 19.

Peter had already emigrated to Australia records show a Peter Bee aged 24, arrived at Melbourne on 19th July 1857, port of departure Liverpool, on the "Royal Charter".
In 1871 there are only the 3 girls on the census, still living at St John's Chapel. Mining records for Victoria give Stephen Bee, killed on 25th July 1890, married, aged 48. The Australian records do not have a marriage for Stephen that I can find but there is a record of a Stephen Bee marrying at Weardale in 1870, by a process of elimination I believe he married Phoebe Hodgson, the daughter of Thomas & Hannah (Peart) Hodgson of North Grain, St John's Chapel, Weardale.

The Argus (Melbourne) Thursday 1 March 1923
BEE. On the 25th February, Mrs Phoebe Bee, loving mother, of T L Bee; 51 Toorak Road, South Camberwell, in her 78th year. (Interred privately, Ballarat, February 27)
Deaths
Dykeheads, Nenthead 9th inst., aged 13 months, Elizabeth daughter of John *(Joseph?)* and Sarah Rutherford. *See 26th October 1878 & 5th April 1884*
Alston, 30th ult., aged 13 months, John Featherstone, son of Wm. and Elizabeth Fairgrieve.

20th September 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Alston, 18th inst., William Atkinson, Middle Farm, to Mary Jane Hetherington, Galligill.
In 1881, at Middle Farm, Alston, John Atkinson, farmer of 30 acres, aged 50, his wife Eunice 42, children Sarah 25, Thomas, farmers son, aged 23, William, coal miner, aged 16, Mary Jane 13, John 11, Phoebe 9, James T. 7, Isaac 6, and Joseph W. 1.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, William Atkinson, carter, aged 25, and his wife Mary J aged 23. In 1901, at Garlands Court, Hexham, William Atkinson, widow, cabman, groom, aged 35, daughters Violet 9, Ethel 7, and visitor Eunice Atkinson, widow, aged 68. In 1911, at Broad Gate, Hexham, William Atkinson, cartman aged 45, his wife Isabella aged 30, daughter Eunice aged 5, and son John William Wilfred aged 2. See 22nd June 1889, and 16th June 1894
St Augustine's Church, 16th inst., Isaac Waugh, schoolmaster to Jane daughter of James Brown, Black Burn Banks, Alston.
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 37, Ann Hind.
In 1861, at Overwater, William Hind, lead ore miner, aged 41, wife Ann 40, children James, lead ore washer, aged 17, Thomas 9, Ann 7, Hannah 3.
In 1871, at Overwater, William Hind, lead miner, aged 51, wife Ann 50, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Hannah 13, and granddaughter Sarah Elizabeth Whitfield 2. In 1871, Ann aged 16, was working as a domestic servant, at Overwater for Hannah Blacklock, widow, ironmonger, aged 32. William Hind died 1st quarter of 1873, aged 53.
In 1881, at Overwater, Ann Hind, widow, housekeeper, aged 61, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 29, Ann, farm servant, domestic, aged 26, Hannah, domestic servant, aged 23, Sarah E. 12, grandsons William J. 5, and John J. 2 months

At Beldy, Garrigill, 18th inst., aged 45, Isaac Currah, lead miner.
In 1871, at west Ashgill, Isaac Currah, lead ore miner & farmer of 8 acres, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 18, Lucy Eliza 14, and nephew Joseph Hindmarsh 13.
Isaac Currah died 4th quarter of 1879, aged 64.
In 1881, at West Ashgill, Elizabeth Currah, widow, farmer of 8 acres, aged 63, children Isaac Currah, lead miner, aged 36, Lucy Elizabeth, farmers daughter, aged 24, and nephew Joseph Hindmarch, lead miner, aged 23. Isaac Currah married Ann Millburn (born Hexham), 19th October 1882, at Alston.
In 1891, at Pry House Nenthead, Annie Currah, widow, servant, housekeeper, aged 41, and her daughter Annie aged 7.
At Stanhope, Pease Myers, 14th inst. aged 36, Sarah Vickers.
In 1881, at Peas Myers, William Vickers, farmers son, aged 27, wife Sarah 27, daughter E. Eleanor Vickers 1, and domestic servant Hannah Harrison, aged 16.
In 1891, at Peas Myers, William Vickers, widow, farmer, aged 37, children, Catherine 8, Francis 6, George 5, Alice 3, housekeeper Hannah Pigg, widow, aged 47, and domestic servant Mary E Stamper aged 17

27th September 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE LEAD MINING CRISIS IN WEARDALE.

This week Mr George Hopkins of London and his son, Mr Edward Hopkins, directors of the Weardale Lead Company, had an interview with Dr Livingstone, County Councillor, Stanhope, with reference to the men at Daddry Shield and Green Laws mines being laid off work. The directors stated that the company were at present joining the Upper and Lower levels, so that the work from the upper could be shot down into the lower where a horse can pull out the material and save the men in the upper, where a horse cannot be used – from having to push it so far viz. 500 fathoms. Their action was not due to the County Council. Dr Livingstone thereupon urged that employment should be found for the men out of work, and Messrs Hopkins said that this would be done as soon as possible. They also promised that in future, where possible all "cuttings" would be kept out of the River Wear, the alleged pollution of which had caused all the trouble.
The County Council had banned the pouring of waste into the River Wear by the lead company, it had been thought that the reduction in workforce at the mines had carried out as a result of this ban.

4th October 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 27th ult., James Spotswood *(coal miner)*, Middle Skelgill, to Francis Rutherford, Dykeheads.
In 1891 James 25, and Francis 22, living at Front Street, Alston with their niece Frances E. Rutherford aged 2.

11th October 1890 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 7th inst., Joseph Vipond Brown, Alston to Aptavious, youngest daughter of the late John Davidson, formerly of East Nattrass, Alston.

In 1881, at Nentsbury, Nenthead, Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah aged 39, children Mary Jane 13, Joseph Vipond, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas Will. 8, Frances Han. 6, and Eliz 3.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph V. Brown, general labourer, aged 22, and his wife Aptavious, aged 20.
In 1901, at Carlton Street, Darlington, Joseph Brown, chipper, iron sheet, aged 32, his wife Aptavious 32, and daughter Ethel aged 8.
In 1911, at Hurworth Terrace, Darlington, Joseph Vipond Brown, steel cutter at Bridge works, aged 42, his wife Aptavious 42, children Ethel, dressmaker, aged 18, Sydney 4, and Lilian 3.
Aptavious Brown died 3rd quarter 1934, aged 66, and Joseph Vipond Brown died 2nd quarter 1949, aged 80, both deaths registered at Darlington.
See 28 September 1878, and 24th November 1900

18th October 1890 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Nenthead Medical Officers (Dr E. W. Short) quarterly report was read and the statistics for the quarter ending September were of a satisfactory nature. The district has been in a healthy sanitary state, free from all diseases of a zymotic nature. The number of deaths had been 9 the same as the previous quarter, but among the deaths were included two, that of a lead miner who was on his way to another part of the country, and that of a tramp. Deducting these from the number of deaths for the quarter, the average death rate was 3.7 or 14.8 per annum. The birth rate was 7.9 per quarter.

Marriages

Weardale, Heathery Cleugh, Parish Church, 19th inst., Thomas Peart, of the Moss, to Hannah Peart of Copt Hill.

Deaths

At Alston, 12th inst aged 29, John son of the late Thomas Fairless, Haggs, near Alston.

In 1861, at Low Grassfield, Thomas Fairless, lead miner, aged 23, his wife Mary (Bell, married 3rd July 1859, at Nenthead) aged 21, and daughter Sarah Bell 2.
Thomas Fairless buried at Nenthead 28th March 1865, aged 27.
In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Mary Fairless, widow, charwoman, aged 31, children, Sarah 12, John 9, Mary Ann 7, and brother William Bell, lead miner, aged 40
In 1881, at Haggs, Mary Fairless, lead miners widow, aged 42, children John, lead ore washer, aged 19, and Mary Ann, dressmaker, aged 17.
John Fairless was buried at Nenthead 15th October 1890, aged 29.
In 1891, at Haggs, Mary Fairless, widow, aged 51.
Mary Fairless died 1st quarter 1900, aged 60, registered at Alston.

1st November 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, Woodbine Cottage, 21st ult., aged 67, Jane widow of Joseph Beck, platelayer.
In 1841, at Moorcock Hall, Elizabeth Beck, widow, farmer, aged 40, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Sarah 9, Mary 5, and Jane 3,
In 1851, at Moorcock Hall, Joseph Beck, Lead miner, aged 29, his wife Jane (Hind, married 9th December 1847, at Nenthead) aged 28, and daughter Isabella aged 1 year. Also at Moorcock Hall, Elizabeth Beck, widow, farmer of 19 acres, daughters Mary 15, Jane 12, and grandson Matthew aged 2 years.
In 1861, at Brownley Hill Bank, Joseph Beck, lead miner & farmer, aged 39, his wife Jane aged 37, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 12, Isabella 11, Hannah 7, Anne 5, Joseph 3, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1871, at Green Ends, Joseph Beck, platelayer for mines, aged 49 Jane 48, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 22, Annie 15, Joseph 13, Elizabeth 11, Robert Hind 8, and Frances 6.
Joseph Beck died 4th quarter of 1822, aged 54.
In 1881, at Bloomsberry Hall, Jane Beck, lead miners widow, aged 58, Ann, dressmaker, aged 25, Robert Hind, lead miner, aged 18, and Frances, pupil teacher, aged 16.

8th November 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Auckland, New Zealand, 22nd August, aged 49, Frances wife of John Hetherington.
See 11th June 1870
At Clitheroe, Alston, 3rd inst., aged 57, John Gill, lead miner.
See 5th April 1870, 29th June 1872, and 20th November 1886,

15th November 1890 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
DEATH OF WEARDALE POET
There died at Shallow Ford in Weardale, on Saturday last, a well known Weardale poet Mr Featherstone Martindale in the 55th year of his age. His remains were interred at Westgate on Tuesday in the presence of a large gathering. Deceased who had been ailing in health for some time was the recognised bard of the valley. Several pamphlets in verse survive the author who was a respected member of the Wesleyan Society, to which his last lyric was dedicated. His verses possessed merit, being full of poetry and lofty thought, and rhymed pleasantly as well.
Deaths
At Westgate, Weardale, 10th inst., aged 55, Featherstone Martindale, the Weardale poet.
Featherstone worked for the Beaumont lead mining company at Slitt mine, Weardale.
In 1841, at Wood Meadows, Jonathan Martindale, lead miner, aged 35, wife Rebecca (Gill, married 18th June 1831) aged 30, children Esther 8, Featherstone 5, Elizabeth 3, and Mary 2 months.

In 1851, at Shallow Ford, Jonathan Martindale, lead miner, aged 46, wife Rebecca 43 (born Allendale), children Featherstone, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Joseph 7, and Mary 3.
In 1861, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth aged 23, children Jonathan 2, and Sarah 1 month.
In 1871, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth aged 33, son Jonathan 12, and daughter Sarah 10.
In 1881, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 45, and his wife Elizabeth 43.
In 1891, at Shallow Ford, Elizabeth Martindale, widow, aged 53. In 1901, at Albury Park Road, Tynemouth, Thomas M Burnside, provisions merchant, aged 45, his wife Sarah 39, children Wilfred M. shopkeepers clerk, aged 18, Stanley M. grocers assistant, aged 17, mother in law Elizabeth Martindale, widow, aged 63, and visitor Lily Walton aged 27.
Nenthead, Kings Head, 10th inst., aged 2, John Richardson, son of Christopher Armstrong.
In 1871, at Holme Foots, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 46, children Christopher, lead miner, aged 21, and Mary Jane, housemaid, aged 12.
Robert Armstrong died 4th quarter 1879, aged 57.
In 1881, at Home Foots, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Sarah Ann (Price, married 17th December 1873, at Nenthead), aged 31.
Sarah Ann Armstrong died 2nd quarter of 1883, aged 33.
In 1891, at Kings Head, Christopher Armstrong, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Frances aged (Richardson, married 2nd quarter of 1884, Alston) aged 29, children Robert 6, and Annie Mary 2 months.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Christopher Armstrong, mining agent, aged 50, his wife Frances aged 39, children Robert, apprentice fitter, aged 16, Annie M. 10, Salvia 7, John V. 4, and Chris 1.
Christopher Armstrong died 1st quarter 1909, aged 58.
In 1911, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Frances Armstrong, widow, aged 49, sons Salvin, grocers apprentice, aged 17, Vernet, labourer, aged 14, Malcolm 11, Frances 4, married son Robert Armstrong, fitter, aged 26, and his wife Annie 24.
Stanhope, Parson Byers Farm, 9th inst., aged 30, Esther Jane daughter of the late G. Bainbridge, Master Builder, Stanhope.
In 1871, at George Bainbridge, master mason employing 8 men & 2 boys, & farmer of 12 acres, aged 51, wife Ann 49, mother in law Mary Graham, widow, aged 75, children John, mason, aged 23, George, mason, aged 21, Mary Annie 19, Ether Jane 12, and Wm Henry 2.
In 1881, at Parson Byers, George Bainbridge, farmer of 208 acres, 31, sisters Mary A. 24, Esther J. 21, brother William H. 12, farm servants William Ridley, aged 22, and Henry Whitfield, aged 17.

22nd November 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Westgate Primitive Methodist Chapel, 13th inst. Mr J. Walton of Westernhope Burn to Miss E. Gibson of Westgate.
Deaths
At Alston, 15th inst., aged 72, Tamar, widow of John Smith, lead miner.

John Smith married Elizabeth Watson 27th July 1833, at Alston, Elizabeth Smith died 1st quarter of 1839.
In 1841, at Cowslips? John Smith, lead miner, aged 30, Mary 8, Martha 5, and servant Ann Davidson aged 15.
In 1851, at High Cowslip?, John Smith, Miner & farmer, aged 45, his wife Tamar (Shield, married 17th June 1843, Alston) aged 43, children Martha 14, Sarah 7, Ann 5, Ester 3, and Elizabeth 1.
John Smith died 3rd quarter 1853 or 1859.
In 1861, at High Nest, Tamar Smith, miners widow, aged 44, and daughters Elizabeth 11, and Anna 8.
In 1881, at Bruntley Syke, Tamar Smith, widow, assists her daughter with dressmaking aged 62, and daughter Anna, dressmaker, aged 27.
At Alston, 18th inst., aged 48, Isabella, daughter of Featherstone Varty, lead miner, late of Nenthead.
In 1841, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, Featherston Varty, lead miner, aged 35, Isabella 30, William 12, Featherston 8, Robert 5, Elizabeth 1, Edward 6, and John Varty, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1851 at Low Level, Featherstone Varty, lead ore washing foreman aged 47, his wife Isabella 43, children William lead miner, aged 22, Featherstone, lead ore washer, aged 18 , Robert, lead ore washer, aged 15, Betsy 10, Isabella 8, and Phillis 6.
In 1861, at Low Level, Nenthead, Featherstone Varty, lead miner, aged 57, wife Isabella 53, children Featherston, lead miner, aged 28, Isabella, house maid, aged 18, and Phillis, house servant, aged 16.
Featherstone Varty died 1st quarter 1867, aged 63.
In 1871, at Somerset Terrace, Elswick, Jane Nixon, annuitant, aged 72, sons Robert, retired manufacturer, aged 42, James, retired manufacturer, aged 40, niece Ann Scott, annuitant 48, and domestic servant Isabella Varty 21.
In 1881, at Butts, Isabella Varty, unmarried, general domestic servant, aged 38, and daughter Elizabeth aged 6.

22nd November 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

There died at Stanhope on Sunday, one of the old standards of the dale Nixon Coulthard, who was for many years a lead worker for the London Lead Company at their Stanhope Lead Smelting Mill.
Nixon Coulthard, son of Joseph and Isabell Coulthard, baptised at Slaidburn, Yorkshire (West Riding) 8th March 1818.
In 1851, at Green Head, Stanhope, Isabella Coulthard, widow, aged 61, and son, Nixon, lead crystaliser, aged 33, born Stoth Hall, Yorkshire
Nixon Coulthard married Mary Ann Raine 2nd quarter 1854, at Weardale.
In 1861, at Green Head, Nixon Coultard, lead crystaliser, aged 42, his wife Mary A 32, children Joseph 6, John 4, and Ellenor 4 months.
In 1871, at Green Head, Stanhope, Nixon Coulthard, labourer at lead mine, aged 53, his wife Mary A., aged 42, children Joseph, lead smelter, aged 16, John, lead smelter, aged 14, Ellen 10, and Isabella 7.
In 1881, at West Terrace, Stanhope, Nixon Coulthard, lead smelter, aged 63, his wife Mary Ann 52, children, John, lead smelter, aged 24, Ellen, dressmaker, aged 20, Isabella 17, boarders William Parker, limestone quarryman, aged 29, and Joseph Wearmouth, corn miller, aged 19.

Marriages
Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, 20th inst., Joseph Renwick, Clog Hall, to Betsy Hetherington, Beldy, Garrigill.
In 1881, at Greenends, Thomas Renwick, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Mary 59, daughter Mary 24, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson George H. Renwick 4.
In1891, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 32, born Allendale, his wife Elizabeth 22, and daughter Annie 10 months.
Joseph Renwick died 13th December 1894, aged 37.
In 1901, at Cross Hill, Stanhope, Betsy Renwick, widow, aged 32, children Annie 10, Mary H 9, and Thomas 7. In 1911, at Stone Houses, Stanhope, Betsy Renwick, widow, school caretaker, aged 42, daughter Mary Hannah, assisting caretaker, aged 19, and son Thomas William, Spar mines washer boy, aged 17.
See 31st May 1890, & 15th December 1894.
Deaths
Stanhope, 16th inst., aged 76, Nixon Coulthard.
In 1841, at Brickshaw, Newlandsides, Isabella Coulthard, independent, aged 50, born Northumberland, sons, Nixon, lead miner, aged 20, born Yorkshire, Joseph 15, Thomas 14, and Fenwick 12.
In 1851, at Green Head, Isabella Coulthard, widow (husband Joseph), aged 61, son Nixon, lead crystalliser, aged 33, and lodger Christopher Harrison, widow, ironstone miner, aged 30. In 1861, at Green Head, Nixon Coulthard, lead calciner, aged 42, his wife Mary A, aged 32, born Prudhoe, children Joseph 6, John 4, and Ellenor 4 months.
In 1871, at Green Head, Nixon Coulthard, labourer at lead mine, aged 53, wife Mary A 42, children Joseph, lead smelter, aged 16, John, lead smelter, aged 14, Ellen 10, and Isabella 7.
In 1881, at West Terr., Stanhope, Nixon Coulthard, lead smelter, aged 63, his wife Mary Ann 52, children John, lead smelter, aged 24, Ellen, dressmaker, aged 20, Isabella 17, boarders William Parker, limestone quarryman, aged 29, and Joseph Wearmouth, corn miller, aged 19.
In 1891, at West Terr., Stanhope, Mary A. Coulthard, living on her own means, aged 62. In 1901, at Wearhead, Mary A. Coulthard, widow, living on own means, aged 72. Also at Wearhead, Joseph Coulthard, Elementary school teacher aged 46, and his wife Margaret aged 47.

29th November 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Croft, near Nenthead, 23rd inst., aged 65, Sarah widow of William Wailes, lead miner.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Edward, lead miner, aged 25, Isaac, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 18, Margaret 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 12, and John 9.
Thomas Wailes snr. died 1857.
In 1851, at Haggs Foot, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Sarah (Redshaw, married 1st June 1848, at Nenthead) aged 25, sons John 1, and Thomas 2 months. In 1861, at Haggs Foot, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 41, wife Sarah, children John 12, Mary 7, and William 2.

In 1871, at Low Grassfield, William Wailes, lead miner, aged 51, wife Sarah 45, children John, lead miner, aged 22, William 12, Isabella 9, and Frances Sarah 7.
William Wailes died 13th June 1879, aged 59.
In 1881, at Croft, Sarah Wailes, lead miners widow, aged 55, children John, lead miner, aged 32, William, lead miner, aged 22, Isabella 19, Frances S. 17, and John W. 3.
See 11th June 1842, 8th June 1844, 12th April 1845, 3rd May 1879, 21st June 1879, and 6th Dec. 1884,

6th December 1890 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Fair View, Nenthead, 3rd inst., aged 42, John Dickinson, lead miner.
In 1851, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Marie aged 36, sons William 8, James 5, John 2, and brother in law William Little, lead miner, aged 56.
In 1861, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner & farmer of 17 acres, aged 40, his wife Maria 50, sons William, lead miner, aged 18, James, lead miner, aged 14, and John 12.
In 1871, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 53, wife Maria 60, sons, William, lead miner, aged 28, James, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, and domestic servant Isabella Gray aged 20.
In 1881, at Fair View, Maria Dickinson, widow, farmer of 20 acres, aged 75, sons, William, lead miner, aged 37, John, lead miner, aged 32, grandson James D. Matthews 2, and domestic servant Elizabeth E. Matthew 22 (born Ireland).
In 1891, at Fair View, Maria Dickinson, widow, living on her own means, aged 86, son William, lead ore miner, aged 47, his wife Ellen 32 (born Ireland), children James 12, Thomas 9, Maria 7, Mary Jane 5, and William 3.
In 1901, at Fair View, Ellen Dickinson, widow, farmer, aged 41, children James, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Mary J. 15, William 13, and visitor James E Railton 5 years. See 5th February 1898

12th December 1890 (London Gazette)
HARDSHINS MINING COMPANY LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 142 of the Companies Act, 1862, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, will be held at the office of the Liquidator, St. Nicholas-chambers, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 21st day of January, 1891, at twelve o'clock, noon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining, by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.—Dated this 10th day of December, 1890.
JOHN H. ARMSTRONG, St. Nicholas-chambers, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Liquidator.

13th December 1890 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr James Blenkiron of Newhouse, has just retired from the office as Head Manager of the Weardale lead mines. … Mr Blenkiron and family will leave the dale shortly for Middlesbrough.

James Blenkiron, born Reeth, Yorkshire in 1881 (aged 41 listed as lead mining agent) he was living at West House Arkingarthdale, Yorkshire. He was married to Margaret (married 1860) aged 43, they had at this time 8 children, Mary 20, Clara 18, Helena 12, James Ernest 10, John Pearson 8, George Frederick 6, Thomas Victor 3, and Lawrence Kenneth 2. Mary was born in Reeth, Clara in Kettlewell, the others all in Arkingarthdale. In 1891 the family had moved to No.11 Imeson Terrace, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough.

18th December 1890 (The Times)

MINING GROUND TO BE LET

To be let on lease, a very extensive and valuable SET of MINING GROUND situated at Tynehead, near Alston, Cumberland, the property of Col. Crummer-Byng. For particulars apply to Geo. A. Millican, Garrigill, Alston, Cumberland.

20th December 1890 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Hill Top, Nenthead, 5th inst., aged 36, John Erwin.

In 1851, at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella 53, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Anthony, lead ore miner, aged 18, Rachel 15, Betsy 13, and Hannah 10.

George Erwin died 1st quarter 1857, his wife Isabella died 3rd quarter 1855.

In 1861, at Burn Bottom, Joseph Erwine, smelter, aged 34, his wife Margaret 34, children Robert 4, Margaret A 2, and George 4 months.

In 1861, at Low Dykehead, Ann Walton, widow, housekeeper, aged 69, son William, lead ore miner, aged, daughter Sarah, dressmaker, aged 33 and grandson John Erwine 6.

In 1871, at Burn Bottom, Joseph Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 42, wife Margaret 42, children John Erwine, lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert, lead ore smelter, aged 14, Margaret A. 11, George E. 9, Joseph W. 5, Polly 1, boarders John Foster, wood cutter, aged 38, and Joseph Foster, wood cutter, aged 37.

In 1881, at Hill Top, Joseph Erwine, lead ore smelter, not able to work, aged 53, wife Margaret 52, children John, engineman, aged 26, Robert, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Margaret, domestic servant, aged 21, George, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph W., lead ore washer, aged 15, Polly 11, and lodger John Foster, woodman, aged 48.

Joseph Erwin died 2nd quarter 1885, aged 58.

At Tower Hill, Alston, 14th inst., aged 42, Hannah, daughter of the late John Crawhall Little.

See 2nd December 1837, and 29th August 1846.

East Side: In memory of Hannah the beloved wife of Anthony WALTON of Alston, who departed this life on 14 November 1865, aged 84 years; the above Anthony, who died on 21st May 1871, aged 59 years; Michael their son, died 4th April 1875, aged 60; James their son, died at Newcastle, 22nd October 1877, aged 84, and was interred in Jesmond Old Cemetery; Jane their daughter, and wife of John PATTERSON, died 27th July 1889, aged 77.
South Side: Also of Esther, the beloved wife of John Crawhall LITTLE and daughter of Anthony and Hannah WALTON, who departed this life 18th July 1850, aged 27 years; John Crawhall LITTLE, who died at Tower Hill, Alston, 14th April 1860, aged 41; Jane, daughter of the above, who died in Infancy; Hannah his daughter, died 14th February 1890, aged 42; Jane Hannah LITTLE, born 16th August 1878, died 13th March 1880; Margaret Ann, wife of W.H.LITTLE, died 15th July 1856, aged 52; West Side: Also of Michael Mowbray WALTON, died 16th August 1899, aged 29; Hannah Hetherington, daughter of Anthony and Hannah WALTON who died at Alston 7th June 1902, aged 82. North Side: Also of Jonathan ROBINSON, who departed this life 20th August 1838, aged 64.

Memorial Inscriptions of Redwing Independent Chapel by Mr Jeremy Godwin.

27th December 1890 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Irestone, Weardale, 24th inst., aged 66, suddenly, Elizabeth widow of Ralph Watson.
Mother of the Rev T. J. Watson, Primitive Methodist minister, she was interred at St John's Chapel.
In 1871, at Irestone, Ralph Watson, landowner, aged 60, wife Elizabeth 47, children Thomas J. 15, Mary H. 13, Elizabeth 10, John J. 8, Ralph 5, visitor Margaret H Jameson 6, and domestic servant Mary Featherston aged 24.
In 1881, at 45 Alexandra Place, Newcastle, Elizabeth Watson, widow, aged 57, children Mary H. 23, John J., accountants clerk, aged 18, and Ralph 15.

3rd January 1891 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Highland Cottage, Nentsbury, Alston, 29th inst., aged 9 weeks, Thomas Frederick, son of Thomas F. Varty.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Sarah Varty, dressmaker, aged 39, children William, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas Featherstone 7, born Allendale (3rd quarter of 1863), Eleanore 3, Clara 3, boarder Sarah Ann Graham 1, sister Margaret Varty, formerly domestic servant unemployed, aged 30, nephew Thomas Varty 9, niece Sarah Elizabeth Varty 5, and niece Emily Varty 9 months.
In 1891, at Brigham, Cockermouth, Thomas Frederick Varty, mason, aged 24, born Hexham, and his wife Isabella (Collinson, married 2nd quarter of 1890, at Alston) aged 20, born Alston.

In 1901, at Caldbeck, Wigton, Thomas Featherstone Varty, stonemason & waller, aged 35, his wife Isabella, aged 28, and daughter Sarah Lizzie aged 7.
At Nenthall, 29th ult., aged 2 years, Walton, son of Annie Spottiswood.
In 1841, at Middle Skelgill, James Spotswood, lead miner, aged 51, wife Ann 54, children Hugh, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 20, James, lead miner, aged 15, and Nicholas, lead miner, aged 12.
In 1851, at Middle Skelgill, James Spottswood, lead miner, aged 61, son Nicholas, lead miner, aged 21; Hugh Spottiswood, lead miner, aged 23, was lodging with neighbour Jonathan Hornsby, shoemaker & family.
In 1861, at High Skelgill, Nicholas Spotswood, lead miner, aged 31, wife Sarah (Walton, married 2nd quarter 1857, at Alston), aged 25, children James 3, Jane 2, boarder Joseph Walton, lead miner, aged 22 and boarder Nicholas Walton, lead miner, aged 19
In 1871, at High Skelgill, Nicholas Spotswood, lead miner, aged 41, wife Sarah 36, children Jane 12, Joseph 9, Ann 8, James 6, and Matthew 3.
In 1881, at High Skelgill, Nicholas Spottiswoode, farmer of 45 acres, aged 51, his wife Sarah 45, children Joseph, coal miner, aged 19, Jane, domestic servant, aged 18, James, farm labourer, aged 16, Matthew 13, Margaret 9, and Nicholas 7.
In 1891, at Bailes, Alston, Nicholas Spottiswood, farmer, aged 60, wife Sarah 55, children Annie 26, James, labourer in coke yard, aged 24, Matthew, labourer in coke yard, aged 22, Margaret 19, Nicholas, milk man, aged 17, Sarah Alice 8, and grand daughter Dora 4 years. See 18th August 1883, 19th April 1884, 3rd December 1887, & 29th November 1913
At Alston, 28th ult. aged 55, Margaret wife of Joseph Seatree.
In 1841, at Kates Lane, William Seatree, lead miner, aged 60, wife Sarah 60, children William, lead miner, aged 25, Ann 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, grandson Joseph Seatree 6.
In 1851, at Kates Lane, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 45, wife Sarah 34, stepson Joseph Seatree, lead miner, aged 16, sons William Sanders 11, and Thomas Sanders 4.
In 1861, at Clitheroe, Joseph Sanders, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Margaret 26, children John Sanders 2 (died 2nd quarter of 1861, listed as Seatree), and Sarah 1 day.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Joseph Seatree, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Margaret 36, children Sarah 10, Ellen 6, Jane 3, and William 8 months.
In 1881, at Front Street, Joseph Seatree, provisions dealer, aged 47, wife Margaret 46, children Sarah, domestic servant, aged 19, Ellen, domestic servant, aged 16, Jane 13, and William 10. In 1891, Joseph Seatree, lead miner & grocer, aged 56, children Sarah, housekeeper, aged 29, Ellen, stocking maker, aged 26, and William, lead miner, aged 20.

3rd January 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The miners employed by the Weardale Ironstone Company are now under notice and the probability that the mines may shortly be closed has thrown a gloom over the high part of the dale.

8th January 1891 (Northern Echo)

NORTH COUNTRY NEWS

Major Bainbridge, superintendent of the London Lead Company's mines in Teesdale, has accepted a similar position in Spain.

10th January 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At St Augustine Church, Alston, James Vipond, Blaydon, to Jane Ann daughter of the late Joseph Bell, Mohope, Allendale.

In 1901, at Roseberry Avenue, South Shields, James Vipond, insurance agent, aged 36, his wife Jane A 35, children Sidney J 8, Amy M 3, Vernon K 1, visitors Mary Shield, widow, aged 37, and Leslie Shield 1 month.

Deaths

At New Shield, Alston, 7th inst. aged 63, Alice wife of Joseph Bowman, road surfaceman.

In 1881, at Newshield Toll Bar, Joseph Bowman, road surface man, aged 60, his wife Alice 56, and daughter Elizabeth, general servant out of employment, aged 28.

17th January 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Melbourne, Australia, 5th ult., aged 31, William Bell Nixon, for many years in the goods dept Hexham station.

21st January 1891 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

THE WEARDALE IRONSTONE CRISIS.

A DESPAIRING OUTLOOK.

[By Our Special Commissioner.]

It is many years since the natives of upper Wear dale have been so agitated in mind as they are at the present time over the threatened, and what looks like the inevitable, closing of the ironstone mines. That was the impression I gained yesterday during a visit to the seat of war—St. John's Chapel. A month ago the Weardale Iron and Coal Company gave the ironstone miners notice that twenty-eight days from that date their services would be no longer required—that, in fact, the mines would be closed. Something like a panic seized upon the inhabitants. As a consequence it was decided to address a letter on the subject to the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, and subsequently a reply was received to say that the Company could not possibly see its way to continue working the present mines. Other steps had then to be devised to meet what was looked upon as a pressing emergency. And foremost amongst those who took sides with the miners in their troubles was the Rev. R. Shepherd, the Vicar of St, John's Chapel, a kindly and good-hearted clergyman, whom dalesmen respect and admire. His motives were purely humanitarian. He has gone into the breach with an energy, commendable in the circumstances on the part of any man, but truly remarkable in a man of his years. Then it was suggested that as a last resort, and as the beat means of bringing their grievances to the front, a petition should be sent to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in London asking them to see that the mines were properly worked, or the lease of the mines handed over to a company who would work them permanently. In that way only could the illimitable mineral resources of Weardale be opened out, and the

inhabitants receive anything like a secure and substantial benefit from the same development. In doing that the workmen had not the remotest idea of acting in any way inimical to the interests of the lessees of the mine.

SELF-PROTECTION AND A LOVE OF HOME

were alone the motives, which actuated them to adopt such a course. The petition was drawn up by Mr T. Pentland of Ireshopeburn, and signatures were speedily attached. Mr Lindsay Wood, the agent of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, is also connected with the Weardale Lead Mines, and to him the ironstone miners stated their case, and he, in reply, said he would do all he could for them. The Commissioners also heard of the petition in course of preparation, and they wrote that they awaited “the memorial to render any assistance.” Mr H. W. Hollis, the general manager of the Weardale Iron and Coal Company, also heard of the petition, and wrote a letter to the Rev. R, Shepherd on the subject, and referred to the proposed petition to the lessors of the mines. “As this course of procedure,” added Mr Hollis in his letter, “will be attended with some expense, and would be entirely without any result such as is desired, may I suggest as a preferable line of action that a deputation of the miners confer with me on the question. If this suggestion be acceptable I shall be happy to receive such a deputation at this office on Monday, the 19th, or, if desired, at Stanhope at one o'clock on that day. The adoption of this coarse would enable me to explain to the miners the position in which we are placed, and would perhaps enable them to see that nothing will be gained with regard to their future prospects by the adoption of their hostile attitude towards us that appears to have developed.” From the Commissioners also a letter has been received, in which they deplored that circumstances entirely beyond their control were likely to lead to the

STOPPAGE OF THE IRONSTONE MINES,

and thereby occasioning much distress in the dales. They assured the miners that any memorial sent up from them would receive careful consideration. Mr Hollis met the deputation at Stanhope, and explained that the demand for pig iron made out of Weardale stone had become limited. He further pointed out that the substitution of Siemen’s steel for the older wrought iron had led to a change, which told seriously against the working of the Weardale ironstone, which was altogether unapplicable for the manufacture of steel. He was considering whether by stocking the ironstone they could avoid for the present the entire stoppage of the mines, but as to that he could not give anything like a definite promise. He also explained that the Company look the lease of the mines in 1884, for forty-two years, at a rental of £1,200 a year. The deputation consisted of Messrs Barkas, Lowe, Roddam, Thos. Wilson, and T. Hodgson, and they also gave expression to their views. The petition was sent off the same afternoon, and later on there was a public meeting in the Town Hall, St. John's Chapel, at which the Vicar presided, and the result of the interview with Mr Hollis given. The notices of the men will terminate on Friday first, and meanwhile nothing can be done, or further action decided upon, until some answer, satisfactory or otherwise, be received from the Commissioners at Whitehall.

THE MINES

There are three mines belonging to the Weardale Iron and Coal Company. These are Rowantree, Grovehead, and Wearhead. The latter mine, however, has not been worked for some time. In the summer time it is a very good mine to work, being what is called an “open cut,” but in the winter season it is

exceedingly difficult to work. For some time previous to June last the other two iron stone mines were idle, and in that month operations were recommenced with a diminished staff of workmen, the impression being that such was done to give those who were engaged regular employment. The ore from these mines has to be carted as far as Eastgate, from whence the Weardale Company have a line of railway which joins the Consett line at Burnhill Junction. The carting of the ore is let by contract to such of the villagers who are rich enough to be possessed of a horse and cart. This carting of the ore is no sinecure in a season like the present. Yesterday's weather in Weardale was wintry to an extreme. Rain fell in torrents from early morning. When the floodgates of heaven open,

IT RAINS IN UPPER WEARDALE WITH A VENGEANCE.

The waters of the swollen river rushed down the desolate valley with Niagara like swiftness, and the swishing and the rushing of the waves (for such they really were) as they dashed against the boulders of rock in the bed of the river, or where the river was joined by its no less swollen tributaries, could be heard a hundred yards away above on the hill. Many portions of the road between St John's Chapel and Eastgate were ankle deep in water, and in some instances impassable for pedestrians. Yet in this weather the carting of ore from the working mines continued as usual. Now and again as I passed up the valley in the old-fashioned coach, processions of these carts passed on the way to the loading depot, the drivers drenched to the skin by the blinding storm, and yet seemingly as happy at their toil as at a fair or a pantomime. And what will happen if these mines are closed?

THE EFFECT

will be to drive out a large number from Weardale to seek the bread, which is denied them in their native dale. That will be a painful position for a great many, for Weardale men are patriotic in a high degree. Weardale is their temporal promised land, and their ambitions go not beyond that. Then again, some of the cottagers keep cows, and an acre or two of land, which, with the little they earn in the mines, is sufficient to give them the comforts requisite for their humble station. Can we wonder then that the miners dread the closing of the two mines now working? It spells ruin, not only to them, but to the small tradespeople in the villages.

“IT MEANS DESOLATION! DESOLATION!”

said the Rev. R. Shepherd to me yesterday afternoon in an interview, “if the mines are closed and the line of railway is not extended up the dale as far as Wearhead.” This railway question is a pressing and an important one. There is not only illimitable ore in the valley, but other minerals which only require developing under favourable circumstances to make Weardale hills and dales the scenes of stirring and lasting industry. What is wanted, in the first instance is a line of railway from Stanhope, the present terminus, up to Wearhead, a few miles beyond St, John's Chapel. There are acres’ of rich limestone extending up to Kilhope, which only requires the sod cutting to make them then profitable. The projected railway has been surveyed, the engineering difficulties found to be not insurmountable, and land has been offered at a fair price. The purchase of the land is not expected to cost more than £2,000. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners give six acres. The total estimated cost is about £40,000. There is a firm conviction in the dale that such a branch of railroad to Wearhead would make the valley the Weardale men's El Dorado. It is also maintained that if the Commissioners are in earnest, they must give generous assistance to the

scheme, and it should take the shape of a donation of say £10,000. If that is done, and the dalesmen guarantee £5,000, either in shares or otherwise, Sir Joseph W. Pease, M.P., the representative of the division, has promised to use his influence in favour of the scheme and solicit that of his friends. If such, or something like it, is not done, it will mean hard times for Weardale folks. "Desolation, desolation!" as the Vicar of St John's pithily put it to me yesterday,

WHAT IS BEST TO BE DONE?

The officials of the Weardale Company said the petition sent up to Whitehall will do more harm than good. The dalesmen look at it in another light. They think the Commissioners will bring pressure to bear upon the present lessees either to work the mines or else give up the lease so that someone may take them and work them, and thus find employment for the dalesmen. Perhaps one thing may help them to gain their end. It is rumoured that the Spanish Government are proposing to put a substantial duly tariff all iron ore exported from Bilbao, and if it is done, it may compel some of the big companies to work native ore. I might also state that the coal question is a serious one in Upper Weardale. The Weardale Company, through their branch line from Burnhill, have the monopoly. If some people were told the price of a load of coal from the terminus depot to, say, St. John's Chapel, after cart age has been added, they would be surprised. In conclusion, it is right to say that the Weardale miners are losing a good manager in Mr Blenkiron, who, for a number of years past, has managed the mines. He was skilled at his business, eminently practical in his schemes, and thoroughly in sympathy with the workmen. It is a loss to the dale that he should have to leave it.

24th January 1891 (Hexham Courant)

IRON MINES CRISIS IN WEARDALE

With but little hopes of the closing of these mines being averted to-day (Saturday), the public have thrown themselves into the breach with the men, and the petition to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners has been got ready, but held in abeyance pending the result of Monday's interview with Mr Hollis, the Weardale Iron and Coal Company's manager at Stanhope. The deferring of the petition has given rise to some adverse comment, as it is attributed to the indifference of the Iron Company towards their workmen that the public took up the matter and formulated the said petition, which has been duly advised to and expected by the Whitehall authorities, whose assistance, in case their covenant with their lessees permits of no enforcement of the first part of the petitioner's prayer is expected to take the direction of the railway.

A public meeting took place at the Town Hall, St John's Chapel on Monday night to hear the result of the interview. The vicar (the Rev R. Shepherd) presided, and after a cursory view of the late developments read a telegram he received from Mr Hollis, Tudhoe: - ": Letter re Weardale mines is addressed to you by to-days post," and on the 14th he duly received the letter, which suggested that a deputation from the miners confer with Mr Hollis on the question. This was followed by another telegram on the 16th from the same gentleman: - "Having no notice of deputation attending, am I at liberty to make other arrangements for Monday? Reply." At the public request he had written to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners explaining the situation and advising the petition, and had received a reply from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, in which they greatly deplored that causes beyond their control were likely to lead to a stoppage of

the ironstone mines, and stated that the subject was one which would engage the anxious attention of the Commissioners, and that any memorial that might be forwarded would receive their careful consideration. He now called upon the deputation who said they were received by the manager courteously, and fully discussed the crisis with the result that Mr Hollis expressed the sincere sympathy of the company with their miners and all affected by the compulsory suspension, and pointed out that through circumstances altogether beyond their control, the demand for pig iron made wholly or part of Weardale ironstone had become very limited, and that they could not hope to dispose of by sale and use in the iron works any quantity that would suffice to keep the mines in operation to the extent represented by the continuous employment of a comparatively small number of men. He further referred to the changed condition of their trade, which had led to the substitution of Siemens steel for the older wrought iron, a change which told seriously against the working of the Weardale ironstone, which was altogether inapplicable for the manufacture of steel. He was considering the question whether by stocking the ironstone they could avoid for the present the entire stoppage of the mines but the possibility of this he could not then definitely promise. (Applause) Mr Hollis also said that they had the lease from 1884 for 42 years and at a rental of £12090 per year. Mr Hollis then put the question. Had the petition gone? ("Yes, it has gone." and cheers). Mr Hollis said anything they could do to assist in getting their dues they would – (cheers) – and the petition would do them good as well as themselves. …

24th January 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF MR JOHN HALL

John Hall a native of Stanhope, died in Newcastle on Sunday (*18th inst. aged 50 years*). Deceased was well known and highly respected in Stanhope. For a long time he was an employee of the London Lead Company at their lead smelting works at Stanhope. He afterwards removed to Nenthead, where he acted as overman with both credit to himself and the Company, having earned the goodwill of both masters and men. Three or four years ago, he removed to Newcastle. ...

In 1851, at Crawleyside, John Hall, lead miner, aged 49, wife Hannah 46, children Matthew, highway labourer, aged 19, Margaret 12, John, lead miner, aged 11, Anthony 9, Joseph 5, Thomas 3, and visitor Richard Blades, ironstone labourer (furnace) aged 21.

In 1861, at Crawleyside, Hannah Hall, widow, washerwoman, aged 55, children Matthew, iron miner, aged 29, Margaret, housemaid, aged 23, John, iron miner, 21, Anthony, iron miner, 18, Joseph, iron miner, 16, Thomas, iron miner, 12, grandson John Allison 8, granddaughter Mary H Allison 4, and boarder Isabella Golightly, widow, pauper, confined to bed, aged 79.

In 1871, at Stanhope, John Hall, lead smelter, aged 31, his wife Anne 30, children John 8, George 6, Hannah 4, Mary 1, and boarder Emma Allinson, milliner aged 21 years.

In 1881, at Burn Bottom, Nenthead, John Hall, foreman at lead works, aged 41, his wife Annie 40, children John, engineman at lead works, aged 17, George, labourer at lead works, aged 16, Hannah 14, Mary 11, Margaret A. 9, and William 7. In 1891, at Northbourne, Elswick, Annie Hall, widow, aged 50,

children John Hall, general labourer, aged 27, George, hand driller, aged 26, Hannah, waitress in cocoa room, aged 24, Margaret, dressmaker, aged 19, William, telegrapher, aged 17, and boarder Thomas Peacock, widow, mill wright, aged 55.
In 1901, at Elswick, Annie Hall, widow, aged 59, daughter Margaret Hall, aged 29, son William, telegrapher, aged 27, boarders James Coulson, ordnance fitter, aged 22, Joseph Hall, ship telegraph fitter, aged 28, George Mason, hydraulic _____ fitter, aged 24, and Jackson Mason, time keeper, aged 22.

ROBERT DIXON

Robert Dixon, late of Stanhope, died last week (14th inst. aged 71 years) at Sunderland. Deceased was a lead miner and worked for years at the London Lead Company mines at Nenthead, and afterwards removed to Stanhope, where he laboured for years at the Limestone Quarries. He removed to Sunderland a few years ago, where he died last week.

In 1841, at Middleton in Teesdale, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Jane Dixon (Dowson, married 1st September 1821) aged 50, children Robert, lead miner, aged 17 (baptised 9th May 1824, at Middleton), Jane aged 9, and Hannah aged 5.
In 1851, at Banks Hill, Garrigill, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 27, born Middleton, wife Betsy (Johnson, married 28th June 1845, St John, Garrigill) aged 26, born Garrigill, children Mary 5, William 3, and Thomas 1.
In 1861, at Ashgill, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 37, wife Betsey 36, children Mary, house maid, aged 15, William 13, Jane 9, Thomas 7, John 4, Robert 2, and Edward Dowson 1.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 46, children Jane, house maid, aged 19, Thomas, lead miner, aged 17, John, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Edward D. 11, Johnston 9, and Carr 8.
In 1881, at Albert Cottage, Stanhope, Robert Dixon, limestone quarryman, aged 57, his wife Betsy 55, sons Edward, limestone quarryman, aged 21, Johnson, limestone quarryman, aged 19, Carr, limestone quarryman, aged 17, niece Lizy J. Carruthers 6, son William, married, limestone quarryman, aged 33, daughter in law Mary 33, granddaughter Lizzy 3, and servant Lizzy A. Brown, scholar, general servant domestic, aged 10.

Marriages

Nenthead Primitive Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst., John Pattinson, Pry House, to Jane Hall, Post Office, Nenthead.

In 1871, at Low Dykeheads, John Pattinson, stonemason, aged 42, his wife Agness 36, children Sarah Ann 12, John 10, and Margaret 6. In 1881, at Pry House, Agnes Pattinson, stonemasons widow, aged 46, son John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Margaret 6, and grandson George Pattinson aged 2.
In 1891, at Pry House, John Pattinson, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Jane aged 27.
John Pattinson died April 1892, aged 31.
Jane Pattinson married Jonathan Thompson 1895
In 1901, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Jonathan Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane 37, children Hannah J 5, Joseph B 4, Ester A 3 months, and William H Pattison 9.
Hannah Jane Thompson, died 4th quarter 1908, aged 13.
A possible death for Jonathan Thompson is 1st February 1907, aged 45.

In 1911, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Jane Thompson, widow, aged 47, children William Hall Pattinson, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph Britten Thompson, labourer, aged 14, and Esther Annie Thompson 10.
See 19th April 1873, 5th December 1885, & 16th April 1892

Deaths

At Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 22, Margaret, daughter of Joseph Thompson, lead mining agent.

William Thompson married Margaret Cowing, 25th May 1837, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Foulard, Nenthead, William Thompson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Margaret 27, children, Matthew 3, and Joseph 1.
In 1851, at Spring Hall House, William Thompson, lead miner, aged 40, born Scotland, his wife Margaret 37, children Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 13, Joseph 11, John 9, Ann 6, Agnes 5, and Mary 2.
William Thompson, died 2nd quarter 1858.
In 1861, at High Dykeheads, Margaret Thompson, lead miners widow, aged 47, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 19, Ann, dressmaker, aged 16, Agnes 14, and Mary 12.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Joseph Thompson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Mary aged 28, children William 7, Margaret 2, and Agness 1.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Thompson, lead mine agent, aged 41, his wife Mary 38, children William, lead ore dresser, aged 17, Margaret 12, Agnes A. 11, Mary 8, Alice 7, Amelia 4, Sarah J. 2, and Joseph 2 months. In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Thompson, lead mine agent, aged 51, wife Mary 48, children William, blacksmith, aged 27, Agnes Ann, milliner, aged 21, Mary 18, Amelia 14, Sarah Jane 12, Joseph 10, Matthew Walton 8, and Kate 5.

31st January 1891 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Holmfoot, Nenthead, 24th inst., aged 50, Edward Hudspith, woodman.

In 1881, at Fair Hill, Edward Hudspeth, foreman woodcutter, aged 69, born Hamsterly, (died 2nd quarter of 1891, aged 79) his wife Hannah 70, born Middleton, daughter Elizabeth Scott, widow, house assistant, aged 50, born Middleton, son Edward wood cutter, aged 40, born Middleton, and grandson Thomas E. Scott 11, born Middleton.
See 20th June 1871, 27th June 1891 & 18th July 1896

7th February 1891 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston, St Augustine's Church, 3rd inst., William Holmes to Margaret, 2nd daughter of the late Matthew Robson, Low Farnberry.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Elizabeth Holmes, widow, aged 82, sons George, boot & clog maker, aged 45, and William, lead miner, aged 41.
Elizabeth Holmes was buried at Garrigill 29th October 1885, aged 87.
In 1871, at Low Farnberry, Matthew Robson, labourer (in all previous census listed as a lead miner), aged 60, born Coanwood, his wife Hannah (Pickering, married 29th April 1837, Alston) aged 57, born Alston, children, William, carter, aged 23, Margaret 30, Ralph, lead miner, aged 17, Alfred 13, and granddaughter Nora Robson aged 2.

Matthew Robson died 3rd May 1877, aged 66. See 12th May 1877
In 1881, at Low Farnberry, Hannah Robson, widow, laundress, aged 67, children Margaret 40, William, cartman, aged 33, Ralph, general labourer, aged 27, Alfred, general labourer, aged 23, and granddaughter Jane E. N. Robson 12.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, William Holmes, shoemaker, aged 50, and his wife Margaret aged 50.
Margaret Holmes died 5th October 1895, aged 54.
See 18th December 1841, 8th June 1878, 9th December 1882, 4th March 1893, and 12th October 1895.

Deaths

New York, 16th ult., aged 38, Henry Salvin Gill M.D. Second son of the late Railton Gill M.D. Alston.

14th February 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On Tuesday night, Wm. Bell, Weardale was working at Rookhope lead mine when a "lump" of stone fell upon him causing serious internal injuries in the region of the lungs. Dr Hewitson, St John's would not permit his removal to his distant home and the poor fellow still lies in the mine shop. Bell is a well-known lightweight wrestler, and much sympathy is felt for him.
See 11th July 1891

21st February 1891 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT PATTERDALE LEAD MINES.

On Monday Mr. Wilson, coroner for Westmorland, held an inquest at the Greenside Mines, Glenridding, Patterdale, on the body of Thomas Pollock, 44 years of age, who met with his death on the previous Friday by falling down a shaft.—Robert Slee, banksman at the shaft top, said he was working with the deceased, who was a waggon ____, at the 40 fathom. They were engaged at the trap door and witness was working the windlass. Whilst deceased was pushing the left hand door back he slipped forward and fell down the shaft, which was about 20 fathoms deep. Witness to at once reported the accident to the engineman, and afterwards went down the shaft, at the bottom of which he found the body of the deceased, quite dead. There was a large wound on deceased's left temple. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, and recommended the mining company to place protecting gates at the entrance to the shaft.

21st February 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Bloomsbury, Nenthead, 12th inst., aged 72, William Rutherford, lead ore washer.
See 5th April 1884, and 29th August 1891

IN MEMORY
OF
WILLIAM RUTHERFORD
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 12TH 1891
AGED 72 YEARS
AND OF JANE HIS WIFE
WHO DIED MARCH 1ST 1876
AGED 53 YEARS
ALSO OF JANE WIFE OF
JONATHAN RUTHERFORD
SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 6TH 1889
AGED 29 YEARS

25th February 1891 (Teesdale Mercury)

WANTED, Four or Six good LEAD MINERS for **SCARGILL MINE**, near Barnard Castle, Men with boys preferred. Also TO LET, the DRAWING OF THE WORK. —Apply to ISAAC WALTON, Bowes, by Darlington.

4th March 1891 (Teesdale Mercury)

AN important advertisement in our last issue calls prominent attention to the **SPANHAM LEAD MINES** *(Miners wanted at Scargill Mine).* The outside world apparently knows nothing of this sequestered spot, and, in the hurly-burly of things, probably cares as little. But any enterprise, which furnishes employment for local, labour at all times commands our best attention. Certain changes are being made in working the undertaking, Mr Milligan, late manager, as we are informed, succeeded Colonel Bainbridge as superintendent in Upper Teesdale. The Spanham Lead Mines are situate in a ravine among the hills, at the northern base of the Stang. The distance from Bowes is about two miles, and, years ago; the undertaking was in the hands of Messrs. Leggett and Company. The proprietor of the royalty Sir Talbot Clifford Constable, Bart., of Scargill Lodge and Holderness. In the way of weighing big works, this concern cannot be viewed as an extensive thing. But it is to be worked, and that is saying a good deal as the lead world wags commercially. The directorate are advertising for men. They are publicly letting the drawing of the work. True, the yield at the first was not large. Twenty years ago it used to average about two and a half bings per month, and the workmen, of whom there were but few, earned about £3 per month each. At that time the greater portion of the ore was sent to the Gaunless Mill, a distance of ten miles to be smelted. The change, which has come over the lead trade in the meantime, is marvellous. Where are now the Gaunless Smelting Mills? At Spanham the lead-ore is found in the “twelve-feet limestone,” and was reached by a level extending three hundred and twelve fathoms into

the hill. At the time of which we write a second level had also been driven, extending one hundred and seventy fathoms, but at first, this was unproductive. The latter level was ventilated by a shaft twenty fathoms deep, and it is a most extraordinary fact that, in piercing, shale or “Plate” the thickness of forty-two feet was cut through. This has often puzzled local geologists, and especially the old school of thought in Teesdale, who have invariably worked upon the lines OF the late MR H. T. M. Within, of Lartington Hall. It is almost impossible to treat this question without this identical leadership. The father of the present generous proprietor of the Lartington estate—Mr Henry Thornton Maire Witham —somewhere in the year 1831, laid the foundation stone of a museum, in which he placed an extensive collection of geological and mineralogical specimens. He was a great and distinguished geologist, and, in his day, put an end to a good deal of nostrums with reference to the geological formation of Durham County. It is well that his works survive him. The lode, or vein, which dips from north-west to south-east, at the Spanham Mines, has always been supposed to be a continuation of the vein found in Arkingarthdale, on the other side of the Stang. The ancient workings, in the immediate vicinity of this mine, must have been of singular extent and importance, and the numerous springs of water have been utilized in a remarkable degree for the purpose of “hushing,” that being the mode by which the metal has been brought to light. The engineering skill brought to bear in this connection is as unique as it is commendable. The contriving is, indeed, of the first order of merit, with much toil and patient assiduity the water was conveyed in winding channels, from the highest summits, for the formation of the reservoirs by which the hushing was accomplished. It is a romantic spot. On the very top of some of the lower hills, more than above a thousand feet above the level of the sea, these dams or reservoirs were constructed, which is shown by the remains of the embankments, and the force of water is exhibited in the vast chasms in the hillsides, from which hundreds of tons of stone and soil have washed into the valley. There is here trace of the old adventurers.

A huge trench had been dug across the moor; presumably in the hope of baring the vein and the excavated earth, together with the now half-filled trench, have been overgrown with heath for centuries. On a minute examination it will be found that on the heights bordering the Ellerbeck—a stream running a tortuous course amid the ranges of hills—are a number of shallow pits, which have been used apparently for smelting purposes, and it is asserted that actual “slag ” has been found near them. These pits are termed “bloomeries,” and seem to have been employed universally for the smelting of metals when dense forests apparently covered the face of the land. It is even speculated that luxuriant woods grew where are now desolate moors. …

7th March 1891 (Newcastle Courant)

THE LATE MR BAINBRIDGE

The funeral took place at Stanhope Church on Saturday afternoon of the late Ralph Bainbridge, for many years a well known and highly esteemed resident. Deceased was for a number of years an employee of the London Lead Company at their Bolihope Mines.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Ralph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 46, children Jane 16, George 10, and Mary Margaret 8.

In 1881, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Ralph Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Hannah 41, son George, clerk, aged 20, step children William Hill, labourer, aged 15, John Hill 12, Elizabeth Hill 11, and James Hill 9.

7th March 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Factory House, 1st inst, aged 29, John William Ritson, son of the late Joseph Bell, Mohope, Allendale.
John William Ritson Bell, was manager of the Alston Stocking factory, owned by a Mr Storey, he died suddenly from a burst blood vessel, he had been suffering from Phthisis.
Alston 3rd inst., aged 56, George Holmes.
George Holmes a boot and clog maker, originally a native of Garrigill.

14th March 1891 (Newcastle Courant)
DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN STANHOPE MAN AT DARLINGTON
Thomas Archer, late of Stanhope, and well known both in that locality and Teesdale, has just died at Darlington, in the sixty-fourth year of his age. Deceased for the greater part of his life was a lead miner for the London Lead Company, both in their Weardale and Teesdale mines. In later years, he also worked at the Stanhope Burn Lead Works. He removed with his family to Darlington a few years ago. He was widely known and well respected.
In 1841, at Eggleston, Ann Archer 55, John 30, Hannah 25, Thomas 21, William 19, Richard 15, Mary 15, and Ann 2.
In 1851, at Bishoply, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth (Dent, married 1st quarter of 1842, at Middleton) aged 32, children Mary A. 8, William 6, Thomas 4, John 2, and Catharine 11 months. In 1861, at Stanhope, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Mary A. 18, Thomas, labourer, aged 14, John 12, Elizabeth 8, Catherine 6, and Jane 4. In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Archer, lead ore smelter, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 51, children John, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Elizabeth 19, Jane 14, and William 9. In 1881, at Union Square, Frosterley, Elizabeth Archer, married, aged 61, son William, telegraph clerk "civil service", Methodist local preacher, aged 19, granddaughter Elizabeth Jane Martin 7, son in law Ozom Heatherington, limestone quarryman, aged 25, married daughter Jane Heatherington aged 24, and grandson John Heatherington 9 months. Thomas Archer was visiting his daughter, at 3 Railway Terrace, Marske, Yorkshire, William Martin, railway porter, aged 27, his wife Catherine 26, children George 6, Robert J. 6 months, and visitor Thomas Archer, blacksmiths labourer, aged 61. In 1891, at Eldon Street, Darlington, William Archer, clerk at post office, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth I. aged 28, and his mother Elizabeth Archer, widow aged 71.

14th March 1891 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
There had been two deaths from influenza in the Alston district during the previous year. Dr Short's report for the previous year, for No. 2 district (Garrigill & Nenthead) showed 41 deaths, or at the rate of 20.5, the highest rate for ten years. Phthisis was more prevalent than might have been expected considering the high situation and the pure and rarefied air. Some thing of this he believed

was due to consanguineous marriages. There had been 45 births at the rate of 23.7 per 1000.

Marriages

Stanhope Church, 7th inst., Featherstone Martindale, West Ferry Field Farm, Stanhope to Miss Mary Hannah Martin, daughter of Robert Martin, Stanhope.
In 1891, at Front street, Stanhope, Robert Martin, rural postman, aged 63, born Norfolk, his wife Sarah 64, born Allendale, daughter Susan 25, son in law Featherstone Martindale, fireman to locomotive, aged 25, and married daughter Mary H 27.

Deaths

Alston, 10th inst., aged 44, Willis second son of John Little, blacksmith.
In 1881, at 6 Little's Buildings, John Little, black & white smith, age 62, wife Ann 62, children Willis, black & white smith, age 34, John, black & white smith, age 26, and Jane, house maid, aged 22.
Alston, Grains House, 11th inst., aged 98, Phillis widow of John Teasdale.
See 14th April 1865, and 10th September 1892
Alston, Town Foot, 12th inst., John James infant son of Thomas and Mary Jane Teasdale. *See 12th July 1890*
Overwater, Nenthead, 11th inst., aged 74, Richard McGuiness, Hawker.
An inquest gave the verdict of death by starvation for Richard McGuiness.

28th March 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, 21st inst., Joseph Teasdale Cail, Blacksmith, Nenthead, to Sarah Ann Hetherington, Hill Top, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Matthew Hetherington, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary aged 40, John, blower at the mines, aged 13, Sarah Ann 11, Frances M 7, son in law William Lee Hornsby, lead miner, aged 22, and lodger, Thomas Elliott, clerk to lead smelting works, aged 23. In 1881, at Alston Workhouse, Richard Dixon, master of the workhouse, aged 61, his wife Mary, matron of the workhouse, aged 54, daughters Emily I. assistant matron, aged 21, Margaret, assistant matron, aged 20, and visitor Sarah A. Heatherington, dressmaker, aged 21.
Matthew Hetherington died 4th quarter 1895, aged 67.
In 1871, at Homefoot, Joshua Cail, lead miner, aged 50, born Stanhope, his wife Sarah aged 46, and son Joseph T 8.
Joshua Cail died 2nd quarter 1876, aged 57.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Sarah Cail, widow, aged 54, and son Joseph Cail, blacksmith, aged 18. In 1891, at Hill Top, Joseph Teasdale Cail, blacksmith, aged 28, and his wife Sarah Ann aged 31. In 1901, at Hill Top, Joseph T Cail, blacksmith, aged 38, his wife Sarah A 40, children Clarence 9, Winnie 6, and Alice 3. In 1911, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, Joseph T Cail, labourer on dressing floor, lead & zinc mines, aged 49, his wife Sarah A 40, children William Clarence, labourer, aged 19, Winnie 16, and Alice 13.
See 31st December 1870

28th March 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Sudden Death Mrs Mary Vickers, living at Huntshieldford, near St John's Chapel, was found lying dead on the floor of her residence on Tuesday

forenoon. Deceased was in her 68 year. … Heart disease is supposed to be the cause of death.

THOMAS CRAWHALL

The death is announced of Mr Thomas Crawhall, of The Square, Stanhope, an old and respected inhabitant, and a representative of an ancient local family. … He was representative and local agent for the Weardale Iron and Coal company for many years and upon his retirement he was succeeded by his son John Crawhall the present agent. The deceased gentleman had attained the age of 75 years. *See 6th March 1886*

4th April 1891 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston, Kings Arms Lane, 30th ult., aged 53, Esther wife of John Lowe, miner.

In 1851, at Front Street, Phoebe Lowe, unmarried, domestic duties, aged 40, son John, lead miner, aged 18, nephew Thomas Lowe, lead miner, aged 42, and nephew John Lowe, lead miner, aged 29.

In 1861, at Thirlwells Lane, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 28, wife Esther 23, and daughter Jane Ann 4. In 1871, at Butts, John Lowe, lead ore miner, aged 38, his wife Esther 33, and daughter Jane A. 14.

In 1881, at Thirlwalls Lane, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Esther 43, daughter Jane Ann, domestic servant, aged 24 and visitor Hannah Clint, dressmaker, aged 48.

In 1891, at Thirlwalls Lane, John Lowe, widow, lead miner, aged 58, and daughter Jane Ann, domestic servant, aged 34.

See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 17th November 1868, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 3rd February 1894 and 29th August 1896

Far Houses, Allendale Town, 25th ult., aged 62, Margaret, the beloved wife of John Shield.

In 1881, at Far Houses, John Shield, coach? proprietor, & farmer, aged 53, wife Margaret 53, domestic servant, Mary Hewitson, aged 21, and farm servant indoor John Wm. Reed, aged 22.

11th April 1891 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A WORKMAN AND HIS JUBILEE.

Mr Anthony Martindale is one of the oldest and most experienced blacksmith in the employ of the Lead Company at Nenthead, and last week he celebrated his jubilee having completed his 50 years of service. Although residing at Alston, Mr Martindale has regularly travelled the distance between Nenthead and Alston twice a week, and sometimes more. So that he will have traversed over some 3000 miles the only system of locomotion used being “shankums pony.” …

In 1871, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 58, and his wife Hannah 55. In 1881, at Butts, Alston, Anthony Martindale, married, blacksmith, aged 68, and Robert, lead miner, aged 36. In 1891, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 78, his wife Hannah 75, and son Robert, lead miner, aged 46.

See 24th October 1891 & 24th May 1902

18th April 1891 (Hexham Herald)
The population of Weardale in 1871 was 19,155 and in 1881 was 17,542.

25th April 1891 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)
HOURS OF LABOUR. A paper has been issued by the Board of Trade, giving the average number of hours worked as week's work by various trades in 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1893. return is of interest. …
Coal mining in West Cumberland: 48 hours, reckoned on six days' week, but the average of working days in West Cumberland five days per week.
Iron mining: 48 hours; in one return 60 given for 1860 up to 1880, and 48 in 1890; in another 48 from 1880. Lead mining: —Alston: 40hours, five days per week. Keswick; 48 hours, and other workmen 55 hours. Plumbago mining: — Keswick: Underground men, 42 hours: surface men, 55. …

25th April 1891 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 18th inst., aged 88, Hannah, relict of Thomas Pickering, lead miner.
In 1841, at Rice, Thomas Pickering, lead miner, aged 40, wife Hannah 35, children Jacob 14, Thomas 11, William 10, John 5, Joseph 3, and Mary 3. In 1851, at High R_____p, Hannah Pickering, widow, farmer of 16 acres, aged 47, children Jacob, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, John 15, Joseph 12, and Ralph, at home, aged 7. In 1881, at Raise, Hannah Pickering, widow, aged 78, and son Joseph, general labourer, aged 42.

2nd May 1891 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Bristol Lodge, Langley Mills, 25th ult., aged 76, John Elliott, lead ore smelter.
In 1881, at Bristol Lodge, John Elliott, lead ore smelter, aged 66, his wife Margaret 63, and son John, lead ore smelter, aged 33.

9th May 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 7th inst., Jonathan Rutherford, Bloomsbury, Nenthead to Elizabeth daughter of John Stephenson, Dykeheads, Nenthead.
In 1841, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, woodcutter, aged 60 (died 1st quarter of 1846 or 1847), his wife Margaret (Sanderson, married 9th December 1805, Allendale) aged 55, son John, lead ore smelter, aged 20, daughter Margaret aged 15. Also Ann Stephenson, washerwoman aged 35 (Ann Graham married Joseph Stephenson 18th December 1828, Alston), and son John aged 10 (John Stephenson son of Joseph Stephenson and Nancy Graham born 11th November 1829, baptised 24th January 1830 at Nenthead Methodist Chapel)
Probable date of death for Joseph Stephenson is 4th quarter 1841, and probable date of death for his Wife Ann Stephenson 2nd quarter 1849.
In 1851, at Pry House, Nenthead, Margaret Graham, widow, farming 12 acres, aged 66 (Buried at Nenthead 30th November 1858, aged 74), sons John, lead ore smelter, aged 30, Joseph, wood cutter, aged 27, (all previous born Allendale) granddaughter Addiah Stephenson 10, and grandson John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 21 (Grandchildren both born Alston).

IN MEMORY OF JOHN STEPHENSON
WHO DIED AT DYKEHEADS NENTHEAD OCT 31ST 1895, AGED 65.
ALSO OF ELIZABETH HIS WIFE WHO DIED FEB 14TH AGED 64 YEARS.
ALSO OF THOMAS THEIR SON WHO DIED MAY 11TH 1896, AGED 40 YEARS, INTERRED AT EAGLE VALLEY CEMETERY USA.
ALSO OF ELIZABETH HIS DAUGHTER WHO DIED DEC. 18TH 1862, AGED 5 MONTHS.
ALSO MARY THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED JAN. 18TH 1875, AGED 5 YEARS.

John Stephenson married Elizabeth Heppell Elliott, 2nd quarter 1857, at Durham.
In 1861, at High House, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 31 Elizabeth aged 31, born Stanhope, children, Henry 8, and Ann 1. In 1861, Thomas the son of John & Elizabeth was staying with his grandparents.
In 1861, at Wellhope, Stanhope, Henry Elliot, lead miner, aged 71, his wife Ann 53, children John, lead miner, aged 29, Hannah 25, Henry, lead miner, aged 23, William, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 18, Emerson, lead miner, aged 14, Ann 9, and grandson Thomas Stephenson 5.
In 1871, at High House, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Henry, lead ore washer, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Ann 11, Margaret 6, Elizabeth 4, and Mary 2.
In 1881, at Pasture House, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner and farmer of 23 acres, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 51, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Margaret, dairymaid, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and John 6.

In 1891, at Dykeheads, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 61, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Elizabeth 24, John, lead miner, aged 16.
See 5th April 1884.

Deaths

At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 71, Robert Black, lead miner.
See 15th March 1879, 27th May 1882, 17th March 1883, 24th November 1888, and 18th April 1908

At Foulard, Nenthead, 2nd inst., aged 63, Hannah, widow of Pearson Walton, farmer. *See 22nd July 1882, & 6th February 1892*

At Low Silly Hole, Alston, 5th inst., aged 3 years, George, son of John Cousin, lead miner.
In 1861, at Gate Foot, John Cousin, lead miner, aged 52, born Durham, Teasdale, his wife Margaret 50, born Durham, Teasdale, children James, lead ore washer, aged 15, born Alston, John, lead ore washer, aged 13, born Alston, Hannah 9, born Alston, Matthew, lead miner, aged 26, born Durham, Teasdale, and Margaret, dressmaker, aged 18, born Durham, Teasdale,
In 1871, at Armitage, Margaret Cousin, retired farmers widow, aged 60, daughter, Margaret Dawson, lead miners wife aged 28, and son John Cousin, aged 23.
In 1881, at Low Silly Hole, Margaret Cousin, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 68, son John, married, lead miner aged 35, daughter in law Elizabeth 29, grand children Matthew 1, Margaret 9 months, and domestic servant Jane A. Potts, aged 16.
In 1891, at Low Silly Hole, Joseph (JOHN) Cousin, farmer, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 39, Matthew 11, Margaret 10, John Joseph 8, Ruth 6, Walton 4, George 2, Ralph 9 months, and Elizabeth 9 months.

At Alston, 30th ult., aged 67, Elizabeth, wife of John Peart, lead mines agent.
See 20th December 1861, and 15th October 1892

IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH
WIFE OF JOHN PEART OF ALSTON
WHO DIED APRIL 30TH 1891
AGED 66 YEARS
ALSO OF MARGARET ANN THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 16TH 1863
AGED 5 MONTHS
AND WAS INTERRED IN GARRIGILL CHURCH YARD
ALSO THE ABOVE JOHN PEART WHO DIED
AT ALSTON ON THE 17TH NOVEMBER 1913
IN HIS 83RD YEAR

16th May 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanley, 9th inst., Isabella *(New Malton, Yorkshire),* widow of Robert Nattrass, formerly of Alston. *See 8th August 1868.*

18th May 1891 (Shields Daily Gazette)
NORTH GREENHURTH LEAD MINE.
It is stated that an important discovery has been made in North Greenhurth lead mine. The agent of the mine writes, stating that he has cut the Lady Rake vein in the Grasshill mine. He has commenced to rise on it, and is now seven feet up into the limestone, and the vein looks well in the top of the rise. It is worth from 1 to 1½ tons per fathom, and steadily widens and improves in value as the rise goes up into the limestone. He also states that he is perfectly satisfied now that he is to have a going mine at Grasshill.

30th May 1891 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
FIND OF LEAD ORE AT GRASSHILL
It is refreshing in the general poverty of local mines to have to report, as the result of lengthened exploration by the Green Hurth Co., the cutting of a very promising vein at Grasshill. The Nenthead and Tynedale Co. are now paying good dividends but these are evidently more due to zinc than lead.
MEETING OF LEAD MINING COMPANIES AT NEWCASTLE
THE GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY
The annual meeting of the shareholders of this company was held on Thursday afternoon, in Newcastle upon Tyne. The sum of £1,723 standing to the credit of profit and no dividend declared was animadverted upon by the shareholders, who thought it should have been divided, and a call made for the further development of mining. It would have kept up the price of shares for those who wanted to sell. The chairman (Mr Cameron Swan) said it was not their business to make markets for people who wanted to sell shares. They were to take charge of the property, and do the best they could for it. The cash stated was not exactly in hand, but had gone to the plant account. They had struck a rich vein, and the results were promising. The report was adopted and the directors re-elected. A meeting under the same chairmanship was held of the shareholders of the North Green Hurth Mining Company Limited. Complaint was made that the sinking of a new mine for their company had cost £4,700, more than double the estimated cost. The chairman said it seemed to bear out the saying that a mine was a hole to put money into, but the troubles met in sinking had led to extra expenditure. They had now a going concern at Grasshill, there being two tons of ore per fathom, with 80 percent of lead and seven or eight ounces of silver. The shareholders were advised to live in hope. The cost of raising the ore was £7 11s 8d, and it sold at the mine for £8 13s. The report was adopted.
Deaths
Ashgill, 22nd inst., aged 66, Thomas Stout, late of Force Green, Garrigill.
In 1841, at High Shield Hill, John Stout, lead miner, aged 40, George Stout, lead miner, aged 21, John Stout, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas Stout, lead miner, aged 15, and Betsy Stout 8. In 1851, at Force Green, John Stout,

widow, lead miner, aged 52, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, daughter Betsy 17, and house servant Mary Dobson aged 48.
In 1861, at Force Green, Joseph Bowman, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Betsey 27, house servant Mary Dobson aged 56, and brother in law Thomas Stout, lead miner, aged 36. In 1871, at Force Green, Thomas Stout, lead miner, aged 46, and aunt, Mary Swindle, widow, housekeeper, aged 65.
In 1881, at Force Green Thomas Stout, lead ore washer, unmarried, aged 56.
In 1891, at Mid Ashgill, Emerson Thomason, single, lead miner & small farm, domestic servant Ann Swindle aged 48, and boarder Thomas Stout, single, aged 66. See 22nd January 1864, 10th June 1864, 19th December 1874, 13th May 1876, & 27th April 1889.

6th June 1891 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINERS AND THEIR "SHOPS."

The condition of the "mine shops" at Rookhope and Grove Rake, with more particular reference to ventilation and overcrowding, came before the Weardale Sanitary Authority on Friday. The Lead Company have made - at considerable expense, they say - improvements at Rookhope, but further improvements are pointed out and required by the Authority.

6th June 1891 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Medical officers report, Dr Short's report for No. 2 district showed for the quarter only eight deaths as compared with 25 in the corresponding quarter last year, and 3 births.

27th June 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Hill House, Alston, 20th inst., aged 3 years, Arthur son of James Teasdale, stonemason.

At Holm Foot, Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 79, Edward Hudspith, woodman.
See 20th June 1891, 27th January 1891 & 18th July 1896

At Alston, 25th inst., aged 23, Sarah daughter of the late Thomas Martindale, stonemason.

11th July 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN WEARDALE WRESTLER.

On Thursday Mr Wm. Bell, Hill Farm, Weardale, died at the age of 58. Deceased who had been in ailing health consequent on his early calling of lead mining was well known 25 years ago as one of the best 9½ stone wrestlers of his time. … After his return from America where he won many prizes, Bell started sheep farming at the above farmstead. … Deceased leaves a widow and two sons and daughter, the sons being well known athletes.
In 1861, at Cows Hill, Heathery Cleugh, William Bell, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth aged 28, daughters Ann 4 (born Canada West), and Mary 1 (born Stanhope)

In 1871, at Hill, Heathery Cleugh, William Bell, lead miner, aged 42, his wife, Elizabeth 38, children, Anne 14, Mary 11, William 8, Frances 6, and Emerson aged 2.
In 1881, at The Hill, William Bell, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 47, children William, ironstone miner, aged 18, Emerson 11, and Elizabeth 9
In 1891, at The Hill, Heathery Cleugh, William Bell, farmer, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 58, children Emerson, lead miner, aged 21, Elizabeth 19, grandsons, Emerson Bell, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Henry Peart 3.
In 1901, at The Hill, Elizabeth Bell, widow, living on her own means, aged 68, grandsons, Emerson Peart, railway porter, aged 24, and Harry Bell 13.
See 14th February 1891

Deaths

Stanhope (at the residence of her daughter Mrs Joseph Curry) age 83, Hannah Stephenson.

In 1841, at Bolts Hope Mill, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah aged 25, children Isaac 8, John 5, and Mary 4. In 1851, at Whiteheaps, John Stephenson, lead ore miner, aged 46, his wife Hannah 40, children Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 19, John, lead ore miner, aged 16, Mary 14, Hannah 7, Jane 4, lodger Robert Elliott, lead ore miner, aged 20, and lodger George Bell, lead ore miner, aged 19.
In 1861, at Whiteheaps, John Stephenson, lead ore washer, aged 57, his wife Hannah, aged 51, and daughter Jane aged 14.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Hannah Stephenson, widow, aged 61, visiting married daughter Mary Cleunel aged 34, granddaughter Hannah Jane Cleunel 1, boarder Elizabeth Currey 5, and boarder Matthew Currey, unmarried, ironstone miner, aged 31. In 1881, at Front Street Stanhope, Joseph Currey, grocer & beer dealer, aged 36, his wife Jane 34, mother in law, Hannah Stephenson, widow, annuitant, aged 71, and niece Elizabeth Curry aged 16.
In 1891, at Front Street Stanhope, Joseph Currey, ale and porter merchant, aged 47, his wife Jane 45, mother in law, Hannah Stephenson, widow, aged 82, nephew in law Joseph Wearmouth, married, labourer and cartman, aged 28, and niece Elizabeth Wearmouth, married aged 26.

18th July 1891 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

Strellas, Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 32, Sarah Ann, wife of Tom Hewitson.

In 1881, Tom Hewitson, married, railway labourer, born Allendale, was lodging in Appleby, his wife and daughter were visiting at Green Ends, Alston, in 1881, at Green Ends, George Rutherford, lead miner aged 24, his wife Jane aged 22, daughter, Annie aged 10 months, visitors Ann Hewitson, (Rutherford, married 4th quarter of 1874, Hexham) labourers wife, aged 30 (died 1st quarter of 1885 aged 33), Margaret Ann Hewitson aged 6 (In 1891, working as a servant for Joseph Dalton & family at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Stanhope), and Diana (Dinah) Hewitson aged 4.
In 1891, at Strellas, Thomas Hewitson, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah A. (Pattinson, married 2nd quarter of 1889, Alston) aged 31 (died 4th quarter of 1891, aged 32), children Dinah 13, Thomas W. 6, Mary J. 1, stepsons George Pattinson 12, and William Pattinson 9. In 1901, at Chapel Street, Appleby, Tom Hewitson, widow, labourer, aged 45, and Thomas W. Hewitson, postman, aged 16.

At High Cow Gap, Alston, 14th inst. aged 34, Sarah Short, daughter of the late John Jackson. *See 15th June 1889. Married Thomas Short, 2nd quarter of 1882, Stockton, Durham. In 1891, at Low Dinsdale, Durham, Thomas Short, steel worker, aged 36, born Melsonby, Yorkshire, England, his wife Sarah aged 34, and son Edwin (Edward?) Short 4.*
The 1901 census shows Tom remarried, in 1901, at Darlington, Florence Street, Thomas Short, fireman at Sta. boiler, aged 46, (born Melsonby) wife Harriet 54, sons Edward 14 (born Dinsdale), Harry 11, and visitor William Marshall, horseman at farm, aged 28.

29th July 1891 (Teesdale Mercury)

ALSTON'S DECADENCE.
THE LEAD MINING INDUSTRY.

A contemporary says: —The results of our local census is nothing less than astounding. A decrease in population of course had been counted on, but the decrease was generally calculated at some 600 to 800 on the returns of 1881. It was supposed that the rate of decrease from 1871 to 1881 might possibly have been maintained; no one calculated it would have been accelerated. The rate, however, proves to have been accelerated most seriously. The decrease in 1881 was 1,059, on a population at the previous census of 5,680. The last census shows a decrease of 1,237 on a population in 1881 of 4,621, thus bringing the present population to 3,384. The decrease, in fact, in the first decade was at the rate of 19 percent. the diminution in the second 27 per cent. Had the first rate not been accelerated the decrease would have been some 870; it is, in fact, 1,237.
Some of the causes of this rapid depopulation of course lie on the surface; other causes are a little abstruse. It is common to say that the Alston mines are exhausted, and to the extent that this refers to the surface lead ore veins we grant that the assertion contains a strong substratum of truth. It can, however, hardly be held to be true as a general statement. There is still a considerable production of lead ore, and there is little doubt that this production could be very largely increased did prices revert to those ruling a generation ago. When the production of Alston lead was at its highest, very few mines would have paid at the prices ruling to-day; consequently the output would not have approached the actual yield. Still a reversion to old prices would not give us old productions. Nothing has been stumbled on of late equal to the finds in the Rodderup and Hudgill veins. There may possibly be an exception in the case of North Greenhurth, which promises well, though this mine cannot be said to be more than in the promising stage. It was once calculated that Alston had an exhaustless reserve of lead, at greater depths than it had been customarily worked, but explorations underneath the Whinsill have gone far to dispel this view. It is too much the fashion to forget, however, that the locality has much mineral wealth, besides its lead. Present prices militate against the working of some minerals, notably of copper ore, but the market favours others, as for instance blende, the output of which has increased owing to the high price of zinc. The district is very rich indeed in iron ore of good quality, and it is just possible that with through railway communication to Weardale or Teesdale, there may be a large accession of population in the shape of iron ore-miners. Coal is a mineral which promises to rule high in the future, and the possibility is that the anthracite seams which crop out in all the Alston bills may be worked

more extensively when the bituminous seams lower down the Tyneside Valley are wrought out. These, however, are only the possibilities of the future, A probability is that the locality will become the sanatorium for the crowded population of the lower Tyne, Tees, and Wear, and with this view Alstonians might give a helping hand to nature in improving the scenery and conveniences of the locality. Many a bare hillside of comparatively little value for gracing purposes might have a belt of plantation. If the working of other minerals than lead is not to be extended and the locality does not extend as a resort for visitors, even a greater diminution of population may be looked for.
It may be paradoxical to say so but some part of the diminished trade of Alston is due to the formation of the local railways. It will be readily granted that the Midland takes many fellside farmers to Carlisle or Appleby who previously attended Alston market. What is not so generally realised is that the railways into the other dales—Allendale, Weardale, and Teesdale—have drawn many from Alston to Hexham, Newcastle, and Darlington. It cannot, from an economic point of view, be argued that Alston would have been more prosperous had her own railway not existed, because without the railway the produce of her mines would have cost more to place on the market, and the mines would have been worked in even a less degree than now; and yet in some measure the railway tends to reduce the population as it employs very few hands compared with the numbers employed in the carrying trade, when all the produce was conveyed in carts or on horseback. It would seem, then, hardly logical to advocate an extension of railways, and yet in such extension lies almost the only hope of seeing prosperity return to the district. Direct railway communication with the Middlesbro' Furnaces, for instance, would pretty certainly lead to Alston iron ore and limestone being supplied to the hives of industry on the lower Tees.

1st August 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 28th ult., aged 82, Mary widow of John Robson, joiner. *In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Robson, joiner, aged 41, born Weardale, his wife Mary 39, born Weardale, children William, joiners apprentice, aged 14, born Weardale, George 11, born Alston, Joseph 7, born Alston, Sarah Annie 5, born Alston and mother Mary Robson, widow, aged 81, born Weardale.*
See 11th May 1889.

8th August 1891 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 2nd inst., aged 68 Agnes daughter of John Leathart, mining agent deceased.
In 1841, at Hill House, John Leathart, (son of James Leathart, & Agnes Dickinson who married 1st July 1792?) mine agent, aged 45, his wife Margaret (Seatree, married 4th May 1816, Alston) aged 45, children Agnes 15, Margaret Anne 11, John D. 8, and William 6. John Leathart, mine agent died 1st quarter of 1845.
In 1851, at Gallowgate, Lead Works, James Leathart, lead merchant, aged 30, mother Margaret Leathart, widow, annuitant, aged 58, sister Agnes Leathart, annuitant, aged 26, brothers John D., grocers apprentice, aged 18, William, lead merchants, clerk, aged 15, and general servant Ann Reay aged 20.

In 1861, at 11 Framlington Place, Newcastle, George Pellot, post master, post office, 39, his wife Mary 42, children Jane Mary 10, Julia Anne 6, Katherine M 4, Charles George 3, Maude M. 1, servant Mary Ann Anderson, nurse maid, aged 24, cook Isabella Barrow, aged 23, servant Isabella Charlton, house maid, aged 18, servant Sarah Ann Hunter, aged 23, servant Mary Patterson, aged 40, mother in law Margaret Leathart, widow, aged 69, sister in law Agnes Leathart aged 36.
In 1881, at Front Street, Crown Hotel, Robert G. Gordon, licensed victualler, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth A. 31, son Laurence A. 3 months, boarder Agnes Leathart, annuitant, aged 56, and domestic servant Margaret Code aged 18.
In 1891, at Front Street, Thomas Hodgson, stone mason, aged 54, wife Frances 54, sons William, postman, aged 26, Thomas, stocker for locomotive, aged 21, niece Emily Turner 23, boarders John Butterley, railway engine driver, aged 58, Agnes Leathart, living on her own means, aged 68, and John Cowen, shoe maker, aged 51.
See 25th January 1845, 20th August 1847, and 17th August 1895.
At High Lee House, Tynehead, Alston, 2nd inst. aged 61, Christopher Hetherington, quarryman.
At Clitheroe, Alston, 3rd inst. aged 49, Edward Kirsopp, road surfaceman.
Had been "foreman of the employees on the highways and roads of Workington". Died at his sisters residence in Alston.
See 24th June 1871, 25th July 1874, and 11th November 1876.

29th August 1891 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

A GLOOMY PROSPECT

The notices of the employees of the Weardale Iron Company expired on Thursday, and the whole of them, excepting the caretakers, are thrown idle. In the evening, the men held a meeting in the Town Hall, St John's, when the action of the Company was freely canvassed. Considerable sensation was created by the unexpected suspension of the Lead miners also at Grove Rake, Rookhope and Greenlaws by the Lead Company, who assign as the reason the accumulation of "bouse" at the former and water at the latter workings. Some 200 men are now out of employment, and with the retarded hay harvest exposed to the wet, cold weather, the outlook is the gloomiest known for many years, being rendered more acute by the curtailed operations in Teesdale of the London Lead Company, whose Weardale workmen have been discharged.

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 22nd inst. Mr Wm. Barkas, Crawleyside, Stanhope, to Miss Mary Lowes, Allendale.
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Alston James Rutherford, Bloomsbury, Nenthead, to Hannah Vickers, Chesterfield, Haydon Bridge.
See 5th April 1884

29th August 1891 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The Nenthead Medical officers report for the quarter ending June was read, which showed the death rate had been 19.1 per annum, on a population of 1675 at last census and which gives a decrease of 225 for the last ten years. The

number of births was 7, which gives an average rate of 16.7. The report urges the adoption of the Compulsory Notifications of Diseases Act. There was a widespread epidemic of Influenza of a mild form. The medical officer also notifies that he had made a house to house visitation and drawn attention to several defective sanitary arrangements at Nenthead and the condition of a house at Overwater. In Garrigill 300 yards of earthenware pipes (3 inches) have been laid down in place of the old iron pipes.

Deaths

Overwater, Nenthead, 26th inst., aged 53, Robert Sanderson, lead ore washer.

Ralph Sanderson married Mary Atkinson, 20th June 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, Ralph Sanderson, lead miner & grocer, aged 36, born Stanhope, his wife Mary 35, children, William, lead ore washer, aged 15, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 12, John 10, Mary Jane 8, James 5, Elizabeth 3, and Ann 1.

In 1861, at Cob End, Ralph Sanderson, lead miner, aged 47, born Stanhope, his wife Mary 45, children Robert, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 20, Mary Jane 18, James, lead ore washer, aged 15, Ann 11, Susanna 9, Ruth 7, and Harriot 4.

In 1871, at Frosterley, Stanhope, Ralph Sanderson, quarryman, aged 57, his wife Mary 55, children, James, quarryman, aged 25, and Harriot 14.

In 1881, at Frosterley, Stanhope, Ralph Sanderson, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 67, and his wife Mary 65.

Mary Sanderson died 3rd September 1881, aged 66, at Frosterley, Weardale.

Ralph Sanderson, died 6th September 1881, aged 67, at Frosterly, Weardale.

Robert Sanderson married Elizabeth Ridley, 12th June 1866, at Nenthead.

In 1871, at Overwater, Robert Sanderson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth aged 37, and daughter Elizabeth aged 1. In 1881, at Overwater, Elizabeth Sanderson, lead ore washing foreman's wife, aged 49, and daughter, Elizabeth, aged 11.

In 1891, at Overwater, Robert Sanderson, lead ore washer foreman, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth aged 59, and daughter Elizabeth aged 21.

Elizabeth Sanderson, was buried at Nenthead, 6th May 1894, aged 62.

Alston 26th inst., aged 2, Maud Isabella, daughter of Joseph and Amelia Bramwell.

In 1891, at Butts, Joseph Bramwell, coal agent, aged 33, wife Amelia 26, daughters Elizabeth E. 4, Maud I. 2, and sister in law Mary H Bell, stocking knitter, aged 31.

4th September 1891 (Carlisle Patriot)

DEATH ON THE HIGHWAY NEAR ALSTON

A man named Robert Sanderson, 53 years of age a foreman washer at the Nenthead and Tynedale Mine Works, was found dead _____ the highway at Nenthead. He had called at the home of Mr Snowdon on Tuesday night, and left about nine o'clock. As he did not arrive home a search was made, and his body was found about half past one in the morning. Dr Masterton attributed death to heart disease, and an inquest was not considered necessary.

5th September 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

LEAD MINES

A number of workmen in the employment of the Weardale Lead Company at the Grove Rake, and Greenlaws lead mines have been temporarily discharged owing, it is said, to the difficulties connected with the working of the mines from the accumulation of ore which cannot be quickly enough dealt with by the washing and dressing apparatus.

12th September 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mrs Ann Dixon, late of Sunnybrow, near St John's Chapel, died last week at Kirkcaldy, Scotland at the advanced age of 81 years.

Mrs Ann Byers late grocer &c. of Daddry Shield, died very suddenly early on Tuesday morning aged 54 years.

CLOSING OF THE WEARDALE MINES

A number of men left the dale on Monday in quest of employment at other places, Weardale being much depressed. Other found employment at the limestone quarries at Stanhope and Frosterley.

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT AT STANHOPE

A sad fatal accident occurred on Monday at the Newlandside limestone quarry at Stanhope. Whilst Isaac Wales was charging a hole or shot to blast the rock, and had nearly completed the charge, it exploded and threw him over the quarry face and he fell some thirty feet. … Deceased was a steady and much respected single young man about 36 years.

In 1881, at Front Street, John Wales, boot dealer employing 1 man, aged 48, his wife Frances 46, children Isaac, limestone quarryman, aged 25, Thomas Cuthbert, locomotive engine stocker, aged 23, John George, stone mason, aged 20, William, tailor 18, and Mary Annie 10.

In 1891, at Dales terrace, Frances Wales, widow, boot & shoe dealer, 56, children Isaac, limestone quarryman, aged 35, Thomas C., quarry bank rider, aged 33, and Mary A. 20.

19th September 1891 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

NENTHEAD

The 16th annual show of cattle, horses, sheep, &c., was held on Saturday last, in exceptionally fine weather. There was an average attendance of visitors. The stock exhibited was of excellent quality, taking into consideration the situation of the village, which is out of the way. The success of the show depends very much upon the energy of the residents, and they are to be congratulated upon being able to put forward the stock that was exhibited on Saturday. In the open class Mrs. Carr and Sons, Garrigill, exhibited a shorthorn bull which was considered the best animal shown in the ring at the show. For shorthorn bulls above one year old confined to the district, Mrs. Bright, Hudgill, took first, and for cows in milk or in calf Mrs. Bright also secured first with an animal which has been placed first for some years in succession. In blackfaced sheep Mrs. Graham & Sons took the lead in prizes. Mr. Emerson Peart took first prize for draught horses, and two special prizes with the same animal. In the open classes for ponies Mr. Charlton, Weardale, was awarded first prize with a fine

two-year-old. In the same class Mr. Charlton was commended for a chestnut mare, which has won a host of prizes. He also secured second prize in foals in two instances. The three animals took six prizes at the Weardale Show. The arrangements were carried out under the superintendence of a committee, and with the secretary, Mr. Robert Graham. Dinner was served in the band room. After the removal of the cloth, the usual toasts were proposed. The chair was occupied by Councillor Richardson, Alston, and the vice-chair by Mr. J. E. Richardson, Coatlith Hill, Alston.

26th September 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, 20th inst., Thomas Robinson, Overwater, Nenthead, to Mary Thompson, Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Overwater, Joseph Robinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 36, children Hannah 8, Thomas 6, Margaret Ann 5, Jonathan 3, and Joseph W 3 months.
In 1891, at Overwater, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 58, sons, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 23, Joseph W, lead miner, aged 20, and James, lead ore washer, aged 17.
In 1901, at Bloomsbury, Thomas Robinson, lead and zinc ore dresser, aged 36, his wife Mary 28, children Herbert 9, Meggie 8, and Joseph Sid. 6. In 1911, at Laburnum Terrace, Ashington, Thomas Robinson, coal miner hewer, aged 46, his wife Mary 38, children Herbert, colliery labourer below ground, aged 19, Margaret 18, Joseph Sydney, coal miner, pony driver, aged 16, and Thomas Gilbert 4.
See 7th June 1879
At St John's Church, Garrigill, 20th inst., Philipson Millican, Tynehead, to Bridget Ann Currah, daughter of Joseph Currah of How Hill, Garrigill.
In 1891, at Hill House, Garrigill, Elizabeth Millican, widow, farmer, aged 70, and son Philipson, farmer, aged 25. Philipson and Bridget Millican emigrated to Australia. They had seven children, Joseph Francis, John James, Elizabeth, Olive May, Mary Hette, Emily Hilda Florence, and Amy Helen. Philipson Millican died in 1937, and his wife Bridget in 1958.

The Courier Mail, Brisbane, 26th May 1937
MILLICAN. — The Funeral of the late Phllipson Millican late of Charters Towers and Hughenden. Is appointed to move from his late residence. Rougham Street. Windsor. This (Wednesday) Forenoon, at 11.30 o clock, for the Lutwyche Cemetery. Private interment.

The Brisbane Courier 26th November 1930
Mrs Philipson Millican (Charter, Windsor) is at present visiting her daughter Mrs Olive Byrne (Kalingal, Wallaville), enroute to her station property, Alston Vale, Hughenden.
See 23rd October 1880, 19th March 1887 and 23rd August 1890.
Marriage
At All Soul's Church, Harlesden, 17th inst., by the Rev S I Crawhall, assisted by Rev E L Crawhall, and the Rev Courtney Atwood, vicar, Thomas Fothergill Wilson Crawhall Wilson, eldest son of T W Crawhall Wilson, of Alston, Cumberland, to Ethel Mary Alice, elder daughter of F Levick of the Elms, Harlesden.

Deaths
At Fair Hill, Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 47, Robert Raisbeck.
In 1881, at Fair Hill, George Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 55, sister Mary Raisbeck, housekeeper, aged 40 and brother Robert Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 36.
In 1891, at Stone Cottage, George Raisbeck, single, retired lead miner, aged 65, brother Robert, single, lead miner, aged 46, visitor Joseph Currah, married, foreman lead ore washer, aged 38, and visitor Mary Currah, married, aged 50.

Mary Raisbeck married Joseph Currah, at Alston, 3rd quarter of 1883.

Robert Raisbeck, Nenthead, lead ore miner, will dated 15th August 1891, proved 26th October 1892, at Carlisle, effects £218 11s. Names mentioned in the will: —
Brothers Matthew Raisbeck and George Raisbeck, brother in law Joseph Currah, sisters Mary Currah wife of Joseph Currah, Ann Hornsby wife of John Hornsby (now residing in America), sister in law Jane Raisbeck, widow of his late brother Thomas Raisbeck.

John Hornsby married Ann Raisbeck after March 1854
They arrived at Philadelphia on the City of Manchester in 1854
The Canadian Census Records give the following information.

The 1861 Egremont, Grey, Canada West, John Hornsby, widow, Farmer, aged 57, daughter in law, Ann Hornsby, married aged 32, Thomas Hornsby 8, Ann Hornsby 5, John Hornsby 3, Martha Hornsby 1, Joseph Hornsby 21, and William Hornsby 17. John Hornsby, married, aged 30, was working as a labourer, at Simcoe, Canada West in 1861.

In 1871, at Simcoe North, Ontario, John Hornsby, farmer, aged 42, his wife Annie 43, children Thomas 18, Emma 16, John 12, and Martha 11.

1n 1881, at Egremont, Grey South, Ontario, John Hornsby, farmer, aged 51, his wife Ann 51, children Thomas, farmer, aged 27, John, farmer, aged 21, Martha 19, and John Hornsby, widow, farmer, aged 77.

1n 1891, at Egremont, Grey South, Ontario, John Hornsby, farmer, aged 61, his wife Ann 63, son Thomas, farmer, aged 37, and daughter, Martha 29
Ann Hornsby died 4th November 1893.
Her Husband John remarried 2nd January 1895, to Annie Maria Acheson.
1n 1901, at Egremont, Grey South, Ontario, John Hornsby, farmer, aged 71, his wife, Annie M aged 53 (born Ireland), son Thomas, farmers son, aged 47, daughters Martha 40, Miriam J L 5, and father in law, Joseph Atchison, widow, farmer, aged 73. Arrival date for John Hornsby given as 1853.
In 1911, at Egremont, Grey South, Ontario, John Hornsby, farmer, aged 82, his wife Annie Maria 58 (born Ireland), and daughter Martha 50. On the next plot Thomas Hornsby, farmer, aged 58, and his sister Miriam aged 15.
John Hornsby, died 17th April 1916, at Grey Ontario, aged 86.
See 27th April 1855, 5th May 1877, 2nd August 1879, 11th August 1883, and 14th June 1914

2nd October 1891 (Carlisle Patriot
THE MIGRATORY DAIRY. —The Migratory Dairy of the Cumberland County Council is now at Alston, where Mrs Moul and Miss Todd are giving their course

of instruction to good and much- interested classes. The pupils number seventeen. Dr Webb's address was delivered yesterday, when the examination was held. The certificates were afterwards presented by Mr T. Richardson, C.C. There were 13 first class certificates, and four second class. Miss Ada Richardson was at the top of the list with a percentage of 97, and was awarded Dr Webb's bronze medal. Miss Pickering was second on the list.
Dr Webb was the Principal of Aspatria Agricultural College, and he was a promoter of practical instruction in agricultural education. In 1889, the Technical Education Act enabled local authorities to offer agricultural education. The Migratory Dairy School, gave instruction in making butter and other dairy products.

3rd October 1891 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF MRS BRIGHT

Mrs Mary Bright wife of Mr Richard Bright of the Kings Arms and Commercial Inn, St John's Chapel (Late of Cowshill Hotel) died on Saturday aged 57 years.

3rd October 1891 (Northern Echo)

DEATH OF THE " TEESDALE POET."

Richard Watson, known as the "Teesdale Poet" died yesterday at Edinburgh Infirmary, whither he had gone to undergo the operation of amputation. He was well known, not only in the dale district, but throughout the North of England as a writer of considerable power, and his poems have obtained a wide circulation amongst all classes. Of late years the poet was in reduced circumstances and a long illness, with which he had to contend his latter days.

5th October 1891 (Northern Echo)

THE LATE RICHARD WATSON

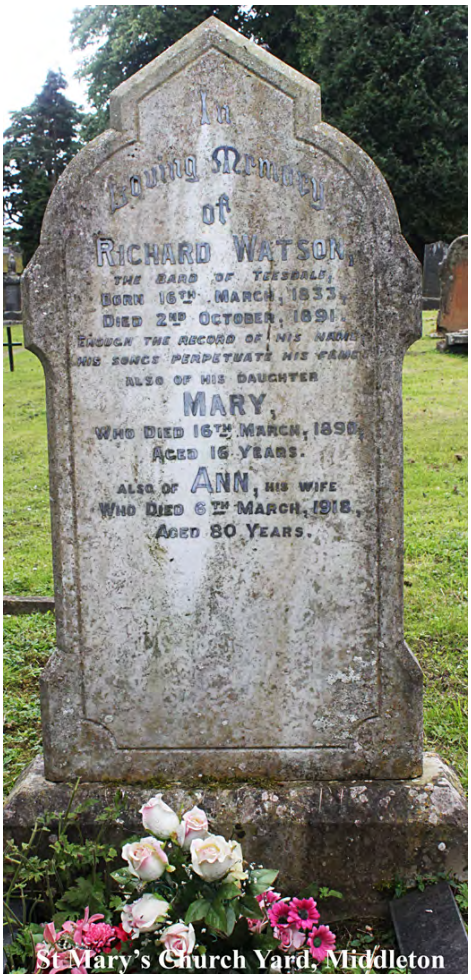
Sad, very sad, are the circumstances of the death of Richard Watson, the Teesdale poet. His life, indeed, was sad. A miner, born 60 years ago, the son of a miner, with true poetic gifts, and loving his native hills and woods as only' a poet could, his career has been one long struggle with terrible poverty. Death was the result of an accident to his foot, since the accident, now nine months ago, he has been bedfast; has undergone two amputations, and suffered great agony and depression of mind. From some stanzas addressed to Mr Henry King Spark—the last he ever wrote—we extract the following: —

Blythe summer now is on the wane;
The beauties of its genial reign
Have all bean lost to me.
Green fields, green woods, and shady bowers,
Clear rippling streams and lovely flowers,
Alas I can not see.
I often from my window look
On a green mead close by;
Though but a poor restricted view
'Tis pleasant to the eye,
It charms me; it warms me,

And gives my mind relief;
It lightens and brightens
My load of woe and grief.

The last remains of the poor poet are to be brought to Middleton for interment. It were, indeed, an act of sacrilege almost to lay them in any other spot. The funeral will take place on Tuesday after the arrival of the 12:45 train from Darlington.
The expenses of the interment must be borne by generous friends. I trust my readers may pardon me foe reminding them of this fact, and for stating that Mr Henry King Spark, of Startforth, Barnard Castle, will thankfully receive any proffered help.

In 1841, at New Town, Middleton, William Watson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Rebecka (Walton, married 17th June 1824, Middleton) aged 40, children Mary 10, Richard 8, Martha 5, and William 2.
In 1851, Middleton, Rebeca Watson, widow, aged 51, son Richard, lead miner, aged 18, and daughter Martha 14.
In 1861, at High Dyke, Middleton, Richard Watson, lead ore dresser, aged 28, his wife Ann (Brumwell, married 3rd quarter 1857, Teesdale) aged 24, children Rebecca 3, and Elizabeth A 1.
In 1871, at Leadhills, Scotland, Richard Watson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann 32, children Rebacca 13, Lilly 11, and Margaret 6.



St Mary's Church Yard, Middleton

In 1881, at Holwick, Teesdale, Richard Watson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann 43, children, Elizabeth Ann 21 (married John Watson, 1st quarter 1885, at Teesdale), Margaret 16 (born Frizzington, Cumberland), Mary 9 (born Lead Hills, Scotland), Martha 6 (born Paisley, Scotland), and Rebecca 3 (born Holwick).

In 1891, at California Row, Middleton, Richard Watson, general labourer, aged 58, his wife Ann 53, daughters Martha 15, Rebecca 12, and grandson Richard Watson 4. In 1901, at Hude, Middleton, Ann Watson, widow, aged 65,m and grandson Richard Watson, limestone quarryman, aged 14. In 1911, at Hude, Middleton, Ann Watson, widow, aged 73, grandson Thomas Watson, putter in coal mine, aged 20, and servant Winifred Shield, aged 19.

17th October 1891 (Hexham Courant)

COTTAGES TO LET

It appears from the census returns recently made out that there are now or were in April last no less than two hundred and thirty nine cottages standing empty in the parish of Alston with Garrigill. ...

Population	**1881**	**1891**	**Loss of**
Alston Town	1,360	1,050	310
Alston district	2,288	1,709	579
Nenthead village	666	477	189
Nenthead district	1,619	1,013	606
Garrigill village	339	265	74
Garrigill district	914	662	252
Alston Parish	4,621	3,374	1,247
Alston Parish Males	2,252	1,656	596
Alston Parish Females	2,369	1,718	651

Deaths

At Linares, Spain, 3rd inst., aged 52, Mary, wife of William Charlton, formerly of Allenheads.

In 1891, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, retired accountant, aged 83, his married daughter Mary Charlton, aged 52, son in law William Charlton, lead mine agent, aged 49, grandchildren Mary Charlton 21, born Linares, Spain, Ethel Charlton 11, born Linares, Spain and Thomas Charlton 9, born Linares, Spain.

24th October 1891 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston 21st inst., aged 66, John Jones, Mineralogist.

In 1841, at Front Street, Hannah Jones, dealer in boots, aged 47, sons Henry, shoe maker, aged 18, and John, lead miner, aged 12; neighbour Matthew Burrow, mineral dealer aged 49.

In 1851, at Front Street, William Borrow, unmarried, mineral dealer, aged 60, lodgers, Henry Jones, lead miner, aged 29, and John Jones, lead miner, aged 24.

In 1861, at Butts, William Burrow, mineral dealer, aged 70, and John Jones, assistant mineral dealer, aged 34.

In 1871, at Butts, William Burrow, mineral dealer, aged 80, and John Jones, assistant mineral dealer, aged 44.

In 1881, at Butts, John Jones, mineral dealer, aged 54. In 1891, at Butts, John Jones, single, mineralogist, aged 65. See 26th August 1893.

Alston 20th inst., aged 79, Anthony Martindale, Blacksmith.
Anthony Martindale, born 29th July 1812, baptised 8th August 1812, at Redwing Chapel, parents Joseph Martindale & Mary Gill (married 7th February 1801, Alston).
In 1851, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 38, his wife Hannah 35, children Mary, hawker of oranges, aged 13, Joseph 11, Jane 8, Robert 6, and Margaret 4.
In 1861, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 48, his wife Hannah 45, son Robert, lead miner, aged 16, daughter Mary Oliver, moulders wife, aged 23, and grandson Matthew Oliver 1.
In 1871, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 58, and his wife Hannah 55.
In 1881, at Butts, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 68, and son Robert, lead miner, aged 36.
In 1881, Hannah Martindale was visiting her daughter Jane, at Wilson street, Crook, Thomas Farbridge, coal miner, aged 43, born Newcastle, his wife Jane 38, born Alston, children Arthur, coal miner, aged, 18, Joseph, coal miner, aged 15, Sarah H. 13, Mary A. 11, Margaret 9, Emely J. 6, Robert W. 2, and mother in law Hannah Martindale aged 66.
In 1891, at Butts, Alston, Anthony Martindale, blacksmith, aged 78, his wife Hannah 75, and son Robert, lead miner, aged 46.
In 1901, at Butts, Robert Martindale, lead miner, aged 56, his mother Hannah, widow, aged 85, and sister Jane Farbridge, widow, aged 58.
Robert Martindale died 21st May 1902, aged 57. Hannah Martindale died 3rd quarter 1903, aged 88.
In 1911, at Chapel Rd, Alston, Jane Farbridge, widow, private means, aged 68.
See 11th April 1891, & 24th May 1902.
Skelgill 16th inst., aged 6 months, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph White.
In 1891, at Skelgill, John White, widow, aged 75, son Joseph White, farmer, aged 32, daughter in law, Hannah 32, and lodger Joseph Fawkes, coal miner, aged 26.
See 20th October 1877, and 12th January 1895
Blagill, 16th inst., aged 76, Mary widow of Jonathan Davidson.
In 1841, at Blagill, Jonathan Davidson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary (Thompson, married 11th June 1836, Alston) aged 25, Ann?, Margaret 4, and Hannah 1. In 1851, at Blagill, Jonathan Davidson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary aged 36, children Hannah 11, Joseph 9, Mary 9, John 6, Robert 4, Isabella 2, and brother Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 29.
In 1861, Mary Davidson, widow (Jonathan died 12th June 1860), occupier of land & farm of 16 acres, aged 46, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Mary 19, John, lead miner, aged 16, Robert, lead miner, aged 14, and Jonathan 5.
In 1871, at Blagill, Hill Top, Mary Davidson, widow, farmer, aged 55, children Margaret, farmers daughter, aged 33, Joseph, farmers son, aged 29, Jonathan 15, and visitor George Stobbart, labourer at iron works, aged 21.
In 1881, at Blagill, Mary Davidson, widow, farmer of 10 acres, aged 66, son Joseph, employed on farm, aged 39, granddaughter Mary A. Stout 13, and visitor, grandson William Stout 14.
In 1891, at Blagill, Mary Davidson, widow, farmer, aged 76.

IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
JONATHAN DAVIDSON
OF BLAGILL
WHO DIED JUNE 17TH 1860
AGED 50 YEARS
INTERRED AT GARRIGILL
MARY HIS WIFE
DIED OCTR 16TH 1891
AGED 76 YEARS
ISABELLA
THEIR YOUNGEST DAUGHTER
DIED FEBY 1ST 1853
AGED 4 YEARS
INTERRED AT GARRIGILL
MARY WALTON
THEIR THIRD DAUGHTER
DIED JULY 2ND 1884
AGED 42 YEARS
JOSEPH
THEIR ELDEST SON
DIED JULY 23RD 1893
AGED 51 YEARS
ROBERT THEIR SON
DIED JANY 17TH 1920
AGED 73 YEARS

Foulard, Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 7 weeks, Matthew, infant son of Matthew and Mary Ann Beck.

In 1851, at Moorcock Hall, Elizabeth Beck, widow, farmer of 19 acres, aged 53, daughter Jane 12, Mary 15, and grandson Matthew Beck 2. Also at Moorcock Hall, Joseph Beck, lead miner aged 29, his wife Jane 28, and daughter Isabella 1 year.

In 1861, at Brownley Hill Bank, Joseph Beck, lead miner & farmer, aged 39, his wife Jane (Hind, married 9th December 1847, Nenthead) aged 37, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 12, Isabella 11, Hannah 7, Anne 5, Joseph 3, and Elizabeth 1.

In 1871, at Green Ends, Joseph Beck, plate layer for mines, aged 49, wife Jane 48, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 22, Annie 15, Joseph 13, Elizabeth 11, Robert Hind 8, and Frances 6.

In 1881, at Low Dyke Heads, Matthew Beck, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann (Richardson, married 10th July 1875, Nenthead) aged 25, children Joseph Edwin 4, John Richardson 3, and Edgar Ernest 2.

In 1891, at Foulard Rigg, Matthew Beck, lead miner, aged 42, wife Mary Ann 35, children Joseph Edwin, lead ore washer, aged 14, John Richardson, lead ore washer, aged 13, Edgar Ernest, farm servant, aged 12, Frank Walter 9, Robert Sydney 7, Elizabeth 5, Mary Isabel 2, and Hannah Jane 2. In 1901, at Foulard, Matthew Beck, time keeper at lead mines, aged 52, his wife Mary A. 45, children Joseph E. lead & zinc miner, aged 24, Edgar E. lead & zinc miner,

aged 22, Robert S. washing work at lead works, aged 17, Elizabeth 15, Mary J. 12, Hannah 12, and George A. 7.

30th October 1891 (London Gazette)

PATTERSYKE AND CLARGILL HEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, duly convened, and held at the Company's offices, 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 19th day of October, 1891, the following Extraordinary Resolutions were duly passed: —

1. "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily.

2. "That Alfred Thomas Winship, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Shipowner, and Charles Webster Harrison, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Accountant, be and are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purposes of such winding up."

DEES and THOMPSON, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Solicitors.

5th November 1891 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

SHOCKING DEATH OF A BOY NEAR HAYDON BRIDGE.

An inquest was held, this afternoon, at the Wheat Sheaf Inn, Haydon Bridge, before Mr. J. R. D. Lynn, coroner, on the body of Thomas John Hetherington, who was fatally crushed by a clutch at a chats mill at Langley Baronny Lead Mines near Heydon Bridge, on Tuesday.—William Hetherington identified the body aa that of his son, aged 13 years who had worked a month and a day at the Langley Baronny Mines.—Mr. J. Philipson was called, and and said he was present, along with Dr. Callender, when the boy died.— Thomas William Charlton, 15 years of age, said:—I work at the lead mines. On Tuesday morning, the deceased was taking cuttings from the jigger at the Leadbitter chatt mill. I was putting in the chatts. Between 7 and 8 o'clock I went past the clutch, where deceased was crushed, to get some grease for the deceased. He followed me, and hearing him shout, I turned, saw him disappearing between the clutch and the beam. I ran and stopped the engine, and seeing I could not get him out, I ran and sought Mr. Forster. I did not see him get his foot in, but when he shouted I saw the clutch pulling him in. I had to step over the clutch to get the grease, and the box was over the clutch. The deceased must have displaced the box in coming over it, or he could not have got his foot in. I have never known the box to be off. — Robert Forster said he was master washer at the mines. On Tuesday, he was called by the boy Charlton, and on going to the chatt mill, be found the deceased boy fast in the clutch, and his head and body underneath. The machinery was stopped, and they had to lift the clutch and cut away part of the flooring before they could get him out. He would be in that position for about three-quarters of an hour. His legs seemed to be brocken, and his body crushed. Witness asked him how it happened, and he replied that he was going past the clutch to get some grease.—By Mr. Hedley, mines inspector: Had that boy or any other person any right to go over that clutch?—Not when the machinery waa in motion.— Mr. Hedley: Why was the grease there?—I think some of the boys had hidden it. All the machinery was properly protected.—The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Mines Inspectors Report:
Name: Thomas Hetherington
Death Age: 13
Death Date: 3 Nov 1891
Death Place: Haydon Bridge, Northumberland, England
Occupation: Lead ore dresser
Colliery: Langley Barony (metalliferous)
Owner: Bewick and Partners
Notes: Crushed by machinery. The grease box had been placed by another boy on the far side of the shafting and as deceased was going for it he displaced the covering of the clutch bearing and his foot catching he was dragged in receiving injuries which resulted in death. The place was fenced off and deceased had no business there. Inspection made and inquest attended. 7.30 am.
William Hetherington married Alice Susan Brown 2nd qtr 1876, registered at Hexham.
In 1881, at Haydon Bridge, William A Hetherington, Railway plate layer, aged 29, born Alston, his wife Alice Susan aged 28, born Radmorshire, Wales, children, Henry W Brown 5, Thomas J Hetherington 2, and Florence H 3 months.

6th November 1891. (London Gazette)
THE CASHWELL LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.
AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company, duly convened, and "held at the offices of the Company, 32, Mosley street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 2.2nd day of October, 1891, the following Extraordinary Resolutions were duly passed, namely: —
1. "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily.
2. “That Isaac Brandon Reid, of 32, Mosley street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Incorporated Accountant, be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.
3. "That the Liquidator be and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to the Court for a Supervision Order, if at any time during the liquidation he considers it necessary to do so."
Dated the 28th day of October 1891.
JAMES STUART, Chairman.

7th November 1891 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, Holms Foot, 30th ult., aged 55, Ann widow of Joseph Teasdale, stonemason. *See 6th August 1881*

7th November 1891 (London Gazette)
WINDING UP NOTICES
The Cashwell lead Mining Co. Limited.

13th November 1891 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE CASHWELL LEAD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Creditors of the above named Company are required, on or before 15th Day of December, 1891, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any) to Mr ISAAC BRANDON REID, of No 32, Mosley Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, Incorporated Accountant, the Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are by their solicitors or personally to come in and prove their said debts or claims at No 32, Mosley Street, aforesaid, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated the 11th day of November, 1891

(signed) I. B. REID, Liquidator.

14th November 1891 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

MINING LOOKING UP

It is announced that Mr Thomas Dickinson, of Spency Croft, has cut an excellent vein of Zinc ore at Haggs mine. For years, Mr Dickinson has been an indefatigable speculator in mines, and should this vein prove as productive as reports aver. ...

A new company has been formed, and have commenced operations in the Taylors Grove mine, and we believe it is their intention to make several more trials in the district.

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 12th inst., Thomas Dobson to Mary Palmer both of Garrigill.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Dobson, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Ann (Greenwell, married 19th September 1850, St John, Garrigill) aged 52, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Hannah 19, and Thomas 15.

In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Dobson, lead miner, retired, aged 69, and his son Thomas, lead miner, aged 25.

Joseph Dobson, died 4th quarter 1896, aged 75.

In 1901, at Garrigill, Thomas Dobson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 38, children Albert 8, Joseph W 6, John T 3, and Frederick 1.

The family emigrated to New Zealand.

New Zealand Military records give:

Private John Thomas Dobson, death 3rd September 1918, buried at Beaumetz Cross Roads Cemetery, Pas-de-Calais. Private, 1st Battalion, Canterbury Regiment, N.Z.E.F. Killed in action. Son of Thomas and Mary Dobson. Native of Whangarei, New Zealand. Age: 21. Parents living at Hatea Street, Mairtown, Whangarei.

Thomas Dobson died 11th March 1943, aged 77.

Primitive Methodist Chapel, 12th inst., John William Watson to Margaret Alice Woodman, both of Garrigill.

In 1871, at Pasture House, Christopher Watson, lead miner & landowner, aged 37, his wife Susannah (Ward, married 2nd quarter 1866) aged 37, and son John W. aged 3.

Christopher Watson died 3rd quarter 1878, aged 45.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Susannah Watson, lead miners widow, age 47, sons John W. 13, and Christopher 6.
In 1891, at Garrigill, John W. Watson, lead miner, aged 23, his brother Christopher, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and housekeeper, Frances Hetherington, aged 37.
In 1901, at Gatehead, Garrigill, John W Watson, lead miner, aged 33, and his wife Margaret aged 31. In 1911, at Shield Hill, Garrigill, John William Watson, farmer, aged 43, and his wife Margret Alice 41, born Annan, Scotland.
Stanhope Wesleyan Chapel, 31st ult., Joseph Martindale, farmer of Stanhope to Miss Gardner of Westgate.

Deaths

Weardale, St John's Chapel, Doctors Cottage, 10th inst, aged 91, Sarah wife of John Watson.
In 1851, at Doctors Cottage, John Watson, lead miner, aged 47, and his wife Sarah aged 50. In 1861, at Doctors Cottage, John Watson, lead miner, aged 57, and his wife Sarah aged 60. In 1871, at Doctors Cottage, John Watson, annuitant, aged 67, and his wife Sarah aged 70. In 1881, at Doctors Cottage, John Watson, retired lead miner, aged 77, and his wife Sarah aged 80.
In 1891, at Broken Way, St John's Chapel, John Watson, living own their own means, aged 87, wife Sarah Watson 90, and sister in law Margaret Currey, widow, aged 73.
See 9th December 1893
At Newcastle, 28 Lefroy Street, 8th inst. aged 40, Matthew, beloved husband of Elizabeth Carr and son of the late Thomas Carr of Nentsbury, Alston.
Thomas Carr married Margaret Hunter, 16th June 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Low Galligill, Alston, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret 35, children, William, lead miner, aged 12, Sarah 9, and Mary 1.
In 1851, at Nentsbury, Nenthead, Thomas Carr, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 45, children, William, lead miner, aged 21, Hannah 8, Margaret 5, Elizabeth 2, and Matthew 11 months.
Thomas Carr died 4th quarter 1852, registered, at Alston.
In 1861, at Nentsbury, Margaret Carr, lead miners widow, aged 55, children, William lead miner, aged 31, Elizabeth 12, Matthew 10, and grandson, Robert Glendining 6. William Carr died 28th May 1864, aged 34.
In 1871, at High Hope Street, Crook & Billy Row, Margaret Carr, widow, aged 65, and son Matthew, mason, aged 20.
Matthew Carr married Elizabeth Taylor, 19th October, 1876, at Esh, Durham.
In 1891, at Elswick, Newcastle, Robert Taylor, builder, aged 71, his wife Mary 65, son in law, Matthew Carr, aged 40, daughter Elizabeth, 36, born Furtea, Durham, grandson, Robert, office boy, aged 12, born, Scotland, grandson Thomas Carr, 9, born, Lancashire, granddaughter Mary E 4, born Newcastle.
Nicholas Hume, married Elizabeth Carr 4th quarter 1894, registered at Newcastle upon Tyne.
In 1901, at Benwell, Newcastle, Nicholas Hume, joiner Carp, aged 56, his wife Elizabeth 45, children, Robert W Carr, clerk coop, aged 22, Thomas Carr, hand driller ship yard, aged 19, Mary E Carr 14, and mother in law Mary Taylor, widow, aged 76.
In 1911, at 24, Welbeck Terrace, Hurst, Ashington, Nicholas Hume, joiner out of employment, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth 59, daughter, Mary Ethel Carson,

married aged 26, grand children, Edward Carson 5, Olive Carson 4, and Thomas Carson 1½.
See 10th June 1864

21st November 1891 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

QUARRY ACCIDENT AT FROSTERLEY

A sad but singular accident occurred on Wednesday to a Stanhope woman at White Kirtle near Frosterley. Mary Rutherford widow of the late George Rutherford, who was killed in America a little over a year ago, was on the road to see a friend at White Kirtle and when passing the limestone quarry a shot was fired and a stone from it fell with great force on her head seriously fracturing her skull. She was conveyed home and medical aid procured. She lies in a very precarious condition. *See 6th September 1890.*

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nenthead, 14th inst. Joseph Pattinson, White Hall, Nenthead to Elizabeth Elliott, Nenthead.

In 1891, at White Hall, Joseph Pattinson, lead and zinc miner, aged 42, brother John, lead and zinc miner, aged 26, and servant, Ann Thompson, domestic servant, aged 38.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 37, and son John W .7.
In 1911, at New Cottage, Nenthead, Joseph Pattinson, retired lead miner, aged 62, his wife Elizabeth 47, and son John William, assistant draper & grocer, aged 17.
See 1st June 1878, 5th April 1879, 27th May 1882, 24th November 1888, and 22nd June 1889

21st November 1891 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Short's report for Nenthead district showed 7 deaths and 14 births. Whooping cough had prevailed the contagion carried from Alston.

24th November 1891 (London Gazette)

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

(REGISTERED 1864.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the offices of the Liquidator, 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 28th day of December next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining, by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of. —Dated the 17th day of November, 1891.

C. W. HARRISON, Liquidator.

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.
(REGISTERED 1880.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the offices of the Liquidator, 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 28th day of December next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining, by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of. —Dated the 17th day of November, 1891.
C. W. HARRISON, Liquidator.

28th November 1891 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths

At Stonecroft, 25th inst., aged 59, suddenly, William Lee, manager, Stonecroft and Greyside mines.
In 1871, at Greyside, William Lee, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Jane 41, children Mary 18, John, lead miner, aged 16, William 13, Isabell 10, Jane Ann 9, and George H. 4. In 1881, at Greyside Cottages, William Lee, deputy lead miner, aged 48, his wife Jane 51, son William, lead miner, aged 23, married daughter Isabella Brown 20, son George H., drapers apprentice, aged 14, and granddaughter Polly Lee 2. *In 1891, at Stonecroft Mine Cottages, William Lee, mine agent, aged 58, and his wife Jane 61.*

12th December 1891 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON

The Influenza is now prevalent both in Alston, Nenthead and Garrigill. At the latter village, one death is stated to have resulted from it.

WEARDALE

Influenza. There are several cases of Influenza at present in the neighbourhood of St John's Chapel.
Deaths
Garrigill, 9th inst., aged 51, Joseph Coulthard, grocer.
See 6th December 1879, and 6th August 1881.
Iveston, 4th inst., aged 52, Matthew Thompson late of Nenthead.
In 1861, at Caldron Snout, Nenthead, Matthew Thompson, lead miner, aged 23, and his wife Phebe aged 21.
In 1871, at Iveston, Jane Daglish, widow, householder, aged 70, daughter Margaret, general servant, aged 26, boarders Matthew Martin, coke burner, aged 33, and boarder Matthew Thompson, widow, coke burner, aged 32.
See 29th April 1862.

19th December 1891 (Hexham Herald)
THE WEARDALE LEAD MINING COMPANY

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders.
... In a word, the whole gist of the matter lay in the fact that the mines had continued poor, and had been really poorer than they had been for some time. The result had been that they had raised less by 11,000 tons than any previous

year. That fact would account for the difference in the statement of accounts, as against the profit shown last year. Then again, they had to take into account the decline in the price of lead, the importations from Australia having caused a depressed market, which had continued ever since. Had it not been for this importation of Australian lead, of course, the price of the Weardale Company's lead would have been very much higher, and he was certain that under such circumstances the company would have been in a very flourishing condition today. ... They had great hopes that the extensive and important works at Sedling, now nearing completion, would prove a very good paying mine. With regard to the question of royalties, they had had Mr Porter and Mr Lindsay Wood down at the mines, and the results of the visit of these gentlemen had been that the company had obtained some concession amounting to a reduction by the Ecclesiastical Commission of nearly £2,000. If the present price of lead obtained, proceeded the chairman, the company certainly could not afford to go on working on the royalties, which they had paid to the Commissioners. They believed however, that on further representations being made to the Commissioners still more valuable arrangements would be conceded, as the directors did not intend to expend the shareholders money in developing the dale alone. They would certainly not go further on, unless they got a considerable abatement of the Commissioners terms which it was only reasonable to expect, as he could not see why they should expend one sovereign to get another merely to keep the dale going for the benefit of the Commissioners. The result would be that if the Commissioners did not make some abatement the dale would become depopulated, as had happened in the case of the iron trade.

Marriages

Alston Independent Chapel, 13th inst., William Seatree, Alston to Jane Richardson, Overwater, Nenthead.

Joseph Seatree son of Sarah was living with his grandparents in 1841; at Kates Lane, William Seatree, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 60, children, William, lead miner, aged 25, Ann 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 15, and Joseph aged 6.

Thomas Sanders married Sarah Seatree, 19th December 1839, at Alston Registry Office.

In 1851, at Kates Lane, Alston, Thomas Sanders, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Sarah 34, sons, William 11, Thomas 4, and wifes son Joseph Seatree, lead miner aged 15.
In 1871, at Butts, Alston, Joseph Seatree, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Margaret 36, children, Sarah 10, Ellen 6, Jane 3, and William 8 months.
In 1881, at Front Street, Joseph Seatree, provisions dealer, aged 47, his wife Margaret 46, children Sarah 19, Ellen 16, Jane 13, and William 10.
Margaret Seatree died 4th quarter 1890, aged 55
In 1891, at Front Street, Joseph Seatree, widow, lead miner & grocer, aged 56, children Sarah, housekeeper, aged 29, Ellen, stocking knitter, aged 26, and William, lead miner, aged 20. In 1901, at Front Street, Joseph Seatree, widow, grocer shopkeeper, aged 66, and his daughter Sarah aged 39.
Joseph Seatree died 1st quarter 1904, aged 69
In 1901, at Butts, William Seatree, coal miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 35, children Margaret 8, Wilfred 6, Bertha A 4, and Sarah E 1. In 1911, at Croft,

Nentwater, William Seatree, farmer, grazing, aged 41, his wife Jane 45, children Margaret, laundress, aged 19, Wilfred, ore washer, aged 17, and Sarah Ellen 11.

21st December 1891 (Northern Echo)

ACCIDENT IN A WEARDALE MINE.

While two lead miners, named James Gowland and J Gibson, were at work in Rookhope Mine, a portion of the roof fell on Gowland. Their lights were also put out, but Gibson with much presence of mind, sprang forward and seized his injured companion, and dragged him out just as a second mass fell. Gowland was taken to his home at Haswicks, Westgate, where his injuries were attended by Dr. Hewitson, St John's.

In 1891, at Haswicks, Westgate, Stanhope, James Gowland, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Annie, 25, children, Albert 6, Mary H 4, Henry 4, and Ethel A 0.
In 1901, at Haswick East, Stanhope, James Gowland, limestone quarryman, aged 37, his wife Annie, aged 35, children, Albert, mason, aged 16, Mary H 14, Henry 12, Ethel A 10, William 8, Ellen 5, John H 3, and Amy F 1.

26th December 1891 (Hexham Courant)

LANGHORN'S CHARITY

A trustees meeting was held on Saturday, Mr Jos. Dickinson presiding. The sum of £24 7s 4d was directed to be paid to the poor of Nenthead (resident above Nenthall), on the 24th inst., at the Board Room, Alston.

2nd January 1892 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Pennsylvania, The Cottage, Washington, 22nd ult., Ethel, daughter of the late Utrick Bainbridge of Loaning House, Alston.

See 10th September 1836, 8th July 1837, 20th October 1855, 5th April 1861, 4th January 1873, 8th February 1873, 7th September 1878.

14th January 1892 (Cumberland Pacquet and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

Deaths

Mulcaster. —On the 4th inst., at 66 Lawson street, Maryport, Ann sister of the late Mr Joshua Mulcaster, formerly of Garrigill, Alston, aged 84 years.

See 4th September 1858, and 22nd January 1864

16th January 1892 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston Workhouse, 9th inst., aged 73, Isaac Teasdale, coal miner.
At Middleton in Teesdale, 3rd inst. aged 59, James Henderson late of Garrigill Gate.

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, William Nattrass, tailor & draper employing 3 boys, aged 47, his wife Mary 44, children Thomas 11, James H. 6, servants Joseph E. Peg, tailors, apprentice, aged 17, John Wilkinson, tailors apprentice, aged 15, & brother in law James Henderson, formerly lead miner, aged 48
In 1891, at Bridge street, Middleton, William Nattrass, tailor, aged 55, born Allendale, his wife Mary 54, sons Thomas, tailor, aged 21, James H., tailors

apprentice, aged 16, (wife & sons all born Alston) lodger James Henderson, retired lead miner, aged 58, and servant James C Stephenson, tailor, aged 20.

23rd January 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
East Black Dean, 11th inst., aged 72, Joseph Robson.
In 1891, at East Black Dean, Joseph Robson, joiner, aged 71, his wife Isabella 64, sons Joseph, joiner, aged 29, Stephen, lead miner, aged 25, and domestic servant Phebe A Hodgson aged 16.
Rookhope, 14th inst., Matthew Brown.
In 1871, at Bolts Burn, Matthew Brown, lead miner, aged 35, wife Catherine (Dryden, married 4th quarter of 1855, Weardale) aged34, born Nenthead, children John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Mary J. 10, Elizabeth 7, Thomas 4, and James 2.
In 1881, at Bolts Burn, Matthew Brown, iron stone miner, aged 51, his wife Catherine 48, children John, iron stone miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 17, Thomas 15, James 13, Dryden 9, and Annie 3.
In 1891, at Bolts Burn, Matthew Brown, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Catherine 59, children James, locomotive stoker, aged 21, and Annie 13.
Garrigill, Shield Hill, 13th inst., aged 66, Friend Herdman, lead miner. *See 17th October 1885.*
At Garrigill Gate, 16th inst. aged 74, Elizabeth, widow of Isaac Currah, late of West Ashgill. *See 29th November 1879.*
How Hill 15th inst., aged 2, Dora Isabella, youngest daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Currah.

In 1861, at Middle Skydes, John Currah, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Hannah (Shield, married 1st March 1849, St John Garrigill?) aged 43, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas 11, John 7, Hannah 5, and Catherine 9 months.
In 1871, at Physic Hall Bank Foot, Joseph Currah, lead miner, aged 26, and his wife Elizabeth (Nee Varty married 10th July 1869) aged 24, and daughter Hannah E. 3 months.
In 1881, at Rice, Joseph Currah, farmer of 22 acres & lead miner, aged 37, wife Elizabeth 35, children Hannah E. 10, Bridget H. 8, John 6, Mary E. 4, Isaac 1, Joseph 13 days, and farm servant Elizabeth Rollan aged 15.
In 1891, at How Hill, Alston, Joseph Currah, farmer, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 44, children Hannah Ellen 20, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Isaac, stone breaker, aged 12, Joseph 10, Thomas 7, Alice Florence 4, and Dora 2 years.
In 1911, at High Crossgill, Garrigill, Joseph Currah, farmer, aged 67, his wife Elizabeth 64, children, Hannah Ellen, 40, John, lead miner, aged 36, Thomas, lead miner, aged 27, and Alice Florence 23.
See 21st May 1869, 20th July 1869

30th January 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 28th inst., Alfred Edwin Dobson to Margaret Ann only daughter of James Millican, both of Tynehead.
In 1891, at Noonstones, Garrigill, Arthur Dobson, farmer, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth, aged 49, children William Byron, lead miner, aged 29, Alfred Edwin, lead miner, aged 25, and Mary aged 23.
In 1901, at West Ashgill, Alfred E Dobson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Margaret A 37, children Wesley 8, Edwin 6, and James H 4. In 1911, at Hill House, Tynehead, Alfred Edwin Dobson, farmer, aged 45, his wife Margaret Ann 47, sons Wesley, working on farm, aged 18, Edwin, working on farm, aged 16, James Herbert 14, and William Arthur 6.
Deaths
Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 22nd inst., aged 83, Margaret widow of William Proud, lead ore washer. *See 3rd June 1876*

6th February 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, Fiddlers Street, 31st ult., aged 10 days, Mary Ann, daughter of Henry Stout, quarryman.
In 1891, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, Henry Stout, quarryman, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth Ann 20, children Matthew 4, Hannah 1, and Isabella 4 months.
In 1901, at Fiddler Street, Henry Stout, Flint stone quarryman, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth A. 30, children Matthew, carter from quarry, aged 14, Hannah 11, Isabella 10, Mabel 8, Elizabeth J. 5, Margaret 4, Henry 3, Annie 2, and Victoria 1.
See 25th September 1886 & 1st February 1890.
Haggs, Nentwater, near Nenthead, 3rd inst., aged 72, Sarah Moffat.
In 1851, at Manor House, Albany F Moffat, lead miner, aged 29, wife Sarah 29, sons John 7, born Yanworth, Westmorland, and Thomas 1
In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Sarah Moffat, lead miners widow, aged 40, sons John, lead miner, aged 17, born Yanworth, Westmorland, Thomas, lead miner,

aged 11, and Albany 5. In 1871, at Haggs Foot, Sarah Moffatt, widow, formerly servant, aged 49, and son Albany, labourer, aged 15. In 1891, at Haggs, Sarah Moffatt, widow, aged 70.
Woodbrae House, Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 23, Ann daughter of the late Pearson and Hannah Walton. *See 22nd July 1882, & 9th May 1891.*

9th February 1892 (Penrith Observer)

THE INQUEST

An inquest was held on Wednesday at the Black Ball Inn Dufton, before Mr. T. Wilson, coroner for East and West Wards of Westmorland, when the following evidence was adduced:
William Holmes said: I am assistant miller at the **Dufton Barytes Mill**. I identify the body of the deceased as that of **Thomas Parkin**, the miller there. He was 25 years of age. Yesterday morning about seven o'clock the deceased and I went down to the mill together. I commenced to work at the top, feeding the mill, and the deceased went amongst the machinery for the purpose of oiling it. At half past eight, I, from the kiln, saw the deceased go into the mill again. At twenty minutes past nine I went Into the mill, it being then our lunch time. I did not see Parkin. I looked out of the door to see if there were any foot-prints in the snow, which was fresh fallen, but I did not see any. I went back into the mill and looked about; lighted a candle, and looked amongst the machinery, and found the body of the deceased fixed to the driving axle, and revolving with it. He had no doubt been caught by his clothes by the axle whilst endeavouring to pass it The space between the axle and the protecting rail against the wall would be about two feet. I at once ran and turned the water off. I was quite convinced that the deceased was then dead. I afterwards went up to the village, and meeting Mr. Gibson, the manager, I reported the circumstances to him. Deceased told me that morning that he had had a bad night with his teeth. He had often been troubled with toothache, and I did not think anything about it. It was not customary for deceased to go into the machinery every day, but he occasionally did so. Our instructions were to oil the machinery before it was put into motion.
William Gibson said I am the manager of the Dufton Lead Ore end Barytes Mining Company, and I live at Dufton. I heard of the accident at the Mill from the last witness about 10-15 yesterday morning, and I went at once to the place. I found the clothing of the deceased wrapped round the shaft, and the body attached to it. The revolution of the shaft would carry the body with it. I think the deceased's clothes had become entangled in the shaft in his attempt to pass it, and that he was on his way to make an examination of the spindle. I first cut through the clothing, which was very tightly lapped round the shaft, and, with the assistance of others, removed the body. I then found that the lower extremities of the body had been literally dashed to pieces.
The Coroner having briefly summed up, the Jury found that deceased had been "Accidentally caught by the revolving shaft of the Barytes Mill wheel, and instantly killed." Deceased, who was single, was a very steady young man, and a greet support to his aged parents, for whom much sympathy is felt.

Joseph Parkin married Ann Ellwood 12th May 1847, at Dufton
In 1861, at Dufton Mill, Joseph Parkin, Miller, aged 44, his wife Ann 34, children, Betsy 13, Nancy 12, John 6, and Mary J 4.
In 1871, at Dufton Mill, Joseph Parkin, Corn Miller, aged 54, his wife Anne 44, children, John 16, Mary 14, and Thomas 4.

In 1881, at Dufton, Joseph Parkin, Miller, aged 63, his wife Anne 54, and son Thomas 14.
In 1891, at Dufton Village, Joseph Parkin, retired miller, aged 74, and his wife Anne aged 64. In 1891, Thomas Parkin, miller, aged 24, was living with his Aunt Hannah Hind, widow, grocer, aged 59, in Middlesbrough.

In memory of
Thomas Parkin
The beloved son of
Joseph and Anne Parkin
who died Feb 25th 1892
Aged 25 years.
Also the said Joseph Parkin
who died Sept 2nd 1900
Aged 83 years.
Also of the above named
Anne Parkin
who died October 5th. 1918
Aged 92 Years.

Dufton Churchyard

13th February 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF THOMAS PEADON

Early on Wednesday morning week (3rd February), Mr Thomas Peadon died from Pneumonia, at his residence in St John's Chapel, at the age of 55. The deceased dalesman took a prominent part in the mining crisis of 1872 and 1882, and was an authority on all matters connected with mines and lead mining. Of late he devoted himself to farming and cattle dealing.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THOMAS PEADON
OF ST JOHN'S CHAPEL
WHO DIED FEB. 3RD 1892
AGED 56 YEARS
"IN THE MIDST OF LIFE WE ARE
IN DEATH"

In 1871, at Grain, Thomas Peadon, lead miner, aged 32, brother Isaac, lead miner aged 24, and nephew Joseph aged 9. In 1881, at Grain, Thomas Peadon, unmarried, aged 44, and niece Mary J. Peadon, servant, aged 20.

12th March 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Knockshield, Allendale, 28th ult., aged 76, Mary, widow of the late William Glendinning.
In 1841, at Woodhead, Allendale, William Glendinning, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Mary (Charlton, married 16th November 1839, Allendale) aged 25, son John 1, and Jacob Robson, independent, aged 75.
In 1851, at Woodhead, Jacob Robson, widow, landed proprietor, aged 85, William Glendening, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary aged 35, children John 11, and Mary 9. In 1861, William Glendinning, farmer of 5 acres & lead miner, aged 43; wife Mary aged 45, and son John Ag. Labourer, aged 21. In 1871, at Wooley Green, William Glendinning, farmer of 29 acres and lead miner, aged 53, wife Mary 54, and grandson John W Dawson 10.
In 1881, at Wooley Green, William Glendenning, jobbing labourer & farmer of 26 acres, aged 63, wife Mary 65, and grandson Thomas D. Glendenning 4.
William Glendinning died 4th quarter 1886, aged 69, registered, at Hexham.
In 1891, at High Knock Shield, John Glendinning, farmer, aged 51, wife Sarah Jane 39, son Thomas Davidson 14, and Mary Glendinning, living on her own means, aged 75.
Sarah Jane Glendinning died 3rd quarter 1895, aged 43.
In 1901, at Knock Shield, John Glendinning, widower, farmer, aged 61, and son Thomas D, Ag Labourer, aged 24. In 1911, at Knock Shield, John Glendinning, farmer, aged 71, son Thomas Davidson, working on the farm, aged 34, and sister, Mary Dawson, widow, house keeper, aged 69.
At Hudgill near Alston, 6th inst. aged 75, Elizabeth, widow of John Hymers.
On 15th April 1839, John Hymers married Elizabeth Coulson, at Alston.
In 1841, at Foreshield, John Hymers, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth 20, children Hannah 3, and Sarah 1.
In 1851, at West Foreshield, John Hymers, lead miner aged 37, his wife Elizabeth 36, children Hannah 13, Sarah 11, Robert 7, Thomas 4, Jonathan 2, and William 4 months.
In 1861, at Hudgill, John Hymers, lead miner aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 45, children Hannah 23, Sarah 21, Robert 17, Thomas 14, Jonathan 12, William 10, Elizabeth 8, John 6, Emmerson 3, and nephew, Joseph Hall 9 years.
John Hymers died 2nd quarter 1862.
At Hudgill, in 1871, Elizabeth Hymers, widow, farmer of 40 acres, aged 55, her unmarried children Robert lead miner 26, Thomas lead miner 24, Jonathan lead miner 22, William lead miner 20, Elizabeth 18, John 16, and Emerson 13.
In 1881, at Hudgill, Elizabeth Hymers, widow, farmer of 26 acres, aged 65, children Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 26, and Emerson, Ag. Labourer, aged 22. In 1891, at Hudgill, Elizabeth Hymers, widow, farmer, aged 76, and son Emerson, farmer, aged 30.
See 25th May 1878, and 28th September 1878.
At Ivy House Garrigill, 7th inst. aged 43, Sibyl, wife of Nicholas Anderson.
See 1st May 1869, & 15th February 1890.

19th March 1892 (Hexham Herald)

FROZEN TO DEATH ON THE WEARDALE MOORS

An inquest was held at Crawleyside, near Stanhope, on Saturday, by Coroner J. T. Proud, on the body of John Liddle, aged 43, who was found frozen to death on the railway between Crawley Engine and Weatherhill on the previous Thursday morning. From the evidence it appeared that deceased, who had been in India five or six years, and who had not worked since his return to this country, came to Stanhope on the Wednesday to seek some medicine for his father, with whom he resided at Waskerley Village. He left Dr Livingstone's surgery about five o'clock without waiting for the medicine, and was afterwards seen in Stanhope much the worse for liquor. Between six and seven o'clock he was seen by Mr John Littlefair, of Crawley Engine, making his way up the incline towards Weatherhill, He then showed signs of being drunk, but witness thought; him capable of getting home, as there was not much snow on the ground, although there was an intense frost, and it was bitterly cold. Next morning deceased's body was found by a platelayer named Robert Smith, about three-quarters of a mile further up the incline than where he was last seen by J. Littlefair. He was found lying on his back with his hands folded over his chest; as if he had lain down to fall asleep. Dr Livingstone said death resulted from exposure to the intense cold, and the jury returned a verdict accordingly. Deceased's body had been conveyed to his brothers house at Park Head, where it was viewed by the jury, who, with the coroner and Supt. Snowdon, experienced considerable difficulty in reaching the place, owing to the snow. The funeral took place at Stanhope Church on Saturday afternoon at four p.m.

In1891, at Waskerley, John Liddell, clerk to the N. E. Railway Co., & sub post master, aged 73, born Lanchester, his wife Ann aged 76, born Langley, son John, attending his invalid mother, aged 42, born Conside and Knitsley, Durham, grandson, William Lowes, clerk to N. E. Railway aged 18, and grandson John Lowes aged 9.

HOW THE STRIKE WILL AFFECT WEARDALE. — How the strike will affect Weardale will be gathered from the fact that there are ten quarries at Stanhope and Frosterley, which employ over 500 men. It is the staple industry, and some 900,000 tons of limestone are quarried, and sent away to the furnaces for flux purposes. The furnaces being damped down for want of coal preclude the possibility of much demand for Limestone. So that already the influence of the strike is being felt, as several of the quarries were closed on Monday morning until further notice, while at others some two or three days a week meets the demand, but if the strike continues it is expected they will be closed. The quarry supplying Consett was stopped on Tuesday until further notice. Every day numbers of men are walking about in enforced idleness. Grave fears are entertained that the present lack of coal in the dale will necessitate a stoppage of the lead works at Rookhope. On Tuesday the price of the limited stock of coal at the Westgate depot of the Weardale Iron Company was raised to £1 1s 10d per ton. Many homes in the western extremity of the dale are reported to be without coals, causing suffering and anxiety in the existing severe weather. The Wolsingham Steel Works, it is also feared, will be partially, if not altogether, closed, as the notices expire this week, and unless supplies of coal can be obtained it is highly probable they will be closed.

FROM WEARDALE TO NEW ZEALAND

The following diary of a voyage from Weardale to New Zealand written by Mr Jacob Featherston has been forwarded to us for publication:

Having safely arrived at Dunedin I enclose you particulars of our passage.

I left home on October 5th and after bidding farewell to a few old friends at Stockton and procuring a passenger ticket on board the SS Ormuz, took train for London.

For the next three days I was sight seeing in the modern Babylon, and the chief scenes that linger in my memory are—Naval Exhibition, St. Paul's, National Gallery, Westminster Abbey. I might occupy the whole letter with an account of this great city, but will hasten on; and so, having said good-bye to my genial host and hostess, I wended my way to Fenchurch Street, the headquarters of the steamship company. We were soon conveyed thence to Tilbury Dock, where the tender was lying ready to take us on board the Ormuz, which was for the next few weeks to be the home (?) of 800 of us.

Passengers were allowed to have their friends on board for a while, and then the order was “visitors ashore." Then commenced a scene more easily imagined than described, and which is only witnessed on such occasions. Many and affectionate were the farewells that were taken, and long was held many a hand, the owner of which seemed to be perfectly aware that it might be the last handshake on earth. At last the gangway was raised, and then from each boat (such as were able) arose one loud " Hip, hip, hurrah," amid a waving of hats and handkerchiefs.

Having somewhat settled down from this exciting scene, we began to examine our new abode. Everything was remarkably clean and tidy, and in each of our bunks we found a couple of plates, a knife and fork, a spoon, a drinking tin, and two towels. The vessel is one of the finest in the line, and bears the record between London and Melbourne. She is named after an island, supposed by Milton to have been noted for its fabulous wealth.

> High on a throne of royal state, which far
> Outshone the wealth of Ormuz and of Iod.

We had just finished dinner when we felt the vessel moving, and from the deck we saw that we were quietly floating down the Thames. What a peculiar sensation creeps over one!

Oct. 10th. —Rose early, but not feeling very well, returned to bed. Rose again about 11 o'clock as we were nearing Plymouth. Having written and posted our letters we again steamed away, and at 6:10 p.m. the shores of Old England faded from our view.

Oct 11th. —This morning finds us in the Bay of Biscay, and the ship pitching violently, as were also most of the passengers. Eating was so much out of the question that the stewards declared they were having a holiday; but if they had holiday from one kind of work, sufficient for another and more disagreeable kind was prepared for them.

Oct. 12. —Found us still in the Bay and many of us still in bed, but the order was "Turn out, all," and much against my will but for my benefit, with a locomotion anything but graceful, I crawled on deck, where I lay all day, one among many the very picture of misery.

Oct. 13th. —A little better and tasted food, the first for three days.

Oct. 14th. —Rose early. Many had slept on deck. Everybody in good spirits, quite a contrast to the dismal facial expressions of the few previous days.

Perhaps the thought of spending a few hours at Gibraltar had something to do with it. The scenery was attractive too, and we were close to Trafalgar Bay, dear to all Englishmen's hearts. On landing at Gibraltar we were instantly besieged by the usual, “Want a guide, sir," "Take you all round, sir," but declined their services and strolled into the town. The signal station if 1,291 feet above sea level. The garrison forms the bulk of the population, the remainder being a mixed multitude of English, Spanish, Moors, &c. Our time was limited, and, purchasing a supply of fruit of which there is an abundance, we were rowed back to the ship. The Mediterranean was smooth, calm, and quiet in the evening the band ascended to the saloon deck, and many passengers indulged in dancing, whilst from various parts of the deck came the sound of the violin, harp, and melodeon.

Oct. 15. —This morning were to be seen the summer dresses and straw hats of those who were afraid of old Sol's rays. The ladies, too, brought out their workbaskets and the gentlemen their books, cards, &c, and all was a scene of busy enjoyment.

Oct. 18. -—We entered the harbour at Naples, and were favoured with a good view of Vesuvius, from whose lofty summit there arose a dense volume of smoke. From shipboard, the city presents a very, inviting appearance, and many of the passengers went ashore. After breakfast the mail boat name alongside, and letter reading became the order of the day. The tearful eye of many a reader told plainly that the sheet of paper with its closely written pages had brought to mind recollections of home and friends—dear but distant. It was evident that Sabbath-keeping was not a feature of Neapolitan character, for they crowded the deck pressing their merchandise upon us; and I was sorry to see English people patronising them on the Lord's Day. When a vessel is in port Sunday services are dispensed with, and it was a pleasant surprise when three ladies from ashore arrived who, with the Rev G. Gibbs, who is going to Dunedin, held a short service. We were invited by them to attend their little chapel at night. We readily accepted the offer, and were rowed ashore and back in their own boat. The Ormuz was lit up with the electric light, and presented in the twilight the appearance of what a pitman would call a "row of coke ovens."

(To be continued.)

Orient Line Postcard, Steam Ship Ormuz

26th March 1892 (Hexham Herald)

FROM WEARDALE TO NEW ZEALAND

Concluded

Oct. 19. —We were once more in motion, and in the afternoon entered the straits of Messina, whence a good view of Mount Etna is obtained. The scenery on each side is extremely beautiful, and it would almost seem they were vying with each other to attract the attention of passing vessels. But the Ormuz tore along with racehorse speed, evidently determined to atone, if possible, for time lost, and next day's record showed that she had made good for that day 356 miles.

Oct. 22. —This morning we entered Port Said, and were busily watching the coaling process, which is done by Arabs. Then we went ashore a couple of hours, and many were the curiosities that were bought as souvenirs of Port Said. We entered the Suez Canal, but our passage was very slow. The canal is too narrow to allow two vessels to pass each other, and so we had to moor several times.

Oct. 28. —At 11 a.m. we arrived at Suez, where we took on board large quantities of vegetables, especially cabbage and melons. Suez is the best place from which to make an excursion to Mount Sinai, during which the traveller must be prepared to live an Arab life.

Oct. 24. —Mr Hood, one of the second-class passengers, died to day, and at sunset the burial service for the dead at sea was read, the vessel slowed down, and the poor fellow was gently lowered into a watery grave. Another scene as solemn, but more weird and awful, was in store for us. The lightning began at first to flash only at intervals, but it gradually came nearer, and flash succeeded flash so quickly that the heavens seemed to be one mass of flame, and for miles around you could see objects as clearly as in broad daylight. It was a sight never to be forgotten, and possessed in it something fascinating as well as awe striking.

Oct. 25. —Sunday services—Catholics at 6:30 a.m. English Church, 10:45 a.m., and at 7:15 p m. the Rev J. Gillies, who is also going to Dunedin, preached from "What think ye of Christ?"

Nov. 1. —Since last Sunday the voyage has been almost devoid of interest. A good many lady passengers have been poorly. Weather dull and unhealthy. Services as usual.

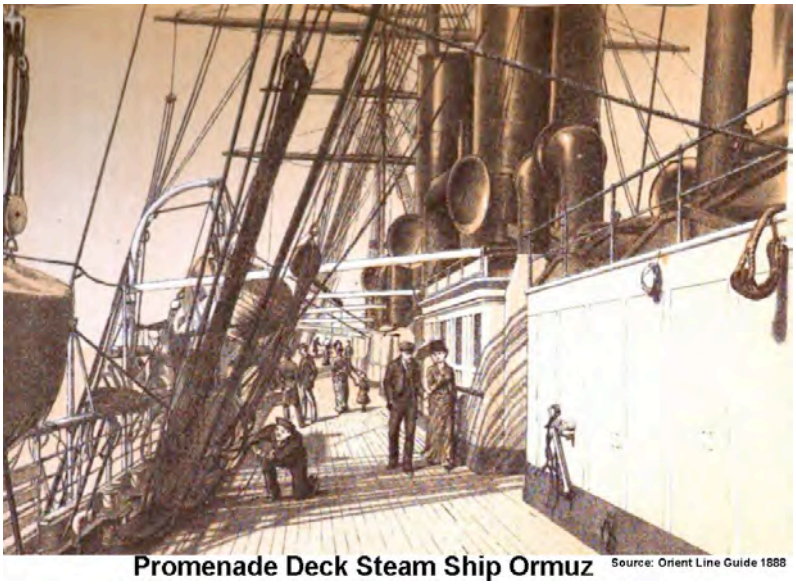
Nov. 2. —For some days we have been longing for Colombo. Many were anticipating the pleasure of experiencing for themselves the "spicy breezes of Ceylon's Isle," of which Bishop Heber sings so sweetly, and great was our disappointment when we entered the harbour amidst a. downpour of rain, such as only can be experienced in those regions. There was a plentiful supply of fruit, of which our store was exhausted. Just after sunset we were startled by the cry of "A man overboard," and hearing a splash I ran to the side, only to see that whoever it was he was perfectly at home in the water. It was one of the engineers who had a fancy for a bath in Colombo Harbour.

Nov. 3. —Our coal supply being replenished we steamed slowly away, followed by a number of boys crying "Divee, Divee," which they certainly do with astonishing alacrity, and catch the coin thrown into the water.

Nov. 4. —Crossed the line, but not subjected to the usual pranks.

Nov. 8. —Sunday always welcome—a break in a monotonous sea life.

Nov. 13. —Sighted west Australian coast, and anchored in Port Albany at 5:15 pm.' Left a few passengers, and took a few on board, who had come out in the summer-and broken their journey.
Nov. 15. —Collections, amounting to £16 17s, made at all services to day, in aid of Sailor's Orphanage
Nov. 17. —Anchored some distance from. Port Adelaide, but not allowed to go ashore.
Nov. 18. —It has been much warmer of late. Overcoats and cloaks have disappeared.
Nov. 19. —Moored alongside the wharf of Port Williamstown, Melbourne, 41 days distant' from Tilbury Dock. Many friends were impatiently waiting for the lowering of the gangway. It was quite a scene to watch the people running hither and thither, first asking one officer and then another for so-and-so. We will draw a veil over the tender meeting of some friends, but wonder what sort of conscience several of the young women possessed who had during the voyage flirted with nearly every steward on board, and were now affectionately greeting the men who had provided a home for them in the sunny south.
It would be tedious to give you in detail our movements the next six days in Melbourne, to tell of its rapid, growth in the 50 years of its existence, of its inhabitants, buildings, streets, and tramways, which, compared with the towns in the old country, are simply perfection. We heard Mr H. M. Stanley lecture on darkest Africa on the Saturday night. The great drawback to Melbourne is its sanitary arrangements. Sewers are unknown. Food is cheap. A dinner of four courses costs you sixpence. Taking the city upon the whole it is more American than English and is doubtless destined to play an, important part in the future history of the British Empire. Nay, it may be that Melbourne and not London will at some distant time be the metropolis of the British Empire.
Nov. 25. —The "Tarawera," our new home, left at 3:15. We are now travelling second class. Food is of better quality, and more temptingly served, and we get along fairly well. On the 1st December we arrived at Port Chalmers, but had the misfortune to run aground on a sandbank. However, after breakfast; we were rowed ashore, too train to Dunedin, and were soon amongst a host of friends who left Weardale 13 years ago. Here I leave off at present but may at some future time give you a further account of life in New Zealand.
Jacob Featherston.



Promenade Deck Steam Ship Ormuz Source: Orient Line Guide 1888

Passenger List Records Show:
Name:J FEATHERSTONE
Date of departure: 9 October 1891
Port of departure: London
Passenger destination port: Melbourne, Australia
Passenger destination: Melbourne, Australia
Date of Birth: 1865 (calculated from age)
Age: 26
Marital status: Single
Sex: Male
Occupation: Engineer
Ship: Ormuz
Master's name: W. E. White
Where bound: Sydney, Australia
Square feet: 7111
Registered tonnage: 6031
Passengers on voyage: 593
In 1871, at Rigg Foot, Heathery Cleugh, George Featherston, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Phoebe aged 28, and son Jacob aged 6.
In 1881, at Wellhope, Heathery Cleugh, Mary Coatsworth, widow, farmer, aged 58, children Fanny 18, Harriet 15, Joseph 13, and grandson Jacob Featherston.
In 1891, at Prospect Place, Norton, Stockton, Joseph Featherston, fitter, aged 33, his wife Mary A aged 30, children Lavina A 5, Emily E 1, and boarder Jacob Featherston, crane driver, aged 26 (all born at Stanhope).
New Zealand records suggest that Jacob became a Methodist Minister, and that he died June 1951, aged 86.

WEARDALE

CLOSING OF THE WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

Consequent upon the Pitmen's strike, the Weardale lead mines will be closed after Saturday.

16th April 1892 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

Sudden death of Mr John Pattinson of Pry House, Nenthead, died rather suddenly on Saturday morning last from inflammation of the bowels. He had to leave work on Thursday on account of illness and got gradually worse till the time of his death. Deceased was of a quiet disposition and was greatly respected. He leaves behind him a widow and one child.
In 1881, at Pry House, Agnes Pattinson, stone masons widow, aged 46, son John, lead miner, aged 20, daughter Margaret, domestic servant, aged 16, and grandson George Pattinson 2.
In 1891, at Pry House, John Pattinson, lead miner, aged 30, and his wife Jane (Hall, married 1st quarter of 1891, at Alston) aged 27.
See 5th December 1885

23rd April 1892 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Overwater, Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 58, Thomas Milburn.
See20th May 1871, & 8th June 1889

Garrigill Bridge End, 14th inst., aged 59, Mary, widow of William Armstrong.
In 1861, at Ashgill Side, William Armstrong, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary (Readshaw, married 4th quarter of 1859, Alston) aged 28, and son Christopher 6 months. William died 23rd February 1868, aged 35.
See 3rd March 1868
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Armstrong, widow, laundress, aged 38, and son Christopher aged 10.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Armstrong, lead miners widow, aged 48, and son Christopher, lead miner, aged 20. In 1891, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Jason Readshaw, single, living on his own means, aged 63, and his sister Mary Armstrong, widow, aged 58. In 1891, at Garrigill, Christopher Armstrong, single, lead miner, aged 30. In 1901, at Crops Hall, Christopher Armstrong, farmer, aged 40, wife Phoebe A. (Phoebe Ann Bramwell, married 2nd quarter of 1893) aged 41, children Annie M. 6, Earnest 1, and domestic servant Annie E. Whitfield aged 17.
In 1841, at Croft, Hugh Readshaw, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary (Stephenson, married 12th July 1821, Alston) aged 45, children John, lead miner, aged 15, Robert, lead miner, aged 14, Sarah 13, Jason, lead miner, aged 10, Mary 8, Frances 5, and Betty 3.
In 1851, at Croft, Nenthead, Hugh Redshaw, retired lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary 54, children John, lead miner, aged 29, Jason, lead miner, aged 23, Mary 18, Fanny 15, and Betsey 14.
In 1861, at Croft, Mary Readshaw, lead miners widow (Hugh died 1st quarter of 1854), aged 64, (Mary died 2nd quarter of 1867, aged 70) children John, lead miner, aged 39, Jason, formerly a lead miner, aged 33, Fanny, household work, aged 25, Elisabeth, bonnet maker, aged 23, and Joseph Readshaw, grandson, 5 months. In 1871, at Croft, John Readshaw, retired lead miner, aged 49, brother Jason, retired lead miner, aged 43, and sister Fanny, general servant, aged 35. In 1881, at Croft, Jason Readshaw, farmer of 9 acres, aged 53, and sister Frances, housekeeper, aged 47. See 6th August 1892
At Spency Croft, Alston, 21st inst., aged 82, Mary Dickinson, widow of the late William Dickinson.
See 4th May 1872, 10th May 1879, 20th August 1887, & 6th July 1889.
At Alston Cemetery

In Loving Memory of William Dickinson of Spency Croft Alston
Born April 14 1808 Died March 29 1857
Also of Mary his wife Born Sep 13 1809 Died April 21 1892
And of Mary their daughter Born Aug 30 1833 died May 4 1879
Also of Catherine Wilson their daughter Born March 9 1841 died July 2 1879
And of Elizabeth Ann their daughter Born Aug 8 1844 died July 1 1899
Also of Frances Octavia their daughter Born July 11 1848 died June 28 1899
Also of Sarah their daughter Born Feb 14 1838 died Jan 3 1911

30th April 1892 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At East Nattrass, Alston, 25th inst. aged 47, Thomas Varty.
In 1851, at Dry Burn, Isaac Varty, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Bridget aged 31, children Mary 12, Nancy 10, Joseph 8, Thomas 6, Elizabeth 4, and Hannah 2.

In 1861, at Slaggy Burn, Garrigill, Isaac Varty, farmer, aged 45, his wife Bridget 42, children Nancy, house maid, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Hannah 12, Isaac 11, and George 2. In 1871, at Slaggy Burn, Isaac Varty, farmer (of 434 or 4¾ acres) aged 55, his wife Bridget 51, children Joseph, farmers son, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, farmers son 19, and George 12.
In 1881, at Victoria Street, Crook, Thomas Varty, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Esther aged 31, children Jane A. 9, Elizabeth 2, and Esther E. 8 months (died 2nd quarter of 1883, aged 2).
In 1891, at East Nattrass, Thomas Varty, farmer, aged 45 his wife Esther (Hodgson, married 1st quarter of 1872, Alston) aged 42, children Jane Amelia 19, Isaac 18, John 15, Hodgson 13, Elizabeth Ann 12, Hannah Maria 8, and Florence E. 9 months.

30th April 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Births
At Bankfoot, Nenthead, on the 27th inst., the wife of Barron Dryden, of a son.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Nenthead, Barron Dryden, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Hannah 22, children, Mary A. 1, and Jane 3 months.
See 11th February 1871, 20th June 1885

30th April 1892 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

DEATH OF MR CRAWHALL WILSON

We regret to announce the death on Monday night (25th) of Mr Thomas Crawhall Wilson, at his residence, Alston House. Deceased was the eldest son of the late Mr Isaac Crawhall of Nun-Monkton, Yorkshire. The family from which he descended was of old standing in the dales, and has been long connected with the lead mining industry. Mr Crawhall Wilson for a time was managing partner of Hudgill Burn and also Rodderup Fell, two of the most productive mines in the Alston Moor. For many years, he had been the managing partner of Coanwood Colliery, and of late, he had been Chairman of the Solway Iron Company, Maryport. He qualified as Cumberland county Magistrate in 1876. He adopted the additional surname of Wilson, and succeeded to the Nenthall Estate and other properties on the death of his uncle, Mr Wilson of Shotley Hall, in 1880. Deceased was for a number of years connected to the Alston Rifle Volunteers and attained the rank of captain. He was an ardent conservative, and held at his death the office of President of the Alston Union Club, and Ruling Councillor of the local Primrose League. Deceased was in his 66th year. Mrs Crawhall Wilson survives her husband, who leaves five sons and two daughters. *T. F. Crawhall Wilson born 29th December 1825 died 25th April 1892, buried in Alston cemetery. Sons were T. F. Crawhall Wilson, Rev Edmund L. Crawhall, Charles Crawhall, and Harry Crawhall*.

1st May 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE EMIGRANTS

John Maddison of Daddry Shield and Thomas Nattrass, Ralph Nattrass and Thomas Maddison of St John's Chapel left their native dale this week for East London, South Africa.

Mrs J. Nattrass of the Kings Head Inn, St John's Chapel, who was lately thrown from a conveyance by the falling of a horse and was badly injured is now able to walk about.

DEATH OF STANHOPE QUARRY MANAGER.

William Wedgewood who for the last 20 years has been manager for Messrs Bell Brother at their Parson Byers limestone quarry, Stanhope died at his residence at that place on Monday last. … He leaves a widow and family to mourn his loss.

WEARDALE MINES RELIEF FUND.

Since the acknowledgment of subscriptions amounting to £44 14s the following have come to hand …

A further £17 9s had been contributed to the fund by various persons, the fund had been set up to relieve the hardship caused by the closure of the mines due to the lack of coal, a result of the pitmen striking.

6th May 1892. (London Gazette)

ALSTON MOOR MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the offices of Thomas Bowden and Nephew, 42, Mosley-street, Newcastle upon Tyne, on the 18th day of June next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining, by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of. —Dated the 4th day of May 1892.

THOMAS BOWDEN, Liquidator.

7th May 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON.

This Board met on Saturday, Mr. Walton presiding.

THE FINANCES

The CLERK said he estimated the Poor Law expenses for the ensuing half-year at £769, and the sanitary and highway at £220. They had some balances, and precepts for £630 and £220 respectively would suffice. He was in a difficulty in estimating county rate, as he did not know whether it would be assessed on the new or the old basis.

Mr. Richardson—On the old. Have you exhausted the windfall from the County Council?

The CLARK—Yes

GARRIGILL CEMETERY.

A letter was read from Mr. Dent, clerk to the Burial Board, asking whether the Authority were satisfied on sanitary grounds with the proposed site of the Cemetery at Garrigill.

Some complaint was made that the Authority had not sufficient evidence on the point, but eventually it was decided to reply in the affirmative.

THE NOTIFICATION OF DISEASES ACT.

The CLERK said he had given the requisite notice to the members that the advisability of adopting this Act would be considered at the meeting.

Mr. Richardson said the Act had not in all cases worked well It was useless unaccompanied by isolation, for which there were no facilities amongst the poor. They had no local hospital, and families would not like their members forced away to distant hospitals and mixed up with all kinds of diseases. He thought they should defer the adoption of the Act until they had fuller information.
This was agreed to.

NENTHEAD WATER SUPPLY.

Mr. Bramwell moved that the Inspector be instructed to prepare plans and estimates of the cost of relaying water pipes from Nenthead Well to Gillgill Burn. The Clerk said to lay the distance with metal pipes would cost at least £300.
Eventually the Chairman, Mr. Pickering, Mr Holmes, Mr Harrison, and Mr Bramwell were appointed a committee to examine and report.

Marriages

At St John's Church, Nenthead, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. C. Berry, John Anthony Erwin, Whitehall, Nenthead, to Miss Elizabeth (Bessy) Milburn, Overwater, Nenthead.

In 1901, at Overwater, Nenthead, John A Erwin, stationary engine driver, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 28, children, Thomas H 8, and boarders, Edward Bainbridge, lead miner, aged 28, born Patterdale, and James J Gibson, lead miner, aged 25, born Glencoigne, Westmorland.

In 1911, at 28 Goschen St., Cowpen, Blyth, John Anthony Erwin, coal miner, aged 42, his wife Elizabeth 38, and son, Thomas Howard, grocers assistant, aged 18.

See 28th January 1888

14th May 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD NEWS.

Farmers in this district are bemoaning the absence of rain, which is very much required. Hay is a very scarce commodity, and this, together with the protracted drought, is having a very serious effect on stock and farmers generally. The severe cold weather has also been disastrous to lambs, numbers of which have died. Farmers cannot sell to profit, the prices being miserably low.

22nd May 1892 (Hexham Courant)

Births

At Alston 18th inst. the wife of Mr Wm. Seatree of a daughter.

Deaths

At Alston, 18th inst. aged 18, Furnace Pattinson

In 1881, at Front Street, Sarah Pattinson, widow, dressmaker, aged 45, son Furness (Henry?) Pattinson, aged 7. In 1891, Sarah Pattinson, widow, dressmaker, aged 55, and son Alexander F. aged 19.

22nd May 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Miss Frances Dawson, daughter of Mr Joshua Dawson, evangelist of Pryse House, near St John's Chapel, left home on Tuesday noon en route to America.

See 6th November 1875, 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 2nd July 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.

4th June 1892 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Nenthead, 2nd inst. Robert Wm. Armstrong, Overwater to Ruth Ann Thompson, Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead. *(only daughter of Jonathan Thompson deceased)*

Robert Armstrong married Sarah Greenwell, 2nd quarter 1860, at Alston.
Sarah Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1869, aged 33.
In 1871, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, widow, lead miner, aged 38, born Newcastle, children Leah 9, John Greenwell 7, and Robert W., 4.
Robert Armstrong married Nancy Hetherington 4th quarter 1875.
In 1881, at Overwater, Robert Armstrong, lead miner, aged 48, born Newcastle, his wife Ann aged 41, born Alston, children Leah 19, John G., lead miner, aged 17, and Robert W., lead ore washer, aged 14.
Robert Armstrong died 1st quarter 1884, aged 50.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nancy Armstrong, widow, aged 52, and stepson R W Armstrong, blacksmith, aged 24.
Ruth Ann Thompson died 22nd February 1899, aged 34, at Nenthead.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, Robert W. Armstrong, widow, blacksmith, aged 34, son Laurence aged 7, and sister Leah Armstrong, aged 38.
In 1911, at Nenthead, Robert Wm Armstrong, widow, sub postmaster, aged 44, son Lawrence, post office assistant, aged 17, and sister Leah Armstrong aged 49.
Robert W. Armstrong died 3rd quarter 1911, aged 45.

Deaths

At Sparty Lea, Allendale, 27th ult. aged 50, Thomas the beloved husband of Ann Sparke.

In 1891, at Sparty Lea, Thomas Sparke, farmer, aged 49, and his wife Ann 47.

At Love Lady Shield, Alston, 2nd inst. aged 77, Mary Ann, wife of Joseph Dickinson.

Joseph Dickinson, married Mary Ann Bell, 20th April 1840, at Alston.

In 1891, at Love Lady Shield, Joseph Dickinson, solicitor, aged 79, his wife Mary A. 75, children Thomas W. solicitors clerk, aged 43, domestic servant Ann A Vipond aged 23, domestic servant Mary A Bainbridge aged 16, visitors Henry L Dickenson, married, living on his own means, aged 38, and his wife Jane Dickenson 39.

At Alston Cemetery

To Hannah Bell relict of William Bell who died at
Love Lady Shield 4th September 1868 aged 77 years.
Also Thomas Lancaster Bell M.D. her son
Who died at Hingolee India 6th September 1854 aged 35 years
Also in memory of Joseph Dickinson of Love Lady Shield Alston
Who died 26th November 1895 aged 84 years
Also in memory of Mary Ann the beloved
Wife of Joseph Dickinson of Love Lady Shield
Who died 2nd June 1892 aged 77 years

11th June 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT GREENSIDE.

On Thursday a sad accident occurred at the Greenside Lead Mine, Patterdale. While four men were engaged in sinking a shaft, a large iron bucket fell, hitting a young man named Christopher Jeffreys on the skull. He was carried home to his lodgings, where he died about four o'clock in the afternoon.

9th June 1892 Mine Inspectors Report (Source: Durham Mining Museum)

9:50 a.m., 4th hour of shift, aged 23, Sinker, while engaged with others in sinking a shaft the bucket became detached from the rope and fell down the shaft, a distance of 12 fathoms.

NO. 1 ON THE LIST OCCURRED AT GREENSIDE MINE, in Westmoreland, belonging to the Greenside Lead Mining Company, Limited, on the 9th of June, about 9.50 a.m., causing the death of **Christopher Jefries**, a sinker.

A shaft was being sunk from a level, and at the time of the accident was 12 fathoms down. The top was protected by means of a bogie, which ran on rails placed on two baulks, and when this bogie was over the shaft, one end of it was against a fixed batten, on the other side of which was placed a tram, the top being level with the bogie to take the kibbles from the shaft.

One of the men came out of the pit to empty the kibble ; one was sent out full of stones, the bogie ran under it, and then it was lowered.

The kibble was then moved, with the rope attached to it, on to the tram, and whilst this was being done, by some means the spring hook became detached and the kibble capsized, forced the bogie back out of its place and fell into the shaft, killing deceased instantaneously. How the spring hook, which was a good one, became detached has not been ascertained.

The bogie should have been provided with some means to fasten it, when it was over the shaft ; it is much safer to have the tram to run on to the bogie, so that the kibble can be detached, and run off at once, instead of at one side and level with the bogie, as it was in this case.

Christopher Jeffery Aged 23, was buried 11th June 1892, at Patterdale

11th June 1892 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Nentsbury, Primitive Methodist Chapel, 5th inst., Thomas Liverick Wilkinson to Phoebe Hindmarsh.

In 1901, at Grassley Well Row, West Allendale, Thomas L Wilkinson, farmer, aged 35, born Allendale, his wife Phoebe 34, born Allendale, and son William H aged 7.

Deaths

At the Loaning, Alston, on the 6th inst., Clara, wife of Arthur G. Wood, mining engineer, and daughter of the late Adam Walton, aged 26 years.

See 19th June 1875, 19th March 1887, & 15th September 1888

13th June 1892 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE

The relief works at Westgate, St John's, and Ireshopeburn are being actively proceeded with to give employment to those idle, but the number has been reduced by the Lead Company reinstating a score or more of their miners. The committee are giving immediate relief to the most needy cases.

18th June 1892 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

On Wednesday morning, Mrs Walton and family late of the Blue Bell Hotel, left Alston en route for Sydney Australia. … Mr Walton (Landlord of the Blue Bell) having died some months ago, Mrs Walton decided to leave England for Australia. They sailed from London yesterday in the SS Ormus, of the Orient Line.

We were pleased to note the safe arrival in Alston on Thursday morning of the Rev. John Scott from America. It is close on 9 years since Mr Scott left Alston. After being engaged for a time at the oil wells, Petrolia, an opening was made for the employment of his preaching talents, the result being that for a number of years he has been in charge of a church at Minden City, Michigan. Mr Scott is the oldest son of Mr John Scott, Fair Hill View, Alston. His work during his stay at Alston will be undertaken by Mr John Thompson who left Nenthead some weeks ago.

See 1st October 1892, 2nd September 1893, 28th October 1898, 29th July 1899 & 12th January 1901.

Marriages

Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 11th inst., John Anderson, schoolmaster, East Stanley to Mary Armstrong, late of Ninebanks, Allendale.

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel 16th inst., John Harrison, Nenthead to Hannah Hindmarsh, Nenthead.

In 1901, at The Row, Nenthead, John Harrison, lead miner, aged 48, born Alston, his wife Hannah 42, born Allendale and son Herbert 5.

John Harrison died 4th quarter 1909, aged 57.

In 1911, at Nenthead, Hannah Harrison, widow, aged 52, son Herbert, working on dressing floor, aged 15, and boarder, Thomas Coates, lead & zinc miner, aged 37.

Deaths

Alston, Golden Lion Hotel, 9th inst., aged 45, Walter Walmsley.

Alston, Front Street, 13th inst., aged 56, Thomas Hodgson.

In 1861, at Church Cross Terrace, Thomas Hodgson, stonemason, aged 24, born Ainstable, his wife Fanny (Borrow, married 22nd December 1859, at St Augustine's, Alston) aged 27, and son John 7 months. In 1871, at Front Street, Francis Hodgson, stone masons wife, aged 37, children John 10, William 7, Thomas 1, and niece Mary Elizabeth Turner 11 years.

In 1881, at Front Street, Thomas Hodgson, stone mason & confectioner, aged 44, wife Francis 46, sons John, stone mason, aged 20, William, stone mason unemployed, aged 17, and Thomas 11.

In 1891, at Front Street, Thomas Hodgson, stone mason, aged 54, wife Frances 54, sons William, postman, aged 26, Thomas, stocker for locomotive, aged 21, niece Emily Turner 23, boarders John Butterley, railway engine

driver, aged 58, Agnes Leathart, living on her own means, aged 68, and John Cowen, shoe maker, aged 51. See 24th December 1859

18th June 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting was held on Saturday last. Members present were:—Messrs. H. Walton (chairman), J. Millican, T. Richardson, T. Nicholson, J. Dickinson, T. Harrison, G. Pickering, T. Bramwell, T. Walton, J. R. Walton.

Mr. RICHARDSON reported that the petition the Board in favour of the proposed St. John's Chapel Railway had been presented to the County Council. Their support had been given to it and it had been signed and forwarded to London the same day.

Mr. T. W. DICKINSON (Deputy Clerk) said he had received a copy of the County Rate Basis, which showed the Alston basis having been increased £4445 on the gross rental. The school attendance was given as follows:

	No. on Books	Average Attendance
Nenthead	131	131
Nenthall	44	38
Tynehead	20	15
Garrigill	55	49
Leadgate	30	27
Alston High	115	108
Alston Girls	51	41
Alston Infant	80	71

The usual half-yearly payments of £25 to the Governors of the Grammar School and £5 to Garrigill School were ordered to be made.

The Clerk intimated he had received a letter and statement of accounts from Mr. Bell, Secretary to Nenthead School. The letter stated that at a special meeting of the managers, which Mr. Holmes presided, the secretary stated that the school year was nearing completion and the meeting was called to give the managers a knowledge of the financial position of the school. Estimating the Government grant at 17s 6d. per head, the balance sheet showed that they could not meet the debit at the bank by £50 6s. 3d.,., which will be the amount to be made up as agreed at the ratepayers meeting in October. The whole of the Nenthead managers were against carrying on the school under the present management and resigned as members of the committee. The Clerk was further asked to convey the decision to the Education Department. The Clerk said it was the duty of the managers to communicate their resolution to the Department. The school account was at present overdrawn at the bank by £126 6s. 8d., the guarantee of £120 being thus exceeded.

The Chairman said that some steps would have to be taken to meet the liabilities. The Alston managers were liable for two-thirds of the deficit.

The Clerk said that the proper course would be to have a full meeting of the managers and let them decide on their course of action and communicate with the Education Department.

It was decided that a meeting of the Alston managers should be held on Wednesday in the Board Room, to decide on their course of action.

Deaths

At Holmsfoot, Nenthead, on the 12th inst., Hannah Bright, aged 64 years.

2nd July 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
New York City, USA, 4th ult., the Rev. Rocliffe Mackintosh, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rocky Hill, New Jersey to Elizabeth Frances daughter of Mr Joshua Dawson, Weardale. *See 6th November 1875, 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 5th November 1892, and 21st October 1893.*

2nd July 1892 (Cumberland and North Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
Present:—Messrs. H. Walton (chairman), Pickering, Richardson, Lee, Millican, T. Bramwell, Nicholson, Simpson, Dickinson, and Harrison
A circular was read from the Local Government Board relative to the discharge of casual paupers. Persons making a declaration that they were desirous of seeking work might be discharged at 5:30 in summer and 6:30 in winter if they had previously performed their tasks.
Mr. Dickinson had visited the Workhouse and found all in order.
The CLERK — Mr. Dawson estimated the cost of a new saddle boiler for the Workhouse at £5. The old boiler should be examined to ascertain the cause of the defect. We are using limestone water, and it may be furred up.
No action was taken.
The CLERK said he had received a communication from the managers of Nenthead School. The resident managers declined to take responsibility any longer, and the guarantors could not be expected to do so. He had suggested to the correspondent of the school that the managers should take initiatory steps towards the formation of a School Board. He thought a requisition of 50 ratepayers to the Education Department would be the most convenient form of procedure. The corispondent had informed him, in reply, that he had already conveyed the determination of the managers to the Department, and stated that the matter now rested with the Local Authority. This, of course, was a mistake; the Local Authority had nothing to do with the matter.
The Chairman—It will be for the Department to decide whether tho School Board area shall be limited to Nenthead district or extend over the whole parish.
The CLERK —The whole parish is the school district, and a School Board will be a heavy matter to it. I calculate that the direct loss to the parish in subscriptions and otherwise will amount to not less than 3d in the £.
Mr. HARRISON said the NENTHEAD managers had done their duty. They had no preference for a School Board, and if any body of gentlemen chose to take up the management as a voluntary school they would place no obstacle in their way.
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.
NENTHEAD WATER SUPPLY.
The INSPECTOR read a report—which was practically the report we summarised at last meeting, with a few added details—as to the recommendations of the Committee.He estimated that £110 should cover the cost. He produced a plan showing the proposed coarse, and the lengths where earthenware and where metal pipes were proposed to be laid, with the cisterne and wells.
Mr. RICHARDSON objected that the report was not the report of the Committee.

This roused a protest, and each member of the Committee declared that he identified himself with the report.
Mr. RICHARDSON—No details of the proposed expenditure are given.
Mr. PICKERING — You do not suggest that the Inspector jumped at his estimate of £110, do you?
Mr. SIMPSON moved that the report, plan, and estimate be adopted. They could accept the plan and then discuss what was to be done first,
Mr. BRAMWELL- Precisely. My original motion was that we adopt the scheme as a whole so as to ensure one part being in keeping with another, and spread the work over a period of time.
Ultimately it was decided that Messrs. Harrison, Holmes, and T. Walton—the local Guardians, should be a sub-committee to act with the Inspector.
In regard to the Hilltop ans Dykehead communications, it was decided that action on these stand over.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

The SURVEYOR said he had not been able to gather any positive information as to who were the builders of Overwater Bridge, but it was believed in the locality to have been the London Lead Co., and the Lead Zinc Co. kept up the retaining wall and waggon-way. The parapet wall at present was in a dangerous state.
Mr. HARRISON—Will the liability to repair rest with the Lead & Zinc Co.?
Several members expressed an opinion that it would, and the Surveyor was instructed to call their attention to its condition.
Mr. Archer was granted leave to straighten a wall at Hutchinson's Bank.
It was decided to repair two foot bridges at Ashgill, one crossing Ashgill Burn ana the other the Tyne.

9th July 1892 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON
MINING ACCIDENT

Last Tuesday a sad accident occurred to a young man named Isaac Hetherington, miner of Overwater, Nenthead. It appears that while at work at the Lead and Zinc Company's mines, he was preparing to charge a hole for blasting, when the charge suddenly exploded and damaged his right hand to such an extent that it was found necessary to amputate it above the wrist. His eyes and face were also much damaged, and it is feared that he may lose his sight.

In 1861, at Fidler Street, Nenthead, William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary aged 46 (Dawson, married 5th December 1835, Alston), children Robert, lead miner, aged 24, Nanncy, house servant, aged 20, George, lead ore dresser, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 17, Mary 7, and granddaughter, Elizabeth, aged 2.
In 1871, at Fiddler Street, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Mary (Walton, married 4th quarter of 1869) aged 31, and daughter Mary Alice aged 1.
In 1881, at Overwater, George Hetherington, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary 41, children Isaac 9, Mary E. 7, Alice 6, and William 4.
In 1891, at Overwater, George Hetherington, widow (Mary died 1st quarter of 1882, aged 42), general labourer, aged 49, sons Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, and William, lead ore washer, aged 14. In 1901, at Overwater, George

Hetherington, widow, aged 59, sons William, lead miner, aged 24, and Isaac, letter carrier to Zinc Company, aged 29. See 23rd April 1870, 7th November 1874, 4th February 1882, and 17th September 1892.

30th July 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The CLERK said that whilst King's Arms Lane was open for the laying of the water pipes Mrs. Hodgson asked leave to make a connection and he took the responsibility of granting it. The Board signified approval.

Relative to permission given to Mr. R. Lee to carry water into his yard. the CLERK said he had noticed that he was preparing to carry the pipe into his stable. The Authority might object to the water being carried into the stable; they were not bound to supply the commodity except for domestic purposes. Mr. Lee on being spoken to instanced two other persons who had been permitted to take water from the old wells for years, and it was not thought right to cut off their supply.

Mr. BRAMWELL—We allow these now to take water from the main and form a precedent.

The CLERK—We are not obliged to supply water to byres and stables we might exhaust the supply.

The CHAIRMAN—I said at the time that it we granted this application we opened out a wide field. The Chairman and Mr. Millican were appointed a committee to view the place and report at next meeting.

Leave was given to make a connection at the police station, and it was stated that Mrs. James had generously offered to convey water to the High School in case permission was obtained.

The Inspector complained that it had become a common practice to place filth of all kinds under the public fountains, thus interfering with the free passage of the water, and causing a nuisance. All persona in the locality of the fountains seemed to connive at this practice for no evidence could be obtained.

It was decided to post up notices that in case this was persisted in the supply to the wells would be cut off.

Dr. Carson s quarterly report for No. 1 district showed 15 deaths or at the rate of 8.8 per 1000, and 7 births. There had been one death from scarlet fever. At present the district was healthy.

Bridges.—The surveyor reported in reference to instructions to have a foot bridge at Ashgill, and another over the Tyne near the same place, repaired, that he found the main beams decayed. It would be a waste to do repairs, and new bridges were needed. The Tyne bridge would cost £4 14s. 6d., and the Ashgill bridge £2 8s. 6d.—It was decided to rebuild both bridges.

NENTHEAD SCHOOL

The CLERK said he had taken the responsibility of calling a special meeting of the School Attendance Committee to consider the position relative to Nenthead school, which would be finally closed on the 14th August. Though he had intimated to them the advisability of doing so, no steps had been taken by the Nenthead people to call a vestry meeting in order to decide what steps were to be taken to carry on the school. He was informed that they had written twice to the Education Department, but had received no reply. The Committee should know the position of affairs and be enabled to decide whether they should take

action. He had procured a form of requisition for a School Board and sent it to the secretary of the school to have it filled in, but nothing had been done. .
The CHAIRMAN—This is too small a meeting to decide anything. The initiative ought to come from Nenthead, and, if it is not taken there. I would leave the matter to the Education Department.

30th July 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF STANHOPE'S OLDEST INHABITANT

There died on Saturday (23rd) at Stanhope, its oldest inhabitant, Thomas Gowland, in his 90th year. Deceased had been a lead miner nearly all his life, and worked in the Derwent mines, and also for many years in the London Lead Company's Bollihope mines.

In 1841, at High Bishopley, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 25, children John 9, Thomas 6, Eleanor 4, Elizabeth1, and Jane 2 months.

In 1851, Thomas Gowland, miner, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 39, children John, miner, aged 19, Thomas, miner, aged 16, Eleanor 14, Elizabeth 11, Jane 9, Harrison 6, Mary 2, and Ann 1.

In 1861, at Dodd House, Newlandside, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Jane 20, Harrison, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 12, Ann 11, Sarah 6, Elizabeth 3 months, and visitors son in law William Bowman, agricultural labourer, aged 25, and daughter Eleanor Bowman aged 24.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 68, his wife Elizabeth 58, children Harrison, lead miner, aged 26, Mary 22, Sarah 15, and granddaughter Eleanor Gowland 1 month. In 1881, at Bond Eale Terrace, Stanhope, Thomas Gowland, retired lead miner, aged 78, his wife Elizabeth 69, son in law Thomas Robinson, limestone quarryman, aged 24, and daughter Sarah Hannah Robinson aged 25. In 1891, at Town Foot (prospect Peace), Thomas Gowland, retired lead miner, aged 88, and his wife Elizabeth 79. Also Thomas Robinson, limestone quarryman, aged 34, and his wife Sarah Hannah aged 35.

IRONSTONE MINES

The Ironstone mines west of St John's Chapel, which have been closed for a considerable time were re-opened last week and a number of men employed. The Cartmen commenced on Monday to lead the stone.

Mr Ralph Walton of Island House, near St John's Chapel died last Saturday night after about a year of severe affliction, aged 55 years.

In 1851, at Huntshieldford, Anthony Walton, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Martha 53, children John, lead miner, aged 24, Ann 23, William, lead miner, aged 21, Anthony, lead miner, aged 17, Adam, lead miner, aged 16, Ralph, lead miner, aged 13, and Jefferson 10.

In 1881, at Huntshieldford, Ralph Walton, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Margaret 38, son Anthony 11 month, , and domestic servant Hannah Emerson aged 19. In 1891, at Frog Hall, Ralph Walton, engine brakesman at lead mine, aged 53, his wife Margaret 48, son H. J. 7, and brother Anthony Walton, widow, aged 59.

In 1901, at Huntshieldford, Nathan M Egglestone, single, printer, aged 54, sister Margaret Walton, widow, housekeeper, aged 58, and nephew Henry J. Walton, carpenter joiner, aged 17.

6th August 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Wednesday a bargain day was held at the Newhouse office in connection with the lead company and a number of more miners set to work.

Deaths

Town Head, Alston, 29th ult., aged 70, John Readshaw

In 1871, at Townfoot, Alston, Elizabeth Redshaw, unmarried, formerly domestic servant, aged 74, and son John, Agricultural labourer, aged 48.
In 1881, at Physic Hall, Bank Foot, John Readshaw, Ag. Labourer, aged 58, his wife Ann (Graham, married 4th quarter of 1875, Alston) aged 47, born Allendale, children Alfred 8, and Elizabeth 5.
In 1891, at Physic Hall, John Readshaw, general labourer, aged 69, his wife Ann aged 58, children Alfred drapers apprentice, aged 18, Lizzie A. stocking knitter, aged 15, and grandson Edwin Graham 6, born Gateshead.
In 1901, at Chapel Terrace, Ann Readshaw, widow, charwoman, aged 68, daughter Elizabeth A, stocking knitter, aged 25, and grandson Edwin Graham, ironmonger apprentice, aged 16.
See 23rd April 1892

12th August 1892 (London Gazette)

THE CASHWELL LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at 32, Mosley-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on the 12th day of September next, at three o'clock in the afternoon precisely, to receive the Liquidator's report, showing how the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and its property disposed of, to hear any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and to pass a Resolution as to the disposal of the books, accounts, and other documents of the Company.—Dated this 5th day of August,

13th August 1892 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

At Stanhope, Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, 6th inst., George Raine of Spain's Field, Eastgate to Miss Ellen Wilkinson of Rogerly Lodge, Frosterley.
At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 9th inst., the Rev Frank Jones to Florence, youngest daughter of John Millican, Croft House, Alston.
See 14th April 1894, 23 March 1901

Deaths

High Prudhoe, 11th inst., aged 82, Ann Pickering formerly of Alston.

In 1841, at Nest, Mathew Pickering, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ann aged 30, children Thomas 10, Joseph 10, Naomi 8, Teasdale 6, Margaret 4, and John 2.
In 1851, at Low Nest, Mathew Pickering, lead ore miner, aged 42, his wife Ann 41, children Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 20, Teasdale, lead ore miner, aged 16, Margaret 13, John 11, Hannah 7, Mathew Ralph 5, and William 2. In 1861, at Loat Burn, Ann, lead miners

widow, aged 50, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 32, Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Naomi, household work, aged 28, Teasdale, lead miner, aged 26, Mary A., household work, aged 19, Hannah, household work, aged 17, Matthew, lead ore washer, aged 15, William 12, Sarah 9, and Elisabeth 5.
In 1871, at Nenthall Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 60, children Thomas, lead miner & farmer, aged 42, William, lead miner, aged 22, and Elizabeth 15.
In 1881, at Mill House, Nenthead, Ann Pickering, lead miners widow, aged 71, children Hannah 37, and William, lead miner, aged 32. In 1891, at Front Street, Prudhoe, Ann Pickering, widow, aged 81, born Hudgill, Alston, children William, Prudential agent, insurance, aged 42, and Elizabeth 35.
See 24th September 1866, 23rd July 1867, 28th September 1872

13th August 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Elba, Nenthead, on the 7th inst., Elizabeth, daughter of William Stout, aged 1 year and 10 months.
In 1881, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, John Stout, farmer of 27 acres & quarryman, aged 54, his wife Hannah 50, children, Stephen, quarryman, aged 19, Henry, cartman aged 16, William 14, brother, William, quarryman, aged 58. See 11th April 1874, 1st May 1869, 29th May 1869, & 31st March 1883
William Stout married Sarah Ann Colling, 11th May 1890, at St John, Nenthead.
In 1891, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, William Stout, cartman, aged 24, his wife Sarah (Colling, married 2nd qtr 1890, registered at Alston) aged 26, born Stanhope, children, Margaret Colling 1, Elizabeth 7 months, and visitor Margaret Stout 13.
Sarah Ann Stout, was buried, 29th May 1900, at Nenthead, aged 39.
In 1901, at Elba, Nenthead, William Stout, widower, lead miner, aged 35, daughters, Margaret 11, Jane 8, Ethel 7, stepson, Fred Colling, cartman, aged 16, and niece, Margaret Walton, domestic servant, aged 23.
Jane Stout married Thomas Arnold Rutherford, 2nd qtr., 1919, registered at Alston.
In 1911, at Elba, Nenthead, William Stout, widower, lead miner timberman, aged 45, daughters, Margaret 21, Ethel 17, stepson, Frederick Collins, lead miner, aged 26, and niece, Margaret Walton, domestic servant, aged 33.
Margaret Colling Stout, married Joseph Graham, 4th qtr 1913, at Nenthead.
William Stout of Elba, Nenthead, died 11th November 1924.

20th August 1892 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
FATAL FALL DOWN A LEAD MINE
On Monday Mr J T Proud district coroner held an inquest at Bolt's Burn, Rookhope, Weardale, on the body of a man named Walton Reed, 24 years of age, who was a lead miner employed at the Grove Lead Mines. The deceased and his father were descending the mine, which is situated on the extreme boundary of the county, about eight mile north west of Stanhope. When about 20 feet from the bottom the cage slackened, and the deceased stepped out. His father was under the impression that the deceased thought the cage had descended to the bottom. The cage went further down and the man could hear it crush his son. He jumped out, and the deceased was immediately extracted.

He was unconscious at the time, and died shortly afterwards. A verdict of accidental death was returned.
On Tuesday last Private Walton Reed, a member of the Allenheads section of the F Company, 1st V.B.N.F was interred with military honours at St Peter's Allenheads.
In 1861, at Hope Head, John Reed, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Jane 51, children John, lead miner, aged 23, Walton, lead miner, aged 18, and Jane 14
In 1871, at Pry Field, John Reed, iron stone miner, aged 33, his wife Mary (Bell, married 22nd June 1861, St Peter, Allenheads?) aged 32, children Jane E. 11, John 9, Thomas 8, Ruth 5, Walton 3, and Dryden B. 10 months.
In 1881, at Ropehaugh Cottages, John Reed, lead ore miner, aged 43, his wife Mary aged 42, children John, lead ore miner, aged 19, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 18, Ruth 15, Walton 13, and Margaret E. 6.
In 1891, at Dirt Foot, Allenheads, John Reed, lead miner aged 54, his wife Mary 51, son Walton, lead miner, aged 22, daughter Margaret Emma 16, married daughter Ruth Robson, aged 24, and granddaughter Mary Jane Robson 6.
In 1901, at Rope Haugh, John Reed, lead ore miner, aged 64, and his wife Mary aged 61.

ALSTON

The Rev John Scott who has been visiting home for the last few weeks left Alston for America on Friday morning by the 10:5 train. He will embark at Liverpool today (Saturday).

27th August 1892 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Short's quarterly report as Medical Officer of Health for No. 2 district showed 9 deaths and 13 births or at the respective rates of 5.35 and 7.73 per 1000 per quarter. The sanitary condition was satisfactory.

27th August 1892 (Hexham Courant)

THE SAD CALAMITY NEAR MOSSWOOD.
HEROIC CONDUCT OF POLICE AND CIVILIANS.
SINGULAR DEATH OF MOTHER AND SON.

Yesterday, Mr W. Brewis Elsdon, deputy corona for South Northumberland, hold inquests at the remote farm-house of Mr W. T. Archer, the Crooked Oak, on the bodies of Susannah Snowdon, aged 51 years, the widow of Joseph Snowdon *(incorrect husband was Edward Snowdon)*, a lead miner, and her son, Joseph Snowdon, aged twelve years who lived at Silver Tongues in the parish of Shotley Low Quarter, and met with their deaths on Tuesday night: 23rd August, under most extraordinary circumstances.
Robert C. R. Snowdon, 10 years of age, identified the bodies of his mother and brother, and said that on Tuesday night, about six o'clock, his brother was sent by his mother to an old drift, about 200 yards from their home, to fetch some water. As he did not return Mrs Snowdon directed witness to go in search of his eider brother; and upon his arrival, he perceived that his brother was lying in face drift, upon his back, apparently quite dead. Witness ran and told his mother, who accordingly went to the drift, and also did not come back again.

Elizabeth Lowery, wife of Oliver Lowery, farmer of Cornfield House, Muggleswick testified that about seven o'clock on Tuesday evening she was called to the drift by the witness Snowdon, and observed the two dead bodies lying there in. The drift descended into the earth, the boy lying about three feet from the mouth, and the mother would be six feet from the entrance, but she was lying more to the side. There was a hole, which contained some water; but neither of the bodies was lying in the water. Witness could see the mother and son had not been drowned, but had been, in her positive opinion, suffocated by the foul air, which had accumulated in the drift.

John Fairless, a gamekeeper who lives at the Crooked Oak Farm, gave corroborative evidence, and added that he tried to get the bodies out, but he was immediately dazed, and had to leave the drift in an exhausted state, the foul air proving too much for him. The police were sent for, and they worked on for several hours endeavouring to rescue the bodies, but although they were just a few feet from the mourn, all the attempts of the explorers were of no avail, the foul vapours immediately attacking and prostrating them. When the darkness set in the lights they had procured went out on approaching the mouth of the drift.

In reply to the jury, witness said he had been a miner for 20 years, and he had never been so much affected by bad air in his life.

The Rev John Ingham, vicar of Muggleswick, Durham, described at length the strenuous and persistent exertions to rescue the bodies, which he declared had, without doubt, been suffocated by the noxious air which had gathered in the drift. He held lights to let the men see what they were doing, but they died out immediately on approaching the mouth of the drift. P.C. Haddon, stationed at Shotley Field, went into the spot to try to get the bodies out. A rope and chain was fastened to his waist, but the officer had not been in the drift many moments before he was overpowered by the foul air, and he was dragged out in a completely exhausted and unconscious state. The witness Fairless next went into the drift, but he had just gone as far as the bay was lying—only three feet from the surface—when he was utterly overcome by the noxious vapours, and was likewise pulled out in an exhausted and insensible condition. Acting upon his (witness) advice, it was deemed expedient to suspend operations for the recovery of the bodies till the following morning. In his opinion, every effort was made by the police and Fairless to bring the bodies to the surface that night, but their exertions proved futile.

P.C Haddon, stationed at Shotley Field, having given evidence,

The Rev J. Ingham remarked that he was very much pleased with the gallant and heroic conduct of P.C. Haddon and John Fairless and he thought some representation should be made of their behaviour to the proper quarters.

The Coroner, in summing up, spoke in terms of the honest commendation of the conduct of the witnesses in their endeavours to recover the deceased

A similar verdict was returned in both instances, viz., that Joseph Snowdon was accidentally suffocated in a disused drift at Silver Tongue, on the 23rd inst. whether he had gone in search of water, and that Susannah Snowdon, at the same time and place was also accidentally suffocated while attempting to rescue her son.

The jury furthermore recommended that the gallant conduct of P.C. Haddon should be brought before his superior officer so that he should receive some recognition far his valuable service the Foreman adding that many a policeman

had been promoted for doing far less. The Coroner concurred and said that he would write informing Captain Torry the Chief Constable for Northumberland, of the heroic behaviour of Haddon. The shocking occurrence has awakened a great deal of interest and sympathy throughout the district, and this was shown At the funeral of the bodies, which were interred at Snods Edge Church later on in the afternoon, there being a vast assemblage of relative and acquaintances from all parts of the district. There is a family left behind and the jury generously remitted their fees for their benefit.

In 1871, at Silver Tongues, Cottage, Shotley Low Quarter, Edward Snowdon, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Susanna 29, children Elizabeth Annable 7, Mary Jane 5, and Susanna 2 (died 2nd quarter 1874).

In 1881, at Silver Tongue, Shotley Low Quarter, Edward Snowdon, coal miner, aged 44, his wife Susannah 39, children, Isabella 9, William 7, Anna 4, Edward 2, and Joseph 1.

Edward Snowdon, died 3rd quarter 1885, aged 49.

In 1891, at Silver Tongue, Shotley Low Quarter, Susannah Snowdon, widow, living on her own means, aged 48, children, William, engineers apprentice, aged 17, Anna 14, Edward 12, Joseph 11, Robert 10, and granddaughter Ruth Snowdon, aged 7.

8th September 1892 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)

ELECTRICITY AT GREENSIDE MINES.—The General Electric Power and Traction Company have completed installations to which the Greenside Silver Lead Mines at the head of Ullswater will be lighted by electricity, and the ores be drawn from underground by locomotive on a road 1,200 yards long. The power is derived from a waterfall which drives a turbine. In all 100 horse power developed.

10th September 1892 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Alston, Foreshield Grains, 1st inst., aged 70, Ann Teasdale.

In 1891, at Grains House, Robert Teasdale, single, farmer, aged 55, sister Ann Teasdale, single, aged 66, nephew John Teasdale, single, butcher aged 43. See 14th April 1865, and 14th March 1891

Nenthead Pry House, 1st inst., aged 77, Thomas Graham, lead smelter.

In 1851, at High Galligill, Thomas Graham, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah (Cowing, married 13th June 1839, Alston) aged 34, children Thomas 11, Agnes 9, Margaret 8, George 5, Ridley 3, and Ann 7 months.

In 1861, at Pry House Thomas Graham, lead ore smelter, aged 45, his wife Sarah 44, children Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 21, Agnes, housemaid, aged 18, George, lead miner, aged 15, Ridley 13, Ann 10, Sarah 8, Joseph 6, William 4, and John 4

In 1871, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, lead manufacturer, aged 55, wife Sarah 54, children Agnes, servant, aged 28, Ridley, labourer, aged 23, Joseph, labourer, aged 16, William, labourer, aged 14, and John, labourer, aged 14.

In 1881, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, farmer of 20 acres, aged 65, wife Sarah 64, children Agnes, farmers daughter, aged 38, Ridley, lead ore smelter, aged 33, Sarah, farmers daughter, aged 28, Joseph, general smith,

aged 26, John, farmers son, aged 24, and William, stoker at lead smelting works, aged 24.
In 1891, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, farmer, aged 75, his wife Sarah 74, children Agnes 48, Sarah 38, and William, lead ore smelter, aged 33. In 1901, at Dykeheads, William Graham, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Phoebe, (Atkinson, married 2nd quarter of 1894, Alston) aged 28, children John 6, Annie, 4, and Evelyn E. 1 year.
See 30th December 1882, 7th June 1890, and 18th March 1909

10th September 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD.

The 43rd annual Floral and Horticultural show, was held on Saturday last. The weather for several days previous had militated very much against the garden produce, strong winds and heavy rains having in many instances destroyed the beauty of and made useless for competition, many a promising flower; but it was a surprise to find such a display as was collected in the spacious schoolroom, which reflected credit on the local amateurs, who have to fight against many disadvantages which those who are living in sheltered and peaceful valleys know nothing about. The pot plants, which were a numerous collection, included some splendid specimens, both in foliage and bloom. Cut flowers were a little behind the bloom exhibited on previous years. Hand bouquets and buttonhole bouquets were a good collection, many of them being gems of artistic arrangement, and contained both beauty and good taste. Fruits were a marvellous display considering that for days they had been, where uncovered, at the mercy of inclement weather. Gooseberries, red and black currants especially demand note, and would have been worthy of a place on the bench of a much larger show. Vegetables, which are often a great feature of this show, were a little behind this year. Special mention must be made of the potatoes, which were of a superior class. A good few specials were given for competition, and in some instances were very keenly competed for. In addition to the show of flowers, fruits, and vegetables, special prizes were awarded fur butter. Prizes were given for the best loaf of white bread, and also grey bread. The exhibits were good in quality but few in number. The prizes offered for needlework had not a very numerous collection of exhibits, but those to hand were a very creditable lot. Mr. Petty the respected schoolmaster at Nenthead, had for inspection a large collection of drawings, both in model and freehand, these being the test papers as previously done by the scholars. …

17th September 1892 (Hexham Herald)

PRACTICAL SYMPATHY

It will be remembered that a serious accident happened to a young man named Hetherington working at the mines at Nenthead some weeks ago. The injuries were such a nature that the unfortunate young man will be unable to follow his employment again even if he will be able to do anything. To show sympathy with the young man Messrs W. Sanders and J Green, very kindly undertook to collect what money they could in Alston. The result is that the sum of £20 15s has been handed over to Mr W. L. Hornsby, Nenthead to be disposed of as will best suit the young man.
See 9th July 1892

Deaths

Hayring Cottages near Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 24, Thomas W. son of the late John Lowe.

In 1861, at Nenthall, John Lowe, 33, his wife Sarah aged 27, and daughter Mary 7 years. In 1871, at Pry Head, John Lowe 44, his wife Sarah 37, children Mary 17, Sarah Ann 19, John J. 5, and Thomas W. 2. In 1881, at Nenthall, Sarah Lowe, lead miners wife, aged 47, and son Thomas W. lead ore washer, aged 12. In 1881, John Lowe, lead miner, aged 53, was a patient at the Cumberland & Westmorland, Counties Asylum, Garland.

In 1891, at Island Cottage, Nenthead, Sarah Lowe, widow (John died, 1st quarter of 1882, aged 54, registered Carlisle), aged 57, and son Thomas W. driving in mines, aged 22.

Sarah Lowe of Hayring, was buried 5th July 1896, aged 63, at Nenthead.

See 8 March 1890

24th September 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD AGRICULTURAL SHOW

The seventeenth annual show in connection with the above was held on Saturday last in a field at the west end of the village. The weather, which had been very unsettled through the week, took a change for the better, the morning of show being bright though cold. Early in the day visitors began pouring into the village from all directions, the village being centrally situated and of ease access from Weardale, Allendale, Garrigill, and Alston. The first item on the program was the open trotting match, the winner turning up in Mr. Simpson's pony, Alston, piloted by Master Simpson; second, Mr. E. Peart's (Miners' Arms), Nenthead; five ran. The show of stock was excellent, some of the classes containing well-known winners at various shows, Mrs. Graham and Son about sweeping the deck in the blackfaced classes and taking the special in the best collection of blackfaced sheep on the ground; the special for Leicester's going to Mrs. Bright for her tup. Mr. Hodgson took the special for the best horse (in the district classes) with his noted winning yearling filly, this animal having only once been beaten this season. The most notable class was the open class for ponies under 14½ hands high for which there were 23 entries and comprised the cream of this and last year's neighbouring shows, the first prize going to William Rutherford, Black Dean, Weardale; second, John Foster, Allendale; third, Thos. Peart, Burnhope, Weardale. The amount taken at the gate was highly satisfactory, having only once been beaten, and that by a few shillings only. Dinner, supplied by Mr. E. Peart, Miners ' Arms, was held in the Band Room, and served up in Mrs. Peart's well known style. After dinner commenced the district trotting. Four competed; Mrs. Bright's pony winning, Mr. Pearl's again scoring second. The music through the day was ably supplied by the Weardale Brass Band under the leadership of Mr. William English. Dancing on the ground freely indulged in until darkness set in. …

Deaths

At the Butts, Alston, on the 19th inst., Peter Gilmore, aged 36 years. At the same place, on the 21st inst., Patrick Gilmore, father of the above.

In 1871, at the Butts, Alston, Patrick Gilmore, hawker, aged 35, born Ireland, his wife Elizabeth aged 29, born Carlisle, children, Peter, hawker, aged 16, born Carlisle, Mary A 13, Margaret J 2, John W 1 month, and lodgers, George

Irwin, Hawker, aged 62, born Hexham, and his wife Isabella aged 61, born Hexham.
In 1881, at the Butts, Alston, Patrick Gilmore, general dealer, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 39, children, Margaret J 12, John Wm 10, Isabella 7, Elizabeth 2, and Patrick 7 months.
Elizabeth Gilmore died 1st qtr., 1886, aged 43, registered at Alston.
In 1891, at the Butts, Patrick Gilmore, widower, general dealer, aged 56, children, Isabella, stocking knitter, aged 17, Elizabeth, stocking knitter, aged 13, and Patrick 11.
Peter Gilmore married Elizabeth Walton, 4th qtr., 1882, registered at Carlisle.
In 1891, at the Butts, Peter Gilmore, mineral dealer, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 31, children, Patrick 7, Bernard 5, and Joseph 1.

1st October 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON

An inquest was held by Mr. J. B. Lee, coroner for East Cumberland, at the Greyhound Inn, Alston, on the 23rd ult., touching the death of Patrick Gilmore, aged 59 years, general dealer, residing at the Butts, Alston, who died very suddenly at 11-30 a.m. on the 21st Mr. T. Richardson, C.C., was foreman of the jury. Evidence was given by John W. Gilmore and Dr. Pringle, who gave it as his opinion that the cause of death was, inflammation of the lungs, The jury returned a verdict that deceased died from natural causes.

1st October 1892 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

EMIGRATION

On Tuesday last Mrs Thompson and children the wife and family of Mr John Thompson late of Nenthead and now in the United States, left Alston for Liverpool, where they embark on Wednesday for New York, by the Inman liner, City of New York. Since Mr Thompson entered the ministerial work he has made good progress having passed his examinations and been accepted by the Conference. He has recently been ordained and is doing well.
See 18th June 1892, 2nd September 1893, 28th October 1898, 29th July 1899, and 12th January 1901.

WEARDALE

Mr John Spark has been appointed manager of Parson Byers limestone quarry in the place of Mr Wm. Wedgewood deceased.

Marriages

Wesleyan Chapel Alston, 29th ult., Thomas Smith, Nenthall to Rosina Olga Sophia Agnes Heslop, Nentsbury.
In 1901, at Clog Hall, Thomas Smith, blacksmith for mines, aged 32, his wife Rosina O S A 32, children John 7, William M 5, and Sarah 1.
In 1911, at Clog Hall, Thomas Smith, blacksmith, aged 43, his wife Rosina Olga Sophia Agnes 42, children John, blacksmiths apprentice, aged 17, William Morley, lead ore dresser, aged 15, and Sarah 11.
See 8th January 1870

4th October 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

A SCHOOL BOARD FOR ALSTON.—Owing to the closing of Nenthead School and the improbability of the requisite accommodation being provided by

voluntary effort, the Education Department have given instructions for the formation of a School Board for Alston parish to consist of five members. The time for making nominations expired on Friday and the following candidates will seek election.—George Pickering, farmer, Garrigill; W A. Rutherford vicar, Alston; Hugh Bell, joiner, Alston; Robert Elliot, bank agent, Alston; Henry Walton, farmer, Howburn; Thomas Harrison, farmer, Nenthead; Jonathan Rutherford, Nenthead; Charles Berry, vicar, Nenthead, Joseph R. Walton, bank agent, Alston; Thomas Richardson, farmer, Coatlith Hill; John Millican, retired draper, Alston; Thomas Bramwell, coal agent, Alston. Withdrawals must be made before 4 o'clock to-day and the election is on the 11th inst.

15th October 1892 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Bondgate Wesleyan Chapel, Darlington, 6th inst., John Peart, mining engineer, Alston to Margaret Ann Smith, youngest daughter of the late Jacob Smith of Cow Gap, Alston.
See 20th December 1861, and 9th May 1891

15th October 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION.
The election for five members to constitute the School Board was held on Tuesday, voting taking place at Alston, Nenthead, and Garrigill. There were eleven candidates for the five seats. There was no great stir on during the day, all passing off very quietly. A number of voters, especially at Alston, did not exercise their power. Garrigill seems to have polled the greatest number in proportion. Altogether about 551 persons entered the booths at the three places--at Alston, 243; Nenthead, 183; Garrigill, 125. Opinion was much divided as to who should head the poll. Some canvassing was done by persons interested in certain candidates. Many people seem, however, to have taken little or no interest in the matter, as they had no thought of going to poll until solicited to do so. There were 21 spoiled papers. The votes were counted on Wednesday, and the result declared during the afternoon as follows:

ELECTED.	
Mr. Henry Walton, Howborn	533
Mr. T. Harrison, Nenthead	362
Mr. J. Rutherford, Nenthead	361
Mr. H. Bell, Alston	333
Mr. K. Elliott, Alston	308
NOT ELECTED	
Mr. G. Pickering, Garrigill	302
Mr. J. R. Walton, Alston	195
Mr. T. Richardson, Alston	109
Rev. C. Berry, Nenthead	52
Mr. T. Bramwell, Alston	50
Rev. W. A. Rutherford, Alston	29

It will thus be seen that the Board is composed of one Churchman and four Nonconformists. A petition was being signed on Saturday, praying that the expenses of the Nenthead School, over which the Board will have control, should be paid by the Nenthead people. This, however, is scarcely likely to be granted.

Deaths
At Gethel, Snohomish Co., Washington, U.S.A., very suddenly, John son of the late Thomas Graham, of Pryhouse, Nenthead, aged 35 years.
See 13th July 1872, 11th December 1875, 27th April 1878
At Alston, on the 8th inst., Thomas Turner, stonemason and contractor. *(aged 69)*
At Cocklake, on the 8th inst., Jane Walton, aged 90 years. *Farmers Widow*

15th October 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Allendale Town Primitive Methodist Chapel, 13th inst., William Liddle, Swinhope Shield to Margaret only daughter of John Parker, Allenheads.
At Alston Wesleyan Chapel, 10th inst., Jonah Aden Stephenson, High Craig, Garrigill to Charlotte Bainbridge, Wood House, Barnard Castle.
In 1901, at Mickleton, Yorkshire, Jona A Stephenson, stone quarryman, aged 34, born Alston, his wife Charlotte 33, born Middleton, children Mary H 7, Frances A 5, and Margaret S 3.
Deaths
Haggs Bank, 10th inst aged 82, Jane wife of John Fawcett.
See 2nd January 1869

29th October 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
SUCCESS OF AN ALSTONIAN IN CANADA.—We are pleased to notice from the Canadian papers, some good work with the rifle done by a native of Alston, Mr. Charles Millican, son of Mr. John Millican, Croft House, Alston. At the Annual Battalion Shooting, he with 5 others tried for the premier honours in the first competition, in the second was top scorer, and although dropping the third position in the third match came off with the highest score in the grand aggregate.

5th November 1892 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Mr Joshua Dawson, Wesleyan Evangelist died at his residence, Pryse House, near St John's Chapel on Monday night at the age of 71. … Mr Dawson who in early life was a lead ore washer, and afterwards a lead ore miner. He afterwards started a business in a small way, and was rural letter carrier when the present postal arrangement was in its infancy. The subsequent growth of his business enabled him to devote himself more fully to evangelistic work all over the kingdom.
(Wesleyan preacher for 45 years visiting nearly every part of Great Britain)
In 1841, at Hood, Joshua Dawson, constable, aged 60, Hannah, 20, Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 15, and Thomas 1 month.
In1851, at Low Prise, Joshua Dawson, school master, aged 29, his wife Frances 29, children Tinniswood 6, Hannah 2, and Ann 9 months.
In 1861, at St John's Chapel, Joshua Dawson, draper, grocer, and postmaster, aged 40, wife Francis 39, children Tinniswood 16, Hannah 12, Sarah A. 4, Francis E. 2, Mary A. 1, nephew Thomas Dawson, drapers assistant, aged 20, and general servant Elizabeth Dawson 19.
In 1871, at Post Office, St John's Chapel, Frances Dawson, draper & grocer, aged 49, children Tinniswood, draper & grocer, aged 26, Hannah 22, Frances

E. 12, Mary A. 11, Phoebe P. 9, nephew Thomas, draper, aged 29, servant, John Richardson, post messenger & drapers assistant, aged 18, and domestic servant Hannah Hill, aged 18.
In 1871, Joshua was in Maryport, Crosscanonby, Cumberland; at No. 11 Wood Street, John Telford, jeweller & watchmaker, aged 50, his wife Frances 52, children Mary C. 22, John, watch maker, aged 19, Joseph R. 13, visitor Joshua Dawson, grocer & postmaster, aged 50, and visitor Mary Johnstone 27.
In 1881, at High Prise, Stanhope, Joshua Dawson, evangelist, aged 60, his wife Frances 59, daughter Hannah, missionary widow, aged 32, grandchildren Florence A. Race 4, Russell T. Race 2, Joseph D. Race 6 months, daughters Sarah A. 24, Mary A. 21, and Phoebe T. 19, and domestic servant Elizabeth Shaw, aged 22. Frances had predeceased Joshua, she died in the last quarter of 1889.
See 6th November 1875, 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, and 21st October 1893.

Deaths

Dyke Heads, Nenthead 27th ult., aged 66, Matthew Stephenson *(Yeoman farmer).*
Joseph Stephenson married Nancy Spotswood, 30th June 1808, at Alston, Joseph Stephenson, aged 46, died at Wellgill, 7th July 1831.
In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Ann Stephenson, widow, land owner & farmer of 8 acres, aged 60, sons Henry, lead miner, aged 41, Joseph, lead miner, aged 33, Matthew, lead miner, aged 26, and general servant Mary Hunter aged 19.
Ann Stephenson died 2nd quarter of 1849.
In 1861, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 51, brothers Joseph, lead miner, aged 43, Matthew, lead miner, aged 36, nephew Allison S Teasdale 13, and general servant Elizabeth Longstaff aged 28.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Henry Stephenson, lead miner, aged 61, brother Joseph, lead miner, aged 53, brother Mathew, lead miner, aged 46, son Allison Stephenson Teasdale, lead miner, aged 23, servant Tamar Walton, house keeper, aged 34, and boarder John Walton 9.
In 1881, at Dykeheads, Matthew Stephenson, farmer of 60 acres, aged 57, wife Tamer (Walton, married 23rd August 1874, Nenthead) aged 44, daughter Mary Ann 6, boarder John Walton, lead miner, aged 19, and domestic servant Elizabeth Barron aged 20.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Matthew Stephenson, farmer, aged 66, wife Tamar 54, and daughter Mary A. 16. See 29th August 1874, & 16th December 1893

5th November 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

BOARD OF GUARDIANS ALSTON.—SATURDAY.

Present--Messrs. H. Walton (chairman), Pickering, Richardson, Millican, Nicholson, T. Walton, Lee, and J. R. Walton.

The CLERK said they had a large sum to pay on account of a pauper lunatic recently removed from Newcastle to Garlands. The amount was £33 7s. Under the Act they were liable for the woman's maintenance for twelve months previous to their having accepted her as chargeable to Alston. He had already made their return of pauper lunatics, and he would have to make a duplicate

return in order to secure the return of 4s. per week on account of this additional inmate.
A letter was read from Mr. A. Thomas, M.P. for East Glamorgan, stating that on the meeting of Parliament he proposed to move an appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the present working of the Poor Law Act of 1832, and if deemed desirable to suggest changes in its provisions. If the Board thought this was required, he asked them to embody their assent in a resolution.
The Collector statement showed:—Recoverable arrears, Aug. 31, £493 2s. 9d.; collected, £353 11s. 3d.; irrecoverable, £21 1s. 6d.; legally excused, £3 3s. 7d; recoverable, Sept. 30, £110 6s. 3d.
A lengthy report by Dr. Carson on the Sanitary condition of No. 1 District—having in view a possible visitation of cholera—was read. It set forth the possibility of cholera germs being imported into England in the winter and lying dormant until next year. It was, therefore, imperative to take precautions against the development of these germs. He had inspected the district. The sewer at Kate's-lane and the Malting had not been efficiently flushed, and he advocated its connection with the main sewer, and the fixing of gully traps. There were nuisances at the Mill Race and at Back-o'-Burn, and certain offensive middens required removal i*n toto*. A place of deposit for town refuse was required. He again advocated the adoption of the Compulsory Notification of Diseases Act.
The CHAIRMAN said several of the matters referred to had been embodied in the Inspector's report. and already attended to.—The CLERK said there were now 17 indoor paupers as compared with 19 for the corresponding week last year, and 27 vagrants had been relieved. There had been two removals to the Workhouse from Garlands. One of them had been at the asylum perhaps 25 years.
Mr. RICHARDSON—What will he have cost us?
Mr. MILLICAN—A good round sum.
The CLERK—The most costly pauper ever we had was one who was resident 40 years in the asylum at a cost to the parish of £1500.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

The attendance list showed:—

	No. on Books	Attendance Average
Nenthead	133	110
Nenthall	45	42
Tynehead	20	14
Garrigill	55	47
Leadgate	25	23
Alston High	130	114
Alston Girls	59	46
Alston Infant	63	50

The CLARK said he had been under the impression that the duties of the Attendance Committee ceased on the formation of a School Board. He found, however, on referring to the Act, that these duties were to be performed for two months from the date of the election of the Board.

A VOTE OF THANKS TO MRS. JAMES.

Mr. RICHARDSON said that a meeting of the trustees of the High School had just been held, and the arrangements for the transfer had been completed. After the purchase of the school and site, and the putting up of additional buildings, they had a slight balance in hand. He therefore had a motion to make, with which

he thought they would all cordially agree. That was that they accord a vote of thanks to the lady (Mrs. James, of Liverpool), through whose munificence the school was placed in its present condition. Mr. PICKERING seconded the motion, which was cordially agreed to.

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ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

A sum of £50 would be required for special sanitary purposes for Nenthead.

Marriages

Stanhope Wesleyan Chapel, 12th inst., William Featherstone, Ireshope Burn to Miss Jane Peart, also Emerson Bowes, Lone Hill to Miss Fanny Peart, Lanehead, Weardale.

19th November 1892 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Stanhope 10th inst. aged 51, Thomas Vipond.

In 1851, at Mathew Vipond, lead ore miner, aged 34, Elizabeth (Rain, married 29th February 1840, St John, Garrigill) aged 40, children Hannah 14, Winsele 14, Thomas 10, Ann 8, Mary 6, and John 3 months.

In 1861, at High Shield Hill, Matthew Vipond, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 50, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Ann 18, Mary 16, John 12, William 9, and Matthew 7

In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Thomas Vipond, lead miner, aged 29, and his wife Elizabeth (Richardson, married 6th June 1867, Alston) aged 24.

In 1881, at Sound Burn, Stanhope, Thomas Vipond, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 33, children Elizabeth A. 9, Maggie 6, and Ruth 2.

In 1891, at Stanhope, Thomas Vipond, limestone quarryman, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44, children Elizabeth A., housemaid, aged 9, Maggie, farm servant, aged 16, Ruth 12, James 7, and Mary H. 4.

In 1901, at Stanhope, Elizabeth Vipond, widow, laundress, aged 52, son James William 17, daughter Mary Hannah 14, general servant domestic Mary Hetherington aged 32, and boarder William Garthwaite, limestone quarry worker, aged 27.

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—A meeting of the general committee was held on Saturday. Present: Rev. W. Farries (chairman), W. Core (secretary), Councillor Richardson, Rev. P. T. Lee, Messrs. T. Lattimer, G. W. Storey, R. Dent, T. Richardson, H. Petty, W. Holmes, and Dr. Short. It was intimated that the cookery classes would commence at Alston on Monday, the 21st inst. The fees received from the students to be used for local expenses, each student to pay the gum of 1s for the course. The public will be charged the sum of 6d each during the parochial course, the demonstrations being free. An account of the income and expenditure incurred during the time the cookery classes had been held at Nenthead and Garrigill to be sent in to Alston. Reference was made to the incident of the gas going out during Mr. London's lecture in the Town Hall. It

was considered to have been a misadventure, and not due to any wilfulness on the part of anyone.

SCHOOL BOARD.—The Board met on Saturday, and there were present Messrs. Elliott (chairman), T. Harrison, H. Bell, J. Rutherford, H. Walton, and T. W. Dickinson (clerk). The Chairman said he had notified to the Education Department the appointment of Mr. Dickinson as clerk. The Clerk said he had visited Nenthead School and had seen the corresponding manager and the treasurer to the old managers. They had not received any money nor paid any accounts this year. He understood the managers were willing to hand over the furniture and other assets if the Board would take the liabilities. Some discussion took place as to whether the Department would allow them to take over the liabilities, and ultimately the clerk was directed to ask the Department for leave to assume the liabilities on condition that they receive the assets, and also whether the late managers were entitled to a portion of the grant. The question of by-laws was considered, and it was thought best to leave the matter over till the time for the attendance committee expire. On the motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by the Chairman it was decided to retain the present staff of teachers till the end of the year on the old terms. The Clerk was directed to order the necessary books for the Board's transactions, and it was decided to continue the same scale of charges. The Clerk estimated the expenditure for the current year at £238 16s. 5d., and the receipts at about £176, and it was thereupon decided to issue a precept for £100. Mr. Harrison, drew attention to the supply of coal, and it was resolved to ask for tenders of the local coal agents. The Clerk said that Mr. Petty wished to know if the Board would form a committee for the science and art classes in the school, and it was resolved that such be done.

BOARD OF GUARDIANS

The fortnightly meeting was held on Saturday. Present—Messrs. H. Walton (chairman), G. Pickering, T. Richardson, W. Lee, J. Millican, J. Dickinson, T. Harrison, T. Nicholson, and T. Walton.

The use of the Board Roam was granted to the School Board for their meetings.

The Clerk read a communication from the Local Government Board which provides that the power, hitherto vested in the medical officer only, of allowing tobacco and snuff to inmates of the workhouse be exercised by the Guardians. They may at their discretion allow a certain quantity of tobacco or snuff to any pauper not able-bodied, or who is employed in any disagreeable work. On the suggestion of the Workhouse Master, who was called in, it was resolved to allow each pauper from lee to 1oz. to 1½oz. tobacco per week, time and place of smoking at the discretion of the Master.

The CLERK said the estimates for the ensuing half-year were £500, as against, £550 for the corresponding period of last year, and a precept was issued accordingly. Of the arrears due at the beginning of the month £110 6s. 5d., £56 7s. 9d. had been collected. There were 17 inmates in the house and 19 vagrants had been admitted.

Mr. N. WALTON (relieving officer) stated that the half-yearly vaccination had passed over and that with one exception the law had been complied with, and that was in the case of a child of Mr. W. Sinclair, Nenthead. Mr. Sinclair did not believe in vaccination. It was decided that Mr. Sinclair be summoned before the magistrates.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The CLERK reported that £130 would be required for the ensuing six months for sanitary and highway purposes. A sum of £50 would also be required for special sanitary purposes for Nenthead. Dr. CARSON, medical inspector for No. 2 District reported nine deaths during the quarter or at the rate of 5.2 per 1000. Births numbered eight. There had been two cases of scarlatina, one of erysipelas, and one very mild of typhoid. With regard to the filthy collection on Burn Bank, he wished the Guardians to see it for themselves.

The SANITARY INSPECTOR stated he was unable to prevent people depositing refuse, nor had he any other place to remove it to. He was directed to have the accumulation removed.

Mr. KIRSOP, surveyor, presented a proposal from the Garrigill Burial Board, from which it appeared that, being desirous of rebuilding the cemetery walls, they wished to take in about 18 inches of the roadway for a few yards, reducing it from 21ft. to 19ft. 6in. in breadth, and applied for the sanction of the Highway Board. In return they agreed to give a portion of land at each end of the cemetery. It was considered that the change would be a desirable improvement, but Mr. RICHARDSON pointed out that from similar cases which had come before the County Council he was convinced the Authority could not legally alienate any portion of a highway.

The CLERK concurred, and it was passed by a majority of the Board that the request be acceded to, though it was not entered on the minutes.

2nd December 1892 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE LEAD WORKERS' CRISIS IN TEESDALE

The utter prostration of the lead trade in Treesdale oombined with the strike of the whole of the miners employed by the London Lead Company, writes our Teesdale correspondent, is being keenly felt throughout the neighbourhood. The determined attitude of the masters and men seems to preclude the possibility of an early settlement of the dispute, Mr. W. T, Scarth, the chief agent of Lord Barnard, of Raby, who is the owner of the royalties, has agreed to proceed to London for the purpijse of having an interview with the directors. Meanwhile, the impoverished condition of the men is exciting much sympathy. The question of outside assistance has been raised, and it was proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the unemployed that a statement of the heartrending condition of the lead miners be forwarded to the union lodges, and all those interested in the labour question. With the approach of winter the outlook is extremely dismal.

3rd December 1892 (Hexham Courant)

FOURSTONES

A BOY KILLED AND A MAN INJURED

A sad accident, which was attended with fatal results, occurred at Prudham Freestone Quarry (Fourstones) on Wednesday morning last. A boy named Benjamin Irwin, 12 years of age, son of Mr Joseph Irwin, Engineer, was employed by Messrs Benson to convey away "bearing" from the quarry with a horse and waggon and on driving up to the face of the quarry on Wednesday a huge mass of earth weighing ten tons gave way and fell to the bottom entirely burying the little fellow. The foreman Mr Wood was also partly buried beneath

the debris and had his right leg broken. … About a quarter of an hour elapsed before the boy was dug out, and when found he was quite dead.
In 1891, at Kiln Cottages, Warden, Ann Thornburn, widow, aged 68, sons, William, labourer, aged 28, John, labourer, aged 25, and grandson, Ben Irwin, scholar, aged 10.

3rd December 1892 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Iron Company have given notice to their workmen in Upper Weardale to terminate their engagement shortly, as they are stacking up the iron ore.

Deaths

Alston Market Place, 27th ult., Wm. Lee, grocer and draper.
He had married 8 or 9 months previous, he was a member of the Alston Volunteer Corp, had been unwell the past few months, he was aged 35.

10th December 1892 (Northern Echo)

TEESDALE LEADMINERS. AN APPEAL.

We are asked to print the following appeal on behalf of the Teesdale leadrniners:—
"For many years lead mining has been the staple industry of Teesdale, large quantities of lead being raised every year in the mines worked by the London Lead Company. The mines are principally situated in the manors from five to ten miles distant from Middleton in Teesdale where a large number of the men employed at the mines reside. Owing to the lonely situation of the mines far away from any human habitation the company provide large lodging houses or shops (to use the native term) near the principle entrance to each mine, in which the labourers stay until they complete their weekly work. The miners were required to give 40 hours labour each week, but to meet this case they were allowed to complete their work in four days the hours being divided as follows: Mondays 8 hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 12 hours: and Thursday 8 hours, commencing on Monday at 11 am, and finishing on Thursday at 2 pm, a system not in accordance with the eight hours movement but one very satisfactory to the miners themselves, taking into consideration mine shop life and its surroundings. The miners work chiefly by piece, being paid a certain sum per fathom, such price being fixed quarterly by the company's agents, according to the nature of the stone or vein in prices varying from £10 to £1 per fathom. On the miners going to the company's offices on October 28th to renew their bargains, they found that the directors had laid down a new system of working, the conditions of which when laid before the men, were so unjust that upwards of 150 refused to accept their bargains. By the new conditions they were required to spend 106 hours in and about the mine shops each week for the purpose of working 40 hours in the mine, the shifts ranging over five days instead of four. The miners would gladly have accepted the new system had they been able to get to their own homes each night, but under the the new rules obliged to take their meat with them to the mine shop and stay them all the week, they refused to accept them but offered to work an extra hour on the Monday and Thursday, thus making their shifts two 9 hours and two 11 hours. This was refused by the directors. On November 4th the miners made a new offer—viz., to be allowed to resume work under the old system refer the new

system to arbitration, and abide by the decision of the arbitrator. This offer was also refused. On November 12th the following offer: was submitted—viz., to accept the new terms under protest, desiring arbitration within three months, but this also shared the fate of the others, the men being told that if they took any bargains at all they would have to accept the new terms unconditionally, which practically means imprisonment with a slight amount of liberty.

“Another injustice under which the miners suffer is the system of payment of wages. They are paid monthly, but do not receive the wages (which are by no means large, averaging about 15s per week) until a month after they are worked for. Thus a person commencing to work in the mines has to work eight weeks before he receives any wages, a state of affairs unparalleled in other parts of England. Upfortunately the miners are not connected with any association, and are practically helpless unless financial help from some quarter is forthcoming, for even ii they accept the master's terms, shortly, as they received their last pay on the 26th it is feared great distress will be experienced. Subscriptions are earnestly solicited to meet the urgency of the case, and will be thankfully received by the treasurers, Mr John Hutchinson, Masterman-place, Middleton-in-Teesdale, and Mr Michael Richardson, Town End, Middleton-in-Teesdale.

10th December 1892 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

OUR LOCAL INDUSTRIES.

II.—THE BARYTES MINES ON DUFTON FELL.

The glory of Cumberland and Westmorland is their mountains, and it is our joy to live in a land encircled by the mighty hills, as the mountains “round about Jerusalem." Mountaineering is a splendid recreation, and we would suggest to our youth, amongst whom there is undoubtedly a tendency to indulge in athletic exercise to the damage of the heart and arteries, that if they would make themselves acquainted with the beauties of the scenery that surrounds us, throwing in at the same time an inter mixture of botany, geology, and natural history, they would find a greater reward than they possibly can in the almost exclusive pursuit of football, which at the best, even if it lead to strong legs, conduces, we are afraid very much to “wooden heads." It was Keats who said that “a thing of beauty is a joy forever,” and we can say that the memory of some of the grand panoramic views that we have had from various elevations in the district will never fade away. The neighbourhood of the pretty fellside village of Dufton is a favourite resort, and the “High Cup Nick" will repay a visit at any time of the year, provided there is a clear atmosphere. Our last excursion, in connection with our project of giving to our readers some account of the various Local Industries scattered up and down around us, was to Dufton, with a view to making ourselves acquainted with an industry which has only sprung up within the last few years—the barytes mines. We met with a genuine hearty welcome from Mr. Gibson, the worthy manager of the Dufton Fell Barytes Company Limited, to whom we had previously intimated our intention of giving him a call, and after partaking of his unostentatious hospitality, we set off in company with one of the workmen to Rundale, that part of Dufton Fell immediately behind Dufton Pike, a huge sugar-loaf shaped hill, that seems in the vast ages behind us, to have broken away from the range we call the “Backbone of England.’’ There, right up in the mountain gorge, at an elevation of some 1600 ft., after trudging an ascending road nearly three miles, we came to the barytes mines. These mines are worked on old levels, which were made

in the days of lead mining, when the London Lead Company, in hope of finding an El Dorado amongst the Cumberland and Westmorland hills, but where, alas for human plans they are said to have sunk in a very literal sense in the Silver Band and other mines some £40,000. Notwithstanding, there is still some faith left in the project of finding profitable working for lead ore in these hills, for a new company is erecting at great coat machinery in the Murton district, a few miles south of Dufton, and vigorously prosecuting mining operations there. But we have come to see the barytes mines, and the first thing our readers will ask is—what is barytes? Speaking technically, it is the sulphate of barium, but in every day parlance, it is what we commonly call heavy spar, because of its high specific gravity. It is found abundantly in almost every country, usually accompanying, in the place where it is found, galena, or common lead ore, of which it frequently forms the gangue. It is beautifully crystallized, of various colours, from a snowflake white to a brown. It is translucent and often almost transparent. It is also insoluble, and the only salt of the earth which is not poisonous. Years ago, when the London Lead Company were at work, barytes had no commercial value, and was simply debris from the lead ore, to be cast aside as useless. Reaching a hut up the mountain side, enveloping ourselves in cap and overcoat (some sizes too large), and putting on a pair of waterproof boots, we ascended the hill by a circuitous path until we reached the place where the mineral is washed and sorted by men and boys, before being sent down to the mill at Dufton to grind. From this point we made an almost perpendicular ascent to the level known as Cragg's level, and lighted candle in hand, accompanied by our guide, we penetrated underground until we reached the termination of the working, and there found the miners at work picking out the stone, which glistened in the light of the candles, pieces of lead shining here and there like diamonds. This is carried in a small waggon along the tramway, and is tipped into a pit, where it is washed or “hushed” down an artificial channel to the place where the men were washing. The washers sort it into three divisions, and pick out the pieces of lead ore into a separate heap. The latter is not manipulated by the company, but is sold and sent away to the smelt mills, its value being about £6 per ton. There is very little silver in the ore found in Dufton Fell. The barytes is carted down to the mill at Dufton, where it is classified, then dried on a large kiln, and Afterwards ground, passing through three pairs of millstones, and coming out at the third operation as a fine impalpable powder. This is packed in bags or casks, conveyed to Longmarton Station, and despatched to its destination as ordered. The powder is used for various purposes, both in connection with pottery and fine paper making, but it is chiefly employed in the manufacture of paints, its quality being according to its purity of colour. When perfectly white its commercial value is somewhere about £2 per ton, and the less pure down to 10s. The pure white is used for painting in water colours, but its more general use is in the preparation of common paints, for which it is peculiarly adapted, owing to the fact that it is impervious to any kind of weather, and its use has cheapened paints very much. It is sent from Dufton to all parts of England, Scotland, and Ireland. This industry has been of considerable importance to the village of Dufton in the matter of the employment of labour, and it is our wish that the Dufton Fell Barytes Company may meet with every success in its speculative enterprise, and so extend its business that still greater commercial prosperity may come to the village.

12th December 1892 (Northern Echo)

THE TEESDALE MINERS. MEETING ON SATURDAY.

The leadminers now on strike held a meeting at Middleton on Saturday.-Mr John Hutchinson (chairman) detailed what had taken place since their last meeting. Mr W. T. Scarth had met the directors in London on Friday, with a view of effecting a settlement, but he regretted to say that his endeavours had been unsueceesfull. An appeal for funds had also been issued, and copies forwarded to 29 trade unions. He had received replies from Mr J. Wilson, secretary of the National Association of Miners; Mr Patterson, secretary of the Durham Miners' Union and Mr Winwood, secretary Staffordshire Miners. He had also had a conversation with Mr Hobbs, secretary of the Cleveland Miners' Association, who asked for 30 circulars that he might distribute to each lodge in the association, and at the Council meeting a decision would be arrived at as to the extent of their help. The Rev. J. Milner had also written to the directors asking them to rearrange the system that the miners might get to their homes in the middle of the week. A slight alteration was sub-mitted by the directors, but this, however, was counterbalanced by the extra time to be worked on Saturday. With regard to the scheme for relief, there had been eight collectors appointed to obtain subscriptions in Middleton and Barnard Castle, and up to the present £44 had been sub-scribed. He had also seen Mr J. Raine, the president of the Flower of Teesdale Lodge, Cleveland Miners Association, who had called a meeting, and the lodge had decided to make a weekly levy of 3d per man, such levy to continue till within two weeks of receiving their first pay. (Applause.) As to the result of the appeal in other quarters, he could not say how it could be met, but judging from the way appeals were responded to during the Durham strike they could hope for considerable augmentation. The private gentlemen too, who were interested in labour qlestions had not yet been approached, but no doubt they would respond liberally, especially those connected with the dale. They had met that day to learn whether the conditions should be accepted.—Mr T. Brunskill thought that, taking into consideration all matters, it was better to make a trial of the terms. In the meantime they could be recruiting themselves for the future. He was gratified to see the way in which subscriptions had come in, but they were a long way short of what was required, During the six weeks they had been out of employment he considered £600 had been lost. What they should now do was to accept the best terms and hope for better things in the future.—Discussion ensued as to the advisability of accepting the conditions, and the Chairman said the letter from Mr Scarth plainly showed the directors were detemined to abide by the conditions laid down. He should like to refer to some misconception which was abroad regarding the advice the directors had received. Mr Millican had assured them the advice had not emanated from him. No one knew the trouble and anxiety which he had had in connection with this matter. He (the Chairman) thought it was only justice to mention this and no man should be condemned unheard.—The following resolution was proposed by Mr T. Brunskill, and seconded by Mr T. Horn:—"That this meeting of miners cannot see their way clear to accept the conditions offered by the directors as they stand at present, but agree to accept the five days system, and, seeing that the great proportion of the men will be working in one set, that they be allowed to work their shifts without a break and to take their meat into the mine with them.“ — This was carried and the meeting terminated.

17th December 1892 (Northern Echo)

TEESDALE LEAD MINERS
DISCUSSING THE MASTERS OFFER.
AN ACCEPTANCE.

At meeting of lead miners at Middleton-in-Teesdale, who are at present on strike, vas held in the large clubroom of the Cleveland Arms Hotel on Friday to consider the last offer made by the masters, Mr J. Hutchinson presided, and there was a large gathering of workmen present.—The Chairman said he had been informed by the manager at the mines that the directors had talked the matter over, and that they had decided to agree to the men's offer of five days of eight hours per week, with a slight alteration. The directors required a full eight hours' work in the "face," and if the men wished to have some bait and a little rest, extra time would have to be added. If they allowed three-quarters of an hour for bait on that meant eight hours and three-quarters each day. The directors in their letter said that condition would have to be strictly adhered to if accepted, and if any man was seen to go late to work or coming from work too soon he would be liable to be dismissed at once. (Voices: "It's a good job for them," and "There will be a lot of them.") When the deputation waited upon the manager he wanted to help them in arranging the three-quarters of an hour as to the shifts, so that if they, decided to accept the masters' offer they could arrange to suit themselves. He then read

THE MASTERS OFFER
In the case of one set.

Monday	10 am	to	6.45 pm
Tuesday	7.15 am	to	4.00pm
Wednesday	6 am	to	2.45 pm
Thursday	8 am	to	4.45 pm
Friday	5 am	to	2.45 pm

In the case of two sets

	1st Set				2nd Set		
Monday	10 am	to	6.45 pm	Tuesday	2 pm	to	10.45 pm
Tuesday	5.15 am	to	2 pm	Wednesday	5.15 am	to	2 pm
Wednesday	2 pm	to	10.45 pm	Thursday	2 pm	to	10.45 pm
Thursday	5.15 am	to	2 pm	Friday	2 pm	to	10.45 pm
Friday	5 am	to	1.45 pm	Saturday	5 am	to	1.45 pm

The shifts. were so arranged as to allow the men working in single sets to return home on Tuesday for a fresh supply of food, and those working in the double sets to return on Tuesdays and Wednesdays alternately for the same purpose. It was not exactly what they wanted there was an extra three-quarters of an hour. If that meeting agreed to accept the offer the matter would be at an end. Mr. T. Brunskill said things were beginning to look very serious, he was sorry to say that they were beginning to undermine themselves, and to hold out longer would be taking the ground from under their feet. He proposed that the masters' offer be accepted.

Mr. Michael Richardson, in seconding the motion, said he thought the three-quarters of an hour would die a natural death. (A Voice: " I will never die.") The people were agitating for an eight hours day for miners, and he thought that

measure would be passed, and then they would have the law in their own hands. He did not think the extra three-quarters of an hour would last long.
Mr. Joseph Raisbeck moved that the men remain firm and stick it out for eight hours, and Mr. T. Cooper seconded.
The Chairman said before he put the vote to the meeting, he hoped they would consider the matter carefully, because every week brought the wolf of hunger nearer the door. The three-quarters of an hour between the masters and men seemed to be a paltry thing, and it they refused to accept the, offer it meant that they would lose the sympathy and support of the country. He thought they, should accept the masters' offer, and then join some labour organisation. There was an agitation for an eight hours day for miners, and he was of opinion that that measure would be passed.
The vote was taken, and the amendment that the men refuse to accept the masters' offer was carried by 63 votes to 44.
A deputation waited upon the manager, and informed him of the decision arrived at. The manager, in reply, said if the men had accepted the offer, he would have done his best to get the extra time knocked off, (A Voice: "It's only a hoax.) He thought the directors would not stir another peg.
A relief fund has been opened, and the Chairman (Mr. Hutchinson) stated at the meeting that about £72 had been subscribed. (Applause.) Sir Joseph Pease had forwarded the following a letter:,—"I have much pleasure in sending you £10 towards the funds. I cannot understand how any body of gentlemen acquainted with the character of the employment of the Teesdale lead mines as existing for many generations could suggest terms that would be so detrimental to them." (Renewed applause.) Messrs. Appleton, French, & Scrafton had also it promised to forward two sacks of flour. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Walter Beaumont forwarded a cheque and enclosed a note as follows : " Please forward this to the right quarter, for I know it not, so as to reach lovers of home, light, and fresh air—our Gods gifts." (Hear, hear.)—Other donations and gifts in kind have been received.

A SETTLEMENT EFFECTED.

At a subsequent meeting, a settlement was effected, the bargains being accepted on the eight hours' system, five days a week. The men will therefore commence work on Monday.

17th December 1892 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The medical officers report for No. 2 district showed 15 births and 6 deaths.

WEARDALE

Mrs Phoebe Race, wife of Mr George Race of Westgate, after a prolonged and painful affliction expired on Wednesday the 7th inst., aged 57 years.
In 1891, at George Race, carpenter & builder, aged 57, his wife Phoebe 56, children Annie 29, William, joiner, aged 25, Elizabeth 23, Thomas, joiners apprentice, aged 18, and granddaughter Martha R Lowther 4 years.
The death of Mrs Elizabeth Vickers widow of Mr Joseph Vickers of Howl John Farm, Stanhope took place at Thornley Hall on the 10th inst., at the advanced age of 91 years.
See 31st October 1885.

21st December 1892 (Teesdale Mercury)

Letters to the Editor.

TEESDALE LEAD MINERS

"A word in season" for lovers of home, light, and air—our God's Gifts.

Sir, —An old proverb “Tell a man the plain truth and make him your foe” scares many—but thank God! not all —from bring a man's friend in spite of himself. The present state of mining in Upper Weardale discovers the plain and painful fact, however, that heavy is the burthen which pride lays on its own shoulders. Even Allendale, just beyond, "knows its own bitterness," May I then venture to think that out of the thousand, according to your paper, who took kindly the remarks made about ten years ago to Teesdale miners and others, at a public meeting, a few on the side of employer and employed may (if you deem them suitable for insertion) are to read the following: — “Although, when the kindly and genial efforts of even Mr Scarth are so far unavailing in establishing a point of approach for both mine-owner and mine-worker— under a lease more favourable, I believe, than was the old Beaumont agreement—in the present sorrowful differences between labour and capital, some may consider me an unwise interloper, yet I can but “draw a bow at a venture,” Well, Sir, past experience of some of the underground toilers of your valley—as with other brave men in other parts—goes to prove that endurance and contentment brace the nerves and sway the hearts of some who now assert that to protract the hours of mine-hut-life, without absolute need and proven cause, is an absurd and injurious as to dry up the gravy of good meat, and reduce its nourishing powers by overcooking. Does, moreover, the love of home, the pleasure of light, and the health-giving fragrance of fresh air go for so little, in the eyes of such as know right well that each is God’s gift, above gold and silver indeed in value! that their *ipse dixit* is to deprive the miners of such priceless boons in no little degree? Did such conduct succeed in the adjoining districts? Did a kindred spirit tell anywhere in the long run? Does it to day answer either in fellow feeling or worldly prosperity? I defy any one, who has thoroughly tested and effectually probed this important and vital question practically, impartially, and prayerfully, as best be can, to say that such a change in the men's hours, viewed under all its aspects, can possibly produce prosperity to the London Lead Company. Long ago one, who does wish them well, told me that that loss, which now presses so heavily on this company, must go from bad to worse, and more, he added, namely, that unless they follow God's geography of lead, and wise men’s sound ways of work, they cannot make the miners pay. We all have read in the poor and rich man's book, “Thieves are all who enter not by the door."—Your, truly

W. BEAUMONT. 80, Gower St., Bedford Square, London, Dec. 10th, 1892

24th December 1892 (Hexham Courant)

THE TEESDALE LEAD MINERS.

SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTE.

A settlement of the dispute was arrived at on Friday afternoon the men agreeing to work five shifts instead of four as for many years past, each shift comprising eight and three quarter hours. The “bargains were let” on Friday evening and the workmen were at once told off to put the mines in order for a resumption of work on Monday morning.

31st December 1892 (Hexham Courant)

NEWBROUGH
SAD DEATH OF A MINER

On Thursday last an inquest was held before Mr H. T. Rutherford, deputy coroner for South Northumberland, at Settlingstones, on the body of a miner named George Dodd, who met with a fatal accident on Wednesday morning last, in the Settlingstones Mines. Deceased was a widower and had eight children, the youngest of which was six years old. Mr Richard Thompson was foreman of the jury. Mr G. F. Bell, Inspector of Mines, Newcastle, was present at the inquiry.

Thomas Dodd deposed that he was an engineman and lived at Allerwash. The body viewed by the coroner and jury was that of his brother George Dodd, who was 49 years of age and resided at Cubstocks.

John Waugh said he lived at Allerwash and was a miner. Deceased and he were employed in the same mines, Settlingstones mines, and they were mates. On Wednesday morning, deceased and he had to go down the pumping shaft to look at the Colring, which was out of order. They got down the shaft all right. They went down about 37 fathoms from the surface, and went onto the main platform for the purpose of repairing the Colring. When they got on to the main platform the water was dropping very much, and the deceased's light went out. Deceased asked him to get on to the ladder and keep his light in. The ladder was adjoining the main platform. When deceased's light went out, he got it lit from him. He stepped up the ladder a little and deceased got onto the ladder underneath him, and went down a few steps, and got onto a few boards below the main platform. As soon as he stepped on these boards and got his foot rule out to measure a piece of wood he fell. He could easily have taken the measurement of the piece of wood from the main platform, but instead of doing that he got on the ladder and descended three or four feet and then stepped of the ladder on to two cross pieces of boards, which were some three or four feet below the Colring. Whilst deceased was standing on the main platform, he warned him to be careful. When deceased got on to the cross boards he sat down on one knee and reached up to the Colring to measure a piece of wood to insert in the Colring to tighten it, and just when he was in the act of reaching up to take the measurement, the boards he was standing on gave way and deceased fell down the shaft a distance of about 12 fathoms. After deceased fell, he shouted "George" two or three times, to see if he was alive, and if he had been alive he would have gone down to him. When he got no answer he ascended the shaft and got assistance, and along with another man, he went down the mine by another shaft, and they found the body of the deceased. If deceased had remained on the platform he would have been alive that day. The accident was entirely due to his own carelessness. Deceased had no business whatever on these cross pieces of timber; he had been a practical miner for many years. If deceased had told him, he was going on to those boards he would have told him not to do so.

Thomas Johnson, deputy manager, said he saw deceased and Waugh go down the pumping shaft, and he had told Dodd to be careful. Dodd replied that there was no danger, as he had been there many a time. Deceased had no right on those cross pieces of timber, and could easily have taken his measurements from the main platform.

A juryman asked why these cross boards were allowed to remain where they were, and Mr Watson, the manager of the mine explained by means of a model of the shaft that these boards were only left there for the means of catching grease which dropped from the main platform.
The jury returned a verdict that deceased had been accidentally killed by falling down the pump shaft of Settlingstones mine.
They accident occurred at 8 in the morning, and he had started work at 6 am. His wife Sarah, had died 2nd quarter of 1892, aged 47.
In 1841, at Cragg End, Haltwhistle, John Dodd, Farmer aged 50, his wife Jane 40, and children, Jane 15, Joseph 15, John 14, Eleanor 12, Edward 10, Robert 8, Thomas 6, Henry 5, Ann 3, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1851, at Haydon Hill, Jane Dodd, married, farm labourer, aged 50, Robert, farm labourer, aged 17, Thos, farm labourer, aged 16, Henry, farm labourer, aged 14, Ann, farm labourer, aged 13, Elizabeth, farm labourer, aged 11, George 8, and William 9.
In 1861, at Haydon, Hexham, John Dodd, shepherd, aged 62, his wife Jane 62, children, Joseph, agricultural labourer, aged 35, Robert, shepherd, aged 27, Thomas, engineman, aged 26, and Elizabeth 21.
In 1871, at Haydon Fell Cottage, George Dodd, lead ore miner, aged 27, his wife Sarah (Watson, married 4th quarter 1863) aged 26, children Mary J 6, Margaret A 4, and Siddle 11 months.
In 1881, at New Alston, Haydon, George Dodd, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Sarah 36, children Mary Jane 16, Siddle 10, John W. 6, George 4, Alfred 3, and Harold 9 months.
In 1891, at Haydon, Hexham, George Dodd, lead miner, aged 48, his wife, Sarah 46, children Mary Jane 26, Siddle, lead miner, aged 20, George, farm labourer, aged 14, Alfred 13, Harold 10, Sarah B. 7, Frederick 5, and Matilda aged 3.
In 1901, Siddle was working as a cartman on a farm, boarding at Frankham Fell, Warden. George aged 24, general labourer was living at Chesterwood, Haydon with his wife Mabel aged 25, children James 3, Elizabeth Jane, 6 months, stepson Edward Telford, and boarder, James Telford, widow, aged 75, living on his own means. The next census entry shows Sarah Jane and Matilda boarding with Joseph Dargue, lead miner and his family. Harold was working as a carter on a farm for Dixon Dickson at Aydon, and Alfred was boarding at Grove gate House, Newbrough also working as a carter.

31st December 1892 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Frosterley, 24th inst., aged 64, Ralph Bainbridge, platelayer.
In 1871, at Frosterley, Ralph Bainbridge, platelayer, aged 42, wife Elizabeth 39, children Joseph, clerk, aged 18, Ralph 11, Phoebe E. 4, and Sarah 1.
In 1881, at Frosterley, Ralph Bainbridge, plate layer, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 49, children Ralph, clerk, aged 21, Phoebe E. 14, and Sarah 11.
In 1891, at Front Street, Frosterley, Ralph Bainbridge, quarry platelayer, aged 62, wife Elizabeth 59, daughters Phoebe, schoolteacher, aged 24, and Sarah 21.
On the 26th inst aged 60, Anthony Erwin, late of Nenthead. *(death registered at Lanchester, Co. Durham)*
In 1861, at Overwater, Anthony Erwine, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Isabella

(Percival, married 21st February 1856, Nenthead) aged 29, children Joseph 4, and Isabella 11 Months.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Anthony Erwin, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Isabella 39, children, Joseph 14, Isabella 10, George 7, Anthony 5, and Thomas 1. In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Anthony Erwin, lead ore smelter, aged 48, his wife Isabella 49, children, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Isabella, dairy maid, aged 20, George, lead miner, aged 17, Anthony, lead ore labourer, aged 15, Thomas 11, John 8, Mary Ann 5, and grandson, Alfred Erwin 1. In 1891,, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Anthony Erwin, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella 59, son John, lead ore washer, aged 18, daughter, Mary Ann 15, and grandson, Alfred Erwin 11.
In 1901, at Leadgate, Iveston, Durham, Isabella Erwin, widow, aged 69, children, George, iron foundary labourer, aged 37, Anthony, steel worker, aged 35, John, coal miner hewer, aged 28, and Mary 25.
Isabell Erwin died 4th quarter 1901, aged 70, registered at Lanchester.
See 24th February 1872

7th January 1893 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

The ordinary meeting of the shareholders in the above company was held at Cannon Street Hotel, London, on Friday afternoon, under the presidency of Mr G Richardson. - The Chairman moving the adoption of the report and accounts, said the negotiations that they had had with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners had resulted in an arrangement whereby the Company had received concessions amounting to something over £9,000 in royalties and rents. They had sold very nearly the same quantity of lead as they did last year - within thirty tons - but it realised £6,400 less. The mines were looking somewhat better now than they had been. The expenses during the year had been reduced by £8,500. Generally speaking, if lead was to continue from this time forward at the present rate they did not see that there was much prospect in the future unless they were led to believe that at selling they had got a very valuable mine.

7th January 1893 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Stanhope Church 1st inst., Matthew Sanderson, Snow Field Farm, Stanhope to Phoebe daughter of the late Ralph Bainbridge.

14th January 1893 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

SAD ACCIDENT AT COPTHILL

On Saturday afternoon Upper Weardale was startled by the report of an explosion at Copthill. Mr Joshua Featherstone, who is a miner, was filling a bag with powder from a can, which contained 7lbs. His wife was assisting him, and they were only a few feet away from the fire. During the process it seems that a cloud of powder dust had formed, which was drawn towards the fire and exploded, and so ignited the whole of the powder. The noise of the explosion which followed was heard a long way off, and the destruction caused was considerable. The window was blown clean out, and an inner door was wrenched off, the ceiling was removed, and half of the roof carried away. There was also a hole blown through the partition into a neighbours house big enough

to allow the neighbour to come through to render prompt assistance to poor Featherstone and his wife. How they escaped instant destruction is miraculous. As it is, they were very badly burnt. The poor wife, however had sufficient presence of mind to rescue her baby from the burning cradle. Dr Wolfe was speedily in attendance, and dressed the burns of the three sufferers, who are now doing as well as can be expected. A concert promoted by the Weardale Band is to be given on Friday night at Wearhead, for the benefit of Featherstone and his family. (*a later paper records that £9 was raised from the concert held at Stanhope town Hall*)

In 1881, at Spring Well, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Featherstone, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary aged 40, children John J., labourer, aged 24, Mary A. 17, Joshua 13, and Frances H. 1. In 1891, at West Fall, Wearhead, Joseph Featherstone, widower, living on own means, aged 54, children John Joseph, lead miner, aged 30, Mary Ann, house keeper, aged 27, Joshua, lead miner, aged 23, Frances H 11, and Mary 4.

In 1901, at Copt Hill, Joshua Featherstone, Whin quarryman, aged 33, his wife Mary (English, married 3rd quarter of 1892) aged 32, and son Lawson 1 year.

In 1911, at Wearhead, Joshua Featherstone, disabled limestone quarryman, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, children Lawson 11, and Beatrice 8.

On Saturday evening William Nicholson, aged 18 of Stanhope, limestone quarryman died from injuries received the previous day from an explosion of blasting charges. The unfortunate young man was walking along the road smoking, after the dinner hour on his way to Ashes Quarry, having some blasting charges used at the quarry in his hands, when the charges exploded, blowing off one hand and shattering the other in such a manner that necessitated amputation. His face and eyes received serious injuries. DR Livingstone and Dr Grey were in attendance but the sufferer succumbed. … The young mans father is blind having lost his eyesight by an explosion in the quarries over 20 years ago.

In 1871, at Crawleyside, John Nicholson, labourer & license excavator, aged 34, born Westmorland, wife Catherine Ann 27, stepdaughter Ann Bowman 11, stepsons Joseph Bowman 9, Thomas Bowman 8, son Henry 6 months, domestic servant Alice Elliott aged 17, and boarder Isaac Elton, lead miner, aged 36.

In 1881, at Crawleyside, John Nicholson, formerly limestone quarryman, blind caused by accident, aged 48, Catherine 38, Thomas Bowman, general labourer, aged 18, Henry 11, John 9, William N. 7, George F. 3, and Sarah N. aged 1.

In 1891, at Stanhope, John Nicholson, aged 59, blind, his wife Catharine A. 48, children Thomas Bowman, plate layer, aged 28, Henry, limestone quarryman, aged 20, John, limestone quarryman, aged 18, William N., limestone quarryman, aged 16, George F., limestone quarryman, aged 13, Sarah W. 11, Frances J. 7, Dora E. 4, and granddaughter Maude Talentyre 7.

Deaths

Stanhope 7th inst., aged 17, William Nattrass Nicholson. *See above*

Stanhope West End, 9th inst., aged 74, Thomas Bainbridge.

In 1881, at Bridge Head, Thomas Bainbridge, limestone quarryman, aged 62, his wife Mary 52, children Matthew, limestone quarryman, aged 29, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 25, Jane, housework, aged 20, Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 18, Annie, dressmaker, aged 15, and Alice 11.

In 1891, at Stanhope, Thomas Bainbridge, platelayer, aged 72, wife Mary 62, daughters Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 35, and Alice 21.

28th January 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Bruntly Syke, Alston, 20th inst. aged 60 Hannah wife of William Walton.
In 1851, at High Annatwalls, aged Thomas Walton, lead miner, aged 61, born Allendale, his wife Mary 57, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Ann, dairy maid, aged 18, and John 13.
In 1861, at Annatwalls, William Walton, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah 28, children Sarah 6, Joseph 4, and Amelia 1.
In 1871, at Annatwalls, William Walton, farmer of 11 acres, aged 41, his wife Hannah 38, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Amelia 11, and Thomas 8.
In 1881, at Annatwalls, William Walton, farmer of 23 acres, aged 51, his wife Hannah 49, children Joseph, farmers son, aged 24, Amelia 21, Thomas, grocers apprentice, aged 18, and John W. 8.
In 1891, at Bruntley Syke, William Walton, grocer & farmer, aged 61, his wife Hannah 58, children Joseph, farmers son, aged 34, John Wm. drapers apprentice, aged 18, and domestic servant Margaret A Richardson aged 17.
At Grisedale Lane, Alston, 21st inst. aged 83, Sarah Harrison.
In 1851, at Low Farnbury, Jonathan Harrison, lead ore miner, aged 32, his wife Ann (Wilkinson, married 25th November 1841, Alston) aged 32, children Agnes 8, Mary 6, Jane 4, and Thomas 2. Ann died 1st quarter of 1852.
In 1861, at Physic Hall, Jonathan Harrison, lead miner, aged 41, wife Sarah (Martindale, married 15th May 1853, Alston) aged 47, children Jane 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, and stepson Thomas Martindale, lead miner, aged 20.
In 1871, at Front Street, Sarah Harrison, widow (Jonathan died 4th quarter of 1870, aged 52), aged 61, granddaughter Sarah Ward, domestic servant, aged 15, boarders Thomas Clapham, carpet weaver, aged 23, and George Brown carpet weaver, aged 57. In 1881, at Front Street, Sarah Harrison, widow, confectioner, aged 71.
In 1891, at Edmunds Lane, Sarah Harrison, widow, aged 81, born Kirkhaugh. See 27th November 1841
At Tynehead, Garrigill, 20th inst. aged 61, Mary Ann Millican.
In 1881, at High Lee House, Garrigill, Mary Ann Millican, married, annuitant, aged 50, and cousin Sarah Jane Stephenson, sewing mistress, aged 29.

28th January 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS
DEATH or MR. M. WHITFIELD.— We regret the death of our respected townsman Mr. Matthew Whitfield, miller, which took place on Saturday last. Deceased for a great number of years has carried on the business of a miller, and up to a few weeks ago was able to attend to his business. He has been in failing health for some time, but was only confined to his room recently. Mr. Whitfield was a Wesleyan in religion, holding until lately the responsible office of a class-leader, which he was compelled to resign owing to ill health. He was also a local preacher, and was a regular attender at the services. His remains were interred in the cemetery on Thursday. Deceased was 63 years of age.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.— A general committee meeting was held on Saturday, present: Rev. W. Ferries (in the chair), Coun. Richardson, Rev. P. T. Lee, H. Petty, W. Core (sec.). In connection with a class on ambulance and sick nursing, it was decided that the secretary write to the St. John's Ambulance Association for form of application to affiliate such a class with that association. The Rev. P. T. Lee proposed that the secretary write to the trustees of the Town Hall stating that as the committee are carrying on work for the benefit of the district, they would respectfully ask them to allow them the use of the hall at a cheaper rate and also ask for some abatement of last year's charge made. The Rev. P. T. Lee's application for two lectures on mining, by Mr. Lawn, two on agriculture by Mr. Lawrence, and as many of Mr. London's six lectures applied for last year as were not received this winter, as well as a class on laundry work for ladies, was passed, and the secretary was requested to forward the applications. The application for a grant towards the cost of apparatus for Nenthead art and continuation class was passed.

BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

Held on Saturday. Present—Messrs. H. Walton (chairman). J. R. Walton, Richardson, Pickering, Lee, Millican, Bramwell, Nicholson, Simpson, Dickinson, Harrison, T. Walton.

The Clerk drew attention to the charge made for children attending Nenthead School whose fees were payable by the Board as being higher than admissible. The charge was 1d. per week, whereas the charge to the other children was only 9d. per quarter. After some discussion it was agreed that the present account be paid, the excess to be deducted from the current quarter.

The Clerk read certain quotations of prices of air and water beds. The purchase of such was, however, deferred, as the reason for the purchase of one which existed when the Inspector visited the House did not now exist.

The vaccination returns for January to June, 1892, and likewise for the full year were read. The first showed births—30 successfully vaccinated, 6 died unvaccinated, and 2 postponed on medical certificates. The yearly returns showed 86 births-—72 successfully vaccinated, 5 died unvaccinated, 5 postponed, and 3 removed, leaving 1 unaccounted for (the child of Mr. Sinclair, Nenthead). The Chairman said they should do their duty in seeing that vaccination was carried out, as smallpox was prevalent in many places. The Relieving Officer said Sinclair was before the magistrates and ordered to have the child vaccinated within three months.

31st January 1893 (Northern Echo)

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR WILLIAM LEE.

The mortal remains of the late Mr William Lee, mine agent, and one of the head officials of the London Lead Company, who had suffered from a paralytic stroke for the past 11 weeks were interred in Middleton in Teesdale Churchyard, on Saturday, when a numerous concourse of mourners attended to pay the last tribute of respect. The mournful cortege left his late residence at Hude Terrace, a little after three o'clock. … The pallbearers were the sons of Robert and Ralph Lee, six in number. Following the coffin were Mrs Lee (widow), Mr T. Lee (son) and family, Mr Robert Lee (son) and family, Mr Ralph Lee and family, Mr Thomas Lee and family, Mr & Mrs Tarn, Howgill; Mrs Dent and family, Lunerdale; Mr Langstaff, Greengate; and other relatives; Messrs. Millican, Forsgate (director of the L.L. Co.), J. Hunt, P. Race, T. Beadle, and J. Pattinson,

lead mining officials; … The Coffin was of polished oak with brass fittings and bore the inscription "William Lee born July 22nd 1816, died Jan. 25th 1893.
William Lee married Ann Hodgson 4th quarter of 1842, at Teesdale, Ann died in 1846.

In Middleton Church Yard

Erected
in memory of Ann
the beloved wife of William LEE
of Middleton
who departed this life 21 Nov 1866
aged 28 yrs.
Also the above William LEE, mine agent,
who died 25 Jan 1893 aged 76 yrs.
Also Martha dearly beloved wife
of the above William LEE
who died 17 Apr 1897
aged 71 yrs.

In 1851, at Masterman Place, William Lee, widow, aged 34, son Thomas 8, daughter Sarah Jane 4, and sister Mary Lee 49.
In 1861, at Masterman Place, William Lee, lead mine overman, aged 44, his wife Martha (Kipling, married 4th quarter of 1855, Teesdale) aged 35, son Thomas 18, and daughter Sarah Jane 14.
In 1871, at Masterman Place, William Lee, lead mine overman, aged 54, and his wife Martha 45.
In 1881, at Hude Street, William Lee, lead mine agent, aged 64, his wife Martha 55, and general servant Sarah Jane Robinson aged 24.
In 1891, at Hude Street, William Lee, lead mine agent, aged 74, his wife Martha 65, and general servant Sarah Jane Robinson aged 34. See 24th April 1897

11th February 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
St John's Chapel Wesleyan Chapel, 4th inst., George Stephenson of Burnfoot to Sarah Ann Thompson of Hood Street.
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 9th inst., John Robert Armstrong, East Allendale to Margaret Doyle, Whitehall, Nenthead.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Hugh Doyle, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Adah 50, children, Margaret, dress maker aged 22, Hugh, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, and Martha Elizabeth 11.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Hugh Doyle, retired lead miner, aged 63, his wife Adah 60, son Hugh, lead miner, aged 28, granddaughter Adah M Graham 7, son in law John R Armstrong, lead miner, aged 29, born Allendale, daughter Margaret Armstrong 32, and grandson Robert E 5.
Hugh Doyle died 3rd quarter 1903, aged 66.
Margaret Armstrong died 2nd qtr 1908, aged 39.
John Robert Armstrong accidentally killed 3rd June 1909, aged 37.
In 1911, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Adah Doyle, widow, aged 70, son Hugh, lead miner, aged 38, and grandson Robert Edward Armstrong (married Martha Short 1st qtr 1929, registered at Alston), labourer on dressing floor, aged 15.

Adah Doyle died 3rd qtr 1916, aged 76, registered at Alston.
See 13th May 1876, 14th July 1888 7th August 1897, & 12th June 1909.

11th February 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Wellgill, Nenthead, on the 28th ult., Wm. Cousin, lead miner, aged 54 years.
See 7th August 1880

18th February 1893 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
DEATH OF WELL KNOWN MINING AGENT.
George Wallace (*aged 65*), late mine agent for the London Lead Company in Bollihope, died at Frosterley on Sunday last (*12th*). He was for many years agent for the above company's Weardale lead mines, and as such was universally respected alike by both masters and men. He was also for about 40 years a member of the Primitive Methodist body, and was one of the oldest local preachers in the Westgate circuit. He was well respected.
In 1841, at Stanhope Butts, William Wallace, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, aged 40 (Watson, married 1st February 1834, St John's Chapel), children, George 13, Margaret 11, Thomas 8, William 6, Joseph 3, and James 9 months.
In 1851, at Stanhope Butts, Elisabeth Wallace, lead miners widow, aged 52, children, George, lead miner, aged 23, Margaret 21, Thomas, labourer, aged 18, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 13, James 10, and John 6
In 1861, at Stanhope, George Wallace, lead ore miner, and primitive Methodist local preacher, aged 33, his wife Mary J aged 33 (Jopling, married 1st quarter 1856, registered at Auckland), children, William 3, and John J under 6 months.
In 1871, at Bollihope, George Wallace, lead ore washer, aged 43, his wife Mary J., aged 43, children William, lead ore washer, aged 13, John J 10, Thomas 7, Jacob 4, and Mary E 11 months.
Mary Jane Wallace, died 1st quarter 1878, at Weardale aged 50
In 1881, at Whitfield Brow, Stanhope, George Wallace, lead mine agent, and farmer of 17 acres, aged 53, his wife Sarah aged 41 (Craig, married 4th quarter 1878, at Weardale), children Thomas, store keeper, aged 17, Jacob, lead ore dresser, aged 14, and Mary E. 6 months.
In 1891, at Whitfield Brow, Stanhope, George Wallace, (Overman) lead mines, aged 63, his wife Sarah aged 51, and daughter, Mary Emily aged 10.

18th February 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
DEATH OF MR. R. VARTY.—We regret to notice the death of the above named gentleman, which took place at his residence, 12, Mistletoe-road, Jesmond, Newcastle, on Friday, the 10th. inst. Mr. Varty had been ailing for about 18 months, but was able to go about his business till within 9 weeks of his death. Mr. Varty carried on an extensive business as draper in Clayton-street, Newcastle. He was the eldest son of Mr. John Varty, of Nattrass House, Alston, and went to Newcastle about 40 years ago. Mr. Varty will be very much missed amongst a large circle of friends, as he took an active part in matters connected with the Primitive Methodist Connexion. He has been a liberal supporter of the

chapel at Alston, having presented the trustees with a supply of hymn books when the new chapel was opened, and on several occasions has subscribed handsomely to the funds. His liberality will be much missed. The funeral took place on Monday, the 13th inst., at Elswick Cemetery. The service was held in Nelson-street Chapel, Rev. Mr. Hallam and other ministers officiating, there being a large assembly. Deceased leaves a widow and no family.

18th February 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nentsbury, 14th inst., aged 52, Sarah Widow of the late John Smith.
In 1861, at Low Cow Gap, Jacob Smith, farmer of 80 acres, aged 56, his wife Jane 53, children John, farmers son, aged 29, Thomas, farmers son, aged 26, Elizabeth 22, Jacob, woollen draper, aged 20, Jane 13, and Sarah 9.
In 1871, at Flat, John Smith, farmer of 40 acres, aged 39, his wife Sarah (Henderson, married 2nd quarter of 1865, Hexham) aged 30, born Allendale, son Jacob 5, Thomas 3, and John J. 1 year (died 1st quarter of 1876).
John Smith died 9th December 1877, aged 46
In 1881, at Nether Nentsbury, Sarah Smith, widow, farmer of 37 acres, aged 40, children Thomas 13, Robert Walton 8, William Henderson 8, and Mary Jane Smith 5.
In 1891, at Nether Nentsbury, Sarah Smith, widow, farmer, aged 50, children Jacob, lead ore dresser, aged 25, Thomas, blacksmith, aged 23, William H, farm, labourer, aged18, and Mary J. 15. See 4th March 1876, 15th December 1877, & 8th February 1896.

4th March 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 26th ult., Robert Watson, Alston, to Mary Jane Lee Physic Hall, Alston
In 1881, at Corby Gates.Alston, William Watson, farmer of 150 acres, aged 51, born Greystoke, Westmorland, his wife Ann 48, children, George, farmers son, aged 25, Annie 21, William, farmers son, aged 18, Matthew, farmers son, aged 16, Joseph, 15, Robert 14, Hannah 11, Mary 9, Charley 6, and Harrison 5.
In 1891, at Temperance Hotel, Alston, Ann Watson, widow, hotel keeper, aged 57, children, Mary 19, Robert, coal miner, aged 23, and Alexander, farmer, aged 26.
In 1901, at Butts, Alston, Robert Watson, coal miner, hewer, aged 34, his wife Mary J 30, children William 9, John H 6, Harrison 4, and Ethel 1. In 1911, at Butts, Robert Watson, limestone quarryman, aged 44, his wife Mary Jane 39, children, William, limestone quarryman, aged 20, John Hetherington, labourer stone quarry, aged 16, Harrison, assistant grocer, aged 14, Ethel 11, Hannah 9, Alexander 6, Mary Helen 4, and Bertha 1.
Alston Congregational Church 26th ult., Ralph Robson, to Mary Harriet Beadle, both of Alston.
In 1891, at Low Farnberry, Ralph Robson, coal miner, aged 36, and his sister, Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 52.
In 1891, at Butts, Alston, Mary H Beadle, single, domestic servant, aged 33, son Joseph 4, and daughter Sarah H 1.

In 1901, at Kates Lane, Alston, Mary H Robson, widow, aged 43, children Joseph P., coal agents carter, aged 14, Sarah H 11, and Alfred 7. In 1911, at the Liberal Club, Alston, Mary Harriet Robson, caretaker of Liberal Club, aged 54, Joseph Philipson, limestone quarryman, aged 23, Sarah Harriet, stocking knitter, aged 21, and Alfred, winder in hosiery works, aged 17.
See 8th June 1878, 9th December 1882, 7th February 1891, and 12th October 1895.

11th March 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Cowshill, 2nd inst., in his 70th year, Thomas Carr, *(born Kilnpithill near Riding Mill, had a business in Newcastle, then Alston and for upwards of thirty years at Cowshill. He introduced the first seeding machine into Weardale.)*
Stanhope Workhouse, 3rd inst aged 38, Obadiah Featherstone.
In 1881, at West Black Dean, James Featherston, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Jane 59, sons Obadiah, lead miner, aged 26, and John, lead miner, aged 22.

25th March 1893 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

TRADE DEPRESSION - GENEROSITY OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS.

At the meeting of the Weardale Union Assessment Committee on Friday week, a letter was read from the Weardale Lead Company wherein they stated that, owing to the loses incurred in the working of the mines during last year, their Lordships (the Ecclesiastical Commissioners) had foregone all royalties and rents for the past 12 months. The committee regarded this concession as a generous one.

25th March 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The meeting of this Board was held on Saturday. Present—Messrs. R. Elliot (chairman), T. Harrison, H. Bell, J. Rutherford, H. Walton, T. W. Dickinson (clerk), N. Walton (attendance officer).
The Education Department notified that the Alston examination would be held on April 15.
Mr. N. Walton (attendance officer) reported the attendance during the past month as follows

	On Books.	Average Attend.
Nenthead	125	98
Nenthall	45	41
Tynehead	21	12
Leadgate	23	21
Alston High	115	98
Alston National	59	47
Alston Infants	65	58
	508	421

The Officer said that the poor attendance was owing to the bad weather that had preveiled. Reference was made to the irregular attendance of several of the scholars and the Board decided to write the parents urging regular attendance,

otherwise proceedings would be taken. A deputation consisting of Councillor Richardson, Rev. P. T. Lee, and Mr. W. Core (secretary) representing the Technical Education Committee, waited upon the Board respecting the charge for the use of Nenthead School for lectures under the Technical Education Committee. Mr. Core read the communication from the secretary to the Central Committee saying that the charge was excessive.
Councillor Richardson said there were 287 classes in the county, and the Committee had decided that none of the money should go directly or indirectly to relieve the rates. He further explained the position that the Local Committee was in and pointed out the advantage of the Board trying to meet the Committee in the matter. It would be a serious matter for the district if the money allocated should be withdrawn. He further pointed out that an application had been made for models for the school which were expensive, but the Committee would grant one half of the cost and this would eventually become the property of the School Board. He would like the Board to give them every facility in keeping on the educational work and to assist them as much as possible. He would like to disabuse the public mind of the idea that they had been badly treated previously.
The Board held that the charge was not excessive, seeing that nothing was charged for the use of the school for the Art and Continuation classes. This the Committee explained was an arrangement with the schoolmaster, and not with the Technical Education Committee. A good deal of talk took place respecting the matter, the Committee finally withdrawing for the Board to consider the matter.

1st April 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Roughside, Nenthead, on the 22nd ult., Thomas Graham aged 62 years.
In 1891, at Roughside, Nenthead, Thomas Graham, retired lead ore smelter & farmer, aged 51, his wife Hannah 42, children Dorothy A 16, Thomas lead ore washer 13, Robert W 12, George 9, Eliza 7, and Sarah 3.
See 27th April 1878

8th April 1893 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY
Dr Short's annual report for No. 2 district showed 47 births and 29 deaths or at the respective rates of 28.05 and 16.7 per 1000. Of the deaths 72 per cent were infants or persons over 65 years of age. Of the deaths two were due to Whooping Cough, two to Influenza, and three to Phthisis. The adoption of The Contagious Diseases Notification Act was strongly recommended. In view of a possible visitation of Cholera, the district had been carefully inspected and faulty drains and middensteads put in order. At Hillersdon, the water supply was defective and he hoped rapid progress would be made with laying the new pipes.

22nd April 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
At Alston Parish Church, 20th inst., Thomas William Dickinson, second son of Mr Joseph Dickinson of Lovelady Shield, to Bessie, Youngest daughter of the late Hugh Pattinson, Alston.

In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Hugh Pattinson, carpenter employing 3 men, aged 52, born Alston, his wife Mary A (Bell, married 1st June 1823, Alston) aged 47, born Hexham, children Sarah 22, Margaret 19, Jane 17, Alexander 7, and Betsey 5.
Hugh Pattinson died 1st quarter 1857.
In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Mary A Pattinson, widow, innkeeper, aged 58, children Jane 27, Alexander, joiner, aged 17, and Betsy 15. In 1871, At the Angel Inn, Mary A Patterson, widow, innkeeper, aged 67, children Jane 36, Alexander, joiner, aged 27, and Elizabeth 24. In 1881, at the Angel Inn, Mary Ann Pattinson, widow, Licensed Victualler & Innkeeper, aged 77, and her daughter Elizabeth, assistant innkeeper, aged 35.
Mary Ann Pattinson died 12th December 1889. See 14th December 1889
In 1891, at Angel Inn, Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Pattinson, single, Innkeeper aged 44.
In 1891, at Lovelady Shield, Joseph Dickinson, solicitor, aged 79, his wife Mary A 75, son Thomas W., solicitors clerk, aged 43, servants Ann A Vipond, domestic servant, aged 23, Mary A Bainbridge, domestic servant, aged 16, visitors Henry L Dickenson, living on own means, aged 38, and his wife Jane Dickenson 39.
Joseph Dickinson died 4th quarter 1895, aged 84.
Thomas William Dickinson, died 2nd quarter 1901, aged 52.
In 1911, at Croft Terrace, Mrs T. W. Dickinson, census return shows Elizabeth Dickinson, widow, private means, aged 65, and domestic servant Margaret Roberts aged 21. See 4th June 1892

Deaths

Stanhope, Front Street, 20th inst., aged 70, John Crawhall.
In 1891, at Front Street, Stanhope, John Crawhall, retired shoemaker, aged 68, his wife Ellen 38, brother in law Ralph Currah 13, and domestic servant Margaret A Tinkler aged 20.
Alston, Foul Loaning, 19th inst., aged 72, Swinburn Kindred, farmer.

SWINBURN KINDRED
WHO DIED AT FOUL LOANING
APRIL 19TH 1893 AGED 72
YEARS

In 1891, at Foul Loaning, Swinburn Kindred, single, yeoman, aged 70, nephew Samuel Walton, married, shepherd, aged 26, niece Elizabeth Walton, married, aged 27, nephew Thomas W Hall, single, farm servant, aged 18, grand niece, Mary Walton 3 years.
See 14th March 1874, & 23rd July 1887
Alston, Grassfield, 17th inst., aged 19, Jennie daughter of Walton Holmes, mining agent. *She was an active member of the Nentsbury Methodist Chapel, died of inflammation of the lungs following a cold*.
In 1861, at Grassfield, Thomas Holmes, lead mine agent, aged 56, his wife Jane (Walton, married, 27th May 1826) aged 56, children Walton, lead miner, aged 21, Margaret, house maid, aged 19, John, cart wright apprentice, aged 14, William 11, and household servant Margaret Wailes aged 14.
Walton Holmes married Anne Nicholson, 21st June 1870, at Alston.
In 1881, at Grassfield, Walton Holmes, mining agent & farmer of 90 acres, aged 41, his wife Annie 31, children Thomas A. 10, Sarah I. 7, Charles W. 5, Florence A. 3, John E. 1, and domestic servant Hannah Hodgson aged 21.
In 1891, at Grassfield, Walton Holmes, mining agent, aged 51, his wife Annie 42, children Sarah Jane 17, Charlie William 15, Florence Annie 13, John Cameron 11, Frederick Walton 8, Herbert Sydney 4, Eveline Mary 2, Mable Edna 1, and servant Margaret Jane Craig, aged 18.
In 1901, at Grassfield, Walton Holmes, mining engineer, aged 61, his wife Annie 52, children Thomas A. farmer & land agent, aged 30, Herbert S. 14, Evelyn M. 12, Mabel E. 11, Richard H. 8, and domestic servant Isabella Reay, aged 24.
See 17th June 1878, 5th June 1886, & 24th November 1917

29th April 1893 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF AN ALSTONIAN

News has reached us of the death of Mr Mark Tarn, son of Mr Tarn of High Row Alston. Mr Tarn junior left his native country about 10 years ago, going to Petrolia and after residing their awhile removed to British Columbia, where he died on the 19th inst. He was 33 years old and leaves a widow and two children.
Mr Tarn after leaving Petrolia had gone to Vancouver then to Land's Down, he had an attack of Measles, other complications followed resulting in his death.

THE NENTSBURY MINING COMPANY

The new ore dressing machinery, which is being erected by this company at Haggs mine is nearing completion, and it is expected that in about two months the works will be in full swing. The mine has in it a splendid deposit of blende and lead ores, and from the managers reports we learn that 70 tons of blende was produced and shipped to Swansea last month, which is a very good record considering the fact that the mine has only been working a short time, and the present means of dressing the ores is very limited.

Marriages

At the Parish Church, Nenthead, 27th inst. Margaret, daughter of William Hall, Post Office, Nenthead, to Thomas Henry Little, White Hall, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Whitehall, Henry Little, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Ann Erwin, married 1st quarter 1867) aged 35, and son Thomas Henry 2.
In 1881, at Whitehall, Henry Little, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Ann 42, children Thomas H. 12, John 9, and Ruth Ann 5. In 1891, at Whitehall, Henry Little, sawyer, aged 47, his wife Ann 52, children Thomas Henry, lead miner,

aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 19, and Ruth Ann, dressmakers apprentice, aged 15.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Henry Little, brakesman, at lead mines, aged 57, and his wife Ann 62.
Henry Little died 2nd quarter 1905, aged 62
In 1891, at Post Office, Nenthead, Hannah Hall, widow, aged 67, son Stephen, postmaster & lead smelter, aged 30, daughter Margaret Ann, telegraphist, aged 25, and grandson Newman Hall 6.
In 1901, at the Post Office, Nenthead, Thomas H Little, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Margaret A., telegraphist, aged 35, children William H 7, Ethel L 5, Thomas H 2, and brother in law Stephen Hall, postman & lead miner, aged 40.
Thomas Henry Little died 4th quarter 1908, aged 39.
In 1911, at Goschen Street, Cowpen, Blyth, Stephen Hall, colliery labourer below ground, aged 50, sister Margaret Ann Little, widow, aged 45, sisters children Ethel Lavinia Little 15, Thomas Hall Little 12, and Ruth Hannah Little aged 6.In 1911, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Ann Little, widow, aged 75, and grandson William Henry Little, painter at lead & zinc mines, aged 17.
Ann Little died 4th quarter 1915, aged 79.
See 22nd February 1873, 25th July 1874, 19th June 1880, 29th July 1882, 21st July 1888, and 11th November 1893.

6th May 1893 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Short's quarterly report for No. 2 district showed 10 deaths or at the rate of 5.69 per 1000 per quarter. The deaths were generally highest in the first quarter of the year. Influenza had prevailed and was accredited with one death. There had been 10 births.

16th May 1893 (London Gazette)

STONECROFT AND GREYSIDE MINING COMPANY.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, duly convened, and held at the Station Hotel, in the city and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 29th day of March, 1893, the following Special Resolution was duly passed; and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened, and held at the office of the said Company, at Stonecroft, in the county of Northumberland, on the 27th day of April, 1893, the following Special Resolution was duly confirmed

1. "That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890, and that Richard Ormond, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator." T. W. BENSON, Chairman.

THE NORTH GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company, duly convened, and held at the offices of the Company, 25, Westgate-road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 4th day of May, 1893, the following Extraordinary Resolutions were duly passed: —

1. “That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that this Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the same be wound up voluntarily.
2. “That Charles Webster Harrison, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Accountant, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.”
Dated the 5th May, 1893.
T. B. W. BARKER, Chairman.

20th May 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 14th inst., Robert Doyle, Whitehall, Nenthead to Mary Jane Shield, Kings Head Inn, Nenthead.
In 1871, at Swinhope, John Shield, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Ellen, aged 32, daughters Annie E. 2, and Mary J. 1 month. In 1881, at Catton, John Shield, jobbing labourer, aged 42, his wife Ellen 43, children James post messenger, aged 15, Mary J. 10, Thomas H. 5, and John 2.
In 1891, Mary Jane Shield, aged 20, born Allendale, was working as a domestic servant at the Kings Arms, Nenthead.
In 1861, at Moorcock Hall, Nenthead, Elizabeth Beck, lead miners widow, farmer, aged 64, born Allendale, daughter Jane aged 23, granddaughter Mary Beck aged 1, and lodger James Robson, lead miner, aged 36.
Robert Doyle married Jane Beck 8th February 1863, Robert Doyle of Moorcock Hall, died 28th October 1869, buried at Nenthead 30th October 1869, aged 34.
In 1871, at Alba, Nenthead, Jane Doyle, widow, aged 31, children Mary Beck 11,, John J Doyle 6, Robert Doyle 3, and boarder Elizabeth Doyle, lead miners widow, aged 75.
In 1881, at Overwater, Jane Doyle, widow, aged 41, children John J. lead ore dresser, aged 16, Robert, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Elizabeth 5, and lodger James Robson, lead ore washer, aged 54.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Jane Doyle, widow, aged 53, son Robert, foreman lead ore dresser, aged 23, daughters Elizabeth 15, and Ann 8. In 1901, at Blackett Terrace, Carrshield, Jane Doyle, widow, aged 62, and her daughter Annie aged 18.
In 1901, at Carrshield House, Robert Doyle, lead mine manager, aged 33, his wife Mary Jane 30, children John Joseph 7, Ellen 5, Robert Wilfred 3, Jane 1, boarder Alexander Grant Wilson, lead mining engineer, aged 35, born London, and domestic servant Hannah Percival 18.
See 30th October 1869, and 22nd April 1882.
Deaths
Alston, 18th inst., aged 92, Elizabeth Graham.
In 1891, at Front Street, Matthew Graham, post messenger, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 59, and mother Elizabeth Graham, widow, aged 90.

20th May 1893 (Northern Echo)
ACCIDENT IN A
WEARDALE MINE
On Friday, while a man named T. Harrison of Killhope, was approaching some explosives at work, which he thought had missed fire, it exploded, injuring his eye and shattered his hand, a portion of the limb having to be amputated by Dr

Wolff, of Wearhead. Fortunately the injured man is of short stature and which saved his life, as a mass of debris was hurled over his head.

17th June 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 13th inst., Elizabeth, relict of the late John Thompson, Fair Hill, aged 58 years.
In 1891, at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, Elizabeth Thompson, widow, aged 56, children, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, James, lead miner, aged 18, servant, Harriett Thompson, domestic, aged 14.
See 16th October 1875

24th June 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead Pry House, 18th inst., aged 48, John Graham.
In 1891, at Pry House, William Graham, lead miner, aged 52, brother John Graham, lead miner, aged 46, housekeeper Annie Currah, widow, aged 41, and boarder Annie E Currah 7. See 8th February 1890
Rookhope, Weardale, 1st inst., aged 66, Isabella wife of John Adamson.
John Adamson married Frances Collingwood, 23rd March 1826, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at Bolts Burn, Frances Adamson, aged 30, sons, John 12, George 11, Thomas 9 and Edward 6.
John Adamson died 1834-41?
Frances Adamson married George Ripley 2nd quarter 1842, at Weardale.
George Ripley died 2nd quarter of 1849.
In 1851, at Bolts Burn, Frances Riplay, widow, 45, sons John Adamson, lead miner, aged 24, George Adamson, shoe maker, aged 22, Thomas Adamson, iron furnace charger, aged 20, Edward Adamson, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Robert Riplay 8.

Rookhope Cemetery

IN LOVING REMEMBERANCE
OF
ISABELLA ADAMSON
OF ROOKHOPE
WHO DIED 1ST JUNE 1892
AGED 66 YEARS
ALSO JOHN ADAMSON
HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED 13TH DECEMBER 1894
AGED 68 YEARS
NOT LOST BUT GONE BEFORE

In 1861, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, Frances Ripley, lead smelters widow, aged 55, sons George Adamson, shoe maker, aged 32, Thomas Adamson, widow, lead miner, aged 30, Robert Riplay, iron miner, aged 19, grandchildren Sarah Adamson 6, and Jane A Adamson 4.
In 1871, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, Frances Ripley, widow, aged 66, and son George Adamson, shoe maker, aged 42.
Frasnces Ripley died 3rd quarter 1877, aged 72, at Weardale.
In 1861, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, John Adamson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Isabella (Forster, married 2nd quarter 1852, at Weardale) aged 34, children John 8, and Ann 6.
In 1871, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, John Adamson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Isabella 44, children John, iron miner, aged 18, Ann, domestic servant, aged 16, and nurse child Barbara Bowman 1 year.
In 1881, at Bolts Burn, John Adamson, lead mine labourer, aged 54, and his wife Isabella 54.
In 1891, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, John Adamson, labourer at lead mines, aged 64, his wife Isabella 64, son John 38, and daughter Ann, domestic servant, aged 36.

1st July 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Walker Station Road, 25th ult., aged 51, Elizabeth, wife of Matthew Hind, late of Nentsbury, Alston.
In 1871, at Nentsbury, Matthew Hind, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth (Henderson, married 26th April 1866, at Nenthead) aged 28, daughters Helena 3, Dora 1, and mother Alice Hind, widow, aged 67.
In 1881, at Walker Road, Longbenton, Mathew Hind, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 38, children Helen 13, Dora 11, Alice 8, Elizabeth 5, and brother George Hind, wood turner, aged 24.
In 1891, at Station Road, Longbenton, Matthew Hind, horse keeper, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 48, daughters Dora 31, Alice 18, and Elizabeth 15.
Matthew Hind died 4th quarter 1894, aged 57, registered at Tynemouth.
See 1st May 1841, 13th November 1841, and 6th April 1845.

22nd July 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Espeland Mine, Norway, 8th inst., suddenly in his 19th year, Thomas Smith, second son of Henry and Ellen Milburn, formerly of Stonecroft.
In 1901, at Greyside Mine Cottages, Henry Milburn, limestone quarry contractor, aged 64, his wife Ellen, aged 52, and daughter Lizzie A. aged 18.

22nd July 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Marriages
At the Wesleyan Church, Alston, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. I. R. Page, Anthony second son of John Scott, Fair Hill View, Alston, to Mary (Pollie) second daughter of the late John and Mary Lee, Leadgate, Durham.
In 1901, at Forster Street, Consett, Anthony Scott, ————————, aged 37, born Harper Town, Northumberland, his wife Mary 32, children, Gertrude M 4, and Carrie J 1.

In 1911, at 39 Taylor St. Consett, Anthony Scott, gantry man blast furnace, aged 47, his wife Mary 42, daughters, Gertrude Mary 14, Carrie Josephine 11, and Bessie 8 months.

22nd July 1893 (Carlisle Express and Examiner)

KESWICK. —***Thornthwaite Lead Mine*:** On Wednesday at a special sitting of the Keswick Justices, 33 miners obtained judgment for payment of wages owing to them by the Cumberland Lead Mines Limited, carrying on business and Thornthwaite. The men had been unable to get wages for six weeks, and some wanted as much as £10. Mr G. Falcon appeared for complainants and there was no defence.

29th July 1893 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

The medical officers report for No. 2 district was read, showed 5 deaths at a rate of 2.97 per 1000, for the past quarter and 11 births.

12th August 1893 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A fatal quarry accident occurred at Stanhope on Tuesday afternoon whereby a man named John Gowland of Westgate lost his life. A falling of stone from a shot hit him on the head, although he was some distance off. He was badly injured and only lived an hour or two. He had been singularly unfortunate, having been injured severely twice before, and had just recovered from his last accident and got to work at Newlandside quarry when the sad accident happened to him.

In 1881, at Westgate, John Gowland, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Hannah (Furnass, married 3rd quarter of 1872?) aged29, children Esther Ann 13, James 10, Elizabeth 7, John William 6, George Henry 3, Mary Hannah 1, and Diana 4 months.

In 1891, at Westgate, John Gowland, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Hannah 39, children Esther A. 23, Elizabeth, domestic servant, aged 17, John W., horse driver, aged 16, George H. 13, Mary H. 10, Diana 9, Thomas A. 8, and Arthur H. 2.

In 1901, at Westgate, Hannah Gowland, widow, aged 49, children Mary H. domestic servant, aged 20, Arthur H. 11, visitors John Martin, married, engineer, aged 53, Eliza Harrison, married, aged 47, and Martha Vokes, general servant, domestic, aged 19.

12th August 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS

FROM the Registrar General's quarterly return of births and deaths in Cumberland for the quarter ending June 30th, the following particulars for Alston are given:—Population in 1891, 3384. Births registered second quarter 1893, 25. Deaths registered second quarter 1893, 12. Deaths by 7 chief zymotic diseases, 3.

GARRIGILL PAROCHIAL SCHOOL.—A meeting of the managers of this school was held on Wednesday week. Present: Rev. P. Lee (chairman), Messrs. J. Vipond (treasurer), G. Pickering (correspondent), R. Dent (schoolmaster). The

Chairman presented the Inspector's report, of which the subjoined is a summary: "The school is carefully educated. Generally speaking, the results of the examination are very fair, but the arithmetic of the higher classes is open to improvement. Up to a certain point the order is good, but it would be well for the children to work more independently, and to receive fewer admonitions from their teacher, and not to stoop over their writing as they do at present. Several scholars seem too young for the standards in which they are presented. It is desirable that the forma and desks, especially those used by the younger children, should be brought nearer together."—The drawing received the mark “Excellent"— The Chairman considered that it was an excellent report, only small matters being found fault with. The grant earned was higher this year.—The treasurer presented accounts which showed a balance in hand of £2 11s. He said he had held office now for over 12 years, and considered it was time someone else should take his place.—Mr. Vipond's decision to resign being final, the Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to him for his services, which was seconded by Mr. Pickering, who remarked that although the school was in an excellent position financially, something would have to be done, as the managers had nearly all died. He proposed that the meeting should adjourn till August 10th, to consider the matter.—The Chairman: I second that; we ought to do nothing without all the managers are present, and we can elect a new treasurer at the same time.

SCHOOL BOARD.—This Board met on Saturday. Present: Messrs. R. Elliott (chairman), H. Walton, H. Bell, and T. Harrison.—The Clerk read the report received from the Education Department relative to the Nenthead School examination. The report read was as follows: "The children have passed their examinations accurately. They might be trained to read and answer questions more clearly and cheerfully, and if their eyesight be of importance, they should not be allowed to stoop over their writing as many of them do at present Oral arithmetic needs attention. With some hesitation, the higher grant for English is recommended. Geography cannot be called good. The pupil teachers seem to have served somewhat over 25 hours per' week."—The amount of the grant for the eight months that the school has been under the Board is £68 18s., which with balance of fee grant, £7 1s. 7d., makes a total of £75 19s. 7d. The grant is now payable by average attendance, the average for the eight months being 112.—Cheques were signed for the payment of salaries, &c.—The attendance officer reported that the schools were closed for the holidays, consequently there was no attendance to report—Mr. Elliott drew attention to the rule made at the last meeting respecting the standard of exemption for school fees, and thought such alterations should be submitted to the Education Department Mr. Harrison moved that the Board at its next meeting take the bye-laws into consideration. Mr. Bell seconded.—An application was read from the Primitive Methodist Society at Nenthead, asking for the loan of the schoolroom for services during the renovation of the chapel. Application was granted.—The Clerk said that nothing further had been received respecting Tynehead School.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 4th inst., Margaret, wife of Thomas Ramsay, fruiterer, aged 60 years.

24th August 1893 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

THE WATER QUESTION AT ALSTON.
LIVELY DISCUSSION.

A memorial was read, signed by several inhabitants at the Townfoot, respectfully asking the Authority to reconsider the decision come to at last meeting, on the question of extending the mains from the Townfoot Well, past the Golden Lion Hotel and Alston House. The memorialists considered it the duty of the Authority to see that a supply of pure water was brought within a reasonable distance of all houses, and respectfully but firmly urged this to be done.—Mr Simpson thought it the duty of the Board to comply with the memorial.—Mr Harrison: My opinion is this: That taking into consideration the agricultural aspect of the district, we should try to keep down expenses till we get into another half-year. We have talked about expense all the morning, and we should allow the ratepayers time to get their breath.—Mr Simpson: This will come in the next half-year.—Mr Harrison; Yes, but we may run up the rate next half- year till the people cannot pay it.—Mr Dickinson: A great deal of money has been spent on Nenthead, and the inhabitants of Alston should have their turn.—Mr Harrison: Nenthead has not got so much as Alston.— Mr Simpson: You are not finished at Nenthead yet.— The Chairman: There is no private supply to any person at Nenthead, and this is.—Mr Richardson: These people are not asking for a private supply.—Mr Simpson moved, and the Rev. P. T. Lee seconded, that the mains be extended. Mr Lee said that this was one of the most important streets in Alston, and it should not be left out.—Mr Richardson: I would like to ask Mr Simpson to alter his motion. We shall have an application from a large ratepayer—the Railway Company —to lay a main towards the Station, and we should have some idea as to what streets and roads it is our duty to lay mains along, The Vicar would also want water at the school, and there was the Gasworks. He wished Mr Simpson to include these three places, so as to prevent future discussion.—Mr Millican thought it would be better to deal with each case as it came before the Authority, and Mr Richardson thereupon said he would support Mr Simpson's motion. Conveyances, he said, were brought out to wash at the public well. It was very inconvenient, but they had no place else to go to. Then in some of the large hotels people were carrying water from morning till night for ail purposes.

These houses all paid largely to the rates; and it was unseemly in the eyes of visitors to have all the water carried in cans along the road. For the credit of the town, and to induce strangers to visit it, it should be made as attractive and as comfortable as possible.— The CHAIRMAN: How many market towns are there where a rural district has to supply the town with water? Answer that question. Look at Brampton and Haltwhistle.—Mr RICHARDSON: You would not compare Alston with Brampton and Haltwhistle.—Mr SIMPSON; We all pay. We have to make our own connections.—The CHAIRMAN: There is no precedent for a rural district supplying a town with water.—Mr RICHARDSON: We are bound to supply them.—Mr Bramwell: Suppose we take the Clerk's opinion on that point.—Mr RICHARDSON: As a Sanitary Authority we are bound to supply the population with water.— The CHAIRMAN: What is a population?—Mr RICHARDSON: Nenthead is a population according to your theory. You are supplying the people there with water.—Mr W. HOLMES wished to know what Alston water supply had cost compared with Nenthead.—Mr HARRISON contended that the Alston people had got their water supply already within a

shorter distance than it was proposed to convey it to the people at Nenthead.—They were all agreed that it was desirable to make Alston as healthy and comfortable as possible, but it was not right that the general body of the ratepayers should be put to an extraordinary expense to benefit a few private individuals.—Mr RICHARDSON: I never used the words "private individuals," in that sense.—The CHAIRMAN drew attention to the motion, and asked if there was any amendment, whereupon Mr W. Holmes moved, and Mr T. Walton seconded that the application be refused.—Mr RICHARDSON asked that the names of those voting he taken down.—On the motion being put, there voted for it Dr. Rutherford, Rev. P. T. Lee, Messrs Simpson, Dickinson, Richardson, and Millican. 6; against, Messrs T. Walton, Harrison, and W. Holmes, 3.—The motion was therefore carried.

26th August 1893 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Robert Fairless succumbed on Monday (21st) to injuries received some time ago in the Parson Byers limestone quarry Stanhope. He was leaving work one evening when a fellow workman hailed him and asked for a lift up with a big stone. While in the act of giving his neighbour help, the stone slipped and jammed him between it and the quarry face, nipping him severely and hurting him internally from the effects of which he died on Monday. … He was the only breadwinner for his parents the father being blind.

In 1871, at Hanging Wells, Edward Fairless, railway labourer, aged 45, wife Elizabeth 41, children Isabella 6, William 5, Catherine 3, and Robert P. 2.
In 1881, at high Farm, Edward Fairless 54, blind, his wife Elizabeth Fairless aged 51, sons William, labourer, aged 15, and Robert P. 12.
In 1891, at Birks How, Edward Fairless, aged 64, blind, his wife Elizabeth 61, and son Robert P. limestone quarryman, aged 22.

Deaths

The Butts, Alston, 21st inst., aged 71, Henry Jones, mine agent.

In 1871, at Butts, Henry Jones, lead ore miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44, and domestic servant Annie Goodfellow aged 17
In 1881, at Front Street, Henry Jones, mining agent barytes, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44, and domestic servant Annie Goodfellow aged 17
In 1891, at Butts, Henry Jones, lead & barytes miner, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 60, and domestic servant Annie Goodfellow aged 38. See 24th August 1891

Mill Cottage, Allenheads, 17th inst., aged 60, Mary Whaley, widow of Robson Whaley.

In 1871, at Allenheads, Robson Whaley, assistant engineer at lead works, aged 33, his wife Mary (Shield, married 2nd quarter of 1863, Hexham) aged 38, children John J. 7, Margaret A. 4, and Tom S. 2.
In 1881, at Smelt Mill Cottages, Robson Whaley, barytes miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 48, children John J., lead mine labourer, age 17, Margaret A. 14, Tom S. 12, and James R. 8.
In 1891, at Smelt Mill Cottages, Robson Whaley, lead ore miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 58, daughter Margaret Ann 23, and son James Robson, grocer, aged 18.
Robson Whaley died 2nd quarter of 1893, aged 56.

2nd September 1893 (Hexham Courant)

EMIGRATION

It will be interesting to the many friends of Messrs Jonathan and Tom Thompson of Nenthead, to learn that these two promising young men left this country for America on Wednesday last. Their intention is to join their brother John Thompson (who went to America a year ago) and to offer themselves at the Detroit Conference as candidates for the ministry.

See 18th June 1892, 1st October 1892, 28th October 1898, & 12th January 1901.

7th September 1893 (North Cumberland Reformer)

VACCINATION PROSECUTIONS.

Thomas Place, carter. Alston, was summoned for a breach of the Vaccination Act.—Mr N. Walton, Vaccination Officer, proved that defendant had a child born on June 23rd, 1892. Due notice was given to have it vaccinated on August 2nd following, but defendant had hitherto refused to comply with the order.—Defendant, on being asked what he had to say, stated that he did not think vaccination did any good. He was willing to have the child vaccinated, if it could be shown to be any benefit.—The CHAIRMAN: Act of Parliament says it must be done. Many people think it not only beneficial, but necessary.—Defendant: don't think it necessary, or I should have it done. The CHAIRMAN said the Bench would not inflict a penalty, but make an order that the child should be vaccinated. If that order was not complied with, defendant would be summoned again, and fined. Defendant said he would rather have his case settled at once, but was told that the Bench would not do that.—William Sinclair, Nenthead, was summoned for non-compliance with an order to have his child vaccinated.—Mr Walton said the order was made on the 2nd December last. Defendant was given till April, the last vaccination period, to comply with it, but he had not done so.—In answer to the Bench, defendant said he did not believe in vaccination. Moreover, prosecutions had been stopped in many places, in consequence of a memorandum issued by the Government, and there were large numbers of unvaccinated children in some districts.—The CHAIRMAN said the law must be obeyed. Defendant had given no sufficient reason why his child should not be vaccinated. He would be fined 5s. and costs, and if the order of the Bench was not complied with he would be summoned and fined again.

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The usual monthly Meeting of this Board was held on Saturday. As only two members, Mr H. Walton and Mr H. Bell were present, no business could be transacted. . The following is the Attendance Officer's report. The schools having only been reopened after the holidays, the returns are, for Tynehead one week, Leadgate three weeks, and the remainder two weeks.

	No. on Books.	Aver. Att.
Nenthead	126	112
Nenthall	41	38
Tynehead	19	7
Garrigill	54	49
Leadgate	23	19
Alston (High)	115	95
Alston (National)	54	45
Alston (Infants)	51	42

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday. Mr H. Walton presided, and the Rev. Dr. Rutherford, Rev P. T. Lee, Messrs G. Pickering, J. Dickinson, J. Millican, T. Walton, J. Nevin, T. Harrison, and T. Bramwell were present, with the Clerk (Mr Jos. Dickinson). and the Relieving Officer (Mr N. Walton).

VAGRANTS.—The CLERK stated that vagrancy seemed to be very much on the increase. The number for the last week was 53, and for the previous week 48, a total of 101.

FINANCE.—The Collector's monthly statement was read and showed, on July 31st recoverable arrears £808 10s 8d, collected during the month, £161 7s 9d, balance recoverable £639 2s 11d.

VACCINATION PROSECUTIONS.— The RELIEVING OFFICER reported that William Sinclair, Nenthead, and Thomas Place, Alston, had been summoned before the magistrates for noncompliance with the Vaccination Act. An order was made on Place to have his child vaccinated at the next public vaccination period, and Sinclair, who had not obeyed a previous order, was fined 5s and costs, and also directed to have his child vaccinated at the next vaccination period.

21st September 1893 (North Cumberland Reformer)

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

THE MEDICAL OFFICER'S

The report of the Medical Officer of No. 1 district (Dr. Carson), for the quarter ending 30th June, showed that 7 deaths and 14 births had been registered during the quarter. One of the deaths was of a person 92 years of age. The death rate for the quarter was 4.09 per thousand. The health of the district was good. A case of diphtheria had been brought into a house near Alston from Spennymoor, where the disease was prevalent. Four others contracted the disease, and two died, one from the direct effects, and one accelerated by the attack. There was no further extension, beyond a slight attack contracted by the Medical Officer himself.

LEADGATE WATER SUPPLY.

A petition was read from Leadgate, asking the Authority to take steps for supplying that place with water. Their usual supply had failed for the last seventeen weeks, and the only available substitute was 230 yards from the nearest, and 483 yards from the furthest house.—Mr. RICHARDSON moved that the Inspector examine the place and report.—The INSPECTOR (Mr J. Walton) being called in, stated that the facts were as stated in the petition.—The CHAIRMAN said that a good many people were in that position. The season had been an exceptional one. He had no water, except what was carried in cans about a quarter of a mile. He thought there was a good supply at Leadgate at one time, when it was looked after.—The INSPECTOR said the Leadgate supply had always been liable to fail in frosty weather, as well as drought.—The CHAIRMAN: Is it the duty of the owners, or ours? —Mr BRAMWELL: The Clerk will instruct us on that point.—Mr Richardson's motion was then agreed to.

THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Mr RICHARDSON said he had an application to make on behalf of the National School to take the water down the Butts to that place. A good water supply was a necessity, especially for children. The Managers intended to put in water

closets, and the children also wanted water for washing. He was aware that he was not in order in referring to the matter at that meeting, but seeing that there was a full attendance, he would ask that the standing orders be suspended, so that the question might be considered. The builders were going on with the work, and the managers did not wish to have the place to break up again. It would be a benefit to the whole community to supply this water, seeing the children from all parts of the district- attended the school.—The CHAIRMAN thought notice should be given.—Mr BRAMWELL asked if the mains were not within a reasonable distance already, but Mr RICHARDSON pointed out that the managers had no right to go on the streets—Dr. RUTHERFORD said there were several houses on the way that would take water.—Mr SIMPSON seconded Mr Richardson's motion, and it was put, when four voted for, and four, including the Chairman, against. —The motion was therefore lost. Mr RICHARDSON then gave notice to bring it forward at next meeting.—The CLERK informed him that it could not come on for a month.—Mr RICHARDSON: Then that places the managers in a very awkward predicament.

NUISANCES.

The reported that on account of the low state of the stream, a very dangerous and offensive accumulation of filth existed in the Mill Burn, in the Butts, immediately behind Mrs Turner's property, and near to the National Schools. It consisted of slaughterhouse offal, and other matter, and he hoped means would be taken to prevent such being put in, in future.—The CLERK The only way is to find out who does it, and proceed against them.—Mr RICHARDSON said that several trap doors existed in the Butts, through which people put rubbish. The Inspector was ordered to have them closed.—The INSPECTOR also stated that there was a very offensive midden at the back of the burn, on premises belonging to Mr Jos Dickinson, and occupied by John Shield. He had given Mr Shield notice several times to remove it, but no attention had been paid. The midden consisted chiefly of slaughter-house refuse.—The CLERK: That place belongs to me, and I was given to understand that it was kept in a proper condition. He applied to me to have some repairs done and I went to see the place, and gave orders for them to be carried out. I was surprised to see the condition of the midden-stead it was abominable and must have been so for a long time. I at once called the attention of the Inspector to it. It should be removed every week.—It transpired that the Inspector had only given verbal notice to the occupier, and he was instructed to give written notice, and if that was not obeyed, to take steps to compel the removal of the nuisance.

30th September 1893 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

DEATH OF MR ISAAC WALTON

We regret to announce the death on Wednesday night of Isaac Walton, of Lowbyer, Manor House, Alston. By Mr Walton's death at the ripe age of 78 (*Isaac was born 3rd October 1814 and died 27th September 1893, so he was 80 years old; buried in the family plot at Kirkhaugh church yard*) a link is severed which carries back the recollection of Alstonians to more thriving and prosperous times. With both the staple industries of the locality, mining and stock breeding, ... Mr Walton was early in life associated with lead mining and held first the position of secretary and afterwards that of manager of Rodderup

Fell Mining Co. In 1875 he received the Government certificate of Mining Engineer. ...
Mr Walton is survived by his wife and a family of four daughters.
Sons Rev Isaac Walton, Newbiggen; Joseph R Walton.
In 1841, at Brown Side, Isaac Walton, lead mine agent, aged 65, his wife Ann (Tinniswood, married 31st December 1803, Kirkhaugh) aged 60, children Frances 35, John 30, Mary 30, and Isaac, lead mine agent, aged 25.
In 1851, at Brownside, Isaac Walton, mine agent and farmer, aged 34, his wife Eleanor (Richardson, married 28th June 1843, Alston) aged 32, children Mary Ann 7, Frances Eller 5, Elizabeth 3, Hannah Richardson 10 months, farm servant Ann Cousin aged 16, and farm servant John Mounsey aged 16. In 1861, at Brown Side, Isaac Walton, lead mine agent & farmer of 60 acres, aged 44, his wife Eleanor 43, children Frances E. 15, Isaac 8, Joseph R. 6, Florence H. 4, Nicholas 11 months, boarder John Richardson, single, landed proprietor, aged 78, sister in law Hannah Richardson, single, landed proprietor, aged 34, and house servant Hannah Varty aged 21. In 1871, at Brown Side House, Isaac Walton, landowner, mine agent, & farmer of 66 acres employing one man, aged 54, his wife Eleanor 53, son Joseph R 16, domestic servant Mary Ann Parmley aged 23, and farm servant indoor, Thompson Yeates, aged 18. In 1881, at Brown Side House, Isaac Walton, mining engineer & yeoman, aged 66, wife Eleanor 62, daughter Mary Ann 36, son Joseph Richardson, mining engineer26, visitor Hannah Richardson, landed proprietor, aged 51, domestic servant Sarah Jane Varty aged 19, and farm servant indoor John Kindred aged 19. In 1891, at Low Byre Manor House, Isaac Walton, retired mining engineer, aged 76, his wife Eleanor 74, children Mary A. 42, Frances E. 40, Elizabeth S. 38, Joseph R. Bank manager, aged 36, and domestic servant Elizabeth Erwin aged 21. See 3rd August 1901, & 28th June 1902

Deaths

Alston, Physic Hall, 22nd ult., aged 22, Annie Maria Shield.
In 1861, at Skydes, Garrigill, Stephen Shield, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Lucy (Dobson, married 17th February 1825, Alston) aged 59, children Joseph, lead miner & Methodist local preacher, aged 30, Lucy, house maid, aged 26, and Stephen, lead miner, aged 23.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Stephen Shield, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Hodgson, married 19th May 1870, St John, Garrigill) aged 24, and daughter Annie M. 4 months.
In 1881, at Bail Hill, Stephen Shield, coal miner, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 34, children Annie M. 10, Marietta J. 8, Isabella E. 5, and John J. 3.
In 1891, at Physic Hall, Elizabeth Shield, widow (Stephen died 2nd quarter of 1881, aged 43), farmer, aged 43, children Annie M, stocking knitter, aged 20, Marietta J, stocking knitter, aged 18, Isabella E, stocking knitter, aged 15, and John J. 13.
Alston, Lowbyre House, 27th ult., aged 80, Isaac Walton Mine agent.
At Garrigill, 21st inst. aged 62, Isaac Watson.
In 1851, at Snappergill, Garrigill, John Watson, retired lead miner, aged 67, his wife Jane 60, sons John, lead miner, aged 27, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Christopher, lead miner, aged 17, house servant Esther Armstrong aged 17, and grandson John Slack 7.

In 1861, at High Snappergill, Jane Watson, widow, farmer, aged 71, granddaughter Ann Watson 8, sons John, lead miner, aged 37, Isaac, lead miner, aged 30, Christophe, lead miner, aged 27 and house servant Elizabeth Johnson, aged 25.

In 1871, at Pasture House, Isaac Watson, lead ore washer master, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth (Readshaw, married 3rd November 1866, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston) aged 34, and daughter Mary J. 3

In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Isaac Watson, lead miner unemployed, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 44, and daughter Mary J. 13.

In 1891, at Garrigill, Isaac Watson, retired lead ore dresser, aged 60, his wife Elizabeth 54, and daughter Mary J., dressmaker, aged 23.

See 13th November 1866, 4th November 1871, 18th August 1883, & 22nd December 1883.

30th September 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON AND DISTRICT NEWS

JUMBLE SALE AT GARRIGILL.

A most successful jumble sale was held in the schoolroom, Garrigill, on Friday and Saturday last, for the purpose of procuring funds for the purchase of a church organ. A great quantity of useful and curious articles were on sale at the different stalls, which were presided over by Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Vipond, and the members of the choir. At the close of the sale it was found that sufficient money had been raised to warrant the immediate purchase of the much-needed instrument. Refreshments were provided in the class-room, which was fitted up as a café chantant; Mrs. Moffat, Mrs. Shield, the Miss Archers and Miss M. Millican having charge of tea and supper tables, while the choir, assisted by several visitors, entertained the guests with music and songs.

WESLEYAN METHODISM

The quarterly meeting was held at Alston on Tuesday. The local preachers met at 3.30, the Rev. I. E. Page in the chair. The names of twelve brethren likely to come on the plan as exhorters were submitted to the meeting by the Rev. J. W. Seller, secretary, and unanimously approved. It was resolved to hold a local preachers' gathering on November 11th, Mr. Hugh Bell to open a conversation. The general meeting was held at 5-30. The stewards' report showed a balance in hand, and Mr. J. Millican was re-elected foreign mission treasurer, with the Rev. J. W. Seller and Mr. C. Bramwell as secretaries. Mr. M. Tindly was re-appointed treasurer to worn-out ministers' fund. A committee was appointed to consider the question of starting a circuit magazine. A resolution was unanimously passed appreciative of the services of Messrs. Jonathan and Tom Thompson, of Nenthead, who have removed to America with a view to entering the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Sanction was given for the renovation of Low Brownside Chapel. The meeting concluded with a most profitable conversation on the work of God.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

A committee meeting was held in the Board Room, Alston, on Saturday, present Rev. W. Farries (chairman), Councillor Richardson, Rev. P. T. Lee, Messrs. H. Petty, G. W. Story, T. Lattimer, and W. Core (secretary).—The secretary produced certain forms which had to be filled up and reformed respecting the proposed continuation classes to be formed for the winter.—The classes and teachers were then fixed upon—Rev. P. T. Lee said that Miss Dent proposed

starting a class in domestic economy at Garrigill. It was agreed that such be granted providing a sufficient number of pupils could be secured.—Mr. Core said the class in music (tonic solfa) which he proposed taking came under a different heading in the Technical Education scheme and thought a small charge should be made.—It was decided to make a charge of 1s. each pupil—Mr. Core moved that the teachers be paid according to the suggestions by the County Council to the district and local committees. Mr. Petty seconded and it was carried.—Mt. Petty moved that 1s. be charged each pupil for the classes.—Mr. Richardson seconded. Carried.—It was decided that the public be charged one penny each for attending lectures and demonstrations that might be held.—Rev. P. T. Lee said it was the opinion at Garrigill that an ambulance class would be a useful thing there. It was decided to see whether a teacher could be secured and the fee and report at the next meeting.—It is proposed also to form a music class at Nenthead.

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 26th inst., by the Rev. I. E. Page, Charles Lamb, Newcastle, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of John Scott, Fair Hill View, Alston.

Deaths

At Shield Hill, Garrigill, on the 16th inst., Elizabeth, widow of Friend Herdman, aged 59 years. *See 23rd July 1867*

At Turk's Head, Alston, on the 21st inst., Jos. W. Lee, aged 30 years.

At Grisedale's Lane, Alston, on the 20th inst., Sarah, widow of Thomas Saunders, aged 90.

At Whitehall, Nenthead, 17th inst., aged 23, Ada wife of William Graham.

In 1871, at High House, John Graham, lead ore smelter & farmer of 65 acres, aged 50, his wife Martha 44, children Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Margaret 12, Robert 11, John 8, George 6, and William 3.

In 1881, at High House, John Graham, farmer of 65 acres, aged 60, his wife Martha 53, children Thomas, farmers son, aged 24, Margaret 22, Robert, lead miner, aged 21, John, lead miner, aged 18, George, lead ore washer, aged 16, and William, lead ore washer, aged 13.

John Graham snr., died 3rd quarter 1888, aged 67.

In 1891, at High House, Nenthead, Martha Graham, widow, farmer of 65 acres, aged 64, son John, general labourer, aged 28, and domestic servant Elizabeth Hetherington 18.

In 1891, at Whitehall, Spring House, William Graham, lead miner aged 23, and his wife Ada (Doyle, married 1st quarter of 1891, Alston) aged 20.

Robert Doyle married Agnes Ann, at Annan, about 1891/92.

In 1901, at Lady Street, Annan Dumfriesshire, William Graham, gardener, aged 33, his wife Agnes 32, born Annan, children Mary 9, John 7, Catherine 6, Thomas J 5, and Harry G. 7 months. In 1911, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, William Graham, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Agnes Ann aged 34, sons John William 7, and Harold 1. Of seven children five had died before the 1911 census.

5th October 1893 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD

Mr Petty was granted the use of the school at Nenthead for evening classes, on the same terms as last year.—Some discussion took place as to the cleaning

out of the ashpits and closets at Nenthead.— Mr WALTON said that Mr Peart, who occupied the adjoining land, had offered to clean them out four times a year, at 4s each time.—Mr HARRISON thought there might be others who would do the work, and the Board should have tenders before them. He suggested that the matter, as it was pressing, be left to the Clerk, but the CLERK thought the Board could not do better than accept Mr Peart's offer, and this was done. —On the motion of the CHAIRMAN, . it was agreed that the schools be visited by the members in rotation, each member having his appointed month. It was also agreed that Tynehead School be taken over by the Board from the 1st of June.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	126	117
Nenthall	41	38
Tynehead	12	9
Garrigill	56	52
Leadgate	26	23
Alston High	109	93
„ National	70	51
„ Infant	58	46
	498	429

NENTHEAD SCHOOL.

The Clerk said that on the 11th of August he received notice from the owners *(Nenthead & Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co.)* of Nenthead school to deliver up the school house on the 11th November. He had been given to understand that it was merely that the Board might come to some arrangement.—The Chairman: It is only three months' notice, and we are yearly tenants.—The Clerk: We need not notice it till next May.—It was agreed that the communication be acknowledged, and that the Clerk ascertain what the wishes of the owners were with regard to the tenancy.

THE FEES QUESTION.

A letter was read from Mr George Black, Nenthead, asking for a free place for his daughter, Isabella J. Black, attending Nenthead School.— The Clerk: This is the first application we have received, and it is for the Board to say if they will grant it.—Mr Bell: His best plan will be to write to the Department.—The Clerk: If he does, the free place will have to be granted, so that it is needless to put him to the trouble.—Mr Walton considered that it would be more regular if Black made application to the Department.—Mr H. Bell thought if he did, he would not get a free place before the 1st of December.—Mr Harrison: Notwithstanding the motion passed some time ago with regard to providing free places after the 1st of December, a very large proportion of parents pay no fees. The Master can tell you that.—The Clerk: Mr Harrison has just opened a question which I intended to bring before the Board. At my request, the Master, yesterday, furnished me with a list of names of parents whose children attend Nenthead School, and who have not paid any fees for the last two years. From information I have received, it appears that the people have been led very much by one of the agents, who has three children attending school, and who, since the Board took over the school, has refused to pay fees, although he has made no

application either to the Board or the Education Department. I understand that he has also plainly intimated to some of the workmen that they need not pay fees. The Master complains of the difficulty of getting in these fees, because these workmen turn round upon him and say, “If the agent refuses to pay fees, we don’t see why we should pay them,” Including arrears, the total amount to be received on the 30th June was £7 19s 5d, and of that we have only got £1 19s. They are setting the Board at defiance, and something must be done to put an end to such a state of things. The only course I can suggest is for the Board to give instructions to the Master to refuse to admit children who do not bring their fees.—The Chairman: We all regret such a state of things should have arisen, but the course you suggest seems the only one. We cannot recover the arrears.—Mr Walton: Can we not summon them?— The Chairman: Only for non-attendance. — Mr Walton: It is a pity but we could deal with one of those who create the mischief.—The Clerk: The list contains the names of 11 parents of 23 children, who have paid no fees since 1891.—The CHAIRMAN: Instructions had to be given to the Master on the lines suggested by the Clerk, to be carried into effect after the holidays.—The Clerk: They were given, and this is the consequence. They will not pay until they are forced.—Mr Harrison: A good many have come to me on the subject, and I have always told them that there would be free places after December 1st, and if any wanted them before, they must apply to the Education Department. It is not fair that some should pay, and others go free; they should all be made alike.— The Chairman: These people deserve to be dealt with, but whether we should gain anything by taking action it is hard to say.—Mr Walton: It should be done.—The Clerk: The Board should really take some stand, and not be dictated to by those sending children to school, and who ought to know better.—The Chairman: They deserve to be dealt with, but we are not going to gain much. We had better enforce the resolution already passed. Monday is the beginning of the month, and every scholar not bringing the fee must be turned away.—This was agreed to, and the Clerk was instructed to inform Mr Black that he must write to the Education Department.

14th October 1893 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON
MINING

We hear with a great deal of pleasure that the Rodderup Fell Mine which have been practically closed for some months now, are to commence working at an early date under a new company. A few openings of this kind would be very useful just now, if only for taking up surplus labour, of which, unfortunately there is too much in the Alston district at present.

19th October 1893 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS
FINANCIAL.

The CLERK said the amount required for the ensuing half-year would be the same as for the corresponding half last year, viz. £50. The total estimated expenditure was £795 12s. 4d, of which £313 6s would be returned, leaving the net expenditure £482 6s 4d. He did not know how much the School Board would require. Special expenses would take £50, general expenses £45, and highway £60.—Mr RICHARDSON: What are the special expenses for—sanitary

purposes? —The CLERK: We will deal with that in due course. There is £17 10s for Nenthead water supply; £6 10s for flushing of Garrigill sewers; £14 for gully traps for Alston; and £12 for the extension of mains at the town foot.

STATISTICS

The CLERK reported an increase of two inmates to the Workhouse, children from Nenthead. The vagrants relieved were 53 for the past week, and 55 the week before.

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY, MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Dr. CARSON reported that 11 deaths had occurred during the quarter ending September 30th. That made the rate for the quarter 6.43 per thousand, equal to 25.72 per thousand per annum. The rate for the two previous quarters was very low, and he was unable to assign any special cause for the increase. Several of the deaths occurred at an advanced age. Seven births had been registered. With the exception of a mild case of diptheria, there had been no infectious disease, and the health of the district was good.

SANITARY CONDITIONS AND WATER SUPPLY.

The CLERK read a letter from the Local Government Board, calling attention to the report of the Medical Inspectors for the year 1892, particularly with reference to the disgraceful condition of the Burnbank, and to the unsatisfactory water supply to Nenthead and Hillersdon Terrace, and inquiring what steps had been taken in these matters. The Clerk remarked that he must have instructions as to what reply he should make.—Mr RICHARDSON: You can inform them how much money has been spent in improving Nenthead water supply.—Mr HARRISON: There has been nothing done to the Hillersdon Terrace supply. Something has been done to the other, but it is not finished.—Mr RICHARDSON: What has been done with the money that has been spent?—Mr HARRISON: To bring water to the centre of the village?—That is what I am referring to. The work is still in progress.—Mr HARRISON: Yes, but the well referred to is not.—The CHAIRMAN: It will be a year before it is finished. It will be taken up after the other.—Mr HARRISON: The question is: What has been done? The answer I give is "Nothing." The water is not fit to use; it is only surface water.—The CHAIRMAN: The work is going on, and will be finished as soon as we get funds. —The CLERK: I think the best course is to take the report as a whole. With regard to the condition of the Burnbank. I think the Medical Officer has used rather strong language. So far as I can remember, there was nothing dangerous to health in the accumulation there, it was simply a nuisance to the eye, being chiefly ashes. I went down to see it when I got this document. I found the deposit as large as ever, and I called the attention of the Inspector to it. The SANITARY INSPECTOR. (Mr N. Walton), being called in, said there were about two cart loads of ashes lying. The Surveyor had got orders to remove them, but had not done so

LEADGATE WATER SUPPLY.

The Inspector reported concerning this supply, that he considered sufficient water might be obtained in the field belonging to Mrs Dickinson, about 350 yards west of the village. It would require a drain of about 300 yards through Mrs Dickinson's property, and 50 yards more through a field in the occupation of Mr Kirsopp. He estimated the total cost at £28.—The Chairman pointed out that there was an overflow from a well, which was running over and damaging the road.—The Inspector said that could be easily remedied. There had been a

scarcity of water at Leadgate for over twenty years. Both drought and frost put a stop to it. He had paid no attention to the overflow complained of by the Chairman, as he did not consider he had anything to do with it.—The Clerk: They all belong to the Authority.—Mr Richardson: Every well on every roadside is yours, and you are bound to take care of it.—Mr Harrison: Then how is it that motions to take care of these have been before the Board and rejected, on the ground that we had nothing to do with them?—Mr Richardson: At the last County Council audit the Surveyor was surcharged for expending £1 on one of these wells, and was told that it was the duty of the Sanitary Authority.—The Chairman: Our rates at this place are three or four times more than those of our neighbours. I would throw all these applications into the fire. How do you propose to serve the school.—The Inspector: It will be nearer than it is now, but we cannot get it up to the school. —Mr Richardson: You see by the letter of the Local Government Board that it is our duty to provide this water.—After some further discussion it was agreed to adjourn the matter for a month.

THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Mr RICHARDSON moved, in accordance with notice given, that the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to lay a main pipe for water from the Butts to the National School. The managers were spending a lot of money on improvements, and the water was absolutely required for drinking and washing purposes, and for flushing the water-closets. The school was used by the whole district, and therefore, all would feel the benefit. —Mr MILLICAN suggested that the pipe be laid from the well at the end of the Kings' Arms Lane. It was only half the distance.—Mr RICHARDSON said that was so, but there were several houses on the other route that would take water. — Dr. RUTHERFORD mentioned several who would be likely to do so.—The CHAIRMAN: Are we not to have a report from the Inspector?— Mr RICHARDSON said an approximate estimate of the cost had been prepared, but not by the Inspector. —Mr HARRISON moved that the Inspector prepare two estimates, one from each of the proposed places. That had to be done before they could get water to Nenthead, and there seemed to be a difference of opinion amongst the local men.—Mr RICHARDSON: There is no difference of opinion as to the necessity for the water. —Mr W. HOLMES, seconded.—Mr SIMPSON moved that the water be taken from the end of the lane.—Mr RICHARDSON seconded, and thought it did not become the Nenthead Guardians to oppose this, seeing the money that had been spent over Nenthead.—Mr HARRISON: That expense incurred at Nenthead has often been thrown in our faces. If not out of place, I should like to know what the water supply has cost at Alston, compared with Nenthead. I have an idea that it cost a great deal more, and it is unfair of Mr Richardson to allude to it in this way. We were obliged to estimate the cost before we expended anything.—Mr RICHARDSON, (pointing to the memorandum of the cost in the hands of the Clerk): You have it there,—Mr HARRISON: That is from a private member of the Board, who had no right to send it in. After some further discussion, Mr Simpson's amendment was put and carried by seven votes to three.

A memorial was read from Nentsbury, complaining of the condition of the footpath leading from that place to Garrigill, which in times of flood was impassable. The Highway Surveyor (Mr Kirsopp), being called in, said the path was in some places quite washed away, leaving only the bed of the river. He was instructed to examine and report.

21st October 1893 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The internment of the late Matthew Raisbeck, of Beldy House, Garrigill, took place on Wednesday, ... present were Mr J. Cameron Swan, Mr I. Clark, and Mr W. M. Henzell, representing the Nenthead and Tynedale Zinc Company, of which the deceased was manager, ... (*died 13th October aged 61*)

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Thomas Raisbeck, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Martha (Henderson, married 1st September 1825, Alston) aged 35, children George 15, Ann 13, Rachel 11, Mathew 8, Christiana 6, and Mary 2. In 1851, at West Nenthead, Martha Raisbeck, widow, parish relief, aged 47, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Matthew, lead miner, aged 18, Christiana 15, Mary 11, Thomas 9, Robert 6, and William 2. In 1861, at Pasture House, Martha Raisbeck, widow, farmer, aged 57, children George, lead miner, aged 35, Matthew, lead miner, aged 28, Mary, household work, aged 21, Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, Robert, lead miner, aged 16, and house servant Christiana Henderson aged 21.

In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Matthew Raisbeck, lead mine overman, aged 38, and his wife Ann (Watson, married 2nd quarter of 1868, Alston) aged 28. In 1881, at Beldy House, Matthew Raisbeck, lead mine agent, aged 48, and his wife Ann aged 38. In 1891, at Red Brow, Garrigill, Matthew Raisbeck, mining engineer, aged 58, and his wife Annie 48.

See 16th May 1874, 21st October 1893 & 25th March 1899

21st October 1893 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

On Tuesday (*17th*) afternoon the Rev T H Penrith, Wesleyan minister of Egremont, Cumberland was married to Mrs Hannah Race, widow of the late Rev Joseph Race, missionary in China and daughter of the late Joshua Dawson of Weardale. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev Thomas Cook, the well known evangelist, brother in law of the bride.

See 6th November 1875, 25th March 1876, 8th February 1890, 22nd May 1892, 2nd July 1892, and 5th November 1892.

28th October 1893 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

The ordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the Weardale Lead Company (Limited) was held at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street, London, on Thursday under the presidency of Mr George Richardson, the Chairman of the Company. The secretary (Mr R S Maclaren), having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, said he must, as the board did, sympathise with the shareholders on the state of affairs mentioned in the report, and also the loss which they would see they had sustained in the working of the mines during the past year. At the same time, the directors were not responsible for the state of the lead market, or for the poorness of the mines. The price of lead had averaged only £10 2s 10d per ton delivered at Parkhead, being £1 4s 8d per ton less than the average price last year. The total sum received for sales of lead was £28,089 18s 4d, and for the previous year £33,526 9s 11d. He was happy to state that since the report was issued things had improved very much in all the mines.

4th November 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS.

STOCKING FACTORY.—The employees at Mr. G. W. Storey's works have during the past few years had a social gathering about Christmas, but Mr. Story intends opening out his new premises on Tuesday at the Brewery, when the annual gathering will then be held as a sort of "house-warming."

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—A meeting of the district committee was held at Alston on Saturday last. Present—Rev. W. Ferries (chairman), Councillor Richardson, Dr. Short, Messrs. W. Core, W. Holmes, and H. Petty. It was decided that those who did not succeed in being admitted as pupils in the cookery classes held last year have the preference this time if they made application. A request having been made from Garrigill for the formation of an ambulance class it was decided at the last meeting to endeavour to secure a local medical man to undertake the work. The secretary now read replies from Dr. Short and Dr. Carson, the former intimating that he could not see his way clear to undertake the class. Dr. Carson replied saying he wished for more particulars. It was decided to ask the Rev. P. T. Lee to ascertain the probable number of pupils, &c. The average attendance at the evening continuation classes for the different places was read. The classes at Tynehead had been a failure owing to there being an insufficient attendance.

CONSECRATIONS AT GARRIGILL.—On Sunday last the Bishop of Newcastle visited Garrigill for the purpose of consecrating the churchyard extension, and also the church portion of the new cemetery. It. became a question some time ago whether there should be aa extension of the churchyard or a cemetery. A poll being taken a majority decided in favour of the cemetery. A Burial Board was formed and the work proceeded with. A portion of the chapelry still favoured the extension and subscriptions being received towards it, that work was also proceeded with. Sunday was very cold, heavy showers falling during the day. The first service was held at the cemetery, commencing at 10 a.m. The bishop, clergy, clerk, churchwardens, sidesmen, and choir, preceded by members of the Burial Board, walked in procession around the ground to be consecrated repeating the 49th psalm. The registrar of the diocese (Mr. Booth) then read the licence of consecration, and the proceedings closed with prayer. The same service was then held at the churchyard, the Extension Committee taking the place of the Burial Board. On entering the church the procession sang the hymn, "A few more years shall roll." The Rev. P. T. Lee conducted the service, and Dr. Rutherford read the lessons. The bishop preached from John ii., 25, "I am the resurrection and the life." In the evening the Bishop took for his text, John, iv, 24, "God is a spirit," &c. There were large congregations at both services.

SCHOOL BOARD. The monthly meeting was hold on Saturday, present, Messrs. R. Elliott (chairman), T. Harrison, H. Bell, J. Rutherford and H. Walton. The Clerk said no further communication had been received from Mr. Holmes respecting Nenthead School. On Mr. Harrison's motion it was resolved that Mr. Holmes be asked to meet the Board that day fortnight to arrange the question of the base of the school.

The school attendance officer's report showed the number on the books to be 497 and the average attendance 437. The officer reported that the children of two parents had been sent away from Nenthead School for non-payment of fees and had not returned. It was decided that written notice be sent that if they did not attend school summonses would be issued. After irregulars were also

reported and it was resolved that notice to attend be sent to the parents. A child having been examined in Standard V. and left school, nothing being known whether the child had passed or not, the question as to whether he was exempt or not was raised, and after some discussion the subject was left over till next week for the production of the bylaws. A letter was read from the teachers of the Alston schools calling attention to the fact of children of seven years of age who had not attended the infant school and were consequently without infant training, but who went to the High or National schools.
The Clerk stated that as it only applied to Alston it was for the managers to deal with. The Clerk said it would be better to decide on the amount of precept. He had prepared an estimate of expenses to the 31st May, the amount being £260 19s. 4d., but against that there would be about £72 1s. 6d. for fees, grant, &c., leaving £188 17s. 10d. At the end of June the salaries would be due for that month. He thought the precept should not be less than £200. Granted.

4th November 1893 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, 29th ult., aged 75, James Atkinson.
James Atkinson, of West Nenthead, Washing Overman, will dated 12th April 1884, proved at Carlisle 22nd May 1894, effects £177 13s 9d. Names mentioned in the will: —
Wife Jane Atkinson, three sons John James Atkinson, Ralph Atkinson, and Pearson Atkinson, daughter Hannah wife of Hartley Petty (school master).

Atkinson Family Memorials at St John's Church Yard, Nenthead.

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In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Hartley Petty, schoolmaster, aged 37, born Bingley, Yorkshire, and his wife Hannah aged 38.
In 1901, at Nenthead, Hartley Petty, schoolmaster, aged 47, and his wife Hannah aged 48.
In 1911, at the School House, Nenthead, Hannah Petty, widow, aged 58, brother John James Atkinson, single, millwright, aged 64 (died 17th November 1913, aged 66), and niece Ann Atkinson 19.

Hartley Petty died 8th February 1911, at Nenthead.
Hannah Petty died 7th September 1830, aged 77.

William Atkinson the first son of James, I cannot identify him in the 1861 census, but in 1871, at Gloucester Street, Elswick, Newcastle, George Skelly, engine fitter, aged 44, his wife Margret 44, lodger John Smith, engine fitter, aged 18, and lodger William Atkinson, draper, aged 29.
In 1881 at 7 Westgate Hill Terrace, William Atkinson, draper, aged 39, his wife Ann Kirsop (William married Ann Kirsop Sheel, 2nd quarter of 1872, reg. Newcastle) aged 42, born Heworth, children Hannah Maud aged 8, and Ernest James aged 7 months.
Ralph Winskill Atkinson married Mary Ann Stout, 2nd quarter 1878, at Alston.
In 1881, at Overwater, Ralph Atkinson, millwright, aged 26, his wife Mary A. aged 22, and son William aged 1.
In 1891, at Overwater, Ralph Winskill Atkinson, millwright, aged 36, his wife Mary Ann 32, children William 11, Jane 9, Stephen 7, Hartley 4, and Hannah aged 2.
In 1891, Ernest J. Atkinson, aged 10 is aboarder in Clayton street, Newcastle, his sister Hannah Maud is at 65 Campbell street, Westgate, Newcastle: — Maria Sheel, single, retired milliner, aged 56, sister in law Mary A Sheel, single, dressmaker, and niece Hannah M. Atkinson 18. In1901, at Campbell Street, Maria Sheel, retired milliner, aged 65 and niece Hannah M Atkinson 27. The death of Ann Kirsop Sheel aged 64, was registered at Newcastle 1st quarter 1903.

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In 1901, at Overwater, Ralph W Atkinson, cartwright, aged 46, his wife Mary A 42, children William, fitter, aged 21, Jane 19, Stephen, lead ore dresser, aged

17, Hartley, errand boy, aged 14, Hannah 12, Ann 9, Margaret 6, Mary 3, and Elizabeth 2 months.
In1911, at Donks Hall, Nenthead, Ralph Winskill Atkinson, millwright, aged 56, his wife Mary Ann 52, children William, fitter, aged 31, Jane 29, Stephen, Wesleyan minister, aged 27, Hartley, Cooperative store manager, aged 24 (Hartley died 17th April 1831, aged 44), Hannah, teacher, aged 22, Mary 13, and Elizabeth 10. Ralph died 27th October 1914 aged 59, his wife Mary Ann died December 15th 1928, aged 69.
See 9th February 1884, 15th December 1894, 15th July 1905

11th November 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS.

COOKERY CLASSES.—On Wednesday evening a demonstration in cookery was given by Miss Harris in the Town Hall under the auspices of the Technical Education Committee. There were between 50 and 60 ladies present. The demonstrations have been continued during the week. Next week the practical course will be held for pupils. **ENTERTAINMENT**.—On Saturday evening an entertainment was given in the Board School, Nenthead, on behalf of the renovation scheme in connection with the Primitive Methodist Chapel. There was a good company present, and a lengthy program was rendered by the Alston chapel choir. Mr. Hugh Bell, Alston, presided. …

11th November 1893 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, 28th ult. aged 69, Hannah Hall.
See 25th July 1874, 29th July 1882, & 21st July 1888.

18th November 1893 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Masterton's report for No. 2 district showed for the quarter ending Sept 30th, 5 deaths and 14 births or at the respective rates of 2.97 and 8.35 per 1000 per quarter. The water supply was constant and free since Gillgill Burn pipes were laid, but a supply was still wanted at Hillersdon.

25th November 1893 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 19th inst., Walton Saunders, Alston to Mary Margaret Armstrong, Nenthead.
In 1901, at Butts, Alston, Walton Saunders, lead miner, aged 35, and his wife Mary M. aged 36. In 1911, at Garden House, Butts, Alston, Walton Saunders, lead miner, aged 44, and his wife Mary Margaret, aged 46.
Walton Saunders died 2nd quarter 1913, aged 48.
At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel 19th inst., Thomas Liverick, Sunnyside, Nenthead, to Mary Cousin, Dykehead, Nenthead.
In 1891, at Sunnyside, Nenthead, Lancelot Liverick, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth (Wilkinson, married 4th March 1866, at Nenthead) aged 45, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Lancelot, lead ore washer, aged 14, and William aged 11. Lancelot Liverick died 1st quarter 1903, aged 63.

In 1901, at Spring House, Nenthead, Thomas Liverick, lead mine woodman, aged 32, his wife Mary 28, children Amy 7, Frances 5, and Laura 5. In 1911, at Cotterill, Nenthead, Thomas Liverick, lead & zinc miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 38, children ~~Amy 16~~, Frances 15, Laura 13, Thomas William 7, Lancelot 5, and Sarah 2. Amy Liverick died 2nd quarter 1911, aged 16.

ALSTON BIRTHS & DEATHS

The returns of the Registrar General show a population of 3,384, births for the last quarter were 21 and deaths 16.

25th November 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths

At Middle Farm, Alston, on the 17th inst., Hannah, widow of Thomas Atkinson, yeoman, aged 55 years.

2nd December 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, on the 25th Ult., Hannah Kirkpatrick, aged 62 years.
At Holme Foot, 25th ult., aged 45, Walton Stout, miner.
In 1851, at Holme Foots, Stephen Stout, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth (Walton, married 1st July 1843, Alston) aged 27, sons Walton 3, and John 1 day. In 1861, at Holme Foots, Elizabeth Stout, widow (Stephen died 3rd quarter of 1859), housekeeper, aged 38, children Walton St, lead ore dresser, aged 13, John 10, Richard 7, Ann 5, and William 3.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Elizabeth Stout, widow formerly domestic servant, aged 47, children Walton, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 20, Richard, lead miner, aged 17, Ann, house maid at home, aged 15, and William, labourer in the lead mines, aged 13
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Elizabeth Stout, lead miners widow, aged 57, children Walton, lead miner, aged 33, Ann, domestic servant, aged 25, and William, lead miner, aged 23. In 1891, at Moorcock Hall, Walton Stout, cartman, aged 43, and his sister Ann 35.
See 8th July 1843
Holm Foot, 25th ult., aged 75, Mary, widow of Joshua Walton.
In 1881, at Holme Foots, Mary Walton, quarryman's widow, aged 63, and son Joshua, stone quarryman, aged 30. In 1891, at Holme Foots, Mary Walton, widow, aged 73, and son Joshua, cartman, aged 40. See 10th April 1880.
At Allenheads, Allendale, 1st inst. aged 62, Joseph Coats, interment St Peter's on Sunday 3rd inst. *See 2nd October 1867 & 28th June 1890.*
At Stanhope, 27th ult. Mrs Frances Brown, widow of the late Robert Brown, late manager of Newlandside quarry.
In 1881, at Sound Burn, Robert Brown, limestone quarry agent, aged 38, his wife Frances 33, children Joseph 4, and Annie 1. In 1891, at Quaker Square, Frances Brown, widow, aged 43, children Joseph, limestone quarryman, aged 14, Annie 11, and mother Ann Parker, widow, aged 84.

2nd December 1893 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD

This meeting was held on Saturday. Present —Messrs. Elliott (chairman), W. Harrison, H. Bell, and H. Walton. The first, business was the revision of the bye-laws. Attendance to be compulsory on all children from 5 to 13 resident within 3

miles of an elementary school, except that no child is to be compelled to attend during such time as religious instruction is being given. Standard 5 was fixed in place of Standard 4 as the limit of exemption for children from 10 to 13, and tho 4th for the 3rd as the standard for half. timers.
It was reported that Nenthead school was closed on the certificate of Dr. Short owing to the prevalence of influenza, and it was decided that the school should remain closed during next week .
A communication was read from the Education Department enclosing a copy of a petition from 30 parents at Nenthead asking that free places be provided for 46 children. The Department asked to be informed what free places wore provided, what provision it was proposed to make, and to have a map forwarded showing the residences of the petitioners. The Clerk was instructed to state in reply that by a resolution passed a couple of months ago the Board would provide free places from the 1st December for children on whose behalf application was made.
It was decided that the Technical Education Committee be granted the use of the class-room for holding mining classes on Saturdays, at a charge of 1s. each meeting. The attendance list showed the number on the books—495, and the average attendance —423.
The Attendance Officer explained that the smaller attendance was due to the influenza epidemic. The majority of the schools were now closed.

9th December 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Intack Head, Swinhope, 7th inst., age 74, Phillis Rodham, late of Ropehaugh.
In 1891, at Coalpits, Phillis Rodham widow, aged 71.

9th December 1893 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
There was a report in the paper regarding T. Nattrass's performance at the annual athletic tournament that took place at Johannesburg on November 11th, T. Nattrass, son of J. Nattrass of the Kings Head, St John's Chapel. He threw his opponents in the final falls and was declared the winner; the report stated that he was working as a miner in the gold fields where he had gone 18 months ago.
Deaths
Weardale, Doctors Cottage, 5th inst., aged 90 John Watson. *See 14th November 1891*

16th December 1893 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, 7th inst., aged 57, Tamar, widow of the late Matthew Stephenson.
See 29th August 1874 & 5th November 1892

22nd December 1893 (London Gazette)
THE RODDERUP FELL LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 142 of the Companies Act, 1862, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company

will be held at the offices of Gibson, Pybus, and Pybus, 42, Mosley-street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on the 24th day of January, 1894, at half-past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining, by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of. —Dated the 18th day of December, 1893.

GEO. THOMPSON, Liquidator.

23rd December 1893 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Rookhope, Weardale, 7th inst., aged 79, Mary Ann Martindale.

In 1871, at Stotsfield Burn, William Martindale, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary A 56, children Christopher, lead miner, aged 25, George, lead ore washer, aged 22, and domestic servant Ann Hogarth aged 19.

In 1881, at Stosfield Burn, Rookhope, William Martindale, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Mary Ann 64, son Christopher, ironstone miner, aged 35, granddaughter Jane Forster 12, boarders John Middleton, ironstone miner, aged 48, and Henry Middleton, railway labourer, aged 45.

In 1891, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, Mary A Martindale, widow, aged 75, and stepson Christopher Martindale, lead miner, aged 45

Stanhope, 14th inst., aged 16, Mary Alice Watson.

In 1891, at Graham Street, Stanhope, George Watson, limestone quarryman, aged 56, his wife Eve 49, son Victor W. blacksmith, aged 16, and daughter Mary A. 13.

30th December1893 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Nenthead school has been closed for three weeks, and Garrigill one week owing to Influenza.

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 24th inst., George Wm. Currah to Mary Hannah Armstrong, both of Ashgill.

In 1891, at Plantation House, Ashgill, John Currah, sawyer of timber, aged 48, his wife Ann aged 45, son George W., lead miner, aged 22, and daughter Elizabeth 17.

In 1901, at Victoria Street, Scarbourgh, George Currah, hide and skin agent, aged 32, his wife Mary H 27, daughters Olive 3, Violet 1, and sister Tamar J Currah 30.

In 1911, at Aberdeen Walk, Scarborough, George William Currah, agent for hide and skin books, aged 42, his wife Mary Hannah, aged 38, children Olive 13, George Roland 8, Reginald Armstrong 5, visitors, Annie Thompson 56, and Eleanor Thompson 19.

Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 23rd inst., George Bond of Frosterley to Mrs Gardner of Newcastle late of Frosterley.

6th January 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriage

Alston Congregational Church, 1st inst., John Armstrong, Cleator Moor to Ruth Mary eldest daughter of James Dixon, Alston.

In 1891, at Crescent, Cleator Moor, James Armstrong, widow, iron ore miner, aged 53, born Alston, children John, iron ore miner, aged 21, born Cleator, Esther 20, Hugh, miners labourer, aged 18, Helen Cameron 14, Alfred 13, and Annie 11.

In 1891, at Front Street, James Dixon, tailor, aged 53, his wife Mary Ann 56, children Ruth Mary 27, Elizabeth A., stocking knitter, aged 26, Margaret E 16, Florence, stocking knitter, aged 14, and grandson Joseph W Dixon 4.

In 1901, at Whitehaven Road, Cleator Moor, Ruth M. Armstrong, widow, grocer, aged 37, and daughter Ruby M. aged 2 months. In 1911, at St James Terrace, Percy Main, John George Billingham, ship plate riveter, aged 46, his wife Ruth Mary, (Armstrong, married 3rd quarter 1906, at reg. Tynemouth) aged 47, daughter Sarah 15, and step son John Dixon Armstrong, shipping clerk, aged 15 (in 1901, he was staying with his grandparents, James & Mary Dixon, at Alston).

See 15th September 1894

Stanhope Primitive Chapel, 27th ult., Joseph Nattrass of Weardale to Miss S. H. Pattinson of Stanhope.

Deaths

Alston, Townfoot, 3rd inst., Thomas Davidson, late of Blagill.

In 1851, at Blagill Hill Top, Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Dorothy (Thompson, married 1st quarter of 1851, Alston) aged 24. In 1861, at Blagill, Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Dorothy 33, children Hannah 6, John 4, and Robert 1.

In 1871, at East Brokenhaugh, Thomas Davison, lead ore miner, aged 44, his wife Dorothy 42, children Hannah 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Robert, lead ore washer, aged 11.

In 1881, at East Brokenhaugh, Haydon, Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Dorothy 53, sons John, lead miner, aged 23, and Robert, lead miner, aged 21.

In 1891, at Blagill, Thomas Davidson, lead miner, aged 65, and his wife Dorothy 63.

13th January 1894 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

A communication has just been received by the parents if Mr George Nattrass if Ireshopeburn, Weardale from Principal Campbell, LL.D., of the Royal Normal College for the Blind, Norwood, London, stating that their son who is 17 years old had won the Gardner Scholarship of £40 per annum for music. The successful student who is blind was forwarded for the Christmas examination from the Blind Asylum, Newcastle, where he has been located for 4 years.

In 1881, at Ireshope Burn, Stanhope, George Nattrass, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary Ann (Watson, married 3rd quarter of 1870, Weardale) aged 34, children Matthew 10, Frederick 8, Frances Jane 7, George 4, and Sarah Ann aged 2.

In 1891, at the Royal Victoria, Blind Asylum, Northumberland Street, Joseph Nattrass, aged 13. In 1901, at 22 Upper Road, Plaistow, West Ham, Essex, George Nattrass, boarder, Instructor of the blind aged 24.

Deaths

At Browngill, Nenthall, 6th inst., aged 39, Frances Wife of Jonathan Hornsby.

In 1871, at, High Low Lady Shield, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Phebe (Teasdale, married 4th quarter of 1847, Alston) aged 50, children Mathew, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21, Isaac, blacksmith, aged 17, Emerson, stonemason, aged 16, Jonathan, labourer, aged 14, Joseph 11, and Thomas 9.

In 1881, at Nentsbury, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Frances (Currah, married 4th quarter of 1879, Alston) aged 26, and son Jonathan 1.

In 1891, at Greenends, Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Frances 37, children William L. lead ore washer, aged 13, Jonathon 11, Alice J. 6, Isaac 2, and nephew Thomas C. Currah 8.

In 1901, at High Browngill, Jonathan Hornsby, widow, lead & zinc miner, aged 44, children Jonathan, lead & zinc miner, aged 21, Alice Jane 16, Isaac 12, and nephew Thomas C. Currah, lead ore washer, aged 18. See 16th January 1897

At St Joseph's America (at the residence of her daughter), 14 December, aged 74, Mary Charlton, widow of the late John Charlton, Rookhope, County Durham.

At Allendale, 6th inst. aged 26, Isabella, the dearly beloved wife of Joseph French *(Married 1st quarter of 1891)*, and 2nd daughter of William & Sarah Nelson of West Mill Hills, Haydon Bridge. .

17th January 1894 (Manchester Courier and Lancashire General Advertiser)

WINDING UP NOTICES

The Dufton Fell Lead Ore and Barytes Company Limited.

20th January 1894 (Hexham Courant)

LEAD AND LEAD ROYALTIES

The owners of one of the lead mines in the North of England are pressing their claim for a reduction of the royalty that they pay to the landowner. And without saying that the royalty should be one-tenth, or one-twentieth of the produce it may be said that the present condition of the lead mining industry in the North of England is such that it needs all the aid in the shape of reductions of cost it can obtain to enable it not to flourish but to survive. For years the lead produced from British lead ores has irregularly decreased; it was about 50,000 tons in the year 1882, and it had fallen to about 33,000 tons in the year 1890. Whilst the British lead produce is decreasing, the imports from other countries have of late rapidly increased; they rose from 100,000 tons for 1882 to 174,000 tons for 1890. And the decrease on home produce is very greatly reflected in the constituent produce of the North. Mines that were once prosperous are laid idle; dales that were enriched by the working and the smelting of lead are impoverished by the absence of the industries; and therefore the landowner has not only to consider whether (say) a sixteenth part of the produce is not better to have a mine at work than a larger nominal amount without yield, but he has to consider that the operative of the mine enriches the estate by giving a better

local market for the produce of the surface of the land. In some instances we believe that the North of England lead mine owners have paid royalty for years out of capital rather than lose that sunk in the mine; but the closed mines of the North make it obvious that this cannot go on forever. It is becoming apparent that the "adventurer" in a mine must not bear the whole of the loss of working; and there have been some suggestions to obviate or modify the system. We believe that the principle of the sliding scale has been adopted at one or two mines; and it is obvious that as the price of lead has sunk in recent years from £20 to under £10, the adoption of such a system would have greatly benefited the mine owner, and possibly might have allowed mines to continue at work that are closed. It was suggested also by one of the chief of the Northern lead miners some little time ago that there should be an imposition of the tribute on the net profit instead of the gross result of the working. Either of these courses would probably give some stimulus to the lead mining, and that stimulus would be shown in the improvement of many of our dales and the greater demands that they would make not only for mining requirements but also for the essentials of comfort.

Newcastle Chronicle

Deaths

At Milestone House, Melmerby, 16th inst., James Spottiswood, farmer and innkeeper, late of Parkside, Alston.

In 1891, at Milestone House, James Spottiswood, farmer & innkeeper, aged 64, his wife Phebe 63, sons William, farmers son, aged 23, Hugh, farmers son, aged 22, John, farmers son, aged 19, and domestic servant Fanny Reed aged 13

See 18th August 1883, and 19th April 1884.

20th January 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Swinhope Shield, Allendale, 18th inst., aged 74, John Liddell, interred on Sunday.

In 1851, at Scotch Meadows, John Liddle, lead ore miner, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth aged 31, children Thomas 10, Andrew 9, Mary 3, and John 1.

In 1861, at Scotch Meadows, John Liddle, lead ore miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 20, Andrew, lead ore miner, aged 19, Mary 13, John 11, Parker 9, Elizabeth 5, Christopher 3, and William 11 months.

In 1871, at Scots Meadows, John Liddle, retired lead ore miner, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 51, children Thomas, iron stone miner, aged 30, John, lead ore miner, aged 21, Parker, lead ore miner, aged 19, Elizabeth 15, Christopher 13, and William 10.

In 1881, at Swinhope Shield, John Liddle, farmer of 50 acres aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 61, children John, lead miner, aged 31, Parker, lead miner, aged 29, Elizabeth, dairy maid, aged 25, Christopher, stone mason, aged 23, William, jobbing labourer, aged 20, granddaughter Mary Dodd 11, and granddaughter Sarah A. Liddle 4.

In 1891, at Low Swinhope Shield, John Liddell, widow, farmer, aged 71, sons Parker, farmers son, aged 39, William, lead miner, aged 30, granddaughter Elizabeth J. 6, and daughter Mary Dodd, widow, aged 43.

27th January 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
Deaths
At Dykeshead, Nenthead, on the 16th inst., Ridley, son of Isaac Cousin, aged 15 years.
In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Nenthead, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres, aged 62, his wife Hannah 56, children, William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer on farm, aged 15, and Margaret aged 11.

Isaac Cousin married Sarah Graham 5th February 1863, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Isaac Cousin, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah 28, children, John 6, and Jane 4.
In 1881, Cotterill, Nenthead, Isaac Cousin, Lead miner & farmer of 14 acres, aged 40, his wife Sarah 38, children, John, lead miner & farmer, aged 16, Jane 14, Mary 8, Thomas William 6, Isaac 5, Ridley 2, and Margaret Ann 10 months.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Isaac Cousin, Stone Mason, aged 50, his wife Sarah 48, children, Thomas W, Lead Ore washer, aged 16, Isaac, Lead Ore washer, 15, Ridley, 12, Margaret Ann 10, and Alice 5.
In 1901, at Dykeheads, Isaac Cousin, retired lead miner, aged 60, his wife Sarah 58, children, Thomas W, wagon driver at lead mines, aged 27, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 18, Margaret A 19, and Alice 15.
Sarah Cousin died 4th qtr 1905, aged 62, registered at Alston.
In 1911, at Dyke Heads, Nenthead, Isaac Cousin, widower, farmer, aged 70, son Joseph, miner, aged 28, daughter Alice, house keeper, aged 25.
Isaac Cousin died 1st qtr 1913, aged 72, registered at Alston.
See 26th October 1872, 4th April 1874, 3rd February 1883, 10th December 1887, & 28th April 1900

27th January 1894 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
INDUSTRIAL ITEMS
We are pleased to note that there is now considerable yield of Spelter from the Nentsbury mines, Mr Thompson, the manager, having evidently of late turned his attention more to the production of Spelter than of lead. The very low price of the latter, as also of silver, now handicaps the Alston mines terribly, and we make a present of the information to the bi-metallists for what it is worth. Until quite recently Spelter has not been produced in the Alston locality, except at Nenthead; to find that Nentsbury offers to yield well is a welcome intimation. The Nentsbury ore is forwarded into Wales, where it is blended with other ores and is smelted. It is a curious feature of zinc ores that several varieties have to be blended to give the full yield. The Nenthead ores, for this reason are blended with ores from Wales, and if we mistake not with ores from the Isle of Man. It is a little startling to find that a week or two ago a consignment of lead ore was received from Australia to be smelted at Nenthead - probably by way of experiment. It would hardly be recognised as lead ore by those accustomed to Alston samples. Instead of being found in cubes like the local galena, it is apparently an oxidised substance of less specific gravity - probably sulphate of lead or anglesite.
Deaths
At Garrigill, 24th inst. aged 68, Matthew Millican, carpenter.

In 1891, at Clark Hall Row, Matthew Millican, widow, joiner for a lead mine company, aged 65, and son Ridley, joiner at home, aged 27 and sister in law Sarah Ridley, single, housekeeper, aged 48.
See 28th May 1881, & 28th June 1890.

Garrigill Cemetery

3rd February 1894

SALE OF LEAD ORE AT HAYDON BRIDGE

A sale of 823 bings of lead ore took place at the Anchor Inn, on the 14 inst. The mineral, which is known as duty ore, belonged to the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty, and was raised from the different lead mines in Alston Moor. It constitutes their share or portion of the produce of the mines as claimed and due to them as Lords of the Manor. The principle buyers in the North of England seven in number, sent in tenders for the purchase of the ore, 663 bings being sold to Messrs, Shield and Dinning, and the remainder to John Warwick. A similar sale of 44 bings took place at Alston, the buyers being Messrs. John Walton and Co, at the price of £4 19s 0d per bing.

MINE ACCIDENT

Mr Stephen Watson of Weardale House, Manager of the Weardale lead mines was injured in the Grove Rake Lead Mine on Tuesday by being thrown from a small "bogey" waggon. His face was found to be much hurt, and Dr Gray, of Stanhope, was sent for to attend to his wounds. Owing to the nature of his injuries it was not considered safe to remove him across the fell to his home for a few days.

Deaths

Clitheroe, Alston, 29th ult., aged 81, Margaret Widow of Teasdale Lowe.
See See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 17th November 1868, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, and 29th August 1896.

17th February 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 4th inst. Thomas Watson to Mary daughter of Nicholas Anderson, both of Garrigill.
In 1891, at Ivy House, Garrigill, Nicholas Anderson, farmer, aged 48, his wife Sibyl 43, children John A 19, Mary M 17, Thomas 15, Nicholas 13, Joseph V 10, Mark 8, and William 6.
In 1901, at Ash Tree Cottages, Haltwhistle, Thomas Watson, coal miner, hewer, aged 36, his wife Mary 27, children Sybil 5, Tom 3, and Mary A 1 month. In 1911, at Willow Lane, Haltwhistle, Thomas Watson, coal miner, hewer, aged 47, born Harwood, Durham, his wife Mary 37, children Sybil Anderson 15, Thomas, shift lad, coal mine below ground, aged 14, Marion 10, Esther 7, Annie 5, Joseph 2, and ~~Nicholas 3 days.~~
The death of Nicholas Watson was registered 1st quarter 1911.

24th February 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Palmerstown North, New Zealand, October 29th, 1893, aged 45, Joseph the beloved husband of Mary A Graham, and youngest son of the late John Graham of Knock Shield, Allendale.
In 1871, at Low Knock Shield, John Graham, farmer of 22 acres, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 61, children John, shop man grocer, aged 27, Joseph Graham, labourer, aged 25, and granddaughter Ann Graham 7.

24th February 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Church, 17th inst., Thomas Brown to Lucy Angus; also John Bainbridge to E. A. Gardner all of Stanhope. Same day Wesleyan Chapel, Thomas Roddam, Wolf Cleugh to Caroline Lightburn, Grove Rake; also Stephen Watson, Burtreeford to Jane Peart, Bents.

24th February 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD
The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Messrs R. Elliott (chairman), H. Walton, T. Harrison, H. Bell, and J. Rutherford, with the Clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), and the Attendance Officer (Mr N. Walton.)

ATTENDANCE.
The school attendance for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	126	108
Nenthall	43	39
Tynehead	14	9
Garrigill	57	42
Leadgate	24	21
Alston High	106	96
„ National	67	51
„ Infant	61	59
	498	425

BAD ATTENDANCE.

Mr Harrison said the Master at Nenthead School had complained very much of the bad attendance of late, and feared that it would affect the grant.—On the list of irregulars, however, being gone through, it was found that many of these lived at a considerable distance, or were very young, and that taking into account the bad weather experienced of late, they had a valid excuse. Two notices were directed to be sent to parents at Nenthead, and several to the parents of scholars attending Alston National School.

FREE EDUCATION AT LAST.

Applications were read from 49 parents of 91 children at Nenthead, and for three children at Tynehead, for free places at their respective schools.—The CHAIRMAN thought the Board had no alternative but to grant the applications.—Mr BELL: We are bound by our own resolution to do so—Mr WALTON expressed an opinion that the resolution was a piece of folly. The Education Department had found that they had gone too far, and they would never have compelled the Board to grant free places to all applicants, if the Board had not tied their hands by their own action. It was the most ridiculous thing he had ever known in his experience, that all these children should come on the parish in this way. The School Board rate was 3½d in the £, while the poor rate was only 8d; the sanitary rate, and the highway rate, 1d. For the two years the Board had been in existence, they had raised £420 in rates, and that had all been spent on one school, while they had no power to free the other schools.—Mr BELL thought that if Mr Walton was dissatisfied with the resolution, he had been allowed sufficient time to move that it be rescinded, or amended.—Mr HARRISON said they could not abrogate the resolution now, for the time had passed when it came into effect. —Mr RUTHERFORD suggested that the free places Should not be confined to those only who had applied. It would be a wise policy to declare the school free once for all, and save others the trouble of making application.—The CHAIRMAN remarked that some might not be inclined to apply, and Mr WALTON hoped that there would be some parents at Nenthead who disdained to accept parish relief.—The applications were then granted.

TYNEHEAD SCHOOL.

Mr Richardson, master of Tynehead School, made an application to have his salary continued at the average of the 13 years previous to 1891. In that year the Lords of the Admiralty withdrew their subscription and the population grant was discontinued. The average was £61. Some discussion ensued as to whether it was necessary to continue the school, and it was stated that there were only scholars from one house outside a two Mile radius from Garrigill. It was also stated that the attendance was somewhat irregular. On the motion of Mr Harrison, it was agreed to fix definitely the salary at the next meeting. An account of £6 6s for books and school apparatus taken over from the late managers was ordered to be paid.

3rd March 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD.

For the last few weeks the weather in this locality has been in a very unsettled state, frosts and thaw has prevailed with wonderful regularity. At times a heavy downpour of rain has prevailed, and large floods have been witnessed. At other times the rain has given place to snow, which has fallen very rapidly, and soon laid a thick covering on the ground. A heavy fall took place on Wednesday of

this week, and it seemed as if a heavy storm was to prevail, the milder atmosphere, however, soon got the upper hand, and rain fell in a manner that soon laid bare the ground again, Thus we are having sudden changes, and it is hoped that soon a change will take place for the better, and that the weather may be of a more genial description.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—On Wednesday night last, Mr London, County Council lecturer, gave the second of his series of lectures on the "Senses." He dealt on this occasion with the eye. A graphic description of the exterior of the optic nerve was given, explaining the eyebrows, the eyelashes, the eyelids, and the various uses to which they were adapted. The interior and construction of the important organ was elaborately explained. A lot of information was imparted on colour-blindness, long and short sight, and other matters concerning the sight. The diseases of the eye and their causes, and some useful hints how to remedy them was offered. For about two hours Mr London continued to speak, to the interest of his audience, which was a very large one. Next week, "Hearing and Speaking" will be the subject.

10th March 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst. Thomas Wallace to Jane Rutherford, both of Stanhope.

Deaths

At Leadgate, 328 South Cross St, 25th ult., aged 41, Joseph D. Curry, beloved husband of Mary Ann Curry late of Allenheads.

Joseph Dickinson Curry, married Mary Ann Short, 4th quarter of 1878, Hexham.

In 1881, at Mill Cottage, Joseph D. Curry, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Mary A. 24, children Jane A. 1, and William C. 2 months.

In 1891, at Leadgate, Durham, Joseph D Curry, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Mary A. 34, children Jane A. 11, William C. 10, Elizabeth A. 7, Joseph 5, and Isabella 3.

At Roughside, West Allen, 31st January aged 51, Nicholas beloved husband of Lucy Short.

In 1891, at Rough Side, Nicholas Short, lead miner & farmer, aged 48, his wife Lucy 45, children Nicholas, lead miner, aged 22, John, lead miner, aged 18, George, farmers son, aged 16, Hannah 15, Thomas B. 10, and Joseph 5.

At Chapel Terrace Alston, 8th inst. aged 71, Sarah Christian, widow of the late William Hall, coal merchant. *See 8th July 1876.*

10th March 1894 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

Dr Short's annual report for No. 2 district was read, reported 30 deaths at the rate of 17.91 per 1000, or 1.7 higher than last year. As many as seven deaths out of the 30 were due to influenza. Of these 6 were females and 1 male, all occurring in Nenthead. The births were 45, 28 males and 17 females, at the rate of 26.86 per 1000.

17th March 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel Hexham, 15th inst., Thomas Lattimer to Lizzie *(Hannah Elizabeth)*, eldest daughter of John Archer, both of Nenthead.

In 1901, at Holmefoot, Thomas Lattimer, grocer & draper, aged 35, his wife Hannah E 34, children John P 5, Janet 2, Cecil 6 months, and domestic servant, Sarah E Peart 16.

In 1911, at Saltwell Hall, Gateshead, Thomas Lattimer, corporation clerk, sanitary, aged 45, his wife Hannah Elizabeth 44, sons John Percy, office boy, aged 15, Cecil Archer 10, and domestic servant Isabella Haig 19.

Deaths

At New Zealand, 31st December, aged 40, Jas. Akerigg, late of Alston and Huddersfield.

At Nenthead, 9th inst., aged 51, Tamar Dixon.

See 26th July 1890 & 14th April 1894

At Bailes near Alston, 10th inst. aged 64, Mr William Lee.

In 1891, at Bailes, Elizabeth Lee, single, living on her own means, aged 51, and brother William Lee, single, living on his own means, aged 60; previous occupation, Ag. Labourer.

17th March 1894 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

FATAL ACCIDENT

On Thursday, the mangled remains of a boy named Thomas William Dalton aged 15 years, were found lying beside an old disused water wheel, near Green Laws lead mine, Weardale. The deceased, who lived at Green Laws Farm, was a washer boy at the above lead mine. He was at work until about half past one, when he went home. About half past four in the afternoon, he left the house, and at 6.30 his father Joseph Dalton found him dead, hanging to the shaft in connection with the water wheel and a circular "buddle" at Middle Green Law. It is supposed that the water had been turned on, and the wheel set in motion, and the lad had been caught by it.

In 1861, at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Dalton, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Isabella (Graham, married 2nd qtr 1841, at Weardale) aged 46, children, Jesse, lead miner, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner aged 12, Thomas 10, Isabella 8, and Hannah 3.

In 1871, at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Dalton, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Isabella 56, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 18, and Hannah 13.

In 1881, at Low Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, Thomas Dalton, retired lead miner, aged 61, his wife Isabella 66, and daughter Hannah 23.

Isabella Dalton died 4th qtr 1883, aged 69, registered at Weardale.

Thomas Dalton died 14th September 1884 at Killhope, Weardale.

In 1881, at Cogley, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Dalton, labourer, aged 30, his wife Jane Ann (Milburn, married 1st quarter of 1878, Weardale) aged 24, and son Thomas 2.

In 1891, at Burnt Hills, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Dalton, widower (Jane Ann, died 2nd quarter of 1890, aged 33), lead miner & farmer, aged 39, children

Thomas Wm. 12, Jacob Joseph 9, John Graham 6, Jesse 4, Hannah 1, and general servant Harriet Rutherford aged 16.
In 1901, at Daddry Shield, Weardale, Joseph Dalton, widower, limestone quarryman, aged 49, and son John G. 16.
In 1911,at Daddry Shield, Weardale, Joseph Dalton, widower, limestone quarryman, aged 59, and daughter Hannah aged 21.

NENTHEAD
SUDDEN DEATH

An inquest was held on Saturday at Nenthead relative to the sudden death of Mrs Tamar Dixon, a widow 51 years of age, who resided at Nenthead with her daughter and sons, and who died in bed the previous night. The deceased woman was strong and robust in appearance but had complained of shortness of breath and fluttering of the heart. On Friday night she slept with her late husbands mother who is 89 years old, the latter in the morning waking to find her daughter in law dead. Verdict death from natural causes. (Heart disease).
See 17th March 1894

ALSTON

DEATH OF MR ROBERT DENT GARRIGILL. We regret having to record the death of Mr R. Dent, schoolmaster, Garrigill, which took place on Monday morning. Mr Dent having been in failing health for sometime not having been able to attend to his school duties. …
Mr Dent came to Garrigill about 50 years ago. He was a local preacher amongst the Wesleyan Methodists. … He leaves a grown family of sons and daughters, his two sons being, Mr John Dent, schoolmaster, Harker near Carlisle, and the Rev. W. R. Dent, Stockton. *(Died 12th March aged 71 years.)*

24th March 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

Stanhope 19th inst., aged 91, George Rain, grocer, same day, Hannah, wife of John Walton, East Lane, and daughter of Mark Martindale.
See 31st March 1894

31st March 1894 (Hexham Courant)
NEWBROUGH STOPPAGE OF LEAD MINES

On the 22nd inst. the miners engaged at the Stonecroft and Greyside lead mines stopped work. The lease under which The Stonecroft and Greyside Mining Company, have been working expired on December 31, 1893, but a compromise was affected whereby the company have been enabled to carry on the mines until the present and also under the expectation that the royalty rents would be reduced. In the case of one of the royalty owners this expected reduction has not been granted, and as this royalty covers a considerable portion of the mine, it was not deemed possible for the mine to pay. It is expected that the whole of the men will very shortly be finished work, as there only remains the dressing of ore, which has already been raised to the surface.

31st March 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

Stanhope 24th inst., aged 20 Hannah daughter of Mark Martindale.

In 1851, at Westgate, St John's, Feather Martindale (Featherstone son of Thomas Martindale & Mary Walton, died June 1854), lead miner, aged 41, his wife Mary 33, children Thomas 14, John 13, Mark 11, and Joseph 5.
In 1861, at Westgate, St John's, Mary Martindale, lead miners widow, aged 44, sons Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 23, Mark, lead miner, aged 21, and Joseph, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1871, at Rookhope, Mark Martindale, engine stoker, aged 29, his wife Phebe (Walton, married 1st quarter of 1865) aged 28, children Ann 6, Featherston 4, and Mary J. 1 year.
In 1881, at Bond Eale, Terrace, Stanhope, Mark Martindale, engine driver (locomotive), aged 38, his wife Phoebe 38, children Ann 16, Featherstone, labourer, aged 14, Mary Jane 11, Hannah 7, and Sarah E. 10 months.
In 1891, At Ferry Field, Stanhope, John Walton, limestone quarryman, aged 30, his wife Annie (married 3rd quarter 1886) aged 26, children Mary Jane 4, and Phoebe 2.
In 1891, at Ferry Field, Stanhope, Mark Martindale, quarry engine driver, aged 49, his wife Phoebe 48, children Hannah 17, Sarah 10, and Thomas 5.
In 1901, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, John Walton, widow, inspector of limestone, aged 40, children Mary Jane 14, and Phoebe 12.

7th April 1894 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Death of Mrs Bainbridge of Wolsingham, widow of Cuthbert Bainbridge, died at her residence Leazes House, on Sunday night; she was 85 years of age.

Deaths

Bollihope near Frosterley, 31st ult., aged 22, John son of the late Thomas Smith of Middleton Teesdale.
In 1881, at Bolihope Shield, Thomas Smith, farmer of 21 acres & lead miner, aged 44, his wife Mary 41, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Annie 11, John 9, and Elizabeth 7.
In 1891, at Juniper Villa, Bollihope Shield, Mary Smith, widow, farmer, aged 51, children John, cartman at lead mines, aged 19, and Mary J. 8.
Skydes, Garrigill, 4th inst., aged 21 John Joseph Pickering.
See 31st October 1871, and 12th October 1895.

14th April 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead, Wardway Foot, 9th inst., aged 25, Joseph Dixon, miner.
See 26th July 1890 & 14th April 1894
At Hepburn, 8th inst. aged 27, Florence Maria, wife of the Rev F. Jones and daughter of Mr John Millican, Croft House, Alston. *See 22nd March 1879, & 13th August 1892*
At Westgate, Weardale, 1st inst. Joseph Dalkin the oldest Wesleyan local preacher in Weardale.
In 1871, at Widdy Close, Westgate, Joseph Dalkin, blacksmith, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 53, and daughter Mary Gardiner 13.
In 1881, at Westgate, Joseph Dalkin, widow, blacksmith, aged 61.
In 1891, at Westgate, Joseph Dalkin, widow, blacksmith, & lay preacher, aged 71, son in law John Kidd, lead miner, aged 35, and daughter Sarah Kidd 36.

14th April 1894 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF A WEARDALE MAN IN AUSTRALIA

The Australian papers just to hand record the death on March 3rd of Mr Thomas Egglestone, mining reporter on the staff of the Bendigo Independent. ... Deceased was the eldest son of Mr Nathan Egglestone, now in the 85th year of his age and living at St John's Chapel, Weardale. In 1857 deceased emigrated, along with some eight or nine young fellows from Weardale, to the gold fields of Australia, and worked at the mines for some years. In 1871 the deceased became foreman of the Lazarus Gold Mining Company and occupied that post for 11 years, relinquishing it on account of ill health in 1882, when he was presented with a gold watch and chain by the work people. Mr Egglestone subsequently became an examiner in connection with the school of mines for mining students and also became a mining reporter. He leaves a widow and family. (Cause of death "the breaking of a blood vessel".)

In 1841, at St John's, Stanhope, Nathan Egglestone, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Sarah aged 25, children, Thomas 5, Henry 4, William 3, and Mary 1.

In 1851, at Huntshieldford, Stanhope, Nathan Eggleston, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Sarah 39, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, Henry, lead miner, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 13, Margaret 8, John 7, Nathan 4, Sarah 2, and Ann 2 months.

In 1861, at Huntshieldford, Nathan Eggleston, widow, green grocer, aged 52, Henry, lead miner, aged 24, William, lead miner, aged 22, Margaret 19, John, assistant green grocer, aged 16, Nathan 14, Sarah 11, Ann 9, and Joseph 7.

ALSTON

Death of the wife of the Rev. F. Jones. Florence wife of the Rev Frank Jones (who was recently stationed in Alston Wesleyan Circuit) and daughter of Mr John Millican, Croft House, Alston. The sad event occurred on Sunday morning at Heburn. Mr & Mrs Jones were married at Alston about 18 months ago, they have an infant daughter born on 15th March. *See 14 April 1894.*

21st April 1894 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A sudden death occurred last week in the person of Robert Watson, Chapel House. Mr Watson had been in failing health for some time past but had been working pretty regularly. He proceeded to his work on Thursday morning week (13th) at Rodderup Fell Mines. He complained of feeling unwell about two o'clock in the afternoon, and left for home which he reached about six o'clock, though only about 2 miles away. He had undoubtedly burst a small blood vessel on the road home as he had been vomiting blood. … Deceased was in his 61st year … he leaves a widow and daughter to mourn his loss.

He was a native of Scotland and settled in Alston more than 30 years earlier.

In 1861, at Aimshaugh, Robert Watson, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Hannah (Cousins, married 28th April 1860, Alston) aged 24, and son George 3 months (died 4th quarter of 1862).

In 1871, at Over Burn, Robert Watson, lead ore miner, aged 38, his wife Hannah aged 34, and daughters Elizabeth 8, and Mary J. 7.

In 1881, at Chapel Square, Robert Watson, coal miner, aged 48, his wife Hannah 43, and daughter Mary J., domestic servant, aged 17.

In 1891, at Chapel Terrace, Robert Watson, coal miner, aged 58, born Glasgow, his wife Hannah 53, daughter Mary J. 27, and granddaughter Florence H Watson 5 years.

Deaths

Allendale, Dene House, 14th inst., aged 72, John Roddam.

(Interred at Corbridge) In 1891, at Dene House, John Roddam, widow, farmer, aged 68, son John S. farmers son, aged 34, and daughter Frances, farmers daughter, aged 34.

At Beldy, Garrigill, 16th inst., aged 63, Hannah, widow of the late Isaac Teasdale.

In 1861, at High Shield Hill, Isaac Teasdale, lead mine labourer, aged 37, his wife Hannah (Bramwell, married 1st quarter of 1853, Alston) aged 29, children Elizabeth 8, and John 8 months. In 1871, at Beldy, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Hannah 39, and son John 10.

In 1881, at Beldy, Isaac Teasdale, married, lead miner aged 56.

In 1891, at Beldy, Isaac Teasdale, lead miner & grocer, aged 67, and his wife Hannah aged 59. Isaac died 20th June 1892 aged 68.

To the Memory of
Isaac Teasdale
of High Beldy
who died June 20th 1892
Aged 68
Intered in the Churchyard

Also Hannah his wife
who died April 16th 1894
Aged 63 years

28th April 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the residence of the brides mother, 28th ult., John Catton, of Hamilton, Canada, late of Alston, to Agnes Craig Haig, of Seymour East.

Joseph, Francis and John Catton, were the children of Joseph and Ann Catton, of Ninebanks. Joseph Catton (baptised 7th March 1819, at Alston, parents Joseph & Hannah) married Ann Smith, 18th December 1847, at Alston.

In 1851, at Blagill, Alston, Joseph Catton, farmer of 829 acres, aged 63, his wife Hannah (Walton, married 23rd January 1813, at Alston) aged 59, children Jane, unmarried, aged 26, Robert W., unmarried, aged 23, Alice, unmarried 18, and grandson Joseph Catton 2.

Joseph Catton, of Blagill Burn Head, died 14th January 1859, aged 71.

In 1861, at Blagill, Hill Top, Hannah Catton, widow, farmer of 376 acres, aged 69, grandson, Joseph Catton, aged 13, granddaughter Fanny A. U., aged 11 (Christened Fanny Ann Ursilla, 2nd August 1850, Ninebanks), and grandson John Catton, aged 9.

Hannah Cotton, died 2nd quarter 1862, at Alston.

In 1871, at Coatley Hill, Alston, Thomas Richardson, farmer of 944 acres, employing 2 labourer, aged 42, his wife Alice M 38, children, Joseph E 10, Alice Jill 8, Thomas W 6, Henry B 4, Clarence E 3, Francis I 3, Arthur R 2, Ada L M 3 months, nephew, Joseph Catton, farm servant, aged 22, nephew, John farm servant, aged 23, niece, Francis A. U. Catton, dairy maid, aged 20, and Elizabeth Dowson, domestic servant, aged 24. (Joseph, John & Francis Catton, all born at Allendale)
In 1881, at Victoria Street, Elswick, Newcastle, Thomas Lee, machinist, aged 32, born Alston, his wife, Fanny A.U. aged 31 (married at Alston, 23rd June 1880), brother in law, Joseph Catton, coal merchant, aged 32, aunt, Alice M. Richardson, farmers wife, aged 49, born Alston, and cousin, Charles J. Richardson 4.

Ontario Marriage Records give the following:
Name:John Cotton
Event Date: 28 Mar 1894
Event Place: Seymour, Northumberland, Ontario, Canada
Age: 36
Birth Year (Estimated): 1858
Father's Name: Joseph Catton
Mother's Name: Hannah Smith
Spouse's Name: Agnes Craig Haig
Spouse's Age: 38
Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated): 1856
Spouse's Father's Name: Joseph Haig
Spouse's Mother's Name: Ann Clark

The 1901 Census of Canada shows:
Name: John Catton
Event Type: Census
Event Date: 31 Mar 1901
Event Place: I, Northumberland (east), Ontario, Canada
Gender: Male
Marital Status: Married
Ethnicity: English
Nationality: Canadian
Religion: Presbyterian
Birthplace: England
Birth Year (Estimated): 1859

Household	Role	Gender	Age	Birthplace
John Catton	Head	M	42	England
Sarah Hughes	Adopted Daughter	F	10	Scotland
Agnes C Catton	Wife	F	47	Ontario

There is a record of a John Cotton, of Seymour, Northumberland, Ontario born England, 3rd January 1851, died 14th November 1921, aged 69. John Catton appears in the England & Wales Birth Registration Index, 1st quarter 1852. See 13th November 1841, 30th July 1881, and 17th July 1886

28th April 1894 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Lead Company have turned off a number of hands at their different mines, - Green Laws, Grove Rake, Sedling, Killhope. No reason is given, and no information as to whether it is temporary or permanent. Lead is very low, and it is now difficult for any lead company to make lead mining pay at present prices. ...

28th April 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

A special meeting of this Board was held on Saturday to appoint a successor to Miss Mann, who has resigned her position at Nenthead School, and to take into consideration the new proposal of the Lead Company as to letting the present school buildings.—Mr Elliott presided, and the other members of the Board, Messrs - Walton, Harrison, Bell, and Rutherford, were present, with the Clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson).—The CLERK reported that he had advertised for a female teacher at a salary of £35 per annum, but he had not received a single application.—Mr HARRISON thought teachers must be getting scarcer, or salaries had risen.—Mr WALTON said the examinations were becoming stiffer and stiffer, and that this was reducing the number of candidates, who were, some years ago, much, more numerous than the vacancies. He proposed that the Board appoint a sewing mistress, and endeavour to carry on with the remaining staff.—The CHAIRMAN doubted the wisdom of such a policy. and Mr HARRISON asked what salary would be likely to bring applications.—The CHAIRMAN thought £40 might do so, and it was agreed to advertise again and offer that salary.

NENTHEAD SCHOOL.

A letter was read from Mr W. Holmes, acknowledging receipt of the Board's request to attend their meeting, to discuss the terms on which the school might be rented, but stating that he saw no advantage likely to accrue from such a course, as he had no other terms to offer than such as were contained in his previous letter.—Mr WALTON said this was only what be expected.—The CHAIRMAN suggested that the Board might offer to the Company what they received for letting the school for concerts, &c., in addition to the £20, the company to do repairs, and the Board to retain control of the building.—The CLERK: It would not be fair to let the company have both the proceeds, and the use of the Board's furniture.—Mr RUTHERFORD: When the school is let to outsiders we shall require a representative to see that no damage is done.—After some further discussion, Mr BELL moved that they offer £25, the Board to have full Control of the building, and the Lead Company to do repairs, and this was agreed to.

2nd May 1894 (Teesdale Mercury)

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TEESDALE UNION

Assessment Committee is always an interesting document, because the statistics therein contained are a kind of index to the trade of the neighbourhood, Very gratifying is it to learn that the lead trade shows slight indications of revival. Indeed, there are some authorities who believe that the lead trade is now passing its lowest depths, and that perceptible recovery cannot be very far from commencing. The decline in the price of lead during the past few years is well known. The Chairman of a lead mining company has recently said that when the mine was opened out lead was selling at from £21 to £22 per ton—now it ranges from £9 7s. 6d. to £9 10s. per ton. The question of royalties was discussed a few years ago in Teesdale, when it was shown that a fall so vast, and continued over a number of years, had not been, and scarcely could be, accompanied by any fall, concurrently, in the cost of production. The hampering effects of royalties, however, generally speaking, that were for many years fixed in amount, have only of late begun to be adjusted in earnest in anything like the extent they should be. Lead has been arriving in the United Kingdom from many quarters—from Spain, but more especially Australasia. Bearing in mind that it is produced there with cheap labour and with very low royalties, and being rich in silver— so much so, indeed, that it has actually been imported direct into Teesdale on that account —the foreign lead became a terrible competition with British lead, resulting in the closing of some of the oldest mines. But the fall in the price of lead, with a serious fall also in the value of the silver, has begun to affect the production in other countries, and we are assured that it is possible that an industry that used to be of great moment in the upper reaches of the Tees may again experience revival Notwithstanding the formidable array of pig lead at Romaldkirk Station, it is a fact that our production of lead at home has fallen to a very low ebb, and there are some signs that the imports may be checked by the lowness of price, and possibly by the recovery in the demand in the American markets. But at the present moment the price of lead is almost at its lowest: the output in the north is limited; and the bar to recovery has been for a month or two the flooding of our markets with foreign and Australian lead. There is now little fuller demand for manufactured lead —low prices stimulate the use—and for sake of Northern industries we re-echo the wish that the brighter prospect may bulk out into fact.

5th May 1894 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

It is announced that the wages of the Weardale lead miners have been reduced by 16 per cent.

12th May 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

The Parish Councils Bill

A vestry meeting of the rated inhabitants of the parish of Alston was held in the Board Room of the Town Hall on Thursday afternoon. There was a good attendance. The object of the meeting was to consider a circular from the County Council relative to the Parish Councils Act. Councillor Richardson presided.—The first question was whether there was to be any alteration in the boundaries of the parish, to which an answer in the negative was given. The number of elected guardians was to be fifteen.—On the question of whether it

was desirable to divide the parish into wards, a somewhat lengthy discussion took place.—The CHAIRMAN gave it as his opinion that it was possible to divide the parish into wards or into Parish Council districts.—Mr GEORGE PICKERING said that if they were to take the benefit of the Act it was desirable to divide the parish into wards.—Mr R. ELLIOT asked if a ward could have a Parish Council.—The CHAIRMAN: That is an awkward question, and I am not a lawyer.—Mr H. BELL: Would it not be wise to deal with the District Council and then the Parish Council?—Mr W. J. SIMPSON: So far as I can see, where a parish is divided into wards there will be a parish council in each.—Mr T. HARRISON thought the meeting ought to apply for Parish Councils. Mention had been made in a local paper that at a meeting held on Saturday he had made a resolution to adopt wards. His motion was to apply for Parish Councils, and failing that, then wards. It would be best to apply for Parish Councils. They had separate needs, and would be able to look after their own interests.—After some further discussion it was resolved to answer "yes" to the question.—Mr PICKERING then moved that the parish be divided into three wards— Alston, Nenthead. and Garrigill, and further that each ward be constituted a separate parish.—Mr A. BOLTON seconded, and it was carried.—Further discussion was held on the question of the time of existence of each board, whether returning by thirds or every three years.—Mr SIMPSON moved that the District Council retire every three years. It would save expense.—Mr H. BELL seconded.—Something was said about the number of councillors, but the Chairman thought the question was premature.—Mr PICKERING moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was seconded by Mr ELLIOTT, who asked at the same time if the Chairman, as County Councillor, would be present when the suggestions would be presented.—The CHAIRMAN said he could carry them, and acknowledged the vote of thanks, expressing his approval of the resolution.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. W. Spirey, Thomas William Moffat, Nenthead, to Mary Ann Stephenson, Dykes Head, Nenthead.

In 1861, at Haggs Foot, Nenthead, Sarah Moffat, lead miners wife, aged 40, sons, John, lead miner, aged 17, Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, and Albany 5.
Thomas Moffat married Agnes Henderson 16th January 1870, at Nenthead.
In 1871, at Low Galligill, Nenthead, Thomas Moffat, lead miner, aged 21, his wife Agnes 21, and son Thomas Wm 9 months.
In 1881, at Island Cottage, Nenthead, Thomas Moffat, lead miner & farmer of 6 acres, aged 30, born, Threlkeld, his wife Agnes 30, born Alston, children, Thomas W 10, Sarah 8, John A 6, and Annie 3.
In 1891, at Pasture House, Nenthead, Thomas Moffat, lead miner, aged 40, born, Threlkeld, his wife Agnes 41, born Alston, children, Thomas W., lead miner, aged 20, Isaac (sic) Albany, lead ore washer, aged 16, Annie 13, Ada 6.
In 1901, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas W Moffat, grazing farmer, aged 30, his wife Mary Ann 26, daughter Hilda 5, & step son Matthew 2.
In 1911, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, Thomas William Moffat, farmer, aged 40, his wife Mary Ann 36, children, Hilda 15, Matthew Stephenson, 12, Annie 8, and Thomas Henry 6.

19th May 1894 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

A letter from the Lead Office, Nenthead, was read, stating that the company could not accept less than £30 a year rent for Nenthead School building. They undertook to be responsible for the repair of the roof (including belfry), walls and floor of the main buildings and out-offices, the Board to keep the place otherwise in condition, as to cleanliness, &c., to satisfy the Inspector and Company's agent. A decided opinion was expressed that £30 was an exorbitant charge, and after the clerk had explained that the Board could not be required to vacate the premises for a year at least, he was instructed to inform the Company's agent that the Board could not increase their offer of £25. The attendance for the month at Nenthead was: - On books 137, Average attendance 114.

26th May 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

Deaths

At St. Joseph's Home, Carlisle, on the 6th inst., James Fitzsimmons, formerly of Nenthead, aged 73 years.

St Josephs Home for aged poor, Albert Street, Carlisle.

In 1881, at West Nenthead, James Fitzsimmons, widower, pedlar, aged 60, born Ireland.

9th June 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 20th ult., John Hill to Mrs Hannah Ridley.

16th June 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 10th inst., Wm. Graham, Pry House, Nenthead to Phoebe Atkinson, White Well, Skelgill, Alston.

In 1891, at Middle Farm, John Atkinson, farmer, aged 63, his wife Eunice 54, children Phoebe 19, Isaac 17, Joseph W 10, and visitor Mary Wallace, single, charwoman, aged 70.

In 1901, at Dykeheads, William Graham, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Phoebe 28, children John 6, Annie 4, and Evalyn E 1.

In 1911, at Browngill, Alston, Thomas Bell, labourer on the dressing floor, aged 38, born Edmondbyers, Durham, his wife Phoebe aged 39, step children John George Graham, working on washing floor, aged 16, Eveline Eunice Graham 11, Joseph William Graham 4, and Thomas Ridley Graham 4.

See 22nd June 1889, and 20th September 1890

7th July 1894 (Hexham Courant)

SETTLINGSTONES MINES

Obituary: - Another estimable citizen in the person of Mr Michael Clennel, engineer of the above place, has been removed after a short illness from the mundane sphere at the ripe old age of 86 years. Quite five momentous decades or 50 years have passed since the subject of this notice took up his residence in the neighbourhood, firstly at Newbrough, secondly at Stonecroft, and finally at Settlingstones mines. Deceased was imported from Derwent Lead Mines by Messrs Hall, the proprietors who had also acquired the rights to work the lead

ore at the former place; and which was now fast developing into a veritable El-Dorado under the experienced directorship of Mr Matthew Winter, the Manager Mr William Watson, father of the present respected resident manager, and Mr John Ball, master washer. … He was the father of a family of 17 children but Mrs Clennel predeceased him many years. … Interred Newbrough churchyard.
In 1841, at Michael Clennell, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Frances (Henderson, married 5th March 1831, Hunstanworth) aged 30, children Jane 7, Mary 5, Susannah 3, Thomas 5 weeks, and Alexander 10.
In 1851, Settlingstones cottages, Michael Clennel, engine keeper, aged 42, born Leeds, Yorkshire, his wife Frances aged 40, born Newcastle upon Tyne, children Alexander 19, born Stanhope, Mary 14, born Stanhope, Susannah 12, born Stanhope, Elizabeth 8, born Stanhope, and Michael 3, born Warden.
In 1861, at Settlingstones mines, Michael Clennel, engine keeper at mines, aged 52, his wife Frances 50, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 24, Elizabeth, nurse, aged 18, and Michael, lead miner, aged 13.
In 1871, at Settlingstones mines, Michael Clennell, widow, engineman at lead mines, aged 64, daughter Susannah, housekeeper, aged 42, and son Michael, engineman at lead mines, aged 23.
In 1881, at Settlingstones mine, Michael Clennel, widow, engineman, aged 74, daughter Susannah, housekeeper, aged 42, and son Michael, engineman, aged 33.
In 1891, at Settlingstones mines, Michael Clennel, widow, living on his own means, aged 83, daughter Susannah 58, son Michael, stationary engineman, aged 43.

11th July 1894 (Newcastle daily Chronicle)
NENTHEAD.—For Sale, by private contract, all that Dwelling House, containing 4 rooms, with shop, now used as a blacksmith's shop, with plot of ground, situate at Nenthead, and now in the occupation of Mr. Thomas Liddle. The property is held under lease for a term of 1000 years at a nominal rent.—Offers to be addressed to Mr Adam Elliott, auctioneer, Alston, or to John Montgomery, solicitor, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

28th July 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Pao-ning, Si-chuan Province, West China, H French Ridley, eldest surviving son of John Ridley, surveyor, Allenheads, Allendale, to Sarah Querry, 3rd daughter of Edward Querry, Bradwell on Sea, Essex, both members of the China Island Mission.
See 12th February 1898
Deaths
At Close House, Allenheads, 12th inst. aged 78, Mary the beloved wife of George Percival.
In 1891, at Close House, George Percival, grocer, aged 74, his wife Mary 74, niece Elizabeth Ellen Pearson 15, and servant Sarah Ann Philipson aged 25.
See 5th January 1895.

28th July 1894 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY

Dr Short's report for the quarter ending 30th June, No. 2 district, 9 deaths or a rate of 5.37, the same as last quarter. 12 births a rate of 7.16.

Deaths

Nenthead, Hillersdon Terrace, 25th inst., Ann wife of Joseph Goodburn.

In 1851, at Hude, Middleton, Thomas Goodburn, horse keeper, aged 50, his wife Ann 43, children Joseph, assistant teacher, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, and Margaret 10.

In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, clerk to the Lead Co's mines, aged 29, and his wife Ann (Clemintson, married 23rd August 1860, Alston) aged 33. In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, clerk to the lead co's mines, aged 39, and his wife Ann 43. In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, commercial clerk, aged 49, his wife Ann 54, and domestic servant Ann Stephenson, aged 21. In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, accountant for lead company, aged 59, his wife Ann 64, and domestic servant Lucy Hannah Hill, aged 17.

4th August 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

SAD DEATH OF A CHILD NEAR NENTHALL

On Tuesday, the 31st ult. an inquest was held in the Nenthall Schoolroom, before Mr J. B. Lee, coroner for East-Cumberland, and a jury, of which Mr W. J. Simpson was foreman, touching the death of George William Teasdale, aged 1year and 5 months, son of John Teasdale, farmer, High Lovelady Shield, which took place under most distressing circumstances the previous day. It appears that two men, Victor Peart and Smith Walton, were proceeding from Nenthead to Alston, in charge of three horses and carts laden with lead. The two leading carts were Pearts. Instead of remaining with his horses, Peart accompanied, as he often did, Walton in the third cart, where sitting low down upon the lead, they were unable to see anything low down on the road. When opposite High Lovelady Shield, the deceased boy, who had strayed or been playing on the road, unfortunately got among the horse's feet and cart wheels, and was crushed to death, his mother, who had seen him a few minutes before, and was hastening with all speed to keep him out of danger, being the only eye-witness of the accident, and the first to pick up the mangled body. The little fellow's head and body were very much crushed, and death must have been instantaneous.

Margaret Teasdale, wife of John Teasdale, High Lovelady Shield, said she saw the child upstairs at 9 o'clock. She had another older child. She afterwards saw him on the road, and the cart coming, and she ran to try and get him out of the way. She was three or four yards off when the child was run over. She ran between the second cart and the third horse, and picked up the body. The two men were both in the third cart. She shouted to the child all the way as she ran to the cart, and when she got up she shouted to the men. The child was lying close beside the second cart wheel. The men at the farm were at work among the hay, and she was busy with the dinner.

Stewart Carson, M.D., residing at Alston, said he arrived at High Lovelady Shield a little after ten on Tuesday morning, and there saw the dead body of the child, and made an examination. The right side was flattened and crushed, the head was crushed, and the brains were protruding from the mouth. There was

also a contusion corresponding to the marks of a wheel which had passed over the left elbow, and a depressed mark on the left hand which had probably been caused by the hind foot of a horse. The wheel of the cart had passed over the body obliquely downwards and across the right hand over the nose and cheek and then over the left elbow. From-appearances, he was of opinion that the child had been lying on the road on its back, slightly on the left side and obliquely across the road. It was a remarkably strong healthy child.

William Thompson, mining agent, Alston, said he was walking from Alston to Nenthead, and met three carts south of Nenthall School. The two first were laden with pig lead, and no one was in either cart, or beside them. The two men. Peart and Walton, were in the third one sitting on the lead in the body of the cart. He passed them on the east side, and spoke to Peart about some carting. He did not observe whether Peart was nearer the horse than Walton, but had the impression that he was. That was about 60 yards from Mr Teasdale's gate. He could not say whether the horses were fastened behind the carts, but it was a usual thing to attach them by a chain. He had known this road nearly all his life, and in a case like that, one man would have charge of two carts, and the other one. It was a calm day. He heard nothing till a few minutes after he passed the men, and then he heard a woman's screams. The lead on the cart would be in two layers on the bottom, and the men's heads would be about 18 inches above the wheel—By a juryman: He did not see the child. The carts were near together, and the head of the two rear horses might have been fastened to the cart preceding.—By the police: The carts were in a straight line; the men in the last cart could not see the first one.

Smith Walton said he was a carter employed by Henry Stout, Nenthead, and Peart by his father, Emmerson Peart. They were in the habit of going down together. The last cart was his, and the other two Peart's. They were carting independently of each other. Victor Peart was in his cart, his horse not being fastened to Peart's cart. There was only one layer of lead in the cart, and they were sitting on it, facing the east. He could see over the front of his cart. Thompson spoke to them. When nearing Teasdale's gate; they saw Mrs Teasdale coming up the fields from the house, which was 70 or 80 yards away. We heard her shouting, and Peart and I both remarked that she would be wanting something brought from Alston, as he was in the habit of bringing things for people on the return journey. When they saw her run between the horse and cart they both jumped out and stopped the horses. Mrs Teasdale had the child in her arms. This was on the west side of the road, to the left of the carts. After taking the child, into an adjoining cottage, we went on to Alston to send the doctor. The carts were in a straight line. He usually drove two carts. No complaint had ever been made of the way the carts were driven.—By the jury: Mrs Teasdale seized the horse and stopped it, two or three yards from where the child was picked up. He thought the first cart went over the child. He was next his horse, not Peart.—By the police: There was no nonsense going on between him and Peart after Thompson passed. They did not see the child. He could not say whether Peart's second horse was attached to the cart before it.

Stephen Spink, schoolmaster, Nenthall, said that he was in his house, which is nearly opposite Teasdale's gate, between 9 and 9-30, when he heard a woman scream. He ran out to the school wall, and saw Mrs Spink wave her hand, and heard Mrs Teasdale cry out about her child. As he got up Mrs Teasdale put the child down on the flags, and he took it into Mrs Sparks, and asked the two men

to send a doctor. They were then in the cart, but when he first ran up they were not. He often saw lead carts passing, and one man in charge of two horses, and frequently noticed men together in each-others carts, and no accident had occurred before during the three years of his residence there,
The Coroner in summing up reviewed the evidence at length, and fully explained the law of manslaughter voluntary and involuntary. He concluded by pointing out to the jury that notwithstanding the fact of the child being improperly on the road there was no doubt evidence of a flagrant offence against the Highway Act by Victor Peart, through which the child came by its death.
The jury retired, and on their return the foreman said they found that death had resulted from inadvertence, partly owing to the practice adopted by lead carters in the district, partly from the deceased child having been improperly upon the road. The jury through him expressed a strong view against the present objectionable practice of driving followed by lead carters.
In 1871, at Park Alston, Isaac Teasdale, Lead miner, landowner, & farmer of 51 acres, aged 45, his wife Mary 44, children, John, lead miner, aged 18, Isaac, lead miner, aged 16, Eleanor 13, Robert 12, Thomas 8, and George 5.
In 1881, at Park, Alston, John Teasdale, Farmer of 47 acres, & lead miner, aged 28, brothers, Isaac, farm servant, 26, Thomas, Tailor & Draper, aged 18, and George, no occupation, aged 16, and domestic servant Hannah Ellen Robson aged 20.
In 1891, at High Lovelady Shield, John Teasdale, farmer, aged 37, born Alston, his wife Margaret (Routledge, married 4th qtr 1884, registered at Alston) 30, born Hexham, and son John Frederick 4 (born 1st March 1887).
In 1901 at High Lovelady Shield, John Teasdale, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 40, and son John F 14.
In 1911, at Acomb, Hexham, John Teasdale, coal miner, aged 58, and his wife Margaret aged 50. John Frederick Teasdale, coal miner aged 24, and his wife Emily aged 26 were also living at Acomb in 1911. *See 8th February 1873*

8th August 1894 (Teesdale Mercury)

TEESDALE MINE SHOPS.

The Clerk read extracts from the report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Durham County Council relative to the Teesdale mine shops: “That the low shops at Green Hurth should no longer be used as a sleeping apartment, and that the drawers’ shop at Grove Rake should be closed as unfit for habitation. Better ventilation should be provided for the Wiregill (men’s) sleeping rooms, and an improvement in the general sanitary condition of the Grove Rake and Wolfcleugh mine shops is greatly needed. That all shops should be properly spouted, and means provided for carrying the roof-water away from the houses, so as to prevent dampness of the foundation and walls. That at least 400 cubic feet of air per head should be allowed in every sleeping room, that the tier system of beds should be discontinued, and that all beds and bedding not in use should be removed from the rooms. In several of the shops a better separation of the drying and wallet rooms would be advantageous."
Dr. Hill further said: “The following lead mine shops are at present occupied: High Manors Gill, Low Manors Gill, Wiregill, Little Eggleshope, Lady Rake and Green Hurth, and at the date of my visit they were inhabited during four days' a week by about 250 men and boys. As a rule the living rooms are fairly large and satisfactory but at the low shop, at Green Hurth, it is small, badly lighted and

ventilated, and directly connected with the sleeping room, while the living room at the boys' shop, Little Eggleshope, is somewhat damp. With regard to the bed-rooms a great improvement has been inside in many of the shops of late years, for not only have the number of beds been reduced, but apart from this, owing to the decline in the lead mining industry, the number of men engaged in the mines has greatly decreased. In most of the shops also, except at Green Hurth, artificial ventilation through the roof, or else cross ventilation has been provided. The bed-room on the first floor of the Wiregill shop is, however, insufficiently ventilated, while at the low shop, Green Hurth, the room is very small, badly lighted and ventilated, and unfit for a sleeping apartment. In none of the mine shops are bedrooms provided with a fire place. The chief defect, however, in the mine shop is the overcrowding of the bedrooms."

Dr Atkinson forwarded a letter in which be stated that be believed it was the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health for Durham County that the small low shop at Green Hurth was unfit to be used as a sleeping place for men, and recommended that it be closed. Dr Atkinson said that Green Hurth was the place that he had complained about on previous occasion, and he believed it was not fit for the purpose for which it was used as it stood at present.

Mr Raine complained that the notices ordered to be sent by the Board had been over-ridden by the Inspector and Medical Officer.

On the motion of Dr Mitchell, it was resolved to send notices to the owners of the mines asking them to remedy defects in the rooms occupied by their workmen, although he thought that the demand for air-space was excessive.

25th August 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Alston, St Augustine's Church, 13th inst., John Davidson of Idaho, America, (late of Blagill) to Miss Annie Todd, Shaw House Inn (late of Croglin).

In 1891, at Croglin, Penrith, Margaret Waugh, widow, farmer, aged 72, son James, farmer, aged 35, and granddaughter Annie Todd 20.

8th September 1894 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS.

SCHOOL BOARD.—Held on Saturday. Present Messrs. R. Elliot (chairman). H. Bell, J. Rutherford. and H. Walton. The Clerk said he had made application to the Science and Art Department respecting the drawing examination for Tynehead School. The report had not yet been received for the Nenthead School. The question of the buying or renting of Nenthead School was left over till after the receipt of the report. **PROPERTY FOR SALE**.—At Nenthead on Thursday Mr. Elliot offered for sale certain leasehold properties at and near Nenthead. For the inn and seven cottage houses situate at Overwater the bidding lay between Mr. W. R. Little, Alston, Mr. P. Swindle, Nenthead, and Mr. M. Yeats, Gateshead. The last named secured the lot for £570. For dwelling house, cottage, and 22 acres meadow and pasture land known as Browngill there were only two offers—£400 by Mr. Little and £500 by Mr. H. Lattimer—and the property was withdrawn.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 1st inst., Bessie, wife of J. J. Shield, aged 36 years.

John James Shield, married Betsy Busby, 4th qtr., 1885, registered at Alston.

In 1891, at Croft House Terrace, Alston, John J Shield, butcher, aged 41, his wife Bessie aged 33, born Wigton, daughter, Georgina S 4, and lodger, William Cox, school master, aged 29, born Scotland.

15th September 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Alston Congregational Church 10th inst., Isaac Vickers Philipson, East Black Dene, Weardale to Lizzie Agnes, 2nd daughter of James Dixon, Tailor, Alston.
In 1891, at East Black Dene, Ralph Philipson, joiner, aged 53, his wife Mary A 50, children Tamar 26, Isaac V. joiner, aged 22, Thomas W. joiner, aged 20, and Mary A 14.
In 1901, at Ireshopeburn, Isaac V Philipson, carpenter, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth A 35, children Monro Dixon 4, and Mary R V 3. In 1911, at Ireshopeburn, Isaac Vickers, joiner, aged 42, his wife Elizabeth Agnes 45, children Monro Dixon 14, and Mary Ritaness Victoria 13.
See 6th January 1894

15th September 1894 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Marriages
At Newcastle, St. Jude's, September 12, by the Rev. Digby Seymour, John Thomas Hay, fourth son of Robert and Georgina Hay, late of Vine Lane, to Margaret Armstrong, late of Nenthead, Cumberland.

15th September 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
THE NENTHALL FATALITY.
Victor Peart, carter, Nenthead, was charged with a breach of the Highway Act on July 30th, at Nenthall. He pleaded guilty.—Superintendent Russell said that the proceedings were taken in consequence of the negligence of defendant when engaged in carting lead from Nenthead to Alston with two horses and carts, whereby a child lost its life.—Smith Walton, carter, Nenthead, deposed that he was engaged in carting lead from Nenthead, and was in company with defendant. He had one horse and cart, defendant had two. Defendant's horses and carts were in front, and near Nentsbury defendant left his own horses to go on by themselves, and got into the cart with witness. Near Nenthall, Mrs Teasdale shouted. They stopped the horses, and saw her pick up the child between the second and third carts. They gave what help they could, but the child was dead.—Defendant having admitted the offence, no further evidence was called.—The Bench retired for a few minutes, and on their return the Chairman said that this case had been investigated by the Coroner, and a verdict of "accidental death" returned. That verdict might have taken another form, but it was not for the Bench to inquire into the reasons which actuated the jury in coming to that conclusion. It was plain defendant was not where he could have control over his horses, and had therefore clearly committed an offence against the Highway Act. He might have been brought up under a much more serious charge, and the present proceedings were no bar to future action, should additional evidence be brought out. The Bench had good grounds for believing that such negligence on the part of drivers was very common, and the police would take proceedings in all future cases. The case was one that called for a substantial penalty. Had defendant been the owner, he would have been

liable to a fine of £10, as it was he was liable to be fined £5. In this instance the penalty would be £2 and costs.

22nd September 1894 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

ACCIDENT

A somewhat serious accident has happened to Mr William Emerson of Westgate in Weardale formerly known as the leader of the lead miners. While engaged on the new railway cutting at Ladywell the sides of the embankment gave way. His leg was fractured and he was crushed internally.
See 6 October 1894

22nd September 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Toronto, Canada, St Stephen's Church, 11th inst., the Rev Frederick William Shepherd, second son of the Rev R. Shepherd vicar of St John's Weardale, to Emilie, daughter of the late Jacob Allison of Wellfield House Foggy Furze, West Hartlepool.

29th September 1894 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Stanhope Church 22nd inst., Thomas Mawson to E. Watson both of Stanhope.
Stanhope Primitive Chapel, 22nd inst., Thomas Walton, Burnhope, to Sarah Thompson, Wearhead.

6th October 1894 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

William Emerson of Westgate, died on Sunday from injuries received while working on the new Weardale railway from a fall of earth. He was much respected in the dale, was an active worker in connection with the Wesleyan society and Sunday school at Westgate. He had over 3000 texts written down which he had heard preached from.
In 1871, at Westgate, William Emerson, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Margaret (daughter of John & Sarah, married 2nd quarter 1866, Stanhope) aged 24, and daughter Sarah 2.
In 1871, at Little Wood, Westgate John Fairless, lead miner & farmer of 14 acres, aged 47, his wife Sarah (Cragg, married 5th September 1846, St John's Chapel) aged 44, children Mary A. 23, Cuthbert, lead miner, aged 19, Hugh, lead miner, aged 17, and nephew John Emerson 3.
In 1881, at Westgate, William Emerson, widow, lead miner, aged 42, son John 13, daughter Sarah 12, and domestic servant Frances Colling aged 34.
See 22nd September 1882

13th October 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Nenthead 7th inst. aged 65, Elizabeth Morton, wife of Wm. T. L. Shaw.
William Thomas Lee Shaw, christened 28th October 1827, Alston, son of James Shaw and Frances Lee who were married 17th August 1825, at Alston.
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Frances Shaw, independent, aged 35, William, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph 6, Frances 5, and George 2.

In 1851, at Holme Foot, Frances Shaw, widow, grocer, aged 46, children William T. L., lead smelter, aged 23, Frances E. L. 15, George F. 12, lodger John Hyslop, teacher, aged 25, and lodger Peter Marshal, surgeon, Glasgow, aged 27.

ERECTED IN MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
WILLIAM T. L. SHAW
WHO DIED OCT 7TH 1894
AGED 65 YEARS
ALSO JOSEPH FREDERICK THEIR SON
WHO DIED MARCH 8TH 1868
AGED 1 YEAR AND 10 MONTHS
ALSO MARY JANE LEE THEIR DAUGHTER
WHO DIED MARCH 30TH 1895
AGED 26 YEARS
ALSO OF SARAH BELOVED WIFE OF
JOHN J. SHAW WHO DIED AT
SOUTH SHIELDS APRIL 30TH 1902
AGED 28 YEARS
INTERRED IN ALLENDALE CEMETERY
ALSO WILLIAM LEE SHAW
OF NENTHEAD WHO DIED AT CASTLE EDEN
FEB. 18TH 1904 AGED 77 YEARS
ALSO HIS DAUGHTER FRANCES ELIZA MORTON ENGLISH
WHO DIED SUDDENLY AT CASTLE EDEN
FEB. 26TH 1904 AGED 39 YEARS
AND WAS INTERRED AT CASTLE EDEN CHURCH YARD.

In 1861, at Overwater, William T L Shaw, smelter, aged 33, and his wife Elizabeth (Morton, married 3rd quarter of 1859, at Teesdale) aged 32, born at Egglestone.
In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, William T L Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 41, children John James 9, Frances E. 6, and Mary Jane L. aged 2.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, William T.L. Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 52, children John J., lead ore labourer, aged 19, Frances E.M., house maid, aged 17, and Mary J. L. 12.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, William G L Shaw, lead ore smelter, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 61, children John J., lead ore smelter, aged 29, Mary Jane Lee 22, and granddaughter Lily Shaw 5 years. *See 13th April 1895*

20th October 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Inglewood, New Plymouth, New Zealand, August 23rd, Harry Birkett of Opunake, to Emma, youngest daughter of William Nixon, Stonecroft mines, Fourstones.
Deaths
At Garrigill, 13th inst., aged 36 years, Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Richardson.
In 1861, at Fewsteads, John Richardson, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah (Alison, married 24th May 1849, at St John's, Garrigill) aged 32, children Elizabeth 12, Joseph 8, Albany 6, and John 1.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Richardson, widow (Hannah died 2nd quarter of 1866), lead miner, aged 44, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Albany, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 5, and domestic servant Elizabeth Shield aged 45.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Richardson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth (Gill, married 27th January 1877, at St John, Garrigill) aged 25, children John J. 3, and Margaret H. 1.
In 1891, at Clark Hall Road, Garrigill, Joseph Richardson, engineman, stationary, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 35, children John J. 13, Margaret H. 11, Isaac N. 7, and Sydney 4.
In 1901, at Clark Road, Joseph Richardson, widow, lead miner, aged 48, children John J. lead miner, aged 23, Margaret H. 21, Isaac N., carpenter apprentice, aged 16, and Sydney 14.
At Garrigill, 14th inst., aged 58 years, Elijah Smith.
In 1861, at Low Nest, Garrigill, Moses Smith, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Margaret (Modeland, married 19th December 1835, St John, Garrigill) aged 47, children Elijah, lead miner, aged 24, Sarah 17, Joshua, lead miner, aged 15, Margaret 12, Elizabeth 9, Wilkinson 7, David 4, and Thomas V. 1.
In 1871, at High Shield Hill, Elijah Smith, lead ore miner, aged 34, his wife Hannah aged 35, and daughter Margaret 1.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Elijah Smith, lead ore miner, aged 44, his wife Hannah (Coulthard, married 24th May 1868, St John, Garrigill) aged 44, children Margaret 11, Joseph 7, and son in law Walton Coulthard, lead ore dresser, aged 16.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Elizah Smith, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Hannah 54, and son Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 17.

27th October 1894 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE
MINES TO BE RESTARTED

The Weardale Iron Company have decided to restart their Rowantree and Grove Heads mines at once as soon as they can get sufficient hands men being scarce owing to the making of the railway. The above mines have been closed over two years. It is reported that the Weardale Lead Company's directors have decided to reopen Killhope mine, which has been closed some time. Negotiations are going on between Mr Peart, of Copt Hill, and two gentlemen from out of the dale for a lease to work the Whinstone in Mr Peart's land adjoining the Ecclesiastical Commissioners property in the upper part of the dale. The nearest Whinstone worked is at Stanhope some ten miles away. The new extension railway terminus is within a mile of the Whinstones at Copt Hill.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, 20th inst Harrop Holmes, blacksmith to Elizabeth Ann Hetherington, both of Garrigill.
In 1851, at Ramseys Buildings, Thomas Holmes, carpenter, aged 23, his wife Mary (Dobson, married 21st June 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 21, and daughter Tamar, aged 1.

Thomas Holmes died 4th quarter 1852?

In 1861, at Garrigill, Mary Dobson, widow, aged 67, son Arthur, lead miner, aged 24, daughter Mary Holmes, Widow, dressmaker, aged 31, and granddaughter Tamar Holmes 11.

In 1861, Harrop Holmes aged 3, was a boarder with the John & Mary White and family at Redwing, Garrigill.

Jonathan Greenwell married Mary Holmes, 20th April 1862, at St John Garrigill.

In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Jonathan Greenwell, Blacksmith, aged 48, his wife Mary 41, stepson Harrop Holmes 13, children Thomas 8, Jane A 6, Jonathan 4, Mary E 4, and Hannah 5 months.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Jonathan Greenwell, blacksmith, aged 58, his wife Mary 51, children Tom, blacksmith, aged 18, Jane A. 16, Jonathan 14, Hannah 10, Harrup Holmes, blacksmith, aged 23, and daughter Tamar Dawson, lead miners wife, aged 31.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Jonathan Greenwell, Blacksmith, aged 68, his wife Mary, aged 61, children, Jonathan, blacksmith, aged 24, Hannah aged 20, Harrop Holmes, 33, and grandson Francis Greenwell, aged 10 months.
In 1901, at Garrigill, Jonathan Greenwell, retired blacksmith, aged 78, his wife Mary 71, daughter Hannah 30, and grandson Francis W Greenwell 10.

Jonathan Greenwell died either 1st quarter 1906, or 4th quarter 1905.

In 1881 & 1891, Elizabeth A. Hetherington, was working as a domestic servant for John Dobson, widow, lead miner (in 1891 a retired lead miner), at Garrigill.
In 1901, at Ivy Cottage, Alston, Harrop Holmes, blacksmith, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth A 34, and daughter Maud 5. In 1911, at Kentmere House, Alston, Harrop Holmes, blacksmith, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth Ann 46, daughters Maud 15, Aletia 9, and Annie 7.
Harrop Holmes died 4th quarter 1928, aged 71

3rd November 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD SCHOOL.

The Clerk stated that no reply had been received from the Department respecting the Nenthead school buildings.—Mr Walton said that in view of the uncertain condition of the mining industry, and the consequent possibility that considerable changes might occur in the population, it would be better to continue renting the buildings if reasonable terms could be arranged.—It was decided to let the matter stand over.

FINANCIAL

The Clerk said that it would be necessary to issue a precept to meet the expenditure up to June next. He had previously estimated that £125 would be required, but he had since found that £70 would probably suffice.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	129	115
Nenthall	42	37
Tynehead	16	12
Garrigill	71	62
Leadgate	21	20
Alston High	109	100
„ National	59	48
„ Infant	72	62
	519	456

10th November 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst., John Dryden Ward to Miss Elizabeth Metcalf of Frosterley; same day at the Wesleyan Chapel, J. N. Gardner to Miss E. Batty of Rookhope.

17th November 1894 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
Forty quarrymen and bearers at Newlandside limestone quarry, Stanhope were dismissed last weekend, their notice terminating. The quarry west of Softly turnpike is laid in on account of being to dirty.
Mrs Bainbridge of Water Lodge near Stanhope, died of excessive grief on Sunday at the sudden death of her husband John Bainbridge, who dropped down dead while at work in Newlandside limestone quarry three weeks ago. The poor lady was preparing supper for her husband when the cart arrived with his dead body. The shock and grief have caused her death.

17th November 1894 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Some 60 men and boys irrespective of cartmen have been employed at the ironstone in Upper Weardale these last two weeks.
Mrs Bainbridge of Water Lodge near Stanhope died from excessive grief on Sunday (11th) at the sudden death of her husband, John Bainbridge who dropped dead whilst at work in Newlandside Limestone quarry three weeks ago. *(John Bainbridge a labourer aged 61)*
Deaths
Crawleyside near Stanhope, 12th inst., aged 25, Hannah, daughter of Thomas Slack.
In 1871, at Crawleyside, Thomas Slack, lime burner, aged 28, his wife Ann 25, children William Littlewood 5, Sarah Hannah 3, and John Thomas 4 months.
In 1891, at Crawleyside, Thomas Slack, lime worker, aged 48, his wife Ann 45 William, limestone quarryman, aged 28, daughter Sarah 23, John Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 20, Robert, limestone quarryman, aged 18, Mary 15, Rosanna 9, and boarder Robert Slack, limestone quarryman, aged 26.

19th November 1894 (Northern Echo)
At Wearhead on Saturday, **an inquest** was held by Deputy-Coroner Badcock on **Thomas Hodgson**, who was killed in the **"Carricks" Mine**. Mr Plummer Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines was present; and evidence was given by Joseph Harrison, Wearherad; John Byers, Ireshope Plains, and Thomas Wilkinson, overman, St John's Chapel.—A verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned.
Durham Mining Museum gives:

Age:	*48*
Died:	*15th Nov 1894*
Accident:	*15th Nov 1894 1:00 p.m., 6th hour of shift*
Year Born:	*abt. 1846*
Colliery:	*Carricks (Ironstone)*
Company:	*Weardale Iron Co. Ltd.*
Occupation:	*Miner*
Notes:	*Fall of ironstone from the roof*

"a shot had been fired and this displaced a stone, which had been covering a clay back or parting in the stone above; as soon as this happened, the support having been taken away, a large stone fell upon the deceased man without any warning and killed him. He had examined the stone, both with a light and by sounding it, and thought it was quite safe."

Thomas Hodgson baptised 21st October 1847, at Stanhope, son of Thomas (lead miner) and Hannah Hodgson.
Thomas Hodgson senior died 14th August 1860, at Middle Rigg, Weardale, aged about 49.
In 1871, at Middle Rigg, Heatheery Cleugh, Hannah Hodgson, widow, farmer of 7 acres, aged 62, children, William, lead miner, aged 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, Ann 31, Mary 19, and grandson Thomas Dawson 10.
In 1881, at 4 Railway Street, Tow Law, Wolsingham, Thomas Hodgson, stone mason, aged 34, and his wife Phoebe Ann (Harrison, married 4th qtr 1877 at Weardale) aged 32.
In 1891, at Wearhead, Weardale, Thomas Hodgson, ironstone miner, aged 44, his wife Phoebe Ann 42, and son Thomas William 6.
In 1901, at Wearhead, Weardale, Pheobe A Hodgson, widow, Coffee refreshment room, aged 50, and son Thomas Wm, Railway Clerk, aged 16.

24th November 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Wearhead, 15th inst. Thomas Hodgson.
In 1881, at 4 Railway Street, Tow Law, Thomas Hodgson, stonemason, aged 34, and his wife Phoebe Ann 32.
In 1891, at Wearhead, Thomas Hodgson, iron stone miner, aged 44, his wife Phoebe Ann aged 42, son Thomas William 6, and boarder John Harrison Hodgson, general labourer, aged 35.

24th November 1894 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Wesleyan Chapel, 10th inst., Wm. Brown to Jane Moses, both of Westgate, also John Jennings Forster to Miss Jane Forster both of Rookhope. Stanhope Primitive Chapel, John Hodgson to Mary Hannah Featherstone, both of Wearhead; also 17th inst., John Wm. Ward to Margaret Swalwell both of Wolsingham.
Deaths
At Clitheroe, Alston, 17th inst., aged 71, Aeron Smith, lead miner.
In 1841, at Nest, Wilkinson Smith, lead ore miner, aged 60, his wife Ann aged 60, children Ann 20, David, lead ore miner, aged 20, Aaron 15, Elizah 13, and Silas 2 years.
In 1851, at Farnbury, Ann Smith, farmer of 20 acres, aged 73, children Ann, dairy maid, aged 36, Aaron, lead miner, aged 25, Elijah, lead miner, aged 22, grandsons Silas Smith 12, and John Smith 8.
In 1861, at Farnbury, Ann Smith, widow, farmer of 35 acres, aged 82, sons Aaron, lead miner, aged 35, Elizah, lead miner, aged 32, grandsons Silas, lead miner, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 19, and Thomas, lead miner, aged 14.

In 1881, at Clitheroe, Aaron Smith, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Phoebe (Lowe, married 4th quarter of 1871) aged 37, children David 9, Mary 8, John 6, Thomas 5, Joseph 3, and Margaret 5 months.
In 1891, at Clitheroe, Aaron Smith, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Phoebe 46, children David, quarryman, aged 19, Mary, stocking knitter, aged 18, Thomas, coal miner, aged 17, John, coal miner, aged 15, Joseph, stone breaker, aged 12, Margaret 10, and William James 7. In 1901, at Clitheroe, Phoebe Smith, widow, aged 53, children Thomas, insurance agent, aged 26, Mary 28, Joseph, cartman, aged 23, William James, labourer, aged 17, and Maggie, household work, aged 20.

8th December 1894 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Nentsbury, Thomas Havelock to Lucy Price both of Nenthead.
In 1871, at foulard, Stephenson Price, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann 42, children Elizabeth 21, Mary Ann 16, Thomas 10, William 8, Phebe 5, and Lucy aged 4.
In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Anna (Trathan, married 25th June 1836) 34, children Nicholas, lead ore washer, aged 14, Martha 11, Isabella 10, William 7, Richard 5, and John 3.
In 1861, at Overwater, William Havelock, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Anna 44, children Nicholas, lead miner, aged 24, Isabella 20, William, lead ore washer, aged 17, Richard, lead ore washer, 15, John 13, Susannah 4, and grandson, Thomas Havelock 5 months.
In 1871, at, Hill Top, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 36, born Haltwhistle, his wife Martha (Martha Havelock, married Robert Dixon, at Nenthead, 8th March 1863) 30, children Susannah 7, Mary Jane 6, Isabella 4, Catharon 1, and step son Thomas Havelock 10.
In 1881, at Hill Top, Robert Dixon, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Martha 43, children Thomas H. lead miner, aged 20, Isabella 15, Catherine 11, Margaret 9, and Ridley H. 5.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Thomas Havelock, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Lucy 35, sons Robert W 6, and Harold 3.
In 1911, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Havelock, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Lucy 43, sons Robert William, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Harold 13.
See 6th October 1854, 3rd December 1870, 3rd August 1872, and 22nd April 1882.

8th December 1894 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
LEAD COMPANY
The report of the directors for the year ending June 30 states that the produce of the mines during the 12 months has considerably improved. The average price of the lead sales has been £9 9s 7d per ton delivered at Park Head. This is 13s 3d per ton less than the exceptionally low average prices of the previous year. The total sum realised from sales of lead during the year amounted to £31,429, as against £28,089 in the preceding year. ... 4,971 tons of ore have been raised, and 4,827 tons dressed during the year; 4,738 tons of ore have

been smelted, and the yield from the mill has been 3,315 tons, 4cwt, 1qr, 8lbs, of pig lead, realising as before stated, £31,429 net at Park Head.

15th December 1894 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

ACCIDENT

A serious accident occurred at Nenthead on Tuesday morning last. An engineer named John J Atkinson, employed by the Nenthead Lead and Zinc Co., was doing some repairs to the "jiggers", and while thus engaged he fell from the gangway on to the floor beneath a distance of perhaps 20 feet. In his fall he is supposed to have struck one of the iron tubs with his head. When he was picked up he was found to be unconscious, and had sustained severe injuries to his head and legs, while other parts of his body were badly bruised. He was conveyed home and Dr Masterton was called in to attend his injuries.
He remained unconscious for several hours and lies in a precarious condition.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nenthead, James Atkinson, retired lead ore washer, aged 73, his wife Jane 67, sons John James, mill wright, aged 44, Pearson, student (master training college) aged 22, and grandson John James Atkinson aged 12. In 1901, at Overwater, Jane Atkinson, widow, aged 77, and son John J., millwright, aged 54.
See 9th February 1884, & 4th November 1893

Deaths

At Nentsbury, 13th inst Joseph Renwick, lead miner, aged 37.
See 31st May 1890 & 22nd November 1890

22nd December 1894 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At West Allendale House, 19th inst., aged 66 years, Matthew, beloved husband of Phillis Keenleyside.
In 1871, at Grey Stone, Whitfield, Matthew Keenleyside, shepherd, aged 41, his wife Phillis 39, children Ann 15, Rachel 11, Rosetta 9, Mary 7, and Robert aged 4.
In 1881, at Dale House, Ninebanks, Matthew Keenleyside, farmer 51, his wife Phillis 50, children Polly 17, Robert 14, and Matthew 9.
In 1891, at dales House, Ninebanks, Matthew Keenleyside, farmer, aged 61, his wife Phillis 60, and daughter Rosetta, domestic servant, aged 29.
Accidentally drowned off the coast of British Columbia, 30th November, William Heslop, second son of Anne and the late William Gibson of East Farm, Fourstones.

29th December 1894 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON.

SEVERE GALE.—One of the most serious gales experienced for a number of years took place on Saturday morning last. The older inhabitants compare it with " Windy Monday." The storm commenced late on Friday with heavy wind and rain and continued till nearly mid-day on Saturday. It seems to have been in its greatest strength about 3 o'clock in the morning, and we understand that some people got very little rest, having to keep a look out lest their windows should be blown in. Fortunately no serious damage was done, though several houses shewed signs of having been rather roughly dealt with in the shape of

having slates blown off or windows damaged. It was fortunate that it occurred during the night or someone might have suffered from falling slates. It was found that a large number of trees had been blown down, the Harbut Lodge estate suffering most, having about 18 trees blown down. One of the stately Scotch fir trees in The Firs was laid low, whilst in the fields branches were strewn in all directions. The telegraph wires suffered also, being broken in two near Nenthead. Perhaps the most serious incident was en the railway. A large tree was found to be blown across the line near Lambley and caused the morning train from Alston to be 2 hours late in reaching Haltwhistle and correspondingly late in arriving at Alston. Heavy rain fell during the night. The storm abated towards mid-day, and the rest of the day was better.
LECTURE.—On Tuesday evening a lecture on "South Africa, its natives and products," was given in the Wesleyan Chapel by Wm. Holmes, Esq., of Natal. The lecture was illustrated by lime-light by Mr Bramwell. The proceeds were for the purchase of a new harmonium for the Nentsbury Wesleyan Chapel.

5th January 1895 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Primitive Chapel, 31st ult., John Dixon to Miss R. Thompson both of Stanhope.
Deaths
Close House, Allenheads, 29th ult., in his 77th year, George Percival.
See 20th July 1894

12th January 1895 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston (at his son in laws, Teasdale Lowe, Clitheroe) 8th inst. aged 79, John White.
In 1841, at Fewsteads, Zaccheus White, lead miner, aged 65, wife Margaret (Plaise, married 5th August 1810, Alston) aged 50, children William, lead miner, aged 25, John, lead miner, aged 25, Elizabeth 20, and Margaret 15.
In 1851, at High Plain, John White, lead ore miner, aged 34, his wife Mary (Hetherington, married 10th December 1846, Alston) aged 25 and son William aged 3.
In 1861, at Redwing, John White, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Mary 35, children William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Margaret A. 9, John 6, Joseph 2, and nurse child Harrap Holmes 3.
In 1871, at Craig Green, John White, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 45, children William, lead miner, aged 22, Mary A. home servant, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 16, Joseph 12, and boarder Joseph Fawkes 6.
In 1881, at White Well, John White, widow, lead miner, aged 65, children Margaret, domestic servant, aged 28, John, lead miner, aged 24, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson Henry C. White 8.
In 1891, at Low Skelgill, John White, widow, aged 75, son Joseph, farmer, aged 32, his wife Hannah 32, and boarder Joseph Fawkes, coal miner, aged 26.
See 20th October 1877, and 24th October 1891.
At Coalcleugh, West Allendale, 12th inst. aged 61, Robert Hindmarsh.
In 1851, at Coalcleugh, Joseph Hindmarsh, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Jane 25, and son John 1.

In 1861, at Coalcleugh, Jane Hindmarsh, lead miners widow, aged 29, children Elizabeth 7, William 4, and Eliza 2 years.
In 1871, at Coalcleugh, Jane Hindmarsh, widow, aged worsted knitter, and laundress, aged 39, sons, William, lead ore dresser, aged 14, and John 6.
In 1881, at Carrshield, Robert Hindmarsh, lead ore miner, and farmer of 10 acres, aged 47, his wife Jane (Hindmarsh, married 2nd quarter of 1880, Hexham) aged 47, and son William, rural post messenger, aged 24.
In 1891, at Coalcleugh, Robert Hindmarsh, farmer, aged 57, his wife Jane 58, and brother Thomas, farming assistant, aged 55.

12th January 1895 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Holmesfoot, Nenthead, on the 8th inst., Mar Coates, aged 61 years.
In 1881, at Wardway Cottage, Nenthead, Mary Coates, unmarried, housekeeper, aged 47, son Matthew, cartman, aged 23, and nephew, Thomas Coates 7. See 18th April 1896
In 1891, at Holmefoots, Nenthead, Mary Coates, unmarried, aged 57, and nephew, Tom Coats, lead ore dresser, aged 17.
At Fiddler street, Nenthead, on the 9th inst, John son of Henry Stout, quarryman, aged 9 months.
See 6th February 1892

26th January 1895 (Newcastle Courant)
THE SNOWSTORM IN THE ALSTON DISTRICT.
One of the heaviest falls of snow of which the present generation has had experience lies at present on the Alston hills. Ascending the Alston branch railway from Haltwhistle, the weight of snow gradually increases. From Alston to Garrigill the rate of increase is accelerated, and at Nenthead and Tynehead the fall is something to wonder at, but certainly not to wish for. All the roads over Hartside, Killhope, Yadmoss, and Whitfield Fell, are hopelessly blocked. At least one "marketer" from Weardale who attended Alston on Saturday, the 12th instant, has yet been unable to reach home, and is located at Nenthead. It is stated that one family, who were dug out from a Nenthead cottage, when rescued had only a cup of water. On Saturday week three market carts were unable to proceed further than Shaw House or Hartside. After staying there a few days they essayed to proceed with their horses—leaving the carts behind—and after much digging they eventually made their way into the Eden Valley, where there is practically no snow, Sunday, the 13th inst., was one of the most terrible ever experienced on Alston Moor —where terrible storms are by no means rare. The drift was blinding, and the wind fearfully chilling, making it very dangerous for shepherds to go on the moors. Seeing the immense wreaths that have been drifted, it is surprising that many sheep have not been overblown, but owing to the fact that a threatening day or two preceded the burst of the storm, shepherds were enabled to drive their flocks to such shelter as offered. Since the 13th instant there has been almost continuous drift on the hills and the flocks are literally starving, for in many cases it is not possible to get the sheep to the hay, or the hay to the sheep. The barns were pretty welt stocked at the start, and hay was well saved up till Christmas, but now, owing to the block on the roads and on the moors the supplies are too frequently not

available. The main roads from Alston to Garrigill, and from Alston to Nenthead, are being kept open with difficulty. Beyond this little can be done.

26th January 1895 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

Mr Robert Walton, of Stanhope House, Stanhope died on Sunday (20th) at the age of 63 years. Deceased was largely interested in the lead mining industry and was the owner of the smelt mills at Castleside near Consett.

In 1861, at Stanhope, John Walton, lead mining manager, aged 57, his wife Hannah 44, children Mary A. 29, Thomas, lead mine manager, aged 27, Robert, lead mill manager, aged 25, and domestic servant Margaret Crawhall aged 19.

In 1871, at John Walton, lead mine owner & land owner, aged 67, his wife Hanny, aged 58, son Robert, lead manufacturer employing 12 men, aged 38, and domestic servant Jane Golightley aged 27.

In 1881, at Stanhope House, Robert Walton, lead merchant, aged 48, born Nenthead, his wife Jane (Proud, married 1st quarter of 1875, at Newcastle) aged 33, born Castleside, sister in law Elizabeth Proud, single, aged 21, brother in law Ralph Proud, single, leads smelter, aged 23, nephew John Wm. Proud 9, and domestic servant Jane Elliott aged 23.

In 1891, at Stanhope House, Robert Walton, lead smelter, aged 55, sister in law, Jane L Proud, single, aged 29, and domestic servant Fannie Douglas aged 26. See 11th September 1897 & 10th April 1897.

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

A petition asking that a supply of water be carried from Nenthead to Holmesfoot was read. Mr Lattimer said he lived in the locality and the need was urgent. He had himself gone to the present source of supply, an old mine, on the previous night. It took him ten minutes to go and return and nine minutes to fill his flagon. The water too was very “heavy” and not suitable for drinking. He moved that the inspector be instructed to report to the next meeting. Mr Bolton seconded the motion stating that the mine was the only source of supply for 20 houses.

2nd February 1895 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Word has just been received in Weardale of the death of **Joseph Brown** at Maryborough, Queensland in the latter part of last year. Deceased went to bathe in the river not far from his home. On returning, it is supposed he got on the wrong track and was lost in the bush. … After 11 days, a search party discovered the body of the unfortunate man floating in the river some 10 miles away. The body was identified by his son George. … Deceased had been a resident of Howard for many years and left a widow and family. Mr Brown was a native of St John’s Chapel, Weardale and married a daughter of the late Mr George Watson of Bateable Hill, St John’s Chapel.

(He was buried close to where his body was found)

In 1851, at Harthopeburn, Stanhope, George Watson, lead miner, aged 27, his sister Ann unmarried, aged 23, and illegitimate daughter Sarah Featherstone aged 5.

In 1861, at Harthopburn, Stanhope, George Watson, lead miner, aged 37, his wife, Sarah (Wilson, married 2nd quarter 1851) aged 32, unmarried daughter,

Sarah Featherstone 15, daughter in law, Isabella Wilson, 10, son Cuthbert 8, daughters Elizabeth 7, Mary Ann 5, Jane 3, Hannah 1, and Frances 2 months. In 1871, at Bateable Hill, St John's, Stanhope, George Watson, widow, lead miner, aged 48, children, Cuthbert, limestone labourer, aged 18, Elizabeth 17, Jane 13, Hannah 11, Frances 10, and Margaret 5.

Maryborough Chronicle, Wide Bay and Burnett Advertiser Wednesday 14 November 1894

A MAN named Joseph Brown, Is reported to have been lost from Howard. He was seen making in the direction of Maryborough but no more is known of his movements though search parties have been out. The man Is described as 48 years of age, 5ft 6in high, small red whiskers worn all round; minus front teeth; dressed in dark tweed trousers, light serge coat, soft black felt hat.

Maryborough Chronicle, Wide Bay and Burnett Advertiser Saturday 24 November 1894

THANKS.

I DESIRE to tender my sincere THANKS to the Residents of Howard and Torbanlea, for the sympathetic feeling shown by them in aiding me in the search for my Father, the late JOSEPH BROWN, also to the Police for the strenuous effort which they put forth to find him.
JOHN GEORGE BROWN.

16th February 1895 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Newcastle, 45 Larkspur Terrace, 8th inst. in her 65th year, Cleopatra, widow of the late Thomas Ware of Stonecroft Mines, Fourstones. Interred at Newbrough churchyard.
See 27th November 1886

22nd February 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
The ordinary meeting of this Council was held on Saturday, Mr T. Richardson presiding. —The Chairman signed a petition to the North Eastern Railway Company in behalf of workmen's tickets at reduced fares from Alston to Haltwhistle. Complaint was made that water had been scarce for some time in the Townhead wells, though plentiful at the Townfoot. —Mr Simpson gave notice that he would move at next meeting that provision be made in the estimates for the ensuing half year for extending the water main up to the source of the spring. A deputation headed by the Rev. I. E. Page, waited upon the Council with regard to the subject, and pointed out that six weeks last year the Townhead was without a water supply. —It was decided that from Eleven to three o'clock each day the water be cut off from Townfoot in order that the Townhead might be better supplied. …

23rd February 1895 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD
A meeting of this Board was held on Saturday. Present— Messrs. R. Elliot (chairman), H. Bell, T. Harrison, and J. Rutherford. A letter was read from the Education Department relative to an application from Mrs. Gill, Clitheroe. for a

free place for her son, Robt. Gill, aged 13 years. The Department asked for a return of the number of free places, and stated that if there were inefficient, places must be provided. The Clerk had replied explaining the resolution that the Board passed some time ago to the effect that the Board insisted on applications being made to them. The Attendance Officer said that the register showed the boy to be 14 years of age. The Clerk said that ended the matter, and the Board decided to notify the Department to that effect. A letter was read from the Nenthead and Tynedale Co. acknowledging receipt of the Board's communication, stating that they could not accept the offer of the Board, but were willing to let the school at an annual rental of £50. The Chairman said some final step must now be taken. They first asked £30, now £50. It would be best to make them an offer, and if not accepted the Board must take their own course. The school required some alteration. It ought to be divided by a movable partition. Mr. Bell said he was prepared to stand by the last offer of £25, but would not mind offering £30 if a movable partition was provided. Mr. Bell moved and Mr. Harrison seconded that the Board offer £25 per year rental, and if a movable partition was put in, £30. This was carried. The Clerk was appointed custodian of the Science and Art Examination papers.

28th February 1895 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
Deaths
At Wallsend Lead Works, 26th inst., aged 42, Michael Carrick, husband of Eleanor Carrick, late of Nenthead, Alston. See 22nd February 1873
Michael Carrick married Eleanor Smith, 4th qtr., 1881, registered at Newcastle.
In 1881, at 2 Turners Terrace, Wallsend, lodger, Michael Carrick, lead smelter, aged 28, born Alston.
In 1891, at Lead Works House, Wallsend, Michael Carrick, foreman, aged 38, and his wife Eleanor, aged 39, born United States.
In 1901, at 52 Boyd Rd Wallsend, Eleanor Carrick, widow, keeps boarders, aged 39, born Mead County, USA, sister, Elizabeth Gill, widow, aged 34, born, Walker, boarders, Albert Ed. Stagg, marine engineer, aged 21, born Alston, and Percy M Hunt, electrical engineer, aged 21, born, Bently, Surrey.
See 4th February 1859, & 20th December 1913

8th March 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At the Grove, Middleton-in-Teesdale, on the 1st inst., Laura daughter of J. J. Millican, aged 21 years. *See 8th February 1896*

8th March 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
Mr T Richardson presided at the meeting of this District Council on Saturday — Mr A. Elliott, the newly elected councillor for Garrigill signed the statutory declaration and qualified. — The Medical Officers annual report for No. 1, (Alston) district was submitted. The birth rate for the year was at the rate of 19.3 per thousand of the population, and the death rate 13.45, the latter being the lowest for many years past. Much sanitary work had been done, but much remained to be done. The Alston water supply had out been completed.
Extensions were still needed along the Townfoot and down Kate's Lane, and a

supply was required at Leadgate. There were still grave defects in regard to ashpit and closet accommodation. The Medical Officer's report for Nenthead and Garrigill district was also submitted. It showed an increased death rate—18.5 per thousand—and a decreased birth rate—19.1 per thousand. Infant mortality had been very high. He mentioned that the water supply to Garrigill was discoloured after rain. —The Inspector stated that it had been impossible to carry out all the recommendations of the Medical Officers, on account of the storm —The question of the extension of the Alston water mains to the spring, and the provision of a reservoir, was left over to be considered with other matters referring to the water supply of the whole district.

—Mr Lattimer, reverted to a subject previously mentioned, and asked for an answer to the question "When where public money had been expended on private property at Nenthead." —The Chairman said it appeared no one had anything to say in reply, and they would proceed with the next business. —Mr Lattimer then put the question in the form of a motion, which was carried, Mrs Core, Mr Dowson, and Mr Nevin voting against it. —The Chairman declined to give answer, Mr Bell said they had better let the matter drop. They could draw their own conclusions, and the ratepayers would draw theirs. —The question of the repair of the Market Place was referred to the General Committee. —The Surveyor reported that during the month £211 had been spent in snow cutting in the main and £50 in the district roads, and many roads were still blocked. A complete opening could only achieved at a heavy additional cost. He wished to have definite instructions as to whether to proceed with the opening of Tynehead Road. It had been twice opened and was full again. — Mr Elliott: It is quite blocked now, and the road through the fields and over the fences impassable owing to the partial thaw. —Mr Pickering: It seems a necessity that should be opened, for the residents are quite shut in. One farmer who sold a lot of hay could not deliver it, and it had to be procured elsewhere. He had found another customer, but still the hay cannot be got away. The road was full, and fences and six barred gates were level. —Mr Lee said could hardly imagine how the road through the fields and over the fences passable with horses and sledges before, but now with the partial thaw matters were worse. Mr Holmes: How many houses are there out there? —Mr Pickering: Thirteen farm houses. —The Chairman thought they could not give the surveyor instructions to cut this road to the exclusion other roads. They could only give general instructions to cut such roads as were most necessary for the use of the district. —It was agreed that this be done. —The members afterwards considered Parish Council Business, the charities forming the chief subject. There is the Fairhill charity, for the benefit of the poor of Alston, Nenthead, Garrigill, and Alston Grammar School and Garrigill School. There is also Attwood's charity of £25 a year, and Langhorn's charity. Certain payments from the Fairhill charity were ordered.

9th March 1895 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Mill Cottage, Allendale, 2nd inst., aged 67, Wilson beloved husband of Jane Glenwright. Forty seven years employed in the service of W B Beaumont.
In 1841, at Catton, William Glenwright, lead ore smelter, aged 50, his wife Ann (Stobbard, married 24th December 1825, Allendale) aged 40, children Wilson 14, William 9, Jacob 7, John 5, Thomas 3, and Hannah 1.
Ann Glenwright, died 1st quarter 1843, registered at Hexham

In 1851, at Flake Gate, Catton, William Glenwright, widow lead ore smelter, aged 66, children Wilson, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Jane, housekeeper, aged 21, Jacob, lead ore washer, aged 19, John, lead ore washer, aged 16, Thomas 13, Hannah 11, and Joseph 8.
In 1861, at Catton Village, Wilson Glenwright, lead ore smelter, aged 35, his wife Jane (Elliott, married 7th November 1857, Allendale) aged 25, children Thomas 7, John W. 1, and lodger Richard Dawson, master tailor, aged 39.In 1871, at Mill Cottage, Wilson Glenwright, lead ore smelter, aged 44, his wife Jane 36, children Thomas 17, John W. 10, Margret W. 8, Isabella 5, and Wilson aged 1.
In 1881, at Mill Cottage, Wilson Glenwright, lead ore smelter, aged 53, his wife Jane 47, children Thomas, coal miner, aged 27, John W., joiner, aged 21, Margaret A., dressmaker, aged 18, Isabella, dressmakers assistant, aged 15, Wilson 11, Joseph 6, and niece Polley Glenwright 7.
In 1891, at Mill Cottage, Catton, Wilson Glenwright, retired lead ore smelter, aged 63, his wife Jane 55, sons John W., joiner, aged 31, Wilson, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Joseph 16, and visitor M. A. Milburne, dressmaker, aged 28.
In 1901, at Mill Cottages, Catton, Jane Glenwright, widow, aged 67, and son Joseph, gardener, aged 26
In 1911, at Mill Cottages, Catton, Jane Glenwright, widow, aged 76, son Joseph, gardener, aged 36, and daughter in law, Elizabeth aged 31.
Jane Glenwright died 2nd quarter 1925, aged 90, registered at Hexham.

15th March 1895 (London Gazette)

THE NORTH GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company will be held at the office of the Liquidator 1 St. Nicholas-buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne on Monday the 29th day of April next at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the manner in which the books, accounts and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of. —Dated the 12th day of March 1895.
C. W. HARRISON Liquidator.

THE PATTERSYKE AND CLARGILL HEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the office of the Liquidator 1 St. Nicholas-buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne on Tuesday the 30th day of April next at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted and the property of the Company disused of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the manner in which the books accounts and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of.—Dated the 12th day of March 1895.
C. W. HARRISON Liquidator.

16th March 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ACOMB

The lead mines owing to the prevailing depression in trade the Fallowfield lead mines have been practically laid in for some weeks past, and the employees have been thrown idle. About 100 men and boys were employed at the works.

22nd March 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

The ordinary fortnightly meeting of this Council was held on Saturday, Mr T. Richardson presiding. —The Works Committee reported in favour of carrying out the Leadgate, Garrigill, and Holmesfoot water schemes, and of providing a well in Kates Lane and recommended that a practical engineer be employed to consider the question of a supply for the district generally. —In the discussion, which took place, Mr H. Walton said it would be the best plan to have a complete report as to the requirements of the whole district, with an estimate of the cost. At present the principal part of the rate was levied on agricultural property, which benefited it no way. He asked those who advocated the prevision of water to mention another authority that levied rates for the supply in this way. The report was referred back to the Works Committee. —It was decided to ask the Lords of the Admiralty to pave the Market Place. —It was decided to acquire if possible the Fairhill for the purposes of an ash deposit and also for fairs and recreation. —The Surveyor's estimate of the stones required for the year was 210 yards. About three miles of district roads and three of mam roads were yet snow blocked, chiefly in the Garrigill district. Some residents had suffered great privation. Mr Jackson of Dodberry had been unable to get his cart away from home for eleven weeks. —Mr Pickering said he had not been able to get over the fell to Nenthead for eleven weeks, and the road was still closed.

23rd March 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, Town Foot, 16th inst. aged 63, Joseph Pattinson.

John Pattinson married Isabella Walton, 14th February 1813, at Alston, Isabella died 22nd March 1837, aged 41.

In 1841, at Edmunds Lane, John Pattinson, lead miner, aged 50, children Hugh, carpenter, aged 20, Sarah 15, Isabella 14, Alexander 12, and Joseph aged 10.

In 1851, at Bulman's Lane, John Pattinson, widow, lead miner, aged 61, children Isabella, dressmaker, aged 24, Alexander Furnace, lead miner, aged 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Jane 18, and J. Walton, blacksmith, aged 16. In 1861, at Edmunds Lane, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary aged 24, and son Thomas 9 months. In 1861, at Town Hall, Alston, Joseph Walton, relieving officer and registrar of births & deaths, aged 51, his wife Mary 49, children Hannah, house maid, aged 19, Nathaniel 14, Jane 12, Margaret 8, and grandson James 2.

In 1871, at Town Foot, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary (Walton, married 23rd February 1860, Alston) aged 34, sons James Walton 12, and Thomas 10.

In 1881, at Thirlwell Lane, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 44, and Nicholas Hetherington, proprietor of land, aged 66.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 60, and his wife Mary J. aged 54. In 1891, at Main Street, Haltwhistle, James W Pattinson, railway clerk, aged 32, his wife Mary A. J. 30, children Thomas W. 8, William F. 6, Joseph 4, and Edward F. 2 years.
See 2nd September 1876, & 17th September 1887.
At Alston, Grisedale Lane, 21st inst. aged 69, John Whitfield.
Lead miner unmarried, son of Ralph & Ann Whitfield. See 22nd June 1878.
At 122 Gloucester Road, Newcastle, 14th inst. aged 32, Jonathan Walton, third son of the late Joseph Bainbridge, Alston.
In 1861, at Newberryside, Alston, Joseph Bainbridge, farmer of 120 acres, aged 52, his wife Isabella 29, children Peter 5, Elizabeth R 3, and Thomas W. 11 months.
Joseph Bainbridge died 4th quarter 1869, aged 62.
In 1871, at Physic Hall Bank Top, Isabella Bainbridge, retired farmer, aged 38, children Peter 15, Elizabeth R 13, Thomas W 10, Jonathan W 8, Jane A 6, Joseph 3, and Frances M 1. See 16th June 1877
In 1881, at Physic Hall, Isabella Bainbridge, laundress, aged 48, children Peter, invalid from birth, 25, Thomas W. cartman, aged 20, Jonathan W. lead ore washer, aged 18, Jane A. milliner, aged 16, and grandson Herbert J. Bainbridge aged 5.
In 1891, at Physic Hall, Isabella Bainbridge, widow, aged 58, children Peter 35, Thomas W. railway checker, aged 30, Herbert J. general labourer, aged 15, and granddaughters Phillis M Place 9, and Isabella Place 7.

In 1891, at Maple Street, Elswick, lodgers, Thomas W. Bainbridge, checker N.E. Railway, aged 30, and Jonathan W. Bainbridge, Porter N.E. Railway, aged 28.
***Note** Thomas W. Bainbridge in two places in 1891!*
In 1911, at Physic Hall, Frederick Harrison Nicholson, gas stoker & gas fitter, aged 27, his wife Isabella 27, son John Harrison 2, and wife's grandmother, Isabella Bainbridge, widow, aged 78. (Isabella was at Physic Hall with her son Peter in 1891, the census is virtually undecipherable).
Isabella Bainbridge died 3rd quarter 1914, aged 81. See 21st May 1842

23rd March 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The works committee reported in favour of carrying out the Leadgate, Garrigill and Holmesfoot water schemes, and of providing a well in Kate's Lane.

5th April 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL.

This body met on Saturday; Mr Richardson in the chair.
A Trained Nurse. A letter was read from Miss Ada Richardson, with a memorial signed by the principle ministers and medical men of the district, requesting the Council to consider the advisability of providing a trained nurse. —The Clerk said they had no funds for the purpose, and no power to provide such a nurse. By communicating with the Local Government Board, they might possibly be authorised. —Mrs Cove asked whether they could not take the money from some of the charities instead of giving doles, which were liable to be wasted. —Mr Harrison: In some respects, it may be desirable to have a nurse. It is not desirable to touch the charities. —Mr Lee moved that the Council use its utmost

endeavours to provide a nurse. —Mr Harrison moved as an amendment that the subject remain in abeyance, and this was carried by 7 to 4.
The Fairhill. —The Clerk said he had received a communication signed by various residents at the Townhead complaining of the deposit of ashes and other objectionable refuse on Fairhill. He had also received a communication from the Chairman of the Parish Meeting, with a copy of a resolution, asking that the Fairhill be taken over for the benefit of the public. —The Inspector reported that he had received a complaint from the Rev. I. E. Page and others relative to the deposit on Fairhill, which was within 30 yards of the girls' playground at the High School, and 20 yards of the boys' ground. He had mentioned the matter to Mr Lancaster, the tenant but he declined to have anything to do with it, and complained of the nuisance himself. —Mr Harrison: No one seems to be responsible but the parties who made the deposit. They should remove it. —It was decided that the Chairman consult the Fairhill Committee.

6th April 1895 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

CLOSING OF COANWOOD COLLIERY.

Great regret will be felt in this neighbourhood at the closing of Coanwood Colliery, which will take place on the 13th inst., notices having been issued to the men employed to that effect. The colliery has been worked for 35 years. The Coanwood (Coal Company was originally formed by Mr T. Wilson, Shotley Hall, Northumberland, and Mr I. Crawhall, Nun-Monkton, York. On the expiration of the lease of the Blenkinsopp Colliery in 1859, these gentlemen, who were partners in that undertaking, commenced operations at Coanwood, where they worked their own royalty at Herdley Bank, along with Mr Hope-Wallace's Asholme, and Mr Blackett-Ord's, East Coanwood, Royalties. Coanwood was chiefly noted as a coking colliery, the coke produced being of first class quality for blast furnace purposes, and it met with good demand in West Cumberland. The depressed condition of the iron industry there of late years had, of course, an adverse effect on prices, but the Coanwood coke still met with a market, and the pit hands were kept regularly employed for many years, a time of slackness being a rare exception. The number of hands, of course, decreased as the coal area became circumscribed, and at the present time only about 100 men and boys are at work. Many of them are men who were originally lead miners at Alston and Allendale, who were compelled to seek fresh employment as the lead mining industry declined. Except on one occasion, in 1890-91, when a prolonged Strike occurred on the question of house rents, the relations between employers and workmen have always been most cordial, and the notices to cease work will occasion the greater regret, as they will, in not a few cases, sever a life-long connection.

13th April 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, 30th inst. aged 26, Mary Jane, daughter of Wm. T. L. Shaw.
See 13th October 1894

19th April 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr Richardson presided at the meeting of this Council on Saturday. —The Works Committee recommended that a resolution, passed in January, ordering a survey of the requirements of the whole parish for sanitary purposes be rescinded. —In the course of discussion, Mr Lattimer said the committee had recommended that certain work, which they thought needful, should be proceeded with, but as the minute stood in the way of this being done, they recommended that it be rescinded. —It was resolved by 7 votes to 6 that the minute be rescinded. —The recommendation of the committee that the work at Leadgate, Garrigill, Holmesfoot, and Kate's Lane be proceeded with was next considered. —Mr Walton said there was no need for a new water supply at Leadgate. —The report was adopted. —Dr Carson's report for No. 1 district showed six deaths, or at the rate of 14 per thousand of the population per annum. —It was agreed to erect a new foot bridge at Nattrass Gill, at a cost of £3 10s.

20th April 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Registry Office Newcastle, 11th inst., John Maughan, Nenthead, to Maggie Rutherford, Alston.

Ann Graham, daughter of Thomas & Catherine Graham of Catton married Robert Maughan, 2nd quarter 1864, reg. Hexham.
Robert Maughan died 4th quarter 1865
Ann Maughan married Richard Elliott 2nd quarter 1868, reg. Hexham.
In 1881, at Rose & Crown Inn, Allendale Town, Richard Elliott, innkeeper, aged 44, his wife Ann 39, stepson John, general labourer, aged 16, children Thomas 10, Catherine 7, Robinson 5, Richard 3, and Isabella 1.
In 1891, at Crown Inn, Nenthead, Richard Elliott, innkeeper, aged 54, born Allendale, his wife Ann 49, born Allendale, step son John, labourer, aged 27, children Thomas, labourer, aged 20, Catharine 17, Frank R 15, Richard 13, Isabella 11, and Tempely 9.
In 1901, at Overwater, John Maughan, stationary engine man, aged 36, born Allendale, and his wife Margaret aged 32.
John Maughan died 2nd quarter 1909, aged 44.
Richard Elliott died 4th quarter 1911, aged 73, his wife Ann died 2nd quarter 1919, aged 77.

21st April 1895 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

WEARDALE LEAD MINES. —A " bargain-day" was held at Newhouse Offices on Saturday. The bargains were let on a different system than heretofore. Rookhope Mine was let to two miners, and they can employ whom they like, and at what terms they choose. The miners have been out of employment for three months, and as yet not nearly the whole hare been re-employed. Killhope Mine is not to be re-started yet, and Green Laws only to a limited extent.

25th May 1895 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD MINES.—A meeting of the directors of the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co. was held at Newcastle on Tuesday last. It is currently reported here that the foreign syndicate which has been in negotiation for

possession, has purchased the mines at Nenthead, so that a change, if the rumour is correct, will again take place. We can only hope that it will be for the good of the place and the benefit of all.

31st May 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

The ordinary meeting of this District Council was held on Saturday, Mr Richardson presiding —Mr Lattimer moved that the water scheme for Holmesfoot be carried out. Some 70 were supplied from a source which was not sufficient for more than 18 persons.—Mr Bolton seconded the motion.—The Inspector said he had visited the place he estimated the cost of the scheme at £40.— Mr Bolton said a nearer supply than that at Nenthead could be got. There was a good flow from an old mine at Pity Me, which was very much nearer.—Mr Harrison said he could not recommend that water, he lived near th place about eleven years. —It was decided to take time and further consider the matter.—Mr Pickering moved that the laying of the sewer pipes at Garrigill be proceeded with.—The Clerk pointed out that it was undesirable to proceed with the work without an estimate; and the matter was left over for the Inspector to report upon.—The Surveyor was given a fortnight's leave of absence, on account of ill health. A question of liability to repair the Green at Garrigill was referred to the Surveyor.

1st June 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Garrigill, 22nd ult. John Robley, Carlisle, to Alice, daughter of Wallace Millican, Crossgill. *See 28th June 1873*

15th June 1895 (Hexham Courant)

SAD DEATH OF A MINER

A sad fatal accident occurred at the **Stonecroft and Greyside** mines on Tuesday morning last. These mines are being carried on by Col. Clark, of London, who has been sinking a new shaft. Two brothers, named **Nicholas and Reuban Nichol,** natives of Cornwall, have been amongst the workmen engaged in the mine. On the morning in question, after they had got their "baits," they commenced drilling a hole in a stone, which they intended to charge with powder. The younger brother, Reuben was turning the drill, whilst the elder was striking. Without any warning, a huge stone of enormous weight fell from above on to the young fellow, Nicholas Nichol, and crushed him to the ground. The great rock came on to the poor fellows shoulders and back, and before he had time to utter a word to his companion was killed. The younger brother Reuben had a narrow escape, but fortunately he was none the worse. He immediately secured assistance from some men who were working in the mine close by, and it was with considerable difficulty that they removed the huge rock from where it had fallen. It was found that the young man (*22 years of age*) was quite dead, and his body was crushed and bruised in a frightful manner. His lifeless body was removed from the mine to await an inquest.

(*A verdict of accidental death was recorded*)

In 1891, at High Wood, St Ives, Cornwall, Richard Nicholls, tin miner, aged 48, his wife Catharine 43, children Nicholas, tin miner, aged 18, Ruben, farm labourer, aged 14, Lauretta 9, John 7, Elizabeth M. 4, and Fredrick 3 months.

Deaths

At West End, Allenheads, 6th inst. aged 83, Richard Bright, beloved husband of Tamar Bright.

In 1841, at West End, Richard Bright, lead ore miner, aged 65, his wife Ann (Readshaw, married 2nd July 1803, Allendale) aged 60, sons Richard, lead ore miner, aged 25, and Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 20.

In 1851, at West End, Richard Bright, lead ore miner, aged 39, his wife Tamer (Redshaw, married 9th December 1848m St Peter, Allenheads) aged 25, children Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 10, Mary A. 2, and Sarah 1month.

In 1861, at West End, Richard Bright, brakesman at lead mines, aged 49, his wife Tamar 38, children Joseph, labourer in lead mines, aged 20, Mary A. 12, Sarah 10, Thomas 8, Margaret 6, Frances 5, Hannah 3, and Richard 10 months.

In 1871, at West End, Richard Bright, brakesman in lead ore mines, aged 59, his wife Tamar 46, children Sarah 20, Margaret 16, Hannah 12, Richard, lead ore washer, aged 11, John 8, and grandson Matthew 3.

In 1881, at West End, Richard Bright, engine brakesman at lead mines, aged 69, his wife Thamar 57, sons Richard, barytes miner, aged 20, John, lead ore miner, aged 18, and grandson Matthew Bright, lead ore washer, aged 13.

In 1891, at West End, Richard Bright, farmer, aged 79, his wife Tamar 67, daughter Margaret 36, son John, lead ore miner, aged 28, and grandson Matthew, lead ore miner, aged 23. See 2nd November 1895

28th June 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

A meeting of this Council was held on Saturday, Mr. Richardson in the chair.

Technical Education.—The Council decided to accept the proposal of the Technical Committee of the County Council that they should act as the local committee for the parish.

Highways.—The Surveyor called attention to the dangerous state of Dowgang Hush, which required additional railing. He was instructed to repair a culvert or sewer at Overwater which is at present stopped.

Water.— The Inspector presented a report as to water supplies. As regards the supply to Holmesfoot two schemes were proposed.—one being to take the water from Nenthead well at a cost of £43, and the other to take the supply from an old mine at Pity Me at a cost of £28.—Mr . Walton said he never could see what reasonable objection there could be to a having a survey of the requirements of the whole parish.—Mr. Lattimer moved that the supply at Holmesfoot be carried out at public cost.—Mr. Walton moved as an amendment that the property owners be instructed to provide a sufficient supply for sanitary purposes.—Mr Nevis seconded the amendment.—Mr Holmes: Is it not too late in the day to do this? We have provided water to a lot of places at the public cost.—Mr. Wharton: I have protested against every such proceeding.—The amendment was defeated by five (Messrs. Lattimer, Bolton, Harrison, Holmes, Dawson) to three (Mrs Core, Mr. Walton, and Mr Nevin).—The rest of the Inspectors report was then read. It recommended that at Leadgate, provided the owners assented, water be brought from the allotment spring at a cost of £15: that a well be provided in Kate's at a cost of £12, and that the works in connection with the Garrigill sewer be carried out at a cost of £11 8s. The discussion was eventually adjourned.

Cyclist's Notice Boards.—Mr Lattimer moved that the County Council be asked to place a caution board for the benefit of cyclists at the head of Crook Bank. The descent was dangerous, and there had been several accidents. — The Chairman said the question of placing caution-boards at dangerous places had been before the Highways Committee, who felt that as cyclists had strong Association, it might fittingly undertake the work. To place a board at Crook Bank would be to establish an undesirable precedent.—The motion was not seconded.

6th July 1895 (Hexham Courant)

DEATH OF MR JOSEPH SHIELD.

By the death of Mr Joseph Shield, parish clerk and newsagent, Garrigill has lost one of her notabilities of whom she was justly proud. Mr Shield, who passed quietly away in his own house at Garrigill on June 27th, after a short illness which had found its seeds in the late severe winter, began life as a brakesman on the railway, connected with Thompson's pits in the Midgeholme district, in the days when the locomotive power was supplied by that ancestor of engines, "The Rocket." On leaving the Kirkhouse district he returned to his native place and continued to within a year or less of his death to be connected with the lead mining industry of the neighbourhood, being for many years master workman of Benty Field mine, and afterwards in both Nentwater and Clarghyll, serving other mines in the same capacity. Mr Shield, whose politics were Liberal, was always anxious for the spread of knowledge in his neighbourhood. In his younger days before Board Schools and Technical Education were thought of, he opened in his own house, for the benefit of the young miners and taught himself, a night school which flourished for nearly 20 years, and till his end he continued as newsagent, bookseller, and agent for printing. Anything connected with music, however, was Mr Shield's special delight, and his own proficiency was well known in his day. Several singing classes, both in the Alston and Kirkhouse neighbourhood, were taught by him. Mr Shield was also one of the last of the old parish clerks, his notebook showing that he had died on the forty-fourth anniversary of the first occasion when he officiated as clerk to Garrigill church at a funeral. Few, if any, have been buried in the village since without his presence. Many people remember the days when he met each funeral at the entrance to the village and lead the way to the Church gates singing the 90th Psalm. Changing times curtailed somewhat the glory of his office, but to the last he maintained his position as one of the leading members of the Church choir. He was laid to rest on Sunday afternoon in Garrigill Churchyard in the presence of a large concourse of mourners, hymns being sung in Church and at the graveside by the choir, while the organist attended and played the "Dead March." He leaves a widow and four children. Rev. P. T, Lee, curate in charge of Garrigill, preached a funeral sermon at the evening service from the text "I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness," Psalm lxxxiv, 10, and referred to his long service to the Church and the loss sustained by the death of one who had so quietly and blamelessly lived out his life among them, and whose familiar face had never been missing from their services till his last illness.

In 1851, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Mary Shield, widow, aged 56, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 29, John, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 17, James 13, and Elizabeth 9.

In 1861, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore dresser, aged 40, his wife Hannah (Peart, married 14th October 1852) aged 40, children Elizabeth 8, Alfred Wesley 4, and John 1.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore dresser, aged 50, his wife Hannah 50, children Alfred, lead ore dresser, aged 14, John, lead ore dresser, aged 11, Elizabeth 18, Harriett 9, and Mary 5 months.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Shield, lead ore dresser, aged 60, Hannah 60, children Alfred, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 21, Harriet 18, and grandson Thomas 6.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Shield, grocer & stationer, aged 70, his wife Hannah 70, children John, lead ore dresser, aged 32, Harriet, dressmaker, aged 29, and grandson Thomas, lead ore labourer, aged 16.
See 11th February 1871, 3rd January 1880, 3rd March 1883, 24th March 1888, 12th October 1895, and 3rd May 1902

13th July 1895 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS

On Friday last the scholars attending St. Augustine's Church Sunday School had their annual trip when they visited Roker near Sunderland. With the same train the children from St. Johns Sunday School at Garrigill and Nenthead Primitive Methodist scholars visited the same place. A very pleasant and enjoyable day was spent on the sands, and in boating &c., and the children returned having thoroughly enjoyed themselves. **SCHOOL BOARD**.—Held on Saturday. Present, Messrs. H. Elliott (chairman), J. Harrison, and H. Bell. The report of the drawing examination at Nenthead was very good, the grant per head being 7s. 6d. A letter was read from Mr. Petty, Nenthead, calling attention to the bad state of the gate at the end of the yard; and also to some of the children who had not been attending school since the examination. Unless they attended according to the new rules he could not keep the standards up.
NATTRASS GILL.—The dangerous state of the bridge at the waterfall was the subject of attention some time ago at a Ward Meeting, and a resolution was passed to request the District Council to have it repaired or a new one erected, as it was dangerous to life and limb. The bridge had become so delipidated that it was really not safe for people to pars over it, and being immediately above the fall people were in great danger of falling over. The District Council happily entertained the proposal, and gave instruction to put a new bridge across. This has now been done, a good substantial bridge having been built by Mr. H. Kearton. The beams are of pitch pine with red pine rails and posts. Visitors can now visit the place without any fear. Some improvements are to be made in the approaches thereto as well, so that the place will be considerably improved.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 9th inst., Mary Jane, wife of William Moore, fireman, aged 33 years.

20th July 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Overwater, Nenthead, 18th inst., aged 53, James Richardson, lead miner.
Joseph Richardson married Eleanor Killgour 1st October 1826, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Joseph Richardson died 3rd qtr 1840

In 1841, at Low Dyke heads, Alston, Ellen Richardson, widow, aged 35, children, William, joiner, aged 18, Ann 13, Dorothy 11, Jane 8, John 6, Thomas 5, Joseph 2, and James 7 months.
In 1851, at Butts, William Richardson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Ellen 47, children Dorothy, woollen yarn dealer, aged 20, John, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Joseph 12, James 9, and lodger Charles Linfoot, railway labourer, aged 21, born Yorkshire.
In 1861, at Fair Hill, Ellen Richardson, miners widow, aged 59, and son James, lead ore miner, aged 19. In 1871, at Fair Hill, James Richardson, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Agnes (Doyle, married 19th February 1865, Nenthead) aged 29, children Robert W. 8, Jane 6, John 4, and Joseph 1.
In 1881, at Overwater, James Richardson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Agness 38, children Robert W., lead miner, aged 18, John 13, Hannah 8, Joseph 6, Ellen 4, and Thomas 1 month.
In 1891, at Overwater, James Richardson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Agnes 49, children Robert Will, lead miner, aged 27, Hannah 18, Jane 25, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 16, Ellen 13, Thomas 10, James Fred 7, and grandson James Ernest 3 years.
In 1901, at Overwater, Agnes Richardson, widow, aged 59, children Hannah 28, Jane 25, Ellen, dress maker, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, James, lead miner, aged 17, and grandson James E 13 years.
In 1911, at Overwater, Agnes Richardson, widow, aged 69, children Thomas, lead & Zinc miner, aged 29, James, fireman (engine), aged 26, grandson James E, lead & zinc miner, aged 22 years, daughter, Ellen Kelly, widow, aged 38, and lodger, Thomas Hind, lead miner, aged 63.
Agnes Richardson died 1st quarter 1919, aged 77, registered at Alston.

10th August 1895 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday last, the members present being Messrs Elliot (chairman), Walton, Bell, and Rutherford.—The Clerk intimated that he had received the report from the Science and Art Department respecting the drawing examination at Nenthead. The mark awarded was " Excellent." Taking into consideration that the school had been closed for a time owing to whooping cough, the mark had been raised from "Good" to " Excellent."—The Inspector's report for the Nenthead school was read as follows: "Everything considered, a fairly good examination has been passed in the elementary subjects, and special praise is due to the spelling and handwriting of the third standard, and the written arithmetic of the fourth standard. Handwriting, however, in the fifth, sixth, and seventh standards is little more than fair, and oral arithmetic requires considerable attention above the second standard. English in the third standard and upwards lacks thoroughness, but geography is everywhere distinctly good. The tendency of the children to talk during the early portion of the examination makes the recommendation of the higher grant, under Article 101 (b), a matter of some hesitation. The infants have been very carefully taught."—The grant was stated to be 17s 6d.—A communication was read from the United Kingdom Band of Hope Union lecturer, offering to give a lecture free of charge to the scholars attending the Board School on "The Physiological effect of Alcohol." The lecture had been given at several schools, and had given satisfaction. The lecturer

would be in the district during the winter, and could visit the school.—The Board agreed.—Owing to the schools being closed for the holidays, there was no attendance list.

17th August 1895 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

DEATH OF MR JAMES LEATHART

Mr James Leathart, managing director of the firm of Messrs Locke & Co, lead manufacturers, Newcastle, died on Friday at his residence, Bracken Dean, Low Fell. The deceased was the son of Mr John Leathart, mining engineer, of Hill House, Alston, and it was at Alston that Mr Leathart spent his younger days. He was born November 25th 1820, and came to Newcastle in 1836, entered the firm of Locke, Blackett & Co. … In 1858, Mr Leathart married Maria, daughter of the late Ald. Hedley of Coxlodge Hall, who with four sons and five daughters survives him.

Baptised 14th June 1821, at Redwing Congregational Chapel, Alston, son of John & Margaret Leathart, married 22nd June 1858, at All Saints, Newcastle.
In 1851, at Gallowgate Lead Works, James Leathart, lead merchant, aged 30, mother Margaret Leathart, annuitant, aged 58, sister Agnes Leathart 26, brother John D Leathart, grocer apprentice, aged 18, brother William Leathart, lead merchants clerk, aged 15, and general servant Ann Reay, aged 20.
In 1861, at Newbiggin by the Sea, John Taylor, casting master, aged 45, his wife Alice 48, general servant Mary Gibson, aged 18, visitors James Leathart, lead manufacturer employing 217 men, 10 boys, and 57 women, aged 40, Maria Leathart aged 21, Edith Leathart aged 1, Ann Newby, nurse, aged 20, and Richard D C Cordeaux, curate, aged 26.

Mrs James Leathart and children, by Arthur Hughes. *www.sightswithin.com*

In 1871, at Bracken Dene Lodge, James Leathart, lead manufacturer, employing 240 men, 110 boys, and 90 women, aged 50, his wife Maria (Hedley, married 22nd June 1858, at All Saints, Newcastle) aged 31, children

Edith Mary 11, Margaret 9, Mary Beatrice 7, Thomas Hedley 4, John Eliott 2, and Constance Maria 1 month.
In 1881, at Bracken Dean, James Leathart, lead manufacturer employing 250 men and 50 women, aged 60, his wife Maria aged 41, children Edith Mary 21, Margaret 19, Constance Maria 10, Anna Hilda 8, James Gilbert 6, Percival Wilson 5, Anthony Hedley 4, William Bell Scot 2, and Charles Boustead 1.
In 1891, at Bracken Dean, James Leathart, lead manufacturer, aged 70, his wife Maria 51, sons Thomas H., lead manufacturer, aged 24, and Percival W.15.

James Leathart, by Ford Maddox Brown (1863-64)

The web site of St Helen's church, Low Fell, gives the following information: —

> *"James Leathart (1820-1895) the son of an Alston Lead Mining Engineer married Maria Hedley (1840-1899), daughter of Thomas Hedley, soap manufacturer. They lived at Brackendene, Low Fell from 1864 and had a family of fourteen children. James was Managing Director of Locke, Blackett and Company, a Newcastle lead manufacturing company. He was also a director of the Tyne Steam Shipping Co and of William Cleland and Co., shipbuilders. He was a Justice of the Peace for Gateshead and, from the time St. Helen's Church opened until his death, People's Churchwarden. He has been described as somewhat shy and retiring and he had a lifelong interest in Fine Arts. He was a collector of antique furniture, clocks and blue-and-white Chinese porcelain but it was for his collection of paintings that he is best known. He was strongly influenced in this by William Bell Scott, poet and artist who had been master at the Newcastle School of Art of which James was Secretary. A great supporter of the Pre-Raphaelite movement he commissioned pictures from several of their circle including Edward Burne-Jones. At his death he had assembled one of the finest collections of Pre-Raphaelite art..."*

Probate records show: —
James of Brackendene Gateshead, lead manufacturer, died 9th August 1895. Probate Durham, 28th September to Maria Leathart, widow, and Thomas Hedley Leathart, lead manufacturer.
Effects £10524 5s 2d.
See 25th January 1845, 20th August 1847, 8th August 1891, and 18th June 1892.

24th August 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Dr Short's report for No. 2 district; 7 deaths and 7 births at the rate each of 4.17 per thousand per quarter. Scarlet Fever had made its appearance at Nenthead, evidently imported from Tynemouth, but precautions had been taken and there had been no spread of infection.

7th September 1895 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

We regret to have to record the death of **Mr Cowper Cain**, a well known Darlington tradesman who retired to Northalerton some years ago. The death occurred at Mr Cain's residence at Northalerton on the 27th ult. Deceased was a native of Nenthead near Alston, Cumberland where his late father was a mining engineer. He served his apprenticeship to the drapery trade in Newcastle but returning to Weardale he started business as a draper in St John's Chapel, afterwards removing to Darlington where for many years he was in business in Crown Street and Northgate. He was twice married, his second wife surviving him and leaves two grown up daughters by his first marriage. About 9 months ago he was attacked with dropsy and cancer of the liver and to these diseases he succumbed. He was in his 70th year.
In 1891, at 6 South Parade, Northallerton, Cowper Cain, retired draper, aged 64, his wife Ann (Winteringham, married 1st quarter of 1886, at Darlington), aged 60, and Esther Smart, servant, aged 16. See 3rd September 1852, and 4th April 1856
For family connections see 21st March 1845, 4th July 1846, 8th April 1853, 4th April 1856, 7th March 1868, 13th July 1872, 23rd January 1875, 28th August 1875, and 6th April 1901.

Deaths

Alston, Townfoot, 3rd inst., aged 60, Rachael, widow of Wm. Tatters.
See 3rd November 1888

7th September 1895 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS

The Rev. Samuel Henry Greenway has been appointed to the curacy-in-charge of the district of St. John the Baptist, Garrigill, in the parish of Alston, in place of the Rev. P. T. Lee, who has been appointed vicar at Birtley-on-Tyne. …
SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting was held on Saturday. Present—Messrs. R. Elliot (chairman), Walton, H. Bell, T. Harrison, H. Bell, J. Rutherford. The Clerk said a cheque for £100 had been secured from the Education Department, being the amount of grant for Nenthead school. A letter from the Nenthead schoolmaster relative to the school yard gate was read, but no action taken. Permission to purchase certain requisites in the shape of books, &c., was

granted. A letter was also read relative to Nenthead School rental, and it was resolved to refer the Company to previous correspondence, and point out that the Board had received no legal notice of any change in the original agreement.

14th September 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ACOMB

On Thursday shortly before noon a serious accident befel a lead miner named Thomas Waggott who resides at Acomb near Hexham whilst he was following his employment at the **Fallowfield Lead Mines**. Waggott was working at the bottom of a heap at the entrance to the mines when the upper portion suddenly came away and imprisoned his lower limbs. It was estimated that about a ton and a half of material fell upon the poor fellow, and it was some considerable time before he was extracted, Medical assistance was sought and it was ascertained that his right thigh was severely crushed and other parts of the body were also injured.

Deaths

Alston, 12th inst., aged 66, William Calvert.

in 1881, at the Police Station, William Calvert, police sergeant, aged 52, his wife Isabella 43, children William, grocers apprentice, aged 19, Sarah 13, Richard J. 9, Francis D. 7, Jane Ann 5, and Isabella 4.

In 1891, at Elswick, William Calvert, retired police sergeant, aged 62, his wife Isabella 53, children Richard I. engine & machine maker, aged 19, Jane A., shop girl in drapers shop, aged 15, and Isabella, apprentice dress maker, aged 14.

Alston, Foul Loaning, 10th inst., aged 14 months, John Henry son of Samuel Walton.

14th September 1895 (North Cumberland Reformer)

FLOWER SHOW AT NENTHEAD.

The annual show of the Nenthead Floral and Horticultural Society was held on Saturday last, September 7th, in the Board Schools, Nenthead. There was a capital entry, the exhibits especially in the vegetable classes being very good. Some splendid specimens of writing and drawing were also exhibited. There were several stands for exhibition only, notably specimens of drawing and shading by Miss M. Harrison and Miss Lattimer, while Mr Henry Stephenson had on exhibition four potatoes of enormous size, weighing 8 lbs., grown by himself. The judges were as follows:—Flowers, fruit, and vegetables, Mr S. Shield, Haltwhistle; writing, Mr A. Bolton and Mr Bell; bread, sewing, and knitting, Mrs Walton, Mrs Bell, and Mrs Hornsby. During the evening the Nenthead Brass Band, which has only been in existence some 18 months, delighted the audience with selections of music during the evening, under the able leadership of Dr. Masterton. The attendance was large, and the arrangements were admirably carried out under the supervision of the Secretary, Mr Henry Stephenson. The show was closed at 9 p.m., and the proceedings terminated with a dance, the band supplying the music.

Deaths

At Foulard, Nenthead, on the 12th inst., Ida Josephine, daughter of Mary Hannah Martin, aged 6 years.

At Chapel Terrace, Alston, on the 7th inst., Thomas Johnstone Snowdon, builder, aged 41 years.

21st September 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Rodderup Fell Mining Company wrote agreeing to allow the council water from their land to supply Leadgate village on certain conditions and on the payment of an acknowledgement.

28th September 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, Chapel Terrace, 22nd inst. aged 67, Sarah wife of William Tatters.

In 1841, at Butts, William Tatters, smelter of lead ore, aged 20.

In 1851, at Hill House, William Tatters, lead ore smelter, aged 31, his wife Margaret (Walton, married 22nd December 1844, at Alston) aged 26, sons John 6, and Walton 1.

In 1861, at Gossip Gate, William Tatters, widow (Margaret died 4th quarter of 1860), smelter of lead ore, aged 40, children John, smelter of lead ore, aged 16, Walton 11, Robert 8, Hannah 6, Jane 4 and house servant Margaret Robinson aged 23.

In 1871, at Water Green, William Tatters, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Sarah (Parmley, married 8th July 1865) aged 42, children Walton, lead miner, aged 21, Robert, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah 16, and Jane 14.

In 1881, East Skelgill, William Tatters, cartman, aged 60, his wife Sarah 51, daughter, aged Hannah, domestic servant, aged 26. See 14th July 1865.

In 1891, Skelgill, William Tatters, farmer, aged 70, his wife Sarah aged 63, and daughter Hannah 36.

5th October 1895 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF AN ALSTON MAN IN AUSTRALIA

We regret having to notice the following from the "Ovens and Murray Advertiser" of August 24th: - "We regret to learn of the very sudden death of Mr William Walton of the firm of Messrs J & W Walton, Tinsmiths, Beechwood. Mr Walton who was about 50 years of age, had recently suffered severely from Sciatica, and upon this influenza supervened by which he was confined for some days to his house in Barnard Street. … Deceased had only been a few years in the colony. …" Mr Walton it will be remembered was manager at the Gas Works at Alston for a number of years and left for Australia about 5 years ago. Mr Walton leaves a wife and family of three sons and one daughter.

Died on the 21st August of Mr William Walton (aged 53), he emigrated with his family to Victoria in 1890 to join his brother Mr John Walton. Mr Hugh Walton of Alston was a brother of the deceased.

See 28th September 1872 & 23rd August 1890

12th October 1895 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Garrigill 5th inst. aged 74, Hannah widow of Joseph Shield.

See 11th February 1871, 3rd January 1880, 24th March 1888, 6th July 1895, and 3rd May 1902

At Skydes, Garrigill, 27th ult. aged 87, Mary widow of John Pickering.

See31st October 1871, and 7th April 1894

12th October 1895 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, 5th inst. aged 54, Margaret, wife of William Holmes shoemaker.
See 7th February 1891.
Alston 9th inst., aged 42, Ralph Robson.
In 1841, at Low Farnbury, Mathew Robson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Hannah (Pickering, married 29th April 1837) aged 25, children Mary 3, and Margaret 1. In 1851, at Low Farnbury, Matthew Robson, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 36, children Mary 12, Margaret 10, Hannah 7, William 3, and Tamer 11 months.
In 1861, at Low Farnbury, Matthew Robson, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 47, children Mary 22, William 12, Tamar 10, Ralph 7, and Alfred 3.
In 1871, at Low Farnbury, Matthew Robson, labourer, aged 60, his wife Hannah 57, children William, carter, aged 23, Margaret, domestic servant, unemployed, aged 30, Ralph, lead miner, aged17, Alfred 13, and Nora 2.
In 1881, at Low Farnbury, Hannah Robson, widow, (Matthew died 2nd quarter of 1877, aged 66), laundress, aged 67, children Margaret, domestic servant, aged 40, William, cartman, aged 33, Ralph, general labourer, aged 27, Alfred, general labourer, aged 23, and granddaughter Jane E.N. Robson 12.
Hannah died 3rd quarter of 1888, aged 74.
In 1891, at Low Farnbury, Ralph Robson, coal miner, aged 36, and his sister Mary Lancaster, widow, aged 52. See 8th June 1878, 9th December 1882, 7th February 1891, and 4th March 1893.
Leadgate, 3rd inst., aged 68, Isabella, wife of John Bell, lead ore dresser.
In 1851, at Ramsey's Buildings, Robert Bell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Margaret (Surtees, married 16th January 1823, Alston) aged 47, children John, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret 16, Elizabeth 11, and Nancy 8 years.
In 1861, at Leadgate, John Bell, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Isabella (Pattinson, married 15th July 1852, Alston) aged 33, children Betsy 8, Margaret 6, Jane 2, and Robert 4 months.
In 1871, at Leadgate John Bell, lead ore washer & farmer of 6 acres, aged 47, his wife Isabella 43, daughters Margaret 16, Jane 12, and Isabella 5.
In 1881, at Leadgate, John Bell, lead ore dresser & farmer of 6½ acres, aged 57, his wife Isabella 53, daughters Margaret 25, and Isabella, pupil teacher, aged 15.
In 1891, at Leadgate, John Bell, farmer, aged 67, his wife Isabella 63, and daughter Margaret 29.
In 1901, at Leadgate, John Bell, widow, aged 77, and daughter Margaret, housekeeper, aged 38.
John Bell died 1st quarter 1908, aged 84, registered at Alston.

19th October 1895 (North Cumberland Reformer)
NENTHEAD NEWS AND NOTES.
MR Swan and a gentleman from Algiers spent the last week end in this place.
THE foreign gentleman continues to stay, but the representative of the existing company left on Monday.
IT is said in some quarters that the new company will not take possession this year.
THE evening classes under the Technical Education scheme have again been commenced by Mr Petty. A good number have enrolled their names.

THE continuation classes comprise mensuration, geography, and history.
THE art classes comprise second grade freehand, model, and light shading.
IT is a fact that the pipes that are intended to be laid for the supplying of Holmesfoot with water have arrived. It is to be hoped that they will not lie about as long as some things have been allowed to.
IT is said that workmen are at present engaged with the sewerage drains at Garrigill, and are about half done. As soon as they finish there, they are coming to Nenthead. ACCORDING to that statement they may be expected here in about two or three weeks' time.

MINES.

It was reported a few months ago that a German syndicate were treating with the present mining company with a view to purchasing the Nenthead mines. After a lengthy survey it was stated that they had made a bargain, and would take possession on the 1st of October. The date named has passed and they have not yet appeared on the ground. The quarterly bargains are generally let about the first Friday in October, but these have been indefinitely postponed. During the last few weeks all sorts of rumours have been abroad, and as was quite natural the men have manifested a good deal of anxiety as the time approached for changing hands. Whether things would be carried on under the present existing arrangements, or whether some new features would be introduced, were questions that could not be solved. There is, however, no doubt about the fact that a change is to take place. But when, is a problem that is bothering the minds of more than one person. The men have received orders to continue working on the present terms, and how long that will last is not known. It is to be hoped that when the new company does take possession that things will brighten up a bit. Ever since the present company took these mines they have almost all the time had to fight against a falling market, and that is a thing not at all pleasant. Bad as things have been, we are still better off than a lot of our neighbours. Take for instance Allendale and Weardale. While things have been going from bad to worse in those districts, the miners here have still been supplied with regular work, and if the wages have not been high, they have been sure, which is something to be thankful for. Comparisons have often been made about the liberality of the present Company and the old London Lead Co, It is true the last named did a good deal more for the general appearance and improvement of the place, but the facilities were altogether more favourable in those days than what have prevailed in these latter times. The big change that has come over the metal markets during the last 20 years accounts for the apparently meagre actions in this respect of the Lead and Zinc Co. When the old firm was at its height lead was then selling at from £20 to £26, recently it has been selling at from, £9 to £11. Again, Spelter when this company took possession, was making from £21 to £24. Now the price is considered good if it makes £14. At the prices above quoted it is not at all surprising if large dividends were produced, and the prices at that date would easily allow a substantial sum being set apart for the benefit of the locality, and local institutions being liberally supported. But the falling off in these donations need not be surprising when these great redactions are taken into consideration. Really speaking, the Lead and Zinc Co. have never had a fair opportunity of being benevolent, and it is hard to say what they might have done if they had been in receipt of large dividends. We have had a few slight intimations that the directors would have done something for the general benefit of the place if the

speculation had been more successful. When they first took possession they gave a grand dinner to all their workmen, and some of the gentlemen have dealt in a liberal manner with the News Room, and as a body they have dealt generously with that institution. They have supplied the room, oil, and firing, which are heavy items if they had all been to pay for. For small mercies we should be thankful, and accept them as a token of the greater favours we might have had had prosperity been more rampant. The Managing Director, Mr J. Cameron Swan, has been connected with, the place for a very long time. In fact before the mines were taken over he worked on his own account. During his connection with the place he has always taken a great interest in the people. In fact he has been known to say, when miles and miles from the place, that it would be one of the greatest wrenches he had ever experienced, that of breaking , his connection with the people of Nenthead. Now that the time of parting is at hand, there is no doubt, but that the men, as a whole, will have as tender feeling towards him as what he will have towards them. And although he is not likely to have many dealings in these parts in the shape of mining, there is no fear but that he will always receive a hearty welcome if he should occasionally make an appearance. As time rolls on changes are continually occurring, and as previously expressed it is to be hoped that the change about to take place will be for the benefit of the people that are located in the neighbourhood.

22nd October 1895 (Shields Daily Gazette)

THE NEW WEARDALE RAILWAY. OPENING OF THE LINE.

The Weardale Extension Railway, which runs from Stanhope to Wearhead, a distance of about 9½ miles, and which has been established at a cost of about £50,000, was opened yesterday. Although the weather was most unpropitious, rain falling heavily throughout the day, the initial day's passenger train service was largely patronised. The railway practically runs in a line with the river course; but owing to the tortuous windings of the river it has had to be crossed and recrossed to so many places that no less than 21 small bridges have been erected. The new stations at Stanhope, Eastgate, Westgate, St. John's Chapel, and Wearhead are all prettily arranged, and present an attractive appearance, in keeping with the fine scenery of the dale. There was no officially arranged function in celebration of the event, but the dales people made a holiday of yesterday, and outward indications of 'appreciation of the N.E.R. enterprise were not lacking. Sir Joseph Pease, Bart, the chairman of the company, and a party of directors and others, proceeded up the line by special train, and were cheered by crowds assembled at the different stations. After travelling up to the terminus at Wearhead a stoppage was made on the return journey at St. John's Chapel, where the party were cheeringly welcomed by a large crowd, which had assembled. Luncheon was served at the King's Head Hotel. Sir Joseph Pease addressed the crowd from a window of the hotel, and said he thanked them on behalf of his colleagues and himself for their attendance that day, and for the hearty welcome they had given to the enterprise, which, under the care of the N.E.R. Company, had at last been finished up to Wearhead. J. Mr J. Lloyd Wharton, M.P., also spoke.

26th October 1895 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Hayring, Nenthead, 22nd inst., aged 12, John Walton, son of Christopher Pattinson.
In 1891, at Hayring, Christopher Pattinson, yeoman, aged 43, his wife Ann 46, and son John Walton 7.

2nd November 1895 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Peasemeadows, Allenheads, 18th ult., aged 79, Jane Heslop. *Single Grocer*
At West End Allenheads, 13th ult., aged 72, Tamar, widow of the late Richard Bright.
See 15th June 1895

9th November 1895 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
Nenthead, Alston, 7th inst., aged 67, Thomas Robson.
Thomas Robson, married Margaret Trathan, 20th February 1825, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Spring Hall House, Nenthead, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Margaret 38, children, John 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, Grace 10, Michael 8, Joseph 5, and Nicholas 3.
Thomas Robson died 7th April 1842
In 1851, at Spring Hall House, Nenthead, Margaret Robson, widow, aged 48, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Grace 21, Michael, lead ore washer, aged 18, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 15, and Nicholas, lead ore washer, aged 12.
In 1861, at Spring House, Nenthead, Margaret Robson, lead miners widow, aged 58, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 33, Grace 30, Joseph, lead miner, aged 26, Nicholas, lead miner, aged 22, and grandson, John Robson aged 1.
In 1871, at Spring House, Nenthead, Margaret Robson, widow, farmer of 9 acres, aged 69, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 42, Grace 40, Joseph, lead miner, aged 35, grandson, John Robson 11, and granddaughter Jane 7.
Margaret Robson was buried at Nenthead 13th January 1877, aged 74.
In 1881, at Fiddler Street, Nenthead, Thomas Robson, lead miner, aged 53, brother, Joseph, unmarried, lead miner, aged 45, nephew, John Robson, lead miner, aged 21, neice, Jane Robson, domestic servant, aged 17, and niece, Grace Robson, house keeper, aged 18.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Thomas Robson, single, retired lead miner, aged 63.
See 16th April 1842, 27th January 1872, 13th January 1877, 22nd October 1881

15th November1895 (Carlisle Patriot)
ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
A WATER QUESTION
A letter was read from the Nenthead Co-operative Society, asking for a connection with the water main presently being laid from Nenthead to Holmesfoot. It was gathered from the letter that the request was for a private

supply on the society's premises, and some adverse comments were made on its being granted, but ultimately it was acceded to with the proviso that the public have the use of the standpipe to be erected.
The Health of the Union.—The report of the Medical Officer for No. 1 District showed that during the quarter there had been twelve deaths and seven births. In No.2 District, the Medical Officer reported that there were four deaths and eleven births.

15th November 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)
Deaths
At Nenthead, on the 7th inst., Thomas Robson, aged 67 years.
See 22nd October 1881

16th November 1895 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope, 10th inst., aged 41, Wm. Walton *(death presumed to be due to Epileptic seizure).*
Joseph Walton married Sarah Longstaff 18th February 1854, at Stanhope.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Sarah Walton, milliner, aged 36, sons, William, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Joseph, labourer, aged 14.
Joseph Walton, died 15th April 1875, at Clunes, Australia, aged 42 years
In 1881, at Front Street, Stanhope, Sarah Walton, widow, straw bonnet maker, milliner, aged 47, and her son William, limestone quarryman aged 26.
In 1891, at Front Street, Stanhope, Sarah Walton, widow, confectioner, aged 57, and her son William, aged 36, Limestone quarryman. Probable death of Sarah Walton 4th January 1899, aged 65, at Stanhope.

20th November 1895 (Teesdale Mercury)

DISASTROUS MINING VENTURES
IN TEESDALE.
THE AFFAIRS OF MR J. H. ROBINSON, OF
BARNARD CASTLE.

Sad instances of the vicissitudes or commercial life are frequently revealed in the Stockton Bankruptcy Court. None could be more pitiful than the story told before Mr Registrar Crosby, on Wednesday, by John Harper Robinson, 6, Montalbo-terrace, Barnard Castle, lead mine owner, when examined by Mr J. R Stubbs, the official Receiver. —Bankrupt, a white-haired old man of 81years, said he was the owner of lead mines in Teesdale. The mines had become valueless, in consequence of the depreciation in the price of lead, and the only source of livelihood left to him was that of letting apartments. He commenced business as a lead mine owner in 1874, having then a capital of £150, and an interest in lead mines as lessee, and other property, which he valued at £20,000. He now owed to unsecured creditors £2,247 16s. 9d, and he estimated his assets would realise £105, including £85 worth of furniture and £20 worth of machinery At one time, he was in business in Newcastle as a grease manufacturer, but lost money in it, and about 1858 he made a private arrangement with be creditors, and paid them 5s in the £. Subsequently, he paid several in full. The mines, which included the Langdon, Lodge Gill, and Martha Mines, were now unworked, and the leases had been deposited with be creditors as security for money borrowed. He was liable to a Mr Carr for £194,

for accommodation bills he having assisted him through friendship. The bulk of his liabilities was money which be had borrowed to keep on the mines. Instead of improving, prices had dropped from £26 a ton to £9. He owed £522 to the executors of a certain gentleman to whom be handed over lead mine shares about twelve years ago, and £116 10s. which his wife lent him in 1887, had all gone into the business. He had kept on borrowing money, as it was impossible for him to do anything, being, he said, “like a ship amongst icebergs.” Bankrupt said he had not a large experience in mines when he began, but plaintively added, “I have had a bitter one since; it is bitter now." He had all the accounts in connection with his mines, but he would want a horse and cart to bring them to court. —The examination was adjourned for three weeks, and debtor was requested to furnish in the meantime an amended statement of affairs, showing dates on which various debts were contracted, etc.

23rd November 1895 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

ACCIDENT TO MR T DICKINSON

On Tuesday last what might have proved a very serious accident happened to Mr T. Dickinson of Spency Croft. It appears that while Mr Dickinson was superintending the working of his lead mine at Galligill Syke, he had been handling one of the detonators used in blasting, when by some means it exploded in his hands. A part of the left thumb was blown off and several fingers were seriously damaged.

In 1891, at Spency Croft, Mary Dickinson, widow, farmer, aged 81, (her Husband William, born Grassington, died 29th March 1857, aged about 48) son Thomas, lead mining engineer, aged 56, daughters Sarah 52, and Frances A 42. In 1901, at Spency Croft, Thomas Dickinson, mine owner and agent, aged 66, and his sister Sarah aged 63. In 1911, at Lowbyer, Alston, Thomas Dickinson, Mine owner, aged 76, and his sister Hannah Wilthew, widow, aged 68. Thomas Dickinson died 24th June 1912, aged 77.
Probate 1912: Thomas Dickinson of Lowbyre Alston Cumberland retired farmer died 24 June 1912 Probate Carlisle 26 July to Ethel Dickinson spinster. Effects £826 5s 4d.
See 4th May 1872, 10th May 1879, 20th August 1887, 6th July 1889, 14th November 1891 and 23rd April 1892

29th November 1895 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

MINING ENTERPRISE IN WEARDALE

The sod of a new shaft to be sunk a little nearer to the Wear at Short Thorns has been cut to tap the once prolific lead vein of the Gin and Ireshopeburn Mines of the Lead Company. Fluorspar is known to abound, the demand for which, now that the railway is handy for transit is great. New limestone quarries are shortly to be opened at Eastgate.

27th November 1895 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

FATAL RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT

While at work at the Grovehead Mine on the 15th inst. Hugh Fairless (25) Mount Pleasant, Westgate, was bringing a tub out bye when his hand got jammed between the tub and a prop. Erysipelas set in, and deceased died yesterday from blood poisoning.

In 1881, at Huntshield Well House, Westgate, Thomas Fairless, iron miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 44, children John 19, Catherine 18, Anne 16, Thomas 12, Hugh 11, Hannah 7, William S. 5, and Mary 2 months.
In 1891, at Mount Pleasant, Weardale, Thomas Fairless, limestone quarryman, aged 22, brother Hugh, limestone quarryman, aged 21, sister Hannah 17, brother William 15, aunt, Mary Emerson, widow, aged 58, sister, Ann Batey, married, aged 26, nephew Thomas F Batey 6 months, sister Elizabeth Headman, married aged 24, and niece Catherine Headman 1 yr.

7th December 1895 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD MINES.

A few more men have been employed at the Weardale lead mines. Two shafts are to be sunk at Newhouse, with a view to further development of old trials. The ironstone mines are also somewhat brisker and more men are being employed and it is probable that more men will be employed shortly. It is also rumoured that the ironstone is to be put on the new railway to cheapen transit to the furnace.

The report of the Weardale Lead Company shows after payment of £500 for rent and royalties for the year ending June 30, 1895, and a similar payment for the year ending June 30, 1894, a profit of £54. The total sums received from the sales of lead smelted was £25,913, as against £31,429 in the previous year.

14th December 1895 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

A discussion took place as to the provision of a standpipe at Holmesfoot in connection with the new water pipes laid from Nenthead. It was agreed that the pipe be erected.

WEARDALE

An epidemic of Measles is raging just now in Stanhope. Both the schools are closed on account of it.

On Monday the chiefs of the Weardale Iron Company Ltd. and the engineers were surveying St John's station teams and the proposed siding at Ireshope Burn for the loading of Ironstone from their Grove Head Mines, and it is expected that the latter with an incline from the said mine will be adopted.

The Copt Hill (Weardale) Whinstone Quarry will immediately be worked for blocks by Mr O. Monkhouse and the proprietor (Mr R. Peart) who have secured large orders from sample.

10th December 1895 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE INDUSTRIES

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13th December 1895 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL.

It was agreed to erect a standpipe at Holmesfoot in connection with the new water pipes from Nenthead.

21st December 1895 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The first excursion train was run on the new railway in Upper Weardale on Saturday when a large number of people travelled from Weardale to Newcastle.

4th January 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD

WESLEYAN CHAPEL BAZAAR

On Christmas day a bazaar was held in the Nenthead Board School. Owing to the stormy character of the day the attendance was at first small, but it increased towards the evening. Mr A. Elliot, Garrigill, who was announced to open the bazaar, was scarcely expected. He, however, boldly faced the storm, and put in an appearance, and did his duty in a most pleasing manner. Goods were very freely purchased. An exhibition in a separate room was well attended, and a great feature of the day was the judging of the best dressed doll. The decision was by voting, 203 being given. Miss M. Angus received 80, and Miss K. Thompson 55. For a map drawing competition decided on similar lines, I. Angus was first with 42 votes, and I. Robson second with 27. The Wesleyan choir gave several pieces of music during the day. The sale was re-opened on Saturday, which was again stormy, but the results were satisfactory.

MINES.—The uncertainty that has for a long time existed in reference to the new company which has been expected to take over these works is now set at rest, it being announced on indisputable authority that they take over the whole concern next week. The men employed are naturally anxious, and it is hoped that it will be for the good of all concerned.

WATCH-NIGHT meetings were held, commencing at 11 o'clock, in the Primitive and Wesleyan Chapels. Good companies assembled, and appropriate addresses were delivered by the local brethren.

DANCE.—A public dance was held in the Nenthead Board School on New Year's Eve, commencing at 9-30, under the auspices of the Nenthead Brass Band.

SOIREE.—The teachers of the Wesleyan Sunday School held their annual social gathering on New Year's Day. At six o'clock a meeting of the teachers and friends was held in the chapel, when several addresses to the teachers, pertaining to Sunday School work were given. Several solos, &c., were also rendered by the members of the choir. After the meeting a supper was provided, and the evening was spent in a profitable and interesting manner.

11th January 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

A TUMBLE DOWN HOUSE

The INSPECTOR said nothing had been done by Mr Dickinson, Spency Croft, to the dilapidated house at Nenthead.—Mr HOLMES thought there should be no delay, as the place was really dangerous.—The CLERK pointed out that the Medical Officer must first report on the house, and it was agreed that he be asked to.

KATES LANE.

The INSPECTOR reported that the work of water supply at Nenthead and the Garrigill sewerage had been completed. He wished to know if he must proceed with Kates Lane.—The CHAIRMAN: You have the order to go on.—The

INSPECTOR: The men who took the contract have given it up.—The CHAIRMAN: Did they take it at prices they could not make wages at?—The INSPECTOR: Yes; it will be very difficult, there are so many pipes. The CHAIRMAN: Ascertain what they will do it for.— The INSPECTOR: They have got work elsewhere.—The CHAIRMAN: Then I suggest that the Inspector obtain fresh tenders and submit them to me. and that we be empowered to get the work done.—On the motion of Mr BOLTON, seconded by Mr J. H. WALTON, this course was adopted.

Toe CLERK stated that as Dr. Masterton, medical the Officer, for No. 2 district, was ill, it would be necessary to appoint a temporary substitute.—The CHAIRMAN said that the situation was peculiar as Dr. Masterton had not resigned. Under the circumstances he had asked Dr. Carson to attend to the Nenthead District until a temporary appointment could be made, and Dr. Carson agreed to do so. He had been asked by several to allow Dr. Carson to hold the post temporarily.—Mr LATTIMER: Will you name the parties who made the request.—The CHAIRMAN: It was done privately.—Mr HARRISON moved that Dr. Short be appointed as he was going into the district three or four times a week. —Mr BOLTON seconded, and Mr LATTIMER supported the motion, saying he thought it was not fair that one man should monopolise so many offices—Mr ELLIOTT moved, and Mr NEVIN seconded that Dr. Carson be appointed, but on being put, Mr Harrison's motion was carried *nem. con*.

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18th January 1896 (Hexham Herald)

NEWBROUGH

Shortly after six o'clock yesterday morning an accident attended with sad and painful results occurred at the **Greyside shaft of the Settlingstones and Greyside** mines, the victim being a miner **Emanuel Nattrass**, who for about nine years has resided with his wife and family in the Haydon Bridge district. Deceased it appears entered the shaft about the time mentioned and alighted at the 60 fathoms level. Just after signalling for the cage to return, he was noticed to fall forward down into the well of the shaft, and distance of about 12 feet where the water of the workings accumulates. The alarm was immediately given and although every endeavour was made to recover him considerable time elapsed before this was effected. The depth of the water at the time was over 6 feet and when the body was got out life was quite extinct. Deceased who was a native of Nenthead was about 50 years of age and leaves to mourn his loss a widow, 4 daughters and 3 sons. It is conjectured that deceased when

he fell had been seized with an attack of faintness, he having for some time past been subject to such attacks.

Deaths

Killed at Settlingstones and Greyside mines on the 17th inst. aged 51 Emanuel Nattrass. To be interred at Haydon Bridge on Monday 20th inst. at 2 pm.

The inquest identified that he had fallen from the 60-fathom level to the 70-fathom level, also a rail provided to go across the entrance to the shaft at the 60-fathom level that should have been in place to prevent such an accident was not in position. He had a son Christopher.

In 1841, at Foulard, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary aged 34, children Thomas 10, Mary 7, and John 4.

In 1851, at Foulard, Mary Nattrass, widow (John died 1st quarter of 1848) of lead miner, aged 43, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead miner, aged 16, Emanuel 6, and lodger George Moor, lead miner, aged 41.

In 1861, at Kings Head, Mary Nattrass, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 26, John, lead miner, aged 24, Emanuel, lead miner, aged 16, and George Moor, lead miner, aged 53.

In 1871, at Holme Foot, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Isabella (Irving, married 4th quarter of 1869) aged 23, and daughter Mary L. 1 year.

In 1881, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Emanuel Nattrass, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Isabella 32, children Mary L. 11, Ellen 6, Christopher I. 3, George W. 6 months, and brother John Nattrass, lead ore dresser, aged 45.

In 1891, at North Side, Haydon Bridge, Emanuel Nattrass, lead ore miner, aged 46, his wife Isabella 42, children Nellie, dressmaker, aged 16, Christopher, lead ore dresser, aged 13, George William 10, Sarah Oletta 8, Thomas 5, and Frances H. 3 years.

In 1901, at 18 Ratcliffe Road, Haydon Bridge, Isabella Nattrass, widow, aged 52, children George, coal agent, aged 20, Thomas, washer at lead mines, aged 15, and Frances H. 13.

In 1901, at 48 Sycamore Street, Elswick, John Charlton, widow, aged 62, children Annie F.22, John C. engine cleaner NER, aged 19, Gertrude M. 16, James H. 11, and boarder Christopher J. Nattrass, railway porter NER, aged 23.

25th January 1896 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

RIFLE SHOOTING IN AUSTRALIA

We are pleased to learn from an Australian paper that a native of Alston has been distinguishing himself at the rifle ranges. We refer to Private Todd who is son of Mr Thomas Todd of Moor House, and is a member of the Ballarat battalion.

25th January 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, Mr R. Elliott presided, and Messrs H. Walton, H. Bell, and T. Harrison were present, with the Clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), and the Attendance Officer (Mr N. Walton).

EXEMPTION FROM ATTENDANCE

The Board considered three applications which were laid before the previous meeting. They were in respect of two boys and one girl, whom their parents wished to be exempted from further attendance at school, although they had not passed the examination for the necessary certificate.—After some discussion, the Board declined to grant the applications.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	125	109
Nenthall	34	29
Tynehead	11	8
Garrigill	71	59
Leadgate	23	21
Alston High	105	94
„ National	57	47
„ Infant	69	51
	495	418

8th February 1896 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Middleton in Teesdale, The Grove, 2nd inst. Lucy Sarah, eldest daughter of John J. and Jane Millican.

In 1841, at West Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, lead mine agent, aged 35, his wife Lucy (Little, married 21st September 1831, Alston) aged 35, children Frances 8, Sarah 7, and John 3.

In 1851, at New House, Nenthead, Tinniswood Millican, mining agent for lead company, aged 47, children Frances 18, Sarah 17, house servant Hannah Teasdale aged 26, and house servant Ann Cousin aged 18.

In 1851, at Croft House School, Brampton, John Millican aged 13, pupil.

In 1861, at Nenthead House, Tinniswood Millican, widow, district mining agent, aged 57, son John J., clerk to the district mining agent, aged 23, housekeeper Hannah Teasdale aged 36, and housemaid Frances Teasdale aged 18.

In 1871, at Nenthead house, John Joseph Millican, leads mine agent, aged 33, his wife Jane (Walton, married 4th July 1865) aged 31, children Lucy Sarah 4, Phoebe Walton 3, John Tinniswood 1, and Jacob Arthur 7 months.

In 1881, at Hudshaw House, Hexham, John Joseph Millican, retired lead mining agent, aged 43, his wife Jane 41, children Lucy Sarah 14, Phoebe Walton 13, John Tinniswood 11, Jacob Arthur 10, Ethel 8, Laura 7, cook Elizabeth W. Coulson aged 19, and housemaid Jane A. Whitfield aged 18.

In 1891, at The Grove, Middleton, John J Millican, superintendent of lead mines, aged 53, his wife Jane 51, children Lucy S 24, Jacob A, steam engine maker apprentice, aged 20, Ethel 18, Laura 17, and domestic servant, Sarah A Boyd, widow, aged 31. See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th March 1895, 26th June 1897, & 12th March 1898.

At Nentsbury, 2nd inst. aged 20, Mary Jane Smith.

See 4th March 1876, 15th December 1877, & 18th February 1893

8th February 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

Deaths

At Albert Place, on the 31st ult., Isabella Teasdale, late of Nenthead, aged 84 years, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs John Thompson. Was interred at Sherriff Hill, on Sunday the 2nd inst.

At Nether Nentsbury, Alston, on the 2nd inst., Mary Jane daughter of the late John and Sarah Smith, aged 20 years.

DEATH OF MR ADAMSON BELL.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28th, another of the older class of men, in the person of Mr Adamson Bell, of Low Nest, passed away to his rest. He was very widely known from the position he so long held as lead ore washing master in the palmier days of the London Lead Mining Co. Altogether apart from the technical skill required in lead ore washing and dressing, he had the difficult position to fill of doing justice to his employers, to the men whose mineral he dealt with, and to the boys under his charge. He gained, and through all the years of his long service kept, the complete confidence of all. Beneath a quiet, unassuming manner lay a soul of sterling worth, which unconsciously influenced for good the youths who year by year came under his supervision. On the closing of the mines at Garrigill he retired, and gave his attention to farming. A few years after leaving Dryburn for Low Neat, he had a dangerous illness from which he never got strong, and on his 64th year the end came peacefully. The funeral took place on Saturday in the Alston Cemetery; the Rev. E. Crump officiating both in the Wesleyan Chapel and at the grave. From all parts of the parish a large concourse gathered to pay a tribute of respect to his memory.

Adamson Bell aged 37, married Elizabeth Watson aged 26, 14th April 1870, at St John, Garrigill.

In 1871, at Dryburn, Alston, Adamson Bell, Lead Ore Washer & farmer of 21 acres, aged 38, and his wife Elizabeth 27.In 1881, at Dryburn, Alston, Adamson Bell, Lead Ore Washing foreman & farmer of 22 acres, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 37, children, James 9, Hannah 6, Margaret A 3, and sister in law Isabella Watson, 31.

In 1891, at High Nest, Adamson Bell, farmer, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 47, children, James, farm assistant, aged 19, Hannah Lizzie 16, and Margaret Ann 13.

Elizabeth Bell died 1st qtr 1919, aged 75, registered at Alston.

Probate: Adamson Bell of Nest Garrigill, Alston, Cumberland, farmer died 28th January 1896, administration Carlisle 8th March 1898, to James Bell farmer. Effects £1015.

ALSTON
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

A letter was read from Dr. Short, thanking the Board for appointing him temporarily medical officer in place of Dr. Masterton.

THE STEAM ROLLER

Letters were read from Mr C. B. Hodgson, Clerk to the Cumberland County Council, and from Mr G. J. Bell, County Surveyor, intimating that the steam roller would be used on the roads in the Alston District from time to time when practicable.

A DANGEROUS RUIN.

The MEDICAL OFFICER (No. 2 district) reported on a dwelling house partly occupied at Nenthead, which was referred to him for inspection at last meeting.

He expressed the opinion that the unoccupied part was not only unfit for habitation, but dangerous to passers by.—The CHAIRMAN: I suppose we shall have to take measures to get it put right.—Mr BOLTON: How do we stand in relation to it?—The CLERK: The Medical Officer will have to make an official report in the first instance. and then notice will have to be served on the owner, giving him a certain time to put the building in order. If he fails to comply, proceedings can then be taken before the magistrates.—Mr BOLTON: Meantime, if anyone is injured, who will be responsible?—The CLERK: The owner; he has had notice of its condition.—The matter was then left with the Clerk to take the necessary steps.

APPLICATIONS FOR WATER.

Applications were made to connect with the water main recently put down in Kate's Lane from the following:—Houses and premises occupied by Mr Wm. Lawes, Miss Hodgson, Mr George Dickinson, and Mr John Armstrong.—Mr SIMPSON said he did not see that they could make any exception, and moved that the applications be granted.—Mr LATTIMER: What size is the pipe?—The INSPECTOR: One inch.—Mr LATTIMER : Will that allow connections to be made? The INSPECTOR: Yes, I have made provision for the connection at each place.—The motion was carried.—The CHAIRMAN said that it would be well that all connections should come before the Council before being made. It was hardly fair that a servant of the Board should do work before it was ordered.—Mr LATTIMER: I think it was a wise policy to make arrangements for these connections, and save expense. No harm would be done if they were not required.—The CHAIRMAN: How does he know where to put them?—Mr LATTIMER: He would use his judgment.—The CHAIRMAN: He has no right to use his judgment, He should have orders from the Board.—Mr MILLICAN: He would know they were to be applied for.—The CHAIRMAN: He has no business to know anything.

SANITARY CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

Mr DOWSON asked when the Inspector would be likely to complete his report on the sanitary condition of the town and district. They expected it three months ago.—The INSPECTOR pointed out that he had been kept busy carrying out the works of water supply, and that the weather was sometimes not favourable. The report was in progress, but would take some time. —Mr NEVIN remarked that they had a report on a portion of the property, and he would like to press for the completion of the report in the incoming month, so that they might meet and discuss the whole.—The INSPECTOR said he would endeavour to have it for next Meeting.

ALSTON WATER SUPPLY.

Mr SIMPSON in accordance with notice, moved that the engineer be instructed to prepare a plan and estimate for a new service of pipes from the Town Head to the reservoir. He pointed out that while the main service pipe through the town was a 3-inch one, that from the Town Head to the spring was only 2 inches. It was impossible to fill a 3-inch pipe from a 2 inch one and consequently they did not get the benefit of the supply they had. He had at first thought of an enlarged reservoir, but he believed the necessity that might be done away with if they put in say a 4 inch Pipe for a certain distance, then a portion of 5 inch, and lastly, near the reservoir, a few yards of 6 inch pipes. They had three times as much water as they required, but at present, two-thirds of it was wasted by the insufficient pipe. —Mr BOLTON: What is the distance? Mr SIMPSON: 800

yards.—Mr DOWSON: I suppose this is not to decide finally on doing the work. Mr SIMPSON : No, I only want a plan and estimate. —The CHAIRMAN pointed out that the subject was before them in October, and was then postponed on the ground that the time was not opportune.—Mr HOLMES: Is the work at Leadgate finished?—Mr SIMPSON Don't bring that up.—Mr BOLTON: We have had no complaints here about want of water.—Mr SIMPSON: We had in the summer, and even some this winter. We have a splendid supply, but it is wasted.—Mr NEVIN seconded Mr Simpson's motion. They would be bound to do this sometime, and the water supply was often short at the high end of the town.—Mr WARD thought they should have some more evidence of scarcity of water before doing this.—Mr LATTIMER raised a point of order. Could this matter be brought on now, when under the bye-laws, a matter which had been disposed of could not be brought up again within six months.— The CHAIRMAN said that when he saw it on the agenda his first impression was that the subject could not be brought on again. But it seemed that they had not yet sanctioned the new bye-laws, and unless they took the old bye-laws as still in force, then Mr Simpson was in order.—Some discussion took place on this point, but the CHAIRMAN ultimately decided to take the sense of the meeting on Mr Simpson's proposal, Mr SIMPSON remarking that he had never brought forward a similar motion before, and he only wanted a plan and estimate. —Mr HARRISON said they were not asleep. They knew this was the thin end of the wedge, which would only need another bat to drive it up to the head.—Mr BOLTON moved, and Mr WARD seconded, that the matter stand over for six months, and this was carried by 7 votes to 3.

HIGHWAYS.

The Highway Surveyor had no report to make, but Mr LATTIMER drew attention to the condition of a footpath near Nentsbury.—The SURVEYOR, in answer to the Chairman, said it was the path from Nentsbury Bridge to Island Cottage. It would be attended to as soon as it conveniently could.—Mr LATTIMER expressed himself satisfied. His attention had also been called to the old road past the Primitive Chapel at Nentsbury which was in a dangerous condition in places. He asked if it was within the Council’s jurisdiction.—The SURVEYOR thought it came under the County Council as it was an alternative route to the main road for loads that could not be got under the water troughs.—The CHAIRMAN: It is a concession to the mining company to allow them to carry their troughs over the road. If the matter came before the Highway Committee, they might order the removal of the troughs.—Mr HOLMES maintained that this was not the case. The piece of road referred to was the old main road. The troughs were there perhaps a century before the present main road went under them.—Mr HARRISON added that if they referred to the minutes they would find that the late Surveyor was distinctly instructed to protect this road.—The INSPECTOR said the new road was made when he was nine years old. This road was the main road before that.—Mr LATTIMER moved, and Mr BOLTON seconded, that the Surveyor put up a railing where required, and this was agreed to.—Mr HARRISON complained with reference to the road from Dykeheads to the school, that in wet weather the children got wet footed in going to school.—The SURVEYOR said that everyone in Nenthead would admit that the parish roads were very much improved. As to the mud, they could not consolidate broken stones without binding.— Mr HARRISON: I am not speaking of dirt, but of water, which can easily be got off by ditching.—Mr WALTON said

if ditching was the remedy required, it should be done, and it was agreed that the Surveyor attend to the matter.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS OF MINES REPORTS
Report of Mr Hedley 1896
12th February 1896, SETTLINGSTONES, BARYTES, FOURSTONES
FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF EDWARD HENDERSON AGED 38.

The men were preparing to fire, when a mass of stone and ore weighing several tons, fell and caught deceased. The place had been officially inspected during the shift, but neither manager nor the men appear to have apprehended any danger. The working place measuring from the loose stuff on which the men were standing was not more than 6ft or 7 ft. high.

Of the Edward Henderson's named in the census, for this area, the miner below is the only one I could not track to the 1901 census.
In 1881, at Low Green House, William Henderson, farmer of 39 acres, aged 58, his wife Jane 52, children Thomas, Ag. Labourer, aged 26, Edward, lead ore miner, aged 24, Jane 16, William, Ag. Labourer, aged 21, and Elizabeth aged 12
In 1891, at Fell House Allendale, William Henderson, farmer, aged 68, his wife Jane 61, and son Edward, farm labourer, aged 34.

15th February1896 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE

Death from a blasting shot at Frosterley. Henry Burrup who was terribly mutilated by a blasting shot at the Frosterley Quarry of Messrs Pease and partners, died on Tuesday. He was injured on February 1st and was terribly disfigured.

A shot of 7 balls of dynamite had gone off in his hands he was aged 57.
In 1891, at Butts, Frosterley, Edward Henry Burrup, limestone quarryman, aged 46, born Suckley, Worcestershire, his wife Mary aged 33, born Penrith (died 2nd quarter of 1891, aged 34), children William 15, John 14, George Henry 12, Emma 10, and Mary 6.

19th February 1896 (Northern Echo)
SAD FATALITY IN TEESDALE
TWO YOUTHS BURIED ALIVE

A fatal accident occurred at the London Lead Company's Coldberry, washing rake on Tuesday morning, by which two youths, named Thomas Anderson and William Coatsworth lost their lives. Coldberry Lead mine (which is situated about three miles from Middleton in Teesdale) has not been worked for some years past, and what are known as the "cutting heaps," which are an accumulation of matter from which the lead ore had been separated during the period the mine was working, contain a considerable quantity of ore. The rewashing of these "deads" has been let by the Lead Company to Mr M. Thompson, an experienced washing master, who had employed at time from three to six youths to assist with the work, which was not of a heavy nature. On Tuesday morning, while the two youths named were employed with this work, a slip took place probably owing to the frozen nature of the surface, and the unfortunate lads were buried in the debris. Assistance was quickly procured,

and the bodies were recovered, about two hours later, but life was extinct. Dr Neligan was present when the bodies were recovered and in Anderson's case, artificial respiration was tried for a considerable time but without effect. The sad occurrence has cast quite a gloom over the locality. Anderson is the second son of Mr Ralph Anderson, Farmer, Bell Edge, while the other youth, whose leg was also broken, is the only son of Mr Wm. Coatsworth, farmer, Hudeshope.

22nd February 1896 (Northern Echo)

THE TEESDALE FATALITY
INQUEST AND FUNERAL

The inquest on the bodies of Thomas Anderson (20) and William Coatsworth (15), who were killed by the subsidence of the cutting heap at Coldberry Washing Rake on Tuesday, was held at the Cleveland Arms Hotel on Friday afternoon. Mr James Hope was elected foreman of the jury, and the inquiry was conducted by Coroner Proud. Mr Mellican watched the case on behalf of the London' Lead Company, and there were also present Mr Bell, H. M. Inspector of Mines, and Mr Walker, assistant-inspector, and Inspector Cameron.—

Ralph Gowland coal miner, Tow Law, said that the deceased Thomas Anderson was his nephew. Thomas Bowron, farmer, High Dyke, cousin to William Coatsworth also gave evidence of identification.

Matthew Thompson, ore contractor, said he last saw deceased at work between eight and nine o'clock on Tuesday morning. They were loosing the cuttings down.

By the coroner: "The heap is about 25 or 26 feet high."

Anderson was working with a "back" and the other boy was standing some distance away. Water was running at the bottom of the heap. About three-quarters of an hour after he went back and found the heap had shipped in on one side, and the two lads were completely covered up, together with their tools. He immediately went for assistance and called Richard Hunt and Robert Grieve who commenced to get them out. He went for further assistance but was not present when the bodies were got out. When he left them one boy was some distance from the other. He (witness) was standing on the top of the heap and talked to them. The boys had worked with him two years.

Robert Grieve, lead miner, Middleton in Teesdale, said he was near the place when the accident happened. He heard Mr Thompson shout, and when he went he found a rush of cuttings had come in and buried the two lads. Along with Richard Hunt, he commenced to dig them out. They worked for three-quarters of an hour when other men came. It was about three and a half hours before the bodies were recovered. They were both dead.

By Inspector Bell (H.M. Inspector of Mines): There would be about 3 feet of stuff on the first man (Anderson) and about 7 feet on Coatsworth. He had not seen the place in the morning.

Richard Hunt, lead miner, corroborated this statement by last witness.

Inspector Bell said there was always great danger when the heaps were at an angle greater than 45 degrees.

The Foreman (James Hope) here said, as a practical man, he could have worked at the same place without anticipating any danger.

Mr Thompson, further questioned, said he had often cautioned the boys, and always looked after the work himself. He had had charge of similar work for over thirty years, and had never had an accident.

The Coroner said very great precaution ought always to be taken, and it would be better if a man was always left in charge instead of boys.
The Foreman, I do not think that there is any blame to be attached to Mr Thompson, or deceased workmen. The Jury after a short consultation returned a verdict of "Accidental death."
The funeral, which took place in the afternoon amid every token of respect, was attended by some hundreds of people, including all the leading officials of the Lead Company, and tradesmen of the district, … The deceased were both interred in one grave.

22nd February 1896 (Hexham Herald)

ACCIDENT IN TEESDALE

On Tuesday two youths aged about 17 met a sad death at Coldberry mine about four miles North West of Middleton Teesdale. The mine when worked by the London Lead Company was a very rich one and the refuse heap was being rewashed by the Master Washer Mr Matthew Thompson of Burn Bank, and three youths named Nixon, Anderson and Coatsworth. Whilst the lads were filling the tubs with refuse the banks gave way and they were at once buried in the falling matter. Assistance was soon rendered but Nixon was the only one rescued alive.
William Coatsworth born 1881.
Thomas Anderson born 1876
In 1891, at Hudeshope, Middleton in Teesdale, William Coatsworth, farmer, aged 41, his wife Jane 40, children William 10, Mary J. 8, Annie 5, Elizabeth E. 1, and lodger Matthew Bradwell, leads miner, aged 22.
In 1891, at Bell, Newbiggin, Ralph Anderson, leads miner, aged 49, his wife Mary Ann 46, sons John, lead miner aged 21, and Thomas 15.

Deaths

Stanhope 14th inst., aged 70, Joseph Roddam.
In 1871, at Ireshope Burn, Joseph Roddam, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Mary 42, children William, lead ore washer, aged 15, Thomas 10, and Mary A. aged 6.
In 1881, at East Lane, Stanhope, Joseph Roddam, limestone quarryman, aged 60, his wife Mary 52, sons William, limestone quarryman, aged 25, and Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 20. In 1891, at Stone House, Stanhope, Joseph Roddam, limestone quarryman, aged 70, his wife Mary 62, sons William, limestone quarryman, 35, and Thomas, limestone quarryman, 30.
Alston, 15th inst., aged 23, John Moffat.
In 1891, at Thirlwell Lane, John Bailey, Ag. Labourer, aged 58, his wife Ann 63, grandson Joseph Moffatt, farm servant, aged 28, and grandson John Moffatt, tailors apprentice aged 18.
See 28th March 1868, 27th May 1871, 20th November 1875, and 11th March 1876.

22nd February 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, Mr R. Elliott presided, and Messrs H. Walton, H. Bell, and T. Harrison were also present, with the Clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), and the Attendance Officer (Mr N. Walton)—A letter was read from the secretary to the Nenthead and Tynedale Co, declining to accept a cheque for £10 in settlement of last half year's rent of

school, and stating that the rent of school for last year was £50. — After a long discussion, it was decided to offer to pay up the arrears to Martinmas 1895, at the rate of £30 per annum.
A letter was read from Mr Petty calling attention to the condition of a gate and the drainage to boys' yard, and also that no advance of salary had been granted to Miss Harrison, she having been engaged by the sanction of the Inspector for another year.—In reply to a question from the chair, the Clerk said Miss Harrison's term expired on March 31st.—Nothing was done in the matter.
A circular was read from the Science and Art Department, enclosing a list of questions, and asking for appointment of a custodian.—The Chairman said that the clerk had been appointed in the past.—The Board, however, suggested that some local custodian would be preferable, and Mr Robert Bell was selected — The Attendance Officer's report for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	126	114
Nenthall	35	29
Tynehead	12	9
Garrigill	71	61
Leadgate	27	24
Alston High	106	94
„ National	57	46
„ Infant	70	55
	504	432

29th February 1896 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Weardale, Cows Hill, 21st inst., suddenly aged 75, Phoebe Peart.
In 1851, at Copt Hill, John Peart, lead miner, aged 21, his wife Phoebe (Watson, married 4th quarter of 1850) aged 29, daughter Esther 3 months, step children, Joseph Watson 10, John Watson 9, Sarah Watson 6, and Mary Watson 6.
In 1861, at Burtreeford, John Peart, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Phoebe 40, children Esther 10, Walton 4, Ladler 1, step children Joseph Watson, lead miner, aged 20, John Watson, lead miner, aged 19, and Mary Watson 16.
In 1871, at Heathery Cleugh, John Peart, lead miner & small farmer, aged 41, his wife Phoebe 50, children Esther 21, Walton, lead ore washer, aged 14, Ladler, lead ore washer, aged 11, and Abraham, lead ore washer, aged 7.
In 1881, at Cogley, John Peart, lead miner, aged 51, and his wife Phoebe 60.
In 1891, at Cows Hill, John Peart, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Phoebe 70, and Ralph Beck, draper & grocer, aged 44.

29th February 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)
NENTHEAD.
EVENING CONCERT.
On Thursday night, Feb. 20th, a concert was given, under the auspices of the Nenthead cricket club, in the Board School, by a company of vocalists and musicians from Brampton and Carlisle. Elaborate preparations had been made, and a good evening's enjoyment was anticipated. The concert was timed to commence at 7-30. Long before that time the room was well filled, the people turning out in large numbers. Perhaps it was a desire to patronise the cricket

club, or to hear the performers who came with a good reputation, or to give a cordial welcome to the chairman, who was to make his first public appearance, or all these combined that induced the natives to assemble in such force. However this might be. the company quite exceeded all expectations. A large and varied programme had been arranged. C. Fernau, Esq., the new manager of the mining company that has lately taken over these mines, occupied the chair. In his opening remarks he expressed his pleasure at being present, and made a few allusions to the new company. His statements were highly appreciated, and the audience gave him a most enthusiastic reception. The programme was well given, and the frequent encores showed that the people appreciated the efforts of the performers. …

SUDDEN DEATH.

Another illustration of the uncertainty of life was given on Saturday last in the death of Master John George Spark, son of Mr T. Spark. butcher, of this town. The circumstances made the event all the more sad. The boy had gone to learn farming with his uncle at Murton Hall near Appleby, about five weeks ago. He had enjoyed good health seemingly till last week, when he felt unwell, though able to stir about till Friday when getting no better medical aid was called. Nothing serious was apprehended at the time, but getting worse on the Saturday morning his father was wired to at Alston. There was much anxiety felt in the town as the boy was much respected. Proceeding as quickly as possible Mr Spark reached Murton Hall only an hour or two before the end came. Having become unconscious, he never spoke to his father, which made the matter all the harder. On returning to Alston on Sunday afternoon, there were anxious enquiries of Mr Spark, and the sad news soon spread, causing deep and heartfelt sorrow for the bereaved relatives. The interment took place on Wednesday afternoon, the funeral being made public. There was a numerous company of friends from town and country. …

The cause of death, we understand, was diabetes, which had seized him in its worst form. Being only 15 years of age, it is another illustration that the young die as well as the old, but there is the consolation of knowing that his end was peace.

4th March 1896 (The Times)

Deaths

Wilson: On the 29th Feb., at Broomhaugh, Riding Mill-on-Tyne, in her 85th year, Sarah, last surviving daughter of the late Jacob Wilson, of Alston House, Cumberland.

In 1871, at 3 Garden Terrace, Westgate, Newcastle, Henry Vipond Wilson, land owner & merchant aged 53, sister Sarah Wilson, annuitant, aged 59, and sister Elizabeth Fair, widow, annuitant, aged 65.

In 1881, at 9 Winchester Terrace, Newcastle, Henry Vipond Wilson, aged 63, sister Sarah Wilson, annuitant, aged 69, and sister Elizabeth Fair, widow, annuitant, aged 75.

In 1891, at 9 Winchester Terrace, Henry V Wilson, general merchant, aged 73, and his sister Sarah Wilson, living on her own means, aged 79.

7th March 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
HEALTH STATISTICS FOR 1895.

The annual reports of the Medical Officers, Drs. Carson and Short for Nos. 1 and 2 districts respectively were read. No. 1 District (Alston). —For this district Dr. CARSON stated that the two previous reports showed a low death rate, 13.40 in 1893, 12.20 in 1894. But considering the decrease of population, the low birth rate and the consequent high mean age of the inhabitants, it was to be expected that certain years would show a high rate of mortality. Unfortunately, this had been the case with 1895. The deaths had been 43, 18 males and 25 females, and the rate 25.1 per 1000. Deducting one death, an infant not belonging to the neighbourhood, and three in the Workhouse, the rate was reduced to 22.8. With the exception of diarrhoea, the district had been free from any epidemic to cause this high rate. The outbreak of diarrhoea, was in Autumn, and was no doubt due to the warm moist weather prevailing then. Influenza in a mild form prevailed during the earlier and latter parts of the year. There was only one case of diphtheria, and a few cases of pneumonia among children during the summer. All recovered, but one adult died later on from this cause. The deaths from heart disease were 8, nervous disease 6, phthisis 4, other diseases of the respiratory organs 2, cancer 3.

The ages at death were:—	**1894**	**1895**
Under 1 year	2	2
Over 1, and under 5	1	3
" 5, " 15	1	1
" 15, " 25	2	0
" 25, " 65	7	15
" 65	10	22
	23	43

Of the deaths, 5, or 11.6 per cent. were over 80; 12, or 28 per cent. over 70; 26, or 60 per cent. over 60; and only 8, or 18 per cent. below 40. These percentages indicate the main cause of the high death rate. The infant mortality was 27 per 1000; the zymotic death rate and rate from consumption each 2.3 per 1000. He then called attention, in connection with the high rate from consumption, to a very important health precaution which was almost entirely neglected, the ventilation of bedrooms. He had often been astonished to see, even on a fine sunny day, the bedroom windows closed, or only opened in such a gingerly fashion as to suggest that there was some danger in admitting too much fresh air, whereas the real danger lay in the tainted and unventilated atmosphere of the sleeping apartments. The births registered were 37, 15 males and 22 females. the rate being 21.6 per 1000. The report concludes:—"With reference to the work done during the past year, almost all remains to be accomplished of what I sketched last year to fulfil the requirements of the low district. You have been devoting your energies to the needs of the high district, but having satisfied the wants of that district, I hope that you will now devote some attention to the Alston programme by completing water supply at Alston and Leadgate, and causing the landlords, singly or in combination, to provide ashpits and closets for their tenants. A report has been sent in of the result of our house to house inspection of part of the district. The inspector of nuisances will present his report on the remainder during the present quarter. When you receive the full report, you have intimated, your intention to consider what action requires to be

taken. I shall then have certain proposals to make for your consideration, which, I hope, may meet the difficulty which exists in providing these necessary Conveniences. In my numerous inspections, I have noticed that the pressure brought to bear by the Sanitary Inspector has led to more frequent emptying of ashpits and middens. I would, however, call your attention to the unsatisfactory state of the refuse tip on the Fair Hill, and the dangerous condition of the unoccupied house on the Butts. It ought to be pulled down, or I am afraid some regrettable accident may result."

The CHAIRMAN This water supply has been a great grievance to me. I think about a dozen people have complained to me this week about taps being left continually; running. Those at the Town Head complain of want of water, and say it is someone's neglect. I am sorry to mention it again, but it is a most unsatisfactory matter altogether, and whether you extend the mains or not, before anything more is done I think we should have some definite plan laid down, and some authority we could depend on to make a satisfactory job of it. (Hear, hear.) It is very unsatisfactory for large ratepayers outside to have to contribute to a system which is a disgrace. As to the Fair Hill, I am pleased to inform you that steps are in operation to remedy the nuisance. These large accumulations of ashes are placed there by the people for whose benefit the Fair Hill was made use of but who will not put themselves to the trouble to deposit their ashes on the place provided for them, but tumble them down where ever it is handiest. It must be understood that the Fair-Hillis not paid for by this Board, or by the people who use it. A committee took it in hand as a place for ashes, and they made regulations to keep it in a sanitary condition, and the very people who should know better throw it in their faces that they will do as they like. We wish to make it publicly know the place will either be closed if this continues, or the offenders will be brought up for trespass. I will not mention names, but it is a disgrace that when this place is provided people make it a nuisance.—Mr SIMPSON thought if the Fair Hill was managed by the Council people would pay , more attention to the rules. With regard to the cost of Alston water supply, they had not spent above half of what had been spent at Nenthead and elsewhere. Alston had two-thirds of the rateable value of the parish, and there were ratepayers in the town who paid as much as any farmer outside. If the Council did not mind, it would not be a £100 job, but a thousand or two thousand one they would get in for. —Mr HARRISON moved that they get on with the next business; Mr Simpson's remarks were quite out of order.

No. 2 District. —Dr. SHORT reported that for the first time he had divided the district into two localities, which would enable him to give a more exact estimate of where the incidence of disease was most frequent, and a more accurate knowledge of the various conditions affecting the health of each. The total deaths were 30, males 17, and females 13, the death rate being 17.9, the lowest since his appointment seven years before. Of these, 22 were in Nenthead, and 8 in Garrigill, the respective rates being 21.7 and 12. or nearly 2 to 1. The ages at death are thus classified:—

	Under 1	Over 1 and under 5	5 15	15 25	25 65	Over 65
Nenthead	7	2	2	0	4	7
Garrigill	0	0	0	1	2	5

The infantile mortality was 170 per 1000, or 23.4 below the previous year. That all the deaths of infants occurred at Nenthead was due to the fact that a severe epidemic of whooping cough visited the district, from which Garrigill was exempt. The influenza epidemic also was more virulent at Nenthead than at Garrigill. Two deaths, returned as due to gastric and intestinal catarrh, were probably due primarily to influenza. The births numbered 41, 17 males, and 24 females, or at the rate of 24.4 per 1000, 5.3 more than that of 1894. In Nenthead, the births were 26, and in Garrigill 15, the respective rates being 25.6 and 22.6 respectively. Of zymotic disease, whooping cough and influenza prevailed in the early part of the year and in the third quarter. There had been one case of scarlet fever imported from Tynemouth. A remarkable feature of the influenza epidemic was that cases of a similar character occurred simultaneously in various widely scattered parts of the district. The extreme prostra and lassitude characteristic of the disease was well marked. There was one death from typhoid of a singular character. A boy went to Bent's Fair, Weardale, and the day being hot, drank a large quantity of impure water. He took ill next day and the case ended fatally. Frequent visits had been made, and attention was again drawn to the great want of privy accommodation, and the absence of ashpits, which led to nuisances being committed, and which could not be abated till these necessary conveniences were provided. After the report of last year, the Board decided to issue an intimation to the owners concerned to rectify these defects, but, with few exceptions nothing had been done. The accumulation of ashes and decaying vegetable matter close to the well supplying Dyke Heads needed to be promptly attended to. Since the new pipes had been put in, the supply to Nenthead had been pure and constant, but those to Hillersdon, Church Lane and White Hall, though from the same source, were liable to pollution in wet weather, evidently from a leakage in the pipes above where the new pipes were put in, and the inspector should be instructed to look to the matter. There was a great improvement in the water supply to Holmes Foot.

THE WEARY WATER QUESTION.

A petition signed by a large number of residents at Town Head was read. The petitioners complained of the inadequate water supply at their part of the town, and stated that from February 18th to 21st the tap at the Police Office, which supplies 40 houses was dry, and the constable had to request that all possible economy must be exercised with regard to the lower taps. A deputation waited on the Council in March last. Since then a public well had been put in at Kate's Lane. Several private connections had been made but the petitioners had not received any consideration. They protested against such a state of things existing any longer and called on the Council to take steps to remedy it. The CHAIRMAN pointed out one serious feature of the case. The School was often without water, either for sanitary or drinking purposes.—Mr SIMPSON: All that is wanted is an extension of the water-main.—Dr CARSON: The want of pressure is the cause. If a larger pipe were put and a larger tank at Springfield, there would be no complaints at all. (Hear, hear.) — The CHAIRMAN: If you run it out at the bottom as fast as you run it in at the top, and the pipe at the Townfoot is larger than the pipe at the Town Head how can you get pressure.—Mr MILLICAN contended that the cause of the top taps going dry was because the lower ones were kept running to keep them from freezing at this season. There was plenty of water if it was rightly managed. Perhaps the private taps were left running too.—Mr SIMPSON: I don't think they are.—Mr MILLICAN: The

Inspector cannot watch every house.— Mr SIMPSON: The work was commenced 7 years ago and done bit by bit, £10, £15, and £20 being spent at a time. When the work was half done Nenthead and Garrigill made a claim, and Alston was put aside till they were done. Now their members block our way.—Mr DOWSON said that if in order he would like to make a motion.—The CHAIRMAN: If it is not to spend money. —Mr DOWSON: It is not; so long as Mr Boltons amendment stands it blocks the way. This want of water is constantly complained of; we had it last summer when there was no frost. We cannot look for a remedy by watching every tap; the only feasible one is Mr Simpson's scheme, and I would move that Mr Bolton's amendment be rescinded.—The CHAIRMAN: You must give notice of that.—Mr DOWSON: It is not to spend money.—Mr SIMPSON: My motion was not to spend money, it was only for an estimate.—Mr BOLTON doubted if there was any authority for saying the water ran short in summer. He did not object to Alston getting a good water supply; but he objected to putting in an urban supply at rural cost. They would want a supply to every house.—Mr SIMPSON: We are fighting about a mere matter of £70 or so. Complete the scheme and you will hear no more complaints for ten or a dozen generations.—The CHAIRMAN: Why should the large ratepayers outside be mulcted in this way, when the fault lies in the system itself?—Mrs CORE: You are putting the cart before the horse. —Mr SIMPSON : The larger pipe is below the smaller.—The CHAIRMAN: Then you should have been flogged for putting it in.— Mr SIMPSON: We want the scheme completed.—Mr WARD remarked that they did not object to Alston people bringing Tyne down the street if they paid for it, but they wanted private taps to every house.—Dr. CARSON observed that it cost him £10 to make the connection to his house, and he did not regret it. There was plenty of water to go to every house if the scheme he and the Inspector devised was completed.—Mr BOLTON: Would it be out of order to ask for the cost of the separate supplies?—The CHAIRMAN: You can give notice.—Mr BOLTON gave notice accordingly for next meeting.—With regard to Mr Dowson's motion to rescind Mr Bolton's resolution, Mr SIMPSON said he would give notice of a motion to meet the case.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The CLERK reported 15 inmates in the house, and 34 vagrants relieved.—A circular from the Daventry Union, in favour of taking steps to expedite the report of the Royal Commission on Vaccination, was laid on the table.—It was agreed to inform the Carlisle Guardians that the Alston Board had sent up a resolution to the Local Government Board, asking for the 4s grant to lunatics in workhouses.—It was agreed to support the Coventry Union in endeavouring to obtain legislation to secure the education and protection of the children of tramps. —The circular from the Local Government Board dealing with the question of vagrancy was read. It is somewhat lengthy, but the purport chiefly is that the existing regulations are not carried out as they should be, especially those with regard to detaining all professional vagrants two nights, the most diverse practice prevailing.—Tenders for painting the workhouse were opened, and that of Mr W. Barton for £6 15s was accepted.—The INSPECTOR submitted an estimate for improving the water supply to the workhouse at a cost of £23.—The CHAIRMAN said the sum seemed large, but if the work was carried out, the supply would be brought through their own land instead of Mr Horrocks', where it was at present liable to pollution.—It was agreed that the work be carried out.—The collector's monthly statement for February showed

arrears at beginning of the month £475 13s 11d; collected £182 17s 9d; arrears on February 29th £292 16s 2d.

14th March 1896 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allenheads, 13th inst. aged 60, John Parker, interment at St Peter's tomorrow (Sunday).
In 1881, at Allenheads, John Parker, farmer of 63 acres employing 2 labourers, aged 45, his wife Sarah 41, children Margaret 15, Thomas F. 13, Joseph 10, and John 3. In 1891, at Allenheads, John Parker, contractor, farmer, aged 55, his wife Sarah 51, children Margaret 25, Thomas F. 23, Joseph 20, and John 13

11th April 1896 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Stanhope, 1st inst. aged 47, George Gowland.
In 1891, at East Lane, Stanhope, Robert Gowland, widow, retired limestone quarryman, aged 72, son George Alsop, limestone quarryman, aged 42, and domestic servant Margaret Camble aged 19.
George Gowland, quarryman dropped down dead on the way home from work.
At Rookhope, 4th inst. aged 27, John *(sic)*Hetherington.
William Harold Heatherington died suddenly whilst walking along the road with his sister. (Jane Emerson)
Thomas Hetherington married Susan Emerson, 1st quarter 1863, registered at Hexham.
In 1871, at Hylton Terrace, Rookhope, Thomas Heatherington, Iron Miner, aged 32, his wife Susan 33, children, John E 7, William H 4, Thomas E 2, and daughter in law, Jane Emerson 13.
In 1881, at Hilton Terrace, Rookhope, Thomas Heatherington, limestone quarryman, aged 42, his wife Susan, 43, daughter in law, Jane Emerson, dressmaker, aged 23, sonsm John E, labourer, aged 17, William H, lead ore washer 14, Thomas E 12, and Joe 2. Thomas E and Joe were born at Stanhope, the others were all born at Allendale.
In 1891, at Blue Row, Rookhope, Thomas Heatherington, living on his own means, aged 52, his wife Susan, children, Jane 33, Thomas E, lead miner, aged 22, and Joe 12.
In 1891, William H Heatherington aged 24, is working as a farm labourer,at Sunnyside Farm, Greencroft, Durham.
Thomas Heatherington, died 2nd quarter 1898, aged 59, registered at Weardale.
In 1901, at Hylton Terrace, Rookhope, Susan Heatherington, widow, aged 63, daughter, Jane Emerson 43, and son Joe, Platelayer, aged 22.

18th April 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD.
DEATH OF A NENTHEAD MAN IN CANADA.

News has recently been received of the death of Mr Matthew Coates, formerly of Nenthead, which took place in Toronto, Canada, on March 14th 1896. The

sad intelligence came as a surprise, the illness having been sudden and severe. Mr Coates left Nenthead to try his fortune on Canadian soil about 11 or 12 years ago, and seems to have been very successful, so much so that he at various times employed a considerable number of workmen. His favourite employment here was connected with horses; on the other side of the ocean, he took up with the same. and. as a contractor, was doing exceedingly well. In winter he generally migrated to the lumber camps, and was engaged in drawing wood to the river side, which was floated down when the thaw set in. He was so employed this winter, and it appears caught a cold, which developed into a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs. He worked up to Saturday, the 7th of March, but on the following Tuesday he started for home, a distance of 500 miles, attended by two medical men. His recovery was anticipated, but on the Thursday he took a turn for the worse, and never rallied. He arrived at Toronto on the Friday, and died on the Saturday. Every attention had been given him, but without avail. A large number of people followed his remains to interment, amongst those being several members of the Sons' of England Lodge, of which he was a member.

The corpse was deposited in a vault until the thaw sets in, the frost making it impossible to dig a grave. The bulk of the people in this place remember Mr Coates as being of a hearty and genial disposition, and his untimely end at the comparative early age of about 38 years, has caused general regret. He paid a visit here about three years ago, and his interesting conversations at that time were much appreciated. Much sympathy is felt for the mourning relatives.

Buried at Necropolis Cemetery, Toronto on 30th April 1896.

In 1881, at Wardway Foot, Nenthead, Mary Coates, aged 47, son Matthew 23, and nephew Thomas Coates aged 7.

Matthew Coates left Liverpool, on the Hibernian, arriving at Canada 10th August 1883. See 12th January 1895

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

Held on Saturday. Present, Messrs R. Elliot (chairman), Harrison, Walton, Bell, Rutherford, Dickinson (clerk), and Walton (Attendance Officer).

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company intimating their willingness to accept £30 as rent for one year due November 1895 tor Nenthead School and also the same amount to November 1896. The question of rent for the future must be settled with the new company.— The Chairman said that he had seen Mr Fernau (the manager) and he had intimated that they could go on at the same rent.—The Board thought it would be better to have an agreement. Something should be done in the meantime to have the premises put into proper repair before the examination. There were certain matters that wanted attention, a drain to be repaired and a little paint needed and also new gates. It was resolved to have the drain and the painting done and to ask the new Company to put new gates on as the old company had promised to do so.—A letter was read from the master (Mr Petty) intimating that Miss Harrison would shortly terminate her engagement and asking the Board to consent to the appointment of a girl as monitor. It was decided to grant this with a view of the girl becoming a teacher.— Several cases of non-attendance and applications for release were attended to. The notices sent out last month to certain parents respecting non-attendance of their children having been unheeded, it was decided to carry out the law and summon them. —A letter was read from Mr T. Lattimer, on behalf of the newly formed

Burial Board at Nenthead, asking for the use of the class room for their meetings free of charge. The request was granted seeing that it was a matter concerning the ratepayers.—The attendance was as follows.—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	126	115
Nenthall	36	31
Tynehead	12	8
Garrigill	70	57
Leadgate	28	26
Alston (High)	106	94
Alston (National)	57	49
Alston (Infants)	71	50
	506	430

25th April 1896 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The rapid decline of the lead mining industry of the western regions of Tynedale and Weardale is forcibly shown in the fall in the value of lead from £21 per ton in 1874 to £9 15s per ton in 1894. In 1896 the price is £11 2s 6d. Lead was £11 in 1734, it attained the highest price in 1854 when the price was £21. The decline of the industry is due to the increased supply from foreign sources.

9th May 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. W. Farries, Stephen Charlton, Byers Hope, Allendale, to Elizabeth Ellen Collinson, of Island Cottage, Nenthead.

In 1901, at Island Cottage, Stephen Charlton, lead miner, aged 31, born Hexham, his wife Elizabeth E 31, born Alston, and son John J 1. In 1911, at Nenthall, Nenthead, Stephen Charlton, lead miner, driller & blaster, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, and son John James aged 11.

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. E. Crump, John Anderson (son of Nicholas Anderson, Garrigill) to Mary (Polly) Bales, Alston.

See 15th February 1890, 12th March 1890, 17th February 1894

16th May 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD

A meeting of this Board could not be held on Saturday as three of the members were engaged in the Assessment Committee

Attendance

The Attendance Officer's report for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	Average.
Nenthead	140	127
Nenthall	37	31
Tynehead	12	10
Garrigill	70	54
Leadgate	33	28
Alston (High)	105	91
Alston (National)	57	51
Alston (Infants)	75	70

The percentage varies from 77 at Garrigill to 93.3 at Alston, and reaches the average all round of 87 percent.

21st May 1896 (Cumberland Pacquet, and Ware's Whitehaven Advertiser)
La Societe des Mines et Fondnries de Zinc de la Vieille Montagne, of Angleur, Belgium, has just acquired some rights to mine zinc and silver lead ore at Alston, Cumberland.

23rd May 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD NEWS AND NOTES.

The company that are at present working these mines are about to introduce another change which will have a considerable effect upon the owners of horses and carriers in general. A prominent feature of this locality has always been the large amount of traffic on the road from Nenthead to Alston. Somewhere between 20 and 30 horses' have been required to convey the produce to the railway station. The cost of carriage must have been a very serious item; but it has been done at a tremendous low price, and it is really a matter of surprise how the contractors have been able to make wages at it. This, however, is all to be changed. A traction engine is to be utilized for that purpose. Steam has done a lot to curtail expense, but it remains to be seen if it will have a like effect in this instance. Current gossip says that £1700 will be saved in carriage. If that is proved to be a fact, it will most certainly make a considerable difference in the dividends. The people would have been much more gratified if it had been a railway, as that is what we should have had long ago.

The usual route for carts, etc., has been by the main road leading direct to Alston. It was, however, generally supposed that the engine would not be allowed to travel on Alston streets, therefore it was expected it would go round by Clarghill and Blagill, a distance of about seven miles. According to the latest arrangements, however, the mineral will be taken over Killhope to Wearhead station, and shipped at Hartlepool instead of Newcastle. Coal, etc., will consequently be brought from Wearhead instead of Alston. To many who have an eye to keeping down the rates this will be of great importance as it is hardly likely these roads will require as much attention as they have previously done. But as a matter of fact, they are county roads, and any difference it may make to the expense of the county will not be much felt.

30th May 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

THE HEALTH OF THE DISTRICT

The Medical Officer of No. 1 district (Dr. Carson) reported that for the quarter ending March 31st there had been 5 deaths, including that of a stranger, a pedlar. found on Hartside, Excluding this, the rate for the quarter was 2.3 per 1,000, or 9.2 per 1,000 per annum. The births registered were also 5. One death was due to croup, one to pneumonia, and one to consumption. There had been one case each of diphtheria and erysipelas, but the precautions taken had prevented any extension. Influenza in a mild form had been prevalent, and an epidemic of skin disease bad involved the closing of the church school for ten days. Kate's Lane had been provided with a public well, Leadgate had got an abundant and permanent supply of spring water, and the inmates of the workhouse had been similarly attended to. As the season for visitors had

arrived, attention should be given to the road near the station, the Burn bank, and such like places.—Mr H. Walton remarked that the water supplied to Leadgate was so hard that it could not be used for all purposes.

For No. 2 district, the Medical Officer (Dr. Short) reported 5 deaths, 3 males and 2 females, the rate being 2.98 per 1.000 for the quarter, the lowest for several years. Except for an epidemic of influenza, which had caused most of the sickness, the district had been free from disease of a contagious or infectious nature. A house to house inspection at Nenthead showed that many were without privies. Drains at the School were defective and the privies unsatisfactory. The wells at Hillersdon and Whitehall wanted attending to. The births registered were 6, 3 males and 3 females—The Clerk said that he would now present his report on the water and sewerage expenditure. The amount expended in the Alston Ward for the last ten years ending March 25th last was £210 17s 10d, an average of £21 11s 9d, or 3.63d per £ on the rateable value; Nenthead, £202 11s 11d, average £20 5s 2d, or 3.46d in the £ on the rateable value; Garrigill. £67 19s 8d, £6 15s 11d a year, or 1.14d in the £ on the rateable value. The preparation of the statement had covered 28 sheets of foolscap.—Mr Ward remarked that if he had gone back 50 or 60 years the amount for Garrigill would not have been more.—Mr Millican: What does all this amount to now we have got it.—Mr H. Walton: It is information.—Mr J. R. Walton: It was expected that Alston had cost a good deal more.—Mr Nevin thought it would be well if they had a report of the whole expenditure —poor-law, sanitary, highway, and school board, in the same form for the information of the ratepayers, and he would like to move that such a return be presented, say in two months' time if it was not going to involve too much work for the Clerk.—The Chairman pointed out that every opportunity was given to any ratepayer to get the information for himself.—Mr Pickering: Yes; the books are open to the inspection of any ratepayer for a month.—The Chairman: The return should be recorded in the minutes, but for the future I think we should let all such matters lie, sink our differences, and work amicably together. (Hear, hear.)—The Clerk intimated that now he had finished this he would proceed with the preparation of the minutes for printing.

30th May 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)
Marriages

At the Congregational Church, Alston, on the 26th inst., by the Rev. W. Farries, Matthew Wright of Warwick Bridge, to Nora Jane, second daughter of the late John Nelson of Alston.

2nd June 1896 (Northern Echo)

A WEARDALE MINER'S DEATH.
FATAL CARELESSNESS.

On Monday an inquiry into the death of **John Nattrass (67)**, miner, Daddry Shields, took place— before Mr Deputy-Coroner Badcook; Mr Plummer, H.M. Inspector of Mines; Mr S. Watson, manager of the Lead Company; and Mr J Hill, in Daddry Reading-room. —John Lonsdale, Side Head, miner and farmer, said he was working with Nattrass on Friday afternoon in Greenlaws mine. Witness saw a prop was wanted, but deceased was not willing. The bouse was being taken away, which slackened , the sides and the bad ground became visible, and he (witness) urged that the prop should be in, but deceased would

not consent. It waa their duty to have put it in. Witness could not do it without deceased's help. Witness continued to let away bouse into the hopper, and saw the fatal lump coming and cried "Nattrass, it's coming!" and then it fell, striking their light out. He was caught within the second portion himself and shouted for help till he got his leg clear, and he never saw deceased again.—George Watson, Side Head, said he heard the fall And went to the spot. He met Lonsdale coming up the bouse and was told Nattrass was buried. It took three hours and a half to get him out down the hopper, and he was dead. He was not careless in his work. Deceased was so much bruised by the fall that if he had been got out instantly he would have been dead.—Mr Plummer: Had you plenty timber?— Witness: Yes.—Was it dangerous?—Witness: Yes now, but not before.—Mr Paterson, a resident in St. John's, said a rumour was current a man had left the place where deceased was killed, as it was so dangerous.—The Coroner said he could not listen to rumours,—Mr Paterson (bridge inspector for the C.C.) said the man in question was working fot him who refused to work at the place.— Mr Plummer said he had known men leave a place that was perfectly safe. He had carefully inspected the place, and thought deceased alone to blame for not doing as his mate Lonsdale wanted him.—The Coroner and jury concurred, and a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

6th June 1896 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

A MAN BURIED ALIVE

On Friday **John Nattrass**, a miner was buried by a fall of earth in the Daddry Shield lead mine, Weardale. He had gone to work about two o'clock, and the fall took place about five o'clock, when his partner gave alarm, Nattrass being then completely covered by earth. Every effort was made by a party of willing hands to rescue the poor fellow, but it was not till 7:30 that he was extracted and he was quite dead.

Deaths

At Eastgate, Weardale, 31st ult. aged 73, Ann widow of the late Thomas Moore.

In 1891, at the Cross Keys Inn, Ann Moore, widow, aged 68, and son Thomas, grocer & draper, aged 25.

At Daddry Shield, Weardale, 29th ult. aged 57, John Nattrass.

In 1841, at Windy Side, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann (died 3rd quarter of 1848) aged 20, children Hannah 9, Ralph 7, Joseph 5, and John aged 3.

In 1851, at Windy Side, John Nattrass, widow, lead miner, aged 43 (died 1st quarter of 1855), children Hannah 19, Ralph, lead miner, aged 17, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, John 12,? daughter 9, Elizabeth 7, and Cuthbert 3.

In 1861, at Side Foot, Mount Pleasant, Stanhope, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 22, and his wife Isabella (Douglass, married 4th quarter of 1859 registered at Weardale) aged 20. Also in 1861, at Mount Pleasant, Cuthbert Nattrass, lead ore washer, aged 13, sister Ann 19, and nephew John 1 year.

In 1871, at High Wood Meadows, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Isabella 30, and daughter Elizabeth A. 4

In 1881, at High Wood Meadows, John Nattrass, farmer, aged 42, his wife Isabella 40, children Elizabeth 14, and Sarah Jane 8.

In 1891, at Daddry Shield, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 53, and his wife Isabella 50. In 1901, at Daddry Shield, Isabella Nattrass, widow, aged 60. Isabella Nattrass died 3rd quarter 1902, aged 62.

12th June 1896 (Northern Echo)

On Thursday, **Thomas English**, Lanehead, whilst at work in Boltsburn Mine, Rookhope, accidentally fired a shot in his hand, injuring him seriously about the head and face.

In 1841, at Cogley, St John's, Stanhope, John English, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary, 40, children, Edward 13, Mary 10, Ralph 8, Sarah 6, John 4, Thomas 2 and Ann 5.
John English died 4th quarter 1849, registered at Weardale.
In 1851, at Cogley Hall, Heathery Cleugh, Mary English, widow, aged 47, children, Edward, lead miner, aged 23, Sarah 16, John, lead miner, aged 14, Thomas, lead miner, aged 11, Ann 9, and grandson, John English 3.
Thomas English married Sarah Watson, 3rd quarter 1859, registered at Weardale.
In 1861, at Wellhope, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas English, lead miner, aged 21, his wife Sarah 21, and son, John 1,
In 1871, at Wellhope, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas English, lead miner & farmer, aged 31, his wife Sarah 31, children, John 11, Mary 9, Thomas 5, and Joseph aged 2.
In 1881, at Wellhope, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas English, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah 41, children, John, lead miner, aged 21, Mary 19, Thomas 15, and Joseph 12.

Sarah English died 3rd quarter 1885, aged 45, registered at Weardale.

Thomas English married Margaret Featherstone 2nd quarter 1887, registered at Weardale.
In 1891, at Green Field, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas English, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Margaret 32, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 22, and Emerson Thompson aged 3.
Thomas English died 2nd quarter 1900, aged 61, registered at Weardale.

In 1901, at Westfall, Weardale, Margaret English, widow, aged 40, sons, Emerson t, lead miner, aged 13, Edward N 7, and Stanley 2.
In 1911, at Dyke House, Ireshopeburn, Margaret English, widow, aged 49, sons, Emerson Thompson, carter at Spar mines, aged 23, and Stanley aged 2.

13th June 1896 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON
POLICE COURT

The only business before the court, which met on Friday, last, was the renewal of the license for the storage of explosives by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., Nenthead.

13th June 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.—There were present on Saturday Messrs R. Elliot (chairman) and H. Bell, and T. W. Dickinson (clerk). As there were not sufficient members to form a quorum, the meeting was not held. The following are the average attendances at the schools for the past month;—

	Attendance	
	On Books	**Average.**
Nenthead	145	130
Nenthall	37	33
Tynehead	12	9
Garrigill	70	57
Leadgate	36	35
Alston (High)	108	91
Alston (National)	56	42
Alston (Infants)	85	66
	544	463

At the monthly Petty Sessions on Friday, the renewal of the licence for the storage of explosives by the Vieille Montague Zinc Co., Nenthead was granted.

NENTHEAD.

DEATH OF A NENTHEAD MAN IN AMERICA.

The sad news has recently been received of the death, at the premature age of 40, of Mr Thomas Stephenson, late of Nenthead, which occurred on the 11th of May last. His death was the result of an accident. Mr Stephenson left Nenthead in February, 1892, proceeding to Brandon, Manitoba, where he found employment at farm work. After staying there for upwards of a year he went to Oregon, and was engaged as a ranch man. His next shift was to Sparta, where he worked at mining. Owing to the mine being closed he removed to Baker City, and from thence to the place where the accident occurred, viz., Sturgill Bar. It appears he was engaged along with other men in running a deep open cut, the place being worked night and day, and he had just gone on for the night shift. He commenced to take down some dirt from near the top of the bank, using a ladder to stand on. He, had been working for about an hour, when without any warning the bank caved in and he was killed instantaneously. It took about half-an-hour to get the body out. The breast bone was broken and crushed in, and his body other- wise badly bruised. He was interred the following day. An account in a local paper states that deceased was highly respected, and wreaths were sent from various public bodies. Mr Stephenson intended to return to farm work the following week. The news has been received with regret in this place, as Mr Stephenson was highly respected while residing in the locality, and it appears he has been equally respected in the various places where he has taken up his abode. Much sympathy is felt for the relatives of the deceased.

Eden Valley Cemetery, Baker County, Oregon
www.findagrave.com

In 1881, at Pasture House, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner & farmer of 23 acres, aged 51, his wife Elizabeth 51, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 24, Margaret, dairymaid, aged 16, Elizabeth 14, and John 6.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 61, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 35, Elizabeth 24, and John, lead miner, aged 16. See 5th April 1884, and 9th May 1891

20th June 1896 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON
DEATH OF CAPTAIN POLGLASE

It is with sincere regret that we chronicle the death of Captain James Polglase, manager of the Nentforce and Coanwood quarries. … On Monday, last he complained of pain in the chest and Dr Short was called in. On Tuesday morning he was no better, inflammation of the lungs accompanied by great weakness of the heart rendered the case a very bad one. … he succumbed to the complaint about half past seven on Wednesday night. … Born at Gremoe, Cornwall, in 1824, he spent the earlier years of his life in his native county and was connected with the mines at Camborne and Liskeard. In 1850, he emigrated to America and was manager of the Bruce Copper mines, Lake Superior. After several years spent abroad, he returned to England and managed tin mines at Bodmin in Cornwall, and other places. Subsequently he was manager of Great Laxey, Isle of Man, and Caldbeck Fells, in Cumberland. About 15 years ago he was appointed to the Green Hurth mines in the Alston District where he continued until the formation of the Nentforce Limestone and Coanwood Whinstone Quarry Companies about three years ago *(The Prospectus of the Coanwood Whinstone Company Ltd., stated in January 1894: "The directors have engaged the services of Capt., J. Polglase, of Hundy House, Alston, a mining and quarrying expert of 40 years' experience as manager; …")*. … The funeral, which is a public one, will take place today (Saturday) at three o'clock in the Alston cemetery. He leaves a widow and three daughters.

In 1861, at Bridge? Cottage, Bodmin, Cornwall, James Polglase, metallurgist & mineralogist, aged 37, his wife Jane V. 35, children Lydia O. 8, Annette J. 6, Adeline P. 2, and sister in law Lydia Oliver, governess, aged 37.
In 1871, at Nudge? Cottage, Bodmin, James Polglase, mining engineer, aged 49, his wife Jane 48, children Lydia 18, Annette 16, Adeline P. 12, and sister in law Lydia Olver, teacher, aged 55.
In 1881, at Camont Bridge, Penrith, James Polglase, mining engineer & assayer, aged 56, his wife Jane Vyvyan, aged 55, children Lydia Oliver 35, Annette Jane 22, and Adeline Pauline 20.
In 1891, at Green Hurth, Teesdale, James Polglase, lead mine manager, aged 63, his wife Jane V. 63, daughters, Lydia O. 32, Annette J. 29, and Adeline P. 26.
In 1901, at Hundy House, Alston, Jane Polglase, widow, aged 74, Lydia O., boarding house keeper, aged 37, Annette J., boarding house keeper, aged 35, Adeline P. fancy goods dealer shop, aged 33, and boarder Jane E Bainbridge, living on own means, aged 40.
Jane Polglase wife of James died 2nd October 1901.

27th June 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD

Technical Education.—The Nenthead Art Class is represented at the Exhibition held during the past week at Tullie House, Carlisle, under the auspices of the Technical Education Committee of the County Council. There are six exhibitors, whose work is generally of a very meritorious character. It comprises nine examples of drawing in light and shade. Joseph E. Beck has three exhibits, John James Atkinson two, and Jos. Heslop, Thomas Angus, William Atkinson, and John C. Holmes one each. The latter has obtained a certificate of merit.

27th June 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

Deaths

At Town Head, Alston, on the 25th inst., Mary relict of the late Thomas Lee, butcher, aged 70.

At Alston, on the 19th inst., Anne, wife of John Bright, aged 27 years.

11th July 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Mr Elliott (chairman), Mr Rutherford, and Mr H. Bell, the clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), and the attendance officer (Mr N. Walton).

ATTENDANCE.

The monthly report was as follows

	On books	Average.
Nenthead	145	137
Nenthall	37	32
Tynehead	12	10
Garrigill	70	57
Leadgate	36	30
Alston (High)	111	90
Alston (National)	55	45
Alston (Infants)	85	69

A list of absentees from the Nenthead and the three Alston schools was presented, and it was resolved to take proceedings against them after the holidays.

ALSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHOIR TRIP.

On Saturday June 27th the Alston Congregational Church Choir had their annual excursion, Mr Robert Lee, King's Arms Hotel, undertaking their conveyance to Staward-le-Peel. The weather was fine. It was Staward annual pic-nic, held amid the ruins of an old Roman castle, which by the deep declivities that surround it, appears to have been an almost impregnable stronghold. The river Allen winds in and out among the rocks at a great depth below, and the wooded banks which stretch as far as the eye can see form as fine a piece of woodland scenery as can be wished for. The afternoon was mostly spent in rambling on the wooded slopes, gathering the honeysuckle, &c. which abound among the rich foliage that almost encloses the winding paths. The small Spa Well which bubbles up by the right side of the Allen (it having the same savour but not so strong as Gilsland Spa) was also visited. After this tea was had. There was also an efficient band, which after performing a nice selection of popular

music dropped into the merry polka, &e., when the light fantastic became the order of the day, the grace exhibited by the ladies especially showed that the art is not neglected in the dale, while numerous games by those who preferred them were quite as heartily engaged in. Most of the pic-nic people cleared off with the band before the Alstonians had arranged to end their enjoyment, so they filled up the remaining time by singing "Auld Lang Syne," and other songs. A farmhouse was found where lemonade &c., was procurable and where in the midst of the jokes that were prevalent a dish of salad and other dainties disappeared from the kitchen table, while the good woman served the drinks from the milk-house. Whether such jokes are included in the list that are supposed to go free on such occasions, the kind lady after discovery would undoubtedly be dubious. After, however, one of the most enjoyable trips that has been held, the party launched into the mist and hazes of Whitfield Fell homeward bound, arriving safe in the small hours of Sunday morning.

Deaths

At Clarghyll Head, Alston, on the 3rd inst., Nicholas Edgar, aged 91 years.

In 1881, Nicholas Edgar, farmer of 276 acres.

At The Raise, Alston, on the 5th inst., Sarah Norman, aged 83 years.

11th July 1896 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The long looked for traction engine, which is to convey the mineral from the Nenthead mines to Alston Station has arrived at last. It reached Alston Station on Tuesday, and was lit up and taken to Nenthead on Wednesday along with two waggons, journeying by Clargill and Blagill. Some four or five waggons are to come, and if all goes straight the engine will soon be performing the journey twice a day. It is said that the Company are trying to arrange for the erection of a siding or depot at the Townhead for the purpose of unloading the mineral and reloading with coal. If this be so, the engine will travel the main road between Alston and Nenthead, and make the journey thrice a day. This will, of course, necessitate carts to carry the material from the depot to the station.

18th July 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

Deaths

At Alston, on the 13th inst., Margaret Ann, wife of W. R. Little, spirit merchant, aged 52 years.

18th July 1896 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 12th inst. Thomas Gill of Clitheroe, to Mary Atkinson, Appleby.

In 1901, at Bruntley Syke, Alston, Thomas Gill, coalmine hewer, aged 34, his wife Mary 28, daughters Beatrice M 5, and Dorothy A 3.

In 1911, at Kings Arms Lane, Thomas Gill, coalmine hewer, aged 42, his wife Mary 38, children Beatrice May 15, Dorothy Annie 13, Thomas Norman 9, William 3, and Elsie 1.

Deaths

At Nenthead, 7th inst. aged 60, William Hudspeth (of the firm Hudspeth and Cowing).

In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Edward Hudspeth, wood cutter, foreman, aged 39, born Hamsterly, his wife Hannah (Richardson, married 18th April 1831, Middleton) aged 40, born Middleton, children Elizabeth 20, born Middleton, Frances, dressmaker, aged 18, born Middleton, William, wood cutter, aged 15, born Middleton, and Edward 10, born Middleton.
In 1861, at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, William B Hudspeth, millwright, aged 25, his wife Hannah (Armstrong, married 14th March 1858, Nenthead) aged 26, children Frances E. 2, and John E. 5 months.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, William B Hudspeth, millwright, aged 35, his wife Hannah 36, children Frances Elizabeth 12, James Edward 10, and Thomas 9.
In 1881, at Hill Top, Nenthead, William Hudspeth, millwright, aged 45, his wife Hannah 46, children Frances E., dressmaker, aged 22, James E., joiner, aged 20, John 7, and niece Jane A. Armstrong, household assistant, aged 21.
In 1891, at Dirt Pot, Allenheads, William Bowman Hudspeth, widow, mechanical fitter, retired, aged 55, son Thomas, single, draper, aged 29, son in law John Cowing, grocer, married, aged 35, and daughter Frances E Cowing, married 32
See 31st January 1891, 27th June 1891, and 18th July 1896.

18th July 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD
NOTES AND NEWS.

One of the principal drawbacks connected with this place has been the want of steam power and the railway system. Being a distance of miles from a railway station, it can easily be imagined what disadvantages have to be contended against. At various times there have been rumours that the railways at Weardale and Alston were to be connected and the route has been several times surveyed, with an idea of continuing the line from Alston to Nenthead. Either scheme if adopted would be hailed with considerable delight by the residents, but as often as the hopes have been raised, just so often have they been dispelled; and it is very doubtful if these good things will ever come to pass. Passenger traffic is thus carried on under difficulties, and the same may be said in regard to the export and import of the place. Hundreds of tons of spelter ore have been carted away yearly; but the present company are making a new departure in the mode of conveyance. Steam power is to be utilised, but not on rails. A traction engine has been purchased. It arrived on Wednesday, and the people were naturally anxious to see it (This paragraph ought to have been inserted last week, but was misdirected, and arrived too late). The engine has been built by Messrs Fowler, of Leeds and has been exhibited at the Royal Show. The driving wheels measure 20 inches and stand 7 feet high. It can be worked up to 50 horse power. It is calculated that a considerable saving in the cost of carriage will be effected. The route, until other arrangements are made, will be by Blagill and Clarghill a distance of about 7½
miles. On Wednesday the journey was completed in 2 hours and 15 minutes. The Road Surveyor accompanied them the first journey, and the road and bridges seem to have stood the test very satisfactorily. On Thursday the trucks were loaded with about 16 tons of spelter, and conveyed to Alston. Should the experiment answer, it will make many changes in the course of time.

25th July 1896 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, Physic Hall, 18th inst. aged 59, Thomas Carr.
In 1881, at 5 Front Street, Alston, Thomas Carr, provisions dealer, aged 43, his wife Margaret 43, and visitor Hannah Stout, married, housekeeper, aged 41. In 1891, at Physic Hall, Thomas Carr, retired grocer, aged 53, and his wife Margaret 53.
At Alston, West View, (the residence of her daughter Mrs M. Tindle) 22nd inst aged 87, Mary widow of Joseph Walton, registrar.
In 1891, at Town Hall, Alston, Mary Walton, widow, aged 81, son Nathaniel, relieving officer, and registrar, aged 44, and domestic servant Elizabeth Irving aged 29.
See 4th November 1871, 17th September 1887, & 23rd March 1895.

25th July 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

DILAPIDATED PROPERTY.

Mr DOWSON drew attention to the old house on the Butts, the slates were many of them ready to fall, and a chimney as well. — The CHAIRMAN thought the Surveyor had got instructions to have all the dangerous parts removed, both on the Butts and the other house at Nenthead.—The SURVEYOR said he had not, and was instructed to have this done forthwith.

THE NENTHEAD TRACTION ENGINE.

The SURVEYOR said that on the 15th inst. the traction engine had commenced running on the road from Nenthead to Alston Station. There had been no damage up to the present, it had crushed a good part of the road material in, but next month there might be a great deal, and he should like instructions how to proceed. He had kept a separate account of the sum spent on the road in the last month.—Mr MILLICAN: Including road metal?—The SURVEYOR: Yes.—The CHAIRMAN said that he had no wish to put any hindrance in the way of the Company using the road, but the Surveyor should keep an account of all extraordinary expense caused by the engine until some arrangement had been come to. He found the company would be quite amenable to reason, and both willing to contribute and to keep down damage. (Applause.) An arrangement would be come to with regard to the county road, and they could deal with the district road in the same way.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

The quarterty report of the Medical Officer of No. 1 District showed that 6 deaths had been registered, 4 females and 2 males. The births numbered 15, the death rate for the quarter being 3.5, or 14 per 1000 per annum, and the birth rate 8.7. The district had been healthy, and a few nuisances which existed would be reported by the Inspector.

A LONGSTANDING COMPLAINT.

The Inspector's report was then read. He complained of an ashpit in Kate's Lane, which was so full of ashes and other filth as to be a public nuisance. One of the parties concerned declined to pay for the cart man, alleging that she was unable to do so.—Mr WARD: Can the owners be compelled to do it?—The CHAIRMAN: No, if the tenants create a nuisance they must remove it. —Mr PICKERING moved that the parties have notice, and this was carried.—The Inspector also reported a privy at Hundy Head as being in a filthy condition, and the tenants declined to clean it.—Mrs CORE said that the agent had let part of

the premises to some tramps, who had made the place referred to filthy, and left it so.—The CHAIRMAN: Then he is responsible as well as the others.—It was agreed to give notice.—He also reported an obstruction in the Mill Burn near the cottage occupied by Messrs Tatters. The cellars were frequently flooded with filthy water from the Burn, causing serious damage to property besides being injurious to health.—This had been reported on March 28th.—The CLERK said that at 3 o'clock on Wednesday morning with the river a little in flood, the occupants were awakened by the rush of water into the cellar, and found it a foot deep, and it had since been flooded to the depth of 18 inches. Unless something was done they would be obliged to leave the house.—Mrs CORE: Is it the fault of the sewer or of the cellar?—The CLERK: Of the sewer. It was stopped before, and we got out a quantity of old tins, wire, and as much cocoa nut matting as would have covered this floor.—Mr J. R. WALTON: It is a great shame.—Mr DOWSON: And will be continued. People put all their refuse on the Burn Bank.—Dr. CARSON: You will not cure it until ashpits are provided. People have no place to put their refuse.—The CHAIRMAN: I thought the Burn Bank was closed?—Dr CARSON: They go higher up and deposit slaughter house refuse, old wall paper, and rubbish of all kinds. A suggestion is made to cover the Burn up, but unless ventilation is provided for, the sewer gas would cause a greater nuisance still.—The CHAIRMAN: It is a matter we have always with us. I must confess I have fault to find with the Alston people. A great deal of trouble was taken to find a refuse depot, and they abused it. They do not assist us to improve the insanitary condition of the place. The only remedy I can see is to put gratings over the openings. — The INSPECTOR: Is it my duty to attend to these grates?— The SURVEYOR: My father put one in, and it was torn out.—Mr MILLICAN: The roadmen should attend to them. It was arranged that the grate the Surveyor mentions should be cleaned once a week, but the men did not go once a month, and it got stopped in a flood and had to be torn out.—Dr CARSON: I believe the Mill Burn is a public sewer, and if you put in grates and they are choked you will be responsible for any damage caused.—The CHAIRMAN: How do you make it a public sewer?—Mr HOLMES: It is a mill race, the public sewer is down the middle of the street.—Dr CARSON: There are conveniences erected over it.—The Chairman: That is an encroachment. We authorise no one to put anything in.—The CLERK: The County Council use the Burn as well, so they are concerned.—Mrs CORE: You said it was allowed to be a public sewer, and must be maintained.—The CHAIRMAN: I was alluding to the sewer made by the Highway Authority.—Mr HOLMES: Does not a mill race belong to the owners?— Mrs CORE: What right have we to put grates on private property? —Mr LATTIMER: If it is private property can we not compel the owners to do something? —Mr PICKERING: I move that this be adjourned.—On the understanding that the Inspector attend to the existing nuisance near Messrs Tatter's premises, this motion was agreed to.

25th July 1896 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The surveyor asked for instructions with regard to damage done on the road by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.'s traction engine travelling daily from Nenthead by Blagill and Clarghyl, to Alston Station. The cost of repairing damages up to present is £3 13s 6d. The chairman suggested that the surveyor be instructed

to repair all damages of an extraordinary nature and keep a separate account of them. This was agreed to.

11th August 1896. (London Gazette)

The Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890.
Company Limited by Shares.
SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE NENTHEAD AND TYNEDALE LEAD AND ZINC COMPANY LIMITED. PASSED 17TH JULY 1896. CONFIRMED 4TH AUGUST 1896.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, duly convened and held at 4, St. Nicholas' buildings, Newcastle upon Tyne, on the 17th day of July, 1896, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed, and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened and held at the same place, on the 4th day of August, 1896 the following Special Resolutions were duly confirmed: —

1. "That the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company Limited be wound up voluntarily.
2. " That Mr. W. M. Henzell be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Company, and that the winding up be conducted by the Liquidator subject to the control of the present Directors as a Committee of Inspection, and they shall have power to fix the Liquidator's remuneration, and two of such Committee shall form a quorum."

J. C. SWAN, Chairman.

22nd August 1896 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Medical Officers report for the quarter ending 30th June for No. 2 district was read. During the period three deaths had occurred of which two had been children under one year. This gives a death rate of 1.79 per 1000. Influenza prevailed during the early part of the quarter causing one death. The district appears to be now completely exempt. Cases of Whooping Cough have occurred in Nenthead and Garrigill being imported into the former place from Edinburgh and in the latter from Newcastle. One death has resulted in a child of 8 months old. The birth rate for the quarter is 6.56 per 1000, the birth returns showing 7 males and 4 females.

22nd August 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON

The Belgian Company are developing their means of transit from Nenthead to Alston with considerable vigour. The traction engine brings its loads of ore to Alston station twice a day, but the circuitous route which has to be taken (by Fore Shield, Blagill, the Loaning, and Lowbyres) consumes so much time that it is said the company propose to establish a depot at the Town Head behind the Primitive Methodist Chapel, whence the produce will be carted through the town to the station. This shortening of the distance will probably enable the engine to make three or more journeys *per diem*, and save the expense of road repairing which, judging from the holes already made in soft places about Crook Bank, Fore Shield, and the Loaning, must be considerable.

THE TRACTION ENGINE AND THE ROADS.

The SURVEYOR reported that the cost of repairs to the district roads, caused by the traction engine between Alston and Nenthead was £9 13s. He had had great difficulty in getting carts to do the carting, owing to hay time, but he had done his best to keep them right.—Mr LATTIMER said some parts were scarcely passible a little out of Nenthead. If someone should be hurt in the dark, how about the expense then? Would the Council be responsible? He thought a light should be placed at the most dangerous places. —Mr HARRISON also complained of the state of the road.—The SURVEYOR asked if Councillor Lattimer could prove that the roads had not been level at dark. The roadman had put it right always as soon as the engine past.—Mr HARRISON asked who had to do with the district roads?—The CHAIRMAN: The County Road Surveyor; and our own Surveyor, as he would explain again, had instructions to keep the road in repair. He had been doing his best, as they had heard.

MR H. KEARTON'S APPLICATION.

Mr HUGH KEARTON made application to join a contemplated sewer from Mr Shaw's property at Hundy Head with the sewer which it is proposed to put in at Vicarage Lane.—Mrs CORE: Was it not passed to put the sewer in at Vicarage Lane?—Mr SIMPSON: It was passed but never done.—The CLERK read the minute on the subject.—Mr SIMPSON moved that the sewer be made, and that leave be granted to connect Mr Shaw's sewer with it, and it was carried.

NUISANCES.

The SANITARY INSPECIOR reported that the nuisances at Kate's Lane, Hundy Head, and Mill Burn had been removed. At the latter place grates had been put in to prevent further stoppages.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR NO. 2 DISTRICT.

The report for the second quarter is a most satisfactory one. During the period three deaths have occurred, of which two have been of children under one year. This gives a death rate of 1.79 per 1,000. Influenza prevailed during the early part of the quarter, causing one death. The district appears to be now completely exempt. Cases of whooping cough have occurred in Nenthead and Garrigill, being imported into the former place from Edinburgh, and into the latter from Newcastle. One death has resulted in a child eight months old. There is no fresh matter of sanitary importance to bring to your notice, and I consider the district is in a fairly satisfactory state. The birth rate for the quarter is 6.56 per 1,000, the birth returns showing 7 males and 4 females.—The report was adopted.—Mr SIMPSON asked if the report respecting the water mains bad been brought in.—The CHAIRMAN said it had not.—The INSPECTOR said he had the report.—The CLERK asked if he had had the assistance of the Works Committee?—The INSPECTOR: No. —The CLERK said it could not be presented till this had been done.—It was understood that this would be attended to.

Deaths.

WILKINSON.– At Nenthead, on the 2nd inst., Hannah Wilkinson, relict of the late Thos. Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 79 years.

In 1851, at Hill Top, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 34, born Garrigill, his wife Hannah (Parmley married at St John, Garrigill 23rd January 1840?), aged 34, born Park, Alston, children Mary 10, Jonathan 8, Henry 6, John 4, and Elizabeth 1.

In 1861, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, Blacksmith, aged 44, his wife Hannah 44, children, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, lead miner aged 16, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elizabeth 11, and Thomas 8.
In 1871, at Hill Top, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, Blacksmith at Smelt Mill, aged 54, his wife Hannah 54, sons John, lead miner, aged 24, and Thomas, lead miner aged 18.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Thomas Wilkinson, blacksmith, aged 64, and his wife Hannah aged 64.
Thomas Wilkinson snr. died 2nd May 1890, aged 73.
See 14th May 1869, 9th December 1871, 7th July 1877

28th August 1896 (Northern Echo)

ROOKHOPE MINERS ON STRIKE

For many months back the miners of Rookhope have been earning a mere pittance, the average for the last month being 11s 6d per man per week. Leaving out a partnership which had done better than the others the average was 9s 2½d per man per week, and this in highly dangerous and unhealthy lead mines. The men came out on strike on Tuesday, declaring that they cannot possibly live on so small a wage.

29th August 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

Deaths

At Bank Lane, Alston, on the 22nd inst., John Pattinson, builder, aged 60 years.
At Kings Arms Lane, Alston, on the 24th inst., John Lowe, lead miner, aged 64 years.
See 21st August 1841, 4th June 1852, 17th November 1868, 28th June 1873, 25th March 1876, 27th May 1882, 20th June 1885, 4th April 1891, and 3rd February 1894.

5th September 1896 (Hexham Courant)

INTERVIEW WITH MR J MILLICAN

Among Alston men who have made their mark, and have risen from comparatively humble circumstances, to positions of affluence and of honour, Mr J Millican, formerly of Tynehead is a worthy example. It is about 18 years since Mr Millican left his native place for Queensland, and since that time has been closely identified with the mining industries of that country. He is junior partner in the firm of Messrs E D Miles & Co., mining agents of Charters Towers, and has been twice Mayor of that town. Mr Millican is at present on a visit to this country, partly taking a holiday, and partly for the object of making known the mineral resources of his adopted country. With this in view he is travelling in the United Kingdom, and has visited, and will visit, various places on the continent of Europe. From an account of an interview which the "Special Commissioner," of the "British Australasian," had with Mr Millican in London, and which appeared in the columns of that paper, we glean a few items relative to the mining industry of Queensland. Speaking of the condition of the industry when he left six months ago, Mr Millican said things were looking remarkably well. Generally everybody in Charters Town District had the utmost confidence in the future. When he first went the deepest mines in the district were not more than 300 to 400 feet deep, now the mills United and the New Brilliant Extended were down to 2,400 feet. He did not think there was the slightest fear about the deep

level mining in Charters Towers being a success. Most of the shafts had been sunk with local capital, but Mr Millican adds, "I am sure the richness of our colony only wants to be more widely known to be fully appreciated by English capitalists. Last year we crushed 249,519 tons of stone for 251,577 ozs., of gold. We declared £248,448 2s 10d in dividends, the calls during that period being £92,710 13s 6d, which I think you will agree with me is not by any means unsatisfactory. But bear in mind that this is not the biggest yield by any means. In 1892 for instance the return was 259,304 ozs., the dividends paid being £341,947, while the calls were £115,508. Let me tell you however, that there was more prospecting done in new ground during the past year than for some time previously, and there is a considerable area of desirable ground awaiting the advent of capital to work it."

See 30th May 1866

5th September 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD

Held on Saturday. Present:—Messrs R. Elliot (chairman), T. Harrison, J. Rutherford, H. Bell, and H. Walton.—The Inspector's report for Tynehead School was read, which showed the school to be creditably conducted. The grant amounted to £27 1s 6d. There will be no inspection in 1897.—A short discussion took place respecting home lessons for the children attending the Nenthead School, several parents having expressed their disapproval of the system.—Mr HARRISON moved that the clerk write to the master that the question of night lessons had been before the Board and asking him to modify them, complaints having been made by parents.—The attendance was reported as follows:

	On books.	Average.
Nenthead, open 2 weeks	148	127
Nenthall , open 2 weeks	38	32
Tynehead, open 2 weeks	11	7
Garrigill, open 3 weeks	75	48

Leadgate, Alston High, National, and Infants' School having only been opened one week no returns were made.

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Messrs H. Walton (in the chair), G. Pickering. J. R. Walton, A. Bolton, H. Dowson, W. Ward, T. Harrison, W. Holmes, J, Nevin, J. Millican, and Mrs Core, the Clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), the Relieving Officer (Mr W. Walton), the Rate Collector (Mr Bell), and the Workhouse Master (Mr Dalton).

THE MEDICAL OFFICERSHIP OF NO. 2 DISTRICT.

The CLERK reported that he had received no applications for the post of Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for No. 2 District.—It was decided to postpone the appointment for a fortnight. —A letter from the Local Government Board drew attention to the appointment by the Board of a deputy to perform the duties of Dr. Masterton, of No. 2 District, and pointed out that the Board had no legal power to appoint such deputy, unless an application was made by such Medical Officer.—Mr MILLICAN: Dr. Short has been acting as deputy.—The CLERK: Yes: but the Board had no power to appoint him. The only thing we can do is to explain that at the time the deputy was appointed, Dr. Masterton was

not in a position to appoint one himself.—Mr PICKERING moved that this be done, and the motion was carried.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL. —On Sunday Mr Scot, of Harwood, preached twice in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, when collections were taken in aid of the choir fund.

ON Friday afternoon a trip from the east coast brought 488 excursionists to Alston. They enjoyed themselves amazingly, and the quantity of heather and rowan berries carried away was, as Dominie Sampson would have said, "prodigious." If this goes on rowan tree raising may become a profitable side branch of farming in the Alston district. Of heather the natural supply may be expected to meet the demand for some time to come.

12th September 1896 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Free, Natal, 31st July last, aged 26, suddenly, **Ernest Millican**, formerly of The Grove, Alston.

In 1861, at Sandgate South, Penrith, John G. Millican, attorneys, articled clerk, aged 19, was boarding with Thomas Hall (shoe maker) and family.
In 1871, at The Grove, John G Millican, attorney & solicitor, aged 29, his wife Louisa J. (Stagg, married 21st July 1868) aged 27, son Ernest 1, domestic servant Naomi Pickering aged 38, and nurse, & domestic servant Ann Walton aged 23. In 1881, at Battle Hill, Hexham, John Hyslop, schoolmaster, aged 55, his wife Ann 52, son John A. 11, boarder Ernest Millican 11, and domestic servant Isabella Laing aged 19.
In 1881, at The Grove, John G. Millican, solicitor, aged 39, his wife Louisa J. 37, children Lilian 9, Alice 7, and domestic servant Elizabeth Todd aged 19.
In 1891, at Bank Top, Alston, John G Millican, married, solicitor, (unemployed) aged 49, children Ernest, articled clerk in solicitor's office, aged 21, Lilian 19, and Alice 17. See 24th August 1878, & 23rd April 1898

12th September 1896 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The lead miners of Rookhope on Saturday attended the Newhouse Offices of the Weardale Lead Company, who offered the men the same terms they struck against, which were refused, and no settlement was come to.

19th September 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEDICAL OFFICER.

Dr. E. W. Short was appointed medical officer and public vaccinator for No. 2 district in succession to Dr. Masterton, on the motion of Mr PICKERING, seconded by Mr BOLTON.

ANOTHER DANGEROUS HOUSE.

The INSPECTOR reported that the north end of a house in the Market Place, occupied by Mr Phillipson, was in a dangerous condition.—Mr SIMPSON intimated that Mr Phillipson had arranged to have the house repaired, and the Council agreed to take no action.

BURIAL BOARD FOR NENTHEAD.

A resolution in favour of adopting the Burials Act having been passed at a ward meeting at Nenthead, the Council agreed that the committee should be

appointed to form the Burial Board, the four members representing the ward being included amongst them. The members of the committee are Councillors T. Harrison, W. Holmes, A. Bolton, T. Lattimer, Messrs R. Bell, J. Waites, J. Spark, W. Sinclair, and W. Thompson. The committee will meet to discuss the matter and report thereon to the next meeting of the Council, whose clerk will have to be present at the first meeting.

A petition was laid before the Council signed by several of the inhabitants of West Nenthead, with regard to a privy that was built some twenty-five years ago by the late London Lead Company for their workmen, and has still been in use by the public until a few weeks ago. It appears a gentleman having bought a piece of land adjoining, lays claim to the privy as being part of the plot, and has taken it down and appropriated the stones for another purpose. The petitioners, therefore, approach the Council to see if they can afford them any redress for the summary manner they have been deprived of this accommodation. The Council consider that they have no jurisdiction, and it is for the petitioners to prove their claim. If this cannot be done, the Sanitary Inspector has received instructions to inspect the neighbourhood, and report its requirements to the next meeting.

26th September 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD. AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The twenty-first annual exhibition of cattle, horses, sheep, shepherds' dogs, and pigs was held on Saturday on the usual ground. The day was not one of the most favourable, heavy showers falling at intervals, but the field is well sheltered, and the attendance was very good under the circumstances. The entries in the various classes were remarkably full, and all classes—except whiteface sheep—showed an advance on the previous year Of the shorthorns there were 46 entries, and it is difficult to speak too highly of the quality of the exhibits. Considering the elevated nature of the district the whole class was really remarkably good, and would have done credit to any local show in the kingdom. Bulls were not strongly represented, but the class comprised some useful looking animals. Here the Hudgill herd was well to the front as usual, Mrs Bright taking first honours in all the three classes. The cow and heifer classes evoked a much larger competition, and it is safe to say that there was scarcely an inferior animal amongst them. The Dyke Heads representatives were most successful, and Mr Moffat also secured the special prize given by the Society for the best animal in the cattle classes with a remarkably smart heifer under two years old. Galloways are not a strong feature at this show, only two classes being allotted to them in conjunction with crossbred cattle. Now that they seem to be coming more into favour in the north at least, it might be a question for the management whether they could not offer a little more inducement to breeders of Galloways to compete. Of horses, as might be anticipated in a district where the plough has practically no existence, ponies were the pick of the classes, and considerable amount of interest was shown in the open competition for ponies under 14½ hands. Mr Foster, of West Allendale, whose representative holds an unbeaten record for the year, was again placed first, but some considerable time was given to deliberation by the judge before announcing his decision. It is fair to say that it met with the approval of the company generally, although a good many were inclined to favour the recipient of the second ticket. Leicester's, as remarked above, showed a slight falling off, and the blackfaced,

though strong in numbers, were not in the opinion of some regular frequenters of this show, equal in quality to those of previous shows. These ebbs and flows, however, of particular classes, are incident to all shows. Taken all round a better show has seldom been held at Nenthead. It has, by the way, attained its majority, this being the twenty-first exhibition, and certainly shows no diminution in interest and attraction Dinner was provided as usual by Mr Emmerson Peart at the band room to which, at the conclusion of the judging shortly after four, the company adjourned. …

3rd October 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

The fortnightly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Mr Councillor Richardson (chairman), Messrs H. Walton. J. R. Walton, T. Harrison. H. Dowson. J. Nevin, W. Ward, and W. Holmes, the clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), the Relieving Officer (Mr N. Walton). the Rate Collector (Mr H. Bell), and the Workhouse Master (Mr Dalton).—The CLERK read a letter from the Local Government Board intimating that on the production of proper vouchers from the auditor the Board would sanction the expenditure incurred in connection with the special vaccination period, and also that incurred during the period during which Dr. Short acted as deputy medical officer in place of Dr. Masterson.—The case of a deaf and dumb boy, who has been placed in an Institution at Newcastle, was referred to. The boy has been seven years in the Institution and is now 14 years of age. It was pointed out that if he was allowed to remain some time longer he might acquire some trade which would enable him to earn a living, whereas if brought away at present he would probably become a permanent inmate of the Workhouse. No action was therefore taken.—The MASTER reported that a girl who had been boarded out had come to pay a visit over the week-end. She was looking well and happy. General satisfaction was expressed at the result.—The Master's report showed 16 inmates in the house against 13 last year, vagrants relieved 30; imbeciles in the workhouse 4, inmates in the asylum 9.

SCHOOL BOARD

The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Messrs T. Harrison (in the Chair), H. Walton, and H. Bell, the clerk (Mr T. W. Dickinson), and the attendance officer (Mr N. Walton). An application by Mr Petty, schoolmaster at Nenthead, for an increase of Salary, was discussed, and left over till next meeting.

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Leadgate	37	34
Alston (National)	60	47
Alston (Infants)	64	52
Alston (High)	113	104
	545	470

VOLUNTEER CUP SHOOTING.

The 36th annual prize shooting by efficient members of the Alston Rifle Volunteer Corps took place at Skelgill range on Friday and Saturday. The conditions were 200 and 500 yards, seven shots at each distance. The cup for the Alston section was won by Private J. Bell, with a score of 58; the cup for the Nenthead section was won by Private W. Hetherington, with a score of 35. A handicap was also shot, the chief prizes going to Private Dowson, Private Hodgson, Private Hind, Lance-Corporal Nixon. Private Lee, Private Armstrong, Lance-Corporal Tatters, Private Bell, Private Scott, Corporal Henderson, and Private Snowden.

The Alston Cup was won last year by Pte. W. Lee, it being the first time of shooting for the cup. Nenthead Cup was won last year by Lance-Sergt. T. Milburn.

On the Saturday previous the recruits shot for prizes, Pte. T. Kearton being the best with 24 points at 200 yards, seven shots, taking 1st prize of 10s., the other prize-winners being Pte. J. Armstrong and Pte. T. Martin, 5s., each; Pte. J. Robinson. Pte T. Cousins, and Pte. F. Calvert, 2s 6d each; Pte. R. Bell and Pte. D. Moore, divided 2s 6d. We understand that arrangements have been made whereby Sergt. Instructor N. Blezard will remain at Alston, and not have to leave, as was expected some time ago.

FRIENDLY SOCIETY TRIP.—On Thursday, through the kindness of the Misses James, of Clarghyll Hall, the members of the Kirkhaugh Branch of the Young Men's Friendly Society were given a trip to the Roman Wall and Hexham. Leaving Alston in the morning they travelled by rail to Haltwhistle, thence going by the Roman Wall to Bardon Mill. Descriptive lectures and explanations were given on the route by Miss James. Joining the train at Bardon Mill, they proceeded to Hexham and inspected the fine old Abbey, after which they were entertained to tea. The weather being fine, a most enjoyable day was spent.

SUDDEN DEATH.—We regret to announce the sudden death of Mrs Atkinson, widow of the late Joseph Atkinson, Middle Farm, which occurred on Thursday. Mrs Atkinson had been spending the day with her brother, Mr Walton, at Annatwalls, and was being driven home by her son, Mr W. Atkinson, when illness commenced, and about an hour after their arrival at home she died before medical aid could be procured. Deceased was in the 77th year of her age, and death was due to heart disease.

10th October 1896 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Stanhope 5th inst., aged 73, Francis Tinkler, cabinetmaker.

Te Puke Tanranga, New Zealand, 8th August last, Joseph Hetherington, formerly of Moor House Gate, Allendale Town.

dered that notices be served on the owners to provide proper accommodation.

17th October 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The third quarterly report of the Medical Officer of No. 2 District was read, and stated that the health and sanitary condition of the district continued satisfactory. He did not think there had ever been so little sickness prevalent. No infectious or contagious disease had appeared, and with regard to this, he

congratulated the Council on having adopted the Contagious Diseases Notification Act, which would confer an inestimable boon on the inhabitants, besides giving him facilities for forming an accurate opinion of the state of the district. There had been a few cases of diarrhoea, but not of a serious nature. The births and deaths during the quarter had been equal, the rate being 3.58 per 1000.

AN UNDESIRABLE STATE OF THINGS.

The Inspector farther reported that five cottages and one lodging house at West Nenthead, the property of four owners, were entirely without privy or ashpit accommodation, and the result was a nuisance in the field through which the water supply flowed.—The CHAIRMAN: I think we should give notice.— Mr MILLICAN: Have the owners land on which to provide the necessary accommodation.—The CHAIRMAN: They must obtain it.—Mr MILLICAN: There would be no excuse if they had the land.—Mr LATTIMER understood the difficulty was owing to the removal of the existing accommodation by a person who claimed to have bought the land on which it stood.—The Chairman: That is for the other owners to look after.—Mr PICKERING: I rather think he did purchase the land on which the privy stood, but as far as he is concerned, he is willing to allow the public to use it.—The Chairman: I suppose we are all agreed that notices must be served. —The motion was adopted.

WATER SUPPLY.

An application to lay a water pipe across the road at Dykeheads to supply some new farm buildings was granted on the motion of Mr Harmon.

A DANGEROUS FOOTBRIDGE.

Mr W. WARD drew the attention of the Council to the state of the footbridge over the low part of Nattrass Gill. Many of the short cross boards were completely rotten and had given way, leaving open spaces where passers over might slip through. The cost would only be a few shillings. He did not anticipate that the Alston members would offer any opposition, as one-half the bridge was in Alston Ward, and the other half in Garrigill Ward. He moved that the Surveyor be instructed to get the work done.—Mr MILLICAN in seconding the motion, remarked that he quite agreed with Mr Ward, except the latter part of his speech, as if the Alston people were not wishful to help their neighbours and the country generally.—The SURVEYOR said the bridge had never been taken over by the Council.—Mr WARD: It is an acknowledged public footpath, and must belong to the Council.— The motion was then carried.

HIGHWAYS.

The SURVEYOR, in his report, asked permission of the Council to put in a new culvert, about 60 yards in length, between the Hexham road at Loaning Foot House, and the Hudgill Burn road at Mount Healey. The existing culvert had been crushed by the traction engine, and the water flowing over the road was damaging it considerably.—Mr PICKERING: A stitch in time saves nine. I move that it be done.—Mr BOLTON: I second it.—Mr LATTIMER: Should we not have an estimate of the cost ?—The CHAIRMAN: We have no discretion in a matter of this kind. We are responsible for the maintenance of the roads, and the work must be done, whether it costs a penny or a thousand pounds. When we undertake any new work, then it is necessary to have an estimate.—Mr DOWSON: Every day increases the amount of damage.—Mr H. WALTON: Why more now than before?—The CHAIRMAN: Because the culvert is crushed in, the Nenthead engine has been along the road.—The motion was carried.

THE TRACTION ENGINE AND THE ROADS,

Mr H, DOWSON said he would like to draw attention to a matter of great importance whether they considered it so or not. Great complaints had been made during the last three or four weeks about the way the engine was using the roads. It kept always to the one track, pressing up the road on each side and in the centre. When a loaded cart or vehicle met the engine, they had great difficulty in getting past, especially with hay. He held that other people had as much right to the road as the Nenthead engine, and he thought they should be instructed to draw to one side, and allow a reasonable portion of the road for others to pass on. It would also be better for the road if the track was varied. He moved that they he asked to do this.—The CHAIRMAN: You are not dealing with the main roads, I presume.—Mr DOWSON: It travels on both.—The CHAIRMAN: If any person is obstructed in using the road, they have their remedy. You are opening a wide question, and it would have been better to give notice. I have heard no complaints, nor have any been brought formally before the Council.—Mr DOWSON: There have been complaints to members.—The CHAIRMAN: They should be brought in a regular manner.—Mr DOWSON: I think it is a member's duty to bring these matters forward when they are brought to his notice.—The CHAIRMAN: But in a regular manner.—Mr H. WALTON: I assume the great evil is on the main road. —The CHAIRMAN: The Highway Committee of the County Council is competent to deal with that.—Mr HARRISON: We had better leave the matter alone for more reasons than one. The road at some places near Blagill, for instance, is too narrow to allow a load of hay to pass the engine.—The CHAIRMAN intimated that the road there would be widened. He expressed the opinion that the Council should not do anything to place an obstacle in the way of the development of an industry from which the district was deriving great benefit.—Mr PICKERING remarked that it was well the matter had been brought forward, as the Council had thereby got some information it might not otherwise have got. He thought it was the duty of any Councillor receiving a complaint to bring the matter before the Council and let the latter decide.—The matter then dropped.

THE STEAM ROLLER.

Mr LATTIMER said that some time ago the Council sent a requisition to the County Council asking that the steam roller be sent to their roads. The traction engine was having a serious effect, and had necessitated the putting on of large stones, and if the steam roller could be brought to level them down they would have a better road. Could the Chairman give them any information as to whether it would be coming?—The CHAIRMAN: You are dealing with me in a different capacity from what I am here. But I may inform you that there is not the shadow of a shade of a chance of its coming. (Laughter.) We are anxious, as I said before, to put no obstacle in the way of the development of the industry of the district. Cyclists, and drivers of vehicles, and what we may call the upper ten, must waive their privileges for a time.

VICARAGE LANE.

The CLERK drew attention to the Vicarage Lane. Since the Council got the sewer laid down it was in a most disgraceful state, and not safe after dark. Nothing had been done since the sewer was laid down to reform the surface.—The CHAIRMAN: Is it the work of the Sanitary Inspector that has left the lane in such a state?—The CLERK: Yes.—The CHAIRMAN: Then I think the best way will be to give him notice to put it in order to the satisfaction of the Surveyor.—

Mr PICKERING: I fancy the Surveyor will have to do it. He might as well do it at once.—The SURVEYOR: We have stones to do it with.—Mr PICKERING: I move the Surveyor be instructed to do it.—Mr NEVIN seconded, and the Surveyor said it should be done the following week.

EVENING CLASSES.—The evening classes conducted at the High School in former winters will be recommenced on Tuesday by Mr Core if a sufficient number of pupils is forthcoming. The subjects will be commercial arithmetic, mensuration, human physiology, and geography. It is to be hoped that the young people will take this opportunity of improvement offered to them. The charge is small and within the reach of all. Mr Core will attend at the school on Monday night to take the names of pupils.

24th October 1896 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Orange, New South Wales, July 29th John Joseph Watson formerly or Irestone, Weardale to Annie Bond of Orange, NSW.

31st October 1896 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Much interest is centred in the present visit of the Weardale Lead Company's directors from London to the dale, accompanied by Mr De Bock Porter of the Ecclesiastical Commission, Whitehall, as important results are expected there from.

31st October 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance at the various schools for the month ending October 23rd was as follows:

	On books.	Average.
Nenthead	151	132
Nenthall	35	31
Tynehead	11	8
Garrigill	75	63
Leadgate	37	33
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A number of scholars were reported at the previous meeting for irregular attendance, and several of the parents appeared before the Board to explain the cause. The general excuses were bad weather, sickness, and distance from school. They undertook to send them when the weather permitted.—The Inspector reported that the order at Nenthead School was now satisfactory, and the results of the examination in elementary and class subjects very good. The total grant earned was £118.—Mrs Jane Robson, school-cleaner, having resigned on account of ill-health, Mrs Dixon, Overwater, was appointed at a salary of £10 a year.

7th November 1896 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, Butts, 30th ult., aged 75, Mary widow of William Graham.
See 7th April 1888
Alston, Town Head, 30th ult., aged 88, Margaret widow of Joseph Dalton, lead miner.
In 1891, at Quaker Square, Stanhope, Thomas Rutherford, retired limestone quarryman, aged 59, his wife Jane 57, sons Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 29, John George, limestone quarryman, aged 20, William W., limestone quarryman, aged 19, daughter Frances J. 16, and aunt Margaret Dalton, widow, living on own means, aged 83.

14th November 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
THE SANITARY STATE OF TUE DISTRICT.
The CHAIRMAN said that he wished to make a few remarks on sanitary matters. He was sorry to have to say that they met with anything but an agreeable sensation at the last County Council meeting. In the returns of the Medical Officer of Health he found that Alston stood in the worst position in the county in regard to the death rate and sanitary matters. From the reports of the various Medical Officers in the county, collected by Dr. Barnes, he found that Alston had the lowest birth rate and Longtown the highest. The highest in urban districts was 30.33, and in rural districts 25.25. The highest death rate in the rural districts was in Alston No. 1, and was 25.10 per thousand, against 12.20 in 1894, 13.40 in 1893, and 25.70 in 1892. It also showed the highest death rate from consumption, and No. 2 district had the highest infant mortality. Diarrhoea was also very prevalent in both districts, and caused three deaths. With regard to water supply Dr. Barnes also particularised several places in the parish where it would have to be provided. A short abstract, which he would read, would give them the idea he wanted to be at. "Dr. Barnes has also prepared summaries of the reports of the different medical officers. Some of them show several places still suffering from defective water supply. The attention of the General Purposes Committee was drawn to Dr. Barnes' report and the Chairman said they would lose no time in considering it, and reporting. But in the present state of the law, the powers of the County Council to interfere were very limited, and he was afraid not much could be done. All they could do was to make a report to the Local Government Board as to defects, and they could take action." He thought it would be wise to consider carefully what plans could be dealt with, not only with regard to water supply, but as to the sanitary condition of the district generally. As to water supply his opinion had been all along that a large and definite scheme should be prepared for the whole district, not necessarily to do it all at once. It would be the best and cheapest way in the end. He believed they had plans of the Alston scheme, and if a large committee or the whole council as a committee would take the matter up, they could have these plans and see what really could be done. He felt it his duty to tell them this, as no doubt reference would be made to the Local Government Board, and the matter might be taken out of their hands. There was another matter connected with the roads. An expression of opinion had been given by the Highway Committee of the County Council that the accounts for the main roads and the district roads should be kept distinct, with separate sets of men for each. One other thing he

might mention which would comfort his friend Mr Lattimer, he was expecting the steam roller every day (Hear, hear from Mr Lattimer). He had got a letter from a gentleman in Northumberland asking him if he could find an opening for a steam roller. He had met the gentleman in Carlisle. and arranged the matter, and the roller might be here any day.—Mr LATTIMER: This is quite a surprise, but I am sure it will be to the benefit of the council and the parish generally.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

Dr. CARSON, medical officer of No. 1 District, reported that the health of the district for the quarter ending September 30th was very satisfactory, though the death rate was high owing to the death of a number of old people. The number registered was 11, one being a visitor, and the rate for the quarter was 6.4 or excluding the visitor 5.8 per two. Of the whole, 8 were over 60 years of age, one dying at the ripe old age of 1000. The modest birth rate of 1.1 per 1000, was accounted for by two births. One mild case of diphtheria and two of measles had been reported. The first case of measles developed in a visitor who had caught the infection at Byker, and it gave rise to another in the house, but spread no further. There had been cases of diarrhoea, but not so severe as in 1895. The Infectious Diseases Notification Act came into force on August 15th, and would be of great service in preventing the spread of infectious disease that might be brought by visitors in a state of convalescence.

THE NENTHEAD DIFFICULTY.

The INSPECTOR reported that he had sent notice, according to the instructions of the Council, to the parties concerned at Nenthead to provide sanitary convenience to their cottages.—The CLERK submitted replies from the three owners, two of whom intimated that they had given orders for the necessary work to be carried out, while the third expressed his willingness to pay his share in a joint scheme.

21st November 1896 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH ON THE FELLS

The sad death of a young man named John Rowell, lead miner of Rookhope, in Weardale has occurred. In company with four others deceased walked about 8 miles over the fells on Sunday to witness the Braes of Derwent Hounds. In returning they were overtaken by darkness and fog and were lost to each other. Only four arrived at their destination. On Sunday an unavailing search was made, but on Monday a search party of over 100 men was organised and the dead body of the missing man was found on the fells. Deceased was 23 years of age.

Inquest verdict, deceased died from exhaustion as a result of getting lost on the fells.

In 1851, at Middle Brandon Walls, Linzgarth, John Brown, lead miner, aged 25, and his wife Jane (Hogarth, married 1st quarter 1851, Weardale) aged 20. Jane was buried 11th January 1856. Probate records show John Brown of Hilton Terrace, Rookhope, Stanhope, County Durham, miner, died 21st March 1895. Administration (with will) Durham 28th February to Elizabeth Rowell widow. Effects 10s

In 1861, at Broaddale House, Linzgarth, Thomas Brown, farmer of 11 acres, aged 65, his wife Jane aged 73, son John Brown, widow, lead miner, aged 36,

son Joseph, lead miner, aged 33, granddaughters Jane Brown 18, and Elizabeth Brown 5.

IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
JOSEPH ROWELL
OF HYLTON TERRACE
ROOKHOPE
WHO DIED FEB 24TH 1888
AGED 38 YEARS
ALSO ELIZABETH
BELOVED WIFE
OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MAY 20TH 1930
AGED 74 YEARS
ALSO JOSEPH
THEIR SON
WHO DIED AUG 3RD 1932
AGED 55 YEARS.

In 1871, at Broadale House, Thomas Brown, lead miner & farmer of 10 acres, aged 75, his wife Jane aged 83, son Joseph, lead miner, aged 42, granddaughters Elizabeth Brown 15, Anne Brown 6, and general servant Ann Rutherford 19.
In 1841, at Tedham Green, William Rowell, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah (Chatt, married 14th May 1829, At Peter's, Allenheads) aged 35, children, Elizabeth 11, Margaret 10, Hannah 8, Wilkinson 6, Thomas 3, and William 10 months.
William Rowell died 1st quarter 1851.

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ERECTED OUT OF SYMPATHY
FOR JOHN BROWN, ROOKHOPE
WHO WAS LOST ON THE MOOR
AND FOUND DEAD TWO DAYS
LATER, NOV 14TH 1896
AGED 23 YEARS
THY WILL BE DONE.

In 1851, Elizabeth Rowell aged 21 was working as a servant for the Stobart family, at Chapel House, Keenly, Allendale. In 1851, at Tedham, Hannah Rowell, widow, aged 47, children Margaret 18, Wilkinson, lead ore washer, aged 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, William, lead ore washer, aged 10, and Joseph Rowell 1.
In 1861, at Coalpits, Allendale, Joseph Rowell, lead miner, aged 19, his sister Elizabeth, housemaid, keeper, aged 30, and nephew Joseph Jonson Rowell aged 11.
In 1871, at Low Shield Close, Allendale, William Rowell, single, miller, aged 27, and his nephew Joseph Johnson Rowell, labourer ironstone, aged 20.
Joseph Rowell married Elizabeth Brown 2nd quarter 1875, reg. Weardale.
In 1881, at Hilton Terrace, Rookhope, Stanhope, Joseph Rowell, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth aged 25, children John Brown 7, Thomas Brown 6, Joseph Rowell 3, and William Rowell 1 (buried at Rookhope 12th May 1885).
Joseph Rowell died 24th February 1888, aged 38.
In 1891, at Blue Row, Stanhope, Elizabeth Rowell, widow, aged 35, children, John Brown, lead ore dresser, aged 17, and Jane E. Rowell, 8. In 1901, at Hylton Terrace, Rookhope, Elizabeth Rowell, widow, and her daughter Jane Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 18.
In1911, at Hylton Terrace, Rookhope, Elizabeth Rowell, farmer, aged 55, and her son Joseph, lead miner, aged 32.

28th November 1896 (Hexham Courant)

THE NENTHEAD LEAD MINES.

The mining prospects of this locality have undergone a great change since Vieille Montagne Company took possession of the whole works. New hands are being employed every week, in fact no one who has a practical knowledge of mining is turned away. During the past six months about 100 extra men have been engaged, the consequence being that the district is assuming a much more lively appearance. The benefits are being felt not only in the immediate locality, but in the surrounding dales as well. A large number of miners from Weardale, Allendale and other parts have been "set on". Quite a new system of working the mines has been adopted, and new trials have been made, the result being that a lot of new ground has been opened and the output considerably increased. An improvement in wages has also been made from 12s 6d and 15s to 17s per week. A large quantity of new machinery is about to be erected and new methods of driving the mills are to be adopted so that frosts and scarcity of water will not affect the working of the mill in future, as has been the case in the past.

28th November 1896 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The death of Mr Wm Lee a popular Primitive Local Preacher took place at Stanhope on Monday at the age of 40 from Typhoid Fever. *stone mason*

5th December 1896 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD NEWS AND NOTES.

The advent of the Vielle Montaigne Mining Company has been productive of many changes in Nenthead. As soon as they got established they adopted new systems of carrying on the concern. A considerable number of new hands were

engaged, new clerks and new masters were appointed, and a new mode of conveyance of the produce was inaugurated. The horse and cart gave way to a traction engine. Many prophecies of evil were indulged in, but it is on the move yet, although in the first week many obstacles interfered with its progress. Almost every day something turned up in the shape of the road breaking up, &c. At one time, on Crook Bank, the engine was embedded for about two days. The roads have been terribly cut up, and have necessitated the laying on of a tremendous quantity of metal. It was argued by some that the steam roller would be very useful, but its probable cost always told against the proposal to buy it. As these are county roads, all the extra work that has been done, and the cost of the roller, I believe, would have been charged to the county, so that locally it would not have made a tremendous difference to the rates. The idea of having the steam roller was however rudely destroyed. Our representative on the County Council stated, in reply to enquiries, that their "was not the least shadow of a of a chance of it coming" —and that after the Council had given a favourable reply. Further consideration, however, seems to have taken place, for the County Councillor somewhat later announced a comforting codicil, that be was expecting it almost daily. That was four months ago. But the roller, where is it? It is coming, 'by-and-bye, byand-bye." It would be difficult to give a definite description of all the new developements that have taken place in the works here. As may have been gathered from your last week's issue a number of new hands have been engaged. They hail from Alston, Garrigill, Allendale, Weardale, Rookhope and Harwood. some of them travelling as far as fourteen miles. These, as is usual, come on Monday morning and return on Friday night. New pipes are being laid from the big reservoir, a distance of about 2 miles, and the machinery will be driven on another principle to that hitherto adopted. Pressure will be the main force. It is stated that four large mining shops, to accommodate 50 each, are to be erected for the miners. Sheds are now in the course of erection for a lot of new machinery that is going to be introduced. If these things go on, the prospect must be good, as an enormous amount of money has already been expended. If what has been done during the last few months is a guide to what will be, we may expect many more changes that at present are not thought of. It is to be hoped the investors will get good return for their capital, and that employers and employed may all reap a golden harvest.

… A bit of a surprise was caused this week by the announcement that the smelt mill was to be closed. Upon inquiry, it was found that the report was too true. The smelt mill was erected in 1773, and since then has been again and again improved by additional machinery, etc., until now it consists of the following :— Six smelting ore hearths (or Scotch) furnaces, one slag hearth, two reverberatory furnaces, two refining furnaces, and a desilvering house, Rozan's patent. The producing of lead has been a diminishing quantity for a good few years, indeed, it has been almost entirely supplanted by the large quantity of spelter that is produced. To keep the mill going it has been found necessary to buy a large quantity of lead ore, and the carriage, with the carriage ot coal, will have greatly retarded the possibility of its being payable. It is said that it has gone back about £600 during the last 12 months. Although this seems to be of a retrograde nature, it is not likely to affect the prosperity that is reported. All the men employed have been engaged in other parts of the work, and the mill will be at once closed except to work up the present stocks. The stoppage will be most felt by the carriers, as they still had the conveyance of coals from the

station. It is also to be regretted that a business which has been connected with the place for upwards of a century, is to be now discontinued. A lot of the older hands that have worked there all their lives will take badly with the change of labour which they will be obliged to take up. If however, it has been absorbing a lot of the profits, this step will have a tendency to make the whole concern more profitable.

12th December 1896 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope, 2nd inst., aged 80, William Raine.
Allenheads, 5th inst., aged 74, Hannah widow of William Iceton.
In 1871, at Allenheads, William Iceton, engine brakesman at mines, aged 43, his wife Hannah (married 2nd June 1853) aged 49,and niece Emma Iceton 11. In 1881, at Allenheads, William Iceton, engine brakesman at lead mines, aged 53, his wife Hannah 59, niece Emma Iceton 21, and visitor Sarah J. Parker 14. In 1891, at Allenheads, William Iceton, brakesman, aged 63, and his wife Hannah 69, William had died in the 4th quarter of 1896.

19th December 1896 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
A lead miners meeting was held in the Board school on Thursday night, 10th inst., to consider the changes that have been introduced in connection with the workmen's hours. Since the new company got into full swing a timekeeper has been appointed, and the time fixed for work has not been at all acceptable to the miners. Further changes have been made this week, therefore the meeting was held to try and have the time arranged more in unison with the wishes of the men. A deputation was appointed to wait on the manager Mr Fernau, with the result that all the different workings (inside) have to be started at 6am for the morning shifts, and 2 and 10pm for the back shifts. The times before were so that the timekeeper could be at all the entrances to the mines, but it will now be necessary to appoint a timekeeper for each place.

19th December 1896 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHEAD
The mild weather that has recently prevailed has given place to hard and severe frosts. A considerable quantity of snow has also fallen. The conveyance of mineral produce to the railway station has to be done by the old system of horses and carts, as the traction engine cannot travel when snow and frosts prevail.

26th December 1896 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday, the members present being Mr Harrison (presiding), Mr Bell, Mr Rutherford, with Mr Dickinson (clerk), and Mr W. Walton (attendance officer). The business was routine. The attendance for the month was as follows:—

	On Books	**Average.**
Nenthead	148	128
Nenthall	36	32
Tynehead	11	8
Garrigill	75	60
Leadgate	36	35

Alston High	108	93
„ National	51	45
„ Infant	67	52
	532	453

26th December 1896 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The new pipes recently laid for the conveyance of water to drive the machinery at Nenthead mines have been put into use on a certain section. The frost, which has been very severe, has, however, had a detrimental effect on them, and some of the pipes have burst, necessitating a great deal of work in having them put right. *See 2nd January 1897*

MINING ACCIDENT

A somewhat serious occurred in the mines on Monday night. **Elliot Archer**, a young man belonging to Garrigill, while following his employment had one leg badly broken and the other severely fractured. It appears that he had been with his brother as partner preparing to put some props in, and before they were able to get them placed a fall of stone occurred with the result stated. Assistance was immediately procured and he was brought to bank, and afterwards conveyed home.

John Archer married Hannah Storey, 12th February 1820, at St Augustine's, Alston.

In 1841, at Ashgill, John Archer, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Hannah 40, children William, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 13, Joshua 11, Isaac 9, Edward 6, Adam 4, and Hannah 2.

In 1851, at Priorsdale House, Garrigill, John Archer, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Hannah 51, children, Mary 30, William, lead miner, aged 28, Joshua, lead miner, aged 20, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, Edward, lead miner, aged 16, Adam, shepherd, aged 14, and Hannah 11.

John Archer was buried at Garrigill, 11th April 1860, aged 62.

In 1861, at Priorsdale House, Hannah Archer, widow, farmer of 1500 acres,. aged 61, children, Mary 40, William, mason, aged 30, Isaac, mason & farm manager, aged 28, James, mason, aged 15, Elliott, shepherd, aged 13.

In 1861, at Priorsdale House, Edward Archer, mason aged 25, his wife Mary aged 21, and daughter Hannah 10 months.

In 1861, at Priorsdale House, Joshua Archer, mason, aged 30, his wife Agnes, aged 27, children, Elizabeth 7, Hannah 3, and Nephew John aged 2.

In 1871, at Priorsdale House, Hannah Archer, widow, farmer, aged 71, daughter Mary 40, and son William, farmers son, aged 48.

In 1871, at Priorsdale House, Elliott Archer, lead miner, aged 23, and his wife Susannah 20.

In 1871, at Priorsdale House, Joshua Archer, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Agnes, aged 37, children, Elizabeth, house maid, aged 17, Hannah 13, Agness 9, Joshua B 7, Mary A 6, and Sarah 2.

Hannah Archer was buried at Garrigill 7th May 1875, ahed 75.

In 1851, at Windy Hall, Garrigill, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Isabella (Stephenson, married 12th April 1849, St John, Garrigill) aged 20, and son John 2.

In 1861, at High windy Hall, Thomas Archer, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella 30, children John 12, Thomas 8, Mary 3, William 2 months, and visitor Elizabeth Watson 13.
In 1871, at High Windy Hall, Thomas Archer, farmer of 21 acres, aged 44, his wife Isabella 40, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Thomas, farmers son, aged 18, Mary 13, Isabella 7, Elliott 4, and Elizabeth J. 9 months.
In 1881, at High Windy Hall, Thomas Archer, farmer of 21 acres, aged 54, his wife Isabella 50, children John, lead miner, aged 32, Isabella 17, Elliott, lead ore washer, aged 14, Elisabeth 10, Hannah 8, Sarah 8, Margaret 7, and Fanny aged 4. In 1891, at High Windy Hall, Garrigill, Thomas Archer, farmer, aged 64, his wife Isabella 60, children John, lead miner, aged 42 (buried at Garrigill 4th September 1900, aged 51), Elliott, lead miner, aged 24 (buried at Garrigill, 26th May 1934, aged 67), Elizabeth J. 20, Frances 14, and grandson Allan Archer 2 years. In 1901, at High Windy Hall, Isabella Archer, widow, farmer, aged 70, son Elliott, farmers son, aged 34, daughter Elizabeth Jane 30, and nephew Allen Vipond aged 12.
Thomas Archer was buried at Garrigill 25th January 1899, aged 72.
Isabella Archer was buried at Garrigill 28th October 1905, aged 75.

2nd January 1897 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

It is now stated, with respect to the new piping being laid by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, that no part of it has been brought into use, and none of it has been damaged either by frost or by any other causes.

9th January 1897 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE SAD ACCIDENT

Early on Wednesday morning John Bulman of Low Mill Cottages, Allendale Town, fell into a lead pan at the smelt mills and was seriously scalded. Fortunately he received prompt assistance from the men on the spot, and was immediately conveyed home where his wounds were attended to. He is progressing as favourably as could be expected under the circumstances.

16th January 1897 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Middlehope Green Allendale, 13th inst., aged 73, Mary Ann dearly beloved wife of John Sparke. To be interred at St Peter's on Sunday 17th at 3:30 pm.
In 1871, at High Water House, John Sparke, stonemason, aged 48, and his wife Mary A. 47. In 1881, at Middlehope Green, John Sparke, farmer of 15 acres, aged 58, and his wife Mary A. 57.
Stanhope, 8th inst., aged 45, Isaac Hornsby.
In 1871, at High Low Lady Shield Jonathan Hornsby, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Pheby 50, children Mathew, lead miner, aged 23, John, lead miner, aged 21, Isaac, blacksmith, aged 17, Emerson, stone mason, aged 16, Jonathan, labourer, aged 14, Joseph 11, and Thomas 9.
In 1881, at Cooperative Store, buildings, Thomas Brown, slate layer, aged 61, his wife Margaret 52, and lodger Isaac Hornsby, blacksmith aged 27, born Alston.
In 1891, at East Lane, Stanhope, Isaac Hornsby, blacksmith, aged 38, and his wife Margaret (Gowland, married 2nd quarter of 1886) aged 37. In 1901, at

Albert Terrace, Stanhope, Margaret Hornsby, widow, aged 47, and servant, Annie Fletcher aged 17. See 13th January 1894

23rd January 1897 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

BOARD OF GUARDIANS

ALSTON

The Clerk said it was his painful duty to record the death of Mr. Simpson, who had been a member of the Board ten years, and during that time had faithfully done his duty and taken a great interest in the poor people. A letter was read from Mrs. Simpson informing the Board of her husband's death, and inviting the Members of the District Council to attend the funeral. The Chairman moved that the Clerk be instructed to write a letter conveying a vote of condolence to Mrs. Simpson and family in their sad bereavement. Mr. Millican, in seconding the motion, said he was connected in business and had lived for four years with the parents and family of the deceased, who then in his early childhood, when he (Mr. Millican) formed a strong attachment towards him which he never forgot. Mr. Pickering, Mr. J. R. Wilton, and Mr. Ward also spoke in feeling terms of the deceased gentleman. The motion was unanimously passed.

A letter was read from the medical officer of No. 2 district (Dr. Short) stating that scarlet fever was prevalent at Nenthead and Garrigill, five cases having been notified at the first and one at the latter place. He suggested that the School Board should order the schools to be closed until the fever abates. It was decided to recommend the School Board to close the school at Nenthead.

The Workhouse Master reported the number of inmates in the Workhouse as 14; vagrants relieved during the past week. 37; 4 imbeciles in the Workhouse, and 9 lunatics in the Asylum.

6th February 1897 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, Market Place, on Saturday, the 30th January 1897, aged 62 years, Deborah, the beloved wife of John Dryden. Who was interred in Alston Cemetery on the following Wednesday.

In 1881, at front Street, Alston, John Dryden, ironmonger, aged 34, his wife Deborah 43, and nephew Thomas W. Armstrong 10. In 1891, at Front Street, John Dryden, living on own means, aged 44, and his wife Deborah 56.

At Leadgate, near Alston, 1st inst., aged 82, Elizabeth Parmley.

In 1881, at Rotherhope Fell, Thomas Parmley, time keeper at lead mines, aged 37, his mother Elizabeth Parmley, lead miners widow, aged 66, and sister Isabella, dressmaker, aged 25.

In 1891, at Rotherhope Fell, Elizabeth Parmley, widow aged 75, son Thomas, storekeeper lead, aged 47, daughter Isabella, dressmaker, aged 35 and grandson James W Parmley 4. See 22nd January 1864, & 13th April 1872

At Holmes Foot, Nenthead, 1st inst., aged 29, Hannah Armstrong, of Lambley.

13th February 1897 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Allendale, Sinderhope Lodge, 22nd ult., aged 63, John Vickers Curry.

In 1881, at Low Ellershope, John Vickers Curry, farmer, aged 45, sister Ann, housekeeper, aged 56, nephew Joseph Curry, stone waller, aged 33.

In 1891, at Sinderhope Lodge, Vickers Curry, single, farmer, aged 55, nephew single, Joseph Curry, Ag. Labourer, aged 42, and general servant Annie Kennedy aged 27.

20th February 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Carrshield, West Allendale, 17th inst., suddenly aged 53, John A Heatherington.
In 1851, at Loud Side, William Heatherington, lead miner & farmer of 8 acres, aged 47, his wife Elisabeth (Armstrong, married 4th June 1836, Ninebanks) aged 40, children Mary 14, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 12, Elisabeth 11, Ann 10, William 8, John A 6, Matthew 3, and Hannah 2.
In 1861, at Loud Side, William Hetherington, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 58, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth 21, Ann 20, William, lead ore dresser, aged 18, John, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Matthew, lead ore dresser, aged 13, and Hannah 12.
In 1871, at Loud Side, John Armstrong Hetherington, lead ore miner & farmer of 9 acres, aged 26, and his wife Jane (Lattimer, married 2nd quarter of 1869) aged 25, and daughter Hannah E. 4 months.
In 1881, at Carrshield, John Hetherington, widow (Jane died the 4th quarter of 1879, aged 33), farmer of 22 acres, aged 36, children Hannah E. 10, Sarah 7, Marion 3, and general servant, Frances A. Lee, aged 26. In 1891, at Loud Side, Carrshield, John A Hetherington, widow, farmer, aged 46, daughters Sarah 17, and Marion 13.

27th February 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At Nentsbury Primitive Methodist Chapel, Thomas W Armstrong, Butts, Alston, to Isabella Armstrong, Hudgill.
In 1901, at Butts, Alston, Thomas W Armstrong, labourer at lime works, aged 30, his wife Isabella D 33, and nurse child Ernest Raimont 2.
Deaths
At Haltwhistle, 15th inst., aged 18 (by pit accident) John W. Robinson, of Clitheroe, Alston.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary Jane, (Archer, married 3rd qtr 1876, registered at Alston) aged 33, children, John W, stone breaker, aged 14, Elizabeth M 12, and Ann A 1.
In 1891, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary J, aged 33, children, John W 14, Mary L 12, Ann Alice 10, Esther 8, Amy 6, and Thomas 4.
In 1901, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary Jane, aged 44, Mary Lizzie 22, Ann Alice 21, Esther, stocking worker, aged 18, Amy 16, and Thomas 14.
In 1911, at Clitheroe, Alston, Thomas Robinson, road surface man, aged 62, his wife Mary Jane, aged 56, Amy 26, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, grandsons, John William Robinson, 8, Albert Robinson 7, and Redmus Buller Robinson 2.
Thomas Robinson died 1st quarter 1915, aged 65, registered at Alston.
At Alston, 19th inst., aged 40, Sarah A Veitch, of the Crown Hotel.
At Howburn, Alston, 23rd inst., Samuel Septimus, youngest son of Henry Walton. *Aged 33*

5th March 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr T. Richardson presided at the meeting of the Rural District Council on Saturday.

A Dangerous House. —A letter was read from Mr W. Walton, again calling attention to the dangerous state of Mr Philipson's house, and stating that if the matter was not immediately attended to he would be compelled to appeal to a higher authority. —The Clerk: This is the third complainant we have had, —Mr Millican: If any member had been in Mr Walton's place we should have had half a dozen. The window was made and the stone ready, and there is nothing to hinder the work being done. The wall had been giving way for three or four years, and had been plastered time after time. -—Mr Dawson said there was some misunderstanding about this matter. It was not Mr Philipson's fault nor the mason's. The mason had given notice to the man working in the shop to remove his goods, as he was going to do the work on the Monday following. But the man's master (Mr Proudfoot) objected to move them, as he had the shop until May and had no place to remove them to. —In reply to the Clerk, the Inspector said the owner had had notice, but not written notice. —It was agreed, on the motion of Mr Walton, seconded by Mr Millican, that a written notice be given to the owner to have the place repaired in a month.

Water Scheme. —In accordance with notice, Mr Nevin called the attention of the Council to the minutes of the 6th December last with regard to Mr Bolton's motion for the Sanitary Engineer to prepare plans and estimates for the whole scheme of the Alston, Garrigill, and Nenthead Wards, and that the extension of the Alston water main have the preference. Mr Ward said be considered it unnecessary and unjust for outside ratepayers to have to contribute to bring water into the town of Alston to run to waste. He therefore moved that the extension of the Alston water main be postponed for twelve months. —Mr Lattimer said it ought to be sufficient authority when resolutions in the minutes of previous meetings had been passed, for the work to be proceeded with. —After a long discussion, Mr Nevin's motion that the extension of the Alston main be at once proceeded with was carried by 8 to 4, and it was agreed that the Sanitary Engineer be instructed accordingly.

The Health of the District. —Dr Carson, the Medical Officer of Health, presented his annual report for the Low District. There was a total of 31 deaths, giving a death-rate of 18.13 per 1000 for the year. There were 19 deaths, or 61 per cent, from the age of 60 and upwards to 91, and 11 deaths, or nearly 36 per cent., at 70 years and above. The rate of infant mortality, measured by the number of deaths under one year, per 1000 births was 34 The zymotic death-rate, or the death-rate from the seven principal zymotic diseases, was nil. The death-rate from consumption for 1896 was 2.3 per 1000 of the population, and the death-rate from respiratory disease (excluding consumption) was the same. Twenty-nine births only were registered for the whole year or 16.9 per 1000

6th March 1897 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

THE WEARDALE MINES

A number of men employed at the Ironstone mines of the Weardale Iron Company are now off work, the notices received from the employers having terminated on Saturday last. A goodly number of miners from Weardale are

now employed at the Nenthead Spelter Mines. But for the activity of the latter the look out for the dale would be gloomy in the extreme.

Deaths

At King's Arms Lane, Alston, 2nd inst., aged 53, Joseph Smith, foreman porter at Alston Station.

12th March 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)

NENTHEAD CEMETERY

The committee having in hand the provision of a burial ground at Nenthead have come to terms with the owners of the estate known as Foulard, and 1 ½ acres of land have been set out to form the new cemetery.

20th March 1897 (Hexham Courant)

In Memoriam

In affectionate remembrance of Hannah beloved wife of Thomas H. Smith, who died at Crook Bank, Nenthead, March 21st 1896, aged 53 years.

In 1861, at Greenends, Nenthead, George Smith, lead miner, aged 60, born Hexham, his wife Mary 58, children, Mary 33, Thomas H., lead miner, aged 27, John, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 23, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, grandson, Watson Smith 6, and granddaughter, Jane Smith 2.

In 1871, at Greenends, Nenthead, Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Hannah 29, born Allendale, niece, Mary Hannah Martin 6.

In 1881, at Greenends, Nenthead, Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Hannah 38, niece, Mary Han Martin, dressmaker (appr), aged 16, and adopted son William Lee Currah aged 3.

In 1891, at Foulard, Nenthead, Thomas Smith, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Hannah 49, niece, Isla Josephine Smith 2, visitor, Mary Yeats, widow, aged 64, and visitor Herbert Rutherford, aged 4. See 21st November 1868, 28th September 1872, 16th September 1882, & 11th October 1884

27th March 1897 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

THE LEAD MINES

The working of the Nenthead lead mines continues to be carried on with great vigour, and there is a most promising outlook. Almost every week additional men from the Wear and Allen are being employed. Those mines on the Allendale side, which have been leased by the Nenthead Company, are also giving promise of good results. So many men have started work in the district during the last few months that it is difficult for those engaged to secure lodgings, and houses are not obtainable. Many houses are now tenanted that have not been occupied for years, while others that were in a dilapidated condition are being repaired and fitted up for habitation. Part of the old smelt mill is being fitted up for lodgings, and it is expected that forty or fifty will be housed there.

2nd April 1897 (Newcastle Chronicle)

Deaths

At Stanington House, Heaton, April 1st at her son-in-law's, in her 84th year, Frances, widow of late Samuel Teasdale, of Nenthead.

See 30th November 1844, & 10th April 1875

10th April 1897 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope 26th ult. aged 39, Ralph Proud of Stanhope House.
In 1871, at Castleside, John Proud, grocer, aged 60, his wife Elizabeth 51, children Jane 23, John, lead ore smelter, aged 20, Joseph, lead ore smelter, aged 16, Ralph 13, Elizabeth 11, Thomas 9, and visitor Phebe Moffet aged 16. In 1881 at Stanhope House, Stanhope, Robert Walton, lead merchant, aged 4, his wife Jane aged 33, sister in law Elizabeth Proud 21, brothers in law Ralph Proud, smelter, aged 23, John Wm. Proud 9, and servant Jane Elliott 23. In 1891 at Healeyfield, Castleside, Elizabeth Proud, widow, aged 71, sons John, lead smelter, aged 40, Ralph, lead smelter, aged 33, and daughter in law Jane Walton, married aged 43.
See 26th January 1895, & 11th September 1897
Middleton in Teesdale, 31st ult. aged 71 John Walton.
In 1871, at California Row, Middleton, John Walton, lead ore smelter, aged 45, his wife Mary 33, children William 11, Frances 9, Mary Walton 7, and Jon Stephenson 5. In 1881, at California Row, John Walton, lead ore smelter, aged 65, his wife Mary 53, daughter Pollie, milliner, aged 27, son John S, quarryman, aged 25, and sister Annie Walton aged 67. In 1901, at California Row, Mary Walton, widow, aged 64, daughter Mary, milliner, aged 36, son John, Whin stone quarryman, aged 34, sister in law Ann Walton, imbecile, aged 75, and grandson William Bell 14.

17th April 1897 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Kate's Lane Alston, 9th inst., aged 60, Walton Millican, lead miner.
In 1841, at Bridge End, Garrigill, Joseph Millican, tailor, aged 35, his wife Maria (Gill, married 12th May 1827, Alston) aged 45, children Mary 13, Phebe 11, Hannah 8, and Walton 4.
In 1851, at Gate Head, Joseph Millican, tailor, aged 45, son in law Thomas Gill, lead miner, aged 34, daughter Mary 22, and son Walton, lead miner, aged 14.
In 1861, at Redwing, Walton Millican, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Jane (Bramwell, married 10th May 1860) aged 20, and daughter Maria 1 month.
In 1871, at Dryburn, Walton Millican, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Jane 30, daughter Maria 10, and boarder John Lee 5. In 1881, at High Skydes, Walton Millican, lead miner, aged 43, and his wife Jane 42. In 1891, at Kate's Lane, Walton Millican, lead miner, aged 53, and his wife Jane 52.
Jane Millican died 4th quarter 1898, aged 59.
Loaning, 11th inst., aged 63, Thomas Kirsopp.
In 1881, at Loaning, Thomas Kirsop, coal miner, and farmer of 41 acres, aged 46, nephew Alfred Kirsop 11, and domestic servant Elizabeth Place 20.
In 1891, at Loaning Head, Thomas Kirsop, single, farmer, aged 56, and domestic servant Elizabeth Place aged 29.
See 24th June 1871, 11th September 1880, and 24th April 1886.

24th April 1897 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Middleton in Teesdale, 17th inst. Martha wife of the late Wm. Lee, Mine Agent, aged 71. *See 31st January 1893*

8th May 1897 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Garrigill Gate, 5th inst. aged 72 Martha widow of Thomas Robinson, lead miner.
See 3rd January 1880
Church Croft Terrace, 5th inst. aged 83, Bridget, widow of John Millican formerly of Nenthead.
See 24th August 1878.

15th May 1897 (Hexham Courant)
DISASTER AT A LEAD MINE
… news of a terrible accident at the Snaefell Lead Mine, situate at the foot of Snaefell mountain has been received there (Douglas Isle of Man). It appears that 22 men descended the shaft on Monday morning and were overpowered by the effects of Black Damp. Four of them were got out alive. Relief gangs were soon busy at work endeavouring to reach the other men but there is little hope that they will be brought out alive. … Search parties assisted by Mr Williams the Government Inspector on Tuesday discovered and brought to the surface 19 bodies. No more now remain in the mine.

NENTHEAD
LEAD MINING
During the last few months a large amount of Spelter ore has been accumulated on account of the company not sending any of the material away. As it goes abroad to be smelted, the exporting is suspended during the winter months, and the stocks in hand are thus very large. An enormous amount of material is also in hand to put through the mills. With the extra hands employed the output is considerably increased, and although the mills are kept going night and day, they can hardly keep pace with the dressing of the mineral. When the new scheme is put into working order, it is expected that the present mills, with the additions that are being erected, will make a considerable difference. The traction engines were again put on the roads last week, and the carts have been employed to cart the Spelter to the station, so that large quantities of "black jack" are now being daily sent away. The roads have been receiving considerable attention during the cessation of traffic, a large quantity of metal having been put on.
Deaths
At White Hall, Nenthead, 8th inst. aged 49, Ridley Graham, lead miner.
See 30th December 1882
At Garrigill, 8th inst. aged 68, John Holmes, lead miner.
In 1861, at Dodberry, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Sarah 34, children Jane 6, and Thomas 3. In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 42, and his wife Sarah 44. In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 51, and his wife Sarah 53. In 1891, at Garrigill, John Holmes, lead miner, aged 62, and his wife Sarah 65. In 1901, at Nest View, Garrigill, Sarah Holmes, widow, aged 75. Sarah Holmes died 2nd quarter 1904, aged 76, registered at Alston. See 18th December 1841
At Foulard, Nenthead, 10th inst. aged 59, Dinah, wife of Jonathan Shield.
In 1891, at Foulard, Jonathan Shield, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Dinah 53, sons Thomas Roddam, lead miner, aged 21, and Joseph William, lead ore washer, aged 13. See 22nd October 1881.

15th May 1897 ((Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

At a meeting held on Saturday, the Clerk reported the death of the Workhouse Master, Mr. Dalton. They were all aware of the attention that Mr. Dalton paid to his duties, and the interest be took in the inmates, both old and young. The Chairman said that the Guardians had lost a good officer, and if they were not able to retain the matron (Mrs. Dalton), the loss would be serious. He moved that a vote of condolence and sympathy be sent to Mrs. Dalton. Mr. Pickerington seconded, and Mr. Millican, in supporting the resolution, said Mr. Dalton was a model master. The motion was unanimously carried.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE.

The Clerk read a communication from the Local Government Board in which the guardians were informed that they could make modifications in the workhouse as to diet, &c., and relax to a certain degree the discipline for the Jubilee Day as they thought fit.

Mr. Pickering moved, and Mr. Millican seconded that the food for the day be on an improved scale, as the matron thought fit.

The Clerk said that in some places extra allowances were being made to the out-door poor. Mr. Dawson moved that 1s. extra be allowed for adults and 6d. for children for resident out-door poor, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board. This was carried.

PARISH COUNCIL.

A letter was read from tho County Council recommending that the Council join with the other Councils in sending an address of congratulation on Her Majesty's 60 years' reign and asking the Council to authorise the Chairman of the Council to sign such an address. Agreed.

Sanction was given to the Committee for the now cemetery at Nenthead to borrow £430 repayable over 30 years. This was required to enable them to get on with the contracts.

29th May 1897 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Wheeling, West Virginia, USA, May 1st 1897, in his 85th year, William Craig, native of Alston.

John Craig, married Isabella Watson, daughter of William Watson, 10th July 1806, at St Augustine's, Alston.

Children of John and Isabella Craig:

1. William baptised 20th August 1806, 1st son of John Craig of Crossgill, miner, by his wife Isabella daughter of William Watson, at St John's, Garrigill, Died?

2. John baptised 9th August 1807, 2nd son of John Craig of Leehouse, miner, by his wife Isabella daughter of William Watson, at St John's, Garrigill

3. + 4. Elizabeth and Isabella born 1st November 1809, 1st and 2nd daughters of John Craig, Pryhead, miner by his wife Isabella daughter of William Watson, at St John's, Garrigill. Isabella 2nd daughter of John and Isabella Craig, was buried at Garrigill, 10th July 1811, aged 2 years.

5. William Craig, born 7th August 1812, was baptised at St John, Garrigill 27th September 1812, 3rd son of John Craig of Tynehead, miner, by his wife Isabella daughter of William Watson.

Mount Zion Cemetery, Wheeling
Source: Findagrave.com added by Mark Browning

Possible children:
Thomas born 5th April 1815, baptised 9th July 1815, at Redwing Chapel, Alston
Isabella baptised 2nd September 1817, at St John's, Garrigill.
William Craig married Mary Stobbs, at Wark on Tyne, 22nd February 1840.

In 1841, at Gaystead, Northumberland Mary Craig, 25, and daughter, Isabella aged 1, William is Craig, Pitman, aged 30, is at Corbridge, Northumberland.
William Craig, born 7th August 1812, was Naturalised, at West Virginia 8th May 1854, arrival year 1849.
Civil war records show Private William Craig of Wheeling, West Virginia, enlisted 2nd October 1861 and was discharged 10th June 1864, having served 3 years 8 months 8 days.
Mary Hannah Craig born 14th August 1851
Mary Hannah Craig, daughter of William and Mary Craig, aged 18, married Jacob Zimmer, 8th April 1869, at Wheeling, Ohio, WV. Mary Hannah died 5th April 1908.

In 1870, at Ritchie Township, Wheeling South, Ohio, West Virginia, William Craig, coal miner, aged 57, his wife Mary 57, sons Henry (Groundstone), ____ __ Mill, aged 20, Charles 13, and Ellen Knight 6
In 1880 at Wheeling, Ohio, West Virginia, William Craig, coal miner, aged 67, his wife Mary aged 67 (suffering from Pleurisy), sons John, puddler, aged 33, and Charles, mould maker, aged 22.
Mary Craig died 27th March 1882, at Wheeling aged 70.
In 1880, at Wheeling, Ohio, West Virginia, Henry Craig, puddler, aged 31, born England, his wife Louisa, aged 36,. children, Margaret 8, William 4, Henry 9 months, and cousin Ella Heneche aged 25
Charles Freemont Craig, died 22nd October 1938, aged 81 years 2 months 9 days, retired Mould Maker, wife Sarah Dornan (married 12th May 1887 at Wheeling), father William Craig, mother Mary Stobbs.
Henry G Craig died 3rd March 1926, at Wheeling, aged 76 years 8 months 18 days, born 15th June 1849, (birth registered at Newcastle upon Tyne 2nd

quarter 1849) England, widower, retired puddler, parents William Craig and Mary Stobbs.

9th June 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Stanhope, 27th ult. aged 48, Joseph Gowland.
In 1891, at East Lane Foot, Joseph Gowland, plate layer, aged 42, his wife Margaret 37, sons Thomas, grocers assistant, 18, Joseph 13, and William E. aged 9.
At Wearhead, Weardale, 29th ult. aged 73, James Sparke.
In 1881, at Wearhead, James Sparke, draper & grocer, aged 55, sister Hannah Pearson, married aged 40, brother in law Francis Pearson, shopman, aged 40.
In 1891, at Wearhead, James Sparke, living on own means, aged 65, sister Hannah Pearson, married aged 50, brother in law Frank Pearson, grocer & draper, aged 50.
Probate 1897: James Sparke of Wearhead Stanhope county Durham Gentleman died 29th May 1897 Probate Durham 1 December to John Sparke and William Henry Sparke farmers and James Sparke merchant. Effects £1978 14s.

18th June 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)
NENTHEAD
The Mining Company will entertain their workmen and other residents, to the number of about 1400, to a knife and fork tea on Jubilee Day. Sports will follow, and a ball in the school will wind up the rejoicings.
ALSTON
Alston is to be very gay on Jubilee day. The revels will be opened at two by a procession marshalled in the following order: —The committee, clergymen and ministers of all denominations, the magistrates, the District Council and officials, Rifle Volunteer Band, the Volunteers, the Swan Benefit Club, the football club, and Mechanics Friendly Society, cyclists and the Sunday School children. The children and old folks will be entertained to tea in the Town Hall at three, and afterwards there are to be sports both for children and adults. A bonfire will at ten o'clock be lighted on Park Side, an elevation about 1400 feet above sea level, and half an hour later the celebrations will conclude with a display of fireworks.

25th June 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)
NENTHEAD
The Jubilee was celebrated at Nenthead on Tuesday with great rejoicing. There was a procession of about 1000 persons through the village to Holmes Foot and back by Overwater. Through the generosity of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company a substantial knife and fork tea was provided in the Board School for the scholars attending the Sunday and day schools, the employees, their wives and families, and other invited guests. The large staff of carvers and waiters were taxed to the utmost in attending to the wants of upwards of 1500 people. Sports were held in a field at the Hill Top for valuable prizes, which were subsequently distributed by Mrs Fernau. At dusk a huge bonfire was lighted on Rake Top, and a brilliant display of fireworks took place, after which a dance

was held in the Board School to the music of the brass band. No expense was spared by the company or effort on the part of the Chairman (Mr Fernau), the secretary (Mr T. Lattimer), and a large energetic committee to make the day an entire success and most enjoyable to all. The day and Sunday scholars were presented with Jubilee medals.

26th June 1897 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The death is announced of **Mr John Joseph Millican** mining engineer, which took place *(22nd inst)* at his residence, The Grove at Middleton Teesdale. The deceased gentleman who was chief agent to the London Lead Company was the only son of the late Tinniswood Millican of Nenthead *(aged 59)*
See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, & 12th March 1898.

3rd July 1897 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

News has reached Weardale of the death of a Stanhope man in Australia, **Simon Elliott** (64) who went out during the rush to the gold mines.

Deaths

Yerville, West Australia, March 22nd suddenly aged 64, Simon Elliott, mine manager. Late of Clunes and Crewick, and formerly of Stanhope, husband to Catherine Elliott, Talbot Street and father of Mrs W. Staff, Eureka Street.

Coolgardie Miner 24th March 1897
DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT.

Yerilla March 23

One of our most popular residents departed this life on Monday in the person of Mr. Simon Elliott, underground boss of the Yerilla claim, at the age of 64. Mr. Elliott was a well known figure on the Ballarat goldfield forty years ago. This is the first death that has taken placeat Yerilla. Everybody attended the funeral, and Mr. St. Ansell lead the Masonic burial service, during which Mr. Elliott's friends were deeply moved. He leaves a large family in Ballarat and two sons in Yerilla. He died from natural causes.

Western Argus 15th May 1917
FUNERALS

THE LATE CATHERINE ELLIOTT.

The death of Mrs, Catherine Elliott, relict of the late Simon Elliott, late of Clunes, Ballarat, and latterly of Trafalgar, took place at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Cassidy, after a short illness. on April 24. The remains were interred in the Church of England portion of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery on April 25, the burial service being conducted by the Rev. F. J. Boxal in the presence of many relatives and friends. Wreaths were sent by the following:-Mrs. Baston, Mrs. Nicholls, Mrs. Softley, Mrs. Downey, Mrs. Steadman, Mrs. Lawlers, Mr. and Mrs. Park Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. Beckerleg, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Reynolds, and one from each of the family. The deceased leaves six daughters and two sons to mourn their loss.

Simon Elliot baptised 10th November 1833, at Stanhope, son of John and Alice (Smith, married 3rd June 1819, at Lanchester, Durham) Elliott.
In 1851, at Stanhope, John Elliott, lead ore smelter, aged 50, born Shotley, his wife Alice aged 54, born, Chester le Street, children, Simon, lead miner, aged 17, and Margaret 12.
John Elliott died 4th qtr 1859.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Alice Elliott, widow, aged 64, and daughter, Margaret J, dress maker, aged 23.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Alice Elliott, widow, aged 74.
Simon Elliott married Catherine Bell in 1875
In 1881, at Stone House, Stanhope, Thomas Gardiner, ironstone miner, aged 43, his wife Margaret J aged 43, children, Elizabeth 11, John Ralph 6, and mother in law, Alice Elliott, lead refiners widow, aged 84.
Alice Elliott died 1st qtr 1891, aged 94.

10th July 1897 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE
CARRSHIELD

These mines were opened last Monday week after having now been closed for many years by the company working at Nenthead. At present only a few miners are employed opening out the old workings, but before long it is anticipated that many men will be engaged in work.

10th July 1897 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD.—Mr. Joseph Thompson, mining agent, of Nenthead, died on Wednesday morning at the age 57. Mr. Thompson who was well known in northern mining circles, was one of the agents of the London Lead Company until they disposed of the mines to the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc company. He continued to serve that company in the same capacity during the time they were interested in that place, and when the Vielle Montaigne Zinc Company came into possession eighteen months ago, he was installed as one of the officials, and remained with them with them until his death.
See 24th January 1891

17th July 1897 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel, 14th inst., John Stephenson, Dykeheads, Nenthead to Elizabeth Jane (Lily) Haldon.
In 1901, at Blue Row, Carrshield, John Stephenson, lead mines timekeeper, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth 23, daughters Mary Louis 2, and Elizabeth 1.
At the Parish Church, Alston, 15th inst. Thomas W. Smith, 3rd son of the late John Smith, Bleagate to Annie Mary only daughter of John Elliott, of Silly Hole, Alston.
In 1901, at Flatt, Garrigill, Thomas W Smith, farmer, aged 30, his wife Annie M 30, children John E 1, and Emily E 16.

24th July 1897 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON & DISTRICT NEWS.

SCHOOL INSPECTORS REPORTS.—The following are the Inspector's reports for Tynehead and Nenthead Board Schools and Alston (High)

Undenominational.—*Alston*: "The instruction is thorough and the discipline highly satisfactory."
Nenthead: "Though the school has been closed for eleven weeks during the latter part of the year, the children are well advanced both in elementary and class subjects. The teachers labour under such serious disadvantages that no time should be lost in dividing the room into two, or even three divisions, by means of sliding partitions."
Infant Class: "The teacher has a pleasant manner, and portions of the work are fairly effective. Object lessons should be better illustrated, and care taken that the younger children are constantly and suitably employed. The insufficient desk accommodation demands immediate attention. H. J. Lattimer has obtained a first class in the Queen's Scholarship Examination."
Tynehead: "The master continues to manage this little school fairly well, but two or three points require attention. The girls must receive instruction in needlework. Recitation must be committed to memory before the end of the year, and the attendance should be summarised up to date. Unless proper provision is made for the instruction of girls in needlework, Mr. Lords will be unable to recognise the school as satisfying the conditions of annuity grant (article 85b of Code). H. M. Inspector reports that provision is not made in the first, second, and third standards of the school for object lessons (article 85b of the Code). The grant is paid this year under Article 92. I am to warn the Board that it may be withheld another year unless the required provision is made. The Inspector also reports that provision is not made throughout the school for instruction in Swedish or other drill or suitable physical exercises (article 101 i). The higher grant for discipline and organisation is paid this year under Article 92. I am directed to warn the Board that it will not be paid another year unless the required provision is made.

31st July 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel Nentsbury, 24th inst., John Hetherington of Alston to Ruth Ann Percival, of Nenthead.
In 1901, at Chapel Terrace, Alston, John Hetherington, road surfaceman, aged 44, his wife Ruth A 33, children Margaret 1, and Elizabeth 1 month.

7th August 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Whitehall, Nenthead, 30th inst. aged 17, Martha Elizabeth, daughter of Hugh Doyle.
In 1891, at Whitehall, Hugh Doyle, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Adah 50, children Margaret 22, Hugh, lead miner, aged 18, Mary Ann 13, and Martha Elizabeth 11.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Hugh Doyle, retired lead miner, aged 63, his wife Adah 60, son Hugh, lead miner, aged 28, granddaughter Adah M Graham 7, son in law John R Armstrong, lead miner, aged 29, daughter Margaret Armstrong 32, grandson Robert E Armstrong 5, and boarder Edward Henderson, shepherd, aged 74. See 13th May 1876,14th July 1888, & 12th June 1909
Church Lane 2nd inst, aged 72, George Erwin.

Alston Transcripts, give George Erwin married Elizabeth Hewetson 2nd February 1815, at St Augustine's, Non Conformist records give the name of his wife as Isabella Hewitson.
In 1841, at Smelt Mill, Nenthead, George Irwin, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Isabella, children, John, lead miner, aged 25, Catherine 15, George 15, Joseph 10, Isabella 10, Anthony 8, Rachel 5, Betsy 3, and Hannah 3 months.
In 1851, at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 58, his wife Isabella 53, children George, lead ore smelter, aged 26, Joseph, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 24, Anthony, lead miner, aged 18, Rachel 15, Betsy 13, and Hannah 10.
Isabella Erwin of Burn Bottom was buried at Nenthead, 11th July 1855, aged 59. George Erwin of Burn Bottom, was buried at Nenthead, 14th January 1857, aged 65.
In 1861, at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 36, and sister Elizabeth 23. In 1871, at Burn Bottom, George Erwine, lead ore smelter, aged 46, sister Hannah 30, and niece Elizabeth Erwine 1 year.
In 1881, at Low Dyke Heads, George Erwin, unmarried, lead ore smelter, aged 56.
In 1891, at Church Lane, Nenthead, Thomas Wilkinson, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Hannah (Erwin, married 11th February 1872, at Nenthead) aged 50, children Catherine 16, George 12, Matthew 8, granddaughter Hannah Jane Erwin 10 months, and lodger George Erwin, retired lead miner, aged 66.
See 24th February 1872

14th August 1897 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
SUDDEN DEATH

We regret having to record the death of Mr John Joseph Walton, son of Mr Joseph Walton, mining agent, White House, Alston, which took place on Tuesday afternoon after a brief illness. ... For some years he had acted as librarian and financial secretary for the Mechanics Institute, ... Deceased was 38 years of age.

Deaths

Alston, White House, 10th inst. suddenly aged 38, John Joseph only son of Joseph Walton, mining agent.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Walton, widower, mining engineer, aged 59, daughter Mary 34, son John J. no occupation, aged 32, Alice M. E. 23, and boarder Frank Jones, Wesleyan minister, aged 27.
See 30th March 1889, 25th May 1889, & 11th May 1907.

14th August 1897 (Leeds Times)

DEATH OF SIR ISAAC HOLDEN
THE G.O.M. OF YORKSHIRE.

Sir Isaac Holden died rather suddenly at his residence, at 1-15 yesterday morning, from pulmonary asthma, which caused his family much anxiety a few weeks ago. The recent illness of Sir Isaac will be in the minds of readers. Sir Isaacs recovery from that illness seemed complete, for he has since taken exercise almost daily, and as late as Thursday he walked in the grounds with

his elder son— now Sir Angus Holden—and afterwards went in this carriage to the borders of Lancashire Moor. He was in his 91st year.

Sir Isaac was born in humble circumstances, and by the exercise of great industry and splendid mechanical genius, built up a great fortune as the inventor of woolcombing machines, and as a wool- comber. He entered Parliament through the Knaresborough constituency in 1865, but in. 1868 he had to compulsorily retire owing to the new Reform Bill. He tried several other divisions subsequently, and the fourth time, in 1882, saw him returned as one of the old North-West Riding representatives. In 1885 Mr. Holden was elected for the Keighley Division, which he continued to represent until 1895. Before retiring from Parliamentary duties he was created a baronet, and only last month he was one of four gentlemen invested with the honorary freedom of the borough of Keighley. All religious and philanthropic institutions and movements in Keighley and district partook of his benevolence. He is succeeded in the title by Mr. Angus Holden, Liberal Member for the Buckrose Division of Yorkshire.

Sir Isaac Holden has shown himself to be a man of remarkable adaptability and industry. He was the son of Isaac Holden, who kept a small farm and worked a lead mine at Nenthead, near Alston, in Cumberland. In 1801 the lead mine was exhausted, and then Mr. Holden removed to Scotland, and Sir Isaac was born in 1807 at Hurlet, a small village adjoining Nitshill, between Paisley and Glasgow.

The Holden’s were poor people, and the lad, seeing what was going on around him, felt that his father could not afford to keep him at school, so, young as he was, he looked round for employment, and engaged himself as “drawing boy” to two weavers. When the family removed to Johnstone, Isaac went to work at a cotton mill.

Later Isaac Holden was in a position to quit the factory and return to school. When he was 15 his father apprenticed him to a shawl weaver, but the work was past his strength and he relinquished it at the end of two years, returned to his studies and became a school teacher under Mr. John Kennedy, a noted mathematician and lecturer on physics, chemistry, and history to various Paisley and Glasgow institutions. In 1826 his father died, and Isaac Holden found his mother and younger brother dependent upon him. He remained with Mr. Kennedy until he was 21, when he made his first venture into the world, and engaged himself as mathematical teacher to the Queen’s-square Academy in Leeds, the principal of which was Mr. James Sigsten

He returned to Scotland in 1830, and in that year Mr. William Townend, a member of the firm of Townend Bros., of Cullingworth, near Bingley visited Glasgow, and engaged Mr Holden as bookkeeper. This was the turning point in his career. He gave himself up to business, and during the 16 years he was in Messrs. Townend's service, he was steadily preparing himself for the particular work, which he afterwards adopted as the chief object of his life machine woolcombing. In about a year it was found that Mr. Holden’s proper sphere was in the mill, and in 1833 he persuaded the firm to try Collier's woolcombing machines. They brought loss and trouble, and in 1836 Mr. Holden was given charge of them, and he succeeded in applying improvements, which enabled them, to be worked to advantage. As Messrs. Townend were disinclined to spend money on experiments, Mr. Holden joined Mr. Lister, of Bradford, in 1846. He improved Mr. Lister's machine, which was taken to France, in the hope of it having a better chance than in England. There was much opposition to the

machine, but Messrs. Lister and Holden established a successful woolcombing business in France, while in 1850 Mr. Holden introduced the square- motion machine, which afterwards became the best in the trade. In 1858 Mr. Lister retired from the French concerns, and Mr. Holden buying his interest the firm of Isaac Holden and Sons was established. The St. Denis works were relinquished in 1860 and works for a time started in Bradford. £20,000 was spent in experiments and the works were relinquished. Sir Isaac's patents involved him in his early days in much litigation, and he crossed the English Channel five nights in a week, alternately attending the courts in France and doing business in England. Of the many lawsuits he had in France he never lost but one.

Isaac Holden married Mary Forest 11th May 1790, at St Augustine's, Alston, witness Jonathan Holden.

Children:

Isaac born 7th May 1807, Hurlet, Paisley, Glasgow, Died: August 13, 1897,

Isaac Holden married Marion Love (daughter of Angus Love) 6th April 1832.

Children of Isaac and Marion Holden:

Angus born 16th March 1833

Edward born 14th January 1835

Mary born 26th November 1838

Margaret born 2nd July 1842.

Marion Holden died 4th April 1847, aged 36.

Source: Find a Grave
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Marion Holden died 4th April 1847, aged 36.
Isaac Holden married Sarah Sugden (daughter of John Sugden) 5th April 1850.
Sarah Holden died 3rd May 1890.
Isaac Holden died 13th August 1897, aged 90, he was buried at Undercliffe Cemetery, Bradford

20th August 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)
Alston District Council
A letter was read relative to the Nenthead Cemetery. The committee appointed has entered into contracts for the required work.

21st August 1897 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Barney Craig Cottages, West Allendale, 14th inst. aged 71, Jane widow of Thomas Whitfield, Dykenook.
In 1871, at Thomas Whitfield, cartman, aged 49, his wife Jane 45, children William, wagon driver at lead mines, aged 19, Annie, home assistant, aged 18 Joe, lead ore dresser, aged 15.
(In 1881, at Low Craig, Alston, Jane Whitfield, widow, farmer of 150 acres, aged 55, and son William, farmers son, aged 28.?)
In 1891, at Blue Row, Carrshield, Jane Whitfield, widow, aged 65, son William, farmer, aged 39, and grandson Thomas W Whitfield 7 years. In 1901, at Blue Row, William Whitfield, single, farmer, aged 50.
At Middleside, West Allen, 10th inst. aged 56, Thomas beloved husband of Margaret Wailes.
In 1861, at Holme Foot, Caleb Cousin, lead miner, aged 51, his wife Mary 49, son John D. 7, step son Joseph Wailes, lead miner, aged 22 and step son Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 19.
Thomas Wailes married Margaret Graham, 2nd quarter 1867, registered at Alston.
In 1871, at Dyke Heads, Alston, Thomas Wailes, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Margret 27, and son Joseph Stephenson 2.
In 1881, at Middle, Ninebanks, Thomas Wailes, farmer of 33 acres, aged 39, his wife Margaret 37, son Joseph Stephenson 12, and daughter Sarah 8.
In 1891, at The Middle, Ninebanks, Thomas Wailes, farmer, aged 49, his wife Margaret 47, and daughter Sarah, domestic servant, aged 18.
Probate 1911, Thomas Wailes of The Middle, West Allendale, Northumberland, farmer who dieds 10th August 1897, Administration, Newcastle upon Tyne 12th August to Joseph Stephenson Wailes farmer. Effects £201 3s 1d.
Probate 1922, Margaret Wailes of The Middle, West Allendale, Northumberland, widow died 24th November 1921 Administration Newcastle

upon Tyne 6th July to Joseph Stephenson Wailes farmer. Effects £451 13s 11d. See 14th January 1843, 1st June 1866, and 14th October 1871.

28th August 1897 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A rich vein of lead ore is reported to have been struck this week in Rookhope, one of the Weardale Lead Company mines.

4th September 1897 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

London, Tynedale, St John's Road, Putney Hill, the residence of his son, 29th ult. aged 75, Thomas John Bewick, late of Haydon Bridge.

Probate records give: — Bewick Thomas John of 12 Iddlesleigh Mansions, Westminster Middlesex, and of Broad Street House, Old Broad Street, London, died 29th August 1897, at "Tynedale" St John's Road, Putney Hill, Surrey, Probate London 9th October to Thomas Burrell Bewick, civil and mining engineer. Effects £17043 5s 9d.

Thomas Burrell Bewick married Margaret Theresa McKenzie, 2nd quarter of 1891, registered at St Giles, London.
In 1901, at Queens Square, Bath, Thomas B. Bewick, civil & mining engineer, aged 44, his wife Margaret T. aged 34.
Thomas Burrell Bewick, died 5th February 1907, aged 50.
Probate records give Bewick Thomas Burrell of "Tynedale" St John's Road, Putney Hill, Surrey died 4th February 1907, Probate London, 3rd April to Margaret Teresa Bewick, widow, and William Henry Phillips and William Stanley Tucker gentlemen. Effects £28671 2s. In 1911, Margaret Teresa Bewick, widow, aged 45, born Dublin, Ireland, was living at 39 St John's Road, Putney.
See 13th November 1863, and 15th March 1865.

11th September 1897 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A handsome stained glass window in memory of the late Mr Robert Walton of Stanhope House (owner of the Castleside Smelt Mills), a well known local philanthropist, has been unveiled in Stanhope Wesleyan chapel.
See 26th January 1895

21st September 1897 (Carlisle Journal)

NENTHEAD

This old-established show took place at Nenthead on Saturday. The weather being beautifully fine, there a large attendance. The entries were in advance of previous years, and considering the confined area, the exhibits were very satisfactory, especially short-horn cattle and blackfaced sheep. There was also a grand display of ponies in the open class. Mr. J. L. Forster. West Allendale, being an easy first. Prizes were offered for trotting, which secured a good entry. The Nenthead Brass Band enlivened the proceedings with popular airs. …

25th September 1897 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, Obadiah Martindale, Stanhope to Miss Gardner, Frosterley.
Thomas Martindale, married Jane Sprute14th March 1816, at Stanhope.
Thomas Martindale died?
In 1841, at Daddry Shield, Stanhope, Jane Martindale, widow, aged 50, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Joseph, lead miner, aged 20, Obadiah, lead miner, aged 15, and Jane 12.
In 1851, at Daddry Shield, Stanhope, Jane Martindale, widow, children, Obadiah, lead miner, aged 25, and Jane 22.
In 1861, Jane Martindale, widow, aged 74, born, Allendale, boarder, Thomas Bloodworth, widower, labourer, aged 32, born Rutlandshire Oakham, and boarder, John Bloodworth, 5.
Jane Martindale, died 24th April, 1864, at Stanhope.
Obadiah Martindale married Hannah Nattrass, 23rd June 1853, at Stanhope.
in 1861, at Windy Side, St John's, Stanhope, Obadiah Martindale, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah aged 29, children, Ann 6, Jane 5, Thomas 3, and Hannah 1.
Hannah Martindale died 2nd qtr 1861, or 4th qtr 1861.
Obadiah Martindale married Sarah Jackson, 4th quarter 1864, registered at Stanhope
In 1871, at Windy Side, St John's, Stanhope, Obadiah Martindale, lead miner, and farmer, aged 45, his wife Sarah aged 25, children, Ann, dairymaid, aged 16, Thomas, labourer, aged 13, Mary J 6, Joseph J 4, Obadiah 2, William 6 months, and nephew, John Bloodworth, Iron stone, labourer, aged 15.
Obadiah Martindale died 3rd quarter 1880, aged 55.
In 1881, at Windy Side, St John's, Stanhope, Sarah Martindale, widow, aged 38, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 23, Mary Jane 16, Joseph J, lead ore dresser, aged 14, Obadiah 12, William 10, John F(Featherstone) 8, Whitfield 6, Isaac 5, and George 7 months.
In 1891, at Thimbleby Hill, Weardale, Stanhope, Sarah Martindale, widow, farmer, aged 46, children, Joseph, limestone quarryman, aged 14, Obadiah, limestone quarryman, aged 22, William, limestone quarryman, aged 20, John F, limestone quarryman, aged 18, Whitfield, limestone quarryman, aged 16, Isaac, farmers son, aged 15, and George 10.
In 1901, at Thimbleby Hill, Weardale, Stanhope, Sarah Martindale, widow, farmer, aged 55, children, Whitfield, limestone quarryman, aged 26, Isaac, limestone quarryman, aged 24, George Henry, limestone quarryman, aged 20, and grandson, Wilfred Martindale, limestone quarryman, aged 17.
In 1911, at Thimbleby Hill, Weardale, Stanhope, Sarah Martindale, widow, farmer, aged 65, children, Isaac, limestone quarryman, aged 35, George Henry, limestone quarryman, aged 30, and grandson, Wilfred Martindale, , limestone quarryman, aged 27.
Sarah Martindale died 1st quarter 1927, aged 81, at Weardale.

In 1901, at High Bishopley, Frosterley, Obadiah Martindale,quarryman limestone, aged 32, his wife Margaret Ann, 27, daughter, Mary Jane 6 months.
In 1911, at High Bishopley, Frosterley, Obadiah Martindale, limestone quarryman, aged 42, his wife Margaret Ann, 37, children, Mary Jane 10, Farman Wilfred Gardner 6, Francis Annie 3, and Florence May 3 months.

Deaths
Stanwix, 20th inst. Mary Eldest daughter of the late Jacob Walton of Greenends, Alston. *See 8th January 1881.*

8th October 1897 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

AT THE HEAD OF FOUR RIVERS. —1

AN ANCIENT LEAD MINING CENTRE.

A NEW ERA OF PROSPERITY FOR NENTHEAD.

(BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

In the wild Pennine Hills in the east of the county of Cumberland, in the west of the county of Durham. and in the south-west of the county of Northumberland, where in a small area the South Tyne, the Wear, the Allen, and the Tees have their sources, the scenery is not wanting in great natural grandeur, while in many a favoured spot it is both picturesque and romantic. The region of Alston Moor and its vicinity was formerly, in point of its mineral wealth, one of the richest tracts of country in Great Britain, or perhaps in the world. Lead, zinc, copper, silver, iron, coal, barytes, and alabaster, as well as good stone for building purposes, are found. Were it not for those treasures of the mine, the wild hills and narrow dales, lonely and dreary as some of them still are—though that is to many townsmen (who seek health and reinvigoration in quiet rest among the bracing breezes of their elevated moorlands) their chief charm—would have been the very embodiment of solitude and waste land. It is true that rough farming to as great an extent as the poor nature of the moorland soil permits is now, as it has from time immemorial been, carried on, and the hillsides are dotted with as many neat and clear, stone-built, white-washed farmsteads as there are hard-working families who gain support from the breeding and rearing of sheep and cattle and from dairying and poultry-keeping. The trout in the burns and rivers, and the grouse and other game on the moors and in the woodlands of the valleys have always attracted sportsmen to the district, while the pure air, wild flowers, heather, brambles, and cloudberries form irresistible attractions to townsfolk in search of a healthy resort to which to take their youthful families for the holidays. Hence, to many a Tyneside child, and adult as well for that matter, the mention of Alston recalls memories of sunny, happy days, inspiriting breezes, tanned complexions, and large appetites.

THE LEAD MINES AND MINERS OF ALSTON MOOR.

Those who have sojourned even a short time in the district cannot have avoided noticing how large a proportion of the population is devoted to lead mining, and how distinct a character the lead miners possess a combination of all the best qualities of the miner—civility, industry, and intelligence—with the excellent traits of the dalesmen of the fell country of Cumberland, Durham, and Northumberland—moral and religious cultivation, and simple, rugged, and transparent bounty and integrity. The steadiness and plain solidity almost, amounting to stolidity, of the miners' character are seen in their homes, which are models of cleanliness and order, furnished with simple and substantial comforts, and manifesting every appearance of frugal and lowly prosperity. In the popular mind, Alston, as the market town of the district, is looked on at the

Metropolis of South Tynedale, but, so far as the mining is concerned Nenthead must now be taken as the centre. Nenthead as a village is of recent origin, ancient maps and records containing no record of it, for it sprang into being so recently as the middle or last part of last century. But lead-mining has been carried on around Nenthead on and under Alston Moor for many centuries. Some consider that it is probable that the Romans worked the hill-sides for lead, though it is disputed whether the Alston mines were known to the Romans, whose Maiden Way, however traversed part of the district. But it is on record that they have been steadily worked since the reign of the last Norman king. Of course, at first the mines of Alston Moor, after they had been discovered at the surface, would long be worked there as outcrops before mining proper was resorted to. Many years ago, a miner found very near the surface in Browngill-Vein about Thoughtergill Syke an old opening drift in which were a number of iron tools-of a very antiquated form, much oxidised, and with the tools were a few coins which were pronounced by a local antiquary to date back to the reign of William Rufus, who founded Newcastle. From the Norman Conquest up to 1650, however, it is estimated that the average yearly quantity of lead produced from the Alston mines must have been very small. In 1611 the mines were considered to be exhausted and worthless. Previously in 1468 Edward IV. had granted, the. mines to Richard, Earl of Warwick, John Earl of Northumberland, and others, but the King Maker was killed in 1471 at the battle of Barnet, and another grant was made in 1475 to Richard, Duke of Gloucester, the King's brother, after Richard III., to Henry, Earl of Northumberland, and others, and after this grant nothing is known of the Crown's connection with the Alston mines till after the Pretender's rising, when the Crown again took possession in 1717. Afterwards the manor and the mines came into tho possession of the Derwentwater family with whom they remained till the attainder and execution of the last Earl of Derwentwater, when they were settled by Act of Parliament on Greenwich Hospital. A lasting and expensive monument of these last owners of the mines is constituted by the grand aqueduct called Nent Force Level, which extends from Nenthead underground for a distance of 5 miles to near Alston, where it comes out to the light of day. This work was cut through the rock of the intervening hills by order of the trustees of Greenwich Hospital as a means of draining the mines on the estate. Its lower mouth is near to the pretty waterfall on the Nent called Nent Force. Boats used to be kept in it, and guides used to take visitors up it for some distance and explore the subterranean waterway from its mouth on the north side of the Nent, 100 yards from Nent Force and 200 yards from Alston Railway Station. It was projected by the great engineer, Mr. John Smeaton, on behalf of the Greenwich Hospital Commissioners; partly as a means of prospecting for lead ore —-for which purpose it proved a dismal failure—and partly to drain the mines of water, but owing to its containing two almost perpendicular drops, it is impossible to utilize it for the carriage of minerals between the village of Nenthead and Alston Station. It cost upwards of £110,000, and, commenced in 1776, took over 66 years to make. The inaccessibility of the district and lack of communications, however, would have served to keep the mining industry of comparatively insignificant proportions had it not been for the extraordinarily rich deposits of ore, while the agricultural population would never have grown beyond the limits fixed by the productiveness of the soil.

MODERN DEVELOPMENT OF THE MINES.

Up to the beginning of this century, the roads were very rough and broken, but in 1823 an Act of Parliament was obtained for making new roads from Alston to Penrith (over Hartside), to Brampton, and to Hexham, and for these the services of the celebrated road-engineer, MacAdam, were obtained, while subsequently roads were made by way of the valleys of the Nent and South Tyne to Weardale over Kilhope and to Teesdale over Yad Moss. In 1852 the railway to Alston was opened, and this further helped to bring Alston and its lead-miners into communication with the rest of the world. Meantime, up to the end of the last century a great increase in mining speculation took place.

The mines had been greatly developed as compared with the extent to which they had been worked in medieval times. This was in great part due to the introduction of foreign workmen and foreign methods from the Continent. The application of gunpowder to blasting purposes completely revolutionized the art of mining. It was first used in Hungary and was afterwards introduced into England by German miners brought over by Prince Rupert to work the Ecton mines in Staffordshire. Gunpowder was used in Somersetshire about 1648, but in the Alston district does not appear to have been used for blasting the hard rock in which the lead is found till the end of the 17th century. It was not till the end of the 19th century that the mines were first opened out and drained in a systematic way, when levels were made from the surface on each important stratum and on the thrown down cheek or ____ of the vein. The facilities for draining the mines offered by the levels cut from the surface rendered pumping engines in a great measure unnecessary. The first hydraulic pumping engine erected in the manor of Alston is believed to have been erected in Rampgill mine about 1768, and the Earl of Carlisle and Co., placed the first water wheel for pumping water in the manor in the Tyne Bottom mines in 1780. The Germans are recorded to have been the inventors of the hydraulic engine which Lord Armstrong 300 years later improved in important particulars. A water engine was placed in the Goldscope Mine near Keswick, by some German miners in the reign of Queen Mary. It is somewhat curious also, in connection with recent developments at Nenthead, that in 1-59 a German one Tillman, a native of Cologne, held the mines by lease. In 1768 there were 119 lead mines in the parish of Alston, the yearly output at that time being about 20,620 bings (8,244 tons), worth about £70,000. In 1858 there were about 48 mines in operation belonging to the Lords of the Admiralty (as representing Greenwich Hospital), the aggregate output of these and of about 24 mines in the manor of Tynehead being 5,382 tons of ore, and in 1881 the output was even less, being 2,129 tons.

THE LONDON LEAD COMPANY.

The Alston Moor lead mines were formerly leased and worked by the London Lead Company, previously known as the Quakers' Company, and at a later date as the Governor and Company. Their chief works were in Bristol. Their arms are those borne on the weather-beaten sign of the Miners' Arms, the excellently well-kept and comfortable hotel in the village of Nenthead. The sign, for a copy of which the writer is indebted, as well as for; many historical facts given in this article, to Mr. Wm. Wallace's "Alston Moor: Its Pastoral People, Its Mines and Miners." was painted in bright heraldic colours in London 80 years ago. and it is interesting to note that it has remained to this day untouched since it was first put up, and is now in want of a fresh coat of paint, to say nothing of repairs. It

bears on a round shield, besides devices representing various implements used in lead-mining, the legend, “The Arms of the Corporation for Smelting Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal,” and the motto, “spectatur in igne.” This company obtained a charter, dated October 4. 1692, for smelting down lead with pit coal and sea coal, and in 1704-5 amalgamated with the Royal Copper Mine Co. in Wales, and “the Ryton Smelting Co. in Alston Moor.” There being no such place as Ryton in Alston Moor, it is supposed that the lead of the Alston Moor mines was smelted in the parish of, but not actually at Ryton-on-Tyne, Blaydon (or Blei-ton, the lead town) being suggested, as the probable site of smelting and refining works for the lead products of the upper Derwent, Allendale, and Alston mines. The origin of the term Quakers’ Company is hazarded in a tradition that the company was set afoot by some Quakers preaching, who on visiting the North Country valleys, were struck with the poverty of the miners and suggested to their friends on their return to London that it would be a kindness to subscribe a little capital so as to furnish the miners with regular employment. The London Lead Co. in 1883 sold their mines (leases) and all their property in Alston Moor to the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co., which had Mr. J. C. Swan as its chairman of directors, thus terminating a commitment with the Alston Moor mining district which had lasted for 179 years, and probably with the Ryton (or Blaydon) portion of the company for 200 years.

THE PRESENT COMPANY.

In January, 1896, the mines were transferred to the Societe Anonyme des Mines and Fonderies de Zinc de a Vieille-Montague, which has its head offices at Liege, and, though mainly composed of Belgian capitalists, is of a cosmopolitan character in its operations, having in various parts of Europe many large concerns: besides a dozen establishments in Belgium, nearly as many in France, a similar number in Germany, mines and works in Sweden, Sardinia, Spain, and North Africa. This company is now in possession of some 9 mining properties, comprising all of any importance, in that rich mineral-bearing district of Northumberland. Cumberland. and Durham of which Nenthead is the centre. The predecessors of the present company, the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co., Ltd., which concern was formed in 1882 with a capital of £120,000 in £1 shares, to acquire the royalties, mills, works, machinery, &c., of the London Lead Co. and of the Tindale Spelter Co., worked the mines during a period in which the price of lead was relatively depressed, and seeing that they devoted their main attention to the lead ore and not to the line, zinc had not much encouragement to develop their venture, nor did they possess the capital, and therefore, the facilities for launching out into a new channel as the present leases have done.

Gradually the number of miners employed dropped off, as did the rate of the miners' earnings. The following quantities of ore were raised by them in the years 1890-95, being the 6 years immediately preceding the acquisition of the mines by the present company: —1890, lead ore, 2,372 bings (2½ bings going to the ton); zinc ore, 3,844 tons. 1891, lead ore, 1930 bings; zinc ore, 3,946 tons. 1892, lead ore, 1,943 bings; zinc ore, 5,388 tons. 1893, lead ore, 1,779 bings; zinc ore, 5,416 tons. 1894, lead ore, 2,050 bings; zinc ore, 5,524 tons. 1895, lead ore, 2,127 bings; 4,726 tons.

When the Societe des Mines and Fonderies de Zinc de la Vieille Montagne came upon the scene in the beginning of 1896 they continued the mines and works pretty much the same style as had been done by their predecessors,

feeling their way gradually and learning as they went on the capabilities and requirements of the property. The ore was mined by the same methods as before and crushed and extracted from the rock in which it is found in the Jigging houses and washing floors left by the old firm. The crushing mills are the same as those employed in extracting gold and silver ores from the hard rocks in which they are deposited, and the crushed rock and ore are then classified by being passed together with water through a series of hollow, perforated cylinders, whence they are conveyed to the jigging machinery, where, suspended in water, they are jigged and washed in such a manner that the mineral ores are separated from the crushed rock in which they are contained. The finer portions are further washed in a buddle so as to recover as much metal as possible. This was the old process of recovering both lead and zinc but the Belgian company has introduced new machinery and improved the old so as to render the plant of a more modern type. They have laid dean several vanner washing machines, which separate the metal from the waste or refuse in a much more perfect degree than was aver done before—so much so that it has paid the new company in an even more handsome manner than it did their predecessors to treat twice over again the whole of the waste heaps left by the old London Lead Company in order to recover what the old company could never save by their imperfect methods.

LEAD NOW SECONDARY TO ZINC.

One of the chief reasons why the present lessees of the Nenthead mines are succeeding better financially then did any of their predecessors is that they recognised more fully then it was ever recognised before that their chief attention must not be devoted to the lead in the mines but to the zinc, which in olden times was treated as a waste product, and has really only been appreciated at its true value during the latter part of the present century. To the old London Lead Company lead was almost their first and last object, and even to the Nenthead and Tynedale Company the zinc was of quite secondary importance, possibly because of the higher price brought by lead as compared with the zinc, the proportion of value being as 5 to 2. In many places in the mines it was found that the prior workers had worked the levels or flats almost exclusively for lead, and, where the two were found together, had, as far as practicable, taken the one and left the other, or, where the zinc abounded but the lead was not in sufficient quantity, had abandoned the flat or vein with its wealth of zinc, and sought elsewhere for lead. All this has now been changed. Another reform the new company introduced as soon as experience pointed the way was to abandon the old; smelting mill where formerly, under the Nenthead and Tynedale Company, much of the lead ore was roasted, smelted, refined, and reduced into a marketable article. There was also a desilvering house in which the silver contained in the lead was extracted by the Rozan patent process; but the smelting house has now been laid off from active use, the lead ore being taken over to Weardale to be smelted, it bring found that the lead found in the Nenthead mines was not sufficient in quantity to keep the Nenthead smelt-works in full employment, while tho same condition of things prevailed at the Weardale smelt-works, whereas now the produce from the two mining districts keep the latter smelt works continually occupied. The zinc ore in the Alston and Nenthead mines after being crushed and worked so that the metal is recovered to an extent hitherto unparalleled in the district, is carted to Alston whence it is conveyed by train to Tyne Dock, and there shipped to Belgium

whence on arrival at the company's works in the interior it is treated by the method which the Vielle Montagne were first to acquire work. The Nenthead district is now therefore free from the poisoning effects of those fumes from the smelting houses which had formerly to be conveyed through long flues far away to the unpopulated summits of the hills and the workmen who up to the close of last year carried out the smelting operations, sometimes to the detriment of their health, are not therefore deprived of employment, but are now engaged in much less injurious, indeed altogether innocuous occupations

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AT THE HEAD OF FOUR RIVERS. —2

A NEW ERA OF PROSPERITY FOR NENTHEAD

THE VIEILLE MONTAGNE CO.

(BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

There is now being wrought at Nenthead something altogether in the nature of a revolution in the ancient lead-mining district of the Alston district. Since Mr. Fernau, the manager of the Nenthead mines, took over his duties, he has lost no time in developing a policy whose highest recommendation it that it has evoked the admiration, approbation, and respect of the entire mining population. The policy to which all the miners of the district had become accustomed was one—necessitated by the limitations of inadequate capital—of cheese-paring economy which, it is to be feared, interfered somewhat with the fullest and most efficient production and productiveness.

PELTON WHEELS.

Mr. Fernau, while observing due economy in all respects showed very soon that he was the agent of a very powerful, resourceful, enterprising, and wide-awake company to whom expense was no object so long as it was necessary to the development of the mines. The first step was to modernize the plant and bring it all thoroughly up. to dote so as to secure the recovery from the maximum of metal therein contained. Mr. Fernau has during the present year largely augmented the washing floor plant both by-the construction of additional jigging machinery, and by the discontinuance of the old buddles and the substitution of vanners. In place of the old water-wheels as a means of supplying motive power for the machinery, he has substituted Pelton wheels working under very high heads ranging from 300ft. to 570ft. Under the enormous pressures generated by these heads, the jet of water which works the Pelton wheel seems like a solid bar of steal, and actually has the property that it cannot be cut in two with a hatchet. The Pelton wheel thus actuated consists of a small bucketed wheel of very much less proportions than the pre-existing water- wheels, and is actuated by a single jet of water under the pressure above indicated. This not only gives superior power but effects a very great economy of water.

MACHINE ROCK DRILLS.

These alterations are not yet completed, but a few weeks will see them in full work, and but a little longer time will be required for the installation of rock-drilling machinery of the very latest pattern, by means of which it is intended to largely augment the productiveness of the mines besides—and this is contrary to the fears of some of the old-fashioned and unthinking miners—rendering possible the employment of more manual labour even than at present. Further

developments in a similar direction are in progress or contemplation for introducing the very newest and best plant and machinery into what is already the most extensive and most important lead and zinc mining concern in England.

NEW ROYALTIES ACQUIRED.

The mining properties in Alston district originally acquired by the Vieille Montagne Co. have been vary considerably added to by the acquisition of new royalties in Allendale, Weardale, and Tynedale, and it is hardly too much to say that from the Vieille-Montagne's point of view, which is pre-eminently one of zinc rather than lead, every mine of considerable value in this part of the Pennines has been acquired.

UTILIZATION OF ALL SURPLUS LABOUR.

Not only so, but all the available labour has been attracted to Nenthead, too. It is a sight unique on Alston Moor up to the present year to see the dalesmen from the adjacent valleys of the Allen, the Wear, and the Tees coming over the fells on a Monday morning to their work in the Nenthead mines each with two white wallets slung pack-wise by a connecting string over his shoulder, these wallets containing a week's provisions. Every dalesman willing to work under the new company can and does get it. I heard an amusing story from a miner-farmer at Nenthead anent this. It is six months, he told me, since a tramp was seen at Nenthead, and the last one was so hard pressed to take work at the washing floors of the mine that he fled like a scared crow from the place—and probably told his brethren of the road, for no member of the tramp species has dared to show his face at Nenthead since. There is by no means a difficulty in obtaining work at Nenthead; the difficulty—and it is a very real one—lies in obtaining lodgings, for every house and cottage is full, and most of the occupiers have the utmost of their spare accommodation taxed by lodgers. The cottagers, indeed, are unable to supply sufficient accommodation for the extraneous workmen, and the Vieille-Montagne Company have had to utilize several buildings connected with their works as barracks or sleeping and eating houses, the men preparing their own meals and performing their own domestic duties during the five days of their residence in Nenthead. Many of the miners in Nenthead, and most of those who journey every week to their work from a distance, have little allotments of farm or garden land, some keeping a cow or two besides pigs and poultry, and some launch out into farming on an even larger scale, keeping sheep of hardy mountain breed, so that they require the Saturday and Sunday to spend at home on their plots and farms. A minimum of 3s 5d a day is liberal pay to workmen whose wages for the same work in lead mines in some of the neighbouring dales have long averaged 2s. to 5s. less per week, and even 7s less in some places, while occasionally miners have even made so little that they have ended the year in debt, for the work has not been so regular uniformly lucrative as it now is at. Nenthead. Work at Nenthead goes on, night and day without intermission in three-shifts of 8 hours each, both underground and at the washing floors, and the wages are paid with promptitude every month.

NO FLUCTUATION OF WAGES.

The old system of bargains, which used to prevail in the Alston district and still prevails in Weardale, has to a very great extent been done away with. Under this system the miner was allowed to speculate by taking a certain length—so

many fathoms—of work in the mine and being paid so much a ton for all the ore he produced, and in this way a man who was lucky might make a good deal of money while another man who was unlucky might make very little or perhaps none. He might and often did, spend on his living and on his stores for use in the mine, such as gunpowder for blasting, more than be earned. Mr. Fernau was the first to introduce into the district the new system of guaranteeing to every man a minimum wage, even if he got little or no ore, and thus every miner got a living wage, where formerly there had been much discrepancy between the condition of the fortunate and the unlucky workman. But a limited system of bargaining is still in vogue so as to give scope for the superior and skilled workman to earn more money than the moderate or poor one. The payment of the work man's full due every month—his full living wage plus the turn to which he is entitled on account of his limited; bargain work—instead of a quarterly payment of wages (anticipated in most cases by. a process of subbing**,** or obtaining advances; and sometimes more than anticipated, for it often used to happen that a man by his bargain obtained so little that in drawing his "subs" he had exceeded the amount to which he was entitled for the ore he had won, and ended the quarter in debt to his employers instead of being to the good) has been greatly-appreciated by the miners; and hence it results that workmen flock to the Nenthead Company's service from the neighbouring dales. This migration of labour has prevailed to such an extent that some other lead mines no further, away from the homes of the miners, and sometimes not so far**,** are complaining of a scarcity of labour.

The advantages of all this to a mining district like that of Nenthead, which has in the past known and suffered so greatly from the vicissitudes of the lead trade, do not need to be pointed out.

STILL BRIGHTER PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE.

The greater-portion of the lead originally contained in the veins under Alston Moor has been extracted since the property came into the hands of Greenwich Hospital, and it is thought—perhaps wrongly, as Mr. Fernau opines—by competent authorities that no extensively productive lead mines remain to be discovered. During the last 12 years and more the low price of lead prevented any hopes of raising lead ore profitably from old worked mines, but fortunately at the present time there has been a recovery in the price of lead to a figure which it has not reached for 15 years, and this enables many workings to be wrought which *a* decade of years and more ago had to be closed on account of the hopelessness of profitably employing capital or labour.

ZINC THE LEADING ARTICLE.

But a part altogether from lead zinc is likely in the near future to be a boon and a blessing to the Nenthead miners since it is evident that the mines have got into hands capable of producing zinc of an economic value sufficiently high to leave a profit even after paying the cost of raising from the mine, extracting from the ore. trans-shipment to a foreign country, and smelting and manufacturing across the sea. For some time before the present company acquired the mines zinc had been worked to much advantage according to the English method; but no other firm in the world, perhaps, could or can work it so economically and profitably as the Vieille Montagne Co. This firm was founded in 1837— so that the present year is that of its Diamond Jubilee— by the heirs of Dominique Mosselman, having then a capital of 7000,000 francs, divided into 7,000 shares of 1,000 francs each. At the present moment, this capital represents but a

fractional part of the value of the huge concern, for the shares are worth in the market more than 5 times their nominal value. The industry is one that has grown with the political and industrial development of Belgium. At the time when the independence of Belgium was proclaimed, the Societe de la Vieille-Montagne was not in existence, nor was the zinc industry.

EXTRACTION OF ZINC A PROCESS OF RECENT ORIGIN.

Zinc, in fact, was scarcely known and less understood. It was apparently known to the ancients—to the Romans—in connection with the art of making brass, and in a less hazy fashion to the old inhabitants of India and to the Chinese, for at an early period it was converted into articles of utility and ornament in both those countries, and it was brought from the East by the Portuguese long before it became an article of commerce in Europe. But, though Paracelsus had described its distinctive properties in the 16th century, zinc as a modern European product and commodity may be said to have been discovered only at the beginning of the present century, so that it is one of the youngest of the useful metals. The commercial process of isolation was discovered by chance in 1806 by l' Abbe Deny after 25 years of patient research, and the secret then came into the possession of Dominique Mosselman. The discovery of iron, lead, copper, tin, silver, and gold is lost in the impenetrable mists of antiquity; that of zinc, except in the ancient civilizations of the Far East, dates back only a little over 90 years. For long centuries certain minerals called calamines found at Vieille-Montagne at Moresnet in Belgium had been used by the braziers of Stolberg, Liege, and Namur to alloy with copper to form brass, but how or why was not exactly understood until the Liege chemist, l' Abbe Deny, succeeded in isolating the mysterious metal called zinc, and, after the discoverer of it had ruined himself, and his works had passed to Dominique Mosselman, success was delayed in establishing it as a profitable commercial commodity till after Mosselman's death, and till his heirs and executors founded the Societe de la Vieille-Montagne. This company developed and perfected the process of smelting the metal from the ore and of manufacturing it for the multitude of industrial and domestic purposes to which it is adapted. The Vieille-Montagne Company may be said to know all about zinc that is known and much more than most other people know. No other firm in the world can produce and manufacture it so economically, and, while they have certainly not a monopoly, they have distinctly the lion's share of the zinc trade of the world—a trade that has grown to immense proportions and that is likely to grow in the future in a similar degree to its extension in the past.

THE USES OF ZINC.

Zinc is used in cast form in the manufacture of objects of art, statuettes, &c., as giving, when bronzed, results rivalling in perfection those of bronze, at six times less cost; its use in engraving and as an alloy is well known, as is that of the galvanization of telegraph wires, some sorts of wire cables, ironwork, &c. The employment of incorrodible and non-rusting sheet zinc for the roofs of buildings, for the keels of wooden vessels, and for domestic purposes need only be barely mentioned, and the superiority of zinc oxide over lead in the manufacture and manipulation of white paint is one of the most valuable of the uses to which zinc is being increasingly put. Zinc white, or oxide of zinc, is rapidly coming into great favour as a substitute for white lead, oxide of lead, for it is purer in colour, and does not tarnish and blacken on contact with sulphuretted hydrogen; but its

greatest advantage is that it is non-poisonous, and therefore can be used by operative painters as well as manufactured into a pigment—without the deleterious effects produced by white lead in the course both of its manufacture and of its employment as a pigment. Its great service as one of the metals used in the production of electricity it one which is by no means likely to decrease in these days of universal telegraphs and telephones. Zinc is now the principal agent used in the glazing of paper, having ousted all the different substances formerly used.

THE VIEILLE-MONTAGNE CO. AND THE ZINC INDUSTRY.

The name of Vieille-Montagne is to well knows all over the commercial world—just as that of Dunlop it familiar wherever cycles are known—that it is not necessary to trace the progress of the gigantic firm or show how it has grown from its debut in 1837, when it produced only 2,540 tons of zinc, and gave employment to only 932 workmen, till now it has absorbed one concern after another, and gives employment to close upon 30,000 persons, and turns out one-fifth part of the world's production of zinc. Already it is a huge concern even in an age of colossal industrial enterprises, and its recent establishment of itself in the rich mining district of Alston is a matter of profound congratulation, since it means that the mines in the heart of the northern end of the Pennines have at last fallen into hands that will know how to make them succeed, and that henceforth they will be worked with all the advantages which can be conferred by practically boundless capital and the most skilled and competent management—a management that even at the present time gives promise of ultimately, and that at no distant date, controlling the zinc trade of the world. What this betokens to the dales folk of those districts of Northumberland, Cumberland and Durham can best be imagined by realizing what the great Elswick firm has been to the inhabitants of Tyneside. The Vieille-Montagne Co., has ever shown itself keenly interested in the welfare of its employees. In every country and every district where it has founded branches of its extensive operations it has established institutions having for their object the amelioration of the social condition and physical and intellectual improvement of its workpeople. Insurance societies, accident funds, savings banks, fixed scales of salaries, old age pensions, model workmen’s houses, with funds for -enabling, employees to purchase their own homes, infirmaries and hospitals, sick funds, libraries, schools, churches, and other provisions of a like character have been made for establishing harmony between masters and men with a success that has been so complete that a strike is unknown in the history of the company's operations, so successfully have the wise heads of the firm worked to combat any cause likely to give rise to antagonism between capital and labour. Well, then, may we wish “Success to the Vieille-Montagne” in its mining operations in the North of England. A firm of enterprising, enlightened, and liberal minded employers ready to employ all the surplus labour of the surrounding ales, giving regular and continuous work, and paying the full market value therefor, is entitled to, a sympathetic welcome.

12th November 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr H. Walton presided at the meeting of this District Council, on Saturday. — Mrs Core moved that the Lords of the Admiralty be asked to hand over the

Market Place, and to give a subscription towards its repair. —The subject, it appeared, had been before the Manor Court, and it was decided to write to the steward respecting it. —Mr Nevin moved that the present water pipes from the Townhead to the spring be replaced with new and larger pipes. —The Engineer said the cost would be about £131 15s. —Mr Bolton thought that the scheme for the whole parish should be considered. —The motion was carried by six votes to five.

12th November 1897 (London Gazette)

DUBBY SYKE MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of section 142 of the Companies Act 1862 that a General Meeting of the Members of the above Company will be held at No. 4 Saint Nicholas-buildings Newcastle-upon-Tyne on the 14th day of December next at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding up of the Company has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution, the manner in which the books accounts and documents of the Company and the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of.—Dated November 8th 1897.
J. IONS CLARK Liquidator.

20th November 1897 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Stanhope, 14th inst. aged 50, Mary wife of Isaac Brown, late of Allendale.

In 1841, at Mill Shield, West Allen, Joseph Brown, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 30, daughter Jane 6 months, and Samuel Brown, dresser of lead ore, aged 14.

In 1851, at Hartley Cleugh, West Allendale, Joseph Brown, lead miner, aged 46, born Allendale, his wife Mary 40, born Alston, children, Jane 10, Robert 8, Isaac 6, and nephew, Samuel Brown, lead miner, aged 21.

Joseph Brown was buried at Carshield, 24th November 1854, aged 49.

Samuel Brown was buried at Carshield, 14th March 1855, aged 24.

In 1861, at Carshield, Allendale, Mary Brown, widow, aged 49, sons, Robert, lead miner, aged 18, and Isaac, lead miner, aged 16.

Mary Brown was buried at Carshield, 23rd May 1864.

Isaac Brown married Mary Henderson 18th February 1865, at Ninebanks.

In 1871, at Ninebanks, Allendale, Isaac Brown, Ironstone miner, aged 26, his wife Mary 25, children, Margaret A 5, Thomas H 4, Mary E 2, and Mildred J 1 month.

In 1881, at Martin Street, Stanhope, Isaac Brown, limestone quarryman, aged 36, his wife Mary, 35, children, Thomas H, labourer, aged 14, Mary E 12, Milly J 10, Hannah M 8, Joseph W 5, and Sarah E 2.

In 1891, at Martin Street, Stanhope, Isaac Brown, limestone quarryman, aged 46, his wife Mary aged 45, children Thomas H., limestone quarryman, aged 24, Hannah M. 18, Joseph W., limestone quarryman, aged 15, Sarah E. 12, Isaac 9, and Violet E. 8 years.

In 1901, at 16 Martin Street, Stanhope, Isaac Brown, widower, limestone quarryman, aged 56, children, Hannah Maria 28, Joseph William, limestone

quarryman, aged 25, Isaac, limestone quarryman, aged 19, and Violet Ethel 18
Isaac Brown died 1st quarter 1908, aged 63, registered at Weardale.

23rd November 1897 (Penrith Observer)

DEATH OF A CUMBERLAND MINISTER IN AMERICA.

News has come to hand of the death of the Rev. Tom Thompson, late of Nenthead, in Evanston, U.S.A. Mr. Thompson was a well-known and popular local preacher in the Alston circuit, and emigrated with his brother some four or fire years ago with a view to entering the American ministry. Since going out he made excellent progress, having been appointed to several important stations, always doing good service and being well received wherever he went. It appears that he had taken up his residence in Evanston for the winter with the object of attending college during the session. He contracted a cold, which developed to pneumonia, and expired after a week's illness. He was interred at Rose Cemetery, Chicago, and his remains were followed by a large number of students and friends.
See 18th June 1892, 1st October 1892, 2nd September 1893, 28th October 1898, 29th July 1899, & 12th January 1901.

27th November 1897 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

John Ridley, while following his daily avocation in one of the Upper Weardale lead mines on Friday had a marvellous escape. A huge lump of stone fell upon him. He was got out from underneath it very little worse except a few bruises.

Deaths

At St John's Chapel, Weardale, 19th inst. Mary wife of Harrison Barnfather.
In 1841, at Keld, Muker, Yorkshire, Joseph Barnfather, lead miner, aged 25.
Joseph Barnfather married, Elizabeth Milner 4th quarter 1842, registered Reeth, Yorkshire.
In 1851, at Muker, Yorkshire, Joseph Barnfather, lead miner, and farmer of 5 acres, aged 37, born Westmorland, his wife Elizabeth 32, sons, Harrison 4, and James 1.
In 1861, at Low Pries, Stanhope, Joseph Barnfather, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth 42, children, Harrison, lead miner, aged 14, james, lead miner, aged 11, Hannah 9, and Joseph 3.
Joseph Barnfather died 1st quarter 1867, aged 53, at Weardale
In 1871, at High Chesters, Stanhope, Elizabeth Barnfather, widow, farmer of 4 acres, aged 56, children, Harrison, lead miner and Wesleyan preacher, aged 24, James, labourer, aged 21, Hannah 19, and Joseph 13.
Elizabeth Barnfather died 2nd quarter 1881, aged 62, registered at Auckland, Durham.
Harrison Barnfather married Mary Philipson 1st quarter 1873, at Weardale.
Mary Barnfather died 3rd quarter 1878, aged 29 years
Harrison Barnfather married Mary Martindale, 3rd quarter 1880, registered at Weardale.
In 1881, at Daddry Shield, Stanhope, Harrison Barnfather, grocer, aged 35, his wife Mary 37, and Fanny Marindale, draper aged 34.
In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Harrison Barnfather, grocer, aged 45, born Swaledale, and his wife Mary 48, born Stanhope.

Westgate St Andrew

In Loving Memory of
FANNY MARTINDALE,
OF DADDRY SHIELD
WHO DIED DEC. 21ST 1885,
AGED 38 YEARS/ ALSO OF
EMERSON MARTINDALE, (UNCLE OF
THE ABOVE,)
WHO DIED OCT 6TH 1886,
AGED 67 YEARS,
AND WAS INTERRED AT CARLISLE.
ALSO MARY, THE BELOVED WIFE OF
HARRISON BARNFATHER, WHO DIED
NOV 19TH 1897,
AGED 54 YEARS,
AND WAS INTERRED AT ST JOHNS
CHAPEL.

St John's Chapel
Transcribed for The Weardale Museum by Ken Heatherington

In
Loving Memory
of
HARRISON BARNFATHER
WHO DIED JULY 13TH 1908.
AGED 61 YEARS.
"SATISFIED WITH JESUS"
ALSO ALLAN,
BELOVED SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JAN. 24TH 1901.
AGED 14 MONTHS.
"OF SUCH IS THE
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."
Also MARY JANE,
WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED FEB. 27TH 1928
(AND WAS INTERRED AT
SCARBOROUGH)
AGED 66 YEARS.
"THOU O CHRIST ART ALL I WANT"

Harrison Barnfather married Mary Jane Thompson 1st quarter 1899, at Scarborough.
In 1901, at St John's Chapel, Stanhope, Harrison Barnfather, grocer & shopkeeper, aged 54, and his wife Mary J 40.
Probate 1908: Harrison Barnfather of St John's Chapel Stanhope county Durham died 13 July 1908 Probate to Mary Jane Barnfather widow and William Thompson post office clerk. Effects £1125 8s 3d.
Harrison Barnfather died 3rd quarter 1908, aged 61, registered at Weardale.

9th October 1897 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY'S REPORT

The report of the Weardale Lead Company stated that after providing for a payment of £500 for rent and royalties there is a profit for the year of £286. AS the £25,000 of Debentures fell due on the 30th June, the directors took steps to renew them; but experienced difficulty in doing this, they determined to make a call of 10s per share. Important discoveries are reported to have been made at two points on the property.

NENTHEAD

THE LEAD MINING INDUSTRY

The industry has undergone a change for the better during the last 12 or 13 months under the management of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company. The closing of the smelt mill was a procedure which was detrimental to the employment of labour, but the miners have received a substantial increase of wages ranging from 12s 6d to 17s per week, this being a change which was much needed. The chief aim of the company is the production of Spelter. To further this development the mines have been worked on practically a new system, and considerable quantity of new and improved machinery has been erected so that the mineral can be separated more rapidly. One of the main drawbacks is the limited house accommodation, so that the bulk of the new men

added to the works live outside the place. The improved condition of things is not only felt in the immediate locality, but Weardale, Allendale (West and East, Harwood, Garrigill) and Alston, places where employment was difficult to find have also benefited, as large batches of men from these places have been employed. The mines in West Allendale, formerly worked by Mr W B Beaumont, which have been closed for some considerable time, have been leased, and work has been resumed, while Carrshield, which at one time was an important mining centre, may shortly resume its animated appearance. The same remark applies to Garrigill. Mines which have been closed for seven or eight years are now being reopened and mining, which is said to have been about exhausted in these districts, is resuming fresh vitality.

7th December 1897 (Penrith Observer)

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1862 TO 1893 AND OF THE DUFTON MINING COMPANY LIMITED

The Creditors of the above named Company are required on or before the 17th day of January 1898 to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their Debts or Claims and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any) to Mr William Gibson of Dufton, near Appleby in the county of Westmorland the Liquidator of the said Company and if so required by Notice in writing from the said Liquidator are by their Solicitors or personally to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such Notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

23rd December 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)

ALSTON ITEMS

The monthly meeting of the Alston School Board was held on Saturday last. Mr R. Elliot in the chair. A communication having been sent to Mr Fernau relating to a site for a new school at Nenthead, a reply was read from him stating that the land at Holmes Foot belonged to the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company, and he could not, therefore, make an offer of the proposed site to the Board. Mr Bell suggested that a committee of the Board should meet at Nenthead previous to the next School Beard meeting to consider the question of a site, and, if possible, to select a suitable place. Application could then he made to the company. He thought the matter should not be delayed any longer. It was agreed that the committee meet at Nenthead and that Mr Fernau be asked to meet with them.—A precept for £100 for scholarships was signed. — A long list of attendance defaulters was read, the bulk belonging to the Infant School, Alston.

30th December 1897 (Carlisle Patriot)

SUICIDE AT GARRIGILL

A determined suicide took place on Monday, Joseph Richardson, miner, 65 years of age, was found by his nephew in his bedroom with his throat cut. He was quite conscious and when asked what he had been doing said “I’ve cut my throat, but I did not intend to have been like this.” He died a quarter of an hour afterwards. He had done no work for 22 years, having suffered from dropsy. A razor, a carving knife, and a bucket were found in the room.

5th February 1898 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

Alston School Board, propose to erect a new school at Nenthead, and, after a survey, have fixed upon what is considered a likely site.

Deaths

Garrigill, Middle House, 24th ult. aged 84, John Blacklock.

In 1861, at Rice House, Alston, John Blacklock, shoe maker & ale house keeper, aged 46, his wife Ann 38, sons John, clog maker, aged 19, Jonathan 9, James 3, and house servant Isabella Watson aged 16.

In 1891, at Middle Houses, John Blacklock, shoemaker, aged 77, and his wife Ann 67.

Nenthead, Fair View, 24th ult., aged 53, William Dickinson, Lead Miner.

See 6th December 1890

8th January 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON.

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The monthly meeting of this Council was held on Friday.

WATER SUPPLIES.

The circular from the Local Government Board, relative to water supplies impressing on Local Authorities the necessity of providing pure and abundant supplies of water, and of guarding against pollution, as well as of carefully examining into all existing supplies from whatever source, and remedying anything unsatisfactory, was read.—The CHAIRMAN remarked that they were free from anything mentioned in the latter clause.—Mr DOWSON: We can scarcely get anything but pure water here, we get it direct from the source.

THE ALSTON EXTENSION.

Mr NEVIN asked if the Inspector had got any instructions to commence with the extension of the Alston Main. If they allowed it to drift, it would be spring, and they had meadows to cut through.— The CLERK: I might state that I arranged with the Inspector this morning that he should get in tenders for the supply of pipes.—The CHAIRMAN thought it was quite understood that the Inspector was authorised to proceed.—The CLERK: He had not to take proceedings until we had funds in hand to defray the liability.—Mr DOWSON: Will he submit the tenders to the Council, or choose for himself.— The CHAIRMAN: I expect he will show them to the Council.—The CLERK: He has generally selected them himself.—Mr DOWSON: This is rather a larger job than usual, perhaps it would be as well to refer the tenders to the Council.—Mr LATTIMER: Will he give public notice?—The CLERK: No, he generally writes to certain manufacturers who supply pipes.—Mr LATTIMER thought tenders should be advertised for, to give local men an opportunity of tendering, and moved accordingly.—Mr PICKERING seconded.—The CLERK said that the Inspector could write to local men as well to ask for tenders.—On a division, an amendment moved by Mr J. R. WALTON, that the Inspector write for tenders without advertising, was carried.—It was further decided that the tenders be submitted to the Works Committee, and that the Inspector also advertise for tenders for the cutting of the drains.

The CLERK read a report from the secretary to the Northern Counties Institution for the deaf and dumb, relating to a boy from Nenthead who is at present an inmate. It stated that his conduct and progress were most satisfactory.—It was

agreed to ask the County Council a higher price for the broken stone supplied from the workhouse, the price of unbroken stone having been raised recently. On the motion of the Chairman votes of thanks were accorded to Mr Horrocks, and the Clerk for providing the inmates of the workhouse with dinner and tea on Christmas Day.

Deaths

On New Years Day, George Dickinson, of Alston, the beloved father of the Rev. T. M. Dickinson, Carlisle, aged 78 years. For upwards of fifty years a most efficient and highly esteemed class leader, and local preacher in the Wesleyan Church.

In 1891, at Front Street, George Dickinson, retired butcher, aged 72, his wife Elizabeth H 64, son, George, butcher, aged 29, and daughter, Martha E 25.

15th January 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON POLICE COURT

DRIVING WITHOUT LIGHTS. Thomas Vipond, carter, Nenthead, was charged with driving a wood waggon on the Nenthead Road on the night of December 2nd without being provided with lights.—P. C. Parker proved the case, and a fine of 1s and costs was imposed.—Victor Peart was also charged with driving a trap at Nenthead on the night of the 30th December without having lights affixed to the same. The case was proved, and defendant was fined 1s and costs.

12th February 1898 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Allenheads, 6th inst. aged 44, Margaret Ridley, youngest daughter of the late John Ridley of West Allen.

In 1841, at Limestone Brae, West Allen, John Ridley, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth (Swindle, married 2nd June 1827, at Ninebanks) aged 30, children Jane 13, Barbara 10, John 8, Mary 5, Henry 3, and Besse 1.
In 1851, at Limestone Brae, West Allendale, John Ridley, mining agent & farmer of 25 acres, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 42, children Jane, 22, John, assistant land surveyor, aged 18, Mary 15, Henry 13, Besse 10, Sarah 8, Thomas 6, Hannah 3, Barbara 7 months, and grandson William Ridley 1 month.
In 1861, at Low Limestone Brae, John Ridley, lead mine agent & farmer of 25 acres, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Mary 25, Henry 23, Bessie, dressmaker, aged 20, Sarah 18, Hannah 13, Barbara 10, Margaret 7, and William 10. In 1871, at Blackett Terrace, Carrshield, John Ridley, widow (Elizabeth died 2nd quarter of 1866, aged 58), retired lead mines agent, aged 65, daughters Sarah 28, and Margaret, dressmaker, aged 17.
In 1861, at Allenheads Lodge, John Ridley, land & mine surveyor, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth 26, children John C. 3, Thomas W. 1, Hannah E. 1 month.
In 1871, at Parsonage House, Allenheads, John Ridley, land and mine surveyor, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 36, children John C. 13, Thomas W. 11, Hannah E. 10, Henry F. 8, George D. 6, Louis E. 3, Norman B. 2, Fred 1, and domestic servant Mary A Watson aged 16.
In 1881, at Parsonage, Allenheads, John Ridley, widow (Elizabeth died 4th quarter of 1878, aged 44), mining engineer, aged 48, children Hannah E. house keeper, aged 20, George D. monitor at elementary school, aged 16,

Louis E. 13, Norman B. 12, Freddie 11, Dora 7, and Margaret Ridley, annuitant, aged 27.
In 1891, at Allenheads, John Ridley, widow, mining engineer, & surveyor, aged 58, daughters Hannah E 30, Dora 17, sister Margaret Ridley 37, and Isabella Padgett, Wesleyan evangelist, aged 53.
In 1901, at Allen Lodge, John Ridley, land bailiff & surveyor, aged 68, and domestic servant Elizabeth Heslop aged 24.
See 6th November 1875, 28th July 1894, & 11th April 1908

19th February 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD

ATTENDANCE

The ATTENDANCE OFFICER reported the attendance as follows:—

	No. on books.	Aver. attendance.
Nenthead (open 2 weeks)	139	99
Nenthall	35	29
Tynehead	13	8
Garrigill	73	51
Leadgate	28	21
Alston (High, open 3 weeks)	102	85
Alston (National)	44	35
Alston (Infants)	70	49
	504	377

The poor attendance at Nenthead was owing to the influenza. The question of a site for the proposed new school at Nenthead was considered in Committee, correspondence being read from Mr J. C. Swan on the subject.

19th February 1898 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Lea Hall, Allenheads, 15th inst. aged 77, John Spark.
In 1841, at Allenheads Village, Hannah Spark aged 55, John Spark, lead ore miner, aged 15, Robert, lead ore dresser, aged 15, and Joseph, lead ore dresser, aged 15.
In 1851, at Lea Hall, John Spark, lead ore miner, aged 30, his wife Frances (Whaley, married 26th May 1850, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 26, brothers Robert, lead ore dresser, aged 28, and Joseph, clog maker, aged 36.
In 1861, at Allenheads, John Sparke, lead ore miner, aged 40, his wife Frances 37, and house servant Jane Peart aged 16.
In 1871, John Spark, lead ore miner, aged 50, his wife Frances 46, and domestic servant Mary J Dixon aged 17.
In1881, at Lea Hall, John Spark, widow (Frances died 4th quarter of 1871, aged 47), lead miner, unemployed, age 60, and domestic servant, Sarah J. Liddle aged 21.
In 1891, at Lea Hall, John Spark, widow, lead miner retired, aged 70, and domestic servant Jane Short aged 57.

5th March 1898 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Allendale, Turramurra, Sidney, Australia, 9th January, aged 35, Thomas William Hutchinson, late of Newcastle upon Tyne and formerly of Allendale.

William Hutchinson married Elizabeth Waggott, 4th quarter 1856, registered at Hexham.
In 1861, at Dirtpot, Allendale, William Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 33, sons, James 3, and John R 6 months.
In 1871, at Rope Heugh Cottages, Allendale, William Hutchinson, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Elizabeth 45, sons, James 13, and Thomas W 8.
William Hiutchinson, died 3rd quarter 1879, aged 50, registered at Hexham.
In 1881, at 18 Shumac Street, Elswick, Newcastle, James Hutchinson, labourer, aged 23, brother Thomas W, Mechanical Draughtsman, 18, and mother, Elizabeth Hutchinson, widow, aged 53.
Elizabeth Hutchinson, died 4th quarter 1885, aged 57, registered at Newcastle.

12th March 1898 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD LEAD MINES

The briskness in lead mining, reported a few months ago is still being maintained. The number of men employed is larger than has ever been known before at one time and the output is far in excess of previous years. The new machinery is now in full swing, all the difficulties have been surmounted, and the mills are working very satisfactorily night and day. A boring machine has been introduced *(and is being worked at what is known as the sump*) and a start made with it this week, the results so far being satisfactory.

Deaths

At Middleton in Teesdale, The Grove, 7th inst., aged 57, Jane widow of the late John Joseph Millican.
See 17th August 1844, 2nd September 1876, 24th August 1878, 5th April 1879, 8th February 1896, & 26th June 1897.

12th March 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

LEAD MINING AT NENTHEAD:

The activity in this industry reported a few months ago is well maintained, and the largest number of men are now employed that has ever been known at one particular time. Consequently, the output is far in excess of previous years. The new machinery recently introduced is now going in full swing, and although at first difficulties were met, the mills are now working very satisfactorily night and day. The mills for the separation of the metal at one time were entirely dependent on a good supply of water for propelling purposes. Now, however, that is remedied. When frosts prevail, and water may not be obtainable, the mills are propelled by steam power. The chief item of interest relating to the inside operations is the introduction of a boring machine, the success of which will have an important bearing on the working of the mines in the future. This is being worked at what is known as the "Sump." Four-inch pipes have been conveyed down a shaft about 60 fathoms, a Pelton wheel placed, and thus a large pressure is obtained. A start has been made this week, and the results so far are very satisfactory.

SAD DEATH OF A FARMER NEAR ALSTON.

An inquest was held on Thursday afternoon at the house of Mr Nevin Heslop at Nenthead before Mr Arthur Lee, deputy coroner for East Camberland. touching the death of Mr Henry S. Bright, farmer and miner, of Nenthall, whose body was found on Tuesday morning in the corner of a field on the right side of the road leading from Nenthall to Nentsbury. Mr Walton, Cocklake, was appointed

foreman of the jury. The first witness called was Jane Bright, widow of the deceased, who gave evidence to the effect that her husband was at the market at Alston on Saturday last, and came home late at night He had had some drink but was sensible, and counted his money over before going to bed. She saw that be had 2 £5 notes and one sovereign beside some loose silver. He put the money in his purse again. He left home about eleven o'clock on Sunday morning, and went in the direction of Nentsbury. She was quite certain he had no drink in his pocket. That was the last time she saw him alive.
He was 41 years of age. She mentioned his absence to the children on Monday but to no one else. On Tuesday morning she got very anxious, and asked T. Vipond, a cartman, if he had seen her husband, but he could give her no information. She was preparing to go in search of him when she got tidings of his having been found dead. He had sometimes been away for a day or two before.
Isabella Lee, a girl about 11 years of age, said she saw Bright going towards Nentsbury when she was coming home from Sunday school. She last saw him near Joseph Redshaw's gate.
Jeffery Bendle, who is employed on the roads, spoke to the finding of the body. He had occasion to go over the wall into Mr Allison Teasdale's field on Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock, and as he was stepping over the wall he saw the body of a man, apparently dead, lying in a corner. He called to another workman, Joseph Roddam, and they lifted the body up. They recognised deceased, and sent a message to his wife. The body was quite stiff and seemed to have been lying some time. Deceased was in a kneeling position. He did not see any drink in a bottle until the arrival of Sergt. Farrar and P.C. Parker, who searched the body. It would be difficult to see the body from the road. He had never been in the field since Sunday, and he last saw deceased alive on the Friday previous. He knew deceased was much addicted to drink.
Dr Christie, assistant to Dr Carson, Alston, said he was sent for on Tuesday morning and examined the body. He found deceased was quits stiff. He had the body removed home. The face was flattened through lying on the ground, but then were no marks of violence A little blood had been coming from the right nostril. Deceased had been dead some hours, but he did not think the body had laid since Sunday, but he thought it had laid over part of the previous night He saw a bottle that had been found on the deceased containing about a wine-glassful of rum. The body smelt very strongly of Rum. He considered that the cause of death was exposure while under the influence of drink.
Sergt. Farrer stated that he searched the body and found two £5 notes and £4 10s in loose cash, two clay pipes, matches and tobacco, and a bottle containing rum in the inside pocket of the coat He saw no signs of a struggle. He had inquired at all the public houses in Alston, Nenthead. and Nentsbury, but had failed to find out anything about the movements of deceased since Sunday. No one admitted selling him any drink.
The Coroner Said it was difficult to make out where deceased had got his drink. It appeared that he must have spent at least 16s since leaving home. None of the publicans admitted having seen him, but the drink must have been purchased somewhere.
After a minute's consultation the jury returned a verdict of "Death from exposure while under the influence of Intoxicating drink." Deceased leaves a widow and 7 young children. *See 12th April 1884*

12th March 1898 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The death of Mrs Vickers Hodgson *(Mary)* widow of the late Vickers Hodgson of Westgate House, occurred last week end (2nd inst). Her husband was one of the pioneers of the iron trade in Weardale.

14th March 1898 (Sunderland Daily Echo and Shipping)

NEW INDUSTRY FOR THE NORTH.

Messrs Fry, Everett, and Co. have been joined by some important financiers of the highest standing, who intend to erect large smelting works in the North of England to carry on their process for the treatment of sulphide zinc ores. At present the most important zinc-mining establishment in the North of England is that the Vieille Montague Co. at Nenthead, near Alston. But zinc-smelting is not carried on at Nenthead, the ore produced there being crushed and washed on the spot and then shipped from the Tyne to Belgium. The establishment of zinc-smelting works in the North of England would therefore mean the introduction of a new industry in this district.

26th March 1898 (Northern News)

NENTHEAD CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

In the interest of the above Society, a new feature was introduced in the shape of a Demonstration held on Tuesday, 22nd inst., the object of which was, or is, to awaken interest in the Co-operative movement in the village.

The demonstration took the form of a public meeting in the Large School Room, which was nearly filled with an appreciative audience. Stirring addresses were given in support of the movement by Messrs. J. WARWICK (Chairman of the Co-operative Union for the Northern Section), and W. STOKER (member of the C.W.S. Committee), who by their experience and knowledge of Co-operative principles were able to set forth all the advantages of being a member of the Co-operative Society. Facts and figures were given by the above gentlemen relative to the widespread influence of the Co-operative movement, hitherto not altogether understood in this neighbourhood, the inhabitants of which have been benefitted indirectly by the existence of a Co-operative Society in their midst. The proceedings were enlivened by the attendance of the Nenthead Brass Band, under the leadership of Mr. JOS. ENGLISH, who in no small measure added to the enjoyment of the evening. Councilor HARRISON, one of the pioneers of the Co-operative movement in this village, presided over the meeting.

Votes of thanks concluded this part of the programme, after which a knife and fork supper was provided, the provisions being of an abundant character.

The tables were gracefully presided over by the following ladies:

Misses E. HETHERINGTON, M. DICKINSON, E. A. ANGUS, H. WATSON, A. SPARK, M. THOMPSON, P. COUSIN, and F. RICHARDSON, Mrs. R. MARTIN and Mrs. R. WALTON acted as bread cutters, and Mrs. W. SPARK and Mrs. J. THOMPSON as tea infusers. Messrs. C. ARMSTRONG and R. MARTIN surely had a hard time carving, as they were seen to have their coats off.

Dancing was heartily indulged in during the rest of the evening, music being supplied by the untiring zeal of the band in attendance. The rendering of the National Anthem brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

ALSTON NEWS
DRAUGHT MATCH

A match between seven members of the Alston Union Club and seven persons from Nenthead village, having been arranged, it was played at Alston on Friday night last, and resulted in a win for the home team. This is the third time they have met, and on each occasion the Alston team have been victorious. We understand that the Nenthead team have been practicing a good deal during the past winter, having had a draught league with a view, undoubtedly, of turning the scales at the next time of meeting.

There is an old saying that practice makes perfect, and should the Nenthead team keep going on, possibly they may combat with their opponents more successfully in the future.

After the match supper was provided by the Alston team, and on the motion MR. FERNAU, seconded by MR. T. LATTIMER, the best thanks of the Nenthead friends was accorded to the Alston team for the manner in which they had been entertained.

The following are the scores, each playing three games...

ALSTON.	W'n	D'w
W. LEE	1	0
R. NIXON	2	1/2
J. BRAMWELL	2	0
G. DICKINSON	2	1/2
J. BOWMAN	1	0
T. M. SUMMERS	2	0
H. HALL	2	0
NENTHEAD	**W'n**	**D'w**
C. J. FERNAU	2	0
T. LATTIMER	0	1/2
W. SINCLAIR	1	0
DR. SHORT	0	1/2
F. RICHARDSON	2	0
B. PHILLIPSON	1	0
W. MOORE	2	0

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2nd April 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL
MEDICAL OFFICERS REPORT.

The report of Dr. Short, Medical Officer for No. 2 District (Nenthead and Garrigill) for the year 1897 was submitted as follows

“I beg to present to you the annual report for 1897 on the health and sanitary condition of No. 2 District.

“At the outset I will allude to the remarkable improvement that has taken place in the mining industry, the chief staple of employment upon which so much depends the welfare of the district, as well as that of Alston and the surrounding villages.

Under the able management of the Vielle and Montagne Company, one of the richest mining companies in the world, the industry has by leaps and bounds

grown into the most active and flourishing condition. Machinery of the latest and most modern invention has been erected, and new mines have been opened out. Miners, and those with families, have been flocking to the place in quest of employment and as a consequence there has been a considerable increase in the population, and to such an extent that there is not a house but is occupied. In fact often complaints have been made to your inspector and myself of overcrowding, but to this reference will be made later on. I have estimated the population as 1875, an increase of 200 on that obtained at last census, and have apportioned that increase 150 to Nenthead, and 50 to Garrigill.

"*Deaths.*—The total deaths registered were 31, 17 males and 14 females, and on the estimated populations this gives a death rate of 16.5 per thousand. I should mention that among the deaths are included 8, 3 that were returned uncertified and 1 due to self-inflicted injury. There is an increase on the death rate for last year, which was remarkable for being the lowest for several years. The increase in 1897 is due to the heavy incidence of mortality among infants under one year; to an epidemic of , scarlet fever, which resulted in 4 deaths, and to the large proportion of deaths over 65 years of age.

"Births.—The number of births during the year amounted to 44, 21 males and 23 females, the birth rate being 23.46 per thousand.

"Distribution.—In the distribution of deaths in the two localities, 20 occurred in Nenthead, or 17.1; and 11 in Garrigill, or 15.4 per thousand. More deaths occurred from scarlet fever, and of infants under one year in Nenthead than in Garrigill. In Nenthead 31 cases of scarlet fever were notified, and of these three were fatal, in Garrigill there was only one case which ended fatally. Of those above 25 and under 65, there were in Nenthead 6 deaths, and in Garrigill one. Among the former the cases of death were as follows:—Heart Disease 1, scarlet fever 1, diseases of the nervous system 2, phthisis 1, pneumonia 1. The death at Garrigill was due to phthisis,

"Infantile Mortality.—The infantile mortality is excessively high this year, amounting in all to 10 deaths, 7 in Nenthead, 3 in Garrigill, and giving a rate of 227.2 per thousand births. The causes that have been in operation in producing this high mortality do not come under the head of preventive causes, as no deaths have been due to diarrhoea as the remit of improper feeding, or wilful neglect Weak and puny infants, some prematurely born have come into the world, and have survived their birth a few days or weeks, and in one case only was scarlet fever the cause of death, of an infant four months old"

"Zymotic Diseases.—There have been 4 deaths from the diseases included under the term zymotic one in Garrigill, and 3 in Nenthead. Of the latter, one was uncertified, they were all doe to scarlet fever, the mortality from which was 2.13 per thousand."

"Scarlet Fever.—Scarlet fever appeared in the district at the end of 1896, and assumed an epidemic form at the beginning of 1897, necessitating the closing of the Nenthead Schools. This step to all appearance abated the spread of the disease, but during the year at intervals of two or three months, there were periodic recrudescence's of the disease, though mild and short lived. I attribute these occasional outbreaks to the imperfect way in which isolation, and disinfection have been carried out. It is singularly rare in country houses and I allude especially to those occupied by the working classes to secure a room unreservedly for the infected patient Besides this there is another difficulty in the way of successfully combating against the spread of the disease, and it is

to prevent children from infected houses mixing with other children that are untainted, and the difficulty is very much enhanced when the schools are dosed In fact, I am beginning to doubt whether the ordained method of closing schools in all epidemics does the good one expects, and especially so as regards country places."

"Influenza-—Simultaneously with scarlet fever, an epidemic of influenza made its appearance at the beginning of the year compelling me to close the Nenthead School. In several of these cases eruptions resembling scarlet fever and measles were visible rendering it somewhat difficult in differentiating these cases from those of the zymotic diseases that were then prevailing. Influenza has been present more or less throughout the year. Cases were numerous at the beginning of the year, and at the end of it; all "Nenthead and his wife "fell victims to it, but no deaths occurred. The pulmonary form the disease so often met with was not severe, in other cases the stomach and bowels were the principal organs effected, especially in children."

"Measles.—An epidemic of measles broke out in Garrigill at the beginning of the year, the source of the infection being from Newcastle. The Garrigill school was closed for some weeks. The outbreak was of a mild character, and no deaths occurred."

"Erysipelas.—One case of erysipelas was notified from Garrigill. "

"Phthisis.—There were three deaths from phthisis, 2 of them in Nenthead, one of a person 71, the other 49 years of age. One death occurred in Garrigill, at the age of 33. The death rate from this disease is 1.6 per thousand."

"Respiratory Diseases.— Pneumonia has been conspicuous by its absence except in a mild form, and then as a sequel to influenza. From respiratory diseases only one death has been returned, due to capillary bronchitis. In an infant a few weeks old."

"*Closure of the Smelt Mill*.—I have to report that at the beginning of the year, the Smelt Mill at Nenthead was closed, with results most beneficial to the health of the district, and there has not been a single case of lead colic under observation throughout the year. Those who worked in the mill were pasty-looking, anaemic, and thin, but since the closing of the mill they wear a far different complexion, look florid, robust, and healthy. I prognosticate that a marked diminution in the death rate from phthisis and renal disorders, will result from the closing of the mill."

"*Sanitary Work*.—Along with your Inspector, who has never failed to comply with the demands I have made upon his time, and has always rendered me efficient help, a house to house inspection was made, and I am pleased to say, that the results as regards a great part of the district we visited have been satisfactory, for there has been an abatement of the nuisances that prevailed at well as improvement in defective sanitary conditions. It is with pleasure I report that to several houses new privies eve been erected, and others are in the course of erection. Still, the majority of the condemned houses are without sufficient privy accommodation.

I cannot help drawing your attention to this, and asking you to take stringent measures in effecting an improvement which has been long felt and wanted. You have had your attention drawn to this sanitary defect for many years now, and have been slow in taking action. May I hope that before the end of another year you will have compelled every owner of property to provide sufficient privy accommodation."

"*Water Supply*.—In regard to water supply I cannot speak of it in terms of approbation. in rainy weather at most of the wells, the water is unfit to drink owing no doubt to surface contamination from defective pipes. Before any radical and permanent improvement can be effected, new pipes will have to be laid down in place of the old ones. I think it is a useless expenditure of money, the patchwork method that has been adopted in remedying this defect I cannot, with any definiteness attribute any diseases to the impure water supply, but I desire this fact may be kept In view that an impure water has a detrimental effect on the health of the inhabitants, and should therefore receive prompt attention. Two hundred yards of glazed socket pipes cemented have been laid down from High House to the Nenthead Wells, and I trust that the scheme in contemplation to improve the water supply for Nenthead and Garrigill will soon be in execution" *"Alleged Overcrowding*.— During the year complaints of overcrowding were made to the inspector and myself and a special investigation was instituted to discover whether there was any justification for these complaints. We went from house to house making special inquiry as to the number of occupants, as well as taking the cubic contents of the rooms. We found that in a few instances the number was just barely compatible with health, and warnings were given that no more be taken in. The "Barracks" was also Inspected, this used to be the store room in connection with the Smelt Mill, and has been converted into a room for the accommodation of "walleters" as these are called who work at Nenthead during the week, going home over the week-end, and who bring their weekly provisions with them in a wallet. The place affords accommodation for 42, and there were only 39 at the time we visited it"

Mr PICKERING remarked that he did not agree with the Medical Officer as to the increase of population in Garrigill There was more likely be to a decrease.

THE MARKET PLACE

The SURVEYOR submitted report and estimates as to the repair of the Market Place, drawn up after inspecting it in company with the Inspector and the committee appointed for the purpose. Alternative estimates were given, one for repaving on the slope, and one for forming the place into squares. For paving with freestone setts, and forming the footpath, which is 40 yards long by 7 ft wide, the amount was £80 12s 4d, for forming five squares of varying sizes with concrete, and stone wall support at each end £121 12s 6d.—A general opinion was expressed that squares would be unsuitable, both as being dangerous, and rendering access to the shops abutting on the Market Place difficult—Mr WARD: Does this footpath belong to the public or to the Lords of the Admiralty.—Mr PICKERING thought the public would have a right of way over it. With these estimates before them the question was were they prepared to take over the Market Place.—The CHAIRMAN: Had we not better adjourn the matter for the new Council to deal with. We have this estimate before us, we are not bound to go directly into it—Mr PICKERING agreed, and moved that the matter be adjourned.—Mr J. R. WALTON seconded, and it was agreed to

THE ROADS

The SURVEYOR presented his estimate of the stone required for the roads, amounting to 350 cubic yards. In reply to Mr DOWSON, he said that did not include the metal required for the road used by the traction engine, which could not be estimated. They migh put on two engines. He drew attention to the dangerous state of the road between Overwater and East Nenthead. It was a portion which the Nenthead Company had appropriated to their own use, and

were liable to repair. The London Lead Company put up a bridge, and had since then kept up this portion. The new Company had putdown more rails, causing the approach to be steeper and more dangerous, and it was almost impossible for vehicular traffic to get over without risk of injury. Foot passengers also complained, and waggons were sometimes left blocking the road way. He had spoken to the agent, who had promised to attend to the matter, but nothing had been done. Previous to the London Lead Company renting the mines, it was a public road and bridle road, but they brought the refuse heap forward, built the bridge, and repaired the road.—A letter from Mr John Archer, West Nenthead, was read, stating some of the above particulars, calling the attention of the Council to the matter, and the CLERK stated that he had seen Mr LATTIMER who could not remain to the meeting owing to the storm. Mr Lattimer endorsed all that Mr Archer said, and also told him that only a few nights ago a female had a narrow escape from injury in crossing the line. The public had a right of way over the road, and the Company had no right to obstruct it.—It was agreed that the Clerk communicate with the manager of the Company.

A JOB FOR THE CHAIRMAN.

The Inspector reported a nuisance on the road side near Clitheroe, arising from a large accumulation of rubbish deposited by residents in the cottages there.—Mr J.R. WALTON: That is the County Council business. (Laughter.)—Mr DOWSON thought the County Council should have notice to remove it.—The SURVEYOR said that he had removed accumulations in this place before. The residents had no other place of deposit but the roadside.—The INSPECTOR: My suggestion is that the County Council be requested to clear this away at once, and that the Surveyor give notice that anyone depositing rubbish here in future will be prosecuted.—On the motion of Mr DOWSON, seconded by Mr PICKERING, it was agreed to write to the County Council Surveyor.

THE OLD DIFFICULTY.

The INSPECTOR further reported several properties, chiefly at Townfoot, Alston, which were yet without privy or ashpit Some had no ground available on which they could be erected. Refuse was still deposited on the Millburn Bank — The CHAIRMAN: They should be stopped.—The INSPECTOR said that for those who had failed to provide sanitary accommodation in compliance with the notices he had served, the next thing the Council could do was to bring them before the magistrates.—- Some discussion took place with regard to taking farther steps with those who had neglected to comply with the notices, although they had available land, but no action was taken.

NO ASSETS.

The Clerk stated that there were no funds in hand for carrying out the water main extension at Alston. The work must either be deferred till May, or they must go on trusting to be able to borrow the money. The pipes had been delivered, but not all

paid for.—It appeared that the cost of the extension will considerably exceed the estimate made by the Inspector in 1896, and some remarks were made by Mr WARD on the matter.—The INSPECTOR explained that since the estimate was made iron pipes had gone up 11s per ton.—The Council came to no decision.

SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of the School Board was held on Saturday. Present Mr Elliott (Chairman), Messrs. H. Walton and H. Bell, Mr Walton (attendance

officer).—The ATTENDANCE OFFICER asked for some six summonses to be taken out for non- attendance but the members decided to issue notices before proceeding further.—The attendance for the past month was given as follows:—

Attendance

	On Books	**Average.**
Nenthead	140	119
Nenthall	33	24
Tynehead	11	7
Garrigill	73	56
Leadgate	28	22
Alston (High)	101	84
Alston (National)	44	33
Alston (Infants)	68	49
	498	394

Deaths

At Garrigill, on the 19th ult., after a long illness patiently borne, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of John Ward, aged 55 years. *See 24th August 1872*

2nd April 1898 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Influenza is raging in Weardale just now. At Stanhope both the doctor and nurse have been down with it.

WEARDALE COUNCIL MEETING

The lead mine shops in **Rookhope** and their insanitary condition was also discussed at the meeting. Relays of miners using the same beds was condemned. One man getting into bed as another got out was thought to be a speedy method of spreading disease. It was also thought the mine shops might be kept much cleaner than at present.

16th April 1898 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Paradise Farm, Highcliff, Peninsula, New Zealand, 19th January, in her 57th year, Mary the dearly beloved wife of Thomas Lee.
At California, 5th February aged 73, Mary wife of the late Thomas Ridley, Contractor, late of Allendale.

6th April 1898 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Gateshead, North Bourne Street, aged 69, Hannah widow of John Hutchinson, late of Nenthead.
See 15th April 1871

23rd April 1898 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At the Registry Office Hexham, 9th inst., Thomas fifth and youngest son of William Ridley of Gaunerton, to Anna, third daughter of Joseph Dargue, of Scotch Hall, Allendale.

Deaths

At Hayring, Nentsbury, 16th inst. aged 56, John George Millican.
See 28th July 1868, and 24th August 1878

23rd April 1898 (Penrith Observer)

DEATH OF A LOCAL SOLICITOR

On Saturday John George Millican. solicitor, for some time with the late Mr. T. G. Cant, solicitor, Pemith, died at Hay Ring, Nentwater, near Nenthead. Deceased. who had not been in practice for some time, had resided during the past four years with his cousin, Joseph Liddle, and had been suffering since the commencement of last month from influenza and bronchitis. Dr. Christie, Alston, attended him, and last saw him on Friday, when he ordered deceased to be kept in bed. About three o'clock on Saturday afternoon Mr. Liddle went into Alston on business, leaving deceased in charge of a neighbour, Mrs. Pattinson. At a quarter to six Mrs. Pattinson went in again and found deceased in a sitting position on the floor of the bedroom with his back resting against the bed. She went to tell her husband, and as he and Walton Holmes, Grassfield, were about to enter the house Mr. Liddle arrived. They all went in together, and found deceased quite dead. Dr. Christie certified death to be due to heart disease.

30th April 1898 (Newcastle Courant)

RECREATION GROUND FOR ALSTON

A meeting called by the Jubilee Committee has been held in the Town Hall Alston, to consider the question of purchasing the fields known as the Fairhill for the purpose of a recreation ground. The committee have been in communication with the Lords of the Admiralty, who have offered the field which covers about 5¾ acres, for £200. The question was fully considered, and a large majority voted in favour of the purchase. The money will be raised by private subscription, the estimate being about £400 for the purchase and putting the field in proper order.

7th May 1898 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

NEW SCHOOLS

The site selected by the School Board for the erection of new schools at Nenthead has been approved by the Local Government Board. The schools are estimated to cost about £1,400 to £1,500. (Mr Davidson of Newcastle employed as Architect)

14th May 1898 (Newcastle Courant)

Deaths

At the Haymarket, on the 8th inst., aged 66, Ann beloved wife of John Bell, late of Alston.

In 1841, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Bell, carrier, aged 30, his wife Amelie 30, children John 10, Hannah 5, William 5, Thomas 4, Mildred 2, and Mary 3 months.

In 1851, at Townhead, Alston, John Bell, Carrier, aged 20, his wife Ann aged 19, and son Joseph 3 months.

In 1861, at Middle Skelgill, Alston, John Bell, carter, aged 30, his wife Ann 28, children, Joseph 10, Hannah 7, Jonathan 4, Mildred 2, and house savant, Lydia Teasdale 36.

In 1871, at Butts, John Bell, carrier, aged 40, his wife Ann 38, children Joseph, carrier, aged 20, Jonathan, weaver, aged 14, Mildred 11, James W 9, Mary 7, John 4, and Elizabeth A., 8 months.

In 1881, at Middle Street, Elswick, Newcastle, John Bell, cartman, aged 50, his wife Ann 48, children, Walton, cartman, aged 19, John, cartman, aged 14, Elisabeth 11, and lodger, William Cruters, engine driver, aged 24.
In 1891, at 6 Cails Yard, St Andrew's, Newcastle, John Bell, bus proprietor, aged 60, his wife Ann 58, children, John, general labourer, aged 24, Elizabeth A., general servant domestic, aged 20, Ethel 5, and lodger, George Robson, bus driver, aged 22.

27th May 1898 (Carlisle Journal)
ALSTON.—As an evidence of the activity in the mining industry at Nenthead, another traction engine and two waggons have arrived at Alston this week for the purpose of conveying the traffic to Alston. The present engine has lately been traveling day and night.

28th May 1898 (Hexham Herald)

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NENTHEAD
FATAL RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT

About two weeks ago, while some carriers from Nenthead, were loading wood waggons at Alston Station, a large tree which was being hoisted to the waggon slipped and a lad about 15 years of age named Joe Teasdale of Nenthead who was in charge of a horse, being unable to get out of the road was severely hurt, his thigh being broken in 2 places, a large cut above the knee, and it was feared that he had received some internal injury. He was conveyed home and after much suffering expired on Monday morning.
In 1891, at Wellgill, Nenthead, John Teasdale, gamekeeper & farmer, aged 33, born Haltwhistle, his wife Ann 35, born Alston, children William 9, born Haltwhistle, Joseph 6, born Haltwhistle, Thomas S. 1, born Alston, and farm servant Thomas Vipond aged 23.

28th May 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

THE INQUEST.

An inquest was held in Mr K. Peart's Miners' Arms, Nenthead, on Tuesday, May 24th, before Mr J. B, Lee, coroner, Mr A. Bolton, being foreman of the jury.—John Teasdale, father of deceased, said deceased was 14 years old on the 2nd of April. He had been employed on the washing floors, bat latterly had been going with a horse and cart leading coal from Alston, and occasionally assisting Thomas Vipond with wood waggons. Thomas Vipond was in charge. Witness expected deceased would be with his own cart, but might assist with wood waggons. About midday deceased was brought home in a carriage by Alan Dickinson and another gentleman. Dr. Short was brought and had attended him since. Deceased said the accident would never have happened if the wood had been beside the crane and lifted with it. Witness saw the waggons when they left that morning, but not being much used they were all right as far as he could see. He had never heard of any complaints about waggons nor any accidents before.—The Coroner: Can you attach any blame to anyone?—Witness: The

only blame I think was on account of the timber being laid by the Railway Company where there was no crane, and it had all to be lifted by manual labour.—The Foreman: Vipond is looked upon as an expert in wood leading?—Yes.—The Foreman: There was a lot of timber and it could not all be laid beside the crane.—That I can't say.

Dr. Short said he was called to see the deceased, on the Wednesday afternoon 11th May at his father's residence at Wellgill, Nenthead. He found deceased suffering from shock, and from an oblique fracture running from before, backwards between the middle and lower thirds of the right thigh. He also had a severe contusion of the knee-joint of the same side, the joint was very much swollen, the swelling being due not so much to the bruising of the soft parts around it, as to the excessive effusion of synovial fluid (which is normally present) into the joint. There was also a gaping wound 4½ inches in length running across the axis of the injured limb and situated an inch or so below the knee-joint.

Having sutured the wound and brought the edges together with silver wire and silk cord, he set the fracture and kept it in position in the ordinary way by means of Liston's long splint. On applying the bandage to fix the splint to the side of the chest and abdomen, the deceased complained of abdominal tenderness, but there were no symptoms of a definite nature to suggest that he had received any serious internal injury. For a bit he seemed to progress most satisfactorily, his appetite was good, he slept fairly well and his bowels acted regularly. He had an attack of bilious vomiting, but no importance was attached to this as when in health he was periodically subject to such attacks.

On Thursday 19th May, 1898 persistent vomiting set in, the pulse increased in frequency and the patient looked very ill. Witness then began to apprehend that there was serious abdominal trouble and suggested to the parents the advisability of a consultation with another medical practitioner. Dr. Spiers, of Haltwhistle was telegraphed for, and having seen and examined the deceased, he confirmed witness's apprehensions.

in spite of medical treatment, the patient gradually grew worse, the vomiting became more persistent, the bowels failed to act; tenderness over the abdomen was more pronounced and colicky pains complained of: gradually increasing weakness set in and death ensued on the morning of the 23rd May, 1898.

On the same day witness made a post-mortem examination of the abdominal contents and found the stomach much dilated, both small and large intestines were intensely congested and there was an excess of fluid in the peritoneal cavity. Tubercular nodules were also seen in the peritoneum covering the intestines, a condition in which inflammation might easily be set up from injury however trivial.

He was of opinion that death was due primarily to peritonitis induced by abdominal contusion, and that it was accelerated by a fractured thigh, and by other injuries which the deceased had sustained.

Thos, Vipond said he lived at Wellgill, and was a carter. Deceased was in the habit occasionally of going with him to help him. He was employed by J. Teasdale. Deceased had been with him a few months. He had had 16 year's experience in leading wood, and had been leading some days before the accident. Sometimes he got help from the station men, or anybody about They loaded generally from the crane wharf, beside coal teams. They just loaded where they lay off the timber. It was much more difficult from wharf where there

was no crane. He complained about it being laid there to Wm. Hall, the foreman porter who was engaged by the Mining Company to arrange for the receiving and dispatching of goods. Hall said there was no room beside crane for it. He did not know about it being safe, it was a lot harder. Alan Dickinson, Moffat, and other two or three men were helping him. Hall was sometimes there, and sometimes his man. Witness then described to the jury how difficult it was to load timber without a crane, and how the tree slipped and fell on to the boy.
The police report stated that deceased was a cart driver, working for and living with his father, John Teasdale, Wellgill. He had been a strong, healthy boy. Between 10 and 11 on Wednesday, the 11th of May, he was engaged in company with Thomas Vipond loading timber (vis., trees) at Alston Railway Station on to a wood waggon by hand. They had got one tree on the waggon, and were in the act of putting on the second, when the block of the wood waggon on which the wood lays gave way, and fell over on the deceased. It was immediately lifted off. He then said his leg was broken. He was brought home. Dr. Short attended deceased up to his death.
In reply to the Foreman, Sergt. Farrar said it was on account of the crane being full up with timber that some of it had to be laid on the other wharf, but they should have two cranes.
Alan Dickinson gave an account of the accident similar to that of Vipond.
This concluded the evidence, and the Coroner, in addressing the jury, said everybody employing manual labour had to use every possible means to avert accident. As to this particular accident, it seemed quite clear that from the wharf where the timber was loaded, sufficient means had not been adopted by the providing of a crane, and their duties were to say whether it amounted to criminal negligence. Their verdict could only apply to that and not to any civil damages. Perhaps they would decide there was negligence but not criminal, and the accident would not have occurred if a crane had been provided. They were practical men, and be left it with them, but he certainly thought there required some improvement at the particular wharf where the timber was loaded when deceased received his injury.
The jury retired, and after a brief consultation returned the following verdict and rider :—"Accidental death, but they wish to add a strong recommendation to the Railway Company to provide better arrangements for loading and unloading timber, especially by having a crane on the wharf beside the coal teams."

11th June 1898 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

FATAL ACCIDENT

A sad accident by which a young man named **Thomas Hutchinson** came to his end occurred on the main road near Nenthead on Monday. The deceased was employed by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., to go along with one of their traction engines as flagman and brakeman to the wagons. ... Deceased was a labourer and resided with his mother Jane Hutchinson, in Crown lane, Alston, and was employed by the above company to attend their traction engines conveying zinc ore from Nenthead to Alston station. One journey between the two places had been performed. About 11.30 am the second journey was commenced, the train consisting of a traction engine with two wagons, each containing eight tons of ore. John Leach as driver and John Irwin as steerman, were upon the engine. Robert Irwin was acting as flagman in front of the engine

and the deceased was acting as brakesman, his duties being at the rear of the wagons. When about half a mile up the hill from Nenthead, the driver stated that the deceased took a sling chain from the engine, and when he last saw him alive he was carrying the chain towards the last wagon. The chain was sometimes used when there was any difficulty in getting up banks. The engine was then going about three miles an hour. He did not miss the deceased till he got to Haggs almost half a mile from where the body was found. He sent the steerman and flagman back to look for deceased, and while they were doing so they met a messenger coming from the direction of Nenthead, who told them the body had been found on the road. The deceased was found by Frank Beck of Nenthead and James Pears of Nentsbury. Sergt. Farrer was communicated with, and in company with PC Parker, was quickly on the spot. The deceased was lying face downwards with the right arm stretched out, and the left arm under his chest. The wheel of the last wagon, it is supposed, had passed right over the body. ...

Deaths

At Nenthead 6th inst. (by accident) aged 21, Thomas Hutchinson, son of Jane Hutchinson, Crown Lane, Alston.

In 1891, at Crown Lane, Alston, Jane Hutchinson, single, charwoman, aged 47, sons Thomas, stocking knitter, aged 13, and William 10.

11th June 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting of this Board was held on Saturday. Present—Messrs R. Elliot (Chairman), H. Bell, and J. Rutherford.—A letter was read from the Education Department relating to the question of children leaving school at Nenthead, and who had not received certificates of exemption and were under age. The question was before the Board at the previous meeting, and it was decided to reply that the ages given the Board did not correspond with those given the Inspector. The Department now asked what evidence had been produced by the parents as to the children's exemption and fitness for leaving school. It was resolved to reply that no evidence was given, but merely a statement that they were of age. The Board would, however, be more careful in the future.—It was resolved to employ Mr Davidson, of Newcastle, as architect for the building of the new school and school house at Nenthead.—The attendance was reported as follows:—

	No. on books.		Average atten.
Nenthead	147		132
Nenthall	32		28
Garrigill	73		61
Tynehead	9		7
Leadgate	30		25
Alston High	99	3 weeks	78
"	102	1 week	92
Alston National	42	3 weeks	35
"	49	1 week	42
Alston Infants	81	3 weeks	72
"	60	1 week	49

Marriages

At St. Augustine's Church, Alston, on the 9th inst., John Joseph, eldest son of Joseph Lancaster, miller, and corn merchant, Alston, to Margaret Pattinson,

youngest daughter of the late Joseph and of Mrs Dawson, Park View House, Alston.

18th June 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD.

NENTHEAD WESLEYAN CHAPEL.

The above place of worship has been closed for about six weeks for the purpose of repairing and repainting. During the same period the organ has also been thoroughly overhauled and enlarged. Several new stops have been added including horn, dulciana and pedal bourdon and other changes have been made calculated to be of lasting benefit. The work has been done by Messrs Nelson and Co., organ builders, Durham, who have given entire satisfaction. The repainting of the chapel has been done by Mr Jonathan Rutherford, Nenthead, who has manifested considerable amount of taste in the selection of colours that blend harmoniously together. The work, which is of a somewhat difficult nature on account of the character of the building has been done in a highly satisfactory manner. The chapel was re-opened on Tuesday last. The day was beautifully fine. At 3 p.m. a sermon was delivered by the Rev. C. J. Back of Hebburn-on-Tyne. At 5 p.m. an organ recital was given by Mr F. Willey, of Haltwhistle. …

25th June 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The report of the Medical Officer for No. 2 District for the quarter ending March 31st last was read. In it Dr Short stated that the deaths registered had been 10, 7 males and 3 females, the rate for the quarter being 5.33 per 1,000. The births were 5, all females, or at the rate of 2.66 per 1000. Influenza was prevalent at the beginning of the quarter. and caused several deaths The district was not clear of the disease, for several cases of a mild type had recently come under observation. The district had enjoyed perfect immunity from scarlet fever, but three cases of measles had occurred at Nenthead, the disease having been imported from West Allen. Due precautionary measures had been taken, and so far there had been no further spread. He wished again to direct attention to the water supply at Nenthead, which was impure during rains. At Garrigill School there was a total absence of water, and there had been little progress in providing privy accommodation since his last report.—The CHAIRMAN: I thought there had been a number in course of erection.—The INSPECTOR said nothing been done beyond what he stated in his last report. They could not expect all to be done at once when neither masons nor joiners could be got. — Mr DOWSON thought this report would give the Local Government Board an idea that they were shuffling With the question, when they put it alongside the reply that the Clerk was instructed to send from last meeting, that the work was in progress.— Mr THOMPSON pointed out that the report before them only brought matters up to the 31st March, and that the Inspector's report was much more nearly up-to-date, and really came after the report now before them.—Mr HARRISON endorsed the Medical Officer's remarks about the water supply at Nenthead, and said he should like the Inspector to give attention to it at the source.—The INSPECTOR said he would do so at once.

THE ALSTON WATER QUESTION.

The INSPECTOR reported that the work of laying the new pipes had been brought within six roods of the source in the Spring Field.—A letter from Mr Richard Gibson, Chapel Terrace, was read, asking that a stand-pipe might be placed where the new pipe joined the other. There was a waste water pipe already laid from there to the town sewer. Such a stand-pipe would be a great convenience to dwellers in Chapel Terrace, the existing one being some distance off.—Mr WARD: How far off is the existing one?—The CLERK: Fifty or sixty yards.—Mr WARD: That may be a long way in Alston. We don't think much of 600 yards in the country.— Mr THOMPSON: Nothing would be wanted but the stand-pipe, and it would be more convenient for dwellers in the Terrace.—Mr WARD: Do they propose to pay for it themselves?—Mr THOMPSON: The cost would be trifling anyway.—Mr BRAMWELL moved that the letter lie on the table till the main was completed —Mr WARD seconded.—The INSPECTOR, in reply to Mr Thompson, said the pipe could be as easily erected after the main was completed as during the, laying, and the motion was agreed to.

9th July 1898 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The output of iron ore from the Grove Head mine, Wearhead, Weardale is to be increased by 100 tons per week.

As Thomas Wall (16) was returning from work in Bolts Burn Mine, Rookhope, on Tuesday *(5th inst)*, he was killed by a large stone falling from the roof upon him.

James Wall married Tamar Cruddas, 8th February 1834, at Middleton in Teesdale.

In 1841, at Egglestone, Durham, James Wall, smelter, aged 30, his wife Tamar aged 30, Henry 6, Elizabeth 5, Mary Jane 1, and Thomas Cruddas 10.

In 1851, at Mossfield Burn, Rookhope, James Wall, Lead Smelter, aged 41, born Eggleston, his wife Tamar aged 41, born Middleton, children, Henry, lead ore washer, aged 16, Elizabeth, general servant, aged 14, Mary Jane 10, James 8, and son in law Thomas Cruddas, lead smelter, aged 20, born, Patterdale, Westmorland.

In 1861, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, James Wall, Butcher, aged 50, his wife Tamar aged 50, children, Elizabeth, dressmaker, aged 24, Mary J, house maid, aged 20, and James, horse driver, aged 18.

In 1871, at Boltsburn, James Wall, butcher, aged 62, and his wife Tamar 60.

In 1881, at Boltsburn, James Wall, butcher, aged 71, and his wife Tamar 69.

Tamar Wall died 4th quarter 1886, aged 75.

James Wall snr, died 3rd quarter 1889, aged 79.

In 1871, at Hylton Terrace, Boltsburn, Rookhope, James Wall, Iron miner, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth (Oliver, married 2nd quarter 1867, at Weardale) aged 23, children, Cecily 4, George 2, and Elizabeth 1 month.

In 1881, at Hilton Terrace, Boltsburn, Rookhope, James Wall, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 33, children, George 12, Elizabeth 10, Joseph 6, James 4, and John 1.

In 1891, at Blue Row, Rookhop[e, James Wall, general servant, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 43, children, Joseph, lead ore washer, aged 16, James, lead ore washer 14, John 11, and Thomas 9.

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In 1901, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, James Wall, jun, lead miner aged 21, his wife Pollie (Foster, married 4th quarter 1900, at Weardale) aged 21. Also James Wall snr, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth, 54, and son John, lead miner, aged 21.
James Wall died 2nd quarter 1909, aged 66
In 1911, at Rookhope, Eastgate, Elizabeth Wall, widow, aged 63.
Elizabeth Wall died 2nd quarter 1815, aged 67.

16th July 1898 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 47, Peter Swindle.
Died from pneumonia.
In 1851, at Low Dykeheads, Sarah Swindell, pauper, lead smelters widow (Husband Peter), aged 72, son John, married lead ore smelter, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth (Smith, married 17th November 1849, Nenthead) aged 42, children Jane 6, Peter 4 months, and visitor Thomas Walton, merchants son, aged 14.
In 1861, at Low Dykeheads, Sarah Swindle, widow, housekeeper, aged 81, son John, widow, lead smelter, aged 42, granddaughter Jane, house maid, aged 16, and grandson Peter 10.
See 20th June 1865
In 1871, at Low Dykehead, Peter Swindale, lead ore smelter, aged 20, and his wife Ellen aged 20.
In 1881, at Bridge End Cottage, Nenthead, Peter Swindle, lead ore smelter & farmer 0f 13 acres, aged 30, his wife Eleanor 30, sons John 9, and Isaac W. 4. Also at Bridge End Cottage in 1881, John Swindle, widow, lead ore smelter, aged 62.
In 1891, at Kings Head, Peter Swindle, cartman, aged 40, his wife Ellen 40, sons Johnnie, waggon driver, aged 19, Isaac Walton, waggon driver, aged 14,

father John Swindle, widow, labourer, aged 72, and domestic servant Mary Jane Shield, aged 20.

16th July 1898 (Newcastle Journal)

BUILDERS desirous of **TENDERING** for the ERECTION of NEW BOARD SCHOOLS, and MASTER'S HOUSE at Nenthead, for the Alston School Board, are requested to send their names to the undersigned, on or before July 28th together with a deposit of £1, which will be returned on receipt of a bona fide Tender. Bills of quantities will be supplied, drawings may be seen, and all other information obtained on application.. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted —Thomas Davidson, Architect, 33 Grainger Street W., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

23rd July 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Water Supply in No. 2 District.—The INSPECTOR said nothing had been done to improve the water supply since the Medical Officer's report. The pipes in the main between Hard Edge end Nenthead had been cemented—Mr BOLTON asked the Inspector if he was aware that since this work was done the water had been muddier and dirtier. After a few hours rain it was muddy and yellow.—The INSPECTOR: The pipes at the high end are not cemented. It is similar to Garrigill.—The CLERK: I think it would simplify matters if we were to reply that the Alston water supply had been completed, and that at Nenthead and Garrigill would now be proceeded with.—Mr PICKERING said It would entail a good deal of expence, most of the drains would have to be overhauled, the pipes had been inefficiently put in, the rain water got into them. They should be done thoroughly, and no tinkering as had been dons previously. (Hear, hear from Mr Thompson)—Mrs CORE: Do you mean the work lately had not been well done.—Mr PICKERING: No.—Mr DOWSON: Done in the days of the old Board.—It was agreed to reply as suggested by the Clerk.

Sanitary Accommodation.—In reference to want of privy accommodation et Nenthead, the INSPECTOR said that four privies had been completed and four were on the way.—Mr LATTIMER: Haae ell the delinquents got notice?—The INSPECTOR: Not all, there are some more to send out.

Medical Officers' and Inspector's Reports.—For No. 1 District (Alston) Dr. Carson reported 4 deaths and 5 births during the quarter. One death was that of a non-resident, and deducting this the rate was 1.75 per 1000 for the quarter, or 7 for the year. Except for a few cases of chicken-pox, the district was free from any epidemic. He called attention to the fact that the butchers in many instances had communication from they got rid of the offal, from their slaughterhouses to the Mill Burn, through which and thereby caused a very offensive nuisance, to which he had frequently directed attention. Peremptory orders should be given to close these communications, and the butchers should be notified that any one offending will be prosecuted.—Mr DOWSON said he was glad Dr. Carson had mentioned this matter. Was it a fact that a dead calf had been pulled out of the Burn at the grating?—The INSPECTOR believed it was the case.—Mr DOWSON: That will give an idea of the state of matters.—With respect to No. 2 District Dr. Short reported 8 deaths, 5 being males end 3 females. One death was of a non-resident, which being deducted left the rate 3.73 per 100. Two of the deaths, very sad ones, were the result of accidents.

The district has been free from contagious and infectious disease, barring a few cases of influenza. He was making an inspection of the whole district, and would report again on the privy accommodation, and also give attention to the water supply.—With regard to the Mill Burn the INSPECTOR reported as follows:—At Chapel House, back of the Burn, my attention has been directed to a nuisance in the Mill Burn, within six yards of the above dwelling house. It consists of a considerable accumulation of slaughterhouse offal, the smell from which is exceedingly offensive, and injurious to the health of the inhabitants living near. Something must be done to stop this practice of putting slaughterhouse refuse and dead carcasses into the Burn, instead of taking them out of the town, and burying them, so that they cannot be reached by dogs, etc.—In regard to the last named matter it was agreed that the butchers have notice at once to cut off communication with the Burn.

ALSTON WATER EXTENSION.— On this matter the Inspector reported "The laying of the new water main from the Town Head to the source in the Spring Field is now completed. with the exception of a rose for the end of the pipe in the cistern, and some dressing up at each end. There is an ample supply for all purposes at present."— A letter from Mr John K. Yeates was read, demanding £2 as compensation for damage for cutting the drain and going on his land from March to the present time, and asking that the drain sods be properly laid, as they were only pitched on.—The INSPECTOR said that the drain was not completed, and he was instructed to have that done, further consideration of the claim for damages being deferred.

A BREAK AT NENTHEAD.— The Inspector further reported that there was a leakage from one of the water mains at Nenthead on the main road east of the bridge, and it would be well to ascertain whether it was from the main to Holmes Foot, or that belonging to the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., as it was doing considerable damage to the main road.—He was instructed to take the necessary steps.

30th July 1898 (Hexham Courant)

Marriages

At Brunswick Chapel, Newcastle, 26th inst., by license, Joseph eldest son of Thomas Kindred, Wanwood, Alston to Lillie, eldest daughter of John Birkett, Light Shield, West Allendale.

In 1901, at Eastbourne Avenue, Gateshead, Joseph Kindred, bricklayer, aged 25, his wife Lillie 26, children Auburn 2, Eva 5 months.

Deaths

At Kate's Lane, Alston, 24th inst., aged 68, Jane, wife of William Keenleyside.

In 1861, at Town Head, Jane Keenlyside, lead miners (White, married 15th March 1857, Alston) wife, aged 30, sons Thomas 2, James 3 weeks, domestic servant Elizabeth Vipond aged 28, and boarder Isaac White, butcher, aged 39; William was at Fell Top, Newbrough, listed as a lead miner. In 1871, at Over Burn, Alston, William Keenlyside, lead ore miner, aged 36, his wife Jane 42, children Thomas 12, James 10, Isaac 7, and Mary J. 7 months.

In 1881, William Keenleyside, married, lead miner, aged 44, was boarding at 16 Market place, Corbridge.

In 1891, at Kates Lane, Alston, Jane Keenleyside, married, aged 62, children Thomas, postman, aged 32, Isaac, labourer in stocking factory, aged 26, and

Mary J., domestic servant, aged 20; William was at North Broomhill, East Chevington, working as a coal miner.
At Stanhope, 25th inst., aged 29, Dorothy wife of Ralph Bainbridge *(butcher)*

6th August 1898 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Toronto, June 29th Henry Yeates of Lampton Mills, late of Wolsingham to Ada Maddinson of Frosterley Co. Durham.
Deaths
Anderson's Bay, Dunedin, New Zealand, June 3rd aged 84, W. J. Johnson, late of Pods Bank, Allendale.

13th August 1898 (Newcastle Courant)
PIT FATALITY NEAR NENTHEAD.
On Tuesday, at Haggs Mine, near Nenthead, worked by Messrs Thompson of Weardale, a man named Stephen Watson of Cowshill, Weardale, was killed outright, and another named Joseph Peart of Wearhead was so seriously injured that he died soon after. It appears that the two men had been following their usual employment when a piece of rock fell upon them.

13th August 1898 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
FATAL MINING ACCIDENT
On Tuesday afternoon a serious accident occurred at **Nentsbury mine** near Nenthead, by which two miners named **John Watson, aged 58, and Joseph Peart, aged 28**, natives of Weardale lost their lives. From the statement made by the men who were present at the time it appeared that Watson who had been working all the morning in company with another man named Fairless, at what is known as a "heading" was just about to leave the place when a large piece of rock fell from the heading and killed him instantly. At the same moment the younger man, Peart, was passing the place and was struck by the end of the falling rock and frightfully injured. The men on the spot at once did what they could for the injured man, and got him out of the mine, where Dr Short and Dr Carson attended to him, but he only breathed a few minutes. The medical men both gave it as their opinion that it was utterly impossible to save his life, such was the extent of his injuries. Both men had their legs and arms broken, and both had spinal injuries. Each of the men are married and leave families. An inquest was opened on Wednesday afternoon at the Horse and Wagon Inn, Nentsbury, but after taking evidence as to the identity the coroner adjourned the inquiry for the attendance of the Inspector of Mines, who was unable to be present.
John Watson lived at Burtreeford, near Cowhill, leaving a widow and grown up family. Joseph Peart lived at Grain, near Cowshill, and left a widow and 3 young children
In 1891, at Burtree Ford, John Watson, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Sarah 48, children Stephen, lead miner, aged 22, Elizabeth Emma 18, and John Joseph aged 12.
In 1891, at Low Grain, Joseph Peart, lead miner, aged 71, his wife Elizabeth 60, son John, lead miner, aged 43, son Jacob, stone mason, journeyman, aged 40, grandson, Joseph Peart, lead miner, aged 22, born Australia.

13th August 1898 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF MR THOMAS SOPWITH.

Mr Thomas Sopwith M.I.C.E., F.G.S., has died at Lismore, Oban, N.B. Mr Sopwith was an eminent mining and civil engineer. He was born at Newcastle upon Tyne on 2nd July 1838. After being educated at Allenheads, Northumberland, and Bruce Castle, he was articled at the works of Sir W. Armstrong and Co., Elswick. He left there in 1859 for the "W.B" Lead mines Allendale and Weardale, when he received his training as a mining engineer. About 1862 he visited, the chief mining centres of the Continent, and eventually aided by Mr W. B. Beaumont, acquired important lead mines at Linares, Spain (*approx. 80 miles east of Cordoba*). The Spanish Lead Company was formed to work these mines, with Mr Sopwith as manager at Linares, where his abilities and perseverance resulted in the establishment of one of the largest and most important mining and smelting works in Spain. On the reorganisation of the Company in 1880, he became managing director of the new firm under the name of T. Sopwith and Co. (Limited) which position he held at his death. He also himself owned nearly half the shares of the company. He reported on various mines in Europe and America between 1864 and 1890 and his opinion was highly valued. He wrote various papers on lead and copper and other mining and scientific subjects, and contributed to various newspapers and periodicals. He married, in 1866, Miss Lydia Gertrude Messiter, of Wincanton, Somerset, and she and seven daughters and one son survive him. His death was the result of an accident while out shooting with his son and friend. He was interred at Brookwood Cemetery.

20th August 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTSBURY MINIING ACCIDENT

THE INQUEST

The adjourned inquest, touching the death of John Watson and Joseph Peart (previously reported), was held at the Horse and Waggon Inn, Nentsbury, on Tuesday afternoon, before Coroner J. B. Lee. Mr Hedley, Chief Inspector of Mines, and Mr A. D. Nicholson, Assistant Inspector, were present. Mr J. Thompson, solicitor, represented the Mining Company, and Messrs Stephen Watson and John Erwin were present on behalf of the deceased miners—Plans of the mine were submitted by Mr Wm. Thompson, of Alston, and by Mr Nicholson, who had visited the scene of the accident on the previous Thursday, and Mr Thompson was sworn as to the accuracy of the plan produced by the Inspector, which he stated was a good representation of the place.—Evidence was then given by Joshua Fairless (who was working with the deceased man, Watson), John Peart, W. Rutherford (foreman at the mine), and Stephen Watson (son of deceased man, Watson). From the evidence, it appeared that J. Fairless and the deceased, Watson, had been working at one of the "headings " in the mine on the morning of the accident. They were working for barytes and blende, and after each shot they gathered up the barytes that had fallen into pails. During the morning they had frequently been under the end of the "heading" picking up the barytes. About 12:30 they were relieved by other two workmen and were proceeding to another part of the mine to work when a large piece of stone fell from, the heading end as they were passing through under it and struck Watson killing him instantly. Peart was passing that way with a pail in his hand which he had been to bring for use at another heading. The

stone caught Peart as he passed, inflicting such injuries that he died in a short time. The Chief Inspector closely questioned the witness Fairless as to whether due care had been taken to ascertain whether the stone at the heading end was sound. Fairless said they had tried the end by "rapping," but it sounded solid and neither he nor Watson apprehended any danger. They were doing nothing extraordinary, but were working the mine in the usual way. He had been a miner 41 years, and Watson was also an old miner and a very careful man. He had examined the place since and found that there was a very unusual bed where the stone had come off. If the stone had been smaller it might have sounded "bad" when rapped, but the stone was a very large one and it was no unusual thing for a stone of that size to sound solid even when it was bad.—W. Rutherford, foreman, also spoke to the unusual nature of the bed above the stone.—Mr Nicholson, assistant inspector, said he had inspnted the workings on August 11th two days after the accident, and had made the sketches that the jury had seen. There was nothing unusual about the mine in his opinion and it would be almost impossible to have forseen the accident. The stone was too thick to sound "bad "by "jowling." The The vein was from 9 ft. to 9 ft 3 in. wide and the working was of the ordinary kind.—In reply to Mr Erwin, the Inspector said the stone would fall about 5 ft at the end where the men had been working and at the other end of the stone the height would be 10 ft. The stone had fallen on the slope made by the debris, and the average height from the roof would not be more than 7 ft.. He considered it as quite a safe height for men to work under if the roof was good. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death." The Coroner said he thought the verdict was a proper one, and he was sure they were all indebted to Mr Hadley and Mr Nicholson for the assistance they had given in the inquiry.—Mr J. Thompson, as representing the Mining Co., said he wished to express their deep regret at the untoward accident that had been the subject of inquiry and to say that they deeply sympathised with the friends of the deceased workman.

20th August 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of this Council was held on Saturday. …

BURNBANK.

The CLERK said he had not had an opportunity of conferring with Mr Davidson, agent to the Lords of the Manor, with reference to the prevention of the accumulation of refuse on the Burnbank.

THE NENTHEAD ROAD DIFFICULTY.

The CLERK said he had communicated with Mr Davidson with regard to the road between Overwater and East Nenthead. Mr Davidson was not able to give him any information, but in his (the Clerk's) opinion the public had acquired a right over that road, and the District, Council would be liable if anything should occur until the road was put into a proper state. They had certainly used it over thirty years.—The CHAIRMAN said that Mr Fernau claimed, and would defend a right to the road for the company. Only the Overwater people had a right to it —Mr STOREY: What length of time gives a right of way?.—The CLERK: Twelve years —Mr J. R WALTON: Have we done repairs.—The CHAIRMAN: Not over the heap. The late Surveyor denied all liability to repair the road. To satisfy some people we did some repairs to the road through the village, but it is a long time ago.—Mr WARD: In my opinion it is not necessary for this Council to do

anything, so long as people are allowed to pass over.—The CHAIRMAN: I don't expect they will hinder anybody.—Mr THOMPSON : The Clerk has just stated his opinion that we will be liable for any mishaps through the road not being in proper condition. It is better we should know where we are.—Mr J. R. WALTON: Will the company keep the road in repair?—The CHAIRMAN: They deny the public right.—Mr STOREY: Mr Bolton said there was some plan for alteration.—MR BOLTON said he did not know if that still held, but he had lived at Nenthead twenty years, and never knew the road in better condition. As to the waggons passing, the tramway ran through the streets of Newcastle and other towns.—The CHAIRMAN: But the objection is to waggons standing and blocking the way.—Mr BOLTON: That cannot be avoided.—Mr LATTIMER said the question in his opinion was not whether the road was satisfactory, but who was liable in case there was any mishap. It was now in a satisfactory condition, but it would not have been if the Council had not interfered, which showed that the Council had some authority. He quite agreed with the Clerk that the Council had acquired jurisdiction over it. If the company at one time had jurisdiction they had lost it In his opinion, the Council would be responsible in case of accident, and before anything was done to the road the Council should be consulted. The Council should see that it was kept in proper repair, and that no obstructions were allowed. They knew the industry could not be carried on without some interference with the way, but there should be as little delay as possible. If the company would display a little more common sense, and work hand-in-hand with the Council, the matter could be arranged easily.—The CHAIRMAN: The public have never been interfered with.—Mr LATTIMER: There is notice up to the effect that the passage of the tramway is dangerous, and that trespasser, will be prosecuted.—The CHAIRMAN: Then it is clear the company takes the responsibility —Mr LATTIMER: That does not clear us.—The CHAIRMAN: Has the Highway Board ever done anything to the road? Mr LATTIMER: We have become liable by time. If we allow the notice, we lose our right —Mrs CORE: If the public have a right, they cannot be trespassers.—The CHAIRMAN: The people at Overwater have a right, and the rest of the public have never been refused the use of the road, but the highway authority has never done anything to it.—Mrs CORE: The people of Overwater are the public.—Mr LATTIMER: The public have acquired a right, and it is the duty of this Council to look after the public right —Mrs CORE: I do not think we have any right to repair the road, but such a notice as has been described should not be allowed.—Mr LATTIMER: If rightly looked at, the company had no right to put down new rails without consulting this Council. We cannot deprive them of the right they have held a certain number of years, but new rails are different.—Mr THOMPSON: We cannot go on in this way for ever. The question has arisen whether the public have a right to this road, and if we are in doubt we should take counsel's opinion.—Mr LATTIMER remarked that they had only the statement of one party.—The CHAIRMAN said he had simply given to the Council the information given to him. He did not say or imply that he accepted that statement. He had given the Council the information, they could do as they thought best about it —Mr BOLTON thought a great deal too much was being made of this matter. No one denied the public right to walk over this ground. Not only this ground, but the company's works at Nenthead were walked over in all directions. The company paved this road, and never asked the public for a farthing, and here they were cavilling over a paltry line to run a few waggons on.—The

CHAIRMAN: It is not worth fighting about —Mr THOMPSON gave notice that at next meeting he would move that the Clerk take counsel's opinion on the question as to whether the public had a right of way over this road.

Deaths

At Hill Top, Nenthead, on the 18th inst., William Angus, aged 78 years.

See 13th June 1874

27th August 1898 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A few days ago the mortal remains of the late Joseph Nattrass, aged 79 years were interred in Alston cemetery. … He was occupied during the most part of his life as a cart man.

In 1851, at Butts, Alston, Anne Nattrass, proprietor of houses, aged 71, son Joseph, cartman, aged 31, and grandson Robert Nattrass 6.

In 1861, at Water Greens, Alston, Joseph Nattrass, farmer & carter, aged 42, his wife Mary (Nixon, married 15th September 1855, Alston) aged 40, children Mary A 14, and Robert 11.

In 1871, at Butts, Joseph Nattrass, cartman, aged 51, his wife Mary 48, and son Robert, Ag. Labourer, aged 21.

In 1881, at Butts, Joseph Nattrass, widow, carter & farmer of 2 acres, aged 61, and son Robert, road labourer, aged 31. In 1891, at Butts, Joseph Nattrass, widow, carter, aged 71, and son Robert, roadman, aged 41.

3rd September 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting was held on Saturday, the members present being Mr Elliot (Chairman). Messrs H. Bell. and J. Rutherford.— The Attendance Officer reported that owing to the schools having been closed for the holidays he had no attendance report to give. —A letter was read from Mr Davidson. the architect for the new schools at Nenthead. asking for the Board to appoint a Nenthead member, who might show intending contractors the proposed site. Mr Harrison's name was decided upon.—The Clerk intimated that the election for members of the Board would take place in October.

10th September 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

NENTHEAD

FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SHOW.

The forty-ninth annual exhibition in connection with the Nenthead Floral and Horticultural Society was held on Saturday in the Nenthead Board School. The show divided into three sections, viz., open class, district class, and window class, and the number of entries in the various classes exceeded that of last year. The quality was also quite superior. Cut flowers were an exceptionally good show, while pot plants were of a high standard. Vegetables and fruit were the only points in which there was a falling off, this being attributable to the spring frosts that prevailed. There was keen competition for the premier awards. A number of special prizes were offered by various supporters of the show, which contributed greatly to the success of it. A speciality which elicited a large amount of attention was a competition amongst the school children, prizes being offered for the best specimens of handwriting in different standards. The organisers of the show are to be congratulated on the general arrangements, which were creditably carried out under the secretary, Mr W. Moore, and the

committee. The following acted as judges:—Mr Taylor, from Little and Ballantyne, Carlisle, for flowers, fruit, and vegetables; Messrs Bolton, Fernau, and Bell, for drawing and writing; Mrs Button, Mrs Bell, and Mrs Fernau, for bread and sewing. The attendance during the evening was very large. The Nenthead Brass Band rendered an interesting programme of music during the proceedings. At the conclusion of the show a public dance was held, and was largely patronised.

17th September 1898 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr T. D. Bolton, who died at Newcastle last week at one time was agent for the London Lead Company in Weardale, in the balmy days of lead mining, when lead was selling at £24 a ton. ...

In 1861, at Stanhope, Thomas D Bolton, manager of lead works, aged 31, his wife Mary 27, children Edward W. 7, and Hannah 5.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Dobson Bolton, manager & shareholder of lead ore manufacturing works, aged 41, his wife Mary 37, son Edward William, clerk assisting father, aged 17, daughter Hannah 15, and domestic servant Hannah Wilson aged 25.

In 1881, at Horn Hall, Egglestone, Thomas Dobson Bolton, widow, manager of lead works, aged 51, brother William Bolton, clerk in lead works, aged 40, sister in law (brothers wife) Margaret Ann Bolton 28, son in law William Fawcett, ship worker, aged 30, daughter Hannah Fawcett 25, grandson Frederick Stanhope Fawcett 3 months, house maid Frances Elizabeth Wearmouth aged 20, and general servant Annie Bainbridge aged 16.

Intelligence as just been received in Weardale of the **death in New Zealand of Mr George Walton,** a former resident of the dale at the age of 50 years. Mr Walton had risen to a prominent position on the engineering staff on the railway in the above colony. His death occurred very suddenly from heart disease. He leaves a widow and six children.

ALSTON

A fatal accident occurred to an employee of the Vieille Montagne Lead and Zinc Company, travelling with the traction engine between Nenthead and Alston. At Blagill 2 miles from Alston, a driver learning the road and riding on one of the waggons observed that the engine had run over a man. It was found to be the flagman, who generally travels about twenty yards in front. He was found to be much crushed and was immediately brought back to Alston in a conveyance but he died before being examined by a doctor. The mystery of the case is that no one saw the man until he had been run over. The deceased John Erwine of Nenthead is about 29 years of age well known and respected in the village. … The deceased was the only support for his mother.

In 1861, at Dykeheads, John Erwin, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann (Blacklock, married 6th June 1829, Alston) aged 53, children Miles, lead miner, 27, Jacob, lead miner, 23, John, lead miner, 21, Ann 18, Jane, dressmaker, aged 15, Stephenson 13, Matthew 11, and nephew Jacob Blacklock 7.

John Erwin died 2nd quarter 1861.

In 1871, at Dykeheads, Ann Erwin, widow, aged 63, daughter Jane 25, son Mathew, lead miner, aged 20, nephew Jacob Blacklock, lead miner, aged 17, and grandson John Erwin 2.

In 1881, at Dykeheads, Ann Erwin, lead miners widow, aged 73, daughter Jane Erwin, widow, aged 35, grandson John Erwin, lead ore washer, aged 12, and granddaughter Lizzie Ann Erwin 6.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Jane Erwin, single, aged 45, son John, lead miner, aged 22, and daughter Elizabeth A. aged 16.
In 1901, Jane Erwin was living at Dykeheads, with illegitimate daughter, Florence A. Ridley aged 9. In 1911, she was living with her daughter Elizabeth. Elizabeth Ann Erwine married Frederick Thomas C Ridley 4th quarter 1899. In 1911 at Mill Cottage, Nenthead, Fred Ridley, foreman fitter at lead & zinc co., aged 33, his wife Annie 37, children Winnie 10, Edith 9, John 8, mother in law Jane Erwin aged 68, and grand child Florence Annie Erwin aged 18.

Deaths

Dunedin, New Zealand, aged 50, George Walton, formerly of the Travellers Rest, Weardale.

17th September 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

ALSTON
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
NENTHEAD WATER.

A petition was submitted, signed by fifty ratepayers at West Nenthead, asking the Council to give immediate attention to the water supply, as it was liable to contamination, and the health of the inhabitants was endangered in consequence. The memorialists pointed out that this was the second time they had petitioned.—The CHAIRMAN said he had received a letter from a ratepayer calling attention to the same matter.—The SANITARY INSPECTOR said that two schemes were available, one was to improve the present service at a cost of £18, the other to bring a new supply from the Colliery Hush, which would cost £120. The latter was more abundant, and would supply the whole of that district and provide a better supply for a well at Nenthead.—In reply to Mr Bolton, he said East Nenthead could also be supplied from this source if the water was brought in proper pipes. The water supply there at present was only precarious.—The CHAIRMAN: Is the present supply not sufficient? Mr BOLTON: It is not to be relied on, the quantity varies.—The CHAIRMAN thought it would be very desirable to have both the supplies analysed. If the present supply was not satisfactory they could take the other.—Mr T. HARRISON pointed out that the analysis might be misleading. At present the water might be found quite satisfactory, but if they took samples when someone was dipping sheep it might be very different. By the larger scheme the water would be got from a source which could not be contaminated from sills or mines. If they took the cheaper scheme, and the water went down into the sills, they would have to lay the pipes up into them. If they took the larger scheme he thought some of the proprietors and tenants might give some assistance.—Mr W. HOLMES said he knew the place, and if pollution got in it must be through some cleft in the rock. If they found that sewage still got in after laying proper pipes, they would have to abandon the scheme, and go in for the larger one after all.—The CHAIRMAN: We should have an analysis of both springs. —Mr PICKERING thought it would be a mistake to go in for the cheaper scheme. The water was impure, and could not be made pure. He moved that the Council adopt the larger scheme.—Mr BRAMWELL was not convinced that the present supply could not

be kept pure.—Mr HARRISON seconded the motion of Mr Pickering, who agreed to include in it that the water be analysed.—In reply to Mr Ward, the INSPECTOR said the supply in the larger scheme came from a level which drained two pits—Mr BOLTON said that was the case, but the water was clear of lime, chemicals, superphosphates, and animal pollution Mr WARD moved, and Mr BRAMWELL seconded, that the water of both supplies be analysed.—Mr HARRISON pressed the claims of West Nenthead, where there were 300 people who should not be obliged to bring water three of four hundred yards.—The CLERK here interposed with the remark that there was a letter from the Local Government Board on the agenda, which would seriously affect, not only the Nenthead Ward, but the whole district, and he would ask the Council to consider it in committee.— The Council agreed to do this before discussing the Nenthead water supply any further.—At the conclusion of the Committee meeting it was decided to adjourn the matter till next meeting.

THE MARKET PLACE.

The reported that along with Mr Millican and Mr J. R. Walton he had interviewed Mr Lambert and Mr Davidson, representing the Lords of the Admiralty, with reference to handing over the Market Place. These gentlemen stated that the Lords of the Admiralty would hand it over, but wished to retain the tolls. They would recommend the Lords of the Admiralty to contribute a sum, perhaps half the cost towards putting the Market Place in repair. —Mr BOLTON: How much would it cost?—The CHAIRMAN: The cost was estimated at £75 or £77, but we are not in a position to make an application yet —Mr PICKERING moved, and Mr J R. WALTON seconded, that the matter be adjourned till plans and estimates had been prepared.

NENTHEAD ROAD.

Mr THOMPSON in accordance with notice, moved that counsel's opinion be taken as to whether the public had a right of way over the road at Overwater. He said there was a difference of opinion on the subject. The Clerk had told them that in his opinion the public had a right, but some members dissented from that view. Under the Act of 1894 the Council had to protect all public rights of way. if the public right was admitted he would withdraw his motion, but if a portion of the members still held that the road was a private one he should press his motion. He understood that a notice had been put up by the Mining Company cautioning people.—Mr BOLTON denied that any notice had been put up.— Mr THOMPSON observed that at any rate the right of the Council to see the road put into such order as it would work had been dispelled.—Mr DOWSON seconded the motion —Mr HARRISON said no one questioned the public right of way from Overwater to Nenthead, and it would be unwise to incur expenditure for counsel's opinion on an undisputed question.—Mr BOLTON agreed.—Mr HOLMES said that the heaps over which the road passed were transferred in 1882 and 1896, and the CHAIRMAN added that the Highway Authority had always disclaimed responsibility for the road —After some further discussion the motion was put and lost.

STREET IMPROVEMENT.

Plans were submitted from Mr Roberts for substituting steps for the present steep incline which leads through the archway near the Ewe and Lamb Inn, and considerable discussion ensued. —Mr THOMPSON said that it had always been a matter of dispute whether this road was repairable by the Council.—Mr J. R. WALTON moved, and Mr BOLTON seconded, that the matter stand over

until the Market Place was completed.—Mr THOMPSON moved. and Mr LATTIMER seconded, that Mr Roberts be allowed to carry out the work, but Mr WALTON'S motion was carried.

FATAL ACCIDENT,
INQUEST.

On Tuesday last an inquest was held at the Swan's Head Inn, Alston, touching the death of John Erwin of Nenthead, a young man in the employ of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, who was killed by being run over by a traction engine, belonging to the Company, on the day previous. Coroner J. B. Lee opened the enquiry, and Mr J. H. Millican was foreman of the jury. Mr Fernau was present on behalf of the Company.

G. W. Barron stated that he knew the deceased well. He was 29 years of age and was employed as flagman to go with the traction engine that conveyed "jack" from the Nenthead mines to Alston station. He (witness) was also employed on the day to go with the engine. John Lamb was driver, Barron Dryden was steering, and the deceased was acting as flagman. Three others were also with the train, witness, Kenneth Simpson, and A. Anderson, They had two wagons loaded with jack attached to the engine. They left Nenthead a little after ten o'clock, and got to Alston at one, and delivered the jack. They stayed at Alston till two o'clock. During their stay they were all at the Blue Bell except deceased who stayed with the engine at the station. They had two glasses of beer at the Blue Bell. They were never in any other Public House, and started on the return journey about 2 o'clock. When between Corby Gates and Blagill Hill Top, as he was riding in the first wagon, he heard the men shout and saw the deceased lying on the road behind the wagons. When he got into the wagon a minute or two before he saw deceased in front of the engine. He thought he would be about 30 yards In front. He (deceased) was walking a little to the right hand side of the road. At that time Lamb the driver had his head down, and was damping down his fire, and he noticed that Barron Dryden steered to the right hand side of the road in order to roll down a ridge of rough stones. Kenneth Simpson and Anderson saw deceased lying on the road before witness, and they shouted to the driver, who stopped immediately. Lamb then sent witness for assistance, and Mr Jackson, farmer of Blagill, came with his trap and took deceased to Alston. Deceased made no statement as to how the accident happened. He was quite sensible when they got to him. Deceased, when he saw him in front would be walking about three miles an hour. Deceased never took drink. He was a local preacher and teetotaller

John Lamb, the driver of the engine was next called. He stated that he had been a driver for 10 or 11 years. Their rules for driving were that the flagman should not be less than 20 yards from the front of the engine and they could not travel move than 4 miles an hour. In the condition of the road at present it would be imposable to get a greater speed than 4 miles an hour. At the time of the accident, he was preparing his fire and knew nothing about it till be heard the men behind give a shout. He then stopped and got off his engine and went to deceased. He said to him, "Johnny, how has this happened," and deceased replied. "I don't know," and he mentioned his mother. The last time he saw deceased he was 30 yards in front. The engine would be travelling 3½ to 4 miles an hour. Deceased was not running when be saw him in front. He (witness) had no drink except two glasses of beer with his bait at the Blue Bell, and one glass before be left Nenthead in the morning. In reply to Mr Fernau, witness said the

deceased did not seem to have sufficient food with him, and one of the men had given him part of a little meat pie at the station. Deceased had been spoken to on the previous Saturday about getting too near the engine. He (witness) had bad some trouble in getting deceased to keep a proper distance in front.
Barron Dryden corroborated the evidence of the previous witnesses, and stated that at the time when the accident occurred, he was steering the engine a little to the right side of the road to roll down a ridge of rough stones, and had his eye on the hind wheel of the engine on the right hand side, but could give no account as to how the accident occurred. Questioned as to the drink they had had on the road, witness said they had none between Nenthead and Alston. A quart of beer was brought out to them at Nentsbury, but they would not take it.
Joseph Jackson gave evidence as to bringing the injured man to Alston. He was quite conscious all the time and said he had been knocked down and run over. Deceased was asked if he had taken a fainting fit and he replied that he had not.
Kenneth Simpeon, (a driver newly engaged by the Company, and who had come to Alston to have a look at the road), gave evidence as to coming to Alston with Jackson. The deceased was lying in the trap, but he never heard him state he had been run over. He did not think it possible for deceased to say he had been knocked down without him (witness) hearing.
Joseph Jackson (recalled) said he thought all the men were present when deceased said he had been knocked down. He heard deceased say so more than once.
A. Anderson also gave evidence, but was unable to throw further light upon the affair.
Police Sergeant Ferrer said that about 20 minutes past four on the day in question, he got word about the accident and found that deceased had been brought into the town by Jackson and Simpson. He was taken into the Swan's Head, and laid on to a bed. Here hie injuries were attended to by Nurse Kirsopp of the Bolton Hospital, who happened to be passing as the man was being carried in. In the meantime, doctors had been sent for. All was done for him that could be done, but he expired in about 20 minutes after his arrival at the Swan's Head.
Dr. Carson sad he examined the body after death. There was a deep wound on the top of the right thigh, and the thigh and knee of the left leg were broken The lower part of the body was terribly crashed where the engine bad apparently gone over him.
After a long consultation in private, the jury returned a verdict of “Killed by being ran over by a traction engine belonging to the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company,” and added a recommendation that in future one of the two men on the engine be always in a position to keep a look out on the road In front of the engine.
The jurymen and the witnesses handed over their fees to the mother of the deceased.
Deceased was very much respected in the district. He was a Primitive Methodist local preacher and a Sunday school teacher, and great sympathy is felt for his mother and sister in their sad and sudden bereavement.

Deaths

At Alston, on the 5th inst., Elizabeth, widow of the late Wm. Walton, shoemaker, Alston, aged 67 years.

24th September 1898 (Newcastle Courant)
NENTHEAD SCHOOL BUILDING CONTRACT. —At an adjourned meeting of the Alston School Board the tenders for the new school and masters house at Nenthead were considered, the contract being ultimately given to Mr E. Peart, Weardale, whose tender was as follows: —Schools, £1,258 18s; master's house, £481 12s 6d; boundary walls, £263 3s 8d —total, £2,003 14s 2d.

8th October 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)
Deaths
At Church Gates Inn, Alston, on the 4th inst., John, eldest son of the late John and Isabella Dawson, aged 47 years.
In 1881, at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, John Dawson, blacksmith, aged 64, his wife Isabella (Pattinson, married 30th July 1846, at Alston) aged 54, children, John, blacksmith, aged 29, Hugh, blacksmith, aged 27, Jane Ann 24, and William W., labourer in woollen mill, aged 22.
Isabella Dawson died 6th September 1898, John Dawson snr., died 24th May 1897.

10th October 1898 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
NENTHEAD SCHOOL
The contracts for the new school premises at Nenthead, have been let to Mr Caleb Peart of Weardale, and are as under: -
School, £1,258 15s 0d; Masters house; £481 12s 6d: boundary walls, £263 3s 8d; total, £2,003 11s 2d.

22nd October 1898 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
DISCOVERY OF ORE AT HIGH FORCE
The Nenthead Vieille Montagne Company, who commenced a trial some time ago for spelter ore near to High Force, have been successful in cutting a fine vein containing ore of good quality. More men will be engaged shortly at the mine, it being contemplated to work the place on a larger scale.

29th October 1898 (Hexham Herald)
DEATH OF HUGH LEE PATTINSON
Mr Pattinson who was in his 69th year died in London where he had for some years resided, on Friday week. The deceased gentleman was the son of the well-known discoverer of the process of de-silvering lead. His father at one time manager of a soap factory at the Ouseburn subsequently became Assay Master for the Greenwich Hospital, Alston. He was an able chemist, and discovered the new mode of separating silver from lead whilst managing Mr Beaumont's Lead Wharf and Smelt Mill at Blaydon. This led to Mr Pattinson becoming prosperous and shortly afterwards the chemical works at the Felling were established. The original title of the firm was John Lee and Company. On the death of Mr Lee, the tile was changed to H. L. Pattinson and Company. … Mr Pattinson senior died about 40 years ago. … The firm ceased to exist about 13 years ago. … Mrs Pattinson is a sister of Mr Hugh Shield Q.C.
See 20th September 1850, 12th November 1858, 12th November 1858, 19th November 1858, and 28th November 1868.

SCHOOL BOARD

... the Education Department, approving of the plans for the new school at Nenthead and sanctioning the borrowing of the money (£2,310) from the Public Works Loan Office, the repayment extending over a period of 30 years.

29th October 1898 (Hexham Courant)

MARRIAGE OF A NENTHEAD MINISTER IN AMERICA

News has come to hand of the marriage of Rev Jonathan Thompson late of Nenthead with Miss Josephine Staley of Port Heron, Michigan. Mr Thompson left Nenthead about six years ago (with his brother who died about 12 months ago) and both of them entered the Methodist Episcopal Ministry. He is now labouring with some success in Richmond, Michigan.

See 20th November 1897

4th November 1898 (Durham County Advertiser)

THE NENTHEAD VIEILLE MONTAGNE ZINC COMPANY, who are making so energetic development at Nenthead, employing several hundreds of men, commenced a trial some time ago for Spelter near to High Force, and have been successful in cutting a fine vein containing ore of good quality. More men will be engaged shortly at the mine, it being contemplated to work the place on a larger scale.

12th November 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Dr. CARSON reported with reference to No. 1 District, that dating the quarter ended September 30th, 11 deaths had been registered. These included a visitor and a young man belonging to the high district who was accidentally killed by a traction engine. Deducting these the death rate for the quarter was 5.26 per 1000 per quarter, or at the rate of 21.04 for the year. The death rate for the two preceding quarters was very low, and the present high one was due to deaths at an advanced age. Diarrhoea was very prevalent during September and caused one death, but there had been no cases of Infectious disease. Ten births had been registered. A nuisance caused by the removal of a midden which had to be brought out into the middle of the potato market to be carted away, and which on the last occasion was allowed to lie some hours, had called forth some uncomplimentary remarks. More frequent emptying was desirable. —With regard to No. 2 District Dr. SHORT reported 7 deaths, 6 males and 1 female. Two were persons not belonging to the district, and deducting these the death rate for the quarter was 3.6 per 1000. The births were 9, 5 males and 4 females, giving a rate for the quarter of 4.8 per 1000. There had been no cases of contagious or infectious disease except influenza. The illness of the Inspector had delayed the completion of the inspection. The water supply of West Nenthead was complained of as polluted, and there was just occasion for the complaint. The water possessed a strong odour and was unfit to drink. Evidently the sewerage from the drains above percolated through the strata, but samples had been submitted to the County Analyst. The main sewer had been blocked by rubbish brought down by the recent floods and should be attended to or the obstruction might get worse.—The CHAIRMAN said the Surveyor would know something about the sewer.— The Surveyor asked which sewer was meant, and the Chairman having explained, he said he had not been accustomed to

clean it out. He thought it was the ditch water that caused the obstruction. There was a grate and he had seen it choked on the top with night soil and such like.—Mr HOLMES remarked that tons of rubbish had been brought down by the flood and must be somewhere.—The Chairman: The Surveyor will look to it and report.—With reference to the complaint by Dr. Carson of the nuisance caused by depositing a midden in the potato market, the INSPECTOR said that the party concerned had promised to clean it out oftener.

NENTHEAD WATER SUPPLY

A report from Dr. Short drew attention to the analysis of the existing water supply at West Nenthead which is very unsatisfactory. The well should be closed at once, as the use of such water was seriously prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants. Analyses of the two samples of water were submitted from the County Analyst. With reference to the first, which was from the well at present in use, he stated that it was so highly polluted as to be dangerous as drinking water, and the well should be closed at once. The second sample, if filtered, would be suitable for domestic use though somewhat hard. A detailed analysis was given, from which it appeared that the first sample contained ferruginous matter, vegetable debris, and living moving organisms. In the second sample, which has a hardness of 9½ degrees before boiling and 4½ after boiling, there was under the micro- scope a heavy deposit, chiefly ferruginous matter —In reply to Mr Storey, the Inspector said the first sample was taken from the well.

Mr STOREY thought it should have been taken higher up before it entered into the common tile pipes which convey the water to the present well, pointing out that it might he contaminated on the way.

Mr BOLTON said it was very necessary to know what sort of water they were using. If the Council wished for an analysis of the water at the source they might get it; but hie Impression was that it was contaminated before it entered the tile pipes. He did not believe it was spring water, but that some at least cams from a burn.—The Inspector agreed that the water was contaminated at the source owing to the broken strata through which it came. That was also the doctor's opinion. If they would refer to his report. There were farm-buildings and land that got surface dressing above the source. He could not have got a sample from the source at any one point, and only after a lot of work.

Mr THOMPSON asked if there was a sufficient supply at the source. It seemed to him that the supply was gathered all the way down.

Mr PICKERING Said there was not The analyst also was against that supply. He moved, that a supply be brought from the upper source whence the second sample was obtained.

Mr BOLTON seconded.

Mr THOMPSON: Are we satisfied with the analysis?

Mr BOLTON: We don't know where to get a better.

Mr BRAMWELL hoped that the work, if done, would be done effectually (hear, hear). He understood there was enough water to supply other parts of Nenthead.

The motion was carried.

Some discussion took place as to the pipes.—The Inspector said his idea was a 2-inch galvanised pipe from the spring.

Mr STOREY: And three inches below as at Alston (laughter).

The INSPECTOR: No. One inch

Mr STOREY Suggested a three-inch pipe, and that the pipes be joined with flanges and not with lead, but the Inspector pointed out that that would be expensive as the pipes most be laid straight, whereas the course was zig-zag.
Mrs CORE hoped there would be no such mistake as was made at Alston, when they were told the pipes would be about a hundred weight each, while some were pearly double.
The INSPECTOR denied having stated that the pipes would be a hundredweight each. That was the weight of a 3-inch pipe, 4 and 6-inch were much more.—In reply to Mr Bolton he said a 2-inch pipe would bring all the water there was.
Mr STOREY moved that the 3-inch pipes be used but on a division the Inspector's suggestion was adopted by 7 votes to 6.

19th November 1898 (The North Cumberland Reformer)
Death
At 219 Jefferson Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on the 16th inst., Nanny eldest daughter of the late Joseph and Ruth Blacklock, Nenthead, aged 53 years. Interment Saturday at 2 p.m., at Elswick Cemetery.

3rd December 1898 (Hexham Herald)
NENTHEAD
The death of **Mr Thomas Hetherington** took place on Monday night, after a prolonged illness. The deceased was one of the oldest inhabitants of the place, was born at Nenthead in the year 1810 *(born 20th July 1811)*, and had thus attained to the age of 88. He commenced work when he was eleven years of age, and was employed until about four years ago, having been actively connected with the Nenthead mines for about 74 years under the London Lead Company and the Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company.

St John's Church Yard, Nenthead

ERECTED
IN
AFFECTIONATE REMEMBERANCE
OF
ALICE JANE, DAUGHTER OF
THOMAS & MARY
HETHERINGTON
OF NENTHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIVE
MARCH 14TH 1865
AGED 5 YEARS AND 6 WEEKS
JOHN THEIR SON
DIED MAY 15TH 1890
AGED 36 YEARS
ALSO OF THOMAS FATHER OF
THE
ABOVE WHO DIED NOV 28TH 1898
AGED 87 YEARS
ALSO OF MARY WIFE OF THE
ABOVE
WHO DIED JANUARY 10TH 1915
AGED 92 YEARS

In 1841, at Nenthead hill Top, John Hetherington, mine agent, aged 65, his wife Alice 50, children Thomas, smelter lead ore, aged 25, Christopher, apprentice shoemaker, aged 15, Ann 14, and Robert 10.
In 1851, at High Fair Hill, Thomas Hetherington, lead ore smelter, aged 39, sister Ann, housekeeper, aged 24, and brother Robert, joiner, aged 19.
In 1861, at Hill Top, Thomas Hetherington, smelting overman, aged 49, his wife Mary 38, children John 7, and Alice J. 3.
In 1871, at Nenthead, Thomas Hetherington, overman at smelt mill, aged 59, his wife Mary 49, and son John 17.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Thomas Hetherington, lead works overman, manufacturing, aged 69, his wife Mary 59, and son John Hetherington, theology student aged 27.
In 1891, at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, Thomas Hetherington, assayer of metals, aged 79, and his wife Mary 68.

ALSTON

The sum of £21 7s was distributed at Alston on Saturday to the poor residing at Nenthead, this being the annual income from the Langhorn charity. There were 19 applicants.

WEARDALE

The death is announced of Mr Joseph Bee of the New York detective department at San Francisco, California. The deceased was born in Weardale but went to America when quite young. He was first employed in mining pursuits, but in the course of time became attached to the police force rising by degrees until in 1884, when Chief Lee's the Captain of the detective department drafted Bee on to his staff. … The deceased visited Weardale two years ago and was the guest of the Scotland Yard Chiefs while in London. Mrs Longstaff of Low House, Westgate Weardale is a sister of the late Mr Bee.

Joseph Bee died 30th October 1898, aged 53, at San Francisco, in 1896, he was living at 1706 Broadway, San Francisco.
In 1841, at Lane Hill, William Bee, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Jane aged 30, children, Mary 9, Hannah 6, and William 4. In 1851, at Lane Hill, Jane Bee, widow, aged 41, children Mary 18, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 15, William, lead miner, aged 13, and Joseph 5.
In 1861, at Lane Hill, Stanhope, Jane Bee, lead miners widow, aged 51, daughter Hannah, dressmaker, aged 25, grandson William Longstaff 4, and son Joseph, lead miner, aged 15.
In 1871, at Hill, St John's Chapel, Jane Bee, miners widow, aged 63, and her daughter Hannah, dressmaker, aged 35.
In 1871, at Low House, Westgate, William Longstaff, mason, aged 42 (son of John Longstaff & Phoebe Vickers), his wife Mary (married 1854, Stanhope) aged 38, children Phoebe J 16, William, iron stone miner, aged 14, John 11, and Frank V 7.
In 1881, at Low House, Westgate, Stanhope, William Longstaff, formerly mason, aged 52, his wife Mary 48, children William, mason, aged 24, John, mason, aged 21, Frank Vickers, labourer, aged 17, and servant Hannah Carrick 25. William Longstaff died July 1883, aged 55.
In 1891, at Low House, Westgate, Mary Longstaff, widow, farmer, aged 57, and son Frank V., farmers son, aged 27. In 1901, at Earn Well, Mary Longstaff, widow, aged 68, and general servant, Sarah E. Milburn aged 20
In 1880, in San Francisco, district 133, Joseph Bee aged 35, police officer.

In Memory of
JANE BEE,
RELICT OF WILLIAM BEE,
WHO DIED AT LOW
HOUSE,
NOV 10TH, 1880, AGED 71 YEARS.
ALSO THE ABOVE WILLIAM,
WHO WAS KILLED AT ELMFORD
LEAD MINE, JUNE 9TH 1849, AGED 45
YEARS,
AND WAS INTERRED AT
ST JOHN'S CHAPEL.

10th December 1898 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At St Augustine Church, Alston, 7th inst. John son of the late John Smith of Bleagate, Alston, to Caroline daughter of William Lee of Randal Holme.
In 1891, at Randel Holme, William Lee, farmer, aged 62, his wife Catherine J 53, children Margaret 27, Samuel C 25, Caroline 23, Lizzie, school mistress, aged 20, Emily, school mistress, aged 20, George 4, Willemina 13, and Joseph 11.
In 1891, at Bleagate, John Smith, farmer & cattle dealer, aged 61, his wife Frances, aged 52, and sons, Robert 27, John 25, and Thomas Walton 20.
Caroline Smith died 2nd quarter 1900, aged 33.
In 1901, at Bleagate, John Smith, widow, farmer, aged 35.
John Smith married Hannah Lizzie Bell, 2nd quarter 1903.
Hannah Lizzie Smith died 1st quarter 1907, age 32.
In 1911, at Bleagate, Garrigill, John Smith, widow, farmer, and his son John 4.

10th December 1898 (Hexham Herald)
ALSTON
On Thursday at the Alston Police Court, Thomas and Elizabeth Hind were charged as recommended by the Coroners jury by Inspector Gardner, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children with having accelerated by neglect the death of their infant child Mary Jane Hind. … The bench sentenced the prisoners to six months imprisonment with hard labour.

Mary Jane Hind born July 1st, 1898, parents Thomas and Elizabeth Hind of Kate's Lane, Alston, died 23rd November 1898. The inquest was informed that the child instead of weighing the expected 11½ lbs., just before her death she weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz. and was emaciated, she was in a filthy condition with sores. They also had a child 1½ - 2 years old which was fine and healthy, this child was taken to the workhouse to be cared for.

James Spottiswood and his wife were also prosecuted by the same society for neglect of their children. Spottiswood was sent to prison for one month with hard labour and his wife who is in delicate health and her three children were sent to the workhouse. These are the first cases of this kind, which have been before the Alston Court.

17th December 1898 (Hexham Herald)

NEWBROUGH

DEATH OF MR WM. NIXON OF STONECROFT.

In our obituary today it is with deep regret we record the death of Mr Nixon at the age of 75 years which occurred on Friday evening 9th inst. at Haydon Bridge whither he had removed in the early part of this year from Stonecroft, that he might be more accessible to medical advice in the complaint from which he suffered for several years. His death will be received, by many friends and acquaintances in different parts of the country, with deep sympathy, he being well known in his occupation as superintendent of the ore dressing at the Stoneycroft and Greyside Mines for the long period of forty years, having begun and ended with that important company, having washed the first and last output of ore in that period.

Previous to that, he was under the Settlingstones Mining Company, the late F. Hall Esq., being the lessee of the mine and was initiated into the work of ore dressing by the late Mr John Bell of Settlingstones. Deceased was born at Whitechapel, near Haydon Bridge, but removed with his parents in early life to Stonecroft, where he continued to reside, with the exception of brief intervals of residence at Altonside and Allerwash, after his marriage. … He was one of the first promoters of the Newbrough Mechanics Institute in 1848, and continued as a member until his death. … He was a consistent member of the Newbrough Methodist Free Church for 37 years. … His remains were consigned to their quiet resting lace beside those of his kindred in Newbrough Church Yard on Tuesday afternoon in the presence of his sons and daughter and members of their family. … He leaves three married sons and two married daughters, one son and two daughters of whom are in New Zealand, and one daughter unmarried to mourn his loss.

See 13th 11th November 1876, May 1882, & 28th July 1888

24th December 1898 (Hexham Herald)

Marriages

Stanhope Wesleyan Chapel, 17th inst. George Curry to Miss Jacques *(Margaret Alice)* both of Stanhope.

Deaths

Big Mine Run, Schuylkill Co. Pa., North America, 23rd ult. Abel second son of the late James and Martha Rutherford, formerly of Acomb, late of West Wylam.

24th December 1898 (North Cumberland Reformer)

SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting was held on Saturday, Mr Elliot in the chair. The other members present were Messrs T. Harrison, H. Bell, R. Doyle, W. Sinclair, and W. Storey. The Attendance Officer reported that several children had been attending irregularly, and he had notified the parents, with the result that the attendance had been better. The attendance was as follows:—

	On books.	Average.
Nenthead	159	129
Nenthall	37	29
Tynehead	9	6
Garrigill	75	54
Leadgate	30	27
Alston High	98	80
Alston Infant	71	49
Alston National	51	41
	530	415

Mr Sinclair gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that the day and hour of meeting be changed. No day nor hour was however specified.

28th January 1899 (West Cumberland Times)

SAD DEATH OF A THRELKELD YOUTH

RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT.

Early yesterday (Friday) morning there died at the Mary Hewetson Cottage Hospital, Keswick, a young man named John Henry Tabberer. From what we can learn the death has been the outcome of an accident at the quarries at Threlkeld on January 11th. Tabberer, who was an apprentice blacksmith, worked with his father, and it appears he had the misfortune to get his big toe injured. He was removed to the hospital, where he remained until his death *(caused by Tetanus)*. Yesterday (Friday) evening an inquest was opened at the Cottage Hospital by Mr Gorden Falcon, coroner for West Cumberland, and a jury with Mr J, W. Lupton as foreman. James. Wm. Tabberer, living at the Quarry Cottages, Threlkeld, identified the body as that of his nephew, John Henry Tabberer, aged 16 years. He was employed with his father, who was a blacksmith at Threlkeld Granite Co.'s Works. He had an accident on January 11th, and died at 12:30 a.m. on Jan 27th. The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday next in order to have the Government Inspector present.

His parents were John Henry, and Mary Ann (nee Kendall) Tabberer .
In 1891 at Prospect Hill Evington, Leicestershire, John H. Tabberer, blacksmith, aged 31, his wife Mary Ann, shoe machinist, aged 31, children, John H. 8, William 6, and James 3; all born at Leicester.
In 1901 at Quarry Cottages, St Johns in the Vale, John Henry Tabberer, blacksmith, aged 41, his wife Mary Ann 41, children, William, blacksmiths apprentice, aged 17, and James 13.

28th January 1899 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

WORKING THE MINES

In connection with the Nenthead mines preparations have been going on for some time with a view to working the mines on a different system than what has

hitherto prevailed. The Vieille Montagne Company when they took over these mines demonstrated the fact that they were not at all afraid of speculating. The last scheme is to work the mines with rock drills driven by compressed air, these replacing the old method of hand drilling. In certain parts of the mines, they have commenced this week operating with the new drills, but the conditions existing do not seem to meet with the views of the men. A meeting held on Monday night appointed a committee to interview the manager Mr C Fernau, and also to demand the following wages. Drillers, chargers and helpers 6s per day, labourers 5s, hand drillers 4s.

28th January 1899 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The remains of the late John Graham were interred recently in Alston Cemetery. The deceased was one of Alston's oldest inhabitants. … During the gold boom about 40 years ago, he was one amongst many others of the district who left for Australia to woo fortune there. He remained six years … after experiencing severe hardships he returned after meeting with scant success in the way of fortune. He attained the age of 74. …

In 1871, at Nenthall, John Graham, farmer, aged 43, born Stanhope, his wife Elizabeth 34, son Gilbert Elliot 6, John Joseph 2, Mary Ann 1 month, William Edward 4, and indoor farm servant Jane Armstrong aged 17.

In 1881, at the Black Bull Inn, Front Street, John Graham, iron stone miner & innkeeper, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth 40, children Gilbert, farm servant, aged 16, William E. 14, John J. 11, Mary Ann 10, James 6, and Thomas 4.

In 1891, at Thirlwall's Lane, John Graham, coachman, aged 65, his wife Elizabeth 50, sons Gilbert E., coal agents labourer, aged 26, William E., coachman, aged 24, James 16, and Tom 14.

See 26th May 1868, & 11th October 1873

4th February 1899 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

A lead miner injured on Saturday night, William Richardson (28) employed at Nenthead Lead Mines, was admitted into the Newcastle infirmary, suffering from compression of the brain, said to have been caused by a fall down some steps.

4th February 1899 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

MINERS DISPUTE

The dispute as to the miners wages at Nenthead seems likely to lead to a stoppage of work. After the recent resolution of the men notices were posted at the mines that the men were to cease work in fourteen days, but those making personal applications would be reemployed. At a meeting of the men on Tuesday night it was decided that no personal applications should be made, but that negotiations should be carried on through the committee. Failing an arrangement, the men resolved to cease work on Tuesday.

9th February 1899 (Sunderland Daily Echo and Shipping Gazette)

The death occurred on Tuesday *(7th)* night of Maria Dickinson, residing at Fair View, Nenthead, said to be the highest inhabited house in England. The

deceased had attained her 95th birthday, and was not only the oldest inhabitant of the place but the oldest inhabitant of the parish of Alston.
James Dickinson, married Jane Kenady 21st June 1810, at St Augustine's, Alston.
James Dickinson, born 14th August 1823, baptised 7th March 1824, at Red Wing Chapel, Alston, son of James and Jane Dickinson.
In 1841, at Butts, Alston, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 18, Margaret Thompson 25, and William Dickinson 9.
In 1851, at Fair View, Alston, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Marie, aged 36, children William 8, James 5, John 2, and brother in law, William Little, lead miner, aged 56.
In 1861, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner and farmer of 17 acres, aged 40, his wife Maria 50, children William, lead miner, aged 18, James, lead miner, aged 14, and John 12.
In 1871, at Fair View, James Dickinson, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Maria 60, children William, lead miner, aged 28, James, lead miner, aged 24, John, lead miner, aged 22, and domestic servant Isabella Gray 20.
James Dickinson, died 1st quarter, 1878, aged 54, at Alston.
In 1881, at Fair View, Alston, Maria Dickinson, widow, farmer of 20 Acres, aged 75, sons William, lead miner, aged 37, John, lead miner, aged 32, and grandson, James D Mathews, 2.
In 1891, at Fair View, Nenthead, Maria Dickinson, widow, aged 86, son William, single, lead miner, aged 47, Ellen Dickinson, widow, aged 32, children James 12, Thomas 9, Maria 7, Mary Jane 5, and William 3.
See 26th January 1878

10th February 1899 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE NENTHEAD MINERS' DISPUTE
A PROMPT AND AMICABLE SETTLEMENT

Yesterday the dispute which threatened to cause serious interruption in the prosperity of Nenthead was brought to an early and satisfactory termination. As our readers will know, the miners have had a dispute with the management of the Nenthead lead mines which culminated this week in the declining the manager's offer and bringing out their tools on Tuesday. Yesterday morning, however the men resumed work, having agreed to accept the manager's terms. When the miners become proficient in the use of the pneumatic rock-drills which have lately been introduced, they are to have wages of 4s. 6d. a day all round, whatever work do, and in the meantime they are gradually to be taught the use of the new machines. In the meantime—and this is a point conceded by the management—the handwork is not to be stopped forthwith, as had previously been announced, but will continue alongside of the machine drilling until all the miners can be taught the use of the rock drill. When this latter has been done, there will be no distinction of wages. There will be no dismissals, and no action will be taken against any of the men in consequence of the recent agitation. It should be said that these terms were arranged after the meeting Wednesday night (reported our yesterday' issue) at a conference between the manager, Mr. C. Fernau, and the representatives of the men. At this conference the moat cordial relations prevailed, and the settlement was made in the most amicable spirit on both sides. In view of the fact that Nenthead is isolated and chiefly dependent on the mining industry, it is important both to master, and man that

such cordial relations should subsist; and the speedy settlement of a dispute that would have been most regrettable and disastrous is an outcome on which the management and the miners are to be congratulated.
It will be of interest to add that Mr. Fernau, the manager, has just received orders from the Vieille Montague Co. to spare no expense in developing the Nenthead minas to the utmost of their capacity, which is presumed to be great so that there is a prospect of increased employment for the workmen of the district; and in this connection it is to be mentioned that the representative of the North-Eastern Railway Co.. who has been making a survey of the district with a view to the ascertainment of facts are to form the basis of an arrangement between the Vieille Montagne Co. and the railway company for the extension of the railway from Alston has almost concluded his task, and that that, is every reason to anticipate that in due time a start may be made with a new line of railway right up to Nenthead. This proposed line has long been a desideratum.

11th March 1899 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Mr T. F. Crawhall Wilson BA., who just died at his residence, 28 Craven Park, Willesden, in his 42nd year, was the eldest son of the late Mr T. W. Crawhall Wilson of Alston House, and succeeded to the Nenthall estates at the death of his father in 1892. ... The deceased leaves a widow and three children.

18th March 1899 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON
LANGHORNS CHARITY DEED.

At a meeting of the Parish Council, on Saturday, a question was asked by Mr Latimer of the Clerk, whether he had yet obtained possession of Langhorn's Charity deed or whether he had heard anything from the County Council Clerk regarding the application asking him to interfere in the matter. The clerk stated that he had heard nothing yet, and he was instructed to renew the request. It appears the deed in question is in the possession of the Rev. Dr. Rutherford.

18th March 1899 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY.
IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT OF BOLTSBURN MINE.

Those interested in the lead mining industry in the North of England will be glad to hear of a still further development of the Boltsburn lead mine, the now famous mine where such a rich lead ore vein was cut some time ago. This vein, which traverses the district in a south-western direction through Middlehope and into Weardale, where the Old Faw Mine is being explored, and which extends from Boltsburn Mine in a north-eastern direction into the valley of Stanhope Hope., has been continuously I worked since the first important discovery referred to was made, and which was made in the limestone. We are now informed that the main level or adit has during the last few weeks gradually improved, inasmuch as the vein stuff as stated on the best of authority is worth six tons of lead ore to the fathom. For the further development of this now promising mine the energetic manger, Mr E Thompson, is installing a powerful air compressing plant for the combined purpose of working the mine by rock drills, improving and ventilating the mine, drawing water so that the underlying rock will be under control, and under this new arrangement the old fashioned kibble will be

dispensed with being replaced by cages which will not only bring out the vein stuff directly from the workings to the surface without reloading but will relieve the miners of the fatiguing climbing and descending of ladders.. The present number of men and boys employed is 150, but when the mine is equipped as above it is natural to expect not only a considerable increase in the output of lead ore, but a corresponding increase of labour.

25th March 1899 (Hexham Courant)

GARRIGILL

Sudden death of Mrs Raisbeck of Beldy, (on 18th inst., aged 56) she was walking on the road in the company of her niece Miss Florie Raisbeck and her sister in law Mrs Currah at the time. She was the widow of Mathew Raisbeck, mining engineer.

See 16th May 1874, 4th July 1868, & 21st October 1893.

25th March 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Monday a hundred **lead miners at Rookhope struck work** owing to two of their number being dismissed. As yet the men refuse to return to work until their comrades are reinstated.

8th April 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

THE STRIKE OF LEAD MINERS AT ROOKHOPE CONTINUES, there are about 100 men out. The eight hours system had been introduced at the mine. One day two men left work about one hour and a half sooner than they should have done, and in consequence were dismissed. Their comrades struck work at once. In doing so they were undoubtedly in the wrong, as they should have given a fortnights notice. On account of this the employers (Weardale Lead Company) are withholding a fortnights wages. A meeting of the men was held on Monday, when a determination was expressed to hold out till the employers would agree to reinstate the two men dismissed. A deputation waited at Newhouse Offices on Tuesday to interview the manager. It is gathered that the employers will not consider the question of reinstating the two men, and as the miners are determined that they will only return to work on that condition, the strike will probably continue for a little time.

15th April 1899 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Whitley Shield, West Allendale, 13th inst., aged 66, Thomas Bell, deeply lamented, interred in Carrshield Church Yard.

In 1841, at Whitley Shield, Henry Bell, lead ore washer, (Brown, married 20th December 1820, Hexham?) aged 40, his wife Elizabeth aged 35, children Sarah 11, Thomas 9, and Betsy 6.

In 1851, at Whitley Shield, Henry Bell, lead ore washer & farmer of 33 acres, aged 54, his wife Elizabeth aged 46, children Sarah 21, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 18, and Mary 8.

In 1861, at Whitley Shield, Henry Bell, farmer, aged 64, his wife Elizabeth 56, daughter Sarah, dairy maid, aged 31, son Thomas, lead miner, aged 28, and grandson Henry Bell 5.

In 1871, at Whitley Shield, Henry Bell, married farmer of 33 acres, aged 74, son Thomas, married, lead ore miner, aged 38, daughter in law Margaret (Askew, married 1st quarter of 1871) aged 33, and grandson Henry Bell, Ag. Labourer, aged 15.

In 1881, at Whitley Shield, Thomas Bell, widow (Margaret died 3rd quarter of 1876, aged 38), farmer of 54 acres, aged 49, mother Elizabeth Bell, widow, housekeeper, aged 76, and grandson, Henry Bell, Ag. Labourer, aged 25.

In 1891, at Whitley Shield, Thomas Bell, farmer, aged 59, his niece Mary J. Bell 26, and nephew Henry Bell, farmers nephew, aged 34.

15th April 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The strike of Weardale miners at Rookhope has been settled amicably.

19th April 1899 (North Eastern Daily Gazette [for Middlesbrough])

IMPORTANT PROJECT IN LEAD MINING.

An old subterranean aqueduct, five miles long, which cost about £80,000 some hundred years ago, between Nenthead and Alston, is, it is rumoured, to be brought into use by the Veille Montague Lead and Zinc Mining Company, Nenthead, for the conveyance of mineral from their mines at Nenthead to Alston

Railway Station. The aqueduct is a monument of decayed enterprise. Mr John Smeaton was the engineer, and the work was carried out on the instructions of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, to whom the estates of the last Earl of Derwentwater were transferred. The aqueduct, which is cut through rock, was commenced in 1776, and took fully sixty-six yean to complete. It was designed to drain the mines in the district, and to test the bearing power of the sills. The Lead Mining Company have had to use traction haulage over the roads to the railway station, and the roads have been seriously cut up in consequence. They now intend to discontinue the use of road engines this year, and as the North-Eastern Railway Company appear disinclined to continue the railway to Nenthead, it is possible the difficulty may be solved by underground transit along the course of the aqueduct, which would have to be drained, and & railway laid along it.

28th April 1899 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE MINERALS AND THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS

Sir Lindsay Wood, responsible chief of the lessors and Lords of the Manor in Weardale, is pursuing a commendable course in giving rein and encouragement to small investors by throwing open the unleased portion of his excellent mineral field for speculation to promote industry. A trio of local gentlemen are likely to secure the right of working an excellent bed of limestone at Burtree Pasture, only a detail fixity awaiting adjustment which it is hoped will be successful, as immediate operations will begin, orders being already secured. Something it is to be feared will have to be done to keep the inhabitants in the upper part of the valley in the decline and unlucrativeness of lead mining, apparent in the low quotations of local shares in this erstwhile prosperous industry, which is not unlikely to receive healthful inflation from the recent “find” at the ironstone mine of the Weardale Iron Company at Groveheads, Ireshopeburn, whose claim to the lead was recently disallowed by the above baronet when they were represented by Mr Hollis and Mr Teasdale, and the lead company by Mr Swan, Mr Stephen Watson, and Mr E. Thompson at Newcastle.

4th May 1899 (Northern Echo)

FATAL FALL AT MIDDLETON-TEESDALE.

Henry Thompston (64). leadminer, was accidently killed at Middleton on Tuesday night. Deceased, who was in feeble health, was part occupier of a rcoom over the old hearse house near the church gates, to which access is gained by a flight of stonr stairs. On the night named, about 9.30, deceased was ascenrding the steps when he toppled backwards over, fracturing the skull, death supervening in a few minutes.

6th May 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A sad burning fatality occurred last week at St John’s Chapel, whereby Mrs Gardiner of Side Foot lost her life. Her daughter had ignited the fire and gone out to a neighbours home to seek the milk. She was away only about some ten minutes and on her return found her mother in her nightdress lying burning in front of the fire. She had evidently got near the fire when her nightdress had been caught and whether owing to having taken a fit or the sudden shock to her system, being aged, life was extinct, although she was very little burnt. Her two

sons, who are home on a visit from South Africa were upstairs in bed at the time and heard nothing until they were called by their sister. *(Aged 68)*
In 1871, at Fair Hills, St John's, Stanhope, John Gardiner, ironstone miner, aged 41, his wife Francis 39, children, Thomas 7, George 5, and John 2.
In 1881, at Huntshieldford House, John Gardiner, iron miner, aged 51, his wife Frances, 49, children, Thomas, lead mine labourer, aged 17, George, unemployed, aged 15, John 12, and Mary Ann 8.
In 1891, at Side Foot, St John's, Stanhope, John Gardiner, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Frances aged 59, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 24, and Mary Ann 18. In 1901, at Side Foot, Weardale, John Gardiner, widower, retired lead miner, aged 71, his son Thomas, lead miner, aged 37, and daughter Mary Ann aged 28.

St John's Chapel
Transcribed for The Weardale Museum by Ken Heatherington

In Loving Memory/ of
JOHN GARDINER
OF SIDE FOOT
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
MAY 31ST 1904
AGED 74 YEARS
ALSO/ FRANCES
HIS DEARLY BELOVED WIFE
WHO DIED APRIL 27TH 1899
AGED 68 YEARS
THEIR END WAS PEACE
ALSO OF THEIR SONS
GEORGE
WHO DIED SEP 19TH 1913
AGED 48 YEARS
THOMAS
WHO DIED FEB 2ND 1916
AGED 52 YEARS

Probate 1904: John Gardiner of Sidefoot Stanhope county durham died 31 May 1904 Probate Durham 8 July to Mary Ann Gardiner spinster and George Maddison farmer. Effects £650 5s.

13th May 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A sad accident happened at the Whin Quarry near Cowshill on Wednesday morning, whereby John Richardson of Burtreeford, got his left foot smashed. On the arrival of Dr Wolfe and Dr Easton it was found necessary to amputate the foot. The patient bore the operation, which was a tedious one very well, but the shock had been too much for him and he succumbed about midnight.
In 1891, at Burtree Ford, Weardale, John Richardson, general labourer, aged 47, and his wife Mary aged 40.

20th May 1899 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

THE LATE MRS MILLICAN

The funeral of the late Mrs (*Annie*) Millican wife of Mr John Millican JP. of Croft House, took place on Wednesday afternoon. ... (*Died 14th April*)

In 1891, at Front Street, John Millican, retired draper, aged 69, his wife Annie 62, son John H Millican, draper, aged 39, daughter Florence M Millican 24, niece Winifred E Reed 15, domestic servant Jane Madgin aged 19. See 17th August 1872, 11th April 1874, 2nd September 1876, 2nd June 1877. See also 13th August 1892 & 14th April 1894.

27th May 1899 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD
MINING ACCIDENT

On Wednesday an accident occurred in the mines to two miners named J. J. Milburn and J. Richardson. They had fired a charge of dynamite and gone back to the place when a second discharge took place, the whole of the charge not having exploded in the first instance. They were much hurt about the face and were conveyed to bank where they received medical attendance. They are progressing favourably.

WEARDALE

Wedding at Stanhope. On Saturday at the Wesleyan Chapel the marriage took place of Miss Lizzie Watson daughter of Mr Stephen Watson of Newhouse to Mr John Emerson, farmer of Wellhope. The bride who was until recently mistress of the Weardale Board School …

24th June 1899 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths

Allendale Town, 1st inst. aged 77 Mary relict of John Curry of Allenheads.
See 21st December 1864, 17th March 1868, 6th July 1869, 18th July 1870, 25th May 1872, and 9th September 1876.

St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

24th June 1899 (Newcastle Courant)
Deaths

At 47 Cromwell Street, Newcastle, on the 19th inst., aged 75, Isabella Kindred, widow of the late Henry Kindred of Alston.
See 16th Aug. 1873, 8th Aug. 1874.

1st July 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The whole of the miners, engineers, and washers employed at the lead mines of Killhope and Burtree Pasture have received a fortnights notice to cease work.

15th July 1899 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Lead Company, about a fortnight ago gave notice to their workmen employed at the Sedling and Newhouse mines of stoppage of work, and as the notices then given expired on Monday work at the above two mines ceased. It is not yet known whether these mines are to permanently close or if the stoppage is merely temporary.

29th July 1899 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

Services were conducted on Sunday last in the Wesleyan Chapel, by the Rev Thompson, of Richmond, United States, Mr Thompson is a native of Nenthead.
See 18th June 1892, 1st October 1892, 2nd September 1893, 28th October 1898, & 12th January 1901.

5th August 1899 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

SALE OF "WB" MINING PLANT

On Friday Messrs. H B Slee and Sons, Newcastle, terminated their four days sale by auction of the well known Wentworth Blackett Lead Mining and Smelting plant. The sales each day were attended by large numbers of buyers. The large and varied stock included workmen's tools, stores, wooden erections, office furniture, contents of the laboratory, wagons, scientific instruments, hydraulic crushing, winding, and pumping engines, mining and surveying instruments, and water wheels at Allen Smelt Mill, Adit level, Peckriding, Studdon Dene, Holmes Lynn, Blackbank, Corn Mill, Sipton, Swinhope, Breckon Hill and Allenheads.

Deaths

At Union City, Tennessee, US. America, 14th ult., Anne the beloved wife of E N Dixon and second daughter of Mary and the late Joseph Forster, of Temperance Hotel, Allendale Town.

5th August 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Ralph Bainbridge, Frosterley has been presented with a handsome time piece, and Mrs Bainbridge with a tea service and Master Bainbridge with a hymnal, by the public of Frosterley, on their leaving for Haswell to which place he has been promoted by Messrs Pease and Partners.

Deaths

Allendale, 2nd inst. aged 79, Ann Whaley, widow of Robert Fairlamb.
See 26th December 1885, & 30th June 1886

16th September 1899 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

The monthly meeting of the Alston Rural District Council was held on Saturday. Mr. H. Walton in the chair. The Inspector presented his report upon the

Nenthead water scheme and the estimated cost, viz., No. 1 scheme to convey water from Greengill to Mr. J. Archer's, £62 15s. 6d.; No. 2. from East Nenthead over the whole. £349 2s. A letter was also read from Mr. J. R. Walton, land agent. suggesting that in case No. 1 scheme was adopted it would be advisable to investigate the supply to Grassfield and Foulards farms, as he understood these farms were supplied from Greengill source.— It was resolved to experiment by diverting the water at the source and seeing if the supply was interfered with at these farms, the Inspector to undertake the work and report thereon.

18th September 1899 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINING FATALITY

On Friday a young man named Hindmarch, caretaker of the crushing mill at Carrshield Mine, just beyond the western boundary of Weardale, was in the act of adjusting some of the belting when he was caught and killed. Deceased belonged to Nenthead, and was related to Mr Lattimer.

The death of Thomas William Hindmarsh is registered at Hexham, 3rd quarter of 1899, aged 22.

Thomas Hindmarsh snr married Hannah Bell 6th November 1824, at Ninebanks.

In 1841, at Whitley Shield Green, West Allendale, Thomas Hindmarsh, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Hannah aged 40, children William 10, Thomas 6, and Joseph 4.

In 1851, at Whitley Shield Green, West Allendale, Thomas Hindmarsh, lead miner & farmer of 7½ acres with 2 stints, aged 58, his wife Hannah aged 51, children, Mary 26, Hannah 25, William, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas, lead miner, aged 16, and Joe, lead miner, aged 14.

Hannah Hindmarsh, was buried at Carshield, 23rd January 1852, aged 53

Thomas Hindmarsh snr, was buried at Carshield, 10th October 1864, aged 61.

William Hindmarsh married Tamar Armstrong 4th quarter 1853, registered at Hexham.

In 1861, at Blackett Terrace, West Allendale, William Hindmarsh, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Tamar aged 35, Children Tom 7, Armstrong 4, Hannah 2, Jane 6 months, and visitor, sister in law Ann Armstrong 20.

In 1871, at Carshield, West Allendale, William Hindmarsh, lead ore dresser & butcher, aged 40, his wife Thamar 45, children, Tom, lead ore dresser aged 17, Armstrong, lead ore dresser, aged 14, Hannah 12, Jane 10, Elizabeth 8, and Phoebe 5.

In 1881, at Carshield, West Allendale, William Hindmarsh, butcher & farmer of 6 acres, aged 50, his wife Thamar 55, children, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 26, Hannah 22, Jane, dressmaker, aged 20, and Phoebe 15.

William Armstrong died 2nd quarter 1887, aged 56, registered at Hexham

In 1891, at Blue Row, Carshield, West Allendale, Thamar Hindmarsh, widow, farmer, aged 65, children, Hannah, dressmaker, aged 32, Phoebe 24, and granddaughter, Hannah E Ridley 3.

Tamar Armstrong was buried at Carshield 15th December 1898.

Armstrong Hindmarch, married Ann Lattimer, 3rd quarter of 1877.

In 1891, at Green Pitts, Carrshield, Armstrong Hindmarsh, lead miner and farmer, aged 34, his wife Ann aged 39, children Thomas W 13, Sarah J 11, and Thamer 9. In 1901, at Limestone Brae, Carrshield, Armstrong Hindmarsh,

farmer, aged 44, and his wife Ann aged 50. Sarah Jane, and Thamar were both working as general domestic servants for John Liddle Foster, (grocer & farmer) and his family, at Carrshield.
In 1911, Armstrong Hindmarsh, farmer, aged 54, his wife Ann 60, daughter, Sarah Jane 30, and visitor Sarah Bright, aged 82.
Armstrong Hindmarsh died 4th quarter 1926, aged 70, registered at Hexham.
Probate 1925: Ann Hindmarsh of Low Limestone Brae Allendale Northumberland (wife of Armstrong Hindmarsh) died 15 August 1915 Administration Newcastle upon Tyne 4 November to the said Armstrong Hindmarsh retired farmer. Effects £60.

23rd September 1899 (Hexham Courant)

WEST ALLENDALE

On Friday, last a sad accident happened at the Vieille Montagne works, which unfortunately was attended with fatal results. It appears that a young man named **Thomas W. Hindmarch** *(22)* was in the act of Spragging a wheel, when the lever apparently slipped and rebounded hitting him under the chin and killing him on the spot. See 18th September 1899
Spragging or Sprag: a bar hinged to the rear axle of a cart or similar in such a way that it can brace the vehicle against the road so acting as a brake. Also the act of putting a length of wood between the wheels of a truck to stop it or slow it down.

23rd September 1899 (Newcastle Courant)

LEAD MINING ACCIDENT

While two miners hailing from Upper Teesdale and West Allen respectively, were blasting rock in Nenthead mine, the fuse deceiving them exploded prematurely, injuring both seriously.

14th October 1899 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, Alston House, 6th inst., aged 30, Lionel William Thorngrafton, 3rd son of Thomas W Crawhall Wilson.

4th November 1899 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Weardale, Ireshopeburn, aged 52, Jemima youngest daughter of the late Robert Watson, Allendale.
In 1891, at Ryton, Henry Watson, miner, aged 45, his wife Elizabeth 41, daughter Hannah 24, son Henry Wm 12, daughter Elizabeth A 2, mother Dorothy Watson married, aged 46, and sister Jemima Watson 43.
See 19th November 1887

7th November 1899 (Northern Echo)
Yesterday morning, Georgd Brumwell, leadmirner, Harwood-in-Teesdale, died very suddenly after drinking a cup of tea. He was aged 63 years, and latterly had suffered severely from bronchitis.

18th November 1899 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE MINING INDUSTRY

On Monday, considerable consternation was caused at Nenthead when it became known that between 40 and 50 miners had received notice to cease work after the 26th inst., at Nenthead, and about 30 others connected with the Allendale works. It is reported that the operations in the dressing or separating of the material are to be curtailed by discontinuing night labour.

18th November 1899 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A fatal accident occurred in one of the Weardale limestone quarries, on Friday last to a young man named Joseph Bainbridge (33) son of John Bainbridge, Bank Lane, Stanhope. He was following his daily avocation as quarryman at the Parson Byers quarry of Bell Bros., and was in the act of pinching a stone over the quarry face when the pinch is supposed to have slipped and both he and the pinch fell over the quarry edge a distance upwards of 50 feet.

In 1891, at Back Lane, Stanhope, John Bainbridge, limestone quarryman, aged 53, his wife Ann 47, children John, limestone quarryman, aged 26, Joseph, limestone quarryman, aged 25, Robert, butcher, aged 23, Thomas, limestone quarryman, aged 21, Phoebe A. 17, and William 15.

25th November 1899 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

PARISH COUNCIL

On inquiry being made respecting Langhorn's Charity, the Clerk stated that he had received a letter from the County Council on the matter stating that the Chairman of the trustees of the Charity (Dr Rutherford) was in communication with the Commissioners respecting the custody of the deed. ... All that they wanted to know was, who the proper authority was to have the custody of the deed. The Clerk said that the old deed was in the parish chest, but the new one was in Dr Rutherford's hands. ...

WEARDALE

News has just reached Stanhope that a Weardale farmer out in Queensland, John Newton Tweddle, at Waraba, had his farmstead burnt down by fire everything being destroyed on September 6th.

27th November 1899 (Northern Echo)

LEAD MINING IN WEARDALE.—In addition to the hundred men who terminated their notice on Saturday at Nenthead, the workmen employed by the Weardale Lead Company at Grovehead and Slitt Mines have also received notice owing to the unremunerativeness of the working, and the industry is very gloomy in the dale.

20th December 1899 (Northern Echo)

WEARDALE LEAD CO.

THE DIRECTORS AND THE COMMISSIONERS.

THE RENT AND ROYALTY QUESTION.

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Weardale Lead Co., Limited (says the "Mining World") was held at the Terminus Hotel, Cannon-

street, London, E.C., on December 15th, to receive the directors' report and a statement of accounts for the year ending June 30th, 1899.
Mr George Richardson (the chairman of the company) presided, and said: Gentlemen, in the first place I must explain to you why we are so late in, issuing this report. It is only owing to our negotiations with the Commissioners. We thought it would be better if we could advise you that we had come to certain arrangements, and therefore we kept the thing open from week to week until now. We have, however, not been able to make any further progress in the meantime, but are still a, negotiating. We have a meeting with their mineral agent and the secretary to the commissioners to-morrow, when the negotiation will be further gone into. All we want is a reasonable and fair arrangement, so that we can get some profit, and they also can get a fair rent. We do not think we should be put in a different position by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in their estates than by the Greenwich Commissioners in the Admiralty Estates. They all belong to the nation, and we do not see why one should be in a different position to the other. We think they ought to be prepared to meet us in a fair manner, as they have done hitherto. With the great increase in royalties for coal and iron, they can afford to be a little generous to people like ourselves, who have spent such an enormous sum of money. We explained to you at the last meeting if we found certain mines would not answer, we would gradually close them down, as we were not going to fritter away your money in unprofitable business, but we are happy to say that up to the present date things are satisfactory in Boltsburn. We have a few tributers at work in each of the mines at Groverake, Sedling, Craig's Level, and Killhope. Lead has now moved up a little since we last had the pleasure of meeting you, and we are enabled by that means to allow these tributers to go in and take what they can at a certain profit to us. If we can go on a little time in that way and make a profit, we shall not close the mines. With regard to the price of lead, we have sold a few lots at £18 a ton, but the actual price just now is £17 15s. We hope the price will continue at the present figure, but even at a lower figure if we make this arrangement with the Commissioners we consider we shall have reached the turning point at the mines, and we shall be working at a profit. With regard to the accounts, you will observe that we have smelted no, less lead this year than last year. That is owing to our having bought some lead ore from the Nenthead people last year. You will have noticed that there is a balance of £414 for rent and royalty credited to the working account, but that is subject to our arrangement with the Commissioners. The next point is the directors' fees. You will see that the directors have received no remuneration, but we hope that someday when we are paying you dividends that we shall have something to say to you on that point. The next item I wish to call your attention to is the calls. Since these accounts were made up the amount outstanding has been reduced to £1,578.
Mr George Hopkins, in seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, said: You will observe from the revenue account that the profit made during the year was £664, but that was reduced by a further payment of £250, which we had to make to the Commissioners. In the last account, we put that down at £500, and, therefore, we had to pay £750 for the year.
Mr Holdford: I see the wages account this year, with a smaller output, has been £2,000 in excess of what it was last year. There is also some little increase in regard to interest, while there has been nothing debited for rent and royalty, and nothing for directors' fees. The directors, I know, have been very good in

foregoing their fees; but, at the same time, if we had paid the Commissioners what we have been in the habit of Paying them we should have shown a deficit on the accounts. Then I find that the amount outstanding on calls, together with the amount in hand, would represent something like a £7,800 against a debit on capital account of about £11,000, so that we are practically out of debt.
The Chairman: We are absolutely out of debt except in regard to the debentures. The increase in the wages is owing to the poorness of the mines at Groverake. Killhope. Sedling, and Old Fall. It has cast more for getting out that poor ore than was usual in the ordinary way, but now those mines are only being worked on tribute. With regard to the liability, we think that, when we get a little into smooth water and get settled with the Commissioners it will be a matter for us to see in what way we can reduce the liability on those shares. We are more anxious to do it than you are for we are large share- holders ourselves. With reference to the question of the debt, we do owe a farthing to anybody, and, what is more, we have some money on deposit in the bank, which is rather an unusual thing for the Weardale Co. Therefore, I do not think you need go home and expect a call on Christmas day even of a very small amount. We have made an arrangement with Messrs Locke, Lancaster and Co. to charge us only one-half. They have met us very fairly and I think the Commissioners might do likewise.
The motion was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.
The re-election of Mr J. C. Swan, and Mr Maxfield as directors was carried unanimously, sympathetic references being made to the serious illness of the latter.
Messrs James Fraser and Sons were re-elected auditors, and the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

23rd December 1899 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

During some mining operation at Brownley on Wednesday a charge of dynamite exploded prematurely and two men one named Martin were severely injured about the face.

Deaths

Alston Church View, 19th inst. aged 76 Hugh Pattinson.

In1871, at Kings Arms Lane, Hugh Pattinson, joiner, aged 47, his wife Mary aged 36, children Joseph J., joiner, aged 21, Mary A., milliner, aged 17, and Hugh 12.

In 1881, at Thirlwells, Lane, Hugh Pattinson, carpenter, aged 57, his wife Mary 47, son Joseph J. carpenter, aged 31, and daughter Sarah Jane 25.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Hugh Pattinson aged 67 and his wife Mary aged 57, were living on their own means.

27th December 1899 (Northern Echo)

ACCIDENT TO WEARDALE MINERS.

Whilst two miners named Jno. E. Hodgson, Westgate, and W. Martin, Nenthead, were at work in Nenthead mine a shot of dynamite exploded unexpectedly in a hole they had drilled, seriously injuring the first named about the arms and Martin about the head and hands.

30th December1899 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

A son of Mr Coulthard of Daddry Bridge End, Weardale, is among the besieged at Ladysmith; George Galley of Stanhope is with the Natal Volunteers, guarding the line of communications, another native of Stanhope named Mawson is among the prisoners at Pretoria.

30th December 1899 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The mining industry at Nenthead has during the last few weeks, assumed a different aspect from that which prevailed for the last few years. A few weeks ago a large number of miners were paid off, and during the last week a reduction has been made in the outside hands. The night shift on the dressing floors have this week been discontinued, which consequently lessens the demand for outside labourers. The bulk of the lads thus employed have been engaged for other purposes. The machinery used for separating the mineral is now going from seven o'clock to six instead of day and night. On account of the snow and frosts, the traction engines are unable to travel, and the material is being conveyed to the station by means of horses and carts, and thus a number of those paid off are able to find employment on the roads.

3rd January 1900 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

DEATH OF A REMARKABLE LADY.

A very remarkable lady has just passed away by the death of Mrs Green, wife of the Rev. W. Lionel Green, vicar of St. Budeaux, Cornwall. She was the only daughter of Mr Robert French, of Middleton-in-Teesdale, one of the representatives of the London Lead Company in its palmy days. She wrote one or two novels of considerable merit. —"Phoebe Deacon" and "Jack Smith," but she was mainly remarkable for her linguistic attainments. She could speak French and German as well as English, and was an excellent Spanish and Italian scholar, while she learnt Portuguese on her sick bed because her only son is living in Brazil. Quite recently, she rendered considerable assistance to an eminent dialectic philologist by contributions on the Teesdale district.

20th January 1900 (Morpeth Herald and Reporter)

Deaths

At Ashington, 16th inst., aged 66 years, Elizabeth, beloved wife of William Armstrong, late of Nenthead, Alston. Interment at Ashington Jan. 20th.

Isaac Armstrong married Nancy Armstrong 1st June 1822 at St Augustine's, Alston.

William Armstrong born 28th July 1835, baptised 19th September 1835, parents Isaac (miner) and Nancy of Ashgill (Wesleyan records)

In 1841, at Middle Ashgill, Garrigill, Isaac Armstrong, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann, aged 35, children, Christopher, lead miner, aged 15, Hannah 13, Mary 11, Sarah 8, William 5, Isaac 3.

In 1851, at Low Row, Kirkhaugh, William Armstrong, general servant, aged 16.

Probable marriage: William Armstrong married Elizabeth Jackson 3rd quarter 1860, registered at Hexham.

In 1861, at Beldy Mill, Garrigill, William Armstrong, carrier, aged 25, and his wife Elizabeth aged 28, born Allendale.

In 1871, at Chapel Houses, Nenthead, William Armstrong, lead ore smelter, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 37, children, John 9, Isaac 8, William H 4, and Chester 2.
In 1881, at Chapel Houses, Nenthead, William Armstrong, lead ore smelter, aged 46, his wife Elizabeth 40, children, Isaac, lead miner, aged 18, William H., lead ore dresser, aged 14, Chester 12, and Annie E. 9.
In 1891, at Bothal, Ashington, William Armstrong, horse keeper, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 56, children, William H, coal miner, aged 23, Chester, labourer, aged 22, Annie E 18, and boarder, Thomas Armstrong, miner, aged 49.
In 1901, at 16 Seventh Row, Ashington, William Armstrong, horse keeper in coal mine (below), aged 63, daughter, Annie Elizabeth 26, and general servant, Jane Ann Martin, servant, aged 17.

24th February 1900 (Newcastle Courant)
DEATH OF A NENTHEAD FARMER.—The death occurred on Monday night, at the age of 69, of **Mr. John Archer** of West Nenthead, the cause being pneumonia, following influenza. The deceased, who was one of the oldest inhabitants of the village, always took a great interest in parish affairs. A few years ago he was a prominent member of the board of guardians and was recently appointed one of the district representatives as a trustee of Longhorn's Charity. He was a member of the Wesleyan church, in which he took great interest being one of the chief movers in its erection. Mr. Archer, who was held in great esteem in the village and neighbourhood, leaves a widow, and a grown up family. *See 29th September 1863, 8 March 1865, 7th January 1868, and 24th May 1884.*

2nd March 1900 (Consett Guardian)
The Stanhope Gill lead mine, near Frosterley, is being re-started again. With the present price of lead, this waning British industry should revive. There is still plenty of the rich metal beneath the everlasting hills of the mining districts of Great Britain.

19th March 1900 (Northern Echo)
SUDDEN DEATH OF A WEARDALE FARMER.
Quite a gloom was thrown over the highest reaches of Weardale when it became known that **Mr William Rutherford**, West Blackdean, had expired suddenly on Friday. The deceased, who prior to the decay of leadmining was master ore washer (but latterly filled a responsible position at Messrs Monkhouse and Peart's whinstone quarry), was about to leave home in his ordinary health when he was seized with apoplexy, and despite the united efforts of Dr. Wolffe and Easton never regained consciousness, and died in a few hours. Mr Rutherford, who was 70 yeas of age. was a typical yeoman, an excellent judge of stock, and an ardent farmer, his exhibits in cattle and horses at the local shows being frequently bracketed winners, his dales pony winning the county trophy at Wolsingham. A native of the dale, he was widely known and respected. He was brother to the late Cowshill hostesses, Mrs Bright and Mrs Carr, and leaves a large grown-up family, and besides having many relatives has descendants of the fourth generation. Sorrow is accentuated by the enfeebled condition of the grief-stricken widow.

24th March 1900 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allendale, Moor Houses, 16th inst. aged 65, Thomasine, widow of the late William Ridley and daughter of the late John Chatt.
In 1871, at Leadgate, Allendale, Mary Ridley, widow, retired farmer, aged 64, and son William, lead ore smelter, aged 37.

In 1871, at Moor House, John Chatt, farmer of 72 acres, aged 77, his wife Hannah 73, son John, farmer of 50 acres, aged 32, daughters Thomasine, dressmaker, aged 39, and Jane 34.
In 1881, at 80 Courtney street, Swansea, William Ridley, foreman at the lead works, aged 48, born Hexhamshire and his wife Thomasine (Chatt, married at St Nicholas, Newcastle, on 27th May 1876) aged 48, born Allendale.
In 1891, at 80 Courtney Street, Swansea, William Ridley, foreman at the lead works, aged 57, born Hexhamshire and his wife Thomasine 58, born Allendale.
At Alston Kate's Lane, 19th inst. aged 44, John Walton, husband of Mary Jane Featherstone and second son of John Featherstone, gardener, Alston.
In 1881, at Butts, Alston, John Featherstone, widow, gardener, aged 59, daughter Sarah, housekeeper, aged 27, son John W., coal miner, aged 25, married daughter Elizabeth Fairgrieve 19, son in law William Fairgrieve, condenser minder at woollen mill, aged 21.
In 1891, at Kate's Lane, John W Featherstone, coal miner, aged 36, his wife Mary J. 29, sons Matthew H. 8, Tom 4, and Hugh W. 7 months.

John Walton Featherstone, died 1st quarter 1900, aged 44.

In 1901, at Kate's Lane, Matthew Davidson, widow, cemetery keeper, aged 64, children Thomas W. coal miner, aged 42, Mary J. Featherstone, widow, aged 39, Ethel 32, John, railway porter, aged 25, Walter, general labourer, aged 21, grandchildren Matthew H. Featherstone, wool winder, hosiery works, aged 18, Thomas Featherstone 14, Hugh W Featherstone 10, and William F Featherstone 4 years.
See 15th March 1872, 20th March 1880, & 12th April 1879.

24th March 1900 (Newcastle Courant)
PROPERTY SALE AT ALSTON. —-A sale of property, which created a large amount or interest, took place in the Golden Lion Hotel. The property in question consisted of 63 acres 3 roods 36 perches, and owned partly by Mr W. Ward, Skylles, Garrigill, and Mr T. Spark, Appleby. Owing to the parties interested failing to agree, legal proceedings were instituted at the Alston County Court, and his Honour Judge Stevenson made an order for sale. Its contiguity to the grouse moor of Mr T. Horrocks made it a desirable allotment for grouse, and this was calculated to give it an increased value. Mr A. Elliott officiated as auctioneer. The bidding was started at £300 by Mr J. Hetherington, Garrigill: and it quickly ran up to £500, which the auctioneer stated was the reserve price, and it was ultimately sold for £705 to Messrs Carrick and Lee, Brampton, who, it was understood, represented Mr Ward, one of the parties interested.

28th April 1900 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD
MINING PROSPECTS

Speaking at an entertainment in the Nenthead Board school Mr C Fernau, manager of the mining works at Nenthead who presided said that the mines at Nenthead had not; up to the present under the existing company, paid very well, this being accounted for by the fact that an enormous expense had been incurred in new and improved machinery. The adoption of the compressed rock drill had also been very costly, and the output had not correspondingly increased. He intimated that the works at Nenthead were now at a crucial stage and that if the concern did not show better results, and the present company found it necessary to curtail or suspend operations it was not probable that any other company would be able to make it pay. He therefore urged the men and all concerned to do their utmost to push the work forward as the continuation of mining operations and practically the prosperity of the place depended on the support given by the employee.

ALSTON

A distressing accident resulting in a fatality took place at the Nent Force Quarry on Friday afternoon. John Cousin, Holms Foot, Nenthead, a quarryman in the employ of the company was working on a ledge near the top of the quarry about 4 o'clock. The manager Mr Emerson and Mr Davidson, Haydon Bridge were standing on the ground just above him. Mr Davidson saw the deceased using a pick to a large piece of stone, which had been loosened by blasting, and also saw him take a drink of water from a bottle. Almost immediately afterwards deceased was seen by Mr Davidson and others falling from the ledge. He fell a distance of thirty-one feet and was taken up bleeding and unconscious. … He died on Saturday morning. … Deceased was to have been married on Sunday morning.

In 1861, at Coldron Snout, Alston, William Cousin, farmer of 24 acres aged 62, his wife Hannah 56, children William, lead miner, aged 26, Isaac, lead miner, aged 20, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 17, Henry, labourer on farm, aged 15, and Margaret 11 years.
In 1871, at Dyke Head, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Mary aged 24, sons Jacob 4, and John 2.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Jonathan Cousin, farmer of 10 acres, aged 37, his wife Mary 34, children Jacob 14, John 12, Mary Jane 9, Hannah 5, and Jonathan 1 month.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Mary 44, children John, lead miner, aged 22, Mary J. 20, and William 8. In 1901, at Holme foot, Jonathan Cousin, lead miner, aged 57, daughter Mary J. 29, and son William, lead miner, aged 15. See 4th April 1874, & 10th December 1887

5th May 1900 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD
MINING DISPUTE

According to present prospects the works of the Vieille Montagne Mining Company at Nenthead in about two weeks time will cease operations. It appears a dispute has arisen with the boys employed on the dressing floors and the managers, the dispute being over an hour a day. The mill commences at 6 in the morning and continues till 5 at night without stopping, the boys getting

their meals in a few minutes. They waited upon Mr Fernau, the manager, and asked for an hours stoppage at the dinner hour. This request, however, it was intimated, could not be entertained consequently the bulk of those affected handed in their notices to cease work on Saturday week. Fourteen days notice has thus been given to the miners, tool sharpeners, and others employed in the mines.

Deaths

At Allendale, Dean House, 27th ult., in his 65th year, John Smith, late Sergeant Major, 2nd Battalion Dorcestshire Regiment, and survivor of the steam ship Sarah Sands.

In 1891, at The Dene, Allendale, John Smith, army pensioner, aged 55, born Allendale, and his wife Mary A. aged 39, born Scotland.

At Sparty Well, West Allen, 29th ult. aged 42, Joseph Henderson Coulson.

In 1881, at Chair Heads, Ninebanks, William Coulson, farmer of 122 acres, aged 65, his wife Mary 53, Joseph H., farmers son, aged 23, William Lee, farmers son, aged 23, Ann 19, Hannah E. 13, and domestic servant Elizabeth Hindmarsh aged 18.

In 1891, at Sparty Well, Joseph H Coulson, farmer, aged 33, his wife Eliza 28, and domestic servant Jane Martin aged 16. In 1901, at Sparty Well, Eliza Coulson, widow, living on own means, aged 38.

12th May 1900 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE MINING DISPUTE

Mr. A. Bolton assistant manager, under date 5th inst., writing to the Newcastle Journal, I have been requested by Mr Fernau, the manager here of the Vieille Montagne Company, to write and ask if you will kindly correct some misstatements which appeared in a paragraph of your paper yesterday's date under the following heading, Mining Dispute at Nenthead. You state that "The mills commence at six in the morning and continue till five at night without stopping, the boys getting their meals in a few minutes." The real facts of the matter are the mills begin at seven in the morning and continue till six at night. The men and boys employed are allowed three half hours during the time to get their meals. This is instead of a quarter of an hour in the forenoon, one hour at twelve for dinner and quarter of an hour at four pm. Giving three intervals of half an hour each does not interfere with the working as the hour interval at noon would do. Their working day is nine and a half hours for five days, and on Saturday they work from seven till twelve noon, and have half an hour during this time. The total hours for the weeks work is 52.

19th May 1900 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE MINING DISPUTE

A large number of men and boys employed in the mining operations at Nenthead ceased work on Saturday. The lads came out on strike and the men were locked out. The whole dispute seems to have arisen in connection with the hours of the lads who have been working from 7am to 6pm, finishing at 12 on Saturday. The mills were kept going the whole day, but the lads appeared to have a short time allowed for food at breakfast, dinner, and tea time. When they were off however their work was accumulating and they had to overtake it

again. The lads requested that the mill should be stopped for one hour at dinner time, they were willing to forego the time allowed for tea so that actually ten hours work would be got in. After the notices had been handed in by the lads notices were passed to all the men and they must cease work after a duration of 14 days.

26th May 1900 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

THE MINES DISPUTE

The dispute in connection with the boys employed in the dressing floors of the Vieille Montagne Mining Company at Nenthead is still unsettled. The mills have been standing idle during the last week, and the boys are all out of employment. The men locked out have been partly started again the bulk having resumed work at the instigation of the masters. No settlement has been effected with the boys, nor does it appear that any negotiations are in progress.

30th June 1900 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

The Sanatorium for Consumption opened at Stanhope recently is already being taken advantage of. A dozen patients are now under treatment and accommodation is to be provided for twice as many more.

17th September 1900 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

NENTHEAD CATTLE SHOW.

The 25th annual show was held at Nenthead on Saturday, in splendid weather. There was a good attendance of the public. Taking into consideration the altitude of the district, the exhibits were very creditable indeed. Amongst the shorthorns some good cattle were forward, one or two of them bring particularly so, especially in the class for the beet cow or heifer above two years of age in milk calf, and the best heifer in calf under two years These classes were, in fact the best for shorthorns. Galloways were only a small exhibit, but the animals were fairly good. Leicester sheep were not perhaps up to the mark, one or two being if anything somewhat under fed. The top lamb shown by Mr. Henderson, and placed first, was a particularly good animal. Black-faced were fairly well represented. Horses were a medium lot, and in fairly good condition. Ponies also were a nice lot. The show, on the whole was very creditable for the district.

9th October 1900 (Daily Gazette Middlesbrough)

SERIOUS FLOODS IN WEARDALE.

One of the most serious floods that has occurred in Weardale for many yeas took place late on Saturday. Rain fell heavily all day, and by six o'clock in the evening, the river began to be unusually swollen, and the volume of water increased rapidly till about nine o'clock. Wooden bridges over the river at Crookled, Bridge End, and Pindor Lane, near St. John's Chapel, were swept away, while several stone bridges suffered damage. Several fields were also flooded. Much damage was done to the property of the Weardale Lead Company. At Nenthead, the river overflowed its banks, and the houses in the vicinity were flooded. The mining companies also suffered severely, about a hundred tons of spelter ore being carried down the river. The mills were unable to start yesterday morning on account of the watercourses being filled up or

destroyed. Fields were covered with slime and stones and will take a great deal of clearing.

27th October 1900 (Hexham Courant)
IN NENTHEAD great interest is at present being taken in the lead mining industry. The mining company are sinking a shaft to ascertain if there is a good supply of lead in the lower sills. So far as the work has proceeded a fairly abundant quantity of lead has been found.

NENTHEAD

The remains of the late Mr Thomas Erwine were interred on Friday at Nenthead Church Yard. He was known as the father of the village and had attained the age of 83 years.
See 5th December 1884, & 28th January 1888

17th November 1900 (Hexham Courant)
THE NENTHEAD VIEILLE MONTAGNE ZINC COMPANY, in prospecting on their sett at Langdon, Upper Teasdale have discovered fine examples of Sulphate of Barium in close proximity to the Great Burtree Ford Basaltic Dyke the terminal base line of the Yordale series of strata. The Hedworth Barium Company at present are very busy at their Barium mines at Cow Green Upper Teasdale, the output being considerably increased.

17th November 1900 (Newcastle Courant)
Marriages
At Brunswick Wesleyan Chapel, Nov. 1st, by the Rev T. E. Freeman of Nenthead, Edward William Short, physician and surgeon, Lumley, Fence Houses, third son of the late James Short, Madras, to Sara third daughter of John Archer, West Nenthead.
In 1901, at Dodds Yard, Great Lumley, Durham, Edward W Short, physician & surgeon, aged 41, his wife Sara 30, and servant, Frances Hetherington, domestic servant, aged 18.

24th November 1900 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, Glebe Lane, 3rd inst. Thomas Brown, the dearly beloved husband of Hannah Brown. Interred at Alston Cemetery on the 7th inst.
In 1841, at Green Ends, Isabelle Brown, farmer, aged 60, Robert Brown, lead miner, aged 30, and Thomas Brown 5.
In 1851, at Green Ends, Isabella Brown, lead miners widow (husband Thomas), aged 74, grandson Thomas Brown, employed at lead mines, aged 15, and general servant Mary Smith aged 27.
In 1851, at Low Green Ends, Vipond Millican, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Mary (Married 4th quarter of 1840, Alston) aged 39, children Fanny 11, Joseph 9, William 8, Robert 3, and Mary 1.
In 1861, at Greenends, Alston, Mary Millican, widow, farmer of 12 acres, aged 48, children Francis, general servant, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, William, lead miner, aged 18, Robert, lead miner, aged 13, Mary 10, John 7, mother Isabella Brown, widow, annuitant, aged 84, son Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 25, grandson Jonathan Millican 3, and lodger Thomas Watson, cartman, aged 41.

In 1871, at Island Cottage, Nenthead, Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Lee, married 9th December 1866, Nenthead) aged 29, children Mary Jane 3, and Joseph V. 2.
In 1881, at Nentsbury, Thomas Brown, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah 39, children Mary Jane 13, Joseph Vipond, lead ore washer, aged 12, Thomas, William 8, Frances Han. 6, and Elizabeth 3.
In 1891, at Glebe Lane, Thomas Brown, market keeper, aged 55, his wife Hannah 49, children Thomas Wm., collier, aged 18, Frances H., stocking knitter, aged 16, Lizzie, stocking knitter, aged 13, Florence A. 5, and Mary J., domestic servant, aged 23.
In 1901, at Glebe Lane, Hannah Brown, widow, aged 59, children Thomas W., coal miner, aged 28, Elizabeth, hosiery knitter, aged 23, Florence A., hosiery knitter, aged 15, and visitor Ralph Maxwell, railway engine stoker, aged 20.
See 11th October 1890

15th December 1900 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENHEADS

The "Rossland Miner" contains the appended interesting account of a farewell dinner given to Mr Joseph Coates who is a native of Allendale, and the second son to Mr Joseph Coates, Civil Engineer of Allenheads, who left some 3 years ago for Rossland, British Columbia. *(To work for the British American Corporation)* … "Mr Joseph Coates leaves today for El Ora, Mexico, where he will assume an important position in the engineering department of the great Esperanza mine, which is probably the second greatest mine in the world."
See 28th June 1890, 2nd December 1893.

4th January 1901 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

Deaths

At Carrshield, West Allendale, 31st ult., aged 78 years, Thomas Lattimer, Grocer, &c. Interment at Nenthead Churchyard on Friday 4th inst.
See 15th July 1864

12th January 1901 (Hexham Courant)

MARRIAGE OF NENTHEAD MINISTER

News has just come to hand of the marriage of the Rev E Thompson, minister of the M.E. Church of America, under the Detroit Conference and a native of Nenthead. The bride is Miss Edith M P Lamotte of Michigan. Mr Thompson resides at Brown City and has two other brothers in the American ministry. *See 18th June 1892, 1st October 1892, 2nd September 1893, & 28th October 1898.*

12th January 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The new house at Nenthead, built by the Board, is finished, and has been occupied by the headmaster, Mr. Petty. The new schools are almost completed, and the Board hope to have them ready for use early in March. They are a fine set of buildings and will be a great improvement to the village, Miss M. Harrison has been appointed assistant mistress at the Nenthead School, in place of Miss Lattimer, released.

DEATH OF A NATIVE OF NENTHEAD

The funeral took place last week at Preston Cemetery, North Shields, of Inspector Isaac Walton, who was a native of Nenthead, and had several relatives and many friends in the Alston and Nenthead districts. For 18 years he was connected with the Borough of Tynemouth Constabulary. He was a man of fine physique. and commanding presence. A persevering young officer, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 1890, and in 1897 he was raised to the inspectorship. He was greatly esteemed for his trustworthiness and uprightness of character. Deceased was an ardent cyclist. A member of the Freemasons, he was made Worshipful Master of St. George's Lodge last year. The funeral was the largest seen in North Shields for many years. Mr. Walton was only 38 years of age.

19th January 1901 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Green Pit, Allenheads, 12th inst. aged 81, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of the late Matthew Varty.

In 1851, at Mount Pleasant, Matthew Varty, lead ore miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth (Hutchinson, married 1st June 1841, Allendale) aged 31, children Matthew 8, Mary 6, John 5, Elizabeth 3, and Rebekah Jane 10 months.

In 1861, at Moss House, Matthew Varty, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 41, children Matthew, lead miner, aged 19, John, lead ore dresser, aged 15, Mary 17, Elizabeth 13, Thomas 9, Tingate 7, Constantine 4, Hannah 2, and Joseph 1.

In 1871, at Moss House, Matthew Varty, retired lead ore miner, & land owner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 51, children John, lead ore miner, aged 25, Thomas, lead ore miner, aged 17, Tingate, jobbing labourer, aged 15, W. C., jobbing labourer, aged 14, Joseph 10, Mary, dressmaker, aged 26, Hannah 12, and grandson Thomas Varty 1 year.

In 1881, at Green Pits, Matthew Varty, farmer of 4½ acres, aged 69, his wife Elizabeth 61, children William Const., lead ore miner, aged 24, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 21, Thomas 11, Mary, dressmaker, aged 37, and visitor Thomas Freak, coal tipper, aged 27.

In 1891, at Green Pit, Mary Varty, single, dressmaker, aged 46, and her mother Elizabeth Varty, widow (Matthew died 1st quarter of 1887, aged 75), aged 71.

At Hesley Well, West Allendale, 16th inst. Margaret Dora, second daughter of Margaret and the late John Martin.

In 1891, at Hesley Well, John Martin, farmer, aged 58, his wife Margaret 48, children Rachel A. 19, Margaret D. 17, John Joseph 14, William H. 12, Mary J. 9, and Henry M. 6.

19th January 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON PARISH NURSING ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of members of the Parish Nursing Association was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Horrocks, of Eden Brows, presided. The attendance of ladies and gentlemen was very good. The report, which was presented, showed that the work of the past year was very satisfactory indeed. The financial statement was also very satisfactory, showing that considerable interest is being taken in the work done by the association. The funds have been

contributed to very heartily. Nurse Jeffreys has been engaged during the year as second nurse, residing at Nenthead. Nurse Fraser has been re-engaged under the association, her term of probationer under the County Association having expired in October. Testimony was borne to the good work done by the nurses during the year.

Deaths

At Redwing, near Garrigill, Alston, on the 8th inst., Sarah Jane, daughter of Matthew Bramwell, aged 24 years.

See 13th December 1870, 22nd December 1883, 9th April 1887

26th January 1901 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

The mild weather that has prevailed during the winter months has greatly facilitated the mining operations of this district. Large quantities of "Black Jack", or Zinc ore, are being daily dispatched and the great advance in the price of lead has made that metal, which not so very long ago since was hardly worth the dressing owing to the low price, worth seeking. The mining operations are being continued with that vigour that has characterised the present company since their advent into the place. At present several important trials are being made, the ultimate success of which mean much to the whole neighbourhood. In the Rampgill mine a big venture is on hand viz, that of sinking a shaft which is intended to go to a depth of 180 fathoms or more. This is being proceeded with, night and day. It is intended to tap the lower sills, which up to the present have never been touched, and it is hoped that these lower sills will be as rich in metal as the higher sills have been. As far as the sinking has already proceeded, sufficient metal has been discovered to encourage the promoters. The new and improved machinery which has been put in the mills outside is of an extensive nature, and the prospects are certainly to be considered favourable for a considerable period.

2nd February 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

Deaths

At Loatburn, Alston, on the 22nd ult., Mary, wife of Wm. Lee, aged 55 years.

In 1871, at East Nattrass, Alston, Thomas Lee, farmer of 26 acres, aged 52, his wife Mary 56, children, Ann, dairy maid, aged 30, William, lead miner, aged 28, and Isabella 15. See 22nd November 1879.

In 1881, at Elba, Nenthead, William Lee, lead miner & farmer of 30 acres, aged 38, his wife Mary (Teasdale, married 9th December 1872, at Alston) aged 36, children, Thomas W 7, Joseph 5, Ralph 5, Elizabeth 3, Mary A 1.

In 1891, at Lort Burn, Nenthead, William Lee, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Mary 46, children, Thomas William, lead ore washer, aged 17, Joseph, lead ore washer 15, Ralph, lead ore washer 15, Elizabeth 13, Mary Ann 11, Frances 8, and Isabella 2.

At Garrigill, on the 22nd ult., James Moffatt, aged 56 years.

In 1891, at Garrigill, James Moffatt, game keeper, aged 47, and his wife Hannah 39.

See 5th January 1878

23rd February 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland)
It may be interesting for the inhabitants of the district to know that the amount received by the County Council from the Vieille Montague Co., as compensation for damage done to the County roads by their traction engine is £700.

23rd February 1901 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Scotswood, suddenly, 19th inst. aged 43, Garthwaite husband of Sarah Jane Hornsby, late of Nenthead.
In 1851, at Overwater, Isaac Hornsby, draper & grocer, aged 35, his wife Sarah (Dixon, married 25th November 1837, Alston) aged 35, children Thomas 12, Frances 8, Jane 6, James Shaw 2, and sister in law Ann Dixon house servant, aged 50.
In 1861, at Overwater, Ann Hornsby, grocers wife, aged 33, children Thomas, shoemaker, aged 22, Jane, house servant, aged 15, James S. 12, William 7, Garthwaite 3, and Alfred H. 1.
In 1871, at Overwater, Ann Hornsby, widow, grocer, aged 43, children Garthwaite, lead ore washer, aged 13, Alfred 11, Mary Margaret 6, Isaac 4, and stepson William, shoemaker, aged 17
In 1881, at Overwater, Ann Hornsby, widow, grocer, aged 50, children Robert, labourer in lead works, aged 26, Garthwaite, labourer in lead works, aged 24, Mary Margaret, dressmaker, aged 16, and Isaac, labourer cartman, aged 13.
In 1891, at Askew Road West, Gateshead, Garthwaite Hornsby, cartman, aged 33, children Sarah A. 32, Harry P. 4, Annie M. 2, and boarder William Watson, railway porter, aged 22. In 1901, at Prospect Terrace, Benwell, Sarah Jane Hornsby, widow, retired general carter, aged 43, children Harry Pattinson, plasterers apprentice, aged 14, Annie Mary 12, and Caroline 6.
See 24th April 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 6th September 1880, 1st April 1882, 17th October 1885, and 6th April 1901.

23rd February 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
CONCERT AT NENTHEAD.—The annual concert, &c., of the Nenthead Co-operative Society was held in the Board Schoolroom on Friday night The program was given by a concert party from Alston. Several pieces were heartily encored. Mr. T. W. Thompson acted as accompanist. During the evening, Mr. J. Warwick, of North Shields, Chairman of the Northern Section of the Co-operative Union, gave a very interesting and instructive address Co-operation: The attendance was very large. Mr. R. Doyle presided. Following the concert a knife and fork supper was provided, and a dance after this brought a very successful anniversary to a close. The Society has made very good progress during the past three years.
Deaths
At Nentsbury, near Nenthead, on the 14th inst., Jane Whitfield, aged 54.
Jane Whitfield was at the workhouse in 1881 & 1891, listed as being blind.

2nd March 1901 (Hexham Courant)
FATAL ACCIDENT. A terrible accident occurred at Rotherhope Fell Mine, near Alston on Wednesday afternoon by which William Watson a young man of about 28 years of age, lost his life. It appears that he was engaged in preparing a

charge of dynamite for a hole that he had just bored with a rock drill when the charge exploded causing frightful injuries. His left arm was blown nearly off and he was disembowelled. He was quite dead when the other men employed in the mine got to him. An inquest will be held.
March 9th 1901, a verdict of "Accidentally killed by an explosion of gelatine dynamite" was returned by the jury.
John Watson married Elizabeth Earl, eldest daughter of Henry Earl of Thursby, 7th February 1872, at St John's, Garrigill.
In 1881, at High Rotherhope, John Watson, farmer of 200 acres aged 42, his wife Elizabeth aged 33, born Wigton, sons, William 8, Joseph H 6, and Thomas 5.
In 1891, at High Rotherhope, John Watson, farmer, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 44, children William, farmers son, aged 18, Joseph H, farmers son, aged 16, Thomas E, farmers son, aged 14, and Samuel 4. In 1901, at High Rotherhope, John Watson, farmer, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 54, children Joseph, farmers son, aged 26, and Samuel, farmers son, aged 14.
In 1911, at Dryburn, Rotherhope, Alston, Ada Bell, widow, aged 77, and brother, John Watson, married, landed proprietor, aged 73.
In 1911, Elizabeth Watson, married, aged 64, born Wigton was living at Kates Lane, Alston.
Probate 1913: John Watson of Dryburn Alston Cumberland yeoman died 3 September 1913 at High Rotherhope Alston Cumberland Probate Carlisle 17 November to Robert William Elliott accountant and Joseph Henry Watson farmer. Effects £2990 2s 2d.
Possible death of Elizabeth Watson, 4th quarter 1921, aged 75, at Alston.

9th March 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
NURSING ASSOCIATION
From the circular issued by this Association I notice that the membership amounts to 300, namely. Alston 180, Nenthead 119, Garrigill 31. The committee report an increase of public support during the past year. As, however, they have now two nurses engaged, they desire, and I think deserve, a further increase in their income. In a short time the ladies will be going to collect the annual subscriptions it is hoped that those who are not yet members become members, and those who are may see their way to increase their donations thereby giving encouragement to those who have interested themselves and given their services so heartily to this good work. It is so gratifying to notice the list of subscribing at Nenthead, who, I am told, exceeded the amount they guaranteed to raise last year, and the committee trust there will be no falling off as in such an association as this it is most necessary to have a good balance in case of emergency. The balance sheet shows a total of £141 16s 4d, a balance of £36 6s 6d having been brought forward, and £105 9s 10d being subscriptions, donations, and interest. …

23rd March 1901 (Hexham Courant)
DEATH OF MR J. MILLICAN
… The poor know that they have lost a friend that was a "friend indeed." Beginning life 79 years ago at Tynehead he lived there part of his boyhood. Afterwards his parents removed to West Allendale and there he worked in connection with the mines for awhile. He was then apprenticed to the late Mr

Matthew Simpson of Alston, as a draper, and at the end of his apprenticeship commenced business on his own account in Alston. This he carried on very successfully for many years. He was also for some years connected with the firm of Reed and Millican of Newcastle of which firm he was at one time a partner. About 15 or 16 years ago he retired from business and ten years ago he was elevated to the magisterial bench …

Deaths

At Alston, at Croft House, 15th inst in his 80th year, John Millican J.P.

See 30th May 1866, 17th August 1872, 11th April 1874, 2nd September 1876, 2nd June 1877, 22nd March 1879, 24th June 1882, 12th September 1885, 21st April 1888, 13th August 1892, 14th April 1894, 20th May 1899, 23rd March 1901, 26th October 1812 & 18th May 1918.

IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN MILLICAN. J.P.
OF CROFT HOUSE ALSTON
WHO DIED 1901 AGED 79
ANNIE HIS WIFE
DIED 1899 AGED 71
AND JAMES WILLIAM
DIED 1879 AGED 28
FLORENCE MARIA
DIED 1894 AGED 27
GEORGE EDWIN
DIED 1872 AGED 10 WEEKS
RUPERT EDMUND
DIED 1874 AGED 5 MONTHS
ALL INTERRED HERE

AMELIA ANNE AMY
DIED 1899 AGED 39
INTERRED AT
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE

PERCY REED
DIED 1901 AGED 33
INTERRED AT
WINNIPEG CANADA

AND THEIR
GRANDDAUGHTER
GWENDOLINE JONES
DIED 1895 AGED 1 YEAR
INTERRED HERE

6th April 1901 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

Early on Monday morning, the death occurred at Wellgill Villa, Nenthead of Mr William Lee Hornsby, the oldest inhabitant of the village in his 81st year. Mr Hornsby carried on a very extensive business in Nenthead for a period of 40 years. He was born in the village in 1821 and in 1832 at the age of 11 was apprenticed in the drapery trade at Penrith. Returning to the village in 1845, he started business on his own account. … He retired in 1885, purchased Wellgill Villa where he took up residence. His wife (nee Miss Cain of Garrigill) survives him.

Deaths

At Nenthead, Wellgill Villa, 1st inst. aged 80, William Lee Hornsby, husband of F. Hornsby.

In 1851, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Lee Hornsby, draper and grocer, aged 30, and his wife Tamar (Nixon, married at East Ward, Westmorland 4th quarter of 1844) aged 30. In 1861, at West Nenthead, William L. Hornsby, draper & grocer, aged 40, his wife Tamar, aged 41, and George Hetherington, draper & grocers apprentice, aged 17.

In 1871, at West Nenthead, William L. Hornsby, draper, and grocer, aged 50, his wife Tamar, aged 50 (died 15th November 1874), and domestic servant, Ann Hetherington aged 24.

In 1881, at West Nenthead, William L. Hornsby, draper & grocer, aged 60, his wife Fanny aged 51, and domestic servant Mary Dover aged 15.

In 1891, at Wellgill Villa, William L. Hornsby, retired draper & grocer, aged 70, and his wife Fanny, aged 61. In 1901, at Wellgill Villa, William L. Hornsby, retired grocer, aged 80, and his wife Fanny, aged 71.

See 16th November 1864, 21st November 1874, 7th April 1877, & 26th October 1912, also see 24th April, 1830, 19th December 1835, 13th February 1869, 1st May 1869, 31st December 1870, 1st April 1882, and 23rd February 1901.

9th April 1901 Mine Inspectors Report (Source: Durham Mining Museum)

GREENSIDE LEAD MINE

John William Lancaster, 09 Apr 1901, aged 37, Lead Miner.

This man and other two miners were sitting on the top of the lead ore, &c., in a hopper getting a meal, when a man in the level below opened the spout or shoot to fill a waggon, and the other lead ore, &c., rushed in carrying the three men with it. Lancaster and the other two men were seriously injured, Lancaster fatally.

It occurred at Greenside Lead Mine in Westmoreland, on April 9th, and caused the death of a miner and serious injury to two others.

These men were working in the middle level, between the 20-fathom and 40-fathom levels, at a heading ; their work consisted of blasting down the rock and placing it in a hopper out of which it was drawn into waggons, by means of slides, in the 40-fathom level. At each end of this hopper there was a way gate formed by timber set on the cheeks of the vein.

After working about three hours and a half they came back from the face of the heading and sat on the "bouse" or loose rock in the hopper to get a meal, when the slide known as "No. 2 Hopper" was drawn out in order to fill a waggon; this caused a rush of the rock which displaced the timber between the hopper and one of the way gates; the three men were carried with it to the 40-fathom level,

one of them being killed and the other two seriously injured, but I am happy to say they have recovered.
It appears that the men who opened the slide of No. 2 hopper had been instructed by the Agent at the mine to only draw from No. 1 hopper, but the man who was killed had afterwards said it would be better to draw from No. 2, and the men who did the work followed his instructions. It is to be regretted they did not do as they were instructed by the Agent, for it is probable if the rock had been drawn at No. 1 hopper it would not have come away with the rush it did as the slide is immediately underneath it, and the strain would not have been brought against the timber which was displaced.

John Elliot Lancaster married Agnes Dawson, 1st quarter 1859, registered, at Penrith.

In 1871, at Dockray, Matterdale, John Lancaster, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Agnes 35, children, Elizabeth 11, Joseph 9, John William 5, Elliot 3, and Agnes 1 year.

Agnes Lancaster died 4th quarter 1872, aged 37, registered at Penrith.

John Elliot Lancaster married Dinah Birkett, 4th quarter 1874, registered, at Penrith.

John Elliot Lancaster died 18th September 1880, aged 42, at Glenridding.

In 1881, at Highrow, Patterdale, Joseph Lancaster, lead miner, aged 19, sister Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 21, brother, John W, lead miner, aged 16, brother, Elliot, lead miner, aged 13, sister, Mary Agnes, 11, and brother James aged 8.

In 1891, at Dockray, Matterdale, John William, Lancaster, lead miner, aged 27, and his wife Elizabeth Annie (Stalker, married 1st quarter 1890, registered at Penrith) aged 28.

In 1901, at Grisedale Lodge, Patterdale, John W Lancaster, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Eliza 36, children, Alex S 8, John E 6, and Jonathan R 3.

Elizabeth Annie Lancaster, married Robert Grisedale, 1st quarter 1905.

Elizabeth Annie, Grisedale, wife of Robert Grisedale, died 15th July 1907

11th April 1901 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
At 33 Chirton Street, Byker, on the 8th inst., aged 39 years, Margaret, the dearly beloved wife of Henry Barron, late of Nenthead. To be interred at Heaton Cemetery.
See 18th March 1882

18th May 1901 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
Mr J. T. Proud, Coroner, held an inquest at the Town Hall, Stanhope on Friday afternoon on the body of Joseph N. Pattinson *(sic)*, 64 years of age a quarryman, who resided at Crawleyside. His dead body was found on Wednesday in the Ashes Limestone Quarry. Verdict accidentally killed by falling into the quarry while on his way home.
William Lowes married Mary Fleming 24th July 1823, at Stanhope
Mary Lowes died 1832-1836
William Lowes married Frances Hodgson, 16th May 1837, at St John's Chapel.
In 1841, at Black Dean, Weardale, William Lowes, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Frances aged 30, children, Joseph, lead miner, aged 16, Elizabeth 11, Sarah 8, Hannah 3, and Phoebe 1.
Frances Lowes died 2nd quarter 1845, registered at Weardale.
William Lowes died 2nd quarter 1849, registered at Weardale.
In 1851, at High House, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Lowes, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Elizabeth aged 27, son Thomas 1, sister Phebe 11, and brother William 8.
In 1851, Hannah Lowes aged 13, was working as a house servant, for Jacob Peart (draper & tailor) & family, at Wearhead.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Elizabeth Crawhall, widow, innkeeper, aged 29, son Joseph 5, and house servant, Hannah Lowes, aged 23.

John Pattison, married Ann Awburn, 24th August 1816, at Haltwhistle, Northumberland.
In 1841, at Warden, Northumberland, John Pattison, shepherd, aged 45, his wife Ann 45, children, Mary 20, Ruth 15, George 14, Ann jnr 11, Robert 8, and Joseph 5.
In 1851, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, John Pattison, iron mine agent, aged 57, born Haltwhistle, his wife Ann aged 58, born Haltwhistle, children, Hannah 28, born Haltwhistle, George, ironstone mine labourer, aged 23, born Haltwhistle, Ann 21, born Haltwhistle, Robert, ironstone mine labourer, aged 18, born Haltwhistle, and son Joseph N, ironstone mine clerk, aged 14, born Warden.
In 1861, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, John Pattison, agent ironstone mines, aged 67, his wife Ann aged 68, daughter Ann 31, and son Joseph N, fireman at stationary engine, aged 24.
Ann Pattison of Crawleyside, aged 74, was buried at Stanhope 10th June 1867
John Pattison, of Blaydon on Tyne was buried, at Stanhope, 25th November 1871, aged 77.
Probate 1882: John Pattison, Administration (with the Will) of the personal estate of John Pattison formerly of Crawleyside near Stanhope but late of Blaydon on Tyne both in the county of Durham Mining Agent who died 22nd November 1871, at Blaydon on Tyne was granted at Durham under the usual limitations to George Pattison of Stanhope Agent the lawful attorney of Robert

Pattison the son the sole Executor now residing at Ross in the province of Westland in the Colony of New Zealand. Personal Estate £450
Joseph Nixon Pattinson married Hannah Lowes, 5th October 1861, at Stanhope.
In 1871, at Crawleyside, Joseph Nixon Pattison, limestone quarryman, aged 38, his wife Hannah afged 32, children, Ann 7, Frances 5, and Mary Maria 2.
In 1881, at Harrison Row, Crawleyside, Stanhope, Joseph N Pattison, general labourer, aged 46, born Haydon Bridge, his wife Hannah 43, daughters Mary M 12, and Elizabeth J 4.
In 1901, at Crawleyside, Joseph N Pattison, limestone quarryman, aged 64, his wife Hannah 63, and daughter Elizabeth J 24.
Joseph Nixon Pattinson, was buried at Stanhope, 11th May 1901.
In 1911, at Middridge View, New Shildon, James Albert Briggs, shunter for NER, aged 31, his wife Mary M aged 41, children, Irene 2½, and mother in law Hannah Pattison, aged 73.

Stanhope St Thomas' Churchyard
Source: The Weardale Churchyard Project, Prepared by Margaret Manchester

IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
JOSEPH NIXON PATTISON
BELOVED HUSBAND OF
HANNAH PATTISON
CRAWLEYSIDE DIED
MAY 7TH 1901, AGED 64 YEARS.
STILL TO MEMORY DEAR
ALSO HANNAH PATTISON WIFE OF
THE ABOVE WHO DIED JANUARY 17TH 1924
AGED 85 YEARS
ALSO FRANCES,
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED APRIL 26TH 1938, AGED 72 YEARS.

In
memory of
ANN WIFE OF JOHN PATTISON
OF CRAWLEYSIDE, WHO DIED
JUNE 7TH 1867 AGED 74 YEARS.
ALSO OF JOHN PATTISON, WHO DIED NOVEMBER 22ND 1871
AGED 77 YEARS.
ALSO JOHN RIDDLE, SON IN LAW OF
THE ABOVE, WHO DIED
MARCH 16TH 1879
AGED 60 YEARS.
ALSO MARY WIDOW OF JOHN RIDDLE,
WHO DIED JULY 7TH 1886
AGED 65 YEARS.

25th May 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
NENTHEAD.
Amid every token of respect for the deceased, and of deep sympathy for the bereaved family, the remains of the late Mr. Nevin Heslop were consigned to their last resting place in the new cemetery at Nenthead on Thursday week. The day being a very fine one, there was an enormous gathering from every part of

the district. Conspicuous among those present were Mr. Fernau and the whole of his staff. together with the mine agent., foremen, and other employees of the Vielle Montague Zinc Co. at Nenthead, and many others. The funeral had been fixed for 3-30, and a few minute. before that hour, the coffin, covered with white floral wreaths, was brought from the house and placed on two chairs in the garden, according to the ancient usage of the parish, and the vicar, the Rev. J. Sharp, fully vested, accompanied by the ladies and gentlemen of his choir, took his place near, and gave out Toplady's well known hymn, "Rock of Ages," which was impressively sung by the large assemblage. The cortege then moved to the church, preceded by the vicar, who, on reaching the churchyard began to recite the opening words of the beautiful Church of England Burial Service. … Mr. Cramer, the company's engineer, presiding at the organ. The procession then re-formed and wended its way through the village to the cemetery. about a mile distant. At the conclusion of the service at the grave, Newman's well-known hymn " Lead, kindly light," a special favourite of the late Mr. Heslop, was sung by St. John's Church Choir, at the request of the family, and after a "last look," the large company dispersed. It was noticed that all along the line of route little knots of people were gathered and with deeply sympathetic feeling watched the long procession pass by. The deceased was highly respected by both the managers and men, and his sad death has evoked the deepest sympathy for his family. *(Robert Nevin Heslop, Mining Agent, of Hillersdon Terrace, aged 48, buried 16th May 1901)*

In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Robert N. Heslop, mining agent, aged 48, born Allendale, his wife Jane 50, born Alston, children, Joseph, joiners apprentice, aged 20, Annie M. 15, and George N. 13.

25th May 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

ALLEGED TRESPASS AT NENTHEAD. The Clerk read a letter he had received from Mr. Dalton, Loudon, about the alleged trespass at Nenthead. Five months had now elapsed and he wanted to know what the Council was doing in the matter. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Dalton informing him that the work would be attended to at once. An application was also received from the inhabitant of Bruntley Syke, asking the permission of the Council to allow them to make a connection with the pipe at Physic Hall and bring the water down to their premises at their own expense. The application was granted. Mr. Pickering said that they had had no fit water to drink at Garrigill all the weekend. and he did not see why one part of the parish should be attended and the other not. The Chairmen said that these people were going to pay their own expenses, but Garrigill was not.— Dr. Carson said it was simply impossible to remedy the water supply at Garrigill except by filter beds. This was left over for further consideration.

It was also decided to notify the Local Government Board as to the appointment of the Sanitary Inspector. Mr. Core said it had been passed to send a notice to Dr. Carson, the Primitive Methodist Trustees, and Mr. Dixon, Carlisle, in connection with the bad drainage of their property. This had not been done, and he moved that it be attended to at once. This was carried.

Mr. Harrison said he was sorry to report that there was no water at the new school at Nenthead. In about fortnight's time there would be between 150 and 160 scholars in the school, and it would be a serious thing if there was no water.

He had seen the sanitary engineer in connection with the matter and he was of opinion it wanted a little alteration at the main. He asked the Council to sanction this. This was granted.

SCHOOL BOARD.

It was resolved to push forward the school yard so that it might be ready for the opening of the school on the 3rd of June.

A letter was read from Mr. Petty to the effect that Mr. Wilson, the Inspector, had recommended some new dual desks, and that he had expressed his disappointment with the gallery in the Infant Room of the new school, and had stated that the water supply was very scanty.

Mr. Bell said he did not think they ought to entertain all that Mr. Petty said. If any report come before the Board from the Inspector, then they could deal with it.

Mr. Harrison said it seemed that the room was too small for the number of children. There were 56 infants on the books. He could not see how they could do with more than 40, an there was less room in the new infant department.

The Chairman—Would this not be approved by the Education Department?

Mr. Bell—It had been altered once on the recommendation of Mr. Foster. Mr. Bell said that with regard to the dual desks he thought they ought to take note of this and deal with the matter when the Inspector came back in June. This was agreed to.

The Chairman said his opinion was that Mr. Petty ought to furnish them with what he wanted and the cost the same. The suggestion was adopted. In connection with the insufficient water supply it was decided that Messrs. Harrison and Holmes be appointed a committee to confer with the sanitary engineer, and try to remedy the defects.

8th June 1901 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

NEW BOARD SCHOOLS

On Monday morning the Board schools recently erected at Nenthead were opened. Accommodation is provided for 180 children.

8th June 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

SCHOOL BOARD

The monthly meeting was held in the Town Hall on Saturday. Mr. Robert Elliot presided, and the others present were Messrs. Storey, Bell, Harrison, Holmes. and Mr. N. Walton, attendance, officer. The Chairman said be supposed the boiler was now in order and the water supply had been attended to. Mr. Harrison said there was now plenty of water in the school. With reference to Mr. Petty's application for charts for school walls. Mr. Storey said he saw Mr. Petty a week ago. and he suggested that it would be better for him to go to Newcastle, make his selection. and submit them to the Board for approval. This was agreed to. …

15th June 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON PETTY SESSIONS

Mr. W. Thompson applied for a new store license under the Explosives Act, 1875, for the Mining Company at. Nentsbury. Mr. J. Walton made a similar application on behalf of the Vieille Montague Company in respect of the

Cashwell and Smallcleugh Mine.—Mr. Jas. Barnes applied for a store at Greenends, and the Alston and Nentforce Mining Company for a store at Nentsbury. A licence was granted in each case.
The following premises were registered under the Explosive Act, 1875, upon application Mr. John Dawson, grocer's shop, Alston; Mr. John Hall, Windy Hall, Garrigill; The Vieille Montague Company's premises, at Smallcleugh.

22nd June 1901 (Hexham Courant)
Marriages
At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Allendale Town, 19th inst. Joseph Nicholson Armstrong, Allenheads, to Mary Hannah, second daughter of the late Henry Smith, Crowberry Hall, Allendale.

29th June 1901 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
The employees of the Weardale Iron Company at their Ironstone mines in Weardale were on Saturday informed that instead of having their hours of labour curtailed they would have to work full time in future. It is intended to produce 500 tons weekly in lieu of 300 tons and this will necessitate the increase of the "partnership" men by 17.

6th July 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD
NENTHEAD SCHOOL STAFF.
The Chairman reported that Miss Barron had finished her apprenticeship and passed her final examination and it would require to be settled whether the Board should retain her services or not. The Master thought that they could not do without her. The average was 134. There were four rooms and it would be necessary to have a teacher in each room. The Clerk here read a letter from Mr. Petty asking what was to be done in this case.
Ultimately it was resolved to offer to retain Miss Barron at the salary of £30, as ex-pupil teacher.

The attendance officer reported as follows:—For the four weeks ending 28th Jane:—

	On Reg.	Aver.
Nenthead	166	154
Nenthall closed for whooping cough.		
Tynehead	13	12
Garrigill	72	63
Leadgate	25	23
Alston High	100	90
Alston National	65	55
Alston Infant	59	47

12th July 1901 (Carlisle Journal)
OBITUARY NOTICES.
MR. JOSEPH SPARK. Garrigill.— On Sunday last, after a short illness, Mr. Joseph Spark, of High Galligill, Nentsbury, passed away. The cause of death was an affection of the brain. Deceased was well known in the village and vicinity of Alston. He carried on business as Contractor to the Nenthead Company for bringing the products of the mines to bank. He employed a good

many hands and kept a large staff of horses for this and other purposes. He in addition engaged largely in farming. He always took a lively interest in local affairs, being a member of the Nenthead Burial Committee and for some time was overseer for the parish, representing the Nenthead Ward. He was buried on Wednesday afternoon in the Garrigill Cemetery, to which village he originally belonged.

Joseph Spark died 7th July 1901.

In 1891, at Nettle Hall, Galligill, Joseph Spark, contractor at lead mines, aged 43, his wife Mary (Bardgett, married 3rd qtr 1886 registered at Penrith) aged 37, and son Joseph William 2.

In 1901, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph Spark, farmer & contractor, aged 52, his wife Mary 49, children, William 12, and Arnold 7.

3rd August 1901 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

The funeral of the late Mrs Isaac Walton of Lowbyer Manor House took place in Kirkhaugh churchyard on Friday. (Eleanor Walton born 11th July 1816, died 22nd July 1901, her son J R Walton attended)

In 1901, at Low Byre Manor House, Eleanor Walton, widow, aged 84, daughters Mary A. 57, Frances E. 53, Elizabeth S. 53, Florence H. 44, son Joseph R. engineer & land agent, aged 46, sister Hannah Richardson 80, housemaid Elizabeth Erwine aged 31, and domestic cook Mary E White aged 30. See 30th September 1893, &28th June 1902.

3rd August 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD

The report of Tynehead Scholl stated: "The new teacher has made a good beginning and the school is prosperous in his hands. The grant earned is £29 9s." The report of Nenthead School stated: "The teachers are diligent and successful. The writing in the higher classes needs attention. The lower division at the school is well managed. The grant earned is £137 16s against £133 8s 5d last year.

10th August 1901 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

Died at hospital, Newcastle, NSW, Australia, on the 16th May 1901, Christopher the beloved son of the late Thomas and Sarah Dixon, Kiln Cottages, Fourstones.

17th August 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. J. G. Lane, Matthew Hill to Elizabeth Hunter, both of Garrigill.

In 1881, at High Snappergill, Garrigill, Thomas Walton, lead miner aged 64, his wife Mary 57, children, Joseph, lead miner & taxidermist, aged 38, Sarah Hunter, married, ironstone miners wife, aged 32, Guy, lead miner, aged 28, grandson, Thomas Hunter, aged 5, born Frizington, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hunter aged 3, born Ulverston.

In 1901, at Garrigill, Mary Walton, widow, aged 77, sons, Joseph, manager of lead fuse factory, 58, Guy, lead fuse maker, aged 48, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Hunter, aged 23.
In 1911, at Garrigill, Matthew Hill, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Elizabeth aged 32, born Ulverston, children, Dora 8, Mary 7 and Ida 2
See 1st April 1882, 30th September 1882, 30th June 1883

21st August 1901 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
At Wardley, Second Street, Aug. 20th, 1901, aged 88 years, Mary Hill, the dearly beloved wife of the late William Hill, native of Nenthead.

31st August 1901 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allenheads, 24th inst., Thomas Kidd aged 93.
In 1851, at Whitley Shield, Thomas Kidd, schoolmaster, aged 44, born Lanchester, Durham, his wife Frances (Hetherington, married 13th October 1838, at Ninebanks) aged 45, born West Allendale, children Mary 12, Hannah 9, Thomas 7, Jane 4, Joseph 1, and sister in law Jane Heatherington, widow, pauper, aged 64.
In 1861, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, widow, clerk in mining office, children aged 53, Mary, bonnet maker, aged 22, Hannah 9, Thomas, surveyor land and mines, aged 17, Jane 14, Joseph 11, sister in law, Jane Heatherington, pauper, aged 75, and niece Hannah Heatherington, apprentice bonnet maker, aged 21.
In 1871, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, cashier & accountant for W.B. lead mines, aged 63, his wife Abigail (Percival, married 10th July 1865, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 68, sister in law Jane Hetherington, pauper miners widow, aged 84.
In 1881, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, annuitant, aged 73, his wife Abigail 80 and domestic servant Jane Kell 33.
In 1891, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, retired accountant, aged 83, daughter Mary Charlton 52, son in law William Charlton, lead mining agent, aged 49, grandchildren Mary Charlton 21, Ethel Charlton 11, Thomas Charlton 9, and domestic servant Hannah Henderson aged 36.
In 1901, at Allenheads, Thomas Kidd, widow, living on own means, aged 93 and domestic servant Hannah Henderson aged 46. See 12th July 1865.

2nd September 1901 (Newcastle Daily Journal)
INTERESTING GATHERING AT NENTHEAD. —At the conclusion of a meeting of the Alston Lodge of Freemasons, the (brethren, on the invitation of Bro. J. J. C. Fernau, proceeded to Nenthead in brakes to partake of lunch provided in the mines. The journey to Nenthead was very pleasant. After lunch had been supplied, the WM (Bro. Wm. Brown) proposed the loyal and masonic toasts. In reply to a toast to the visiting members, Mr George Renwick, M.P., said that he had come to Nenthead to get the fresh and pure air. The air above the surface was good, and even the air where they now were was better than what they were accustomed to in the House of Commons. He had spoken in many peculiar places, but he thought never in such a place as he was now in.—

The evening was most enjoyably spent, being enlivened with songs, amongst which was one rendered By Mr Renwick, M.P., entitled “Cappy.”

NEW CLUB AT NENTHEAD. —The old Board School which a few weeks ago was vacated by the scholars who now occupy the new premises has been fitted up as a club room. The club has been properly organised, and it is intended to be worked upon proper methods. The following officials have been appointed; —President Mr C. Fernau; secretaries. Dr Wright and Mr Dickinson; treasurer, Mr Bolton; committee, Messrs J. Robinson, J. Blayney, R. Doyle, M. Thompson, and E. English. A number of games have been introduced, and outside a splendid, tennis court has been provided.

3rd September 1901 (Newcastle Daily Journal)

CONCERT AT ALSTON. —A concert of a unique and interesting nature was held in the Town Hall, Alston. The proceedings commenced with a Japanese garden party, Japanese tables being placed in the hall, and refreshments supplied to the company by waiters in native costume. The appearance of the hall was most attractive. After this part of the proceedings was got through a Japanese concert was given, the principal performers being Miss Halliday, London; Miss Cowell, Newcastle; Miss Robinson, Willington; Miss Stagg, the Misses Yielder, Miss Stansfield, Miss Parkes, Alston, and Mr Lancaster, Alston; assisted by a number of others. Several tableaux were given representing popular characters, etc. The whole proceedings were highly entertaining. The proceeds were on behalf of Alston Church Funds.

DEATH OF AN ALLENDALE NONAGENARIAN. —The death has recently occurred of Mr Thomas Kidd, one of the oldest and most respected inhabitants of Allenheads. He had reached the ripe old age of 93, having been born in 1808, and had lived in the reign of five sovereigns—George III., George IV., William IV., Victoria, and Edward VII. His mental faculties were clear and vigorous to the last. He had been a resident of Allenheads since 1860, and was formerly cashier and accountant to Mr W. B. Beaumont. A letter received by his son from Mr W. C. B. Beaumont, M.P., shows the high esteem in which he was held. He says: — “My own recollections of your father go back as far as I can remember anything at Allenheads, and I know well of the esteem in which he was held by my father, and by all who were associated with him in his office, where he faithfully served him for so many years.”

21st September 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

Trotting Competitions and Collie Trials

The village of Nenthead (named after the Nent rivulet), was *en fete* on Saturday, the occasion being the annual exhibition of cattle, sheep, and horses. The show was held on the slopes of a commanding meadow belonging to Mrs. Thompson at Overwater, from whence there was a pretty view of hilly pastures and heather-clad hills. The show is purely a district competition, and the animals exhibited am brought in their natural state, as they leave their grazing grounds, many of which are situated at an altitude of over 1500 feet. The day fortunately was fine, and the popularity of the event was shown by a large gathering from the surrounding district, many lady visitors being interested spectators of the proceedings. The local band, under the lead of Mr. S. Walton, gave skilful renderings of a well chosen musical program, the effect of which, resounding

amongst the surrounding mountains, was very pleasing. Mr. Graham, of High House, is secretary, and in a quiet courteous way, with the assistance of an active committee, carried through the proceedings without a hitch. The cattle were mostly of the shorthorn breed, which to a large extent has superseded the polled galloway, of which there were only two classes. The bulls were of a useful stamp, and proved that the local stook owners realise the importance good sires. The bred sheep were not particularly worthy of note, but the blackfaced classes, whose home is chiefly on the fells, were excellent; whilst the horses, included a number of useful good stepping cobs. …

Marriages

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Alston, on the 17th inst., Thomas Arthur, eldest son of Walton Holmes, Grassfield, to Dora, eldest daughter of Mrs Simpson, Alston. *Daughter of the late William Johnston Simpson, draper, Alston.*

26th September 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.

The monthly meeting was held on Saturday last. …

A letter was read front Mr. Petty stating that the Inspector had visited the school on Tuesday, and had made the following entry in the Log Book: "Infant room overcrowded. It had been built to accommodate 40 and there had been an average attendance of 47 in it during the last five weeks. The gallery should be altered to make more space. On the motion of Mr. Core, it was decided to write to Mr. Foster and inform him about this entry, at the same time pointing out that the Board considered it a hardship to be required to make any alteration to the gallery, seeing such a short time had elapsed since it was approved by him. Mr. Core-- I understand from Mr. Archer's letter to the Rural District Council that the supply of water to his farm is not satisfactory. The Chairman said that there was a resolution passed that the Sanitary Inspectors look after this matter and put it right. In the first instance there was too little water, for the school complaint was made to the District Council for more water. The District Council passed a resolution that the Sanitary Inspector attend to the matter to see that the school got a better supply. The School Board was not responsible. The Clerk said that a letter had been received from the sanitary inspector informing the Board to take notice that unless the water pipes; at Nenthead School were repaired and the waste of water stopped the water supply would be cut off. The Chairman said the question was what were they to do with the leakage. There was no word from the architect and he thought it would be best to write to him enclosing a copy of the report, also a copy of the inspector's report, asking him to fix a date when he could visit the school and meet the Board. This was agreed to.

Mr. J. Bramwell's tender for coals at 16s 2d per ton was accepted and that of Mr. E. Peart for cartage at 3s 9d per ton.

5th October 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

Deaths

At Skelgill, Alston, on the 28th ult., Hannah, widow of John Redshaw sic. *(Joseph Readshaw)*, aged 69 years.

See 11th November 1871

2nd November 1901 (Hexham Courant)

WEST ALLEN

The death has recently occurred of Mrs Ann Teasdale one of the oldest inhabitants and most respected inhabitants in West Allendale. She had reached the age of 95. … She was born at Kirkhaugh, near Alston, and had been a resident of West Allen for upwards of 70 years.

In 1851, at Temple House, Kirkhaugh, Joseph Teasdale, farmer of 130 acres, aged 49, his wife Ann 44, children John 15, Thomas 12, Joseph 9, Ann 6, Jane 3, and William 11 month.

In 1871, at Hawkuplee, Ninebanks, Joseph Teasdale, farmer of 230 acres, aged 68, his wife Ann 65, son, William 20, daughter Ann 23, and general servant Margaret Moore 24

In 1901, at Grassley Well Row, West Allen, Jane Holden, widow, living on own means, aged 54, and her mother Ann Teasdale, widow, living on own means, aged 94.

Deaths

At Swinhope Mill, Allendale, 29th ult. aged 88, Mary Widow of the late Wilkinson Nattrass.

In 1851, at Black Cleugh, Wilkinson Nattrass, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary (Dawson, married 23rd May 1835, St Peter, Allenheads) aged 36, children Thomas 15, Isabella 8, John 6, and Margaret 2.

In 1861, at Black Cleugh, Wilkinson Nattrass, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Mary 46, children John, lead ore dresser, aged 15, Margaret 12, Mary M. 5, and brother Thomas Nattrass, retired lead miner, aged 66.

In 1871, at Black Cleugh, Wilkinson Nattrass, farmer of 4 acres, aged 64, his wife Mary 56, and son John, iron stone miner, aged 25.

In 1881, at Black Cleugh, Joseph Reed, lead ore miner, aged 40, his wife Isabella 38, and mother in law Mary Nattrass, widow, annuitant, aged 67.

In 1891, at Black Cleugh, Mary Nattrass, widow, living on own means, aged 77.

In 1901, at Swinhope Mill, Joseph Reed, farmer, aged 60, his wife Isabella 58, mother in law Mary Nattrass, widow, aged 87, and lodger John H Dawson, lead miner, aged 47.

At Dovespool, Allenheads, on the 22nd ult. aged 78, Sarah widow of the late Francis Ritson.

In 1851, at Dudley, Allendale, Francis Ritson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Sarah aged 27, niece Jane Milburn 14, lodger Charles Phillis, labourer, aged 28, and lodger Richard Alderson, tailor, aged 27.

In 1861, at Dudley, Francis Ritson, lead ore miner, aged 46, his wife Sarah 36, nephew Leonard Milburn 4, and lodger Charles Phillis, sawyer, aged 38.

In 1871, at Dudley, Francis Ritson, iron stone miner, aged 56, and his wife Sarah 47. In 1881, at Dirt Pool, Frank Ritson, iron stone miner, not in employment, aged 66, and his wife Sarah 57.

At Allenheads Town, 26th ult. aged 61, John Wallis Mulcaster.

John W. Mulcaster, born in Allendale but spent his early years in Spain, and was for many years Mathematical Tutor at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.

See 12th June 1875

9th November 1901 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
Killed in action at Brakenlaagte, South Africa, Lieut. Colonel George Elliott Benson, youngest son of the late Wm. Benson of Allerwash.
At Blanchland, Boltshope Park, 31st ult. aged 23, Hannah the beloved daughter of Margaret and the late John Peadon.
In 1881, at Sandyford, Edmondbyers, John Peadon, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Margaret 30, children John 8, and Hannah 2. In 1891, at Boltshope Park, Hunstanworth, John Peadon, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Margaret 40, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Hannah 12, Margaret 8, and Isaac 5.

7th December 1901 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At New House, West Allen, 5th inst. aged 81, Ann (Nanny) relict of the late William Keenleyside.
In 1861, at High House, William Keenleyside, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Ann (Robinson, married 15th February 1840, Ninebanks) aged 40, sons Matthew 3, William 1, and mother Hannah Keenleyside, pauper widow of lead miner, 77.
In 1871, at High House, William Keenleyside, formerly lead miner, aged 53, his wife Ann, dressmaker, aged 50, son Matthew, farm labourer, aged 13, William 11, and brother in law John Robinson, shoe maker, aged 35.
In 1881, at New House, Ann Keenleyside, widow (William died 3rd August 1874, aged 58), grocer, aged 60, sons Matthew Liddle, farm labourer, aged 23, William, railway labourer, aged 21, and brother John Robinson, boot maker, aged 45.
In 1891, at High House, Ann Keenleyside, widow, grocer, aged 70, son William, grocers son, aged 31, boarder John Robinson, boot maker, aged 55
In 1901, at High House, Ann Keenleyside, widow, grocer shopkeeper, aged 80, son Matthew Liddle, general labourer, aged 43, and housemaid domestic Margaret Shield 15.
See 8th August 1874

7th December 1901 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Marriages
At the Independent Chapel, Alston, on the 30th ult., Thomas Scott, Foreshield, to Mary Martindale, Alston.
In 1911, at High Physic Hall, Alston, Thomas Scott, cartman, aged 39, his wife Mary 35, and son, John aged 8.
Deaths
At Alston Workhouse, on the 28th ult., Sarah Walton, aged 70 years.

21st December 1901 (Hexham Courant)
In Memoriam
In loving memory of Joseph Graham late of Nenthead, who died at Gateshead, December 17th 1900. Sadly missed by his wife and daughter.
See 22nd April 1882.

11th January 1902 (Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser)

Mr Beadle (83) of Holwick Head Farm, who died last week, had from his boyhood been associated with the industries of Teesdale and the adjoining dales, and he was an undoubted authority upon local geology. Born in the year 1818 at Holwick, he came of an old Yorkshire family, and at the early age of nine he commenced to work in the mines, and was connected with lead mining up to within a short time of his decease. At the age of thirty years, the late Mr R. W. Bainbridge, who was then superintendent of the **London Lead Company**, appointed him agent for the mines in Westmoreland. After removing to Middleton- in-Teesdale. Mr Beadle was appointed to look over the works at Ashgill Head until they were dosed. It is duo to the genius of Mr. Beadle that Lady Rake Mine was discovered, and convincing the directorate of the lucrative character of the speculation, the mine was developed, and with good financial results. The deceased was a man of strong will power, and was endowed with rare common sense. He is the last of the race of old lead miners in Teesdale, and he linked the past generation of dalesmen with the present hardy men of the hills, being highly esteemed for his many virtues and manly qualities.

In 1881, at Lane Head, Middleton, Thomas Beadle, lead mine agent, aged 63, his wife Margaret Spence 60, granddaughter, Mary Jane Bellas, 19, grandson John Bellas 9, and mother in law, Mary Lee, widow, aged 87.

In 1891, at Lane Head, Middleton, Thomas Beadle, lead mine agent, aged 73, his wife Margaret 71, and grandson John Bellas, blacksmith, aged 19.

In 1901 at 9 Masterman Place, Middleton, John Bellas, Blacksmith, aged 29, his wife Elizabeth 27, children, William 5, Thomas 3, and uncle, Thomas Beadle, widower, living on his own means, aged 83.

25th January 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

LOSS OF A FOOT AT THRELKELD MINES.

A sad accident occurred at the Threlkeld lead mines on Tuesday, whereby a man named Robert Erwine, aged 43, lost a foot. He had been an employee at the mines for 14 or 15 years, and on Tuesday morning, whilst the machinery was standing, he was engaged lubricating some portion, and inadvertently stepped on a cog wheel, and his weight, added to the water remaining in some of the “buckets” of the water wheel, caused it to revolve, and draw his foot between it and the opposite wheel, crushing it very severely. The heavy sole of his clog must have blocked the wheels or the clog would also have been torn. His fellow-workmen when! they saw what had happened exerted themselves to the utmost to free their companion, but it was a considerable time before this was accomplished.

Erwine, who resided with his brother at Threlkeld. was taken home, and Dr. Crawford, of Keswick, sent for, who with his assistant. Dr. Mill, found it necessary to amputate a portion of the foot, leaving only the heel intact. From latest inquiry, we learn that the injured man is progressing satisfactorily.

1st February 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Dr. Carson again called the attention of the Board to the dangerous condition of the archway leading into Grisdale's-lane. One end of this archway was subsiding at the front, and bulging out the wall of the house on which this end

rests. He warned the Council that if those concerned do not take means to immediately support this archway, he would be compelled to condemn at once the cottage over it as unfit for habitation. He further pointed out the serious responsibility the Council is incurring should anyone be injured by the wall referred to falling out.
It was resolved "That if steps be not taken to render the buildings safe within 21 days the Council will apply for a summons before the magistrates to carry the notice into effect."
The Sanitary Inspector reported another house belonging to the representatives of the late Mr. Dickinson as dangerous. Resolved that notice be sent. The Inspector also reported that there was an accumulation of refuse near the village well at Nenthead, and another at Overwater, Nenthead, near a public footpath. It was decided that notice be given in each case. The Surveyor reported that Dryburn Footbridge had been completed. He drew attention to the state of Hagg's-road, and stated that Mr. Bell. the County Surveyor, had informed him that this road was no longer recognised as a county road, and that the council could not expect, any help from that source. It was finally decided that the Clerk write to Mr. Bell and request him to meet the Chairman in connection with this matter.

1st February 1902 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Allendale, Sipton Terrace, 18th ult. aged 63, Thomas Sparke.
In Memoriam
In loving memory of Nicholas Short beloved husband of Lucy Short, who departed this life at Rough Side West Allen on January 31st 1894, aged 51 years.
In loving memory of my dear father Robert Dixon of Allendale Town, who departed this life, January 31st 18901. Ever remembered by his daughter Maggie Chatt.

8th March 1902 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
On Friday evening the death occurred of Mr Edward Clements, green grocer of Nenthead. . It appears that he left home on Thursday and went to Mohope in West Allendale where it was his intention to stay overnight and return on Friday. He retired to rest in his usual health but took ill shortly afterwards and gradually grew worse until about 11 p.m. when he succumbed. Deceased started business in Nenthead some 5 years ago. … Previous to coming to Nenthead he had a business near Brampton and worked at the Spelter works for some years.
In 1881, at Spelter Works, Midgeholme, Naworth, Brampton, Edward Clements, spelter works labourer, aged 31, his wife Agnes 31, children Sarah 6, Charles W.H. 4, father in law James Walker, widow, labourer, aged 66, and boarder William Walker, furnace labourer, spelter, aged 20. In 1891, at Midgeholme, Brampton, Spelter works, Edward Clements, spelter furnace man, aged 41, his wife Agnes 41, son Charles, coal miner, aged 14, daughter Sarah 16, boarder John Grieves, spelter furnace man, aged 37, and boarder Archibald Stewart, spelter furnace man, aged 50.

In 1901, at Overwater, Nenthead, Edward Clements, green grocer, aged 51, born Ireland, his wife, born Ireland, Agnes aged 51, granddaughter Mary Railton 8, born Brampton, boarder Archibald Stewart, general labourer, aged 69, born Ireland, and general servant Emily Stewart aged 12.

22nd March 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Alston, 13th inst., Elizabeth, widow of the late Thos. Turner aged 72 years.
In 1891, at New Road, Alston, Thomas Turner, stone mason, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth (Borrow, married 2nd April 1854, at Alston)59, married daughter, Mary E Dickinson, grandsons, Vincent W J Dickinson 5, and Thomas W V Dickinson, 2.
Thomas Turner, stonemason, died 8th October 1892, at Alston.

29th March 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
THE MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.
A synopsis of the Medical Officer of Health's report showed the population to have decreased from 3384 in 1891 to 3133 in 1901; that one case of scarlet fever, one case of enteric, three cases of erysipelas (one fatal), and a fatal case of puerperal fever completed the list of disease. The Black Bull Inn, with its filthy back premises had been demolished. Four houses had been condemned and steps were being taken to close them. House refuse was now collected twice a week in Alston and once in Nenthead. The nuisance on Burnbank has thus been done away with. With regard to the water supply, the springs supplying Alston were quite satisfactory, both as regards quantity and quality. At Garrigill there has been much dissatisfaction and, although many springs have been examined, the only one found satisfactory so far had been that at Lee House Allotment. This was being analysed. 53 deaths (21 males and 32 females) were registered as having actually occurred in the parish, giving 16.9 per 1000. The births registered were 57 giving 21.7 per 1000. The report concluded by drawing the attention of the County Council to the advantageous position of Alston for a sanatorium for consumption.—The report was taken as read and Dr. Carson was reappointed medical officer of health for another year.

5th April 1902 (Hexham Courant)
GARRIGILL
The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon of the late Mr Joseph Goodburn of Garrigill, whose remains were interred at Alston Cemetery. The deceased was a well known and respected farmer. … He originally hailed from Middleton in Teesdale. About 20 years ago he came to Nenthead as clerk to the London Lead Company. He also acted in that capacity for the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company during the time they worked the Nenthead mines. For a short time he was employed by the present company, but eventually retired and went to Garrigill, where he carried on farming. His wife predeceased him about 8 years ago. He was 72 years of age.
In 1851, at Hude, Middleton, Thomas Goodburn, horse keeper, aged 50, his wife Ann 43, children Joseph, assistant teacher, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, and Margaret 10. In 1861, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, clerk to the lead company, aged 29, and his wife Ann 33.

In 1871, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, commercial clerk, aged 39, and his wife Ann 43.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, commercial clerk, aged 49, his wife Ann 54, and domestic servant Ann Stephenson aged 21.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Joseph Goodburn, accountant to lead company, aged 59, his wife Ann 64, and domestic servant Lucy Hannah Hill aged 17.
In 1901, at Beldy Law, Joseph Goodburn, widow, retired accountant, aged 69, housekeeper Jane Hill aged 64, and housemaid Margaret Bramsale, aged 15.
See 19th December 1840, 24th August 1860, 29th March 1890, and 28th July 1894.

12th April 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Deaths
At Low Bailes, Alston, on the 30th ult., John Robert Saint, aged 20 years.
In 1891, at Low Bailes, Alston, William R Saint, platelayer, aged 32, his wife Elizabeth 31, sons, John R 9, and Ernest E 6, all born at Haltwhistle.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS OF MINES REPORTS
REPORT OF MR J. B. ATKINSON
3rd May 1902, Nenthead (Lead & Zinc ore), Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.
FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JOHN SHIELD AGED 40.
Died 4th May, deceased and two others raised the machine of a rock drill in order to alter its position on the standard so as to drill another hole. Whilst in this position and uncramped it slipped down the standard and falling on a loose drill lying on the floor, caused it to spring up and strike deceased on the temple.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Shield, grocer & stationer, aged 70, his wife Hannah 70, son John, lead ore dresser, aged 32, daughter Harriet, dressmaker, aged 29 and grandson Thomas Shield aged 16.
In 1901, at Garrigill, John Shield, lead miner, aged 41, and sister Harriett Shield, housekeeper & grocer, aged 39.
See 11th February 1871, 3rd January 1880, 24th March 1888, 6th July 1895, and 12th October 1895.

30th April 1902 (Newcastle Journal)
GARRIGILL, NEAR ALSTON.
JOHN PYE (MOSES PYE AND SONS)
Has been favoured with instructions from the owner, Mrs Moffat, to SELL BY AUCTION,
At the ANGEL HOTEL, ALSTON, On THURSDAY, May 15th, 1902,
At 3 o'clock p.m.,
The FULL-LICENSED HOUSE, situated at Garrigill, known as the
"GEORGE AND DRAGON HOTEL,"
Containing on ground floor, Small Tap Bar Kitchen, used as a snug; Large Back Kitchen, with Cooking Range; Two Front Sitting Rooms, one with Kitchen Range: Beer Cellar, with large cellar underneath, containing Wine Bins, etc.; on first floor, Large Dining Room, with folding partition, Five Bed Rooms, and Store Room, W.C., Large Attic; Outbuildings, Four-stalled

Stable, Cooch House, Small Cow Byre, and Yard; Store room above Beer Cellar, Coal Cellars, with the usual out-houses.
The Property is leasehold, granted on a term of 1,000 years from the year 1621. Garrigill is situated 4 miles from Alston, right in the heart of the Cumberland Hills, and within the last few years has become a great resort for visitors. The places of interest near to Garrigill are Crossfell, 6 miles; Ashgill Waterfall, 1½ miles; Head of South Tyne, 5 miles, with other charming scenery in close proximity to the hotel. There is excellent Fishing in the river adjoining the village, also in the numerous Burns in the district, which is all free. It is only about six miles from head of the river Tees, where there is also excellent fishing. The Property has been in the family possession for about half a century. The lessees of the Cashburn and Nenthead shootings have for many years made the “George and Dragon" their headquarters. Mrs Moffat, the present occupier and owner, can give Immediate possession.
The Auctioneer can safely recommend this as a good and lucrative investment, and with a very little outlay more accommodation could be added.
For further particulars apply to Messrs RYOTT and SWAN, Solicitors; or to the Auctioneer, both of 7 Collinwood Street, Newcastle.

24th May 1902 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 21st inst., Robert son of Hannah and the late Anthony Martindale.
See 24th October 1891.

31st May 1902 (Hexham Courant)
NENTHEAD
At a public meeting held in the assembly rooms, Mr C Fernau, who occupied the chair, announced that the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company were prepared to make a grant of £25 towards providing a knife and fork tea for all their workmen, with their wives and children. The celebration of the coronation will be similar to that of the Diamond Jubilee.

7th June 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
ALSTON SCHOOL BOARD.
The monthly meeting of this Board use held on Saturday, …
The Clerk read a letter which had been received from the architect Mr. T. E. Davison, pointing out that the Board's demands in connection with the unsatisfactory work at Nenthead School House and School had been sent to the contractors concerned requesting their attention , and stating also that he would communicate further on the subject in due course. It was resolved that Mr. Harrison, Nenthead, be asked to take notice of what was being done, and if unsatisfactory, to notify the Clerk to call a special meeting. It was resolved that Mr. Dixon's application for an increase of salary as caretaker be granted, to date from 1st July.

14th June 1902 (Hexham Courant)
WEARDALE
A workman named George Robinson was killed by a fall of stone in the Grove Head ironstone mines, Weardale on Monday.
George Robinson married Mary Dawson, 3rd December 1831, at Stanhope.

In 1841, at Greenwell, St John's, Stanhope, George Robinson, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children, Ann 8, William 6, Thomas 4, and John 2.
In 1851, at Greenwell, St John's, Stanhope, George Robinson, lead miner, aged 43, his wife Mary 40, children, Ann 18, William, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas, lead miner, aged 14, John, lead miner, aged 12, Mary 8 and George aged 6.
George Robinson died 1855-1861
In 1861, at Greenwell, Mary Robinson, widow, aged 53, children, John lead miner, aged 22, Mary 18, and George, lead miner, aged 18.
Mary Robinson died 1862-1871

Thomas Robinson married Hannah Peadon 1st quarter 1860, at Weardale.
In 1861, at West Black Dean, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Hannah aged 22, and daughter Mary Ann 2 weeks.
In 1871, at Wear Side House, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Robinson, lead miner & farmer of 19 acres, aged 34, his wife Hannah 32, children, Mary 10, George 8, Adah 6, and John W 9 months.
Hannah Robinson died 2nd quarter 1880, aged 41, at Weardale
In 1881, at White Stones, St John's, Stanhope, Thomas Robinson, Widower, lead miner, aged 44, children, Adah 16, John W 10, Pheobe H 7, and Amelia 4. In 1881, at Hedley Hope, Durham, boarder, George Robinson, labourer, aged 18.
Probate 1890: The will of Thomas Robinson late of Greenwell Weardale in the parish of Stanhope in the county of Durham Farmer and Miner who died 14 July 1890 at Greenwell was proved at Durham by George Robinson of Greenwell Miner the son, and William Robinson of High Rowentreefoot, Weardale Farmer the brother the Executors. Personal Estate £686 4s 4d.

George Robinson married Esther Greggs, 3rd quarter 1890, registered at Weardale.
In 1891, at Ireshope Burn, Weardale, George Robinson, lead miner, aged 28, his wife Esther 27, and Hilda aged 1.
In 1901, at Hawk Well Head, St John's, Stanhope, George Robinson, limestone quarryman, aged 38, his wife Esther aged 37, children, Hilda 11, Hannah 8, Thomas 5, and Mildred 3.
Probate 1902: George Robinson of Rowantree Foot St John's Chapel county Durham Ironstone miner died 9th June 1902 at Grove Heads Ironstone mines Ireshopeburn county Durham Administration Durham 1st September to Esther Robinson. Effects £440
In 1911, at Hawk Well Head, St John's, Stanhope, Esther Robinson, widow, housekeeper & grazier, aged 47, children, Thomas W, Spar & Ore dresser, aged 15, Mildred 13, and George 8.
Probate 1926: Esther Robinson of Ireshopeburn Stanhope county Durham widow who died 27th October 1926 Administration Durham 24 November to Thomas William Robinson quarryman and Mildred Jackson (wife of William Jackson). Effects £285

21st June 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

DESIRABLE SMALL ESTATE AT WOODBRAE HOUSE, AND COTTAGES AT NENTHEAD, FOR SALE.

MR. ADAM ELLIOTT has received instructions to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, at THE KINGS ARMS INN, ALSTON, on SATURDAY 5th JULY, 1902, at 1

o'clock prompt, 1.—All that desirable ESTATE, consisting of a substantial and newly erected DWELLING HOUSE and FARM, and other Outbuildings, together with 36½ Acres, or thereabouts, of most excellent Meadow and Pasture Land, situate at and now known as WOODBRAE HOUSE (formerly called Foulard), near NENTHEAD, in the Parish of Alston, Cumberland, and now in the occupation of Mr. Thomas Moffat as yearly tenant. 2. —Also all those Four COTTAGE HOUSES and PREMISES situate at HOLME'S FOOT, Nenthead aforesaid, and now in the respective occupations of Mr. Jacob Cousin and others. The whole of the property is of Leasehold tenure, being held under a leave for 1000 years from the year 1621.
Lot 1 is a most desirable property, being situate near the main road, easy of access, well watered, and the land of good quality.
The Dwelling House and Buildings have been recently erected and are commodious and substantial. The whole forms a most desirable investment. The respective tenants will show the premises, and further particulars may be obtained from Mr. A. ELLIOTT Auctioneer, Alston; Mr. R. W. ELLIOTT, Eden House, Haltwhistle; or Messrs.. J. & J. DICKINSON. Solicitors, Alston.

Deaths

At Church Croft Terrace, Alston, on the 15th inst., George Haywood Harris, aged 71 years.

In 1901, at Croft Terrace, Alston, George H Harris, retired officer of inland revenue, aged 69, born Deal, Kent, and his wife Susannah aged 63, born Glengary, Antrim.

At Overwater, Nenthead, on the 15th inst., Mary, widow of the late Caleb Walton, aged 74 years. *See 16th December 1882, & 18th January 1890*

28th June 1902 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Alston, Lowbyer Manor House, 19th inst. Hannah youngest daughter of the late Nicholas and Eleanor Richardson. *Born 20th March 1822.*
See 30th September 1893, & 3rd August 1901

3rd July 1902 (Newcastle Journal)

WANTED, at once, FOREMAN BLACKSMITH; permanent work.—Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., Nenthead by Alston, Cumberland

26th July 1902 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

On Friday afternoon an inquest was held by Mr Coroner Proud at the Black Bull Inn, Frosterley, respecting the death of Thomas Hall 55, a labourer employed at Messrs Ord and Maddison's, Brown House quarry, near Frosterley. The evidence showed that on the 16th inst. the deceased with Wm. Wilkinson and George Tanner also in the service of the firm, rode along the railway in the quarry known as the "Gullet" on a bogie. While going down the incline and rounding a curve the bogey came into collision with some trucks that were being pushed up the incline. On perceiving the bogey the driver reversed his engine but could not prevent an accident. The two other men jumped off the bogey and escaped unhurt while Hall fell on the line and the trucks passed over him causing serious injuries to his legs from the effects of which he died the same afternoon. Verdict accidental death.

In 1901, at New Houses, Frosterley, Thomas Hall, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 54, his wife Mary Jane 50, children Nicholas, labourer in limestone quarry, aged 25, Hannah 16, Harrison M. 13, Mary Ann 12, and Frances Jane 7. In 1911, at Frosterley, Mary Jane Hall, widow, aged 60, children Nicholas, lime burner, aged 35, Frances 17, and Harrison, lime burner, aged 23.

20th September 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD NOTES & NEWS

On Wednesday week the death occurred very suddenly of Mr. William Archer, a resident of this place. Mr. Archer has been for some considerable time in a moderate state of health, but did not manifest any unusual symptoms, when he was unexpectedly seized with a vomiting fit and almost immediately succumbed The interment took place on Saturday in the Nenthead cemetery, and was attended by a very large number of people. The service was conducted by the Rev. S. J. Gee.

On Thursday of this week Mr. Barron Dryden, a well-known character of this place, was proceeding to his employment in the mines, being seated in one of the waggons used for conveying men to the various places, when suddenly he fell beak and died. He leaves a widow and four young children. Much sympathy is felt for the friends.

Marriages

At the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Alston, on the 13th inst., W. Henry Hetherington, to Amelia, third daughter of the late Joseph Thompson, mining agent, Nenthead, both of Hill Top, Nenthead.

In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Joseph Thompson, lead mine agent, aged 51, his wife Mary 48, children, William, blacksmith, aged 27, Agnes Ann 21, Mary 18, Amelia 14, Sarah Jane 12, Joseph 10, Matthew Walton 8, and Kate 5. See 24th January 1891

In 1911, at Nenthead, William Henry Hetherington, blacksmith, aged 35, born Weardale, his wife Amelia 34, children, Margaret 7, and Mary Elizabeth 5.

Deaths

At West Nenthead, on the 10th inst., William Archer, aged 51 years.

See 124th June 1873

At the Workhouse, Alston, on the 15th inst., John Sproat, aged 60 years.

1st November 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

SMALL HOLDINGS. NEAR NENTHEAD ALSTON.

MR ADAM ELLIOTT has received instructions to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the MINERS ARMS INN, NENTHEAD, on FRIDAY the 14th NOVEMBER, 1902, at 6:30 o'clock, the following desirable PROPERTIES:

1.—DWELLING HOUSE, COTTAGE, and FARM BUILDINGS, together with 20 acres, or thereabouts. of Meadow and Pasture Land, situate at PRY HOUSE. near Nenthead, Cumberland, in the occupation of William Graham.

2—DWELLING HOUSE, and 22½ Acres, or thereabout, of Meadow and Pasture Land, situate as WELLGILL, near Nenthead aforesaid, in the occupation of William Graham and another. The Land is in excellent condition, is well watered, and situate near to the Village of Nenthead. The Tenant will show the premises. and for farther particular., apply to the Auctioneer, Alston, or to J. and J. DICKINSON. Solicitors, Alston.

8th November 1902 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The application of Mr. Joseph Routledge for a connection between his property in the Market-place and the Council sewer, was granted.

A letter was received from Mr. J. Richardson of Wellgill, Nenthead, which stated that the question of the water supply there had been left over for six months. As that time had expired he asked the Council to reconsider the matter as the present supply was very unsatisfactory. The inhabitants were prepared to do the work themselves if the Council would provide the pipes. —This was agreed to, the whole to be done to the satisfaction of the engineer.

The inhabitants of Blagill and Skellgill presented a petition asking the Council to erect a footbridge over the River neat, leading from the village to Nenthead Road. It pointed out that the cart traffic was considerable, and the people on foot could only cross the Nent when the water was very low.—The surveyor was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost and report.

Mr. Cardwell Harpur's draft resolutions in favour of the metric system were passed.

The surveyor reported that he had received a letter from Mr. J. P. Walton, of Greenends, pointing out the rough state the road. It was nearly impassable for carriage traffic, and two he had with him would require to be sent to the coachbuilder for repairs, besides which his family had had to do without their bicycles. He asked the Council to put the steam roller upon this part of the road.—After discussion the Clerk was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter.

Mr. T. Greenwell wrote pointing out to the Council that owing to the putting in of the Butts sewer, damage had been done to his property. He asked that a committee be appointed to view the place. The request was acceded to, Messrs. Thompson, Storey. Yielder, and the Inspector being appointed.

The medical officer of health's quarterly report showed a death-rate of 14.52 per 1000, and the birth-rate 19.72 per 1000 over the whole parish. Five cases of Smallpox had been registered during July and August and Scarlet fever and measles had all been introduced by visitors. Ten weeks had elapsed since the last case of Smallpox had occurred and all the infected houses had been thoroughly disinfected. He recommended an Isolation Hospital, and hoped this matter would not be postponed until another outbreak should occur. He further pointed out that no further steps had been taken to render the archway leading to Grisedale-lane safe, or the condemned houses made habitable.

It was resolved that the Crossgill water course be cleaned out, and should new troughs be required the Inspector was instructed to get them. Another discussion took place in connection with Garrigill water supply. Mr. Storey gave notice of motion that the solution passed on April 19th namely “That the new water supply be proceeded with" be rescinded. He stated that an old plan had been found which proved that a vein ran in close proximity to the spring at Lee Houses, and he thought it would be a mistake to proceed with the work, as there was a great likelihood of the water being tapped. He further moved that the present, water supply be re-piped and three stand pumps placed in the village— On a division being taken upon the first motion there was an equal number, and, as the Chairman refused to give his casting vote, the matter was left over till next meeting, Dr. Gill's appointment as locum tenons to Dr. Carson was confirmed. The committee appointed to meet the auditor at last audit was re-

appointed to act in the same capacity in connection with future procedure regarding Nenthead Cemetery.

1st December 1902 Source: The Records of Patterdale Historical and Descriptive With Illustrations By REV. W. P. MORRIS, Rector of Patterdale Pub. 1903

GREENSIDE LEAD MINE

A miner named George Chapelhow disappeared somewhat suddenly. On December 1st, 1902, he left work at 4-30 p.m. and went to the "shops"—a sort of barracks, and about 8 p.m. he asked the master of the "washings " if he should go and turn the water(off. He was told not to go, but about 10 p.m. he got up and, lighting a lantern, told the men that he was going: to turn the water off. The sluice to which he had to go to was a mile away. The night was extremely dark, and somewhat wet. As he did not return by midnight some of the men went out with lanterns in search of him. They arrived at the sluice, but the water was not turned off, and they kept up the search all night. For a few days after searchers were despatched all over the Fell, but with no success. His stick was found, but no trace of him, and they feared then he must have got into Keppel Cove Tarn. The tarn was icebound. After nearly a fortnight's search the mystery was solved on December 13th, when the sluice was opened and the body discovered. An inquest was held on December 15th, when the jury returned a verdict of "Found drowned." He was buried in Patterdale Churchyard the same afternoon. He was 40 years of age and unmarried.

13th December 1902 (Hexham Courant)

ACOMB

CLOSING OF FALLOWFIELD MINES

The Fallowfield lead mines one of the oldest workings of the kind in the country were closed on Saturday indefinitely; and some 50 or more men and boys have been thrown idle. Much anxiety has in consequence been occasioned in Acomb, as many of the villagers were employed at the mines.

Deaths

At Alston, 6th inst. in his 75th year, Robert Scott, engineer formerly of Gosforth Colliery and Green Hurth Mines, eldest son of the late William and Ann Scott, Blucher Pit, Walbottle.

In 1841, at Blucher Pit, William Scott, waggon wright, aged 45, his wife Ann 45, children Robert, coal miner, aged 13, William 10, Alice 6, and John 3.
In 1851, Robert, engine wright, aged 23, was lodging in Westgate, Newcastle.
In 1861, at Bridge Row, Longbenton, Robert Scott, mining engineer, aged 32, sister, Alice, servant, aged 25, and brother John Scott, mining engine worker, aged 23.
In 1881, at Green Hurth, William Vipond, lead mine agent, aged 55, his wife Mary 52, children Walter C., lead miner, aged 23, Mary C. 16, Spencer C. 10, and boarder Robert Scott, widow, colliery engineer employed at lead mine works, aged 52.
In 1891, at Front Street, Robert Scott, mining engineer, aged 62, and his wife Jane 62, born Roxburgh, Scotland. In 1901, at Town Head, Alston, Robert Scott, retired mining engineer, aged 72, and his wife Jane 72.

20th December 1902 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Nentsbury, Nenthead, 13th inst., aged 25, Dora beloved wife of James Archer.
In 1901, at Low Green Ends, James Archer, driver of wagons in lead mines, aged 36, and his wife Dora (Rutherford, married 4th quarter of 1900) aged 24.

21st February 1903 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At New Fold House, Allendale, 13th inst. in his 85th year, William Roddam.
Farmer

7th March 1903 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 26th ult. Samuel Whitfield aged 45.
In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Matthew Whitfield, miller & Methodist local preacher, aged 51, his wife Tamer 56, and son Samuel, millers son, aged 24.
In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Matthew Whitfield, miller, aged 61, his wife Tamer 66, and son Samuel, millers son, aged 33.
Matthew Whitfield died 1st quarter 1893, aged 63, his wife Tamar died 1st quarter 1898, aged 72.
In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, Samuel Whitfield, corn miller, aged 43, born Coalcleugh, and domestic servant, Sarah Scaife, housekeeper, aged 50.

25th March 1903 (Teesdale Mercury)

The Small Holdings in
TEESDALE.
AN AUTHORITATIVE
EXPLANATION.

Being under the impression that a good deal of misunderstanding and misconception exists with reference to the altered labour conditions in Upper Teesdale, owing to the closing of lead-mines as leased by Lord Barnard to the Governor and Company, we have taken the opportunity of collecting important facts in this relationship, and which we hasten to place before the public.
When, in our last issue, we published the form of an agreement which had been sent to certain of the tenantry on the Teesdale Estate, accompanied by a circular letter by Lord Barnard, we were led to believe that this was a new and modified document intended to meet the exigencies of the hour, seeing that work was no longer available in the lead-mines.
We are now authoritatively informed that the text we published last week is not that of a new agreement at all. As a matter of strict fact it is the same agreement which has been in force on the Raby Estate to for more than half-a-century, except that it is somewhat modified to meet the altered conditions of the times. The agreement contains a reference to the Agricultural Holdings' Act of 1883, which was insisted after that Act was passed, enabling the tenant to give or to receive six months' notice in writing, instead of twelve months, as the Act directs. Every tenant on this part of the Raby Estate has an agreement, and the same remark applies to the majority of the tenants in Upper Teesdale.
Every new tenant who has come on to the estate in the last four years has signed a similar form. By some oversight, however, a certain number of tenants

in Upper Teesdale had not, it seems, signed agreements, or, if they had, the agreements had been lost or mislaid. In any event the agreements were not forthcoming, and, in order to put the whole body of tenantry on the same footing, the whole of the Upper Teesdale tenants were asked to sign precisely the same form of agreement, no expense whatever being caused to them thereby for stamping or preparation.

As regards the mines in the upper dale, Lord Barnard has used most strenuous efforts to enable Mr C. Fernau, of Alston, to work Wiregill for the benefit of the people of the dale. Moreover, Lord Barnard has purchased all the plant and necessary machinery at Coldberry and Ladyrake, in order that the mines should not become derelict, and so that they might be in a position to be worked at any time the lead industry revived to such an extent as to render it possible for the mines to be worked at a profit. By the action which the Lord of Raby has taken, it will at once be seen that his Lordship has put down a considerable amount of capital in what must be regarded as a risky venture, with the ultimate, though possibly remote, hope of even yet affording permanent employment to the dalesmen.

In addition to this, so anxious has Lord Barnard bean to promote the interests of his tenants, that be has been carrying out a somewhat extensive range of land-drainage for the last year-and-a-half. In this enterprise the landlord has employed as many men as chose to apply for work, and has never refused a single man or boy who has made application for labour.

It is quite true that those farmers for whom land has been drained have agreed to interest upon the outlay, but this at the rate of 3 per cent, only, or half whet was charged in many cases, in former years. And this interest does not commence to run, until such time has elapsed as to enable the land to be improved by and after draining.

It is important and just also to remember that in every lease of minerals in Upper Teesdale one of the most strictly enforced clauses is that Teesdale men shall be employed in preference to any other.

There are many serious aspects in which the present trade depression may be viewed; and perhaps it may come as a surprise to many people to know that the regular workmen of Lord Barnard on the Upper Teesdale Estate namely, joiners, masons, woodmen, and labourers—all of whom are his Lordship’s own tenants— earn wages amounting to the aggregate to £200 per four weeks. These men are constantly employed, subject, of course, to weather conditions, and the amount stated is exclusive of £8 per week in gamekeepers' wages.

Lord Barnard fully recognises that it is difficult for men occupying small farms in Upper Teesdale—in Forest, Harwood, and about Newbiggin—to live exclusively by the holdings. His Lordship knows full well that these farms are about enough to keep a man half-going, and that he needs in addition to earn as nearly £1 per week as he can. Consequently it has been the aim and the object of Mr Fife, the chief agent, to put the equivalent in work in the way of the smaller occupiers.

Take an example. In working the barytes at Cow Green, Lord Barnard gets no more revenue from that source than he expends in road-making from Langdon Beck to Cow Green, and the Teesdale receipts actually show a dead loss of between £250 and £300 since Mr Rollin started.

In common justice and fairness these facts should be distinctly made known, and we are only too ready to place this information before our readers.

4th April 1903 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD NOTES.

THE NEW VICARAGE.

Now that fine weather is probable the work in connection with the above new buildings is likely to go on apace. The excavations are being proceeded with. The Vicarage is to be situated about midway between the church and the old school on an elevated site. The interior will have all the latest improvements and everything made to conduce to the comfort of the occupants. It is estimated to cost about £1800. The contractors for the building are as follows.—Joinery, painting, glazing, Mr. Jonathan Rutherford, Nenthead; masonry, Mr. Caleb Peart, Weardale; plastering, Mr. Scudamore Haltwhistle; plumbing, Mr. Jefferson, Hexham; excavations and draining, Mr. W. Lee, Nenthead. By special efforts and grants, a large portion of the estimated cost has been raised, and another bazaar will be held in the autumn in aid of the project.

8th April 1903 (Teesdale Mercury)

SALE OF PROPERTY IN TEESDALE

LONDON LEAD COMPANY'S

HOLDINGS.

We understand that the lead company who have been working the lead mines in the district for very many years are winding op the company, and have decided in a short time to tell by auction the whole of their valuable properties, situate at Middleton-in- Teesdale, Haggin Gap, Eggleston, etc. Mr R. O. Pearce, of Darlington, has been instructed to carry the whole matter through. These properties will include Middleton House, a finely built mansion, with park lands tastefully laid out, and for many years the residence of the manager. Mr Bainbridge, with gardens, etc., extensive stabling, with a noted dock tower, coachmens', gardeners', and gamekeepers' houses, certain well-built villas and cottages, and excellent, stone-built schools; also Grove Villa, a commodious residence, with stabling, etc. There will also be sold a large block of property at Masterman Place, Middleton-in-Teesdale, including some well- built dwelling-houses, reading-room, stabling, etc., besides some forty to fifty stone-built workmen's cottages and houses, with large garden plots attached. At Haggin Gap there is a small holding, whilst at Eggleston there are two good residences, with stabling, gardens, etc., and two rows of substantially-built, stone cottages, with gardens. Middleton House and certain of the property will be sold at Darlington, whilst the Masterman Place, Haggin Gap, and Eggleston properties will be sold at Barnard Castle— the whole in June. The properties have been built and maintained at great cost, and should command a good market.

6th May 1903 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Sparty Lee, Allendale, 9th inst. aged 57, Joseph beloved husband of Isabella Sparke.

Joseph Spark married Mary Elliot, 27th October 1832, at St Peter's, Allenheads.

In 1841, at Sparty Lee, Joseph Spark, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 30, children, Jane 8, Mary 6, John 4, Isabella 2, and Sarah 11 months.

In 1851, at Spart Lea, Joseph Sparke, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary 43, children, John, lead ore washer, aged 14, Isabella 18, Thomas 9, and Joseph aged 5.
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In 1861, at Sparty Lee, Mary Sparke, widow of lead miner, farming about 15 acres, aged 51, children, John, lead miner, aged 24, Thomas, carter, aged 19, Joseph, carter, aged 16, and Hannah 12.
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In 1881, at Bent House, Joseph Sparke, lead ore miner, aged 35, his wife Isabella (Heslop, married 4th quarter of 1880) aged 19, and daughter Mary A. Sparke 10 months. In 1891, at Shorngate, Joseph Sparke, lead ore miner, aged 44, his wife Isabella 29, children Mary Alice 10, John Wm 9, Freddy 4, Hannah 2, and Robert Heslop 8 months.
In 1901, at Sparty Lee, Joseph Sparke, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Isabella 38, children Mary Alice 20, John Wm, lead miner, aged 19, Fred 14, Hannah 12, Robert H. 10, Sarah A. 6, and Hubert 4 months.
Joseph Sparke died 2nd quarter 1903, aged 57, registered at Hexham

9th May 1903 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

CUMBERLAND

About midway between Carlisle and Newcastle

The important AGRICULTURAL, MINERAL, and SPORTING ESTATE known PRIORSDALE, situate about four miles from the old-established market town Alston, with its station on the Alston and Haltwhistle Branch the North- Eastern Railway, and extending to an area of 2,165 acres.

The Property includes a valuable Agricultural Holding, embracing a good Moor; several Accommodation Farms, with suitable homesteads: about 400 acres of plantations; a considerable portion the important Village of Nenthead, including the Fully Licensed Inn known The Miners' Arms, School House, Post-office, Five Superior Dwelling-houses, some Thirty-six Cottages and Gardens and Small Holdings; together with Mineral and Water Rights of increasing value, the whole producing an actual and fairly estimated rental of upwards of £825 per annum, and being free from Tithe and Land Tax.

MESSRS. WALTON and LEE will offer the above for SALE by AUCTION, at the Central Station Hotel, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Tuesday, June Sixteenth, 1903, at. one for two o'clock precisely, first as a whole, and if not so sold then in the following convenient lots:—

Lot	Description	Quantity A.	R.	P.
1	Priorsdale Farm and Lands	1,831	0	20
2	Little Gill Cottage and Lands	68	0	27
3	Mount Pleasant	31	2	39
4	Mid Ashgill	6	2	22
5	Waterfall Cottage and land	18	1	36
6	Low Ashgill	28	2	30
7	Lower Mid Ashgill	32	0	33
8	Plantations	37	0	38
9	High Ashgill	47	1	1

10	West Ashgill		17	3	3
11	Beldy House, &c.		2	1	22
12	Beldy Cottages		0	1	11
13	Beldy Mill		6	1	5
14	Nenthead Properties		37	0	30
		Total	2,165	1	37

Particulars may be obtained of Messrs. R. and R. F. Kidd. Solicitors, North Shields; Messrs. J. Cameron, Swan, and Co., 4, St. Nicholas Buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne; and the Auctioneers at their Offices, 10, Mount-street, Grosvenor-square, London, W.

9th May 1903 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

All interested in the mining industry of Carrshield and Nenthead will hear with regret at the intended resignation of Mr Fernau of Nenthead who, since the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company took over the mines has been manager for the firm. During the time Mr Fernau has been at Nenthead the mines have been greatly developed, and a great sum of money has been spent in laying down new plant &c. The wages bill of the company, too has been an extensive one, and altogether the last six or seven years have seen a great quickening in the prosperity of the district. I hear that Mr Fernau will leave his present position in June.

16th May 1903 (Hexham Courant)

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16th May 1903 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD NOTES.

THE READING ROOM: PRESENTATION TO THE PRESIDENT

In connection with the above an interesting event took place on Wednesday evening, when a special meeting of the members was held for the purpose of making a presentation to the President, Mr. Councillor A. Bolton, who is leaving the locality. Mr. Bolton has resided in the village for 29 years and has always taken an active interest in all matters relating to the place. He came to Nenthead from Stanhope to take up the management of the smelt mill under the late London Lead Company. When that company sold out, he acted in the same capacity to Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc. Co., and under the present Vielle Montaigne Co., he has acted as an outside manager of the Smelt mill. He was a member of the Parish Council and Board of Guardians, and since its establishment has been chairman or vice chairman of the cattle show. He has also been President of the flower show for a long time, while the poultry show also commanded his patronage. He acted as chairman to the Technical Education Committee, chairman to the Burial Committee, and churchwarden. He generally was at the head of any movement of a local nature and has on numerous occasions presided at concerts and similar events. For a period of 24 years he has acted as chairman of the Nenthead Reading Room, and has always taken special interest in the progress and welfare of that institution; and, undoubtedly, the present prosperous condition of the Room is in a large measure due to the interest that he has taken in it.

The members were desirous of showing their appreciation of his many services, and the room was packed to its utmost capacity. The secretary. Mr. Wm. Thompson. presided, and said that this was an event without parallel in the history of the room. Mr. Petty. the vice-president, then made the presentation, and said they were met to do honour to one whom honour was due. …

He had great pleasure in asking Mr. Bolton to accept a chair and stick as a token of regard and esteem. …

17th June 1903 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

THE PROPERTY MARKET.

At the Central, Station Hotel. Newcastle, yesterday. Mr. Phillips. of the firm of Messrs. Walton and Lee, London, offered for sale by public auction…

The next lot offered was the Priorsdale Estate. near Aston. The estate was described as an agricultural. a mineral, and a sporting one. The first offer was one of £12,000. This by substantial bids increased to £21,500, at which figure the lot was withdrawn. Then the estate was submitted in lots. The farm lot. sporting, water, rents, etc.—yielded £5,000 as a first offer, and £6,500 as a last. It also was withdrawn. The Nenthead properties were then offered. They yield £300 rent. £5,000 was the starting bid for this lot. The final one was £6,750. This lot was also withdrawn.

4th July 1903 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

The workmen employed at the Nenthead and Carrshield mines have presented Mr Fernau, who has acted as manager for eight years with a marble timepiece and gold Albert, and also a handsome tea tray for his wife. Mr J. Hewitson presided over a large attendance and the gifts were handed over by Mr Robert

Doyle. Mr Fernau is going to Canada shortly in connection with some mining operation.

In 1901, at Nenthead House, J C Fernau, engineer, aged 47, naturalised Belgian, his wife Magdalena 37, children Elena 21, George, apprentice engineer, aged 18, John J. C., apprentice engineer, aged 17, Carlotta 14, Cecilia 12, Evelyn 3, Governess Daisy Roy Aged 22, cook Kate Dixon aged 31, and domestic servant Jane Roddam aged 25.

1st August 1903 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

TROUBLE AT THE MINE.

A development of a somewhat serious nature took place on Monday morning in connection with the working of the Nenthead mines. It appears that the managers recently appointed have issued new regulations in regard to the working. It has been the rule for the men to enter the level, or entrance at six o'clock. They go to the workings in small wagons, and usually the men get started to work by six thirty or seven according to the distance. According to custom the men take a few minutes rest after the exertions of getting to the places. This is to be stopped. Work is to be commenced at once, and all are to be commenced by six thirty. Monday morning what is known as the Rampgill sump men were followed in and ordered to work at once. They resented and were told that they would lose their shift. They at once returned to the bank. The men at the other workings were also informed, and all came out. Thus all work inside is stopped and between 200 and 300 men are idle. At present the outside men are not affected.

8th August 1903 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

With the close of the week the dispute with the Nenthead miners will have lasted a fortnight, and as far as can at present be seen a settlement is as far off as ever. Both sides to be firm in some of the points in dispute. As far as the men are concerned there seems to be a desire on some hands to acquiesce in the masters demands, as they believe that they will soon find that it is impossible to work under the conditions; others and these seem to be the great majority assert that they will not go in to fire as stipulated, as it means killing themselves. The dispute has narrowed itself down to firing; as the other points the men are willing to give way on, and if some arrangement could be made in regard to firing the borings after each shift the matter would soon be settled. One regrettable side of the dispute is that a number of men are leaving the locality to find work elsewhere. Every day the number of men taking their departure increases. For the last few years a large batch of Italian workmen have reside in apartments specially fit up for them and known as barracks both here and at Carrshield. At one time there would be between 50 and 60 of this class in the place. They are however rapidly returning to their own country. The local men who have resided for years in the village are also looking out for employment, so that soon the natives of the place will have vanished, and when things start again it will be with a new class of workmen. The Nenthead miners are not associated with any Trades union, so that they cannot afford to hang about doing nothing, and must needs look out for work somewhere. With the Rodderup Fell men there will now be over 300 miners idle, so that it will be felt very keenly. There have

been no conferences this week, a fact that is regrettable, for if the men and masters could get together to discuss matters there would be some chance of an arrangement being come to. Perfect order prevails.

22nd August 1903 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Alston, 14th inst. Annie wife of William Walton.
In 1891, at Front Street, William Walton, butcher, aged 30, his wife Ann J. 25, born Longbenton, children Frances 2, and Robert S. 6 months.
In 1901, at Front Street, William Walton, butcher, aged 42, children Annie J. 35, Fanny 12, Robert S. 10, Thomas 9, John 7, Dorothy K. 6, Jessie 3, William S. 1, Annie B. 2 months, and domestic servant Annie Armstrong aged 21.

1st September 1903 (Penrith Observer)
Deaths
At Dykeheads, Nenthead, on the 23rd ult., John Rutherford, aged 41 years.
In 1901 at Dykeheads, Nenthead, John Rutherford, lead ore miner, aged 38, his wife Dorothy (Smith, married 4th qtr., 1883, registered at Alston) aged 36, children, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 17, Charles, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Albert, aged 7.
Dorothy Ann Rutherford, died 1st qtr., 1905, aged 41.

5th September 1903 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
Property Sale, dwelling house, farm buildings, 2 cottages, and 2 closes of land containing 5 acres, 2 roods and 18 perches, situated at Wellgill, Nenthead and also a pasture field near Roughside, Nenthead containing 8 acres and 25 perches … purchased by Mr J. Teasdale of Nenthead for £350.

5th September 1903 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
THE NENTHEAD STRIKE
A SETTLEMENT ARRIVED AT.
Our Nenthead correspondent writes: — After a period of nearly six weeks, the dispute between the miners and the company, has terminated, at least an arrangement has been come to whereby work has been resumed. Since the last interview between the men and the manager about three weeks ago, things have not altered at all until this week. During that period large batches of workmen have left the place, numbers having found employment elsewhere. Others have been picking up a few days' work wherever they could, and, when the weather was favourable many found occupation in the harvest fields. When the men last visited the masters they were informed that a new set of rules would be issued which would affect both the inside and outside workmen, until these were published the men could not do anything, and thus matters have gone on during the last few weeks. The first signs of something satisfactory being arranged was towards the end of last week, when an intimation was conveyed in some way to the men out of work that they could be employed at what is known as Perry's dam. This is a large reservoir situated on the road to Ashgill, and is about a mile in circumference. The water is here collected and conveyed in pipes to the places where the metal is separated. The idea at present seems to be that of increasing the dimensions of this reservoir and

thereby collecting a larger supply of water than hitherto. Many of the people argue that if this had been done seven or eight years ago, instead of putting in Pelton wheels, and inaugurating steam, it would have been greatly to the advantage of the Mining Company. However, at present the project seems to be the main one, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the speculation will be remunerative. The men that have, during the dispute, been employed outside have for a week or two been engaged at the work of enlargement. The miners were also informed that they could be engaged at the same place. Therefore on Monday morning a good number proceeded thither to take on their new work. Towards the middle of the week it was further announced that, the new rules were ready for posting, and on Tuesday they were issued. A large number of regulations are stated in regard to implements, leave of absence, and other minor details. The main point in regard to firing seems to have been met in this way: the men are to fire as near as possible when they leave their shift, and the next shift men are to start as early as they possibly can. Thus matters are somewhere just about where they were when the dispute commenced. As far as can be ascertained both aides have had sufficiency of idleness. The workings were beginning to fall in, so that it might have been a serious and expensive matter if work was not soon resumed. On Thursday morning, it is pleasing to state, a large number of the men who reside in the place commenced work again, having been out since July 26. A number of miners who do not reside in the place will probably start about the beginning of next week. On Thursday the monthly "pays" were held, but, as might be anticipated, things were on the quiet side, as only the outside men had any money to take. It is calculated that about £2000 less in cash would be paid to the men this pay-day than is usual. This will be keenly felt, as an amount like that in a rural district is of considerable importance. This amount of course applies to the miners at Nenthead, Carrshield, and Rodderup.

17th October 1903, (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

SAD FATALITY AT THRELKELD QUARRY

An accident, the fatal result of which has called forth widespread sorrow and sympathy in the district, occurred on Friday at Threlkeld Quarry. A young man awned James William Tabberer (a fitter in the employ of the Company), son of Mr. J. W. Tabberer, a well-known employee at the works), was engaged in removing a riveted pin from a crank in a large engine. Striking the riveted end of the pin with a hammer and chisel, a piece of the steel flew off and hit his right eye with such force that the eyeball was burst Dr. Burnett, Keswick, was on his rounds at the time, and removed the fragment of steel, about three-fourths of an inch in length, from the eye, and the young man was conveyed to the Mary Hewetson Hospital at Keswick for a further operation, which was being performed by Di. Knight and Dr. Burnett, the patient being under chloroform. The operation had been effected, but heart failure supervened, and the poor young fellow died in a very short time. An inquest was held on Saturday, by Mr. Gordon Falcon, and a jury of which Mr. J. Hope was foreman, when the facts were formally given in evidence, and the inquiry adjourned till Monday for the attendance of H.M. Inspector of Mines and Quarries.

The deceased was highly esteemed by all who knew him, being of a kindly and genial disposition, and took an active part in all youthful gatherings. He was, like his father. very fond of football, and was connected with the Penrith and District

League. The interment took plate at Threlkeld Churchyard on Tuesday afternoon, when the body was first conveyed to deceased's home at the Quarry Cottages, and then after an appropriate hymn and prayer, was followed to the Church by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The Rector conducted the service, and alluded in sympathetic words, to the amiable character of deceased, who was a member of the choir. At the grave one of the officials of the Mechanics' Lodge, of which deceased was a member took part with Mr. Crowe in the service, and by the graveside were a number of beautiful wreaths from mistime and friends.

In 1891, at Wanthwaite, St Johns in the Vale, Nr. Keswick, James William Tabberer, blacksmith, aged 33, born Leicester, his wife Emma Louisa 31, born Leicester, children, James Wm. 9, born Leicester, Florence Lillian 7, and Herbert Ernest, 4 months, born, St Johns in the vale.

In 1901, at Quarry Cottage, St Johns in the Vale, Keswick, James Wm Tabberer, widower, Foreman, granite quarry crushing mill, aged 43, children, James Wm. engine fitter, aged 19, Florence Lillian 17, and Herbert Ernest, aged 10.

17th October 1903 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

The Allendale labour market has been and is as bad as the weather. For a period upwards of twelve weeks the mines at Carrshield have been closed and the prospects of reopening seem to be of the very vaguest order. Truly during this time a few men have been engaged in the mine relaying rails and pipes preparatory, it is said to the carrying of all Allendale mineral out to the Nenthead side of the mine rather than the Carrshield side, where also, it is said, it will be dressed. This of course would if carried out, lead to the closing of the dressing floors at Carrshield, and at a blow almost destroy the whole of the mining industry in the dale, truly a gloomy outlook for the tenants, etc., in the Allendale district, though likely to lead to an increase in activity in the Nenthead district. Matters industrially have long been under a cloud in Allendale, but if the mineral found in the Allendale estates is to be taken into another district and dressed, then surely the worst has happened that can happen.

Mined by foreign labour, and then to be taken out of the district altogether for the dressing operations, the lot of the Allendale people could have been no worse if there did not exist an ounce of mineral in the Allendale hills.

Deaths

At Alston, John Thomas Walton, boot maker, husband of Hannah Walton.

In 1901, at School Gates, John T Walton, boot & shoe maker, aged 40, his wife Hannah 38, children Joseph W., boot & shoe maker, aged 17, Eliza A. 15, Mary 12, Maud 9, Lizzie E. 7, John C. 3.

At Palmerston, North New Zealand, July 1st Bertha wife of Harry J. Luxford (nee Doyle late of Alston)

20th October 1903 (Penrith Observer)

ALSTON NOTES AND NEWS.

A STRIKE AND ITS SEQUEL- ITALIANS.

Some fifteen Italians and four Germans are coming to work at Rotherhope Fell lead mines, and sleeping accommodation is now being provided at the mines for them. Hitherto only local workmen have been employed at this mine, and

the introduction of foreign labour seems to be the sequel to the strike which took place some time ago. The men, some of whom were Italians, employed at Nenthead mines, struck work owing to some differences with their masters, and the Rotherhope Fell men, who do not appear to have had any grievance whatever, left work also. mainly, it said, because they were subjected to violent threats by the Italians at Nenthead if they did not cease work also. And the Rotherhope Fell men have been afterwards laughed at for their folly! It was misplaced sympathy, wasn't it!

AN AUSTRALIAN APPOINTMENT.

Readers will be gratified to learn that Mr. John Joseph Doyle, a native of this district, has secured a very important and valuable appointment as a mining manager in New South Wales. Australia, and will leave this country about the beginning of November for his new sphere of labour. Mr. Doyle has been under the mining companies of Nenthead since he was a boy. He commenced life under the Dougang Mining Co.. then became foreman under the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Co., and when this company was bought by the Vieille Montague Lead and Zinc Co. in 1896 he was still retained in its service, and took charge of the mine. After being some considerable time in the service of this company, the Llanfair Copper Mining Company in Wales. offered him the post of manager, which he accepted, and after remaining there a short time, he returned at the request of his old masters, to take charge of the Rotherhope Fell mine, which had been bought by them. He has now been offered a situation as manager by the Antimonial and Zinc Mining Co.. at Kurringo, which he has accepted, and will leave this country, as stated, very shortly. Mr. Doyle, in his capacity of manager, wherever he has been, has always won the respect, esteem, and confidence of the men over whom he had charge, which is often a difficult thing to do. While he has also retained the esteem and confidence of his employers. Loral Methodism also loses a very ardent and modest worker, and a good practical local preacher.

24th October 1903 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

Mr J. J. Doyle of Alston has been appointed manager for the Antimonial Zinc Mining Company at Rurringo New South Wales. He has for some time been acting in charge of Rodderup Fell Mine, which was bought some time ago by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company. Mr Doyle who has always had the respect and goodwill of both masters and workmen is a native of Nenthead.

In 1861, at Moorcock Hall, Elisabeth Beck, widow, farmer, aged 64, daughter Jane Beck 23, granddaughter Mary Beck 1, and lodger James Robson, lead miner, aged 36.

In 1871, at Elba, Jane Doyle, widow, housekeeper, aged 31, daughter Mary Beck 11, sons John J. 6, Robert 3, and boarder Elizabeth Doyle, miners widow, aged 75.

In 1881, at Overwater, Jane Doyle, widow, housekeeper, aged 41, children John J., lead ore washer, aged 16, Robert, lead ore washer, aged 13, Elizabeth 5, and lodger James, lead ore washer, aged 54.

In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, John Joseph Doyle, foreman lead ore dresser, aged 26, and his wife Ann aged 28.

In 1901, John J Doyle, widow, aged 36, manager of lead mine, of Alston, Cumberland, was a boarder at Llanfair Tuliahan, St Asaph, Denbighshire

ALLENDALE NOTES

What a strange irony of fate I thought one morning this week when I saw a number of Allendale miners perforce obliged to earn a living by breaking stones on the roadside, whilst at the same time samples from all the states of Europe are apparently fore-gathering at Nenthead to deal with the very labour to which these stone breakers have all their lives been accustomed.

Deaths

At Fawside Green, Allenheads, 15th inst. aged 54, Elizabeth dearly beloved wife of John Rowell.

28th November 1903 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD NOTES.

During the last few years many changes have taken place at Nenthead. The policy of free imports has prevailed. Foreigners have been imported, alien emigrants have come and gone, and still many remain in our midst. As a result financial prosperity has been prevalent. Never in the history of the mines have there been so many changes in so short a time. It was well the recent strike was not of long duration, and that the men got back to work before it caused the distress so often resulting from labour troubles of a similar nature. All the native workmen were reengaged, and are again working for the Company. Fortunately not many left the village. William Wallace, in one of his books, predicted that the lead mines would soon be worked out; that was some 40 years ago. However, the mines are still working and, it would seem, will continue to for many years to come. The recent trials have proved successful, and mineral deposits have been found in the lower sills, which opens out virgin ground. It is to be hoped that this new ground may prove so productive as to remunerate the present Company for the effort and the expense which the trials have involved.

On Saturday night a meeting was held by the members of the **Lead Company's Workmen's Fund Society,** in the Rechabite Hall to consider a notice which has been sent to all the members to attend a meeting in the Assembly Room, Middleton-in-Teesdale, on the 28th inst. Hitherto the directors of the London Lead Company have been the trustees of this Society, but now having sold the whole of their property, both in the Alston Moor and Middleton districts, they have intimated their intention of resigning their trusteeship. This necessarily means that the Society must either be reconstructed or wound up. This Society has been a great boon to Nenthead and district. It is not only a splendid sick benefit Society, but has an old age pension scheme, which has been of untold value to many a member who has been fortunate enough to reach the age of 65. At the age of 65, a member ceased to pay his annual subscription, and received for the rest of his life the sum of 6s. per week. This Society has a large capital but, for many years past, few members have been admitted, and as a result the funds are gradually diminishing year by year. Could the money be properly invested, and the rules re-modelled, we think the Society might be so worked as still to continue, and hold out till the youngest member might reap his benefit. The decision of the Middleton meeting will be awaited with some amount of anxiety. It is to be hoped a wise arrangement may be made.

12th December 1903 (Hexham Courant)

£33,000 FOR TEASDALE MINERS

The London Lead Company having relinquished the lead mining Royalties in Teasdale, and the Governor and Company having wound up the concern, the question has arisen as to the disposal of the Miner's Fund, which had at one time accumulated assets to the value of about £100,000. The London Lead Company handsomely subsidised the workmen's contributions from time to time, but are now giving up the management and control of the fund which is now estimated to be worth £33,000. A private meeting has just been held, attended by about 300 members of the various branches, when it was resolved by a majority of sixty that the fund be dissolved. It is understood that the distribution of the fund will be effected through the Court of Chancery.

19th December 1903 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Ropehaugh, Allendale (at her daughters, Mrs Bayne) 9th inst. aged 75, Sarah Coats, Elia House, wife of the late William Coats.

In 1851, at Hammer Shiels, William Coats, lead ore miner, aged 23, his wife Sarah (Bright, married 3rd quarter of 1850) aged 22, and daughter Mary A. 1 year

In 1861, at Mill Cottages, William Coates, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Sarah aged 32, son John 9, and daughter Sarah A 2.

In 1871, at Dirt Pot, William Coates, lead ore miner & grocer, aged 44, his wife Sarah 42, children John, lead ore washer, aged 19, Sarah A 12, Joseph W. 9, Hannah E. 5, and domestic servant Mary J Philipson aged 21.

In 1881, at Ropehaugh cottages, William Coates, lead ore miner, and provisions dealer, aged 54, his wife Sarah 51, children John, shopman, aged 29, Sarah A. 22, Joseph W., cartman, aged 19, Hannah E. 15, and visitor Thomas W. Dickinson, Wesleyan minister, aged 26, born Alston.

In 1891, at Ropehaugh, William Coats, lead ore miner, aged 64, his wife Sarah 62, daughter Sarah Ann 32, son Joseph William, Ag. Labourer, aged 29, and lodger Alfred Bright aged 11. In 1901, at Ellia House, Sarah Coates, widow, householder, aged 72, son Joseph W., lead miner, aged 38, daughter Sarah A. 42, and boarder James Murry, surgeon, aged 25, born Scotland.

At Gosforth, 2 Hedley Street, 11th inst. aged 53, Mary dearly beloved wife of William Martin, late of West Allendale.

In 1881, at Harslow, Allendale, William Martin, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Mary 30, children Lilley 8, Jane 6, and Joseph William 1 month.

In 1891, at Middle Harsley Ninebanks, William Martin, farmer, aged 45, his wife Mary 40, daughter Lillie, domestic servant, aged 18, and John W. 10. In 1901, at the Wesleyan Church, 2 Hedley Street, William Martin, platelayer & caretaker of church, aged 55, his wife Mary 50, children Lillie 28, Jennie 26, and John W. bricklayer, aged 20.

2nd January 1904 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD

A somewhat disturbed state of affairs prevails at the mining village of Nenthead. A considerable number of Italian workmen have been brought to the place recently, and this has created no little feeling amongst the local workmen. Through some cause there was a somewhat serious disturbance two nights last

week, and one man who was not concerned in the affair at all was very much cut on the head, and required attention. On Saturday night a party of nearly 40 foreign workmen arrived at Alston station with the last train, and were conveyed in brakes to Nenthead. On Monday morning a party of some half dozen policemen arrived at Alston, and proceeded to the village, the authorities evidently being afraid that the disturbance might be carried still further. A state of affairs like this is out of the ordinary for such a usually quiet village, and the matter is causing considerable stir in the neighbourhood.

9th January 1904 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

Another batch of thirteen Italians arrived at Alston on Saturday from Italy, en route for the Nenthead mines. They are robust, active, athletic, class of men, similar in physique to the men in agricultural districts of Northumberland. The disturbances which occurred on Christmas day at Nenthead have not been repeated and only some three or four constables remain on duty in the village. One young man was seriously injured in these disturbances. Apparently all is quiet but there is a strong undercurrent of bitter feeling by the English against the Italian element, and those who know the district best apprehend mischief.

16th January 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The funeral of the unfortunate man John Shipley Barnes who was killed last week by a blasting shot in the Greencroft Whinstone quarry, Stanhope took place at Stanhope cemetery on Sunday.

In 1901, John S. Barnes, single, Blue Granite Quarryman, aged 37, born St Leonards, Gloucestershire, was boarding at Rose Terrace, Stanhope.

30th January 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A sad sequel to the late quarry accident at Stanhope, the deaf and dumb mute Ralph Harrison of Wearhead who was blown over the quarry edge, but so miraculously escaped with his life has so far as can be ascertained lost his eyesight.

Ralph's job at the quarry was to drill the holes for the shots.

In 1891, at Sedling, Heathery Cleugh, John Harrison, single, limestone quarryman, aged 36, sister Liza 43, sister Mary 46, brother Ralph, single, limestone quarryman, aged 33, deaf & dumb; nephew William Harrison 13, and nephew Joseph Matthew Brown 1 year.

In 1901, at Sedling, Heathery Cleugh, John Harrison, single, lead miner, aged 50, sister Eliza, house maid, domestic, aged 53, brother Ralph, Whinstone quarryman, aged 44, deaf & dumb; and nephew William Harrison, lead miner, aged 23.

In 1911, at Sedling Cottage, Heathery Cleugh, John Harrison, single, stone mason, for district council, aged 60, brother Ralph, no occupation, nephew William Harrison, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary May Harrison aged 28, and their son James Matthew Harrison aged 4.

The 1911 census confirmed that following the accident Ralph was now also blind.

13th February 1904 (Hexham Courant)

THE ITALIAN MINERS

On Saturday some 37 Italian miners from Nenthead passed through Alston, took their departure train for Newcastle, and will ship for Italy from the Tyne. It is rumoured that many more are to be sent back, if not almost all, and that the English miners will be more liberally employed. Some miners from the West Allen and contiguous districts, it appears have already been reemployed.

27th February 1904 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Parkside, Allendale, 23rd inst. in his 72nd year, Ridley Nevin *(Farmer)*.

The brother of John Nevin who was agent to W.B. Beaumont's mines in West Allen, son of John Nevin, farmer Burnlow, Allendale & his wife Elizabeth Ridley. See 9th November 1861

19th March 1904 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

At Bloemfontain, Orange River Colony, 17th February aged 39, W. J. Dixon late of Newcastle and Allendale, son of Edward Dixon, blacksmith, Catton.

23rd March 1904 (Teesdale Mercury)

TEESDALE LEAD MINERS' FUND.

At the requisition of the Chancery Judge, a final meeting of the members of the Lead Miners Fund was held it Middleton-in-Teesdale on Saturday afternoon. A large number of members attended, which included representatives from the Westmorland and Cumberland branches, the Lead Company, who have acted as managers of the concern, having decided to dissolve, wished the members to decide what had to be done with the capital, and it a future meeting it was decided to distribute amongst the members. The Chancery Judge, however, wished for a more thorough decision, and at Saturday's meeting it was decided by 244 rotes to 60 to share the capital.

26th March 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Sixteen emigrants for Canada left Stanhope station on Wednesday morning.

A military funeral took place at Stanhope on Saturday when Ralph Pattinson an old reservist volunteer was interred.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports

Report of Mr Bain 1904

1st April 1904, Sedling, Durham, Weardale Lead Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF ISAAC PEADON AGED 58.

Died from injuries received by a fall from roof on the 16th December last.

In 1891, at Lane Hill, Isaac Peadon, iron stone miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 36, children Thomas 12, Albert 8, Victor 6, and Titus 2.

In 1901, at West Black Dene, Isaac Peadon, iron stone miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 48, children Ellen J 26, Thomas, shunter at railway, aged 22, Albert, cartman at quarry, aged 18, J Victor stone _____? aged 16, and Titus 12.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr Bain 1904
3rd May 1904, Sedling, Durham, Weardale Lead Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JOHN FEATHERSTONE AGED 34.

Fatally crushed by a lump he and his partner were taking down.
In 1891, at Middle White Stones, William Featherston, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Mary 53, children John, lead miner, aged 21, William 17, and Mary 15. In 1901, at White Stones, Mary Featherstone, widow, aged 64, son John, lead miner, aged 31, son William, farmer, aged 27, daughter Mary 25, and grandson Frederick Lowdon 8 years.

9th May 1904 (Shields Gazette)

TYNE SALMON BOARD

The quarterly meeting of the River Tyne Salmon Conservancy Board was held on Saturday at the Moot Hall, Newcastle, Ald. Tom Taylor, of Chipchase Castle, presiding. The Clerk read a letter from the Haltwhistle and District Angling Association drawing attention to the pollution of the South Tyne by washings from the Nenthead Mines, and petitioning the Board to put in force the Rivers Pollution Act
The Chairman said their powers were limited in this matter. They had to prove in the first instance that fish were absolutely killed by the pollution, and secondly that the people who put it in did so knowingly; and even then they could not get an injunction. All they could get was a fine. The local powers had much greater jurisdiction.
The letter was referred to the South Tyne Committee.

14th May 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Two more emigrants for Canada left Stanhope on Wednesday morning. John Bainbridge son of Mr Thomas Bainbridge, Crawley Hall, Stanhope, and Henry Vickers of Eastgate son of Mr John Vickers, White House Lodge. Thos. Bainbridge, Back Lane, Stanhope, has also left for South Africa.

14th May 1904 (Maryport Advertiser)

A CUMBERLAND MINERS' FUND WOUND UP.

In the Chancery Division, on Monday, Mr. Justice Warrington had before him the case of the Lead Companies' Workmen's Fund Society.
It was stated that the Society was founded very many years ago for the benefit of workmen of a lead mining company in Cumberland and Westmorland. Although the fund had in hand £32,915 it was said to be insolvent. It had had no new members since 1899. the Company had ceased to work, and all the employees had been discharged. The members now numbered 439. of whom 88 had attained the age of 65, when by the rules of the Society they were each entitled to receive 6s weekly. The Court was now asked to decide whether the members who had attained the age of 65 were entitled to claim their 6s per week, without regard to the claims of the younger members—in effect that those who were 65 years of age were in the position of first mortgagees.
After bearing evidence and arguments.

His Lordship made an order declaring that the Society ought to be wound up under the direction of the Court, and the interest of all parties beneficially interested in the Society should be ascertained as from 1st May, 1904. and the funds distributed amongst the members of the Society accordingly.
Sir Jonathan Backhouse and Mr. Charles Backhouse, of Darlington, were appointed trustees with the sanction of the Court.
On the Question as to whether the members of the Society who are 65 years of age and upwards are entitled to receive their annuities without deduction, the learned judge decided that such allowances are liable to deductions.

31st May 1904 (London Gazette)

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1900, and in the Matter of the

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY Limited.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, duly convened, and held at 1, St. Nicholas-buildings, in the city and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 21st day of June, 1902, the following Special Resolutions were passed: —
1. That the Green Hurth Lead Mining Company Limited be wound up.
2. That Mr. A. T. Winship be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Company.
And at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company, also duly convened, and held at the same place on the 5th day of July, 1902, the said Special Resolutions were duly con firmed.
J. C. SWAN, Chairman.

4th June 1904 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Allendale, The Bank, 29th ult., aged 77, Joseph Peart.
Born at Lanehead, Weardale one of his sons Rev John Peart, vicar of Netherwitton died very suddenly in 1891. Mr Peart had resided in Allendale since 1890. In 1871, at Rush, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Peart, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Eleanor 45, children Elizabeth 29, Emerson, lead miner, aged 18, John 12, Margaret 8, and boarder John Humble, lead miner, aged 25.
In 1881, at Ellison Street West, Joseph Peart, weigh man, aged 54, his wife Eleanor 56, children Isabella, school teacher, aged 30, Emerson, school teacher, aged 28, John, theology student, aged 22, Margaret, school teacher, aged 18, and general servant Elizabeth Emerson aged 24. In 1891, at Wesleyan Terrace, Allendale, Joseph Peart, retired clerk, aged 64, his wife Eleanor 66, children Elizabeth, teacher, aged 42, Emerson, teacher, aged 38, and daughter Margaret Gray, married, aged 28. In 1901, at Allendale Town, Joseph Peart, caretaker at Savings Bank, aged 74, and his wife Ellen 76. See 29th June 1908

18th June 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr John Adamson, mining engineer, Rookhope died on Sunday morning (12th inst.) after a brief illness in his 65th year.

In 1851, at Boltsburn, Thomas Adamson, iron miner, aged 41, his wife Barbara aged 35, children John, lead ore washer, aged 12, Elizabeth Ann 9, Ambrose 6, and Jane 1.
In 1861, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, John Adamson, iron miner, aged 22, his wife Mary aged 23, and daughter Isabella 9 months.
In1871, at Pasture House, John Adamson, lead miner, and occupier of 16 acres of land, aged 32, his wife Mary aged 33, children Isabella 10, Elizabeth A 6, Barbara A 3, and Mary J. 1.
In 1881, at Pasture House, John Adamson, iron stone miner, & farmer of 16 acres, aged 42, his wife Mary 43, children Elizabeth 16, Barbra Ann 13, Mary Jane 11, John J. 9, Ambrose 7, Margaret 5, and Frances 1.
In 1891, at Lintzgarth Common, John Adamson, mining agent & farmer, aged 52, his wife Mary 53, children Mary J. 21, Ambrose, shepherd, aged 17, Margaret 15, Francis 11, and grandson Thomas Stokoe 2.
In 1901, at Lintz Garth House, John Adamson, lead mine agent, aged 62, his wife Mary 63, children Mary J., mothers help domestic, aged 31, Ambrose, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret, mothers help domestic, aged 25, Frank, lead mine, mill wright, aged 21, and grandson Walton 2 years. In 1911, at Lintzgarth, Francis Adamson, millwright, aged 31, his sister Isabella aged 50, and nephew Walton Adamson aged 12 (died 1978, Rookhope).

IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN ADAMSON
LINTZ GARTH HOUSE
ROOKHOPE
WHO DIED JUNE 12TH 1904
AGED 65 YEARS
ALSO MARY, HIS WIFE
WHO DIED APRIL 25TH 1904
AGED 66 YEARS

REST IN PEACE

ALSO
ISABELLA ADAMSON
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
DIED OCT 12TH, 1914
AGED 54 YEARS

30th June 1904 (The Times)

RE LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN'S FUND SOCIETY.

Pursuant to a judgement dated 9th May 1904, of the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, made in the matter of the trusts of the trust funds of the Lead Company's Workmen's Fund Society, and in the action Lowes and another against the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal and others 1904, L. No. 429, whereby the Court declared that the affairs of the Society ought as from the 1st May 1904, to be wound up and that the rights of all parties beneficially interested in the trust funds of the said society ought to be ascertained, and such funds distributed by and under the direction of the Court and whereby it was ordered that a scheme for the division of the said trusts among the parties beneficially interested therein be settled by the Judge and pursuant to an order dated 11th June 1904, whereby the Judge dispensed with service of notice of the said Judgement upon the members of the said society who were not parties to the action, and instead thereof ordered that advertisements be published once in the London Gazette, once in The Times, and twice each in Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper, the Penrith Observer, the Teesdale Mercury, the Darlington and Stockton Times, and the North Star (published at Darlington), giving notice of the said Judgement and of the proposed scheme for the division of the trust moneys and of the date when the same would be settled, and that a copy of the said Judgement and of the proposed scheme be sent by post, prepaid to all such members whose addresses were known to the plaintiff's Solicitors. Notice is hereby given that the Judge has directed that the SCHEME of DISTRIBUTION of the SOCIETY'S FUNDS shall be settled upon the principle of return to the Members of the Society as existing on the 1st May 1904 of their contributions, including fines of admission, but irrespective of fines or payments in respect of sick pay or weekly allowances or other benefits and without interest. And notice is hereby also given, that the scheme for the division of the trust funds among the parties beneficially interested therein will be settled in accordance with such direction, and that Wednesday the 27th day of July, at 2 of the clock in the afternoon at the Chambers of Mr Justice Buckley and Mr Justice Warrington at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, is appointed for the settlement of the said scheme.

Richd. White master

Ridsdale & Son 5 Grays Inn Square, London. Agents for W. J. & H. C. Watson, Barnard Castle, Durham, Plaintiff's Solicitors.

5th July 1904 (London Gazette)

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1900, and in the Matter of the GREEN HURTH LEAD MINING COMPANY Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company, will be held at 1, St. Nicholas-buildings, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Tuesday, the 9th day of August, 1904, at 12 noon precisely, to receive the Liquidator’s report showing how the winding up of the Company has been conducted and its property disposed of; to hear any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and to pass a resolution as to the disposal of the books, accounts, and other documents of the Company.—Dated this 2nd day of July, 1904.

A. T. WINSHIP, Liquidator.

23 July 1904 (Hexham Courant)

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT NENTHEAD
£12,500 OF MACHINERY DESTROYED.

On Monday evening, about Nine o'clock a fire, in comparative small bounds, but destroying or wrecking machinery of the value of £12,500 in half an hour occurred on the works of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, at Nenthead, near Alston. One of the dressing floors or houses known as the Rampgill floor situated in the centre of the village, is built of wood with zinc roof, and the machinery inside, the most modern which can be procured for dressing the bouse, blende and barytes consists of engines, crushing mills etc. There is a great deal of woodwork about the machinery, which is more or less saturated with oil, and the cause of the fire is attributed either to the explosion of a lamp, or to oil dripping from it which somehow became ignited. In a few minutes before any effort could be made to cope with the fire, the whole building was ablaze, the machinery wrecked or spoiled owing to the expansive power of the heat, the woodwork reduced to ashes and the zinc roof and glass melted. Mr Rondevelt and Mr Wolfe, the managers were quickly on the scene, as were all the inhabitants of the village, without however, any person being able to check the flames so inflammable was the material, and so quickly did the fire spread. The Company have another dressing room at Wellgill near Nenthead and another at the Brownley Hill mines. Whether the destruction of the Rampgill floor will interfere with the employees does not transpire. The machinery, it is stated is not insured.

9th September 1904 (Sunderland Daily Echo & Shipping Gazette)

DISSOLUTION OF A MINERS
SOCIETY.

Yesterday Barnard Castle was invaded by Teesdale lead-miners, and the scene will be repeated to-day. The occasion was the distribution of the Lead-miners' Fund, the total value of which amounts to £27,643 0s 6d. The history of the fund is interesting. In 1700 or thereabouts the London Lead Company was established by royal charter, and it at one time carried on extensive mining and smelting operations in Teesdale. In 1817 a society was formed for the benefit of the miners, and was named the Lead Company's Workmen's Fund' Society. The company made considerable contributions to the fund during the earlier stages of its existence. It was managed by a general committee, and the rules provided that members attaining the age of 65 were entitled to a pension of 6s a week. This was a first charge on the society, and of late the younger men have taken exception to this. This matter was taken into the Chancery Court, and a claim was made to have the society dissolved and the affair wound up. On May 9th last Mr Justice Warrington gave judgment in the case. He said the evidence was plain that if the society was allowed to go on making the payments it had hitherto made the young members of the society would got nothing. The Court, in his opinion, therefore ought to interfere, and see; that an equitable distribution of the fund was made. His lordship accordingly made an order for the dissolution of the society, and referred the matter to chambers to settle a scheme for payment to each member. That scheme has been completed, and the money is now being paid to the members in alphabetical order. Each member receives a cheque for his amount due. Such cheque, payable, of course, at sight, is drawn upon Messrs Barclay, Bevan, and Co.

10th September 1904 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

DEATH OF A CUMBERLAND MINING ENGINEER

By the death of Captain Francis of Keswick, a well-known figure was on Friday. suddenly called to join the “majority,” and those who were accustomed to see his sturdy figure and receive his genial greeting in the neighbourhood of High Hill will sadly miss him, for “the place that once knew him shall know him no more.” The deceased came into Cumberland from Shropshire more than half a century ago, and from that time, as the subjoined sketch by one who knew him well shows he has up to his death been closely identified with Cumberland lead mining ever since, and we have heard him tell how in the good old days the sum of £70,000 was yielded in a comparatively short time from Goldscope, an old working at the head of the vale of Newlands.

Although verging on ninety years (he would have reached 90 in March), his robust physique led strangers to take him for a much younger man, whilst that impression was strengthened by natural buoyancy of spirit, and the cheery optimism which was so characteristic. A week yesterday he was apparently in his usual health, but in the afternoon he was suddenly seized with apoplexy, and in a couple of hours his spirit quietly passed away.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, his remains being followed to his grave in St. John's Churchyard by a large gathering of mourning relatives, friends, and fellow towns people. Being a Wesleyan in religious conviction, the burial service was conducted by the Rev. W. R. Davidson, the resident Wesleyan minister. The first part of an impressive service was in the Wesleyan Church in Southey-Street. where the body was conveyed. Mr. Waugh, organist of a Liverpool church played “I know' that my Redeemer liveth” as the coffin was conveyed into the Church, and on leaving, the Dead March in “Saul.” The remainder of the brief service took place at the side of the grave, on which between 20 and 30 beautiful wreaths bore testimony to the affection and esteem in which the old gentleman was held.

The following appreciative sketch has been kindly supplied to us by Mr. Anthony Wilson, than whom none knew Captain Francis better.

The death of Captain Francis removes from our midst a landmark in the history of the industry with which he was connected. Bom in 1815. the year of Waterloo he had seen lead and zinc mining in its most successful period and in its time of deepest depression. Capt. Francis often told how his favourite game as a lad was the sinking of miniature shafts and the driving of minute tunnels in some convenient pile of mud, and all his life a ____ was to him an object of supreme interest. He left home about 1830 to make a tour of the lead mines in the country, and spent some years visiting what were at that time famous centres of industry. Unhappily most of these mines are now abandoned and the memory of the good old days is all that remains. Of all the many mines in Shropshire in which he worked but one remains, and in our own district the industry has nearly died a natural death. There are now five lead mines in Cumberland producing say 1000 tons of lead per month worth about £7000. In 1874 there were 24 mines producing over 2000 tons worth £30,000. The average price of lead ore in 1874 was about £15 per ton as against a present value of £7. It will thus be seen that those engaged in lead mining have been faced with extraordinary difficulty, and unfortunately all but the best mines have been abandoned, and out of 294 mines at work in 1874 but 61 survive, and many of these are probably

on the point of bankruptcy. In 1874 the value of lead produced in the kingdom was about £1,150,000, in 1902 it was £224,000.
Captain Francis knew mere about the mines of Cumberland than any other man, and he carries to his grave information that can never he regained. At different times he managed or was connected with all the well-known mines of this district. He was manager for years at Roughtengill. and Goldscope, and it is a constant cause of wonder to his friends that at the age of 80 he had the energy and pluck to take over the underground work at Thornthwaite mines. In 1901 he retired from the management at the urgent request of his family, but until his death he acted as the consulting agent and he was down at the mine only a week before his death.
Those who knew him realised his sterling worth, and his merry laugh will long echo in the onto ears his acquaintances.

William Francis of Caldbeck, married Miss Elizabeth Ann Strong, of Scotch Street, at St Mary's Church, Carlisle, on 14th August 1853.

In 1861, at Fellside, Caldbeck, William Francis, lead & copper mining agent, aged 42, born Bucknell, Radnorshire, his wife Elizabeth A 31, born Sebergham, Cumberland, children, Sarah 13, born Flintshire, John 11, born Keswick, Martha 5, born Caldbeck, William 2, born Caldbeck, and Samuel 6 months.

In 1871, at Rattenrow, Caldbeck, William Francis, lead & coal mine agent, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth A aged 40, children, John, lead miner, aged 21, Martha 15, Mary A. 14, William A 12, Lizzie 8, Adelaide 6, Georgina 4, and Richard H. aged 2.

In 1881, at Thwaite Hill, Thornthwaite, nr Keswick, William Francis, lead mining agent, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 49, Children, Adelaide 16, Georgina 14, R. Henry 12, Kate 9, and son William A Francis, lead miner, aged 22.

In 1891, at Mold, Flintshire, Wales, William Francis, manager of lead mines, aged 66, his wife Elizabeth Annie 58. and daughter I. Kate, dressmaker, aged 19.

Probable death of Elizabeth Francis 1st qtr 1898 registered at Cockermouth.

In 1901, at 2 Ash Lea Terrace, Keswick, William Francis, widower, mining engineer, aged 82, born Bucknell, Shropshire, and daughter Isabella Kate, lady's maid, aged 28, born Caldbeck.

24th September 1904 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

On Monday afternoon, an accident befell a youth named Teasdale of Nentsbury who was employed carting "Black Jack" from the Nenthead mines to Alston. He was in the act of putting on the brake, which is at the back of the cart, as he was at the Townhead when a spring at the front of the cart gave way and the cart body fell back hurting the ankle of the youth.

1st October 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY.

The report of this Company for the year ending June 30, states that 2,314 tons of ore were raised and 2,306 tons dressed and smelted producing 1,810 tons of pig lead. £3,435 had been expended during the year on improvements etc., (including cost of Boltsburn Mill) and £2,846 on exploration and development. The amount brought forward from last year was £3,169, and including the profit

of £341 for the present year there is £3,511 to carry forward. The unsatisfactory feature of the year's working is the falling off in production, which shows a decrease of 261 tons of pig lead compared with the previous year.

8th October 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

In moving the adoption of the report, the chairman said that they would see from the report that they had not had a satisfactory year. During that time they had only produced 1819 tons of pig lead showing a decrease of 261 tons as compared with last year. The price of lead had fallen less during the year, which had materially affected their profit, and the royalties had decreased owing to the decrease in production, whilst rates and taxes were £100 up. Their new mill at Boltsburn was working well, and that mill gave them great advantage. During the last two months they had been getting into a better source of ore, but the question of water at Boltsburn had been a great trouble. However as soon as they got the water, they would be able to take the broken ore out of the mine. They were driving now in better ground. The profit for the present year was £341 17s 3d.

Deaths

Alston, Church View, 2nd inst. aged 70, Mary widow of Hugh Pattinson.

See 23rd December 1899

18th October 1904 (Shields Daily Gazette)

£600 FOR THE LOSS OF AN ARM

IMPORTANT COMPENSATION CASE

At the Barnard Castle County Court yesterday, before Judge Templer, the London Lead Company, recently carrying on mining operations in Teesdale and Weardale, applied to the Court for permission to redeem the payment of 10s 5d weekly to John Stephen Watson, of Mill, Newbiggin, lead miner. The workman was injured in December 1898, and lost an arm, and since that time he had received 10s 5d a week compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act. The company now desired to commute the payments.

Mr J. I. Dawson, who appeared for the applicants, submitted that for £400 an annuity could be bought, and the applicants were prepared to do this.

The respondent claimed a capital sum of £756, and on his behalf Mr H. G. Taylor said. We multiply the weekly payment by the expectancy of life, and I ask your Honour to follow the same principle which was followed and affirmed by a strong Court of Appeal in the case of Pattinson v. Stephenson.

His Honour: After all, it is a matter of some doubt, because the man might live less and he might live more.

Mr Taylor: He has never been able to do any work since, and he will never be able to do any work again. The arm does not grow even in this salubrious neighbourhood. (Laughter.)

His Honour: I think it will be necessary for you to prove that the sum you claim is the actuarial value for life.

Mr Dawson: I am willing to buy an annuity for him.

Mr T. M. Barron, solicitor to the respondent, said the respondent was 39 last birthday. The actuarial expectancy for life variously estimated at 26, and the highest at 28.

His Honour: I must always deal with these things as I find them. I think myself it ought to be more than the sum named for an annuity. If you are willing to accept £600 I will give it you. £600 and costs, that is my order. He can then make sure of money.
Mr Dawson asked leave to appeal against the principle involved in this decision.
His Honour: You have a right to do that. You have 21 days.
Judgment was entered accordingly.
Jacob Watson married Phillis Milbourn 1st quarter 1862, registered at Teesdale.
In 1871, at Newbiggin, Middleton, Jacob Watson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Phillis 35, children, Hannah 9, and John 5.
In 1881, at Mill Newbiggin, Middleton, Jacob Watson, Drainer, aged 46, his wife Phillis 44, and son John, labourer, aged 15.
Phillis Watson died 7th September, and was buried 10th September 1881, aged 45, at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton
In 1891, at Mill Newbiggin, Middleton, Jacob Watson, widower, aged 55, son John, lead miner, aged 25, and servant, Mary Dixon, general servant, aged 36.
John Watson married Elizabeth Watson, 4th quarter 1894, registered at Teesdale.
In 1901, at The Mill, Newbiggin, Jacob Watson, farmer, aged 66, his son John aged 35, and daughter in law, Elizabeth aged 32.
Jacob Watson died 3rd July 1901, aged 66, and was buried at St Mary the Virgin, Middleton.
In 1911, at The Mill, Newbiggin, John Stephenson Watson, small farmer, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth 42, and brother in law Joseph Watson 40.
Possible death of John S Watson, 3rd quarter 1938, aged 72, registered at Durham South Western.

22nd October 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

At the ordinary meeting of the Weardale District Council a resolution was carried to build the new infectious diseases isolation hospital on the site known as Jolly Body site at the top of East Lane, adjoining the moor.
The remains of the late Mr J. V. Walton of Witton Le Wear were interred at that place on Saturday. … Deceased was an employer of labour for many long years in Weardale. In Bollihope and at Frosterley he was well and widely known. He was brother to Mr Joseph Walton MP.

5th November 1904 (Hexham Courant)
Deaths
At Portage la Prairie, Canada, 7th ult. aged 84, Nicholas Carr late of Hay Rake, Allendale, interred on Portage la Prairie, West End cemetery.

5th November 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The golden wedding of Mr & Mrs Thomas Kidd, who were married in Weardale in 1854 was celebrated on August 22nd at Allendale, Australia. The young couple emigrated in 1857. Many of their old shipmates were present at the reunion and an interesting feature was that Mr George Kidd of Ballarat who was best man at the marriage fifty years ago was present at the jubilee to cut the wedding cake.

19th November 1904 (Hexham Courant)

NORTHERN LEAD MINING

The blue book on the output of the mines and quarries, just issued, gives the detailed report of the production of lead in this district, the totals having been given from the proof sheets. In Durham eight mines have produced 2,681 tons of dressed lead ore last year, the value of the ore at the mines being £17,860. In Northumberland, two mines yielded 332 tons of lead ore valued at £2,000. Cumberland returns 869 tons of lead ore from four mines, all but one in the Alston district. The yield of all three counties is less than that of the previous year.

26th November 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Thomas Forster, lead miner and farmer, Middlehope, near Westgate, was killed by a fall of stone on Friday in one of the Rookhope lead mines while following his daily avocation. He was interred at Westgate church on Monday and leaves a widow and a large family.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr Bain
18th November 1904, Wolfcleugh, Durham, Weardale Lead Co. Ltd.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF THOMAS FOSTER, AGED 28.

Fall of stone from the side. The stone should have been taken down.
Thomas Forster married Susanna Oliver, baptised 12th November 1792, daughter of George and Ann Oliver

Emerson Forster baptised 1st September 1822, son of Thomas and Susannah Forster.
In 1841, at Rispie, Stanhope, Thomas Forster, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Susan aged 45, children, George, lead miner, aged 20, Emerson, lead miner, aged 15, John, lead miner, aged 15, Ann 14, Thomas 12, Oliver 10, and Ann Oliver, aged 70.
In 1851, at Wolfcleugh, Stanhope, Thomas Forster, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Susanna 58, children, Emerson, lead miner, aged 29, John, lead miner, aged 26, Ann 24, Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Oliver, lead miner, aged 20, mother in law, Ann Oliver, widow, aged 80, and niece, Elizabeth Dickinson, aged 15.
Thomas Forster died 4th quarter 1852, registered at Weardale
In 1861, at Boltsburn, Stanhope, John Forster, widower, aged 36, his mother Susan Forster, widow, aged 68, and niece, Susan Forster 13.
Susan Forster was buried at Rookhope, 30th May 1864, aged 71.

Emerson Forster married Jane Dixon 2nd quarter 1854, registered at Weardale.
Emerson Forster was buried at Rookhope 19th September 1860, aged 38.
In 1861, at Rookhope, Jane Forster, widow, farmer of 4 acres, aged 34, children, Thomas Dixon, 4, and James Emerson, 2.
In 1871, at Wolfcleugh, Rookhope, Jane Forster, widow, farming 4 acres, aged 43, children Thomas Dixon, lead ore washer, aged 14, James E, ironstone breaker, aged 12, and daughter, Mary J E., aged 5.

Thomas Dixon Forster married Isabella Forster, 23rd June 1877, at Rookhope, Isabella was buried at Rookhope 16th August 1879, aged 29.
In 1881, at Wolf Cleugh, Rookhope, Jane Forster, widow, aged 56, children, Thomas D, widower, lead miner, aged 24, James E, lead smelter, aged 22, and Mary Jane 15.
Jane Forster was buried at Rookhope, 12th April 1882, aged 55.

Thomas Robinson, married Jane Philipson, 6th April 1850, at St Peter's, Allenheads.
In 1851, at Stanhope, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 26, born, Edmundbyers, his wife Jane 24, born, Allendale, and daughter Elizabeth 11 months, born Allendale.
In 1861, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Thomas Robinson, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Jane, 36, children, Matthew 8, Thompson 10, Jane E 4, and lodger Nicholas Philipson, iron miner, aged 57, born Northumberland.
In 1871, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, Thomas Robinson, Iron miner, aged 51, his wife Jane 46, children, Matthew, iron miner, aged 18, Thompson, iron mine labourer, aged 15, Martha 11, Leah 8, Thomas 5, and Caroline 2.
In 1881, at Stotsfield Burn, Rookhope, Thomas Robinson, farmer of 14 acres, aged 59, his wife Jane aged 56, children, Jane E, aged 24, son, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 13, daughter, Caroline aged 13, and granddaughter Mary J aged 1.
Thomas Robinson was buried at Rookhope, 26th January 1883, aged 61.
Jane Robinson was living with her son Thomas and his family in 1901, at Middridge, Dhildon, Jane Robinson died, 4th quarter 1906, aged 82, at Weardale.

Thomas Dixon Forster, married Jane Elizabeth Robinson, 4th quarter 1885, at Weardale.
In 1891, at Pasture House, Westgate, Stanhope, Thomas D. Forster, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Jane E., aged 33, children Mary J 11, Edith E 4, Thomas 2, Robinson 1, and mother in law, Jane Robinson, widow, aged 66.
In 1901, at Middlehope, Thomas D Forster, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Jane E. 44, children Mary J. 21, Edith E. 14, Thomas 12, Robinson 11, Cecilia 8, Sarah E 6, and Annie L. 5 years.
Probate 1905: Thomas Dixon Forster of Middslehope Farm, Westgate, Weardale county Durham died 18th November 1904 Administration Durham 16 March to Jane Elizabeth Forster widow. Effects £60.
In 1911, at New Shildon, Jane Elizebeth Forster, widow, aged 54, children Thomas, coal miner, hewer, aged 22, Robinson, coal miner, onsetter, aged 21, and Sarah Elizebeth, domestic servant, aged 16.
Jane E Forster died 3rd quarter 1912, registered, at Auckland, Durham.

3rd December 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

It is the custom of the Weardale Guardians to send all the boys from the workhouse they can to the Navy, but as the cost of maintenance on the ships is 7s 6d per week, and the cost of maintenance in the workhouse is only 4s 6d it was proposed that the Local Government Board be asked to defray the additional cost. A boy was sent recently and another is now ready.

10th December 1904 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Intelligence has just reached Weardale that Mr George Morley, who left Eastgate, Weardale in the spring of this year for Canada has recently had his farm burned down by a prairie fire. Mr Thomas Stephenson who is also from Weardale had a large haystack destroyed by the same fire.

14th January 1905 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Garrigill Post Office, 8th inst. James son of Ann and the late James Vipond.

In 1891, at Garrigill, James Vipond, draper & grocer, aged 59, his wife Ann 50, children Minnie S. 20, Lilian 18, Clara M. 11, and Hilda E. 9. James junior was at Hesley Well Row, West Allendale, listed as an insurance superintendent, aged 26.

In 1901, at Garrigill, Ann Vipond, widow, living on own means, aged 69, children James, grocer & sub postmaster, aged 35, Isabel 27, and Clara M. 21.

See 5th March 1831 and 29th June 1860

Stanhope 10th inst. suddenly aged 81, Margaret widow of Charles Arnison, surgeon.

St Thomas' Churchyard, Stanhope

Dryburn near Alston, 6th inst. John Vipond.

In 1901, at Cow Byre Farm, Blanchland, John Vipond, farmer, aged 58, born Dryburn, his wife Mary 59, born Rotherhope, children Thomas 28, John Jos. 26, Frances B. 24, Isaac 20, Mary A. 17, and Octavious W. 8.

21st January 1905 (Hexham Courant)

TEESDALE LEAD INDUSTRY

DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROVIDENT FUND

The closing of the London Lead mines in Teasdale necessitated the dissolution of the provident fund established in 1817 in connection with the works. The

Company on its dissolution applied to court for an order as to what should be done with the money accumulated. An order was accordingly made that each living member of the Society should receive the amount he paid in. This has now been done. In September a sum of about £23,000 was disbursed amongst the odd 4300 members. This left a sum, after taxed costs of the suit, bankers charges, medical officers fees etc. had been paid, Messrs Barclay and Co, giving every facilities for the payment in cash of a large portion at Middleton-in-Teesdale and for the payment of the balance at Barnard Castle on Friday. The Teesdale lead industry is now almost a thing of the past.

4th February 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Both Weardale and Allendale are suffering from an epidemic of influenza few houses escaping. The death of Miss A. Bell of Rookhope took place very suddenly last week. Deceased who was to have been married shortly was a victim to influenza followed by pneumonia.

4th March 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

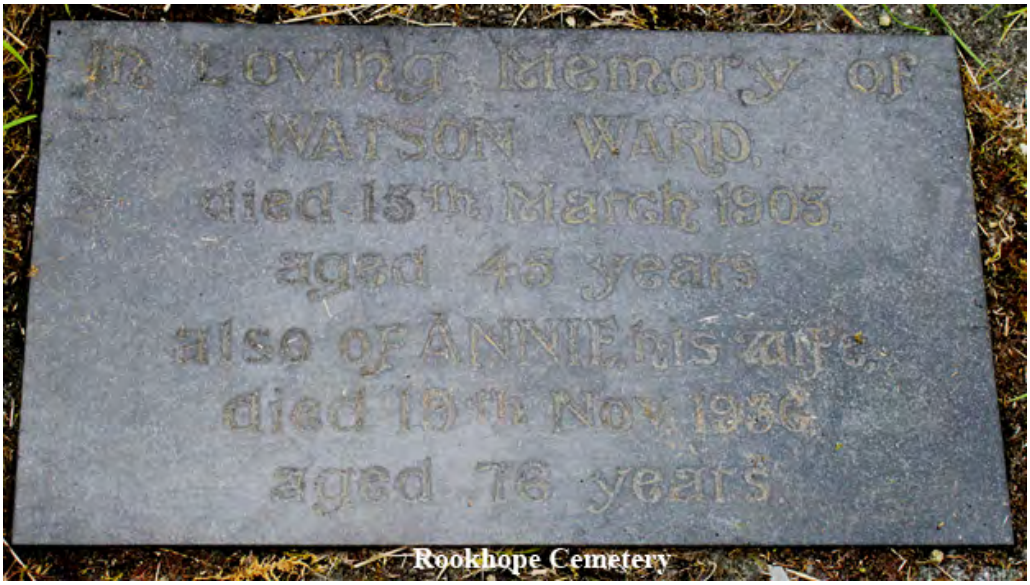
At the Stanhope Whinstone Quarries, the setters have all received notice on account of slack trade and large stock on hand.
Another batch of Stanhope emigrants is about to set out for Canada this spring. They sail on 4th May. An Eastgate family that of Mr John Philipson, grocer, is leaving for New Zealand also in the spring.
16 people from Stanhope and 1 from Frosterley left for Canada

25th March 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A fatal accident occurred at the Rookhope Lead mines on Wednesday, 15th inst., whereby a workman named Watson Ward lost his life through a cage accident. He leaves a widow and four children. The funeral on Sunday was a very large one. The widow this week received £10 from the proprietors of the "Auckland Chronicle," he being a reader, and having his name in their assurance book.
In 1871, at Hylton Terrace, Bolts Burn, Joseph Ward, lead smelter, aged 43, his wife Mary A., aged 41, children Elizabeth 14, Watson 11, William 7, Sarah E aged 4.
In 1881, at Bolts Burn Rookhope, Joseph Ward, lead ore smelter, aged 53, his wife Mary A. 51, sons Watson, lead ore smelter, aged 21, and William, lead ore smelter, aged 17. In 1891, at Boltsburn, Joseph Ward, married, lead ore smelter, aged 63; also William Ward, lead ore smelter, aged 27, and his wife Emily 27.
Joseph Ward died 4th quarter 1899, aged 71.

In 1891, at Bolts Burn, Watson Ward, lead smelter, aged 31, his wife Annie (Bell, married 1st quarter of 1888) aged 30, and son Joseph E. 10 months.
In 1901, at Bolts Burn, Watson Ward, lead smelter, aged 41, his wife Annie aged 40, son Joseph Edward 10, daughters Ellen Annie 8, and Sarah Emma aged 5. In 1911, at Rookhope, Annie Ward, widow, aged 50, children Joseph Edward, lead ore dresser, aged 20, Ellen Annie, dairy maid, aged 18, Sarah Emma 15, and Robert William 6.



15th April 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

There is a big demand for Spar in Weardale just now, and old mines are being opened foe what was once tipped over the rubbish heaps as useless.

22nd April 1905 (Hexham Herald)

GEOLOGICAL DISCOVERY IN NORTH WESTMORLAND

A discovery of great value to geological science has been made at Scardale mines, near Appleby by Mr William Herdman F.G.S., resident manager at the mines. The discovery consists of an entirely new fossil flora from the strata of the Palaeozoic Age, and a fossil mammal of gigantic proportions. Mr Herdman belongs to Weardale and was lead mine agent for over eight years to the London Lead Company at Middleton in Teesdale.

13th May 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Spar industry is booming in Weardale and several firms and individual persons are leasing old disused mines in quest of it to send abroad. It is creating a new industry in the dale and funding employment for many.

13th May 1905 (Hexham Courant)

ACOMB

FATALITY AT FALLOWFIELD MINES.

On Wednesday a young man, 19 years of age named George William Cowing living at Acomb whilst following his employment at the Fallowfield lead mines met with a fatal accident. It appears he went down to work at what is known as the “cross cut” about half way down the shaft. On alighting from the cage he signalled it away. Then it is supposed he was in the act of putting a tub on the lines, which had been laid off to the side in disuse, and lifting rather too strongly had overbalanced himself and fallen backwards down the shaft a distance of some seventeen fathoms. When taken up he was quite dead, his head in particular being severely bruised. The sad affair has cast quite a

gloom over the village and district, for he was well known and respected and as he was the main support of his grandmother, the sad event is made additionally painful.
The accident occurred on the 10th May, the Coroner believed after hearing the evidence that he had fallen down the shaft because the entrance to the level was not protected. "It would be a proper recommendation to the management to have the openings properly protected" and he agreed with the suggestion by H.M. Inspector of Mines Mr Atkinson that the protection should be gates not chains.
George was the son of Jane Ann Luke, he was interred at St John Lee.
In 1901, at Acomb, Mary Cowing, widow, aged 59, daughters Mary 29, Margaret, laundress, aged 19, grandson George Cowing, lead & barytes dresser, aged 15, granddaughter A Maud Cowing 7, visitor Jane Ann Luke, aged 33, John Luke 4, and Esther Luke 3.

27th May 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Joseph Craggs and wife two Stanhope people are just now on a visit from South Africa where they emigrated some 20 years ago and where they have done well.

24th June 1905 (West Cumberland Times)

THRELKELD LEAD MINES IN THE MARKET.

Another phase in the history of the Threlkeld Lead Mines was passed on Wednesday, when the whole of the mining plant, machinery, customary land, and buildings were brought under the hammer by Messrs R. Mombeson and Son, auctioneers, Keswick. The mines have not been worked for about two years. The sale took place on the premises, in the presence of a large company. The whole property was first submitted in one lot, and was bid from £200 to £680, with competition between Mr Croasdale (Workington) and another. Eventually the property was disposed of in lots.
Lots 1 and 2, 14 acres 16 perches of land were sold at £140, to Mr W. T. Crosse, Scalebeck. Lot 3. a portion of the Threlkeld Hall big meadow, containing 3a. 2r. 36p., was purchased for £41 by Mr J. W. Pattinson Whitehaven, competition being between that gentleman and Messrs Jno. Young (Keswick) and Reed (Tynemouth). The machinery, sold piecemeal, went for good prices. The property in lots realised together considerably more than was offered tor it when submitted in its entirety. Mr H. H. McKerrell Brown, Edinburgh, was the vendor's solicitor.

15th July 1905 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Nenthead School House 1st inst. aged 81, Jane Widow of James Atkinson.
See 9th February 1884, 4th November 1893, & 15th December 1894

19th August 1905 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Australia, Queensland, Townsville, June 24th George Murray of Alston to Virginia Reggi of Newcastle.

19th August 1905 (Wigton Advertiser)

MINING DEVELOPMENT IN THE WIGTON UNION.

We understand that in addition to the Brandlingill Lead Mine, on Caldbeck Fells, which was opened out some twelve months ago, and has been worked since for some of the minerals it possesses, the Driggeth Mine, in the same district, is also about to be re-opened and worked. The roads are being put into order, and machinery has been bought. Prospecting has also been going on at Red Gill, above Fellside. Driggeth Mine, which was first opened about the year 1790, is said to have at one time "produced 50 per cent. in lead and 60 ounces of silver to the ton of lead." It was again reopened in 1810, about 500 bings of ore being raised yearly. Eventually it proved a losing concern, and has been closed for over fifty years.

2nd September 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Wm. Lowery of Guard House, Rookhope died on the 21st ult. in his 77th year and was interred in Rookhope Churchyard on Thursday 24th. The deceased was born at Slaley, Hexhamshire and before coming to Rookhope about 30 years ago as a cartman, for Mr Matthew Simpson was for a number of years carting in Allendale to and from the Lead Smelting Mills of Mr Beaumont. He frequently spoke of the long and often very exposed journeys on the road from Rookhope to Weardale thence to Allendale Smelt Mill and back. He leaves six sons, four daughters, thirty grandchildren and two great grandchildren. His wife pre-deceased him 26 years ago.

9th September 1905 (West Cumberland Times)

LEAD MINES

There are now indications of activity at the Gate Gill Lead Mines, Threlkeld, which have been idle for about three years. A powerful pump has been recently installed, and pumping operations were resumed on Wednesday. According to calculations it will take three weeks to lower the flood of the shaft and connective workings

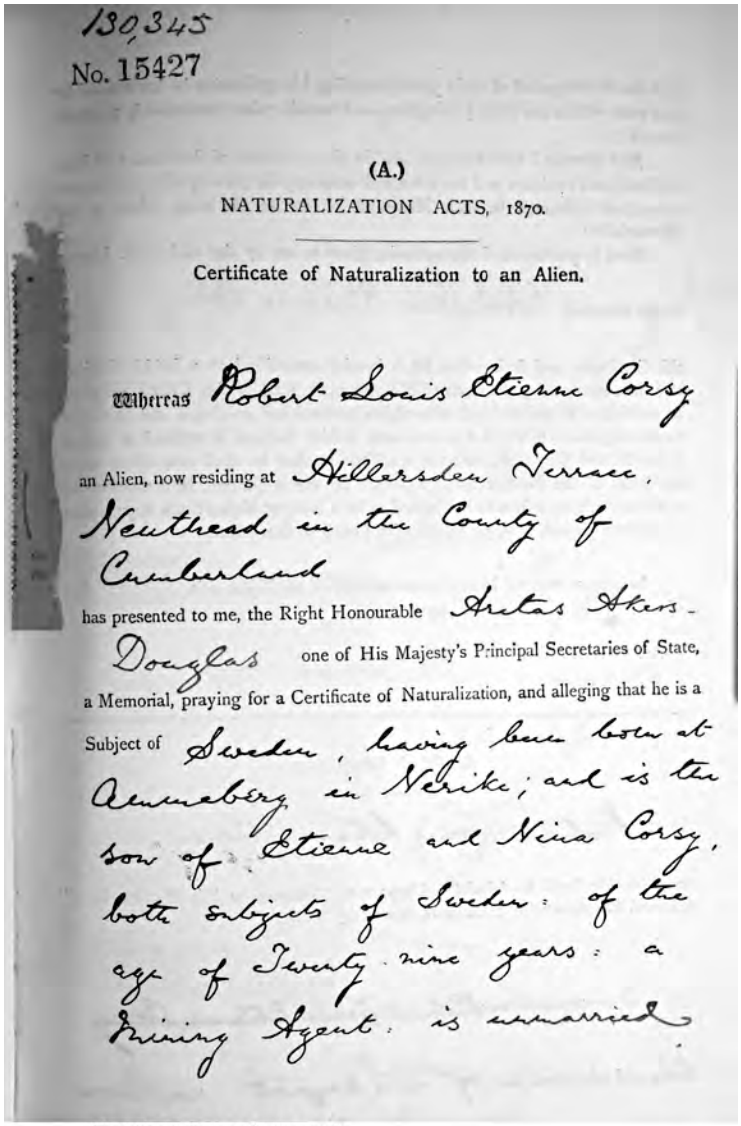
30th September 1905 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Sweden, 20th inst. aged 29, Robert Louis Etienne Corsy of Nenthead.

The London Gazette of 1st September 1905, in a "List of Aliens, to whom Certificates of Naturalisation, or Readmission, to British Nationality have been granted by the Secretary of State, and whose Oaths Of Allegiance have been registered in the Home Office during the Month of August 1905."

Robert Louis Etienne Corsy, Country of birth Sweden, Place of Residence, Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Cumberland.



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NATURALIZATION ACTS, 1870.

Certificate of Naturalization to an Alien.

Wherras Robert Louis Etienne Corsy an Alien, now residing at Hillersden Terrace, Newthead in the County of Cumberland has presented to me, the Right Honourable Aretas Akers-Douglas one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, a Memorial, praying for a Certificate of Naturalization, and alleging that he is a Subject of Sweden, having been born at Annaberg in Nerike; and is the son of Etienne and Nina Corsy, both subjects of Sweden: of the age of Twenty nine years: a Mining Agent: is unmarried

Source: Ancestry.co.uk

12th October 1905 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

AN ALSTON MANS DEATH AT GATESHEAD.

A correspondent writes:—The remains of the late Mr. Utrick Stout were to-day taken to Alston for interment. Deceased was a native; of Garrigill, and was educated in the village school, afterwards finding employment with the London Lead Mining Company during the prospers is times of 50 years ago. He was also intimately associated with the village reading-room; and was quite on authority on the geological strata of Alston Moor. Mr. Stout came to Gateshead about 20 years ago, and has since that time been employed by Messrs Snowball, Son and Co., Ltd., and was held in high esteem both by his employers and also by the employees of the firm. The deceased, who was 70 years of age, leaves a widow, one son, and two daughters to mourn his loss.

In 1851, at Gate, Garrigill, Wm Stout, lead miner, aged 56, his wife Mary (Todd married 24th May 1823, at Alston) aged 50, children John lead, miner, aged 26, Wm, miner, aged 18, and Utrick, miner, aged 15. In 1861, Mary is

listed as a widow (William was buried 22nd May 1859, at St. John, Garrigill), and proprietor of houses.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Utrick Stout, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah (Davidson, married 2nd qtr 1865, at Alston) aged 31, children, William 4, Mary A. 3, and Jane 2.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Mary Stout, lead miners widow, aged 81. Also at Garrigill Gate, Utrick Stout, lead miner & grocer, aged 45, his wife Hannah aged 41, son William aged 12 and daughter Jane aged 12.
In 1891, at 71 & 73 Union Lane, Gateshead, Utrick Stout, drapers porter, aged 55, his wife Hannah 51, children, William, Joiner, aged 24, Mary Ann 23, and Jane, milliner, aged 22.
In 1901, at 2 Woodbine St., Gateshead, Utrick Stout, Drapers porter, aged 65 his wife Hannah 61, children, William, Joiners Clerk, aged 33, Mary A, Draper, aged 32, and Jane, Draper aged 31.
In 1911, at 2 Woodbine St., Gateshead, Hannah Stout, widow, aged 71, children, William, Builder, aged 43, and Jane, milliner & fancy Draper aged 41.

14th October 1905 (Wigton Advertiser)

CALDBECK MINING OPERATION.

Progress has been made by the Caldbeck Mines Company in its preliminary operations, and this week another level is being opened out. This private syndicate, of which Mr. E. F. Goodall is managing director, has acquired, on a thirty years' lease, the mineral rights of Lord Leconfield over an area of close on 50 square miles, in Caldbeck and adjoining parishes, where from time to time lead mining has been pursued for some centuries back.
The Company's operations have up to the present been mainly confined to the Driggeth Mine. The fist level opened out, we are informed, promises results beyond expectations.
Exceptionally lodes of blende ore (used in the making of zinc) have been struck .Lead ore also exists in, it is expected, paying quantities, and a little copper. Redgill Mine has also been opened out and "proved," and the workmen are now engaged on No. 13 Driggeth level. Machinery will shortly be erected.
Satisfactory progress has also been made by the Carrock Mines Company, limited (formed in July last year with a capital of £12,000, of which £9,000 was subscribed). Here wolfram (which is used for steel hardening purposes, and which only exists in this country at this place and in Cornwall) is obtained. At the Carrock Mina about one ten of wolfram is obtained from every 16 tons of quartz, and so far with the temporary machinery employed, about six tons of wolfram (which is worth about £80 per ton) has been prepared for market. Belter plant will be laid down.

14th October 1905 (Hexham Courant)

NENTHEAD VILLAGERS AND FOREIGN WORKMEN
ITALIANS CHARGED WITH RIOTING

The usually quiet village of Nenthead was the seen of a serious disturbance on Saturday night arising out of some foreign workmen employed at the mines molesting some of the villagers. A disturbance took place in 1903 between the villagers and some of the men then employed, and some received rather serious injuries. There seems to have been some little feeling existing ever since this class of men were brought to the place and matters have assumed a somewhat

serious aspect at times. A considerable number of these foreign workmen are now employed and they live in barracks in the village. The disturbance referred to took place on Saturday night between the hours of ten and eleven, and for a time took a serious turn. Anticipating further trouble police were drafted to the village on Sunday and Monday, and the men were brought to Alston where a special court was held. There were seven before the court, and were all Italians. Mr Rodewold and Mr Best, from the Mining Company office acted as interpreters. The charge was one of rioting. The men were informed of the charge, and one of the men stated he was not there at the time. The only evidence taken was that of a young man called Fairless, who stated that he was in the News Room about ten minutes past ten on Saturday night when a number of men rushed into the room some of them brandishing sticks, bottles and knives. A man Jager was there and attempted to quieten them. They all showed violence, and he himself was struck three times. Several others were injured. He saw no provocation, and everyone was frightened. There would be about 20 in all.
The Deputy Constable stated that the men had all been identified by one or more persons, and he asked for the prisoners to be remanded to Carlisle. This was granted. In the meantime the Italian Consul at Newcastle will be consulted by the men.

14th October 1905 (Hexham Herald)

RIOTS AT NENTHEAD

... Two years ago, when alien workmen were first introduced, there were similar disturbances, but matters got quietened down. However native workmen have never taken kindly to their alien competitors, and a strained situation burst last Saturday night, and has continued in a more or less riotous state since. On Saturday night some of the Italian workmen came out of a local public house, presumably under the influence of drink. Some villagers outside picked a quarrel with them, and the trouble developed into quite a riot. A proverbial reign of terror prevailed. During Sunday the Alston Constables sent for assistance, and detachments went out by motorcars from Carlisle, Penrith, and Brampton, under Chief Constable Parry, and Superintendent Graham Carlisle. ...
A batch of seven individuals, who are alleged to have taken a leading part in the fracas have been lodged in Carlisle gaol. They were arrested in the mines on Monday and conveyed to Alston, where they were formally remanded, pending the preparation of evidence against them. Excepting a few serious cuts and bruises, none of the unfortunate victims of the alarming onslaught appear to have sustained much injury.

21st October 1905 (Hexham Courant)

ITALIANS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

As the result of the serious riot, which occurred at Nenthead, eight young Italians employed at the Nenthead mines appeared before the Magistrates at Alston on Friday morning. One of the men Guilia Jaeger was arrested just at the commencement of Police court proceedings. The others, who had been under remand since Monday, were Battitsa Gimzatte, Francis Maroni, Germano Carzana, Humberto Burgener, Andrea Ruppen, Louis Burgener, and Josef Burgener. The charge was “that they did with divers other persons to the number of three and more unlawfully and riotously assemble to disturb the

public peace, and did make a great riot and disturbance to the terror and alarm of His Majesty's subjects, there being, and against the peace of our Sovereign Lord the King".
The prisoners were defended by Mr G A Lightfoot, Carlisle and an ice-cream vendor named Motroni, from Carlisle, acted as interpreter. The Italian Consul Mr Montaldi was present.
The Deputy Chief Constable, Supt Graham, Carlisle, in opening the case for the prosecution, said that the prisoners were in the employment of a Swiss Mining Company, who had a lease of the Lead and Zinc mines at Nenthead. The disturbance arose through no fault of the natives of the district. About ten o'clock on Saturday night a dozen or more Italians were standing near the Miner's Arms Inn Nenthead apparently sober, when one or two Italians without taking notice of them, passed them and went to the reading room. The prisoners followed, and on the natives coming out of the reading room attacked them with sticks and fists. After that the Italians went to the Board and attacked the Innkeeper, a gamekeeper and an old man named Liddle, all of whom they knocked down and assaulted. Then in the village they attacked every person they thought was an Englishman, keeping up this state of things till midnight. Extra police were drafted into the village after the riot, as the local constable could do nothing at the time but obtained the aid of one of the underground managers in prevailing upon the rioters to go back to home to the barracks in which they lived. Evidence was given by several witnesses, who stated that the Italians attacked and more or less injured them with feet, sticks, fists and bottles.
The case for the prosecution closed at 4 o'clock after a hearing of six hours. Mr Lightfoot the addressed the Bench urging that the case should be dealt with as a common assault.
The Bench committed all the prisoners for trial at the Cumberland Quarter Sessions, except Ruppen and Jaeger, who were discharged.
At the Cumberland Quarter Sessions on Tuesday, the case came up of the six Italian miners charged with committing a riot at Nenthead on October 7th. Mr Montaldi, Italian vice-consul at Newcastle, acted as interpreter. The jury by direction reduced the charge of riot to one of common assault. Four of them pleaded guilty to having committed a common assault and two not guilty. These two were acquitted. One of the four named Gimzatti was fined £2, and the others were ordered to come up for judgment when called upon.

28th October 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

The profit for the year ending June 30th is £1,747, making with the £3,511 brought forward a disposable balance of £5,258. The directors propose a dividend of 3d per share tax free, leaving £4,034 to carry forward. During the year £429 has been expended on machinery and charged to Capital, while £2,169 has been spent on exploration and development at the various mines and charged against Revenue.

4th November 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr Joseph Craggs and Mrs Craggs of Johannesburg who have been visiting Weardale for a few months left Stanhope this week for South Africa. Mr Craggs went there 16 years ago and under Kruger realised a fortune.

An old Upper Weardale standard has just passed away, Mr Featherstone Peart, Moss.

John Peart baptised 31st January 1789, at Stanhope, parents John and Mary Peart. John Peart married Jane Thompson 14th July 1821, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at Gold Hill, Stanhope, John Peart, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane 40, children, John, lead miner, aged 15, Thomas, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph, lead miner, aged 14, Mary 13, Isaac 10, Titus 8, Sarah 5, and Featherstone 2.
In 1851, at Gold Hill, Heathery Cleugh, John Peart, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Jane 50, John, lead miner, aged 28, Mary 22, Isaac, lead miner, aged 19, Titus, lead miner, aged 17, Sarah 15, Featherston, lead miner, aged 12, Robert 9, and nurse child, Ann Peart 1
John Peart died 1st quarter of 1861, at Weardale.
In 1861, at Gold Hill, Heathery Cleugh, Jane Peart, widow, aged 60, sons, Isaac, lead miner, aged 29, Titus, lead miner, aged 27, Featherstone, lead miner, aged 22, Robert, lead miner, aged 19, and boarder, Ann Peart 11.
In 1871, at Gold Hill, Heathery Cleugh, Jane Peart, widow, aged 70, sons, Isaac, lead miner, small farm, aged 39, Titus, lead miner, aged 37, and granddaughter, Ann Peart aged 21.
In 1881, at Lane Head, Heathery Cleugh, Jane Peart, widow, receiving parish relief, aged 82
Jane Peart died 1st quarter 1884, aged 82, at Weardale.
Featherston Peart married Mary Peart 3rd quarter 1861, at Weardale.
In 1871, at Moss, Stanhope, Featherstone Peart, lead miner, aged 32, his wife Mary 33, and sons, William 9, John 6, and Thomas 4.
In 1881, at Moss House, Stanhope, Featherstone Peart, lead miner, aged 42, his wife Mary 42, and sons, John, lead miner, aged 16, Thomas 14, and Henry aged 9.
In 1891, at Moss House, Stanhope, Featherstone Peart, lead miner & farmer, aged 52, his wife Mary 52, and son Henry, lead miner, aged 19.
In 1901, at Moss House, Stanhope, Featherstone Peart, lead miner, aged 62, his wife Mary 62, and granddaughters, Mary E Peart 15, and Clara Peart 12.

Probate 1905: Featherstone Peart of Moss House Cowshill Stanhope county Durham died 23rd October 1905 Administration Durham 23 November to John Peart and Henry Peart farmers and miners. Effects £298 13s 5d.
Mary Peart died 4th quarter 1905, aged 67, at Weardale.

2nd December 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The death of Mr Richard Bright of St John's Chapel on Saturday morning removes one who was well known throughout the dale as he was for many years landlord of the Kings Arms Inn at St John's Chapel. Prior to that he was landlord of the Cowshill Hotel, and at one time drove the old stagecoach and mail coach between Stanhope and Cowshill. He was a native of Allendale.

23rd December 1905 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Diphtheria is still rife among the children in Stanhope, principally school children.

A workman named Joseph Adamson while following his daily avocation at Rookhope on Monday, at the Bolts Burn Lead mine suddenly fell and in a few minutes expired.

Robert MacMillan married Elizabeth Snaith, 2nd quarter 1852, registered at Hexham.
In 1861, at Shaw House, Allendale, Robert Macmillan, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 35, children, Hannah 10, Jane 8, John 5, and William 1.
In 1871, at Shaw House, Allendale, Robert Macmillan, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 45, children, Jane 18, John, lead ore washer, aged 15, William 11, Sarah 8, Hugh 5, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1871, Hannah MacMillan aged 29, was working at Hole, St John's Chapel, as a housekeeper, for George Robinson, widowed, lead miner & his family.
In 1881, at Shaw House, Allendale, Robert Macmillan, farmer of 16 acres, aged 61, his wife Elizabeth 56, children, John, lead ore miner, aged 25, Hugh, lead ore washer, aged 14, and Elizabeth 11.
In 1881, Hannah Macmillan aged 30, was working at Sparty Lee, Allendale, as a domestic servant for Thomas Sparke, farmer of 14 acres, aged 39.
In 1891, at Cupel Shaw House, Allendale, Robert Macmillan, farmer, aged 71, his wife Elizabeth 65, children, William, tailor, aged 31, Hugh, lead ore miner, aged 24, and Elizabeth 21.
Robert MacMillan, died 1st quarter 1896, aged 76.
In 1901, Cupela haw, Elizabeth Macmillan, widow, farmer, aged 75, and son William, Ag. lab, aged 41. Elizabeth MacMillan died 2nd quarter 1908, aged 82.

In 1841, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, George Adamson, Innkeeper, aged 30, his wife Mary 30, children, John 3, and Elizabeth 1.
In 1851, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, George Adamson, lead smelter roaster, aged 44, his wife Mary 37, children, John Geo 13, Elizabeth 9, and Joseph 6.
Mary Adamson died 1st quarter 1861.
In 1861, at Chapel Row, Rookhope, George Adamson, widower, lead ore roaster & Beer Retailer, aged 54, children, John G, iron miner, aged 23, Elizabeth, house keeper, aged 20, and Joseph, iron miner, aged 16.
George Adamson died 2nd quarter 1869, aged 62.
Joseph Adamson married Margaret Forster, 3rd quarter 1870, at Weardale
In 1871, at Boltsburn, Rookhope, Joseph Adamson, lead smelter, aged 26, his wife Margaret 24, and brother John G Adamson, iron mine labourer, aged 33.
In 1881, at Hilton, Terrace, Rookhope, Joseph Adamson, lead smelter, aged 36, his wife Margaret 34, children, George 6, Margaret 4, Westgarth 2, and brother, John G. Adamson, lead smelter, aged 42.
Margaret Adamson, died 3rd quarter 1887, aged 40.
Hannah Snaith McMillan married Joseph Adamson 2nd quarter 1888, art Weardale.
In 1891, at Bolts Burn, Rookhope, Joseph Adamson, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Hannah 40, children George, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Margaret F. 14, Westgarth, lead ore dresser, aged 12, John J. 9, James E. 5, Thomas W. 2, daughter in law Lucy E. Macmillan 9, and brother John G Adamson, lead smelter, aged 52.

In 1901, at Bolts Burn, Joseph Adamson, general labourer lead mines, aged 56, his wife Hannah 50, children Westgarth, lead miner, aged 22, John Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, James E., lead ore dresser, aged 15, Thomas Wm. 12, brother John Geo. Adamson, lead ore smelter, aged 63, and stepdaughter Lucy E. MacMillan, schoolmistress aged 19, born Allendale.
In 1911, at Hylton Terrace, Rookhope, Hannah Adamson, widow, aged 60, daughter, Lucy Ellen MacMillan, elementary school teacher, aged 29, and son Thomas William Adamson, labourer at lead mine, aged 22
Hannah Adamson, died 1st quarter 1924, aged 73, at Weardale.

3rd January 1906 (Teesdale Mercury)

LORD BARNARD'S GENEROSITY IN TEESDALE.

Lord Barnard has, with his usual generosity, given to each of the workmen employed by him on the Upper Teesdale estate, a piece of prime Christmas beef, which has been very much appreciated by the recipients. The number of men employed included those engaged in the lead mining trial at Lady rake Mine (15) and in land draining (25) —upwards of ninety in all, so that his Lordship is at the present moment the largest employer of labour in Upper Teesdale, and unfortunately almost the only one. The dales men have also had Christmas and New Year's Day as holiday and in addition we am informed that he has given about £15 worth of Coals to the poor of Middleton.

6th January 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Diphtheria is still prevalent in Stanhope among children. All schools are closed both Sunday and Day schools. There are upwards of 30 cases now and so far, there has only been two deaths. One adult has it, a schoolteacher.
A clever surgical operation has been performed on a child at Stanhope by Dr Bannerman. It was suffering from diphtheria, and was a dangerous case, but by skilfully inserting a silver tube in the child's throat and producing artificial respiration the danger passed away and the child recovered.

11th January 1906 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

MINER'S LOST EYESIGHT.

His Honour Stevenson had important case before him at the Penrith County Court yesterday, involving a five hours' hearing. Thomas Graham, a miner employed at the Greenside Mining Company at Patterdale, Ullswater, came before the court under the Workmen's Compensation Act to see what compensation he should receive for totally losing his eyesight while following his employment. The Judge held that the miner was absolutely entitled to half his wages for the rest of his life, the Company having failed prove serious and wilful misconduct, and judgment was entered for the plaintiff for half wages.
In 1891, at Township, Patterdale, John Pattinson, widower, lead miner, aged 64, son in law, Thomas Graham, lead miner, aged 30, daughter, Jane Graham 28, grandchildren, Henry Graham 8, William Graham 6, John Graham 4, and Joe L Graham 10 months.
In 1901, at Township, Patterdale, John Pattinson, widower, lead miner, aged 74, son in law, Thomas Graham, lead miner, aged 40, daughter, Jane Graham 38, grandchildren, Henry Graham, lead miner, aged 18, William Graham, lead

ore washer, aged 16, John Graham, lead ore washer, aged 14, Joseph L Graham 10, Edwin 8, and Elizabeth 3.
In 1911, at High Rake, Glenridding, Thomas Graham aged 50, totally blind, his wife Jane 48, children, Joseph Lawrence, lead miner, aged 20, Edwin, lead ore dresser, aged 18, and Elizabeth 13.

13th January 1906 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Quebec, Malton House, 4th inst. aged 57, George Love, son of the late George Love of Wolsingham.

20th January 1906 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
FATAL ACCIDENT
A sad blasting fatality occurred last week at Cowshill, Whinstone Quarry of Messrs Monkhouse and Peart, at Burtreeford in Upper Weardale whereby one man was killed and three others were injured. They were in the act of charging a hole for blasting the rocks, with gelatine when it prematurely exploded. Emerson Bell (aged 36) was got out among the fallen stones dead; Joshua Featherstone was found among the debris with one hand blown off and the other nearly so; Henry Peart and John George English were also injured but not seriously.
At the inquest Henry Peart said he was about 4 yards from the hole when it exploded. They usually put about 15ils to 25 lbs. in a hole. They always used a wood rammer. He could not account for the explosion.
In 1891, at The Hill, Heathery Cleugh, William Bell, farmer, aged 63, his wife Elizabeth 58, son Emerson, lead miner, aged 21, daughter Elizabeth 19, grandson Emerson Bell, lead ore washer, aged 14, and grandson Henry Peart 3 years.
In 1901, the Hill, Heathery Cleugh, Emerson Bell, Whin Stone quarryman, aged 31, his wife Mary A. (Rutherford, married 4th quarter of 1892) aged 29, and son Robert 8 years.
In 1911, at Wearhead, Mary Ann Bell, widow, aged 39, born Nenthead, sons, Robert, farmers son working on farm, aged 18, born, Nenthead, John Henry 9, born Hill, Durham, and niece, Annie Peart, domestic servant, aged 15.

In 1901, at Copt Hill, Wearhead, Joshua Featherstone, Whinstone quarryman, aged 33, his wife Mary (English, married 3rd qtr 1892, at Weardale) aged 32, and son, Lawson 1 year.
In 1911, at Copt Hill, Wearhead, Joshua Featherstone, disabled Whinstone quarryman, aged 43, his wife Mary 42, children, Lawson 11, and Beatrice 8.

17th February 1906 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
The Diphtheria epidemic among children is now abating in Stanhope. There have been over 70 cases but only 3 deaths. The low death rate is attributed to the excellent medical skill Stanhope possesses and the prompt treatment by the new method of injecting a serum preventative of fungoid growth in the throat. The schools after being closed six weeks are now open again.

Deaths
Alston, Orchard House, 10th inst. aged 82, William Pattinson.
In 1901, at Town Foot, Alston, William Pattinson, widow, retired printer, aged 77, and his sister Frances Pattinson, living on own means, aged 71.

24th February 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Spar industry is in a flourishing condition in Weardale. There is a great demand for it, and large quantities are being exported from the dale to Inoia (sic), America (*could be Iowa?*), and various parts of the United Kingdom. It is used for refining steel, glazing bricks, enamelling china, and for various other purposes. The quantity in Weardale is practically unlimited. The Great Slitt vein runs right up through Weardale and contains millions of tons of this spar. It is being worked for at Bollihope, near Frosterley, and Westgate, and other places in the dale. ...
The Accident at the Whinstone Quarry, Stanhope, last week is more serious than first appeared. The poor fellow Wm. Fairless has by it lost both his hands one being blown off by the explosion of gelatine, and the other so much injured as to necessitate amputation.
A number of emigrants to Canada leave Weardale at the end of the month.

9th March 1906 (Manchester Courier and Lancashire General Advertiser)

MINES WORKED AT A LOSS
CUMBERLAND COMPANY'S APPEAL.

On Wednesday, in the King's Bench, before the Lord Chief Justice and Justices Ridley and Darling the Attorney-General moved on behalf of the Surveyor of Taxes for a rule nisi calling on the Commissioners of Income Tax in the Leath Ward Division of Cumberland to show cause why a certiorari should not issue to quash a certificate which the Commissioners had granted under section 133 of the Act of 1842 to the Vielle Montaigne Zinc Company Limited, a foreign company which had lead and zinc mines in Cumberland.
It was stated that the company had paid the assessment in 1904 and 1905 without demur or appeal, but a few months ago the company applied for the return of the money on the ground that the mines had been worked at a lose. The Commissioners had granted a certificate for the return of the money paid without going into the accounts submitted by the company. The Commissioners had taken the view that the mines should not have been assessed to income tax at all, as the products were not put on the English market.
Their Lordships granted a rule nisi.

10th March 1906 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
Stanhope Primitive Methodist Chapel, 3rd inst. Robert Peart to Miss Peart, both of Wearhead.

17th March 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

While some workmen were busy in an old mine at Westgate in Upper Weardale they had a narrow escape of being buried alive. The roof suddenly fell in covering them up. All the men were able to struggle out, but a young fellow

named Coulthard, living at Dale Head Farm was rather seriously injured and sustained a fractured leg.

28th April 1906 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

On Monday morning, a very sad accident occurred at Alston and Nentforce Quarry Co's works at Alston to a workman named Wm. Stokoe. He was engaged on the top of the quarry baring the soil and by some means slipped and fell over the edge to the ground below a distance of 50 feet. The ground was covered with loose stones. He received some terrible injuries and was removed top his home at Spency Cottage where he was attended to by Dr Carson.

Edward Stokoe married Elizabeth Edgar, 2nd quarter 1840, registered at Hexham

In 1841, at Welhope, Edward Stokoe, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth 30, son Edward 1; and David Edgar 15, Utrick Edgar 13, and Ann Edgar 10.

In 1851, at Wellhope, Allendale, Edward Stokoe, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth, aged 44, children, Edward, lead ore washer, aged 11, Isabella 9, and Mary Jane 6.

In 1861, at Welhope, Ninebanks, Allendale, Edward Stokoe, Shepherd and farmer of 18 acres, aged 44, born Haltwhistle, his wife Elizabeth, 45, born Allendale, children, Mary Jane 16, and William J 3.

Edward Stokoe died 2nd quarter of 1861 or 1862

In 1871, at New Shield, Alston, Elizabeth Stokoe, farm labourer, aged 55, and her son William, farm labourer, aged 13, born Welhope.

In 1881, at Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Stokoe, lead miners widow, aged 65, and her son William, general labourer, aged 23.

In 1891, at Front Street, Alston, Elizabeth Stokoe, widow, aged 75, and her son William, general labourer, aged 33.

Elizabeth Stokoe, died 3rd quarter 1897, aged 82, at Alston.

Possible marriage for William James Stokoe to Annie Hounam, 4th quarter 1897, registered at Newcastle. Annie born 1863, daughter of David & Elizabeth Hounam, was living in Benwell, Newcastle in 1891, her father working as a coal miner, in 1881, they were living at Front Street Alston.

In 1901, at Spency Cottage, Garrigill, William Stokoe, limestone quarryman, aged 43, and his wife Annie aged 38, born Alston.

William Stokoe died 2nd quarter 1906, aged 48.

In 1911, at the Market Place, Alston, Annie Stokoe, widow, grocer, aged 48.

Probate 1906: William James Stokoe, of Spency Croft Cottage, Alston died 25th April 1906 Administration Carlisle 18 May to Annie Stokoe widow. Effects £41 2s 11d.

22nd May 1906)Penrith Observer)

THRELKELD LEAD MINES

Considerable activity has been noticed at the Threlkeld lead mines since the mine was cleared of water in the autumn, and the bottom levels have been driven long distances in the vein, the owners finding paying quantities of ore. The result has been the finding of long continuous lengths which are being opened into sections for stopping. The owners are laying down the latest plant for dealing with the finest ore.

9th June 1906 (Hexham Herald)
Marriages
High House Wesleyan Chapel, Weardale, 2nd inst. Thomas Armstrong of Stanhope to Miss E. Walton of Wearhead.
Wearhead Primitive Methodist Chapel, 2nd inst. Thomas Pattinson, Stanhope, to Miss *Jane Annie* Stobbs of Wearhead.
In 1911, at Chapel Street, Stanhope, Thomas Pattinson, Incline Brakes man, Railway Co, aged 31, his wife Jane Annie 27, daughter Eva Marion aged 2.

7th July 1906 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Weardale Lead Company. For the 3 weeks ending June being the completion of the financial year the returns are: - Ore raised 231 tons, pig lead smelted 192 tons. Average price for lead sold £16 6s 3d per ton, not including slag and fume lead.

1st August 1906 (Teesdale Mercury)
NEW LEAD-MINING VENTURE IN TEESDALE.
Facts Concerning the Recently Formed Company.
Fresh Lease Granted by Lord Barnard.
Quite naturally the inhabitants of Teesdale are gratified and even elated at the prospect of better times in the lead industry, and it is therefore of importance that the situation as it exists should be accurately placed before the public, and more especially as statements of a more or less misleading character have been made as to recent developments.
When the old London Lead Company relinquished their lenses in 1893 owing to the very low price of lead at that time, it looked as though a crisis had arisen, and that matters were going to be very bad for the dales people.
It was, indeed, ominous when such old and experienced lead-workers as the London Company absolutely declined to continue their operations, although they were given the opportunity of doing so practically on their own terms as to rent or royalty; and, when it became definitely known that they had determined to clear out of Teesdale as lead explorers and smelters, it appeared as if the whole of the mines would become derelict and dismantled.
But, at this juncture—certainly a critical epoch in the history of Teesdale, Lord Barnard stepped in, and, had it not been for his lord-ship's timely interposition, the worst fears might have been realised. Entirely for the sake of the people of the district, and with the hope solely of finding employment for the inhabitants, the Lord of Raby purchased, at considerable expense, the mining plant at Lady rake, Cold berry and Wiregill Mines,
In addition to doing that he has himself worked the Lady rake royalty since the London Lead Company relinquished it; and this, again, for the sole purpose of finding employment for the men in the upper part of Harwood, and without any profit to himself. On the contrary Lord Barnard has actually lost money.
The new company, recently formed, have been registered under the title of “The Teesdale Lead and Zinc Mines (Limited)," and the shareholders have acquired a lease from Lord Barnard of the royalties at Willey Hole, Green Hill, Ashgill Head, Dirt Pit and Coldberry, and they commenced actual operations on Monday, the 16th of July last. The registered offices of the company arc at 96, Bishopgate Street Without, London, E.C.

It is understood that the new company will conduct mining operations on a fairly large scale, and that they propose to employ a considerable number of men and boys, although, owing to the free and easy terms on which the royalties have been based, Lord Barnard does not and cannot hope to receive much pecuniary benefit from the new leases.
At the same time it must be a source of gratification to the Lord of the Manor to know that the capital which in his generosity he advanced has been the means of saving this ancient industry, and of bringing, as we all hope, new prosperity to the dale.
As far as we can gather, and our information is from undeniable authority, the old company has really nothing whatever to do with the new undertaking. Meanwhile the Wiregill Company has been working quietly and steadily, and, as the whole question of lead-mining in Teesdale stands, at present, the outlook is manifestly hopeful. …

4th August 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

For the four weeks ending the 28th July, the ore raised by the Weardale Lead Company weighed 223 tons, and over 60 tons of pig lead were smelted. It is officially intimated that operations were considerably retarded by many of the men being away harvesting. The smelt mill was stopped from the 1st to the 21st July for annual overhauling.

18th August 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

... the Chairman said that the results of the past year's working had been very satisfactory. The results had been achieved not only by the increased price per ton obtained for lead of £15 12s 1d, as against £12 17s 4d the previous year, but also by the considerably increased output from the mines. During the year they had raised 3,255 tons of ore, dressed 3,264 tons, smelted 3,192 tons, producing 2,370 tons of pig lead. This was an increased production of 1,059 tons raised, 1,074 tons dressed, 1,006 tons smelted, and 679 tons of pig lead upon the previous year. There was also an increase of £1,185 in rent and royalties. The Board recommended that a dividend of 9d per share be paid forthwith making 1s 6d per share free of income tax, or 10 per cent for the year. They also proposed paying a further dividend of 2s per share, and making calls to the same amount, which would leave a balance of £2,539 18s 11d to be carried forward to the next account.

8th September 1906 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

The annual report just issued of the Weardale Lead Company, is of more than passing interest to those who remember Allendale, not merely as a farming district or a health resort, but as an important centre of the lead mining industry. Is there hope of a revival in the lead trade, or is there rather not already a revival? Leaving this question to the experts, it is interesting to find the output of Rookhope lead mines during the last financial year was 3,255 tons of lead ore, being an increase of 1,059 tons compared with the previous years working. More striking however is the increase in price of lead during this period. Lead

which at the beginning of the year was £12 18s 4d per ton had risen to £15 12s 1d at the end, an increase of 17 percent. Owing to the increased demand, lead, in common with copper and iron, is still on the rise, and the price of English pig lead today, to use the language of the stock exchange is “round about” £17 15s per ton. At Boltsburn, the principle mine of the Weardale Lead Company, 32 workings have been going for some time, and these can still produce 50 cwts. of ore to the fathom. The nett result of the years workings of the mines was a profit of £15,641.

8th September 1906 (Wigton Advertiser)

CALDBECK MINING VENTURE:
THE SYNDICATE SUED FOR WAGES.

Eight miners who have been employed in the lead: mines in Caldbeck Fells, re-opened some time ago by the Caldbeck Mining Syndicate, sued F. Goodall, Braefell, Poplar Avenue, Birmingham, for wages due, and each also claimed £1 damages for breach of contract. The amounts of wages claimed were:—Isaac Milburn, Causeway head, Caldbeck, £1 16s 8d; John Yeomans, Upton, £2 0s 4d; Robert Newton, Midtown, £2 10s; Thomas Milburn, Causeway head, 15s 2d; Thomas Sewell, Caldbeck, £2 0s 4d; William Peel, Upton, £2; John Noddle, Upton, £3; and Joseph Jackson, Caldbeck, £3.

Mr. Jos. Hetherington was for plaintiff, and Mr. J. W. Crookes for the defence.

Mr. Hetherington applied for the names of four gentlemen who really comprised the Caldbeck Mining Syndicate to be added to the case as defendants along with Mr. Goodall.

Mr. Crookes said that particulars had just been sent from Birmingham. It appeared that the Caldbeck mines were now being worked by a syndicate, which consisted of Mr. Goodall and four other gentlemen—Mr. Frederick Bohem, London; Mr. Thomas Edward Sylvester, Birmingham; Mr. J. H. Hallwright, Birmingham, and Mr. J. H. Heap, London.

The four gentlemen named were accordingly added to the case as defendants.

Mr. Hetherington said the claim for wages was admitted, but the claim for damages for breach of contract was contested. The miners were engaged to work at a weekly wage—some at 22s and some at £1. The arrangement was that they should be paid weekly. On Easter Saturday, however, there was no money for them, but they worked for something like three weeks without getting any wages, and then they left. They were not dismissed: they were not exactly told to go about their business, but had either to go on working and live on nothing, or leave and look for some other work. They chose the latter alternative, and now claimed damages for breach of contract.

Mr. Crookes contended that Mr. Hetherington had not made out a case. If the men were not paid their wages they had a civil remedy; but, having left their work without notice, they could not now succeed in a claim for breach of contract.

Mr. Hetherington said he would put one of the miners in the box to prove that he could not live on nothing. They claimed damages on the point that, the men were forced to go away and work elsewhere.

The Clerk: I am afraid I never heard of such a case.

Mr. Hetherington: No, it is not often that masters do not pay their employees’ wages.

Mr. Crookes said the wages would have been paid had it not been for the damages claimed for breach of contract.
Mr. Hetherington: They had from Easter Saturday to July to pay before damages were claimed.
Mr. Crookes said the defendants did not contend that the miners were not entitled to the money they had worked for, but that, having left of their own accord, they were not entitled to damages for breach of contract.
The Chairman said they had decided to refer the point of law to the Clerk.
The Magistrates' Clerk said he would consider it.

22nd September 1906 (Wigton Advertiser)

THE CALDBECK MINES CASE.
INTERESTING POINT DECIDED.

The Clerk now gave his decision in the cases under the Employers and Workmen Act brought at the lest Court by eight Caldbeck miners who had been employed in the lead mines, and who sued their late employers, the Caldbeck Mining Syndicate, to recover the balance of wages due and also claimed £1 each damages for breach of contract.
Mr. Hetherington was for plaintiffs and Mr. Crookes for defendants.
The point raised at the last Court, when the cases were first brought, was whether the defendants could recover damages for breach of contract when they had voluntarily left their employment on not receiving their wages.
The Clerk now said he was of opinion that the men were only entitled to the balance of wages due and not entitled to damages; and the order of the Court would be for the balance of wages in each case and costs.
Mr. Crookes asked how the costs would be arrived at. The cases could have been taken in one joint summons.
After an argument, in which Mr. Hetherington joined, the Clerk stated that the order must stand as to the costs, the solicitor's costs being two guineas for the whole lot.
Mr. Hetherington asked for an order for payment within a week, and in default of payment distress to issue. He said he had reasons for making an application of that kind.
The Clerk: You don't object, Mr. Crookes ?
Mr. Crookes: No—I shan't be there.
The required order was made.

6th October 1906, Mine Inspectors Reports (Source: Durham Mining Museum)

THRELKELD MINE (LEAD ORE & ZINC)
FLETCHER WREN, AGED 66, MINER, KILLED BY SHOT
Fletcher Wren, aged 66, Miner, killed by shot

Deceased, who was an experienced miner, 66 years of age, having charged a hole with 2½ cartridges of gelignite, placed a short piece of lighted candle under the fuse, and turned to leave the working. He had only to travel 2 or 3 yards to get to a place of safety, but when he reached the corner of the working he looked back, and observing the place to be in darkness he said to his mate, "Its gone out" (meaning the candle had gone out), and he turned back with the object of relighting it. He had just reached the face when the shot exploded. The fuse had of course run properly and if deceased had waited a couple of minutes before

returning to the working the accident would have been avoided. The special rules in force at this mine provide that in the event of a shot missing fire no person shall enter that working place until the lapse of an hour. In this case (and I have had a similar experience in many non-fatal cases) the workmen evidently did not consider it a miss-fire. Miners as a rule interpret a miss-fire to mean a case where the fuse is known to fire but fails to detonate the explosive. This is a very limited application, and it cannot be too emphatically laid down that once an attempt has been made to light the fuse, and the men have left the working, if from any cause the shot fails to explode, it becomes a case of miss-fire and must be treated as such.

10th October 1906 (West Cumberland Times)

SAD BLASTING ACCIDENT AT THRELKELD MINES.

Just before mid-day on Saturday an alarming accident occurred at the Woodend Lead Mines, situate at Gate Ghyll, Threlkeld, and an elderly man named Fletcher Wren received most terrible injuries. With another workman named William Rea, the unfortunate man was engaged in one of the connective workings of the shaft known as a “rise," and it appears that about the time mentioned a number of charges had been prepared for blasting. After igniting fuses the men left the working in the usual way for safety. It seems, however, that one charge was supposed to have misfired, and after a short interval Wren had returned to investigate. Before discovering the danger the charge exploded in front of him, infliction shocking injuries. His right hand was terribly shattered and almost turn off above the wrist. The left arm and chest bore large wounds, and the face was lacerated so severely that the poor man was almost beyond recognition. His co-worker, Rea, and another miner named Hind had a most trying task in conveying their helpless comrade through a hazardous course to the bottom of the shaft having at times to crawl through narrow spaces and frequently lower their burden down ladders by means of a rope round his body. On the arrival at the top of the abaft, where a number of willing hands had assembled, the staff made every possible arrangement for the removal of the unfortunate man to his home The district nurse (Miss Caulfield) was promptly on the spot, and spared no effort to alleviate the man's terrible suffering pending the arrival of a doctor from Keswick. After first aid, an ambulance was formed, and Wren was removed to Guard House (1½ miles distant), where he occupied a small farm, and immediately upon his arrival there Dr Smaile was on the spot from Keswick. Later he found it necessary to have the man removed to Carlisle Infirmary by the afternoon train, a band a willing hands assisting in this course. News of the man's death, which took place on Sunday, reached Threlkeld on Monday morning, and great sympathy is felt in the locality for the sorrowing widow and relatives.

In 1851, at Seatoller, Borrowdale, Isaac Wren, farmer of 19 acres, aged 40, his wife Sarah 35, children, Susannah 12, Fletcher 10, Joseph 6, and Betsy 3.

In 1861, at Chapel, Crosthwaite, near Keswick, Daniel Jopson, farmer of 70 acres, aged 33, his wife Mary 27, daughter Elizabeth 2 months, and servant, Fletcher Wren, carter, aged 20.

Fletcher Wren married Sarah Simpson 2nd quarter 1869, registered at Penrith.

In 1871, at Stonethwaite, Borrowdale, Fletcher Wren, slate quarryman, aged 31, and his wife Sarah aged 34.

In 1881, at Stonethwaite, Borrowdale, Fletcher Wren, slate quarryman, aged 40, his wife Sarah 44, and nephew, Joseph Wren Simpson 10.
In 1891, at Mockerin, Loweswater, Fletcher Wren, farmer, aged 50, his wife Sarah 54, and nephew, Joseph W Simpson, farmers assistant, aged 20.
Sarah Wren died 20th April 1895, aged 58, and was buried at Borrowdale church.
Fletcher Wren married Mary Hodgson 3rd quarter 1896, registered at Cockermouth.
In 1901, at Stonethwaite, Borrowdale, Fletcher Wren, farmer, aged 60, and his wife Mary 42, step daughter Aime Hodgson 8, and nephew Joseph Wren Simpson, stone quarryman, aged 30.

13th October 1906 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Stanhope Newlandside Hall, 8th inst. aged 54 Wm. Vipond, farmer.
Killed at Newlandside Quarry by falling over the quarry face whilst working as a quarryman.

Matthew Vipond son of Thomas and Sarah (daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Hetherington) Vipond, born 8th August 1816, baptised 5th September 1818, at Garrigill Wesleyan Chapel.
Matthew Vipond married Elizabeth Rain, 1st quarter of 1840.
In 1841, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Matthew Vipond, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Elizabeth, 25, children, Hannah (Rain) 4, Winskell (Rain), 4, and Thomas 5 months.
In 1851, at Cowper Dike Heads, Garrigill, Matthew Vipond, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Elizabeth, 40, children, Hannah 14, Winskell, 14, ~~Elizabeth ,~~ Thomas 10, Ann 8, Mary 6, John 3 wks.
In 1861, at High Shield Hill, Garrigill, Matthew Vipond, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Elizabeth, 50, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 21, Ann 18, Mary 16, John 12, William 9, and Matthew 7.
In 1871, at Loaning Head, Garrigill, Matthew Vipond, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Elizabeth 61, children, Mary 26, William, lead miner, aged 21, Matthew, lead miner, aged 17, and grandson, Joseph 2.
Matthew Vipond died 1st quarter 1875, aged 58, registered at Weardale
Elizabeth died 2nd quarter 1874, aged 64, at West Ward, Westmorland, or 1st quarter 1880, registered at Weardale

William Vipond married Fanny Walton, 1st quarter 1877, registered at Weardale.
In 1881, at Greenhead, Weardale, William Vipond, quarryman, aged 28, his wife Fanny 24, brothers Matthew, quarryman, Joseph 12, and niece Amey Forster aged 5.
In 1891, at Newlandside Hall, Stanhope, William Vipond, limestone quarryman, aged 36, born Garrigill, his wife Fanny aged 34, and son James aged 2.
In 1901, at Newlandside Hall, William Vipond, limestone quarryman, aged 48, and his wife Fanny aged 44.

Saturday 3rd November 1906 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

... Stanhope Burn lead mine, at the top of Stanhope Dene, which has been idle for 40 years, is now being worked for spar, and with good results. ...

6th November 1906 (London Gazette)

THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 TO 1900

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the **OLD GANG LEAD MINING COMPANY** Limited, duly convened, and held at the North Eastern Hotel, Darlington, in the county of Durham, on the twenty-sixth day of October, 1906, the following Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed: —

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily in accordance with the provisions of section 129 (3) of the Companies Act, 1862, and that Frank Brown, of Stockton-on-Tees, Chartered Accountant, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."

JOSH CRADOCK, Chairman.

24th November 1906 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Stanhope 18th inst. aged 81 George Patterson late manager for Messrs Ord and Maddison at their Stanhope and Frosterley quarries.

He left a widow, son and 2 daughters.

In 1881, at Dales House, Stanhope, George Pattison, quarry agent, limestone, aged 53, born Haltwhistle, his wife Margaret 47, born Stanhope, daughters Sarah Ann 14, and Meggy 10.

In 1901, at Albert Terrace, Stanhope, George Pattison, quarry manager, aged 73, his wife Margaret 67, and daughter Meggy 30.

19th January 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY

For the last few weeks outside operations connected with lead mining has been practically at a standstill, owing to the severe snowstorms that have swept the North Country, and so retarded smelting operations. ... This months returns: - ore raised 263 tons, pig lead smelted 1781/2 tons; average price obtained £19 10s per ton net. Last months returns: - ore raised 327 tons, pig lead smelted 2561/2 tons; average price obtained per ton £18 18s 6d.

26th January 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Influenza is very prevalent there being also cases of diphtheria and Scarlett Fever especially in Wolsingham.

29th January 1907 (Shields Daily News)

EXPLOSION IN A LEAD MINE

FOUR WORKMEN INJURED

Yesterday four lead miners were badly burned about the face and head at Lipton Lead Mine, near Allenheads. The men had just entered the Level when an

explosion took place. An explosion of gas has been of rare occurrence in the lead mines of Allendale and Weardale. The names of the injured men are Phillipson, Pearson, Bright and Sanderson.

2nd February 1907 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

LEAD MINE EXPLOSION. FOUR MEN INJURED.

On Monday four miners were severely burnt about the face and head at Sipton Lead Mine near Allendale. It seems that the men had just entered the level when an explosion took place. It is surmised that there had been an accumulation of gas during the weekend. An explosion due to gas has been of rare occurrence in Allendale and Weardale lead mines. The names of the men hurt are William Phillipson, James Pearson, William Bright, and Thomas Sanderson. The men were all severely burnt. The explosion must have been severe as it lifted the wagons off the rails and threw the men partly under the wagons. The reports were heard by people a mile away. Two men at the shaft bottom were nearly lifted from their feet, the shock being so great a mile away. It is believed to be over thirty years since there was a slight explosion at the above place. It is not often that we hear of explosions in lead mines. They are a rare occurrence. It is surmised it must have been fire damp. We have read of it being in the Welsh lead mines, and also in the Cleveland ironstone mines.

9th February 1907 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Carrshield, 1st inst. (suddenly) aged 59, William dearly beloved husband of Elizabeth Liddell of Red Haugh, West Allendale.

In 1901, at Mount Pleasant, William Liddell, shepherd, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 44, children Christopher, blacksmith, aged 27, William, postman, aged 18, Mary, Ellen 12, Jane Ann 10, Anthony 8, Florance 6, and Louisa 3.

23rd February 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A presentation was made at Stanhope on Tuesday night by the public to Mr John Douglas a young man who is totally blind having lost his eyesight through a quarry accident. It consisted of 39 volumes of the bible in raised type, suitable to the blind. Accompanied with the bible was a purse of gold.

Deaths

Hunstanworth, 14th inst. aged 13, Joseph Stephen beloved son of John and Elizabeth Hannah Westgarth.

In 1901, at Hunstanworth Village, John Westgarth, estate mason, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth 33, children Willie, masons apprentice, aged 15, John H 12, Joseph S 7, James W 6, and Florence 3.

11th May 1907 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

DEATH OF MR JOSEPH WALTON

Mr Joseph Walton of White House, a prominent mining agent in connection with the lead industry of the district passed away at the age of 75 years. ... In his early life he acquired a practical acquaintance with mines as a workman, which supplemented by his theoretical knowledge made him a most reliable and

skilled agent when directing operations for his employees. The deceased gentleman held the office of Bailiff of the Manorial Court under the Lords of the Admiralty. ... His remains were interred in Alston Cemetery. ...
In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, Joseph Walton, widow, mining engineer, inspector, aged 68, unmarried daughters Mary 43, and Alice E 32. In 1911, at White House, Alston, Mary Walton, boarding house keeper, aged 54, sister Alice, boarding house keeper, aged 43, boarders John Holmes, retired farmer, aged 64, and Mona Dickinson, assistant manageress, laundry, aged 18.
See 30th March 1889, 25th May 1889 & 14th August 1897

17th May 1907 (Durham County Advertiser)
MINING ACCIDENT. —An accident of a serious nature occurred on the 8th day of July, 1724, to four men who were working at the Western-hope Lead Mine. About ten o'clock in the morning of the above named day, the four miners broke through into some old workings, with the expectation of getting ore; but, to their dismay, a large quantity of water which had collected in the old workings broke suddenly in upon them. One of the miners was carried several yards down the drift, and up a "sump." 42 feet, and was thus saved, the other three were drowned, viz., George Whitfield, aged 50 years, the son of Jonathan Dobinson, aged 20 years; and George Bainbridge, of Westernhopeburn, aged 20 years.

18th May 1907 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
A sad fatality occurred on Tuesday morning at the Fine Burn Limestone quarry, of Messrs Spencer, Frosterley, whereby a young man George Arthur Johnson (19) was blown to pieces by an explosion of gelatine. He was clerk at the quarry where it was part of his duty to daily hand out explosives to the quarryman, as required by them for blasting purposes. He was in the storeroom when the explosion took place but how it happened there is no one to tell. It is supposed he let one of the pieces fall to the floor, which would then explode as they are fired by concussion.
In 1891, at Frosterley, John Wm Johnson, limestone quarryman, aged 27, his wife Annie (Johnson, married 3rd quarter of 1887) aged 26 (died 3rd quarter of 1891, aged 27), children George Arthur 2, Esther Ann 5 months.
John Wm Johnson remarried as the 1901 census shows.
In 1901, at Frosterley, John William Johnson, limestone quarryman, aged 37 Lily (Rippon, married 1st quarter of 1898) aged 22, children John William 2, Gilbert 9 months, and niece Eliza Jane Walton 9 years.
In 1901, at Frosterley, Charles Johnson, limestone quarryman, aged 61, his wife Mary Ann 56, children Jane, dressmaker, aged 35, Ralph, limestone quarryman, aged 21, Burnip, limestone quarryman, aged 17, grandson George Arthur Johnson 12, granddaughter Esther Ann Johnson 10, and nephew William Johnson 31.

25th May 1907 (Morpeth Herald)
METALLIFEROUS MINES
There were 104 mines under the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Arts in operation in the district during 1906, employing a total of 5,736 male's below ground and 2,461 males and 2 females above ground and from these a total of 1,750,679 tons of metal were secured, 1,680,034 tons being iron ore, 36,511

tons gypsum. 11,464 tons Zinc ore, 9,250 tons barytes, 3.838 tons lead ore, 1,980 tons limestone, 1,615 tons sand. 300 tons Whinstone, 179 tons copper ore, and 18 tons wolfram. A net increase of 41,302 tons on the output of the previous year is indicated by the above total. Iron ore is chiefly responsible for the improvement as gypsum, lead ore, zinc ore, and slate show reductions. The improvement in the iron trade mentioned last year has continued, and at the end of the year 1906 has probably seen better prices ruling for iron ore than at any period since the "good times" of the early seventies. This is reflected by an increase of 558 in the number of persons employed at these mines and an output, improved to the extent of 42,186 tons. Six fatal accidents caused as many deaths. All except one occurred underground. Four of the accidents occurred at iron ore mines in Cumberland, one was the surface accident at an iron ore mine in Lancashire and the remaining case was at a lead and lead and zinc ore mine in Cumberland. The death rate from accidents per 1,000 persons employed in the metal mines during 1906 was 0.87 below and above ground.

22nd June 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A sad accident occurred on Monday in the Stanhope Burn Lead mine to a man named George Maddison of Daddry Shields, Upper Weardale, by a fall of stone in the mine. He was severely injured about his shoulders and back and lies in a precarious state.

John Maddison married Elizabeth Armstrong 1st quarter 1868, at Weardale.
In 1871, at Burnfoot, St John's, Stanhope, John Maddison, Iron stone miner, aged 28, his wife Elizabeth 28, and son John 3.
In 1881, at Daddry Shield, John Maddison, iron stone miner, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth 39, children, John 13, Thomas 9, Jane Ann 7, Charles , George 4, Frances 2,
In 1891, at Daddry Shield, John Maddison, iron stone miner, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth 49, children, John, iron stone miner, aged 23, Thomas, iron stone miner, aged 19, Jane 17, Charles, lead washer, aged 16, George 14, Frances A 11, and James 9.
In 1901, at Daddry Shield, John Maddison, lead miner, aged 59, his wife Elizabeth 59, children, Charles, lead miner, aged 26, George, lead miner, aged 24, Frances A 21, and James, limestone quarryman, aged 18.

George Featherstone Maddison died 4th quarter 1908, aged 32, at Weardale.

John Maddison, died 3rd quarter 1910, aged 67.
In 1911, at Daddry Shield, Elizabeth Maddison, widow, aged 68, children, Charles William, lead miner for Weardale Lead Co, aged 36, Frances Alice 31, and James, lead miner for Weardale Lead Co, aged 28.
Elizabeth Maddison died 1st quarter 1917, aged 74.

27th July 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A man named Robert Dawson was rather seriously injured about the head at the Rogerley Quarry, Frosterley on Tuesday afternoon by stone falling upon him. Another quarryman George Cave was also hurt at the same time.

3rd August 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

DEATH OF MR J. W. RODDAM

The death occurred at Scarborough on Tuesday of Mr John Watson Roddam, J.P. of Stanhope. The deceased gentleman, who was 55 years of age, was one of the most respected public men in the County of Durham. He was a coal owner, and managing director of three companies, East Pontop Coal Company, Ltd., West Durham and Wallsend Coal Co. Lt., and Shildon Coal Co. Ltd. He had been staying with his family for ten weeks in Scarborough, and death followed an operation for cancer. He leaves a widow two daughters and one son. Mr Roddam was born at New Town Villa, Stanhope, in 1852. His father was the late John Joseph Roddam.

In 1881, at New Town, Stanhope, John Watson Roddam, land agent, aged 29, his wife Annie (Cain, married 16th January 1875, St John's Chapel) aged 31, born Alston, son George 4, daughter Edith Cain 2, domestic servants Elizabeth Robinson 21, and Mary Bainbridge 17.

In 1891, at New Town, Stanhope, John W Roddam, land agent, and secretary of the Shildon Coal Co., and East Pontop Coal Co., aged 39, his wife Annie 41, daughters, Edith C 12, Lilian 4, and cook Jane Rutherford 35, and house maid Kirzia Elizth Hird 25.

In 1901, at New Town, Stanhope, John W. Roddam, secretary to coal co.'s and land agent, aged 49, his wife Annie 51, son George Pears, colliery cashier, aged 24, daughters, Edith Cain 22, Lilian 14, and domestic servant, Hannah Bell 30.

In 1911, at New Town, Stanhope, George Pears Roddam, managing director, colliery Companies, aged 34, his wife Lizzie (Ismay, married 4th quarter of 1909, at Weardale) aged 29, daughter Dorothy Jenney 7 months, cook Lucy Foster 56, domestic servant, Isabel Smith 36, and nurse, domestic, Jane Foster 18.

See 13th March 1867, 13th July 1872, and 23rd January 1875.

AT FROSTERLEY this week an octogenarian has passed away in the person of Mrs Waller a respected old lady who had been living with her son Mr Joseph Waller at Lea Side Quarry, manager for Messrs Pease and partners.

10th August 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

LEAD COMPANY DIRECTORS REPORT

... during the year ending 30th June last, 4,331 tons of ore had been raised, 4,346 tons dressed, and 4,306 tons smelted, producing 3,230 tons of pig lead, which on sale realised an average of £19 0s 9d per ton. The available profit, including £2,039 brought forward was £32,233. Deducting the interim dividends already paid, and £5,200 debentures paid off, together amounting to £10,095, there remained a credit balance of £22,137. Out of this a balance dividend, free of income tax, of 2s making 171/2 per cent for the year, will absorb £9,791. The sum of £4,800 set aside for outstanding debentures, £2,500 is reserved for equalisation of dividends, and £2,500 foe exploration. These outlays total £19,591 leaving £2,545 to be carried forward.

14th September 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Lead Company gave all their workmen a free trip to Scarborough on Saturday last.

21st September 1907 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

Nentsbury, Alston, 16th inst. aged 31, Robert, adopted son of the late Eleanor Thompson.

2nd October 1907 (Teesdale Mercury)

LANGDON BECK AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Mr F. E. Gibson on Small Holdings and the New Mining Ventures.

Coal Mining : "Black Jack": and Lead and Zinc Mining.

IN charming summer - like weather, amid scenery of the most romantic description, with the beetling crags of Cronkley and the distant Meldon Fell in full view, the thirteenth annual show of the Langdon Bock Agricultural Society was held on Saturday, and was in all respects a complete success.

Brighter days are in store for Teesdale in that the mineral wealth of the dale is gradually being developed. To begin with coal-mining is proceeding apace at Folly Top, Egglestone, where a new pit is being opened, and where a small land-sale colliery will be established, the steam coal being carted to Romaldkirk station. The Teesdale Lead Mining and Zinc Company are working Lady Rake and Willey Hole Mines, the former for load ore, and the latter for "black jack". Extensive shafting and machinery are being fitted up at Lady Rake. Messrs Backhouse and Company are exploring for lead at the high end of Ettersgill, and the barytes works at Cow Green are turning out a fair quantity of material, which is being carted to Middleton station. …

5th October 1907 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE

It is reported that the immense heaps of fluorspar, which were accumulated at Allenheads in the old lead mining days, have been sold by Lord Allendale to Mr Blackwall, who has in recent years developed the spar industry in Weardale. A rough estimate places the quantity of fluorspar in the Allenheads district at a million tons. The work of collecting, separating and carting the spar to Wearhead station will give employment to a large number of men.

5th October 1907 (Hexham Courant)

Deaths

Alston, Hill House, 1st inst. aged 67, Caroline wife of the late Robert Stagg.

In 1851, at Fishley, Aveton Gifford, Devon, Robert Stagg, farmer of 42 acres, aged 42, born Alston, his wife Charlotte 43, son Robert 2, farm servant James Ward aged 18, house servant Ann Turdy aged 19.

In 1861, at Portland Square, Plymouth, Robert Stagg, landed proprietor, aged 52, his wife Charlotte A. 55, son Robert 13, and house servant Mary G Luckraft aged 17.

In 1871, at Hill House, Alston, Robert Stagg, widower, farmer of 400 acres, aged 62, and his son Robert farmers son, aged 22.

Robert Stagg jnr, married Caroline Bennett, 2nd qtr 1875, at Alston)

In 1881, at Hill House Robert Stagg, yeoman income from land, aged 32, his wife Caroline aged 40, children Charlotte 3, Albert Ed. 1, and domestic servant Margaret Holmes aged 19.
In 1891, Robert Stagg aged 43, was at Crichton Royal Institution Asylum For The Insane Dumfries, and his wife Caroline aged 50, was staying at a Hotel in English Street, Dumfries, Scotland, Charlotte aged 13 was at a school in Ryton, and Albert Edward 11 was at Hill House, Alston.
Robert Stagg died 21st April 1891, at Dumfies, Scotland.
In 1901, at Hill House Alston, Caroline Stagg, widow, aged 60, daughter Charlotte 23, and domestic servant Mary E Irving aged 18.
See 26th June 1875, 15th June 1878, & 29th June 1908

10th October 1907 (Northern Whig)
The immense heaps of fluorspar, estimated to weigh a million tons, which accumulated at Allenheads, Northumberland, during the old mining days, have it is reported, been sold by Lord Allendale to Mr Blackwell the head of the spar industry in Weardale. The work of removal will occupy a large number of men for three years.

12th October 1907 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
THE MINING INDUSTRY OF THE LAKE DISTRICT.
Prosperity, such as has not been experienced for the last eight or ten years, is being enjoyed by the mining industry of the Lake District, and the revival of trade is responsible for several important developments either actually taking place or about to be undertaken. Thus, the Threlkeld Mining Company are making great developments in Blencathera, and the Cumberland Mines, Ltd., have started operation at Force Crag, while the same Company have undertaken the consideration of the reopening of the mines at Yewthwaite, Dalehead, and Barrow. While copper and lead remain at their present high price the mines are assured of a good, steady volume of trade, and zinc ore, which before the introduction of the process of galvanising was hardly saleable, now commands such a substantial figure and has become such an important product that the mines are not nearly so dependent upon the vagaries of the copper and lead markets.
One of the most important mines that is being reopened is the Force Crag mine near Braithwaite. Zinc ore is the most abundant product but barytes and lead ore are won as well. The mine was worked as far back as sixty years ago for its lead, which is here of high value because it contains an unusually High percentage of silver. A small Quantity of manganese and of copper is also found at the mine. The Cumberland Mines, Limited, which is working the Force Crag mine, also intend to start operations at the Yewthwaite mine in the Newlands valley. This was for many years a successful lead mine. It is the copper vein to which the Company now intend to devote their main attention. If prices continue to be satisfactory there is a probability that the Barrow lead mine, at the lower end of the Vale of Newlands, and the Dalehead copper mine, at the extreme end of the vale, will be reopened. The Barrow mine was worked in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Another mine being reopened is the Brundholme mine, in the Glenderaterra valley, which divides the eastern end of Skiddaw front

Blencathera. It was last worked in 1852, and yields copper as well as lead. The veins here are separate but unite.
Three of the best known mines in the Lake District are the Greenside, the Thornthwaite, and the Wolfram. The Thornthwaite mine is at the head of Bassenthwaite Lake, and has been worked continuously for the last 35 years. Here, as at many other mines, the zinc ore formerly of little value, is almost as important a product as the lead. The Greenside mine, at the head of the Patterdale valley, has been probably one of the most successful mines in the whole district. It has been working for the last 150 years. Lead, such as plumbers use, is the product, and silver is found in the ore. The Wolfram mine is on the western side of Carrock Fell. What is obtained here is tungstate of iron associated with manganese. It is a very heavy mineral, dark brown or almost black in colour. It was used formerly for the production of tungstic acid, but is now employed as an alloy of steel, which it hardens very considerably. The mineral is worth shout £150 per ton. It occurs in a number of veins, which cross at right angles the little valley in which flows the Grainsgill beck, a tributary of the Caldew.
All these metals are found in fissure veins. In the early stages of the earth's history, cracks, sometimes occasioned by the contraction of the surface, or by volcanic agency, were found in the crust of the earth. These fissures tapped reservoirs or sources of thermal water charged with minerals. That thermal water commenced circulating in the veins, and the minerals which it contained were deposited on the sides of the fissure until in many cases it was quite filled.—"Carlisle Journal."

26th October 1907 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE MINERALS IN 1906
PRODUCTION OF LEAD ORE

The general report and statistics of mines and quarries and of minerals raised in the United Kingdom has, for the year 1906, just been issued. The Weardale produce embraces lead ore, ironstone, fluorspar, whinstone, ganister, and a large quantity of limestone. ... Durham produced in 1906 4,177 tons of dressed lead ore from which the amount of lead obtainable in smelting amounted to 2,953 tons, and the amount of silver obtainable from the lead 18,228 ounces and the value of the ore at the mines figured at £46,982.
The total quantity of lead produced in the United Kingdom in 1906 was 30,795 tons, value £341,405, against 27,649 tons in 1905 value £244,752.

26th October 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

A sad fatality occurred on Tuesday at the Rookhope Lead Mine, whereby a young man named James Pearson of Allendale aged 19 yrs., ore dresser, lost his life by being crushed between two waggons.

2nd November 1907 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENHEADS

On Tuesday week the inhabitants of Allenheads and Rookhope were greatly pained by the sad accident to Jas. Pearson Jnr. of Rose Hill, Allenheads, who was killed at Boltsburn, Rookhope, by being jammed between two wagons, the pin of one of which broke going up the incline. The funeral took place at St Peter's and was the largest that has been witnessed at Allenheads for a great

number of years, a large number not being able to get into the church; there were over 50 friends from Rookhope. The funeral was conducted by the Rev W Williams, vicar, and the Rev T S Berry, Wesleyan minister, Allendale.

James Pearson married Hannah Graham 1st quarter 1838, registered at Hexham

In 1841, at Hunt Well, Allendale, William Pearson, lead miner, aged 45, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Hannah 25, children Mary 3, John 1, Ann Pearson, independent, aged 81, and Ann Pearson, servant, aged 9.

In 1851, Hunt Well, Allendale, William Pearson, brother, lead miner, aged 55, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Hannah 36, children, Mary 12, John 11, Joseph 8, Ann 6, William 3, and James 1.

In 1861, at Elph Green, Allendale, William Pearson, unmarried, lead miner, aged 65, brother James, lead miner, aged 53, sister in law, Hannah 45, niece, Mary 22, Nephews, John, lead miner, aged 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, niece Ann 16, nephews, William Shoemaker (apr), James 12, and Stephen 8.

In 1871, at Green Pits, Allendale, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 65, his wife Hannah 55, children, Mary 32, William, shoemaker, aged 23, James, lead miner, aged 21, Stephen, driver in the mines, aged 17, grandsons, J. William Pearson 6, and Joseph Pearson 5.

James Pearson died 4th quarter 1872, aged 70, registered at Hexham.

In 1891, at Horsley Wood, Ovingham, Ann Pearson, widow, aged 50, and mother in law, Hannah Pearson, widow, aged 75.

Hannah Pearson died 1st quarter 1897, aged 79, registered at Hexham

James Pearson married Jane Curry 3rd quarter 1880, registered at Hexham.

In 1881, at Guide Post, St Peter's, Allendale, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 31, and his wife Jane, aged 25.

In 1891, at New Houses, Allenheads, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Jane 35, children, Christopher 9, Mary A 7, Margaret J 4, and James 3.

In 1901, at Dudley Place, James Pearson, lead ore miner, aged 49, his wife Jane 46, children Christopher C., blacksmith, aged 19, Margaret J. aged 14, and James 13. In 1911, at Allenheads, James Pearson, lead miner, aged 61, his wife Jane 55, and daughter Margaret J, dairy work, aged 24.

Jane Pearson, died 4th quarter 1918, aged 63.

James Pearson died 4th quarter 1934, aged 84, registered at Hexham.

4th December 1907 (Teesdale Mercury)

LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE.

THE WIREGILL DEEP COMPANY IN COURT.

At a special sitting of the Barnard Castle County Court, on Friday, before Judge Templer, interesting glimpses of the customs appertaining to lead-mining in Teesdale wore disclosed in an action brought by William Hardy, a practical "groover" residing at 4, New Road, Middleton-in-Teesdale, who as plaintiff entered an action against the Wiregill Deep Lead Mining Company, Limited, 42, Spring Gardens, Manchester. Mr J. I. Dawson appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr T. M. Barron was for the defendant company. In the particulars it appeared that the plaintiff claimed from the defendants the stum of £22 damages for breach of contract of service, the defendants having dismissed him from their employment as a lead miner, without notice, in April last. — Mr Dawson explained that the Wiregill Mine was five miles above Middleton-in-Teesdale, and that Lord Barnard had the royalty let to the defendant company. Plaintiff

Hardy was one of the workmen employed, and he and others, under a verbal arrangement—there was no written contract- agreed to work the mine, and they were to be paid the sum of £5 12s. 6d. for every ton of ore raised to the surface. The Wiregill Lead Mine was an old working, and a drift was already in existence in the level for nearly a mile, and the company granted the plaintiff and the other men the privilege and right to prospect in the old mine. The plaintiff and others spent three mouths in this labour, and in time and money had expended £80 before they sent the first ore to the surface. They got very good remuneration for that, and the price of lead was a little high. Then it was that the company wanted to put two more men into the mine, and they were perfectly right in that if they had not wanted to put them into the same shift. But as the men employed were already working in a face the approach to which was only 6 feet by 4 feet, or less than an ordinary door- way, it was perfectly impossible for them to work with any more men in. There was no air, and the men had often to come to the surface for air. The drift was a mile long, and 600 feet to face. There was an air shaft about 150 feet away. These men were dismissed because they would not take other two men into the shift. They got verbal notice to quit the mine at once. — Plaintiff was called, and said the arrangement was made between Mr Anderson and himself, and Hardy admitted that in eighteen months they had been paid £318 4s. He had been a practical miner for 22 years. A month's notice was the custom in lead-mining. They blasted with dynamite. —Mr Barron: Is the lead horizontal or face at top? —Plaintiff: It is level on.—Mr Barron: Were you picking the eyes out of the mine instead of driving ahead?—Plaintiff: A wire came to Mr Anderson and he saw me there. He told me to got some more men. The ventilation was not perfectly right on the 20th of March. £22 a month was about my average. The Judge; I don't know why you should not have given this man a mouths notice? —Mr Barron: Mr Smart came to see the mine, and this man refused definitely to put more men in. If this man is to be allowed to manage the mine whore does the owner come in? — Robert Hebdon (72) for 33 years a miner, John Tinkler, 16 years a “groover,” and Joseph Allinson, all said a month's notice was the custom, and His Honour at this stage adjourned the further hearing of the case until next court.

14th December 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The remains of Mrs Ellen Crawhall widow of Mr John Crawhall, widow of Mr John Crawhall, Bridge House, Stanhope, were interred at the old church on Thursday.

21st December 1907 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

An Octogenarian, passed away at Stanhope last week namely, Mrs E. Walton, widow of Mr Ralph Walton at the age of 82. Her husband was one of the old Stanhope band that won third prize at the Crystal Palace in the international band contest in 1853. He was regarded as the best euphonium player present on that occasion.

In 1841, at Newfield, Stanhope, George Walton, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Mary aged 45, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret 15, Elizabeth 15, Ralph 13, Mary 11, Jane 8, and Hannah 5.

In 1851, at Newfields, Mary Walton, widow, aged 57, son Ralph, iron stone miner, aged 23, daughters Jane 17, and Hannah 15.
In 1861, at Stanhope, Ralph Walton, married, lead miner, aged 33, daughter Mary aged 7, son George 5, mother Mary Walton, widow, aged 68, and house servant Jane Proud aged 25.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Ralph Walton, lead worker, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 45, children Mary 17, George, labourer aged 15, William 8, Tom 6, and Frederick 3.
In 1881, at Stone House, Ralph Walton, engine driver at lead mills, aged 53, his wife Elizabeth 56, children Mary, dressmaker, aged 27, William, grocer, aged 18, and Frederick 13.
In 1891, at Stone House, Elizabeth Walton, widow, aged 66, daughter Mary, dressmaker, aged 37, sons William, limestone quarryman, aged 28, and Frederick Walton, coal agent aged 23.
In 1901, at Stone House, Elizabeth Walton, widow, aged 76, daughter Mary, dressmaker, aged 47, son Fred, stone weigh man, aged 34, and grandson Charles Walton 7 years.

11th January 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

On Wednesday afternoon, the remains of the late John Nattrass of Westgate, Weardale, were interred in the village churchyard. The deceased who was a well-known wrestler had attained the age of 71 years and was the last of the famous Weardale wrestlers. In the sixties Nattrass won most of the leading trophies. … He is survived by a grown up family consisting of three sons and two daughters.

In 1841, at Ireshopeburn, st John's Chapel, Caleb Nattrass, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Barbara (Robson, married 17th June 1830, at St John's Chapel) aged 30, children, Matthew 6, John 4, and Thomas 2.
In 1851, at East Riggs, Heathery Cleugh, Caleb Nattrass, lead ore miner, aged 50, his wife Barbara 44, children Mathew, lead ore miner, aged 16, John, lead ore miner, aged 14, Thomas 11, Ralph 8, Joseph 5, Jane 4, and Mary 1. Caleb Nattrass died 1st quarter of 1857.
In 1861, at Wearhead, Barbara Nattrass, lead miners widow, aged 54, children Mathew, lead miner, aged 26, John, excavator, aged 23, Thomas, excavator, aged 21, Ralph, lead miner, aged 19, Joseph, lead miner, aged 15, Jane 14, and Mary 11. Barbara Nattrass, died 2nd quarter of 1866.

In 1861, at West Black Dean, St John's, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 24, his wife Margaret Ann (Walton, married 1st quarter 1860, registered at Weardale) aged 21, and son William 4 months.
In 1871, at Burn Foot, St John's Chapel, John Nattrass, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Margaret A. aged 31, children, Ralph 8, Elizabeth 6, Mary 4, and Thomas aged 1.
In 1881, at East Castle, Tanfield, Lanchester, John Nattrass, coalminer, aged 45, his wife Margaret A 41, children William, coalminer, aged 20, Ralph, coalminer, aged 18, Elizabeth 16, Mary 14, Thomas 11, and Father John Walton, widower, Millwright out of employment, aged 73.
In 1891, at Miners Arms, St John's Chapel, lead miner, aged 54, his wife Margaret aged 51, children, Ralph, iron miner, aged 28, Thomas, lead miner,

aged 22, Mary 24, married daughter, visiting, Elizabeth Richardson aged 26, granddaughters, Frances Richardson 6, and Mary Richardson, aged 1.

Margaret Ann Nattrass died 6th July 1896.

St Andrew's Churchyard, Westgate

John Nattrass married Margaret Brown 3rd quarter 1898, registered at Weardale.
In 1901, at Westgate, Stanhope, John Nattrass, retired lead miner, aged 64, and his wife Margaret aged 69.
Margaret Nattrass died 4th quarter 1904, aged 73.
See 1st March 1890

11th January 1908 (English Lakes Visitor and Keswick Guardian)
FATAL ACCIDENT AT THRELKELD MINES.

At about 8 o'clock on Monday night a man, named Joseph Robinson, 39 years of age, single, miner, residing at Threlkeld, met with death while following his employment at Threlkeld Lead Mines. It appears that the deceased was working

along with another man, named James Robinson, and that at 7 p.m. they had fired three holes in the level. After the smoke had cleared away they went back to the place. Deceased asked his companion if he thought it was safe, and James Robinson replied that he did not know. They commenced to clear away the debris, and in doing so the deceased accidentally knocked a prop out. Immediately there was a rush of stone and it extinguished their candles. James Robinson called out to the deceased, asking if be was any the worse. Receiving no reply, he made for the shaft in the dark and got the assistance of two men, named Hewer and Spence. Returning, with lights, they found the deceased was partly buried under the fall and quite dead. The body was taken from the mine and removed to the Salutation Inn. An examination revealed a large wound on the forehead extending from above the right eye to the cheek, which Dr Crawford considered was quite sufficient to cause death. An inquest was held on Wednesday by Mr Halton, deputy coroner for Eest Cumberland, when a verdict of “Accidentally killed " was returned.
The remains of the deceased, who was a native of Naddle, were interred at St. John’s-in-the-Vale Church on Thursday afternoon.

18th January 1908 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Mr Henry Walton and Mrs Walton, The Raise, Alston, celebrated their diamond wedding on Saturday. Amongst those present were Messrs William Walton, Hedley Bank Coanwood; James Walton, The Riding, Allendale; Thomas Walton, Howburn, Alston; Isaac Walton, Regents Park, London; sons; Mrs Birkett and Miss Walton, The Raise; Mrs Davidson, Saltwell View, Gateshead; and Mrs Lee, Randalhome, Alston, daughters of the venerable couple. … Mr Walton is the oldest son of the Late William Walton of Clarghyll Hall, and Leazes House, Alston, and Mrs Walton is the daughter of the late Mr James Blacklock, of Wallace Hall, Dumfriesshire. They were both born in the same year 1821. They were married in January 1848. Mr Walton, farms on an extensive scale occupying one of the largest sheep runs in the kingdom.
See 3rd January 1885, 27th July 1908 & 9th August 1913

22nd January 1908 (Teesdale Mercury)

WIREGILL DEEP IN COURT.
JUDGMENT FOR THE COMPANY, WITH HIGHER COSTS.

The adjourned hearing of the Teesdale Lead Mining case came before Judge Templer at the ordinary sitting of the Barnard Castle County Court on Monday. In this action, which was partially heard at the late special sitting of the court, a leadminer, named William Hardy, residing at Middleton-in-Teesdale, sued the Wiregill Deep Lead Mining Company (Manchester), for £22, which represented alleged damage for breach of contract of service. Mr J. I. Dawson appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr T. M. Barron was for the defence.
Mr Dawson: The witness Allison was in the box and my friend had started to cross-examine him when your Honour adjourned the case. Joseph Allison was now recalled.
Mr Dawson: When you left the mine you had four fathoms ready driven to take the top out, and to take the lead ore from the top? — Yes, sir.

Are you going to take advantage of that driving because you had to leave your work without notice when you were dismissed? — Yes.
His Honour: Was he at work at the mine as one of the other four?
Mr Dawson: They had the offer to work the month out at a reduced figure.
Witness: And we refused, and cleared out. Our average was £22 for the month.
The Judge: Why did you refuse to work with two more men?
Witness: There was not plenty of air.
The Judge: It was foul air, was it?
Mr Dawson: I understood from you that at times you could not strike a match?
Mr Barron: Do you mean he could not strike a match or it would not burn? (Laughter).
Mr Dawson: It would not burn.
Mr Barron: Do you know there are six men working there now?—Yes.
Mr Barron: Then why could not these men work when you were there?—It is along time since then.
His Honour: That does not make any difference, does it!
Mr Dawson: The area is very much bigger now.
Mr Barron: There is more to ventilate. Is that not so? —There will be more men to ventilate for.
Matthew Walton, Thomas Walton and John Stephenson Watson, were examined for the plaintiff, and Mr Barron submitted that it was absolutely a matter of evidence, and on that His Honour would have to decide. He called Louis Smart, consulting engineer, and a director of this company, who said that double shifting was resorted to in the best interests of the concern, but in an interview on the 10th of April Hardy was very much out of hand, and distinctly impudent. He refused point blank to employ more men in the mine, lead being then at a high price. It was quite clear that the man apprehended an interference with his “face,” or profit, or privilege. After the fan was put in the ventilation of the mine was about as perfect as ever he had come across. The question of reduction was raised by Hardy and not by witness. The average earnings had since gone down from £22 10s. to £11 10s. He told Hardy that the directors could not allow that bargain to continue. Hardy had spoiled the place absolutely, and it took six weeks to put it right. The company put in the fan, though it was Hardy’s duty to find everything for working the mine.
Joseph Anderson, mine foreman, and Edwin Hoal, present manager, also gave evidence, and the case lasted several hours in the hearing.

His Honour’s Judgment.

Judge Templer said this had been an interesting fight, but he did not think the plaintiff had established the fact that an explicit or definite arrangement for the contract to be observed for any length of time had been made, and certainly no notices to terminate it were named, although it was open to Hardy to have insisted upon a defined time. As it was the plaintiff had had three months in which to recoup himself after the original outlay. But the question of notice was left an open matter between the parties. Even before February the plaintiff was repeatedly told that in the interest of the company Hardy was not driving the “face” fast enough, and that the “ face should be driven quicker, while the price of finished lead was remaining high. The urgent instructions were resisted by Hardy from the first, and it was only under pressure that the fan was put in, under a distinct understanding with Mr Smart, as disclosed by his evidence, that the plaintiff would then undertake double shifts, which was not accordingly

done. Hardy was dismissed in April, and the bargain was then terminated between the parties. The plaintiff had expended a certain amount of money, but the Judge did not think that he had established a general instruction as to notices, as the only notices to which reference had been made by the witnesses was in respect to other methods of lead-working, which were quite different to this method of tonnage. It must be proved that this general giving and receiving of notices was known to everybody, and that both parties were perfectly well aware of it. Where no such custom prevailed the defendant company were perfectly justified in giving Hardy and his men to understand that the contract must be at once terminated under such circumstances as had been disclosed. Over and over again the defendants had demanded of the plaintiff to get more men, and to clear away the "deads." But to the latter request he (the Judge) did not attach as much importance as he did to the weight of the testimony in regard to the ventilation. Hardy knew very well that he was bound to put more men into the mine, but he seemed to have acted on the assumption that it was to his own interest and in the interest of his men that he should not put more men into the working, and that his profits would be considerably diminished if he did put them in. The directors had met the plea of insufficient ventilation by informing him that they would get him that ventilation, which they did, and which turned out to be perfectly satisfactory, and they now asked for two shifts. Upon that Hardy decided upon leaving his job, and breaking the contract, it was the plaintiff and not the company who broke the contract. He was not to be dictated to by Mr Smart, the engineer and director, nor the manager, and the Judge held that there was no ground for such action, and that Hardy had misconceived his duty and obligation. The plaintiff had not made out that he was entitled to a month's notice, neither had he made out to his Honour's satisfaction that there was a general custom as to a month's notice in tonnage. Moreover the defendant had been constantly reminded that he was not mining in a proper way, and that he was not putting in his fore-breasts as he should have done. The Judge therefore found a verdict for the defendant company with costs under Scale B.
The court then rose.

7th March 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WHITFIELD

An inquest held at Carrshield touching the death of Pietro Rolando, an Italian miner 53 years of age. Deceased was found at 12:30 am on Monday in a kneeling position on the highway at Carrshield, apparently overcome with cold. He was taken to Barney Craig Barracks where he died at eight o'clock the same morning. A verdict was returned that death was due to heart failure the result of exposure to cold.

14th March 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The Weardale Lead Company's returns for the four weeks ended 7th March are: - ore raised 285 tons, pig lead smelted 251 tons; average price obtained for pig lead sold £13 19s 3d per ton net. Work was considerably retarded by the snowstorms.

28th March 1908 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENDALE NOTES.

The unfortunate Italian miner who died from exposure in West Allendale during the recent snowstorm had a unique funeral. Owing to the depth of snow, the road from Carrshield to Nenthead was impassable. The coffin, which had been made at Nenthead, was conveyed under ground to Carrshield, and in the same way the body and cortege were taken down the shaft at Carrshield and through the mines all the way to Nenthead, where the internment took place.

11th April 1908 (Hexham Herald)

ALLENHEADS

The death is announced in his 76th year of Mr John Ridley, of Allen Lodge, Allenheads. … Born in West Allen, he had nearly all his life been employed by the Beaumont family. He resided for the most part at Allenheads, where for many years he acted as mining engineer and agent for the Late Lord Allendale and the present Peer, whom Mr Ridley served at the time of his death. ... Mr Ridley who had been a widower for many years is survived by four sons (Harry who is a missionary in China under the Inland China Mission; George Ridley, a local mining engineer and surveyor; Lois E. Ridley, grocer, Tynemouth Road, Newcastle; and Norman Ridley an engineer) and two daughters one a widow Mrs Pickering, who resided with her late father and Mrs Charlton of Westmorland.

See 6th November 1875, 28th July 1894, & 11th April 1908.

St Peter's Church Yard, Allenheads

18th April 1908

MINING FATALITY AT NENTHEAD

On Saturday Mr F. W. Halton, acting Coroner for East Cumberland, held an inquest at the Assembly room, Nenthead on the body of George Black, aged 59, of Dykeheads, Nenthead, whose death occurred on Thursday in consequence of an accident on March 28 in Rampgill zinc and lead mine belonging to the Vieille Montagne Mining Company, by whom the deceased was employed as woodsman. Mr Abbott, one of H M Inspectors of mines was present and several of the company's officials, who are Germans, Belgians and Italians, attended. The body was identified by the daughter of the deceased. She deposed that her father had influenza but recovered and went back to his work. On March 28th he came home complained of pain in his side and tried to sit down in a chair several times without succeeding. A doctor was then sent for. Dr Donald Bremner Waters deposed that when he examined the deceased on March 28th he found him suffering from a fractured rib on the left side and a contusion on the left shoulder. The rib penetrated one of the lungs, pneumonia and pleurisy supervened, and death resulted on April 9th. Before his death deceased told him that while he was building up something in the mine he fell four or five feet and struck his side on a plank. He did not blame anyone. In answer to Herr Rodewald, manager of the company, witness said there was little doubt that the lung had been penetrated by the rib. Wilhelm Doller produced a plan of the mine. His evidence was interpreted by Edouard Host, who, however, could not comprehend the interpretation of the English oath. Frederick Lee, labourer to the deceased, stated he heard the deceased tumble while building a rise in the wall in the mine. On reaching him he found him lying on the scaffolding. He believed Black must have tripped over a loose piece of wood. In reply to the Inspector, witness said the company allowed them plenty of wood. The deceased was an experienced man at the work. Theoder Prumbaum, underground foreman, stated that he visited the drift in the mine daily. He found the place where the accident happened quite safe. His belief was that the deceased must have slipped, and in tumbling, broken his rib. The Inspector having described the place, the jury found that the death had been due to pneumonia and pleurisy, following the injuries received, and that there had been no neglect on anyone's part.

In 1841, at Ruff Side, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Agnes (Dryden, married 22nd June 1811, Alston) aged 49, children George, lead miner, aged 25, Agnes 20, Robert, lead miner, aged 20, Matthew 14, Mary 14, and William 12.

In 1851, at Ruffside, Robert Black, farmer of 8 acres, aged 63, born Durham, Agness 59, children George, lead miner, aged 39, Agness 34, Martha 24, and John, lead miner, aged 18.

In 1861, at Ruffside, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 73, his wife Agnes 68, children George, lead miner, aged 49, Agnes 43, and John, lead miner, aged 28. Robert Black snr. died 1862 or 1863.

In 1851, at Wellgill, Dykeheads, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Ann (Rutherford, married 2nd October 1845, Alston) aged 27, sons George 2, and Robert 1. In 1861, at Dykeheads, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Ann 37, sons George, lead miner, aged 12, and Robert 11.

In 1871, at Dykeheads, Robert Black, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Ann 47, and son George, lead miner, aged 22.

In 1881, at Dykeheads, Robert Black, retired lead miner, aged 60, his wife Ann 57, and son George, lead miner, aged 32.
George Black married Margaret Graham, 23rd May 1882, at Alston, Margaret Black died 19th November 1888 aged 30.
In 1891, at Dykeheads, George Black, widow, lead miner, aged 42, his father Robert Black, widow (Ann died 2nd quarter of 1884 aged 60), retired lead miner, aged 70, daughter Isabella 9, and domestic housekeeper Lucy Price aged 24.
Robert Black died 29th April 1891 aged 71.
In 1901, at Dykeheads, Nenthead, George Black, widow, lead miner & woodman, aged 52, his daughter Isabel G Black 19, and granddaughter Mary A. R. Black under 2 months.
See 15th March 1879, 27th May 1882, 17th March 1883, 24th November 1888, & 9th May 1891.

23rd May 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WALL

The death of Mr John Henderson which occurred on Saturday morning after a few hours illness. … For close upon half a century Mr Henderson was in the employ of Messrs Walton and Cowper at the Fallowfield Lead mines, commencing work there when a lad of eight years.

Deaths

Benwell, Clara Street, 15th inst. (suddenly) aged 53, Mary Jane wife of James Spottiswood, late of Alston.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, Hugh Spotswood, lead miner, aged 52, his wife Ann 44, children James, lead miner, aged 23, Hugh, lead miner, aged 21, Mary A. domestic servant, aged 17, John, apprentice to carpet weaver, aged 14, Leah 11, Margaret 8, Miles 5, and Matthew 2.
In 1881, at Clitheroe, James Spottiswoode, lead miner, aged 34, his wife Mary J. (Irving, married 4th quarter of 1876, Alston) aged 25, children Hugh 3, Joseph 2, and Ethel M. 3 months.
In 1891 at Skelgill, James Spottiswood, coal miner, aged 43, his wife Mary Jane 36, children Hugh 14, Joseph 12, Ethel Maud 10, James 7, Matthew 5, John 2, and Miles 2 months.
In 1901, at Brewery Cottage, Alston, James Spottiswood, lead miner, aged 53, his wife Mary 45, children Joseph, labourer, aged 22, James, labourer, aged 17, Mathew 15, John 12, Miles 10, Frederick William 7, and Mary Ann 3.
See 19th April 1884, & 20th December 1884.

30th May 1908 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

FATALITY AT NENTHEAD

A shocking fatality occurred in the lead mines at Nenthead, on Wednesday, to an Italian workman, 18 years of age. It appears that he was being brought up from the lower workings in a cage drawn by a wire rope worked by compressed air, and when near to the top of the shaft, the wire broke, and cage and man were dashed to the bottom. Assistance was speedily forthcoming, but when the unfortunate man was reached he was dead.
The dead miner was Basilio Corsi aged 17 years.

27th June 1908 (Cumberland and North Westmorland Herald)

DEATH OF MR. HENRY WALTON
ALSTON

We regret to record the death af Mr. Henry Walton, The Raise, which occurred on Sunday last. Deceased had been in failing health for some weeks, but, even when his great age was taken into account, immediate fatel results were not expected. On Sunday morning, however, he became worse, and expired in the afternoon. Mr. Walton was born December, 1821, and had consequently attained his 87th year. He was the oldest son of the late Mr. William Walton, of Clarghyll Hall and Leazes House. He married in 1848 Jessie, daughter of the late Mr. James Blacklock, of Wallace Hall, Dumfriesshire.

Deceased had been engaged in the farming avocation all his life, his first holding being the farm of Blackcleugh in Kirkhaugh. He afterwards leased the farms of Howburn, Cashburn, and Crossgill, in the Alston locality. Mr. Walton's Black Faced sheep and cross-bred lambs had an exceptional reputation. They have been sold in Penrith Auction Mart for 30 years in succession …

One of the earliest offices held by him in behalf of the common weal of the locality in which he resided was that of parish constable in the days prior to the establishment of the county police force. …

Deceased has held in his time a wide range of public offices. He was a member of the Alston Board of Guardians for some 40 years. He saw added to the duties of the Guardians the additional work of highway authorities, sanitary authorities, and school attendance, and he saw the transference of most of these duties to the District Council of which for m,any years he was chairman. He sat for some five years as a member of the Cumberland County Council, and has sat for a lengthened period on the Cumberland Bench. …

See 18th January 1908

Henry & Jessie Walton
Alston Cemetery

Henry Walton

29th June 1908 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Wedding, Mr Wemyss Henry Atkinson, solicitor, Alston and Miss Charlotte Stagg, Hill House, Alston. The bride was given away by her brother Mr Albert Stagg.

In 1881, at Hill House, Robert Stagg, yeoman farmer, aged 32, born Ottery St Mary, Devon, his wife Caroline aged 40, born Broadhambury, Devon, daughter Charlotte 3, and son Albert Ed. 1.

In 1901, at Hill House, Alston, Caroline Stagg, widow, aged 60, born Broadhambury, Devon, and her daughter Charlotte aged 23, born Alston. In 1901, Albert Ed. Stagg, marine Engineer, aged 21, was lodging at Boyd Road, Wallsend.

In 1911, at Hill House, Albert Edward Stagg, retired marine engineer, aged 31, and his wife Ethel aged 23, born Richmond, Surrey. In 1911, at Highbury, Jesmond, Wemyss Henry Atkinson, solicitor, aged 44, born Wallsend, his wife, Charlotte 33, and son Rupert Blaxland 1.

Marriages

Stanhope church, 15th inst. N. Jamison, Bay Bridge to Miss Paddinson, Stanhope.

Alston Parish Church of St Augustine, 18th inst. Wemys Henry youngest son of the late Thomas & Sarah Alexander, Atkinson, Newcastle to Charlotte only daughter of the late Robert and Caroline Stagg of Alston.

Deaths

Allendale Town, 18th inst. aged 83, Eleanor widow of Joseph Peart.

See 4th June 1904

7th July 1908 (Penrith Observer)

LORD ALSTON OF NENTHEAD.

The letter which Sir Angus Holden, Bert., sent on Saturday to the Alston District Council will prove of interest to all Cumbrians, whether they know Nenthead or not. Mr. Asquith's four new peers includes Sir Angus, who desires to perpetuate the connection of his grandfather with the parish by taking as his title Baron Alston of Nenthead. Naturally the Council agreed to the suggestion, properly regarding it as an honour to their parish, and they took the opportunity of congratulating the new peer on the dignity. It is a long step from a cottage on Alston Moor to a seat in the House of Lords; what a contrast little more then a century has afforded! Three generations, as we remarked last week when referring to the peerage given to Sir Angus, have provided one of the most remarkable industrial romances to be found in the annals of trade in this country. The man whom the first Lord Alston seeks to honour was Isaac Holden, who combined the occupations of small farmer and lead miner at Nenthead. At that time the whole of Alston parish was relatively very far away from all towns; there was no highway between the valleys of the Eden and the Tyne, and transit was principally done by means of galloways. But the lead industry was of great importance, as it had been for centuries before Isaac Holden laboured in mine and on his fell land Towards the end of the eighteenth century an idea became prevalent that most of the lead mines in the Alston district were exhausted. That was not strictly a fact, although there was severe distress among the people in 1795 and 1796, which became still more acute in 1800, when the Government

started an inquiry as to whether the prevalent scarcity of food was occasioned by the increase in the population or by a deficiency of agricultural produce.

Isaac Holden did not wait for Government inspectors to tell him that he was not prospering. He left his native fellside and went alone to Glasgow, where he obtained employment in a coal mine. His wife, an industrious and pious Scotswoman, whose maiden name was Forrest, was left with her four children at Nenthead, but followed the father as soon as steady employment had been secured. At the village of Hurlet, between Paisley and Glasgow, Isaac Holden the second, who was destined to become a baronet of the United Kingdom, and to revolutionise a great British industry, was born on May 7th, 1807. The elder Isaac was at that time working in the adjoining Wellington Pit, Nitahill. Husband and wife were both intellectually far above their station in life. They were among the earliest followers of John Wesley, and Isaac utilised his spare time by trying to teach and elevate those around him, establishing both a Sunday school and a night school in the village. Five yean after going to Hurlet, the family removed to Kilbarchan, nine miles away, at a time when the country was in a state of paralysis through the consequences of tbs Napoleonic wan. Young Isaac was sent to a Grammar School, but knowing his father could ill afford to keep there he found employment as a draw boy to a couple of hand- loom weavers, and thus for two years earned his living and continued his education at a night school. Times mending for the family through another removal, the lad went to a cotton mill, where he worked from six in the morning until eight at night, and afterwards attended a school—a zeal for education which would be difficult to equal in these days. The father was afterwards able to take his boy from the mill for a while and afford him regular education, but at thirteen young Isaac was again piecing in the cotton mill, and studying Latin and bookkeeping, going at fifteen as apprentice in a shawl factory at Paisley, which had to be abandoned through lack of strength. The lad's motto was always "progress"; he studied Latin, Greek, French, Italian, and German, mathemathics and physics, and at twenty-one migrated to Leeds, where he became a teacher, going afterwards to Reading, in Berkshire. There be invented lucifer matches, though as it afterwards appeared he had been anticipated in the invention by about two years by a man named Walker, of Stockton. Each had named Walker, of 8tockton. Each had made the discovery independently, and neither would take out a patent—to the great advantage of the rest of the community.

Returning to Scotland Isaac Holden became a partner in a mill, and gave his attention to improving the system of wool combing—the preparation of the wool by cleaning and otherwise making the material ready for the spinner. This was done in the homes of the workpeople, and was unsatisfactory from every point of view. Holden invented a machine to do the work, but his three partners at that time had objections to patents, and so the diecoverer of the system undoubtedly lost an immense sum of money —which he estimated at a million sterling. Later experience brought greater wisdom. Holden improved the machinery for dealing with genappe yams, and at once, as he described it many years later, "saw that this invention must revolutionise the manufacture, and that there was a fortune in it." The fortune did not come soon, through the stubbornness of his partners, the Messrs, Townsend, and so after a year he left them, Then in 1847 he and Mr. Samuel Cunliffe Lister—the lets Lord Masham—went into partnership, but were forestalled in the process, and so he lost another fortune. Still inventions followed one another, most of them profitable, while work was found for tens of

thousands more people then could have found employment in hand labour. He not only established vast mills in Yorkshire —one in Bradford being called Alston Works, doubtless out of compliment to the Cumberland origin of the owner's father—but founded works in France, and through the influence of his invention a village of five thousand French people has now become a town with a population of a quarter of a million, the great mass of them employed in the woollen industry. All was not plain sailing; most costly experiments were always being made, but on the whole they, backed by the wonderful capacity for work displayed by the owner, helped towards making the vast fortune left by Sir Isaac at his death in 1897. He served in Parliament for many years, fighting numerous stiff political battles, and at the time of his retirement was one of the oldest members of the House ot Commons. Sir Isaac believed in “the simple life” to an extent which would astonish even moat vegetarians, as he lived by the month together almost entirely on fruit. That the system had its virtues— for him—was proved by the fact that he lived beyond his ninetieth birthday.
The first Lord Alston, who has reached the age of seventy-five, has himself lived a strenuous commercial and political life. He went into his father's business immediately after leaving Wesley College, served for two decades in the Bradford Town Council, was thrice Mayor of the borough before being elected in 1881 to serve the Eastern Division in Parliament, and he was twice afterwards again Mayor. Then he went to the Buckrose Division of the East Riding, for which he sat for many years. His reward is the peerage which is to identify Alston with a very remarkable family.

15th August 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE
LEAD COMPANY

Profits for the year ending June 30, £19,221. It is proposed to transfer £1,000 from the dividend reserve fund and to pay forthwith a dividend of 1s per share, making 12 percent for the year, ...

29th August 1908 (Lancashire Evening Post)

HEAD CUT OFF
TERRIBLE ACCIDENT AT THRELKELD. LEAD MINE.

Details of a terrible accident which occurred the Gate Ghyll lead mine, Threlkeld, Keswick, and which resulted in the death of a man named David Irving, of Keswick, were laid before Mr. F. W. Hatton, coroner for East Cumberland, at an inquest which was held at Thelkeld last night. Mr. Robert Howell was foreman the jury.
Deceased was 23 years of age, and was a pump-man employed the Thelkeld Mining Company, and met his death by becoming entangled in the machinery. William Turner, miner, Threlkeld, said that on Thursday he was working near the pump with which deceased was drawing water from the mine. The pump was half a mile from the surface, and was driven by a motor. Witness was on one side a steel partition which divided them from the pump. His attention was drawn to a sound like a pipe bursting, and on looking round the end the partition saw deceased fast in the cogwheels. He called to his mate Alf. Simpson, and stopped the machinery. Deceased's head was cut off, and various parts the body were scattered over the place. When witness stopped the machinery deceased's head and part of his body had been drawn in. He did not see the

deceased start the pump, nor did he see him with the oil-can, but be saw the oil-can underneath him when they removed the body. The oil can was not broken or crushed. The machinery had only been put in two or three days, and was not protected.
Alfred Simpson, miner, Threlkeld, gave corroborative evidence. He added that deceased would have finished shift in half an hour. His impression was that deceased had been stooping, and was caught by his hair. He was an intelligent lad. and always anxious to learn.
This was the whole the evidence, and the Coroner said that the assumption—and it was only an assumption—was that deceased had been caught in the machinery by oiling it. It had not been thought necessary by the mining company to fence the machinery, but probably that would now be done as far as it was possible.
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."
Deceased was a son of Mr David Irving, at one time licensee of the Sun Inn Bassenthwaite and still residing in that village.

12th September 1908 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A BREACH OF ORE MINE RULES.

At the Alston Police Court, Mr R. Rodewald, manager of the Rampgill Lead & Zinc mine, Nenthead, was summoned on an information laid by Mr J. B. Atkinson, Mines Inspector, on a charge of having committed a breach of Rule 14, of the Metalliferous Mines Regulations Act 1872, by not having attached to the winding engine used for raising or lowering persons in the mine an indicator showing to the person working the engine the position of the load in the shaft. The mine is the property of the Vieille Montagne Company. Mr R. Sheraton Holmes, Newcastle presented for the Treasury, and Mr Lightfoot, Carlisle, appeared for the defendant and pleaded guilty on his behalf. Mr Holmes said the facts were that on May 25th, an Italian miner was being brought up the shaft in a kibble, something went wrong with the winding engine and the result was that the miner was precipitated to the bottom of the shaft and was killed. Mr Holmes did not suggest that the accident was necessarily due to the want of an indicator; but as a matter of fact, there was no indicator on the engine as required by the rule, and the engineman was unable to tell the position of the load. Mr Lightfoot urged in defence that the death was not due to the breach of rule. It had not originally been intended that men should ride in the kibble, although he admitted it was within the defendant's knowledge that this was habitually done. Defendant was fined 40s and costs.

31st October 1908 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The remains of Mr George Moses, chairman of the Stanhope and Weardale Co-operative society for 25 years were interred at Stanhope Church on Saturday. … Deceased was 74 years of age. He was an ex urban councillor of Stanhope. Formerly he worked as a lead smelter for the late London Lead Company.
A Weardale man named William English, a bandsman of some note, belonging to Wearhead has died in Canada.

28th November 1908 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Death of Mrs Crawhall of Stanhope (wife of Mr John Crawhall J.P.) took place in York on Saturday evening.

4th January 1909 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
CRUSHED BY FALLING STONE
THE FATAL ACCIDENT AT A WEARDALE DRIFT MINE.
At the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle, on Saturday afternoon, an adjourned inquest was held before Mr. Coroner Appleby concerning the death of John Featherstone, 46, a bachelor, who died at the institution on Christmas Day, from the result of injuries sustained on Tuesday, December 22nd, while following his employment at a spar mine in Weardale.
George E. Harrison, a spar miner, Wearhead, said on December 22nd Featherstone and he were working in the Whitehall spar mine by candle light. The spar was used in furnaces. It was a drift mine. At 2.30 they were boring a hole, deceased being in a sitting position drilling the hole while witness was striking. There was a big fall of stone from the roof about eighteen feet behind them, smashing the timber up to the face. Part of the stone fell on Featheretone's legs, and witness got out of the mine by climbing over the fall, and went for assistance. Deceased was afterwards taken to his home. The weight of the fallen stone was about thirty tons. Since the acoident witness had examined the place where the fall occurred, and found a very slippery "face."
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

9th January 1909 (Hexham Herald)
WEARDALE
Weardale is ringing with the praises of the five lead miners who at great risk to their own lives gallantly rescued their unfortunate comrade John Fletcher Featherstone who was partly buried by a fall of debris and big stones from the roof of the mine at Westgate in Christmas week. As it was both his legs were broken and he was injured internally. He died at Newcastle Infirmary. The narrow aperture or orifice of that part of the mine where the accident occurred was threatened by another fall and lumps of stone kept falling down all the time. … He was a very stout man of 17 stones weight and they had great difficulty in getting him through the narrow opening to safety. Their names should be inscribed on Weardale's Roll of Honour. They are G. Nattrass, J. H. Gowland, A. Coulthard, J. H. Morley of Westgate, and G. Harrison of Wearhead.
In 1841, at High Corn Riggs, Stanhope, John Featherston, lead miner, aged 45, Thomas, lead miner aged 20, Emerson, lead miner, aged 20, Margaret 15, Sarah 12, Jonathan 10, Frances 5, and Ann 3.
Emerson Featherston married Sarah Thompson, 2nd quarter 1849, at Weardale.
In 1851, at Corn Riggs, Heathery Cleugh, Emerson Featherston, lead miner, aged 31, and his wife Sarah 21.
In 1861, at Cowshill, Weardale, Emerson Featherston, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Sarah 31, children, John 9, Elizabeth 6, Maria 3, Sarah Ann 2, and Margaret 2 months.
Sarah Featherston, died 3rd quarter 1866, aged 36, at Weardale.

In 1871, at Sedling, Heathery Cleugh, Emerson Featherston, miller, aged 50, children, John, cartman, aged 19, Elizabeth 16, Maria 13, Sarah A 11, Margaret 9, and Joseph T 7.
In 1881, at Sedling, Emerson Featherston, widower, miller & farmer, aged 61, daughter Margaret 19, and son Joseph, farmer, aged 16.
Emerson Featherston died 2nd quarter 1885, aged 64.
John Featherston, married Frances James 3rd quarter 1877, at Weardale.
In 1881, at Wearhead, Heathery Cleugh, John Featherston, lead miner, aged 29, and his wife Frances aged 27.
On 1891, at Sedling, Heathery Cleugh, John Featherston, lead miner, aged 39, and his wife Frances 37.
In 1901, at Sedling, Heathery Cleugh, John F Featherston, millers cartman, aged 49, his wife Frances 47, and niece Ruth James, shirtmaker, aged 37.
In 1911, at Lane Hill, Ireshopeburn, Frances Featherston, widow, aged 59.
Frances Featherstone, died 1st quarter 1929, aged 77, at Weardale.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr J. B. Atkinson
18th March 1909, Rampgill (Lead & Zinc) Cumberland, Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JOSEPH GRAHAM BLACKSMITH AGED 54.

Injured his finger while repairing a mine wagon and blood poisoning supervened.
In 1881, at Pry House, Thomas Graham, farmer of 20 acres, aged 65, his wife Sarah 64, children Agnes 38, Ridley, lead ore smelter, aged 33, Sarah 28, Joseph, general smith, aged 26, John, farmers son, aged 24, and William, stoker at lead smelting works, aged 24.
In 1891, at Holme Foot, Joseph Graham, blacksmith, aged 36, his wife Diana aged 31, daughter Bertha 2 months and boarder Thomas Lattimer, grocer, aged 25.
In 1901, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Joseph Graham, blacksmith at lead mines, aged 46, his wife Diana 42, daughter Bertha 10, and son Rupert E. D. 4.
See 30th December 1882, 7th June 1890, 15th May 1897 & 10th September 1892.

25th March 1909 (Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligencer)

LEAD MINER'S DEATH NEAR KESWICK.

Whilst working in the 37 fathom level at Thornthwaite lead mine, near Keswick, yesterday, a miner named John Lowden between fifty and sixty years of age, fell down what is locally termed "mill," a distance of about forty feet, and fractured his skull. He was got to the surface, and was conveyed to Keswick by the ambulance brigade, but he died soon after reaching his lodgings.

27th March 1909 (Lancashire Evening Post)

KESWICK MINER'S SKULL FRACTURED.

At Keswick, yesterday, an inquest was opened by Mr. E. Attar, coroner, regarding the death John Lowdon (65) a Keswick miner.
Lowdon who was employed at the Thornthwaite lead mines, was working underground, and in descending a ladder fell down what is known as "Mill" —

an inclined shaft down which ore is tipped—on to some broken metal. He was found fellow workman named Lewthwaite lying unconscious having fallen a distance of 33ft. His skull had been fractured, and death took place shortly afterwards. The inquiry was adjourned till next Tuesday for the attendance H.M. Inspector of Mines.

3rd April 1909 (Cumberland & North Westmorland Herald)

THE FATAL ACCIDENT AT THORNTHWAITE MINES

ADJOURNED INQUEST

An adjourned inquest, before Mr. E. Attar district coroner, was held at the Police Station, Keswick. on Tuesday afternoon, into the cause of death of John Lowden, miner, 65 years of age, which took place on Wednesday week, as the result of an accident. The following were the jury Messrs. J. W. Lupton, P. S. Todd, J. F. Atkinson, H. T. Pape. J. Young, J. Whittle, J. Stuart, E Bolton. J. Hutchinson, G. T. Scott, Henry Harden aud Wm. Porteous.

Mr. Beck, inspector of mines, was present, and Mr. Anthony Wilson. managing director, represented the mining company.

Robert Sanders, miner. Park View, Keswick, said that deceased had lodged at his house for the last 9½ years, and was in good health up to the beginning of winter, when he was in bed a month from sciatica. He was attended by Dr. Findlay, and after he was able to get about he went to Barrow for electric baths. When he came back the day after Christmas Day, he said he was better. He started work about a week after, and since then he had been troubled with his breathing, and frequently complained of dizzy fits, which compelled him to get of his bicycle on coming home from work, and stand a short time, otherwise he would have fallen. Witness had seen him get off his bicycle several times and lean over it as though unwell, and it was quite apparent that he was not in good health. He did not think he should hare gone on working, but he would have paid no heed if he had told him so.

Mabel Sanders, daughter of last witness, corroborated her father's evidence.

Elisabeth Reed, wife of Joseph Reed, engine man, Victoria-street, said that in a converaation she had with deceased some seven or eight weeks ago, he said he was not getting on as well as he would like to be, and sometimes a giddiness came over him so that he was like to lose his sight, and he had to catch hold of something to prevent hin falling off.

Dr. Crawfurd gave details of deceased's condition after the accident, and said he had two scalp wounds, and fracture of the base of the skull.

Arthur Lewthwaite, miner, Ladstook, said that on the 24th inst, about a quarter to two o'clock, he was working with deceased and three or four more in the mine at Thornthwaite, and they were in the act of descending a ladder from one working to another, deceased being immediately in front of him. He first heard a strange noise, followed by the sound of a falling pick. He called to the other men, and they descended other ladders until they reached No. 37 level, where they found deceased lying at the bottom of the mill. He had fallen about 46 feet, and he could see he waa seriously injured. Deceased was fully acquainted with the place, having gone up and down the ladders for the last eight or ten weeks, and ha appeared in the best of health at the time.

In reply to Mr. Beck, witness said that that morning he and other workmen had thought the ladder had better be protected, but they never mentioned anything about fencing it to any of the officials.

Mr. Wilson, the managing director, was down the mine that morning. There was plenty of wood to guard the place if they had wished. There had been some shot firing that, morning, but the smoke had all cleared away at the time of the accident.
In reply to Mr. Wilson, witness said their was always an ample supply of timber for anything that might be required, and everything asked for was always done to secure safety.
By the Foreman—The mill was not fenced. The ladder was a new one, and in good and order.
Edward Grisdale, miner, Braithwaite, corroborated, and said tbe last three men to decoend were Arthur Lewthwaite, John Lowden, and himself. Witness reached tbe bottom first, and went into a working to take some stones out of his clog. Lewthwaite came to him and said, “Has Lowden passed? He replied that be had not. “Then,” said Lewthwaite, "he has fallen down the mill.” Witness neither saw him fall, nor heard any unusual sound. The mill is a shaft for sending metal down from the workings to the main level.
Witness, in reply to Mr. Beck, said that it had been suggested that morning that wood should be put over the mill, but deceased thought it was not necessary.
Francis Emmerson, Fern Bank, another miner, gave general corroboration.
This was all the evidence and Mr. Beck said be had inspected tbe place since the accident, and everything was quite satisfactory. The ladder was better than he found in most places. As regards the mill not being protected, there was no statutory requirement, but this had now been done.
The Coroner briefly summed up the evidence, and a verdict of accidental death was unanimously returned.

In 1851, at Braithwaite, Charles Lowdon, miner, aged 70, his wife Mary 69, son George, miner, aged 32, grandsons, Charles, miner, aged 13, and John 5.
In 1861, at Braithwaite, Mary Lowdon, widow, aged 80, grandson, John Lowdon, lead miner, aged 15, grandson, Charles Lowdon, married, lead miner, aged 23, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Lowdon, hs wife, aged 18.
In 1871, at Braithwaite, John Hall, mining Engineer, aged 40, born Alston, his wife Jane aged 48 (Lowdon, married 4th quarter 1855, registered at Cockermouth) born Crosthwaite, son in law, John Lowdon, miner, aged 24, and daughter, Mary Jane Hall 14. Jane Hall died 24th February 1874.
In 1881, at Wythburn, John Hall, mining engineer, aged 50, born Alston, his wife Jane aged 60, born, Crosthwaite, daughter, Margaret Jane, dress maker, aged 24, son in law, John Lowdon, single, lead miner, aged 35. John Hall buried 30th November 1882, aged 51.
In 1901, at 2 Park View, Keswick, Robert Sanders, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Mary Jane 50, children, Annie 27, Edmond, lead miner, aged 15, Mable 10, granddaughter Winifred Sanders 7 months and John Lowdon, single, lodger, lead miner, aged 55.

21st April 1909 (Teesdale Mercury)

DEATH OF MR CHARLES E. BAINBRIDGE.
Late of Middleton-in-Teesdale.
Formerly Manager for the London
Lead Company.

The death has taken place at Acton, at the ago of 59 years, of Mr Charles Edward Bainbridge, fourth son of the late Mr R. W. Bainbridge, of Middleton

House, and younger brother of Mr W. J. Bainbridge, Holmehurst, Galgate, Barnard Castle. The deceased gentleman, who was captain of the old volunteers at Middleton, succeeded his father in the management of the London Lead Company's extensive lead-mining operations in Teesdale. On the decline of lead mining in the dale, however, Mr Bainbridge went out to superintend some mining venture or undertaking in Spain, but returned alter a brief interval, and has resided in this country ever since. He was subsequently general manager for Messrs Walker, Parker and Company, and had charge of all their works in Loudon, and at Newcastle and Chester. He leaves a family, mostly grown up. He had been in failing health for a very long time. His remains were cremated at Golder's Hill, Woking.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr J. B. Atkinson
3rd May 1909, Fallowfield (Barytes & Lead) Northumberland, Walton & Cowper.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF WILLIAM CHARLTON LABOURER, AGED 57.

While filling mineral from a heap a portion fell away and caught deceased.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr J. B. Atkinson
3rd June 1909, Guddamgill (Lead & Zinc) Cumberland, Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JOHN ROBERT ARMSTRONG AGED 37.

Explosion of Gelatine dynamite, while preparing a charge. *See 12th June 1909*

9th June 1909 (Teesdale Mercury)

A MAN'S HEAD BLOWN OFF AT NENTHEAD, NEAR ALSTON.

Mr F. W. Halton, Carlisle, the district coroner, conducted an inquest on Saturday, relative to the death of a man named J. R. Armstrong, who on Thursday met with a terrible death in the lead mines at Nenthead. The deceased not having been seen at the usual closing time, and wondering what could be keeping him, the foreman, Jon. Robinson, went in search, and found the poor fellow with his head blown from his body, and five fingers missing, and otherwise shockingly mutilated. Whilst agreeing that the cause was explosives, the jury returned a verdict to the effect that how the explosives were fired there was not sufficient evidence to show.

John Robert Armstrong born 1872, married Margaret Doyle, of Nenthead, 9th February 1893.
In 1891, at Spring House, Allendale, William Armstrong, lead miner & farmer, aged 47, his wife Jane 50, children, John R, lead miner, aged 20, Thomas C, lead ore dresser, aged 18, Joseph N, farmers son, aged 15, Mary H 12, and Matthew W 9.
In 1901, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Hugh Doyle, retired lead miner, aged 63, his wife Adah 60, son Hugh, lead miner, aged 28, granddaughter, Adah M

Graham 7, son in law John R Armstrong, lead miner, aged 29, born Allendale, daughter, Margaret Armstrong 32, and grandson Robert E Armstrong 5. Margaret Armstrong died 2nd qtr 1908, aged 39.
In 1911, at Whitehall, Nenthead, Adah Doyle, widow, aged 70, son Hugh Doyle, lead miner, aged 38, and grandson, Robert Edward Armstrong, labourer on dressing floor, aged 15 years.
See 13th May 1876, 14th July 1888, & 7th August 1897

12th June 1909 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

SHOCKING FATALITY AT NENTHEAD

MINER DECAPITATED

Quite a gloom was cast over Nenthead on Thursday afternoon week, when it became known that a sad fatality had occurred in the Guddam Gill Mine, Nenthead. It appears that John Robert Armstrong, who was employed at the mine, failed to put in appearance at 2 p.m., the time when the men of the morning shift are released. The agent in charge, Mr. Jonathan Robinson, immediately went back into the mine, and found the man in his working, with the head decapitated from the body and several fingers blown off both hands. He was sitting near the box containing the explosives which the man use for blasting. He had apparently been preparing the charge ready for blasting, but how the explosion exactly occurred is a mystery. because no one was near at the time. Mr. Robinson immediately called for assistance, and Dr. Waters, P.C. Bell, and the mining officials were soon on the scene. His body was brought out of the mine and conveyed to the Assembly Rooms.

THE INQUEST.

The inquest was held at the Assembly Rooms, Nenthead, on Saturday by Mr. F. W. Halton, coroner for East Cumberland, Mr. Blackburn appeared on behalf of the company, and Mr. Abbott, Inspector of Mines, was present, Mr. Jonathan Tatters was foreman of the jury.

Thomas Chester Armstrong, miner Allan Heads, brother of deceased, identified the body. He last saw him alive in September when he was in good health. Deceased's wife died in Garlands Asylum a year ago. He had a house and a house keeper. He did not know of any reason why deceased should do away with himself. In cross-examination by Mr. Blackburn, witness said he did not know of any cheques having been returned dishonoured.

Charles Hymers, miner, Hudgill, said he and deceased had their bait together at 10-20 in the mine. Deceased was in his usual health, and said nothing about having lost money.—In cross-examination by Mr. Abbott, witness said deceased was accustomed to prepare his shots.

Jonathan Robinson, the underground foreman of the Browlow Hill (sic. Brownley Hill) mine, gave evidence of chatting with deceased on Thursday morning. Deceased was not depressed, but there was some trouble about a cheque which had been returned from the Newcastle branch of the Charing Cross Bank. Deceased had been going several times to Newcastle about money. On Thursday afternoon at 2-30 deceased had not come out of the mine and witness, who had not heard of an accident, went to look for him, and found him 25 yards from the working where he prepared his charge. His head had been blown off, his wrists broken, and his clothes was scorched.— Cross-examined by Mr, Abbott, witness said the cartridges were of gelatine dynamite. Deceased had prepared two holes, and witness thought he had been fixing the

cartridge with his hands over his chest. An extra twist might explode the cartridges.—Replying to Mr. Blackburn, witness said it was not usual to nip caps on the detonator with the teeth, but he said that the mark on the cap might have beam made with the teeth.
John Emerson Elliot, who worked shift and shift about with the deceased, said that the cartridge might have exploded in deceased's hand.
Sarah Elisabeth Peart, deceased's housekeeper, said he had not appeared worried. Evidence as to the condition of the body when found was given by P.C. Bell.
The jury found a verdict that the deceased died as the result of an explosion of explosives, but that there was not sufficient evidence to prove how the explosion was caused.
The interment took place on Sunday in Nenthead Cemetery, the Rev. J. Pinchen officiating. The funeral procession was headed by the members of the Independent Order of Rechabites, of which body deceased was a member and prominent worker. An impressive address was given at the graveside by Mr. Jonathan Rutherford. The coffin was of solid oak, with nickel silver handles, and the breastplate bore the inscription "J. R. Armstrong, died June 3rd. 1909, aged 38 years."
Two beautiful wreaths were laid on the grave, one inscribed "A token of respect from the Nenthead Fanciers' Association," and the other "In loving memory of a brother deceased, from the members of the Independent Order of Rechabites, Heather Blossom Tent, Nenthead."
Deceased was a widower, and leaves an only son to mourn his loss. He was well- known and highly respected.

12th June 1909
Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr Bain
7th July 1909, Carricks (Ironstone) Durham, Weardale Steel, Coal & Coke Co. Ltd.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF THOMAS WILKINSON, MINE FOREMAN, AGED 67.

Two holes had been drilled, charged and stemmed in the side of an inclined road, the intention being to shoot off some side to make room for a double way on the incline. Both of the holes were about 2 feet deep and the distance apart about 3 feet. Both were charged with gelignite – dynamite, and the firing was by means of a fuse. The man killed, a foreman at the mine, lighted the fuse of the hole furthest inbye, and then retired down the incline and round a corner, some 16 to 18 yards, to a place of safety. The shot exploded and the man said to his mate "I will now light up the other," and walked briskly up the incline. He no sooner arrived at the point where the 2nd shot was than it exploded, causing injuries from which he died on 23rd July.
In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Thomas Wilkinson, ironstone miner, aged 49, born Allendale, his wife Maria aged 45, born Stanhope, daughters Jane A. 22, Mary 19, and Harriet S. 7. In 1901, at St John's Chapel, Thomas Wilkinson, foreman in ironstone mine, aged 59, his wife Maria aged 55, and daughter Harriet S. aged 17.

23rd October 1909 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

FATALITY AT NENTHEAD MINES.
KILLED BY A BROKEN WHEEL.

Quite a gloom was cast on the village on Friday morning, when it became known that a sad fatality had occurred in the Rampgill Mine, Mr. John Stephenson Archer, who was engineman, having been killed while attending to the large air-compressing plant which the company had installed in the Rampgill Mine. The compressors are propelled by means of a Pelton wheel broke, a part of it hitting pressure. The deceased was on the night shift, and it appears that on hearing that something was wrong he had rushed to the valve to stop the machinery when the Pelton wheel broke. A part of it hitting him, as the wounds on the head and other parts of the body plainly indicated.

As deceased failed to put in an appearance at the end of the shift on Friday morning search was made and he was found dead near to the valve which he had partly managed to close. The body was taken out of the mines and conveyed to the Assembly Rooms.

An inquest was held on Monday before Mr. F. W. Halton, coroner for East Cumberland. Mr. Bendall, from the office of Messrs. Saul and Lightfoot, Carlisle, was present on behalf of the Company, and Mr. J. B. Atkinson, the Chief Inspector of Mines for Northumberland and Cumberland, also attended. The evidence showed that deceased descended the mine at 6-15 on Thursday night to superintend the machinery which included a Pelton wheel driven by water. The water descended from a great height into buckets on the outside of the wheel, which drove an air compressor used for drilling purposes. On descending on Friday morning e workman named John Joseph Bainbridge, the day shifts man, could not find the deceased, and noticed that the water which drove the wheel was lying all over the place. He went back and got assistance, and having stopped the flow of water found the deceased lying close to the valve which shoots off the water, with a jagged wound on the back of his head. Archer was quite deed. Further evidence showed that the wheel had broken, and that part of it was lying three or four feet away from the deceased. There was no evidence to show how the wheel, which is 5½ feet in diameter, had been broken.

The jury returned as their verdict that deceased had been "Accidentally killed by the breaking of a Pelton wheel whilst following his employment."

The interment took place on Monday when a large number of deceased fellow workmen and friends attended to pay their last tokens to one who was highly respected and esteemed in tea locality. The Rev. H. Kenyon officiated. Much sympathy is expressed for the relatives in their sad bereavement, especially to the young widow (nee Miss Florrie Good fellow), whom he married only four months ago. Deceased was 35 years of age, and has been for many years a prominent member of the Nenthead Brass Band.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr J. B. Atkinson
15th October 1909, Nenthead (Lead & Zinc) Cumberland, Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JOHN STEPHENSON ARCHER AGED 35, ENGINE MAN.

Fracture of a Pelton Wheel.

He had descended the shaft to superintend the machinery. He was found with a jagged hole in the back of his head. A Pelton wheel 5.5 feet in diameter used to power an air compressor had broken.

William Archer married Mary ann Price 6th June 1873, at Alston.
See 14th June 1873
In 1881, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Archer, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Mary A 28, children, John S 7, born Hadley Hill, Durham, Margaret A 5, born Crook, Durham, and Elizabeth 3, born Alston.
In 1891, at Overwater, Nenthead, William Archer, lead & Zinc miner, aged 39, his wife Mary Ann 38, children, John Stephenson. lead & Zinc miner, aged 17, Margaret Ann 15, Elizabeth 13, Lucy 9, and William Henry 1.
In 1901, at West Nenthead, William Archer, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary A 48, children, John Stephenson, lead miner, aged 27, Margaret Ann 24, Elizabeth 23, Lucy, dressmaker, aged 19, William Henry 11, and Thomas A 1.
In 1911, at Bank Foot, Nenthead, Mary ann Archer, widow, aged 58, children, Maggie Ann 35, Elizabeth 33, William Henry, lead & zinc miner, aged 21, and grandson, Thomas Allen Archer 11.
Mary Ann Archer died 1st quarter 1924, aged 71, at Alston.

John Stephenson Archer married Florence Goodfellow (daughter of John (innkeeper) & Ann Goodfellow), 15th June 1909 at Alston.
In 1911, at Low Bailes, Alston, Elizabeth Goodfellow, single, Hose maker, aged 45, sister Florence Archer, widow, hose maker, aged 37, and nephew, John William Archer, under 10 months.
Probate 1929: Florence Archer of Low Bayles Alston Cumberland widow, died 24 March 1929 Administration (limited) Carlisle 24 May to Elizabeth Archer Spinster and William Henry Archer labourer. Effects £238.

23rd October 1909 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE NOTES

A sinker named Wearmouth belonging St John's Chapel, Weardale was killed on Saturday at Twizell Colliery, by a fall of stone whilst engaged in sinking a shaft for Messrs Joicey and Company.

In 1881, at St John, Stanhope, Joseph W. Wearmouth, road labourer, aged 31, his wife Elizabeth 26, sons William 4, Richard R. 3, and Osborn C. 8. In 1891, at St John's Chapel, Joseph Wearmouth, lead miner, aged 41, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Richard R. 13, Osborne C. 10, Amanda 8, and Frances aged 6. In 1901, at St John's Chapel, Elizabeth Wearmouth, married, aged 40, children Richard, lead miner, aged 23, Osborn C., lead miner, aged 20, Amanda 18, and Frances E. 15.

9th April 1910 (Hexham Herald)

WEST ALLENDALE

On Easter Saturday Mr Alexander Henderson of Keenley was married to Miss Phylis Nattrass daughter of Henry Nattrass of Lightshield at the parish church. We understand Mr & Mrs Henderson leave for Alberta shortly. It is understood three or four more residents in West Allen leave for Canada before the end of May.

9th APRIL 1910 (Cumberland and North Westmorland Gazette)

PATTERDALE

A miner, Alexander Cummins, a native of Millom, was killed by a fall of rock at the Greenside lead mines, Patterdale. He was sinking a shaft with some other men when a piece of rock fell and struck him on the thigh, crushing his legs and pinning him against the wall. One of his mates, Thomas Coward, had a narrow escape when the rock grazed his shoulder. Mr. Cummins died while on the way to the level mouth.

2nd April 1910, (Lakes Visitor & Keswick Guardian)

FATAL ACCIDENT AT PATTERDALE.

On Monday, between six and seven o'clock, a sad accident happened at Greenside Lead Minas, Patterdale. Alexander Cummins, a single man, belonging tn Millom, was sinking a shaft, and was raising water preparatory to firiing a fuse. A piece of rock, which weighed 25cwts. to 30cwts., fell from the roof onto Commins, pinning him to the gronnd. He was alive when released, but died before he could be got to the level, a mile away. A curious feature of the accident was that Cummins was not working in his ordinary turn. He should have been on another shift, but a miner named Cowin baring a week-end off, Commins took his place.

On Thoreday afternoon Mr R. W. Slack held an inquiry into the circumstances of the accident.

Mr W. H. Borlase, manager of the mine, said that last Thursday he inspected the place in company with other officials, and as a result he ordered sinking to cease for the present. Attention was called to a piece of rock on the hanging side of tbe shaft. It was ordered to be taken out, being considered unsafe, and Cummins was there when witness gave the order. The men had been told about it and warned a week before. This was the only time such an accident had happened at Greenside in hie experience if 29 years.

Thomas Coward, who was working with deceased, gave evidence generally bearing out that by Mr Borlase as to the condition of the shaft. He had examined the place two hours previously very carefully, and all the four men on the shift, including Cummins, agreed that it was perfectly safe. When deceased was liberated from beneath the rock which had pinned him to the bottom of the shaft, it was found that his right thigh was smashed, and both lege were broken in three places. The men's requirements as to materials for securing their safety were always fully met by the company.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," adding as a rider: "We are of opinion that the roof of the chamber should be carefully inspected and made secure before sinking operations are commenced," and Mr Borlase said the request would be observed.

In 1901, at 61 Hope Street, Millom, Alexander Cummins, iron ore miner, aged 55, born Ireland, his wife Susanna 46, born Ireland, children, William, labourer, aged 18, John 13, Robert 10, James 8, Mary Ann 4, and father in law, John Skillen, widower, labourer, aged 65, born Ireland; the children were all born in Cumberland.

31st May 1910. (London Gazette)

In the County Court of Northumberland holden at Alston. Plaint No. 26

In the Matter of the County Courts Act, 1888, and in the Matter of the estate of MARY WALTON, Deceased.

Joseph Bond v. Joseph Bond, John Thomas Hill, Christiana Gotts, Mary Jane Worthy, John Bond and Thomas Bond.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by an Order made by His Honour Judge Steavenson, the Judge of the said Court, dated the 22nd day of February, 1910, it was ordered that the following enquiry be made, namely: —

An enquiry who are the persons entitled by virtue or according to the Statute of Distribution to the estate of the deceased (Mary Walton more particularly hereinafter named) living at the time of her death, and whether any of them are since dead, and if so, who are their legal personal representatives.

Now, therefore, all persons claiming to be the next of kin of the above named Mary Walton, late of Holmes foot, Nenthead, Alston, in the county of Cumberland, Widow, deceased, who died intestate on the second day of November 1908, and of whose estate letters of administration were granted on the 25th day of November, 1908, by the Carlisle District Registry of the

Probate Division oft His late Majesty's High Court of Justice, to Joseph Bond, of 46, Railway-terrace, Willington, in the county of Durham, Cycle Dealer, the above named plaintiff, as one of the next of kin of the said deceased, are required, on or before the 30th day of June next, to furnish to Messrs. Chater and Atkinson, of Alston, aforesaid, Solicitors, a statement of their relationship to the deceased, supported by certificate or other satisfactory evidence.

The above named Mary Walton was 81 years of age at the time of her decease, her maiden name was "Hill," the name of her husband was Robert Walton, and she was a daughter of James and Margaret Hill, of Nenthead aforesaid. Dated this 27th day of May 1910.

EDWD. BLACKBURN, Registrar of the said court.

7th June 1910 (Sunderland Daily Echo & Shipping Gazette)

THE SPEAKER AS A STOKER.

The Speaker, who has been spending the latter part of his holiday in Cumberland, had a novel experience on Friday.

Taking advantage of his visit to friends at Alston, the managers of the Vieille Montaigne Zinc Company whose works at the remote village of Nenthead on the borders of Cumberland and Durham, invited Mr Lowther to inaugurate their new boilers. These have been put down at the mines for the purpose of driving very extensive and elaborate ore dressing machinery, which, has cost over £42,000. The fires had been lighted with wood, and were awaiting the supply of coal, which the Speaker found close by the furnace ready for use.

Mr Lowther set to with a will, and having a smart way in handling the shovel, he, with a steady swing, sent the fuel exactly to the proper place. Experienced stokers admitted that "no practiced hand at stoking could possibly have performed the work in better style."

12th July 1910 (North Star, Darlington)

LEAD MINE ACCIDENT IN WEARDALE

A fall of earth took place yesterday at Burtree Pasture Lead Mine, near Cowshill, whereby a young man named Joshua Lowe Peart was hurt. Between four and

five hours elapsed before he could be released, in spite of the utmost efforts of willing workers. Dr. Wrench was in attendance. Apparently, no bones are broken, but Peart suffered severely from the shock.

Joshua Lowe Peart born 2nd qtr 1873, son of John and Mary Hannah Peart (Lowe married 1870.

Mary Hannah Peart died 1st qtr 1891, aged 41, at Weardale.

In 1891, at Wellhope, Weardale, John Peart, widower, lead miner & farmer, aged 51, children, Edward, lead miner, aged 19, Joshua L., lead miner, aged 17, John 13, Phoebe 11, Laidler 9, Jacob 7, and Hannah 4.

Joshua Lowe Peart, married Jane Golightly 1st qtr 1898, registered at Weardale

In 1901, at Copt Hill, Heathery Cleugh, Weardale, Joshua Lowe Peart, Whin stone quarryman, aged 27, and his wife Jeanie 26.

In 1911, at Heathery Cleugh, Wearhead, Joshua L. Peart, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Jeanie 36, and nephew, Leonard Madgen 8.

Joshua L. Peart died 4th qtr 1928, aged 55, registered at Weardale.

12th July 1910 (Lancashire Evening Post)

LOSS OF A SON.
MILLOM MOTHER SUES PATTERDALE MINING COMPANY.
AGREEMENT AT PENRITH COUNTY COURT.

A compensation case came before Judge Steavenson at the Penrith County Court, yesterday, when Susannah Cummings, Millom, sued the Greenside Mining Company, Patterdale, for £200 for the death of her son, Alexander Cummings, who was killed in the mines on March 28th last. Mr. Lightfoot, Carlisle, appeared for the applicant, and Mr. C. H. Allan, Penrith, represented the respondent company. Susannah Cummings, in her evidence, said she was a widow in her 60th year. Her family, in addition to grown-up sons, included a boy and girl at home. While the deceased son worked at Greenside he assisted her contributing an average 10s. a week in sums varying between 30s. and 5s. Cross-examined; Witness said her son sent money during a period he was working on the Penrith pipe-track.

Robert Cummings, a brother of deceased, said was formerly employed by the Greenside Company, and spoke to writing letters for his brother, in which he enclosed sums of money to the amount stated. — William Cummings, Cleator, gave similar evidence.

Mr. Allan, for the company, said they had no desire anything but what was fair and reasonable. The claim in the first instance was for 14s. 3d. per week, but that had since been reduced to 10s. a week. Even that sum he could not admit. There was no satisfactory evidence that 10s. week had been paid, and he could prove that it was impossible that the deceased could have sent anything like that sum home. During one period when he was working on the Penrith pipe-track his earnings worked out 15s. 2d. a week, and he was paying out of that 12s. for his board and lodgings. His earnings at Greenside at another period averaged 19s. 5d. a week.

His Honour said the evidence so far was of a very flimsy character, and at present he should only be able to give a very nominal sum. He suggested that the parties should come to an agreement. The two solicitors conferred, and Mr. Allan, behalf of the company, said they had agreed to make the mother a present of £50, and that had been accepted. His Honour said be desired say

that the offer was a very handsome one, and Mr. Lightfoot had done very wisely to accept it. He divided the money as follows:—To the mother, £31 10s., to be paid to her at the rate of 2s. 6d. a week until exhausted and to the child, Mary Ann, £18 10s., to be paid to the mother at the rate of 5s. a week.

16th July 1910 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Westgate, Weardale, on the 7th inst, Mrs Bolton the beloved wife of Mr Anthony Bolton (late of Nenthead) aged 66 years.
William Bolton, born 27th August 1804, baptised at Staindrop, Durham 9th December 1804, parents Anthony and Margaret (Miller, married 6th September 1794, at Staindrop) Bolton.
William Bolton, married Hannah Dobson, 24th April 1826, at Middleton in Teesdale.
In 1841, at Red Banks, Dufton, William Bolton, lead ore, smelter, aged 35, his wife Hannah 35, children, Thomas 13, Mary 9, Ann 6, and William 1.
In 1851, at Dufton, William Bolton, lead ore smelter, aged 47, his wife Hannah 48, children, Thomas, lead ore smelter, aged 23, Mary 19, Ann 17, William 10, Anthony 6, Hannah 3, and visitor, Samuel Parkin, lead ore smelter, aged 18.
In 1861, at Dufton, William Bolton, lead ore smelter, aged 56, born Staindrop, Durham, his wife Hanah 58, born Weardale, children Mary 29, William, lead ore miner, aged 20, Anthony, lead ore miner, aged 16, and Hanah 13, all born at Dufton. In 1871, at Hilton Village, Westmorlan, William Bolton, lead ore smelter, aged 66, his wife Hannah 68, son William, smelter, aged 30, and daughter Mary 39.
William Bolton died in 1874, at West Ward, Westmorland, aged 70.
Hannah Bolton died 3rd quarter 1875, at East Ward, Westmorland, aged 72.

In 1871, at Stanhope, Anthony Bolton, foreman at lead works, aged 26, born Dufton, and his wife Rebekah aged 26, born Leeds, Yorkshire.
In 1881, at Nenthead, Anthony Bolton, manager of lead works, aged 36, his wife Rebecca, 36, sister Mary Bolton aged 49, and domestic servant Elizabeth Erwine aged 15. In 1891, at Ivy Cottage, Nenthead, Anthony Bolton, manager of lead smelting works, aged 46, his wife Rebekah 46, sister Mary Bolton, living on own means, aged 59, nephew John George Bell 12, visitor Laura Wilkinson 13, and domestic servant Jane Hopkin aged 18. In 1901, at Ivy House, Anthony Bolton, assistant manager at mine, aged 56, his wife Rebekah 56, niece Ann E Sowery aged 26, nephew John G Bell, engine fitter, aged 22, and housemaid Mary Gowland aged 16.
See 22nd March 1912

9th September 1910 (Shields Daily News)
FIND OF ANCIENT MINERS' TOOLS. —An interesting find of wooden hammers and shovels has been made at an old lead mine known as Crawley level, at Stanhope, now being: worked for spar, etc., by the Weardale Steel and Coal Co. They are in possession of Councillor J. Crawhall, J.P., at the offices of the company, at the Old Furnace, Stanhope. Crawley vein records indicate that it was worked for lead 900 years ago, but the discovery of wooden tools infers a much greater antiquity than that.

28th October 1910 (London Gazette)

Re JOHN WILSON WALTON WILSON, Deceased.

Pursuant to the Act of Parliament, 22nd and 23rd Vic, c. 35.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the estate of **John Wilson Walton Wilson**, late of Shotley Hall, in the county of Northumberland, Esquire, who died on the 14th day of April, 1910, and whose will was proved in the District Probate Registry at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on the 13th day of October, 1910, by William Collings Sample, Robert O'Donelan Ross-Lewin and Anne Cecilia Elfgyva Walton Wilson (the executors therein named), are hereby required to send particulars, in writing, of their claims or demands to as, the undersigned, the Solicitors for the said executors, on or before the 1st day of December, 1910, after which date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice; and the said executors will not be liable for the assets of the said deceased, or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person or persons of whose claims or demands they shall not then have had notice.—Dated this 28th day of October 1910.

GIBS0N. PYBUS and PYBUS, 43. Mosley-street.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Solicitors for the said Executors.

12th November 1910 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

AT OLD HAGG'S MINE, NENTHEAD, a serious accident has befallen a boy named John Wright. He was caught by some machinery and sustained a fractured skull and a broken leg, whilst one hand was badly damaged, and his arm had to be amputated. After receiving medical assistance he was conveyed to the hospital, where he lies in a precarious condition.

22nd October 1910 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Grave fears are entertained respecting the safety of two Weardale emigrants in South Africa; Mr Jonathan Martindale and Mr Joseph Ralph Martindale, who have been prospecting for gold in Rhodesia these last two years. They wrote home to friends in Weardale every month, but nothing has been heard of them since June 17 of this year, four months ago. They were in the habit of taking their gold to Bulawayo every month, sometimes £300 or £400 worth and their Weardale friends entertain grave fears for their safety.

30th January 1911 (Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligence)

DISMANTLING

THE WIREGILL LEAD MINES, MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE

Pumps, Engines, Crushers, Jiggs, Screens, Pelton Water Wheels. 300 tons 3in. 4 in. and 6in. CI Piping.

W. and J. Kayley, Star Iron Works, Ancoats, Manchester

9th May 1911 (Penrith Observer)

HELVELLYN LEAD MINE

This mine is again closed. it once bid well for prosperity, but for the last twelve months it has been in a sickly state, and is now expired. Perhaps it only wants

an infusion of new blood into its management, with a fresh supply of groats, to revive it to a healthy state.

10th June 1911 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)
Marriages
The marriage took place on Saturday at the Alston Congregational Church of Mr William Percival, Nenthead, and Miss Eliza Walton, of Alston.
The marriage was solemnised in the Alston Primitive Methodist Chapel on Sunday morning of Miss Jane Richardson and Mr Septimus Hewitson, *(Thomas S. Hewitson)* both of Nenthead.

2nd September 1911 (Hexham Courant)
ALSTON
MINING FATALITY
A sad fatality took place at Cashwell Mine, situated some distance from Alston on Tuesday. A man named John Armstrong was engaged in the mine, when there was a heavy fall of the roof and he was buried under the debris. An alarm was raised and assistance procured, but it was not till on Wednesday morning that the body could be recovered. Diseased had worked at the place from boyhood. He was a widower, and resided at Bank Top, near Alston.
John Armstrong married Hannah Eleanor Robson, 1st quarter of 1883, registered at Hexham, Hannah Eleanor Armstrong died 2nd quarter of 1892 aged 31.
In 1891, at Mark Close, Alston, Hannah E Armstrong, married, aged 30, children Anna 7, Elizabeth Jane 6, Joseph W 3, David 1, and John 1 month. John Armstrong, married, engineman, aged 35, was at Caswell.
In 1901, at Town Foot, Alston, John Armstrong, widow, lead mine foreman, aged 45, children Anna 17, Joseph W. 13, David 11, John 10 and mother in law Jane Robson, widow, housekeeper, aged 59.

6th January 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Dunedin, New Zealand, on the 30th ult. aged 62, Robert Lee, formerly of the Hope Allendale. *See 8th January 1881.*

Grey River Argus 5th January 1912.
Mr Robert Lee, of Dunedin, late managing director of Kaitangata Coal Company, and director of the New Zealand Express Company and other concerns died on Saturday.

20th January 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At MacLeod, Alberta, Canada, on December 21st after brief illness, William beloved husband of Helena Philipson late of Fourstones.

27th January 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Alston, on the 23rd inst. aged 62 years, Susannah, relict of the late Joseph Fawcett.

In 1851, at Pry Head, Nenthead, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 37, his wife Elizabeth aged 36, children Ann 13, Elizabeth 11, John 8, Joseph 5, William 3, and Mary 1.
In 1861, at Pry Head, Nenthead, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 47, his wife Elizabeth aged 46, children Elizabeth, household work, aged 21, children John, lead miner, aged 18, Joseph, carter, aged 15, William, lead ore washer, aged 13, Mary 11, Smith 8, Thomas 6, and Isabella 3.
In 1871, at Craig Shield, Garrigill, William Fawcett, lead miner, aged 57, his wife Elizabeth 56, children Joseph, lead miner, aged 25, William, lead miner, aged 23, Mary, general servant, aged 21, Smith, lead miner, aged 18, Thomas, lead ore washer, aged 16, and Isabella 13.
In 1881, at Lane Head, Garrigill, Joseph Fawcett, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Susannah (Hill, married 30th March 1873, at St John, Garrigill) aged 31, children Annie 8, Elisabeth 6, Hannah 5, and Walton 3.
In 1891, at Garrigill, Joseph Fawcett, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Susannah 41, daughter Hannah 15, and son James 5.
In 1901, at Town Head, Alston, Joseph Fawcett, lead miner, aged 55, his wife Susannah 51, children Hannah 25, Walton, railway porter, aged 23, James, woodman, aged 15, and granddaughter Sissie Fawcett aged 3.
Joseph Fawcett died 4th quarter of 1904 aged 59.
In 1911, at Fairhill View, Susannah Fawcett, widow, aged 61, and granddaughter Susannah Fawcett aged 14.
See 3rd June 1876, 17th September 1881, & 22nd December 1888.

2nd March 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Stanhope, on the 28th ult. James Smirthwaite, formerly quarry manager at Newlandside Limestone Quarries, Stanhope, aged 68 years.

22nd March 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Frosterley, on the 18th inst. William Gardner, late quarry manager at the Fine Burn Limestone quarries, Frosterley.
At Westgate, on the 19th inst. Anthony Bolton, formerly agent at the Nenthead lead works, aged 68 years.
See 16th July 1910

30th March 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At 49 Belle Grove West, Spital Tongues, Newcastle, on the 25th inst. aged 73 years, Ann widow of the late John Barron of Alston.
In 1851, at Overwater, Smith Barron, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Hannah 41, son John, lead ore washer, aged 14, daughter Hannah 12, and son in law John Erwing, lead miner, aged 18.
In 1861, at White Hall, John Barron, lead ore miner, aged 25, his wife Annie (Angus, married 29th May 1859, at Nenthead) aged 22, daughters Mary J. 1, and Hannah 1 month.
In 1871, at Clitheroe, John Barron, coal miner, aged 35, his wife Ann 32, children Mary J. 11, Hannah 10, Joseph W. 6, Frances E. 5, and John J. 2.

In 1881, at Clitheroe, Ann Barron, widow (John died 1st quarter of 1875, aged 39), aged 42, children Joseph W. piecer in woollen mill, aged 16, John J. 12, Annie 9, Louisa 6, and Herbert 1.
In 1891, at Ancrum Street, Newcastle, Ann Barron, widow, aged 52, children Joseph W, laundryman, aged 26, John J, gardener, aged 22, Louisa 16, and Herbert 11.
In 1901, at Belle Grove, Ann Barron, widow, waitress, aged 62, daughter Frances, waitress, aged 32, son Herbert, drapers workman, aged 21.
See 27th December 1873, and 18th May 1878

10th April 1912 (The Times)

PETROL LOCOMOTIVE

An order has been received by Messrs. Ironside, Son, and Dyckerhoff from South America for five petrol driven locomotives with single cylinders of approximately 7¾ in. bore by 10½ in, stroke, giving 12 h.p. The normal speed is about 300 r.p.m. but when throttled they will run down to 110 r.p.m.
Two gears are provided giving about 2¾ and six miles an hour at normal engine speeds. Several of these engines are now at work in Great Britain. In one instance the locomotive operates underground in the Rampgill mine near Alston Cumberland, for a distance of nearly three miles in a narrow level, taking in 25 empty wagons, and bringing out the same number of full ones with a. gross tonnage of about 40 tons. Grades of as much as 1 in 66 are encountered, and there are reversed or "S" curves. The locomotive has replaced at least four horses, and their drivers. … the consumption of petrol is about six gallons in nine hours.

13th April 1912 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

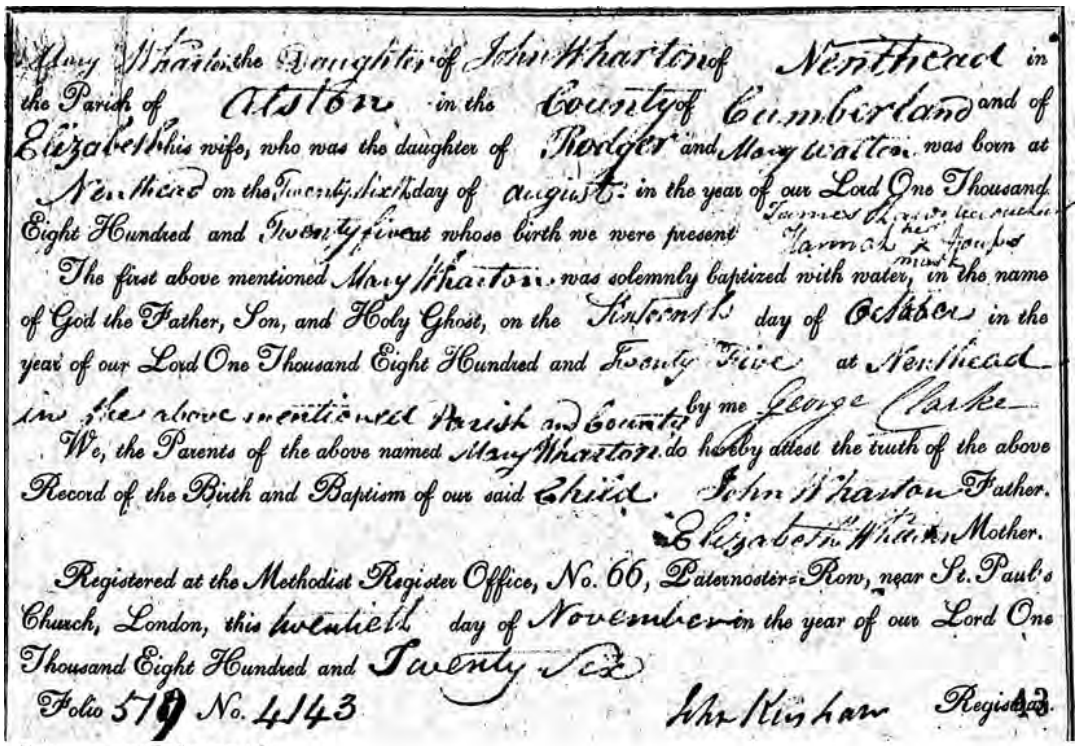
The limestone quarrymen of Weardale at Stanhope, Frosterley, and Westgate, have got to work again this week after an enforced idleness of about five weeks through the coal strike. There are about 1000 of them altogether at the three places named. There has been much suffering from privation and loss of wages, and the poor quarrymen get nothing.

17th April 1912 (Manchester Democrat, Iowa)

DEATH OF MRS. MARY EMERSON

Miss Mary Wharton was born in Nenthead, Cumberland county, England, August 26, 1825 and died at her home in this city Wednesday afternoon, April 10, 1912.
She with her parents emigrated to this country at an early day, settling at Dubuque, Iowa. On December 23, 1841 she was united in marriage to Franklin Emerson at Dubuque, Iowa, and in 1845 they moved to Clayton county, this state, and in 1852 moved to this county, locating on a farm in Richland Township. In 1877 they moved to this city which place has since been her home. Her husband died in this city in 1901.
Mrs. Emerson was a member of the Congregational church and was a consistent Christian woman and a regular attendant until her health became such that she was unable to attend. She was a kind and affectionate wife and mother and leaves a large circle of friends who join with the bereaved relatives in mourning her death.

She is survived by five sons: H. E. Emerson of Denver, Colorado; Frank W. Emerson, of Stockson, California; Henry H. Emerson of Camas Montana, and George D. Emerson of Telluride, Colorado.
The funeral services were held from the home Monday morning, Rev. Moore, of the First Congregational church assisted by Rev. Ensign, of the Presbyterian church, officiating. Interment was made in the Pleasant Valley cemetery. …



Mary Wharton the Daughter of John Wharton of Newhead in the Parish of Alston in the County of Cumberland and of Elizabeth his wife, who was the daughter of Rodger and Mary Watson was born at Newhead on the Twenty sixth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty five at whose birth we were present James Lowes Farmer & Grocer Farmer & Grocer

The first above mentioned Mary Wharton was solemnly baptized with water, in the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, on the Sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Five at Newhead in the above mentioned Parish and County by me George Clarke

We, the Parents of the above named Mary Wharton do hereby attest the truth of the above Record of the Birth and Baptism of our said Child John Wharton Father.
Elizabeth Wharton Mother.

Registered at the Methodist Register Office, No. 66, Paternoster-Row, near St. Paul's Church, London, this twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Six

Folio 379 No. 4143 Wm Kinsham Registrar

Source: ancestry.co.uk

1900 USA Federal Census, at District 0078, Delaware, Iowa, Franklin Emerson, aged 86, his wife Mary 74, date of her immigration 1831.

27th April 1912 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The total cost up to now of the Weardale Infectious Diseases Hospital, at Stanhope, has been £2677 15s 3d, buildings, furnishings etc.

11th May 1912 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Already there have been 5 cases of diphtheria in the new Weardale Infectious Diseases Hospital.

18th May 1912 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

The death of George Proud, a Frosterley man is announced from America. He at one time was well known throughout Weardale as a Primitive Methodist local preacher.

11th June 1912 (Carlisle Journal)

SWISS AND ENGLISH AT ENMITY.
POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.
THE MAGISTRATES' WARNING.

On Friday, at Alston Police Court, seven Swiss miners employed by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company at Nenthead were charged at the instance of Superintendent Whiteside, Brampton with making use of violent conduct so as to cause a breach of the peace at the Waggon and Horse Inn, Nentsbury, about a mile from Nenthead, on the night of Saturday, May 4th. The names of the defendants were: — Alses and Joseph Fenetz, Joseph and Aloes Kallbearmatten, Abergam Emsam, and Moretz and Semon Zurbrugger.

Mr. J. B. Walton, Chairman of the Bench, and the other magistrates present were Mr. R. Yielder, Mr. G. W. Storey, Mr. W. Holmes, and Mr. W. Ward.

Mr. Herbert Bendle, solicitor, Carlisle appeared for the defence, and pleaded not guilty.

Bernard Kruger, foreman at the mine, was present to act as interpreter, the defendants being unable to understand or speak English.

Superintendent Whiteside in opening the case for the prosecution, said the defendants were Swiss miners residing at Nenthead and working for the Vieille Montagne Company. About 8. 30 p.m. on May 4th a number of local men were in the Waggon and Horses Inn, Nentsbury, kept by Mr Teasdale, having a bit of a sing song, and it was alleged that these Swiss miners entered the same room, and that one of the natives was knocked over. When an explanation was asked from one of the Swiss said, “You fight,” and there was a general melee in the room. Though the disturbance only lasted a short time it was fairly hot, for the lamp was broken, and the glasses and some of the furniture were smashed. When the Swiss got outside the house, glasses, parts of chairs and missiles were thrown back into the lobby. It was also alleged that bottles had been thrown, a civilian being struck on the head and rather badly cut. The police were sent for, but before their arrival at the Inn these men had gone. Inquiries were made, and these proceedings taken. The landlord of the Inn might have prosecuted these men for malicious damage, but he brought that case had been settled. This was a rather a serious matter, however, and the particulars having been submitted to the Chief Constable, these proceedings had been ordered under the County Council bye-laws.

Arthur Dixon, carter, Island Cottage, Nenthead, deposed that Saturday, May 4th, was the day following the pay day at the mine. On the evening named he was in the parlour at the Waggon and Horses Inn about 7. 30 p.m. About nine men were there. The Swiss miners came in at 8. 30 when a “little bit jollification” was going on— a gramophone, singing, and dancing. He identified all the defendants. When the Swiss came in one of the men in the Inn was dancing. The Swiss ordered refreshment and were served. After a little while witness was on the floor giving a “little bit dance.” One of the Swiss shoved him over, Emsam, coming behind him and pushing him over. Witness fell down beside the fireplace, his head hitting the fireplace. He got up and asked why it had been done. Emsam replied “Not me.” After that one of the Swiss (Emsam) said, “You fight.” That was after a man named Benson said it was Emsam that had shoved witness over. There were several said, “You fight,” and then there was a general scuffle. (Laughter) Glasses and bottles were flying. All the Swiss were on their feet. The lamp was broken, so that they were in darkness. The

Swiss were ordered out, he believed. They went out of the door eventually. Out in front he could here railings being torn down. A stanchion and part of a chair were next thrown inside the house. Superintendent Whiteside—Who were they directed at?
Witness—Anyone who was astir (Laughter.) One man came into the house with his head cut. This man had not been in the room but had left the house by the back.
Cross-examined—They were all connected with the mines.
Mr Bendle—Then it was English v. Swiss?
Witness—Yes I suppose so. Witness added that he was performing a dance for the benefit of the company there.
Mr Bendle—You're an expert at it. (Laughter.)
Witness added that he did not see Zurbrugger do anything. Only Tatters and he danced. He was told by a friend that it was Emsam who shoved him over.
Mr Bendle—Did you ask him quietly if it was him?
Witness—Yes
The Clerk (Mr D. Main)—Though you had a sore head (Laughter.)
Mr Bendle—How did the chair get outside the house?
Witness—I don't know. I did not see anyone throw the furniture out of the house. He and the others did not follow the Swiss out of the house to give them "beans." He had not known the defendants long. They had never been in company before this night.
By the Chairman—There had been no friction between these men before.
Isabella Stout, servant at the Waggon and Horse Inn, Nentsbury, deposed that she was waiting at the time on the customers. She new the defendants by sight. They came in at 8. 30 sober, and ordered drinks. Six had a glass of beer and one a "lemon dash." Four or five local men were in when the Swiss arrived. Tatters, one of the local men, started dancing. One of the defendants went to Tatters, and said something in Swiss and pushed him. Dixon next gave a dance. One of the Swiss pushed Dixon over—she did not know which it was. Dixon was pushed into the fireplace. Dixon asked who "Done it." One of the Swiss denied that it was him. Benson said it was. Benson then got a blow on the face from one of the Swiss. A Swiss seized the lamp and banged it on the floor. They commenced to throw glasses about when the room was in darkness.
Superintendent Whiteside—Did you think it was time to clear out?
Witness—I could not get out (Laughter.) Someone said it was time to send for the police and then the Swiss began to break up the railings outside. Before the disturbance no one had spoken to the Swiss.
Cross-examined—The Swiss often came to the Inn. On this night all the people—the dancers too—were quite sober. She understood that one of the Swiss protested against what Tatters was doing. She did not see Tatters jump against Zurbrugger. None but the Swiss threw any glasses about. More people came into the room when the "fun" started. The room would hold 30 people, but there were only four in when the Swiss arrived, and three came in latter.
Mr Bendle—Then they would be about evenly matched—seven to seven.
Witness added that she did not hear any of the English talk about fighting, but they were all talking together (Laughter.)
The Chairman—Did you see any chairs thrown back into the house?
Witness—No, only part of the railings.
Superintendent Whiteside—How many glasses were broken?

Witness—Twenty or thirty.
The Chairman—Let us hear now what took place outside the house.
William Benson, miner, stated that he lived at the Waggon and Horse Inn, Nentsbury. He remembered the disturbance. Glasses and the lamp were smashed. After the Swiss got outside bottles, glasses, railings and a chair were thrown into the house by the defendants, who were the only people outside at the time so far as he knew.
Cross-examined—He was in the house and did not see who was outside.
John Forster, miner, Wellgill, Nenthead, deposed that he was in the kitchen when the noise started in the parlour. He went to the backyard and then returned. The Swiss were then at the front door. A little bit later he left to go home. Three bottles were thrown at him on the road. The third bottle struck him on the eye. His head was cut. He saw the defendants and shouted, asking if they knew what they had done. It was dark. He made up to them, and one of them struck a light. He recognised four of the defendants who made off. Others were there at the same time. On the Monday one of the defendants admitted there were six of them. No Englishman was on the road at the time the bottles were thrown. He had to go to the doctor to have his wound stiched up.
Cross-examined—He could not see who pulled the railings down. It was one or two of the defendants—he could not tell which—who threw the bottles at him. No one else was on the road at the time to do it. The bottles came from the direction of the defendants. Two of the defendants could speak English quite well.
Joseph Spottiswood, miner, Garrigill, who was at the Inn, deposed that he heard the disturbance while in another room. He saw all the defendants there. While he was going through the passage half a chair came in (Laughter.)
Mr Bendle—You did not see who threw it
Witness—No, I saw men outside, that is all.
Mr Bendle—Well, they might have been the magistrates. (Loud laughter.)
This was the evidence for the prosecution.
Mr Bendle submitted that there was no case for his clients to answer in regard to what occurred outside.
The Clerk—You had better go on, I think. The bye-laws say “within hearing of the highway.”
Mr Bendle then said that the dancers bumped against the Swiss, and that caused the trouble. His clients bumped back in self-defence, and then the quarrel began. His clients were not the aggressors. There was prejudice in the district against the importation of foreign labour into the mine, and he asked the Bench to take the view that this matter arose because of that feeling of jealousy. The defendants, he was told, were strangers in a strange land; they were persecuted and annoyed by the local miners; and he hoped the Bench and the police would protect them. He asked the Bench to dismiss the case, taking into consideration the consequences that might ensue if these men were convicted.
Bernard Kruger, manager of the mine, stated that most of the defendants had been in Alston a few months. They were men of good character and necessary for the carrying on of the mines.
Abergam Emsam, one of the defendants, giving evidence in German through the interpreter, deposed that he and his companions went to the Inn together at 8. 30 p.m. on May 4th. There were 12 to 15 Englishmen there in the same room. Tatters, one of the English was dancing, and bumped against some of them,

flying right through a line of Swiss. Tatters was about half drunk, but e must have bumped them intentionally. The next dancing was across a broomstick. The bumping continued, once against witness. Someone made a remark about he and his friends being"(something) Switzermen."
The Clerk—Then he knew what that meant. (Laughter.)
Witness, continuing, said one of the English put his fist under his (witness's) nose. That was, he thought the witness Benson. Witness was struck; then there was a general mix up; and some of the English showed fight. Glasses were thrown, but it was dark, and no one could see who threw them. He and his companions left the house, but threw nothing into the house. Stones were thrown at him and his companions, but they did not throw any back. He never saw any bottles thrown at Forster.
Cross-examined by Superintendent Whiteside—They all went out of the Inn together except Moretz Zurbrugger, who stayed behind. He knew nothing about the smashing of the railings. A man spoke to them later, but it was dark and he could not see ho it was. After that they all went away as soon as possible.
Other of the defendants gave similar evidence and one admitted in cross-examination by Superintendent Whiteside that they paid for part of the damage to the railings because they thought that by doing so they would keep out of contact with the police. They did not pay for any damage done inside the house.
Mr Bendle—The Englishmen pay for that. (Laughter.)
The Bench dismissed the case against Moretz Zurbrugger, but fined the other defendants 2s. 6d. and costs each.
The Chairman said the Bench very much regretted that this incident had occurred. They were of opinion that the Englishmen had not been to blame in this matter, and that probably the inability of the foreigners to understand the English language had led them into this trouble. They were dealing with the matter as leniently as they could, but if another one of similar nature occurred they would have to take a more stringent view. The Bench wished to thank Mr Kruger for the assistance he had given, and also Mr Bendle, who had conducted the defendants' case admirably.
The fine and costs amounted to £1 1s. 9d. each.

17th August 1912 (Hexham Herald)

INQUEST AT NENTHEAD

MYSTERY OF AN UNEXPLODED CHARGE

On Monday afternoon an inquest was held at Nenthead by Mr F. W. Halton, coroner for East Cumberland, concerning the death of Joseph Whitfield, miner, 21 years of age. Mr Atkinson, chief inspector of mines for Northumberland and Cumberland was present.
Evidence of identification was given by Adam Hewitson who stated that the deceased had been in the employment of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company since he was 13 years of age, and that he saw him on Friday night before he went to the mine.
In reply to Mr Atkinson witness said that deceased finished his shift at two o'clock on Friday morning and went back at ten o'clock at night.
Jacob Richardson deposed that at ten o'clock on Friday night he saw the deceased who was working on another level. Two men named Adamson and Emmerson came forward and found the deceased lying in the working dead, with a severe injury to his head and injured all over his body. The drill was

beside him but witness found no explosive substance near him. Witness was of opinion that deceased had been killed by an explosion.
In reply to Mr Atkinson witness said that the air pipes and water pipes working the drill were still on as in use.
Adam Anderson deposed that he was with the last witness when the deceased was found and in reply to Mr Atkinson gave information as to the firing of shots and what was done in case of misfiring.
Replying to a juror witness said that it was possible that some displaced mineral might have covered up one of the blasting holes.
J. J. Robson stated that he had met the deceased outside the mine at 10 o'clock, when deceased was going for his shift. He asked him if all the blasting in the holes had exploded, and he replied that he thought they had. The deceased had drilled the holes himself and then charged them.
Norman Emmerson deposed that he was on the same shift as deceased and went on at 10 o'clock on Friday night. He worked with the deceased and both examined the face of the working. They came to the conclusion that all the shots which had been put in by them in the previous shift had exploded, as the face was squared. Witness was of the opinion that the deceased had drilled into one of the unexploded charges.
Herr Rudewald manager of the mines, in reply to the coroner, gave the assurance that in future the foreman should go to examine any miss-shots before further work took place. He also stated that they found that no part of the drill that the deceased had been using was in any way damaged, but that a scraper used for the taking stuff out the blast holes was twisted and broken, which rather pointed to the fact that deceased had been trying to get "tamping" out.
The jury found that the deceased died as the result of an explosion accidentally caused by gelatine dynamite.
See 19th June 1869.

4th October 1912 (Millom Gazette)
LEAD MINING IN LAKELAND. The great increase in the price of lead has turned attention to the number of mines in she Lake District which are lying idle for want of capital to develop them. A German firm have sent representatives to inspect the Threlkeld lead mine at the foot of the Blencathra Range of mountains, and the water is now being pumped out of the mine. It is hoped that the mine will be purchased, and the industry re-established in the village of Threlkeld.

26th October 1912 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Wellgill Villa, Nenthead, Cumberland, Fanny Hornsby, relict of the late William Lee Hornsby.
See 16th November 1864, 21st November 1874, 7th April 1877, & 6th April 1901.

7th November 1912 (Shields Daily News)

HEAD BLOWN TO PIECES.
SHOCKING DEATH THROUGH
PUTTING DETONATOR IN MOUTH.

A shocking fatality is reported from Laxey, Isle of Man. Matthias Cowley, 21, a miner working in Great Laxey silver and lead mines, was engaged in blasting operations, and for convenience, it is surmised, placed the detonator used for firing the dynamite cartridge in his mouth. The detonator exploded, blowing the unfortunate man's head to pieces. He was to have been married yesterday.
The inquest was opened yesterday by Mr J. S. Gell, coroner, and adjourned after evidence of identification had been given to allow of the attendance of the Government Inspector of Mines.

16th November 1912 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

There are 26 cases of Scarlett Fever in the Weardale New Hospital at Stanhope, all of whom are children, mostly school children.
All the Stanhope schools are now closed in consequence.

25th January 1913 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Two very sudden deaths occurred at Stanhope during the week. William Pattinson, quarryman, 60 years of age was found dead in bed, supposed to be heart failure. Mrs Emma Tweddle, Market Place, Stanhope died on Tuesday morning after a few minutes illness, supposed to have been stroke, aged 50.
Jonathan Atkinson, quarryman, Stanhope, was taken to Newcastle Infirmary on Tuesday to have an eye taken out which had been injured at work.

Thomas Pattinson married Margaret Heatherington, 17th November 1810, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at Lane Side, Forest, St John's, Stanhope, Thomas Pattinson, lead miner, aged 60, his wife Margaret 50, children, William, lead miner, aged 15, Joseph 12, and Sarah 20. Thomas Pattinson died 2nd quarter of 1845.
Probable marriage of Joseph Pattinson, to Mary Emerson, 4th quarter 1848, at Weardale.
In 1851, at West Fall, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged 22, his wife Mary aged 24, son Thomas 4 months, and mother Margaret Pattinson, widow, aged 61. Margaret Pattinson died 2nd quarter 1852.
In 1861, at Wearhead, Stanhope, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged, 32, his wife Mary 34, children, Thomas 10, William 8, John 6, Mary Ann 4, and Margaret aged 2.
In 1871, at Wearhead, Stanhope, Joseph Pattinson, lead miner, aged, 42, his wife Mary 44, children, Thomas, lead miner, aged, 20, William, lead miner, aged, 18, John, lead miner, aged, 16, Mary Ann 14, Margaret 12, Sarah H 8, and Elizabeth 1.
William Pattinson married Mary Hutchinson, 4th quarter 1876, at Weardale
Mary Pattinson, died 4th quarter 1878, aged 25.
In 1881, at Bond Isle Ter, Stanhope, Joseph Pattinson, limestone quarryman, aged, 52, his wife Mary 54, children, William, widower, limestone quarryman, aged, 28, John, limestone quarryman, aged, 26, Sarah H 18, Isabella 11, and grandson, Joseph aged 3.

In 1891, at Bond Isle Ter, Stanhope, Joseph Pattinson, limestone quarryman, aged, 62, his wife Mary 64, children, John, limestone quarryman, aged, 36, Sarah Hannah 28, Isabella 21, and grandson, Joseph aged 13.
Joseph Pattinson, died 1st quarter 1899, aged 70.
Mary Pattinson, died 4th quarter 1900, aged 74.

Mary Jane Price married Joseph Winter at Hunstanworth 19th November 1870.
In 1871, at Whiteheaps, Hunstanworth, Joseph Wintewr, lead miner, aged 21, and his wife Jane aged 18.
Joseph Winter died 4th quarter 1878, aged 28, registered at Auckland.

William Pattinson, married Mary Jane Winter, 4th quarter 1881, at Weardale.
In 1891, at Crawleyside, Stanhope, William Pattinson, limestone quarryman, aged 38, his wife Mary Jane 38, stepdaughter, Mary Hannah Winter 14, step son, John Winter, 11, children, Isabella 8, Annie Elizabeth 7, William 4, Margaret 3, and Thomas Price 2 months.
In 1901, at Union Square, Stanhope, William Pattinson, limestone quarryman, aged 48, his wife Jane 48, step son John Winter, limestone quarryman, aged 20, children, William, whinstone breaker, aged 14, Margaret 13, Thomas Price 10, and Mary Evaline 8.
In 1911, at 1 Dales Street, Stanhope, William Pattinson, limestone quarryman, aged 58, his wife Mary Jane, aged 57, children, William, limestone quarryman, aged 24, Thomas Price, limestone quarryman, aged 20, and Mary Evaline 18.

1st February 1913 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

At Stanhope, Octogenarian John Gowland passed away on Friday last (24th ult.) in his 81st year. He had been a lead miner most of his life and worked in the Derwent and Bollihope lead mines. He commenced work at nine years of age.
Thomas Gowland married Elizabeth Stevenson 28th May 1831, at Stanhope.
In 1841, at High Bishopley, Stanhope, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 35, his wife Elizabeth 25, children, John 9, Thomas 6, Eleanor 4, Elizabeth 1, and Jane 2 months.
In 1851, at Dodd House, Newlandside, Thomas Gowland, miner, aged 48, his wife Elizabeth 39, children, John, miner, aged 19, Thomas, miner, aged 16, Eleanor 14, Elizabeth 11, Jane 9, Harrison 6, Mary 2, and Ann 1.
In 1861, at Dodd House, Newlandside, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 58, his wife Elizabeth 50, son in law, Wiliam Bowman, Ag Labourer, aged 25, children, Eleanor Bowman, 24, Jane 20, Harrison, lead miner, aged 16, Mary 12, Ann 11, Sarah 6, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Gowland 3 months.
In 1871, at Stanhope, Thomas Gowland, lead miner, aged 68, his wife Elizabeth, aged 58, children, Harrison, lead miner, aged 26, Mary 22, Sarah 15, and granddaughter, Eleanor 1 month.
In 1881, at Bond Isle Terrace, Stanhope, Thomas Gowland, retired lead miner, aged 78, his wife Elizabeth 69, son in law, Thomas Robinson, limestone quarryman, aged 24, and daughter Sarah Hannah Robinson aged 25.
In 1891, at Town Foot, Prospect Place, Thomas Gowland, retired lead miner, aged 88, his wife Elizabeth 79, and also Thomas Robinson, limestone quarryman, aged 34, and his wife Sarah Hannah, aged 35.
Elizabeth Gowland, was buried at Stanhope, 22nd January 1892, aged 80.
Thomas Gowland was buried at Stanhope 25th July 1892, aged 89.

John Gowland married Mary Sanderson, 3rd December 1859, at Stanhope.
In 1861, at West Sound Burn, Newlandside, John Gowland, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Mary 25, and son Joseph 1.
In 1871, at Stanhope, John Gowland, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Mary, aged 34, sons, Joseph 11, Thomas 9, Harrison 7, John George 4, and Ralph aged 2.
In 1881, at East Lane, Stanhope, John Gowland, lead miner, aged 49, his wife Mary, aged 45, sons, Joseph, lead miner, aged 21, Thomas, waterman (Reservoir), aged 19, Harrison, limestone quarryman, aged 17, John George 14, (deaf from 7yrs old) and Ralph 12.
Thomas Gowland married Frances Freak (born Rookhope, granddaughter of Stephen & Frances Freak of Westgate) 4th quarter 1890, regeistered at Auckland, Durham. In 1891, at Benfieldside, Thomas Gowland, worker at Gas producer, steel works, aged 28, and his wife Frances aged 23. Frances Gowland died 4th quarter 1897, aged 29, registered at Newcastle.
In 1891, at East Lane, Stanhope, John Gowland, limestone quarryman, aged 59, his wife Mary, aged 55, sons, Joseph, limestone quaryman, aged 31, John George, limestone quarryman, aged 23, and boarder, Ralph Sanderson, retired waterman of reservoir, aged 71.
In 1901, at East Lane, Stanhope, John Gowland, limestone quarrier, aged 69, his wife Mary, aged 65, sons, Joseph, limestone quarrier, aged 41, Thomas, widower, general labourer, aged 39, John George, limestone quarrier, aged 35, and granddaughter, Mary Alice Gowland 9.
Mary Gowland was buried 31st July 1901, aged 66, at Stanhope.
In 1911, at Prospect Place, Stanhope, John Gowland, widower, retired limestone quarryman, aged 79, and son John George Gowland, quarryman, aged 45.
Probate 1913: John Gowland, of Prospect Place Stanhope county Durham died 24 January 1913 Probate 10 March to Harrison Gowland bank rider. Effects £192 4s 10d.

15th February 1913 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

Evidently there is still hope of seeing the Allendale lead mines in a state of greater prosperity. To facilitate the proving of the Swinhope vein the new shaft at Ellershope is being sunk - the present working is so far from the Sipton shaft. The work will go on much quicker from the Ellershope shaft which will not require to be so deep, as the vein gradually rises in the strata from Sipton to the new shaft. Lord Allendale the proprietor of the mines, some months ago guardedly hinted at a possible revival of the industry.

22nd March 1913 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

NENTHEAD DOCTORS GRIEVANCE

A letter was read from a doctor at Nenthead, the Clerk briefly stating that he was employed at the Nenthead Zinc Works, and received £200 a year from the workmen. This had now ceased, owing to his getting the money from insured persons. The doctor, in his letter, pointed out that the entire population was 1040 persons, and there was no scope for increase. The result was that he was now getting very much less than before, and he would be obliged to leave the place. There was no other medical man. Mr. Clark expressed the opinion that

this was a private matter between the Zinc Company and the doctor. The Clerk pointed out that it would rest with the Committee to provide medical treatment for these 1040 people. If as the doctor said. he could not make a living out of it, he did not think any other medical man could do so. The letter was referred to the Medical Sanatorium Committee.

Government Inspectors of Mines Reports
Report of Mr J. R. R. Wilson
24th March 1913, Nenthead (Lead & Zinc) Cumberland, Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT CONCERNING THE DEATH OF MORITZ BURGINER AGED 54.

Deceased was engaged in timbering at a fall on a heading, when the timber gave way and fell on him, burying him beneath it and debris. Deceased was dead when extracted.

4th April 1913 (Newcastle Journal)

ALSTON, NENTHEAD, AND GARRIGILL, IN CUMBERLAND.
In the Estate of Mrs FANNY HORNSBY, Deceased.
IMPORTANT SALE OF RESIDENTIAL AND FARMING PROPERTIES TO CLOSE A TRUST.

MR ADAM ELLIOT will offer for SALE BY A PUBLIC AUCTION, at the TOWN HALL, ALSTON, on SATURDAY, 12th April, 1813, at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon precisely, in the following or other Lots as may be determined at the time of Sale, and subject to such conditions of Sale as will then be produced, and may previously be inspected at the Office of the undersigned Solicitor for the Vendors:—

Lot 1.—All that very desirable VILLA RESIDENCE known as WELGILL VILLA, situate at Nenthead aforesaid, and containing eight rooms, with coal cellar, wash-house, and other usual conveniences, and the surrounding garden and grounds thereto, as lately in the occupation of the deceased. And also the adjoining COTTAGE and conveniences thereto, now occupied by Mr Joseph Shield as tenant.

Lot 2.—All those FIELDS or CLOSES OF LAND, containing together 8½ Acres or thereabouts, with the MESSUAGE or DWELLING-HOUSE and other BUILDINGS thereon, situate at Foulhard, near Nenthead, as now let to Mr Watson Wallace as tenant.

Lot 3.—All that BLOCK OF COTTAGE PROPERTY, comprising Six Tenements, with the Outbuildings and Appurtenances thereto respectively belonging, situate at Hill Top, Nenthead, aforesaid, as now occupied by Mr T. Graham and others as. tenants. Lot 4.—All that FIELD OF GRASS LAND, containing 3 acres 2 roods and 10 perches or thereabouts, situate at Redwing, Garrigill aforesaid, and now in the occupation of Mr Matthew Bramwell as tenant,

Lot 5—All that Desirable FARM OF LAND, containing 33 acres, 3 roods and 7 perches or thereabouts of Meadow and Pasture Land, with the Dwelling-House and Farm and other Buildings thereto belonging, situate at Loatburn, near to Nenthead aforesaid, as now occupied by Mr William Lee as tenant.

Lot 6.—All that compact FARM and PREMISES, containing 24 acres 2 roods and 30 perches or thereabouts of Meadow, Pasture, and Plantation Land,

with the Dwelling-House and Farm and other Buildings thereto belonging, situate at and known as Scalebank, near Alston aforesaid, and now in the occupation of Mr Thomas Armstrong as tenant.
Lot 3 and part of Lot 2 are of Freehold tenure. All the other lots are of the Leasehold tenure prevalent in the district, and are held for the unexpired residue or residues of a term or terms of 1,000 years each therein, commencing on or. about the 9th day of September, 1621, and are subject to the yearly or other rents, payments or services due to the Lords of the fee in respect thereof. For inspection of the properties and further particulars apply to the Auctioneer, High Plains, Alston; to Mr EMERSON FAIRLESS, Nenthead: to Mr ROBERT ELLIOT, Bank House, Alston; or to GEO. W. HODGSON, Solicitor, Stanhope, Co. Durham.

8th April 1913 (Penrith Observer)

THE CUMBERLAND BLACK LEAD MINING COMPANY.

In the London Bankruptcy Court on Wednesday a meeting was held for settling the share list of this company, the nominal capital of £20,000 being in 4,000 shares of £5 each. The objects of the company were working, raising, and selling black lead and all other minerals in Borrowdale Mines. The company was formed in December, 1858, when 1,600 £5 shares were to be considered as paid up, 839 were taken by allotment, and 816 were taken under the memorandum of association. The debts of the company are about £2,000, and about £500 is due to the company for bills receivable and arrears of calls. It was litigation between a gentleman named Mr. Eales and the company that brought the latter to standstill.—Mr. Roxburgh appeared for the official liquidator, and Messrs. Bagley, Doria and Sargood for shareholders who disputed their liability to be placed upon the list of contributories.—The Commissioner, in accordance with former decisions, held the register to be evidence of the parties upon it being shareholders, and subject to be placed upon the list of contributories.—After further discussion adjournment was ordered.

21st June 1913 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Settlingstones mines, Fourstones on the 19th inst. Siddell dearly beloved husband of Mary Eleanor Watson.
Manager of the Settlingstones Barytes Mines for 30 years.

9th August 1913 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Stanhope on the 6th inst. George Wearmouth aged 71 years.
At Stanhope on the 6th inst. Mrs Walton wife of John Walton of Stanhope aged 39 years.
At The Raise, Alston, on the 3rd inst. in her 93rd year Jessie widow of the late Henry Walton of The Raise and Howburn.
See 3rd January 1885, 18th January 1908, & 27th July 1908

16th August 1913 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY
VALUABLE NEW DEPOSIT OPENED.

The annual meeting of the Weardale Lead Company was held in London, Mr J. C. Swan presiding. The chairman said the increase in the revenue for the past year was due to the larger production of 944 tons, and to £2 10s 3d per ton more being obtained than in the previous year. Expenditure had increased by nearly £11,000, in the previous year, the wages bill being up by £4,300 on the previous year and by no less than £6,037 compared with 1911, while coal and other stores and material had increased by £3,830. The board considered it necessary to build up a reserve fund for the purpose of equalising dividends. They wished to reach a position, which would permit them to pay a regular dividend of 10 per cent, with such occasional supplementary bonuses as funds might permit. ... A new deposit of ore was opened at Boltspar (*Boltsburn?*) mine a fortnight ago. It was a good flat working and was valued by the manager at 7 tons per fathom, an extremely good figure. ...

20th August 1913 (Shields Daily News)

LOCAL LEAD MINE ON FIRE.

Boltsburn lead mine, belonging to the Weardale Lead Company, which is situated just upon the border line of the counties of Durham and Northumberland, took fire late yesterday afternoon. The Elswick Rescue Brigade were summoned from Newcastle, and made a cross-country journey in wonderful time. Dense volumes of smoke hindered the work of putting out the fire. All the men were got out of the mine and no injuries are reported to any of the workers.

25th October 1913 (Hexham Courant)

WEARDALE

Mr & Mrs John Forest of Shittlehope Burn Farm, Stanhope, and their family have left this week for Australia. A granddaughter living with them who also was booked to go was taken to the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Stanhope on Sunday with diphtheria and she has had to remain there.

Mr & Mrs Thomas Stephenson also left Stanhope this week for Canada. They have been here for a holiday for two or three months. They left Stanhope, some nine or ten years ago for Canada where they have done well.

18th November 1913

THRELKELD LEAD MINES.
PROJECTED REOPENING & EXTENSION
PROPOSED NEW COMPANY WITH
£75,000 CAPITAL.

The announcement is made that there is every prospect of the lead mines at Threlkeld being restarted with a sufficient backing of capital to ensure their working on a larger scale than ever before. A new company is being floated to take over the property of the company which ceased operations about three years ages and this is being promoted by Mr. E. H. Wrigglesworth, A.C.I., Hull, and the capital to be raised is £75,000 in one pound ordinary shares, without debentures, preference, or deferred shares.

Since the mines ceased working the water has been allowed to rise to the main adit level, but there will be no difficulty in restarting the pumps and drawing standing water from the mine in seven weeks at an estimated cost of £500 to £700.

The directorate will have as Chairman Dr. Hutchinson, Cockermouth, the Chairman of the Threlkeld Granite Company, Ltd., and the Mexican Rosario Mining Company Ltd. The new company will take over the property and rights of the present owners, who bought the mine in 1906 for £11,000 since when £10,000 has been expended in the further development and equipment of the mine. Since the original opening of the mine in 1876 over £38,000 has been spent In development and equipment, and the new company is in the position of being able to acquire the whole of the undertaking at less than one third of that amount, vis.:— £8,000 in cash, and £4,000 in ordinary shares. The property to be acquired includes the 16½ acres of land on which the whole of the fixed plant is erected, the benefit of a lease in a “take note" of three years from 1st September, 1913, carrying with it the option of renewal from time to time, granted by Mr. H. C. Howard, in respect of “Old Levels” in the mine, and mining rights embracing nearly 2,000 acres, comprised in a “take note” for three years, carrying with it the option of a 30 years’ lease, granted by Lord Lonsdale, at a dead rent of £10 per annum merging in a sliding scale of royalties which are said to be exceedingly liberal.

Mr. W. Bawden, consulting engineer, Keswick, in a report made only last month, states that he has witnessed the working and mining of the mine from 1880 from the highest to the lowest level and he adds: “Without hesitation I state there is no diminution of the vein as depth is attained. I recommend the undertaking as one above a speculation.” Mr. W. H. Borlase in his report states that the previous owners would not have ceased operations had they been able to complete the work of establishing certain communications between the levels.

The company propose to lay down additional plant to deal with a minimum of 70 tons of mined ore per day, instead of 25 tons with the existing plant, and they estimate the profit on this output at £700 to £800 per month after payment of development charges. On the present price of metals, treating 1,800 tons of crude ore per month would yield £2,223, less working expenses of 10s. per ton on the crude ore, or £15,876 per annum—equivalent to 31.7 per cent. on the present issue of shares.

The company has also secured an option for purchase for £4,000 the Brundholme lead mine which is in the adjoining mining area and can thus be worked under the same management. This mine it is pointed out, is practically virgin, but very good deposits of silver lead ore have been opened up, as well as other undeveloped lodes of great promise showing lead, copper, iron, iron pyrites, and wolfram, besides granite and other valuable quarries.

Of the share capital of £75,000, 50,000 shares of £1 each are offered for subscription. Mr. P. M. Hope, Appleby and Penrith, has been acting for the vendors.

22nd November 1913 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

ALSTON NOTES AND NEWS.

A well-known resident passed away on Monday in the person of Mr. John J. Atkinson, Overwater. For a long time he was engaged as foreman of the Rampgill washing floor under the old London Lead Company. Deceased, who

was unmarried was in his 68th year. The internment took place on Thursday in St. John's churchyard, the Rev. Dr. Westgarth officiating.

29th November 1913 Hexham Herald)

MINER KILLED AT HALTWHISTLE

On Thursday a promising and industrious young man named Thomas H. Spottiswood, lost his life whilst following his employment as a hewer at the South Tyne colliery being killed by a fall of stone. Deceased was a native of Alston district, was about 22 years of age. …

In 1871, at High Skelgill, Nicholas Spotswood, lead miner, aged 41, wife Sarah 36, children Jane 12, Joseph 9, Ann 8, James 6, and Matthew 3.
In 1881, at 2 High Skelgill, Alston, Nicholas Spottiswoode, farmer of 45 acres, aged 51, his wife Sarah 45, son Joseph, coal miner, aged 19, Jane, domestic servant, aged 18, James, farm labourer, aged 16, Matthew 13, Margaret 9, and Nicholas 7.
Joseph Spottiswood married Elizabeth Ann Smith 4th quarter 1890, registered at Brampton.
In 1891, at Bails, Alston, Joseph Spottiswood, coke drawer, aged 27, his wife Elizabeth A. aged 22, and son Thomas H. 3 months. In 1901, at Haltwhistle, Joseph Spottswood, coal miner, aged 38, his wife Elizabeth Ann 32, children Thomas Henry 10, Sarah Elizabeth 9, and Nicholas Walton 7.
In 1911, at Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph Spottiswoode, farmer, grazier, aged 49, his wife Elizabeth Ann 42, children, Lissie 19, Nicholas Walton, Masons labourer, aged 17, and Joseph 7. See 3rd January 1891

6th December 1913 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

NENTFORCE QUARRY CLOSED.

Several officials of the North Eastern Railway Company visited Alston on Thursday of last week and were interviewed by the officials of the Alston and Nentforce Quarry Company. The conditions of the existing contract between the two companies for the supply of stones have not proved satisfactory to the quarry owners, and it was with a view to obtaining better conditions that the interview was arranged. The negotiations fell through however, the parties not being able to come to an agreement, and on Thursday night Mr Sanderson, the quarry manager received a telegram ordering the works to be closed immediately. The closing order effects nearly 50 men, and coming at this time of the year, renders the outlook somewhat serious for Alston.

10th December 1913 (The Sketch)

THRELKELD LEAD MINES

LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Acts, 1908 and 1913.)

SHARE CAPITAL - - - - - - - - - £75,000.

into 75,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.

There are now offered for Subscription at par 50,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each, PAYABLE AS FOLLOWS

Per Share.	Per Share.
On Application 2s. 6d.	Two Months after Allotment 2s. 6d.
Allotment 2s. 6d.	Three Months after Allotment 2s. 6d.

and the balance of 10s. per share will be called up as and when required by instalments of not exceeding 2s. 6d. per share at intervals of not less than one month between each call, and 30 days' notice of each call will be given.
There are no Debentures, Preference or Deferred Shares, consequently the entire net profits available for dividend will belong to the Ordinary Shareholders.

DIRECTORS.

CHARLES COCKSON, Swindon Manor, Cheltenham, Director Roburite and Ammonal, Ltd., Mining Engineer, Chairman.
ANDREW D. BALMAIN, Fairfield, Victoria Park, Colwyn Bay, Joint Owner Cyfddy Lead and Blende Mines, North Wales.
ROBINSON JAMES HUTCHINSON, M.D., J.P., Challoner House, Cockermouth, Chairman Threlkeld Granite Company, Ltd., and Jennings Brothers, Ltd.
JOHN C. McKELLAR, J. P., Glasgow, Director Yorkshire Insurance Company, Ltd., Scotch Board.
GEORGE SMITH MARPLE, Coronation Buildings, Sheffield, Managing-Director of Marple and Gillott, Ltd., Metal Merchants, Sheffield, Birmingham, Gateshead, etc. GEORGE RHODES, K.C., J. P., Allandale, Bowdon, near Manchester, Chairman Shireoaks Colliery Company, Ltd., and Director Bury's and Co., Ltd., Sheffield.
E. T. WILMS, C.C., F.R.G.S., Ashlyns, Watford, Herts, Butler Wilks and Co., Coal Factors, Coal Exchange, London.
BANKERS -Barclay and Co., Ltd., Lombard Street, London, and Branches.
SOLICITORS Frederic W. Spink, Trinity House Chambers, Hull, and Quay Road, Bridlington, E. Yorks; G Preston Rhodes, 51, South King Street, Manchester. CONSULTING ENGINEER W. H. Borlase, J. P., M.E., M.I.M.E., Greenside Lodge, Glenridding, Westmorland, Manager of the Greenside Lead Mining Company, Ltd., Patterdale.
CHEMIST G. Watson Gray, F.I.C., 8, Inner Temple, Dale Street, Liverpool.
AUDITORS J. W. Best and Co., Chartered Accountant, Sheffield.
SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE—E. H. Wrigglesworth, A.C.I., Trinity House Chambers, Hull.

This Company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring and working the property known as the “THRELKELD MINES," which are situated about one mile and a-half from Threlkeld Station, on the Cockermouth, Keswick and Penrith Railway, between Keswick and Penrith, in the County of Cumberland, and abut on the County Road between Keswick and Penrith.
The mine was purchased by the late owners in 1906. The purchase price then paid for it was £11,000. Since 1906 the Books and Accounts show that over £10,000 has been expended in further development and equipment of the mine, and in machinery and plant. Since the original opening of the mine over £38,000 has been spent in development and equipment, and this Company acquires the whole of the undertaking at less than one-third of that sum, viz. £8000 in Cash and £4000 in Ordinary Shares.

The following is a short description of the property to be acquired
(a) About 16 acres 2 roods and 15 perches of land, partly freehold and partly of customary tenure, on which the whole of the fixed plant is erected.
b) The benefit of a lease in a Take Note of three years from 1st September, 1913, carrying with it the option of renewal from time to time, granted by Henry

Charles Howard, Esq., in respect of a level in the Mines known as “The Old Levels."

c) Mining Rights embracing an area of nearly 2000 acres, comprised in a Take Note for three years, carrying with it the option of a thirty-years' Lease, from date of application, granted by the Earl of Lonsdale, at a Dead Rent of £10 per annum, merging in a sliding scale of Royalties, which are exceedingly liberal, varying from 1-30th to 1-80th of the market price of the ores.

(d) Electric Power Station, 100 feet long, 20 feet wide, with two Suction Gas Plants of 110 Horse power, two 100 Horse-power Gas Engines with Electric Generator, 120 amps, 600 volts, also one ten-ton Travelling Crane, erected in 1907 at a cost of over £7000 (an up-to-date power plant' in first- rate order). Underground and at the surface there are 10 Electric Motors, 5 to 40 Horse-power each, for use in the various departments; Machinery and Electric Plant, consisting of a Pumping and Winding Engine, driven by Electric Motors. The Dressing Plant already erected is capable of treating 25 tons per day.

e) Slime Ore Dumps and Waste Gravel. There is a large tonnage of dumps at the surface, and with the proposed means of concentration these can be turned into a marketable product which should realise a substantial profit. On the property there is a good water supply for power purposes. The No. 1 Shaft is sunk from the surface to the 20 fathoms level and a cross-cut intersects the vein. The Adit or Day Level is driven into the Saddleback range of mountains about three-quarters of a mile, and from this base the upper workings have been wrought 65 fathoms in height, which produced large quantities of Lead and Blende (Zinc) Ores.

The book of Royalties shows that during the working of the mine 171,000 tons of crude ore were treated, and produced 24,600 tons of Lead and Blende Ores, the approximate value being £134,500, which proves that the mine is a productive one, and particularly so as the rich portion of the main lode is increasing in length and width and assay values as it deepens. From 1906 to 1910, 15,000 tons of crude mine ore were treated and produced 1076 tons of Lead Ore and 1328 tons of Blende Ore, which is equal to 16 per cent extraction by the present mill.

The mine may reasonably be considered in its infancy, as the deepest explorations are only some 30 fathoms below the Adit or Day Level. In addition to the lodes mentioned, other important and promising lodes of Lead, Copper, and other minerals are known to exist on the the property.

The length of ore ground in sight and sampled in the present 20-fathom and 30-fathom levels being 1200 feet north of No. 2 Shaft, 5 feet wide and 60 feet high, gives 33,332 tons of crude ore. Taking only one-half of this tonnage, viz., 16,666 tons, carrying 7.7 per cent. Lead and 15.7 per cent. Blende, the contents are 1283 tons Lead Ore, 2616 tons of Blende: —

Taking Lead Ore at £13 per ton	Value £16,679
Blende at £5 10s. per ton	Value £14,388
The total value being	£31,067

CAPITAL AND ESTIMATED PROFITS. The Capital to be provided by this issue is ample for properly developing the mine for a continuous output of about 70 tons per day, say, 1800 tons of crude ore per month, and taking 13 per cent, as the mean ore contents, the average working profit on this output should reach from £700 to £800 per month after payment of the development Charges, based on the average prices of the last twenty years Taking the present price of

metals, 1800 tons of crude ore per month would yield 117 tons of Lead Ore at £14 per ton (Pig Lead £20 per ton), 117 tons of Blende Ore at £5 per ton (Spelter £20 per ton). Total, £2223. Less working expenses, £1080 (i.e., 12s. per ton on the crude ore, although the Consulting Engineer of the Company estimates 10s. per ton as ample) leaving a profit of £1143 per month, or £13,716 per annum, which is the equivalent of over 27 per cent, on the present issue of Shares when fully subscribed and paid up.

This Company has secured an option to purchase for £4000 (to be satisfied as to £1000 in cash and the allotment of 3000 shares of £1 each, credited as fully paid up) the Brundholme Lead Mine. This Mine is practically virgin, on which a shaft is sunk 30 fathoms from the surface, and levels driven at depths of 20 and 30 fathoms each and about 50 fathoms in length, which have opened up a very good deposit of Silver Lead Ore. In a direct line and within the limits of the grant the Railway is only a mile and a-half distant. The Brundholme mining areas adjoins the Threlkeld area, and as a result both properties can be worked under the same management with advantage. The present issue of shares when fully subscribed and paid up will provide sufficient capital for the further development of the Brundholme Lead Mine. No revenue or profits from this Mine have been taken into consideration in the estimated profits given above.

The Vendor to the Company is Mr. E. H. Wrigglesworth, of Trinity House Chambers, Hull, and in consideration of the sale to the Company of the property purchased by him and for services rendered by him in the promotion of the Company, Mr. E. H. Wrigglesworth, as vendor and promoter, will receive from the Company the sum of £8000 in cash and an allotment of 4000 Ordinary Shares in the Company credited as fully paid.

Mr. W. Bawden, M.I.M.E., Consulting Mining Engineer, Keswick, in his Report upon the Threlkeld Mine, dated 2nd October, 1913, states: — “I beg to say I have witnessed the working and mining of this Mine from the highest to the lowest level, and without hesitation I state there is no diminution of the vein as depth is attained. I recommend the undertaking as one above a speculation."

Copies of the Contracts and of the Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the offices of Mr. F. W. Spink, Solicitor, Trinity House Chambers, Hull, during business hours.

The Report and Plans by Messrs. J. W. Morris, M.I.M.E., W. Bawden, M.I.M.E., and W. H. Borlase, Junr., M.E., can be seen at the offices of the Company at any time during business hours.

A brokerage or commission of 3d. per share will be paid by the Company on allotment made upon application (other than applications made by or in relief of underwriters) bearing brokers' stamps.

Application will be made to the Manchester and Sheffield Stock Exchanges in due course for a Settlement and Quotation of the shares.

Applications for Shares on the terms of the full Prospectus should be made on the form accompanying the Prospectus, and forwarded with cheque for the amount payable on application to the above-mentioned Bankers, or to one of their branch banks.

Where no allotment is made the application will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than that applied for the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the sum payable on allotment. Failure to pay instalment when due will render the previous payments liable to forfeiture.

Full Prospectuses, on the terms of which applications will alone be received, and forms of application can be obtained at the offices of the Company, or from the Bankers or Solicitors.
A Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies which states, inter alia, that The SUBSCRIPTION LIST is NOW OPEN, and CLOSES on SATURDAY, the 13th day of December, 1913.

13th December 1913 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Mr & Mrs John Forest and family and Mrs Kidd who emigrated from Stanhope to Australia a few weeks ago arrived at Brisbane on Friday safely.

20th December 1913 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

In Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, on the 10th inst. Jane Carrick aged 90 years.
In 1881, at Hillersdon Terrace, Christopher Carrick, bath & wash house keeper, aged 54, his wife Jane 58, and grandson Henry Carrick 2.
In 1891, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jane Carrick, widow, aged 68
Margaret, char woman, aged 36, and grandson Harry Carrick 12.
In 1901, at Hillersdon Terrace, Jane Carrick, widow, aged 78, daughter Margaret 46, and boarder Martha E. Jeffery, nurse, aged 37.
See 31st July 1880

17th January 1914 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Alston on the 6th inst. Jonathan Woodmas aged 77 years, Mining engineer.
In 1871, at Town Foot, Alston, Margaret Woodmass, widow, dressmaker, aged 59, children Jonathan, surveyor, aged 34, Elizabeth, milliner, aged 32, John Henry, joiner, aged 29, Thomas William, joiner, aged 25, and grandson Herbert W 1 year.
In 1881, at Front Street, Margaret Woodmass, widow, annuitant, aged 68, children Jonathan, surveyor, aged 44, Elizabeth, milliner, aged 41, John H., joiner, aged 37, and grandson Herbert W. Woodmass 11.
In 1891, at High Hill, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass, single, mine and land surveyor, aged 54.
In 1901, at High Hill, Alston, Jonathan Woodmass, single, surveyor mine and land, aged 64.
See 20th June 1868, & 27th August 1887

24th January 1914 (Hexham Courant)

HEXHAM PETTY SESSIONS

CHARGE OF ASSAULTING A MINES FOREMAN

Robert Renwick, miner, Hunt Well, Allendale, was summoned for assaulting and beating Frederick Carl Schmidt at Carrshield, on the 5th Jan.
Mr Main, solicitor, Carlisle and Haltwhistle, appeared for the complainant, while Mr G. A. Dixon, solicitor, Hexham, defended.
Mr Main, in opening the case for the complainant, said his client was a foreman employed, in the Vieille Montaigne Zinc Company's mines at Carrshield. The defendant was one of the miners employed there. There had been some dispute as to the wages of the defendant, but that had nothing to do with this

case, as the complainant had nothing to do with paying the wages, which were made up by another person. On the 5th Jan. there was a pay in the middle of the day. Shortly after that, the complainant was in his office, which was a separate office of itself, when the defendant came into the office ostensibly to ask for stores. The defendant soon showed that he did not want stores and commenced to complain about his pay. He became very violent and threatened complainant, who then ordered him out of the office. He would not go and complainant tried to put him out, and defendant eventually went. That ended the incident. He would like to point out that the defendant had no right in that office, and that the complainant was entitled to use force to keep him out. But that was when the defendant came back the second time shortly after. The defendant on that occasion seized Schmidt and threatened to throw him through the window and actually did try to do so. When he could not do that he got him on the floor, blacked both his eyes, broke his spectacles, cut his face, probably with the glass, and generally badly used him. The defendant was at this time on top of this man who was in an exhausted condition, when another man called Renwick came in and told them to stop it. Defendant then struck at this Renwick and the other Renwick struck back. It was an important case from the point of view of the complainant and also from the point of view of his employers. This man was simply doing his duty to them. There was no doubt nationality had something to do with it, but he wished the magistrates to make it known that they would protect these men, and that the workmen employed by them must conduct themselves properly towards them.

Frederick Carl Schmidt said he was a foreman employed by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, stationed at Carrshield, and the defendant was one of the miners up to the day of the assault. Witness was the working foreman, he took the men's time, and he had an office of his own. He had nothing to do with the pays. The pay office was a quarter of a mile from his office. Jan. 5th was payday, and after the pay, he was in his office when Renwick came in. He asked for some rubber "weazers" for the machine. He asked him what kind he wanted and he said, "I don't know." He told him if he did not know he could do nothing with him. Renwick then pulled his pay out and said it was too little, and too if that was all the pay he was going to get he was not going to work there any longer. He told Renwick that he could not give him any more money and the defendant commenced to use very filthy language. Renwick worked in a partnership with another man, and on the 20th December ha had occasion to find fault with his partner because he was not doing sufficient work. There was also a complaint in November. He bore Renwick no ill will. Renwick's father and his friends were the best friends he had ever had in the dale. He asked Renwick three or four times to go out of the office quietly, but he would not. At last, he opened the door and then Renwick put up his hands to strike. He stepped back and then the hands came down, and he got hold of Renwick and pushed him out. Shortly afterwards Renwick came back in a very excited condition and tried to get into the office. He tried to prevent him coming in and kicked at him to keep him out. Renwick got into the office, got hold of the witness, pushed him to the window and tried to throw him out. As he could not do that he struck him in the face, broke his glasses, cut his face and blacked his eyes. His collar was torn off. He lost his feet, was forced down on his knees, and Renwick was striking him all the time. Just then Jack Renwick the blacksmith, came in and said, "Hold on, no fighting." and got hold of defendant's

ands. The defendant told Renwick he had nothing to do with it and struck at him. John Liddle then came in and wanted to fight John Renwick for taking his part. Liddle told Renwick that Schmidt was a b-------- foreigner and he should not help him. He did nothing more to the defendant than try and keep off his eyeglasses as he was afraid he would cut his eyes. He was seven miles off a police station and if he could not have protection out there he would have to leave the place. He had been there eight years past now.
Cross examined by Mr Dixon: - The defendant had lived in the neighbourhood all that time and was a perfectly respectable man. He had worked for him for eight years this spring, and there had been no trouble before. He did not suggest that the assault was committed because he was a foreigner. The dispute was about his wages. The defendant came into the office twice, not simply once. On the first occasion, there was no assault.
Mr Dixon: How s this man employed?
On contract.
Mr Dixon: How much money was he making?
On that occasion he had had 3s 8d a day.
Mr Dixon: There is no minimum at this mine?
No.
Mr Dixon: And there is no one to represent the workmen when you are measuring up, no one like a checkweighman?
They can represent themselves when the work is measured.
Mr Dixon: Did Renwick tell you that he was not going to work there for that money?
Yes.
Mr Dixon: And did he ask you to pay his lying on money?
No, he never asked for that.
Mr Dixon: And when he told you he would not work for you any longer did you not become violent?
I never lost my temper, and I can prove it.
Mr Dixon: Did you say you expected to get the same obedience from an English workman as from a German?
I never said that.
Mr Dixon: Did he not tell you that he would not allow you to use such language to him?
No.
Mr Dixon: Did he strike you before you kicked him?
No.
Mr Dixon: You kicked him first?
I kicked him to keep him out of the office.
Witness said there was no one else there at this time. He did not see Reed till after the struggle was over.
Re-examined by Mr Main, witness said he had nothing to do with the wages. He assisted in the measuring. He had nothing to do with paying this man's lying on money. He saw the man intended violence when he kicked at him. There would be about 30 men standing some distance away ready to commence work. It was at the window in his office that he timed them in, and they were waiting to go into the mine.
John Renwick said he was a blacksmith and lived at Carrshield. He was in the employment of this company. About two o'clock on the 5th Jan. his attention

was called to a crowd of workman passing round the front of the shops to Mr Schmidt's office. He followed and as he got to the office door Liddle was coming out. Schmidt was on the floor and the defendant had by the coat neck. He was bleeding from the cheek, his eyeglasses were broken and his eyes were discoloured. He told them to hold on and then the defendant threatened him. He said he would hit witness on the face if he would not stand by. He then struck at the defendant and the defendant hit him. There was nothing more done. Liddle came in again and took the defendant out. He did nothing more than rescue Mr Schmidt. Renwick was not marked.

Hans Roddewald said he was a manager at these mines and lived at Nenthead. He measured up the work and Schmidt was his assistant. He returned the measurements to the pay clerk who made up the pays.

Cross-examined by Mr Dixon, he said that Schmidt was the local manager as far as work went. Renwick should have complained to him if he had been wrongly measured up. He lived three miles away, but was often down at the mine. On the occasion, he was not there. Renwick could go to Mr Schmidt but he could not tell him much. He was certainly the person on the place.

By Mr Main: He was down at the mine twice a week.

Mr Dixon said this case had been opened as if it had an international aspect, and it was suggested that there was a feud between the English workmen and the foreign foreman. But that had been entirely exploded by the evidence. Schmidt himself admitted that he lived seven milers away from a police station and had done so for eight years and that nothing had previously happened to him. In fact, there was no feeling against Mr Schmidt because he was a German. On this particular day, this client of his went to see Mr Schmidt about his wages. The foreman at once became violent and abusive and forced him out of the office. The story his witness would tell was quite different from that of the complainant and it would be for the Bench to say what they believed. His client was working on piece. He knew by experience he had been there eight years how much he was earning and how much he ought to have had. For twenty-five shifts, he only averaged 3/8 and he made a complaint that the rate of wages was wrong. At these mines, there was no checkweightman between the masters and the men, and they had no means of checking whether the measurements were right or wrong. That was bound to lead to differences. It had been suggested that his client had the right to go to this mans office. Mr Schmidt was the manager at the place and he was the right and proper man to go to make a complaint. There was nothing of an unwarrantable intrusion about it; the man had a perfect right there. Mr Schmidt admitted that he kicked the defendant before any blows were struck. He thought that if there was an assault it was a perfectly justifiable one, but he submitted that there was no assault at all. He thought they would find that his client was not to blame for what took place, as Mr Schmidt had admitted he was the first man to use violence.

Defendant said that on the 5th January he went to Schmidt's office door to see about his pay. He knocked and Schmidt shouted, "Come in". He went in and let Schmidt see his pay and told him he was not going to work there for that money. He then asked for his clearance. Upon that, Schmidt began to curse and swear and told him he would boot him out. He told Schmidt he was not going to be sworn at and Schmidt then commenced to push him towards the door. As he was being pushed, Schmidt kicked him twice in the back and seized him by the head. He then turned round and knocked him off. Just then, Renwick

came in and struck him on the side of the head. He never attempted to throw Schmidt out of the window. He did not go into the office twice only once.
Cross-examined by Mr Main: There were other men standing at the door. He never asked for any stores. He knew Schmidt did not pay the wages, but he was the man they always went to when they had complaint. He did not say that he had been giving wrong amounts about him. Schmidt got him to the door before they got to grips. He was ordered out and the reason he did not go was that Schmidt started to curse and swear at him. He turned back on Schmidt because he was kicking him. The men came round the building because they could hear Schmidt's voice. He had no mark. He could not say whether Schmidt was bleeding. He did not threaten Renwick, nor did he say that when he had his backers with him he would take it out of him.
John Liddle, miner, living at Allenheads, said he saw Schmidt kick Renwick twice in the legs and then Renwick turned round and attended to him. He only stepped in to see fair play. Schmidt discharged him on the spot, and he was not working there now.
Cross-examined by Mr Main: He did not ask Renwick what he meant by sticking up for a b------- foreigner. He did not ask him why he was taking the part of a foreigner against an Englishman when he did not know how the quarrel began. He saw the two men struggling. Schmidt was bleeding.
John W. Reed, Middle Side, West Allendale, said he was a miner and farmer. He was working at this mine on January 5th, but he was not working there now. He was standing at the office door about two o'clock when he heard shouting inside, and he then saw Schmidt pushing the defendant to the door. Schmidt was kicking him. Then a scuffle took place. He saw John Renwick go in and strike Herbert Renwick on the temple. Liddle then stepped in and separated them.
Cross-examined by Mr Main; He was standing at the door waiting to see Mr Schmidt. He gave up work at the mine on Friday.
By Mr Dixon: His leaving had nothing to do with this case. It was for reasons of his own.
Sidney Smith, farmer and miner, Sparty Lee, also gave similar evidence.
The Bench retired and on coming into court again, the Chairman said they considered the defendant had had a certain amount of provocation and under the circumstances would dismiss the case.

9th February 1914 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
PEART. At Miners Arms Inn, Nenthead, on February 7th Emerson Peart. Interment at St. John's Churchyard, Nenthead, on Tuesday, the 10th inst., at 3.15. p.m.
Thomas Peart married Hannah Graham 1st quarter 1841, at Weardale.
In 1841, at Blackcleugh, Stanhope, at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 20, his wife Hannah 20, and daughter Elizabeth 2.
In 1851, at High Allers, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Peart, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Hannah 32, children, Joseph 9, Graham 2, Emerson 1, and daughter Elizabeth Graham 12. Hannah Peart died 1858 - 1860.
In 1861, at Bents, Heathery Cleugh, Thomas Peart, widow, lead miner, aged 41, children, Elizabeth 22, Joseph, lead miner, aged 19, Margaret 17,

Graham, lead miner, aged 12, Emerson 11, John 7, Hannah 5, and grandson, Thomas aged 1. Thomas Peart died 1st quarter, 1870, aged 49.
In 1871, at Bents, Heathery Cleugh, Joseph Peart, unmarried, lead miner, aged 29, brother, Emerson, lead miner, aged 21, brother, John, lead miner, aged 17, sister, Elizabeth 32, Nephew, Thomas 11, neice, Phyllis 9, and neice, Ann 3.
Emerson Peart married Esther Peart 4th quarter 1874, registered at Weardale.
In 1881, at Burtree, Heathery Cleugh, Emerson Peart, lead miner, aged 31, his wife Esther 30, children, Thomas 5, and Hannah 2.
In 1891, at Miners Arms, Nenthead, Emerson Peart, lead miner, innkeeper, and farmer of 23 acres, aged 41, his wife Esther 40, children, Victor 15, Hannah 12, and domestic servant Annie Peart aged 23; all born Stanhope.
In 1901, at Miners Arms, Nenthead, Emerson Peart, inn keeper, aged 51, his wife Esther 50, son Thomas V 25, daughter Hannah 22, visitors, Walter S Craster, mechanical engineer, aged 26, Sarah A Bee 14, and John Rooks, engine fitter, aged 50.
In 1911, at Nenthead, Emerson Peart, innkeeper & farmer, aged 60, his wife Esther 60, son in law, Thomas Stout, horse keeper, aged 36, daughter Hannah Stout 32, niece, Elizabeth Graham 10, born Blyth, and servant, Mary E Harrison aged 16, born Heathery Cleugh.

18th April 1914 (Hexham Herald)

NENTHEAD

The estate of Mr Emerson Peart of The Miners Arms Inn, Nenthead, Cumberland, innkeeper and farmer has been valued at £2074 18s 1d with net personality £1762 14s 9d by Mrs Esther Peart his widow and Mr Thomas Victor Peart of Woodbrae, Nenthead, farmer his son the executors.

Deaths

AT Fairhill, Nenthead on the 15th inst. Joseph Currah aged 64 years.
In 1871, at West Ashgill, Isaac Currah, lead ore miner & farmer of 8 acres, aged 55, his wife Elizabeth 53, children Isaac, lead ore miner, aged 26, Joseph, lead ore miner, aged 18, Lucy Eliza 14, nephew in law Joseph Hindmarsh aged 13.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Joseph Currah, widow, lead miner, aged 28, and domestic servant Margaret Robinson, widow, aged 55.
In 1891, at Stone Cottage, Nenthead, George Raisbeck, single, retired lead miner, aged 65, his brother Robert, lead miner, aged 46, visitors Joseph Currah, foreman lead ore washer, aged 38, and his wife Mary aged 50.
In 1901, at Stone Cottage, Nenthead, Joseph Currah, lead ore washer, aged 48, his wife Mary 61, and domestic servant Mary Walton aged 21.
In 1911, at Stone Cottage, Nenthead, Joseph Currah, lead ore washer, aged 58, his wife Mary 71, and domestic servant Maud Richardson 17.
See 27th April 1855, 5th May 1877, 2nd August 1879, 11th August 1883, 26th September 1891, and 18th April 1914

25th April 1914 (Hexham Herald)

DEATH OF MR THOMAS HETHERINGTON
FUNERAL AT ST JOHN LEE

The death took place of Mr T. Hetherington, at his residence, West Oakwood, on Friday last, after a long illness. Deceased who was in his 68th year was a

native of Alston, having worked as a lead miner at Fallowfield under Walton and Cowper, coming to Hexham 24 years ago to fill an appointment as a game keeper under Mr W. C. Henderson.

11th July 1914 (Hexham Herald)

EXPLOSIVES IN UNAUTHORISED PLACE.

At Alston Police Court on Friday David Smith, mine manager, was charged with keeping in an unauthorised place 40 lbs. of gunpowder at Clarghyll mine near Alston. Sergeant Stephen said he visited the mine on May 25th and found 40lb of gunpowder stored in a place about 100 yards away from the mouth of the mine. The place measured about 3 feet by 2 feet. There was no licence or registration for the premises. He charged defendant with the offence and he replied that he thought they were allowed to keep 50 lb. without a licence. He said the men were supplied with the explosives, and the cost was deducted on payday. Mr Charlesworth, Newcastle, who defended asked Sergeant Stephen if he was aware that the firm were allowed to keep 30 lb. of explosive without a licence. Supt. Whiteside said they were not allowed to store any for sale and the men were charged in this case. … Defendant said he had been manager of the mine in question for 30 years. Mr William Benson was named as the owner of the mine. The storage of explosives was commenced on April 11, in response to an order under the Coal Mines Act, which required that the men must be provided with explosives on the place. The excess of 10 lb. was quite an oversight. The chairman said that the magistrates believed that there was no intentional offence. Defendants would have to pay the costs, and they advised the firm to obtain a store licence.

18th July 1914 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Frederick Cave, a Frosterley quarryman was accidentally killed at Rogerley limestone quarry last Thursday by the falling of a high gearing over which he was running tubs of soil from the baring. At the inquest a verdict of accidental death was returned. Deceased was a south countryman, but had lived in Frosterley many years. *(Aged 69)*

12th September 1914 (Hexham Courant)

HANDED OVER TO THE MILITARY

Carl Schmidt (36) a German employed at the Carrshield mines was rearrested on Thursday morning by P.C. Tinlin, of Whitfield, on a Home Office order. Schmidt was arrested at the outbreak of the war as an alien. He was brought to Hexham and subsequently released. On his re-arrest he was conveyed to Newcastle, and handed over to the military authorities, his destination being unknown.

23rd September 1914 (Teesdale Mercury)

CLOSING OF THE BELGIAN-WORKED LEAD MINES AT NENTHEAD.

FOUR HUNDRED WORKMEN THROWN OUT OF EMPLOYMENT.

The Nenthead mines, which are owned by a Belgian company, closed down last week-end, owing to not being able to get their ore away, and being unable also to get any money from Belgium to pay the men. The closing down of the

mines will affect over four hundred men, including a good number of Italians, who were employed there. Most of the managers of the above company were Germans, of whom only one is left, and he claims to be a naturalised American.

26th September 1914 (Hexham Courant)

ALSTON

NENTHEAD MINES AND THE WAR

The Vieille Montagne Zinc Company at Nenthead have been compelled to close down a very large part of their works at Nenthead and Rotherhope owing to the war. Mr Cox, the secretary has not been able to get into communication with the head office in Belgium and no material can be shipped abroad.

6th October 1914 (Penrith Observer)

THE NENTHEAD WORKS.

A fine spirit is manifest between the Vieille Montague Zinc Company at Nenthead and their workmen. Owing to the war the company had to almost close down. Mr. Cox, the /secretary, has not been able to get into any communication whatever with his head office in Belgium, and he cannot get the material shipped or sold. The men, however, have express their willingness to work on half-pay, and trust the company for the other half, with the result that the works are now in full swing.

25th October 1914 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

Three Stanhope men met accidentally on the battlefield the other day. Wearmouth son of J. Wearmouth, the famous wrestler stepped out of the trenches during a halt and found two Stanhope ambulance men carrying away the wounded.

22nd October 1914 (Whitehaven News)

CLEATOR MOOR MINER'S DEATH AT PATTERDALE

At inquest held at Patterdale, Westmorland, on Wednesday, concerning the death of Christopher Tembey (64), miner, belonging to Cleator Moor.

Thomas Black, miner, Cleator Moor, said that deceased and he left Cleator Moor on Saturday to seek work at the Greenside lead mines, Patterdale. They arrived about 8-30 on Saturday night, and stayed at the hut occupied by other miners employed at the Greenside mines. From 12-30 to 2-30 on Sunday they were in the beerhouse near the mines, and witness and another miner named Hopkins left for the beerhouse at opening time in the evening, expecting that deceased was following. He did not, however, turn up, but when they were on their way back, after staying in the beerhouse until ten p.m., they found him lying unconscious on the road, having apparently fallen over an embankment. They carried him to the hut, and Hopkins went to bed. They did not send for a doctor or any other assistance, and after sitting with deceased for some time witness also went to bed. Deceased never spoke, but was not dead. In the morning when they came downstairs deceased was dead.

The Coroner: Did you make any examination to see where he was injured?

Witness: I could not see anything. I thought he was stunned.

Did you realise he was in a very serious condition? — When you are in drink you don't think about that.

You left him alone in the kitchen at the hut? — Yes. I'll tell the truth, I left him.
What did you do the next morning? — I left the hut to go for the constable, but I got to the beerhouse again, and the constable found me there.
William Hopkins, miner, Greenside, gave similar evidence.
The Coroner: When you found the man lying senseless on the road do you not think it is your duty to go for a doctor?
Witness: It should have been my duty, but we did not know what to do.
You put him on the form and left him there until next morning? — Yes.
Dr. Lawrence said deceased had fallen on the back of his head, and had fractured the back of his skull.
P.C. Smith said he did not receive information of the death until 12-30 p.m., midday on Monday. He found Black at the beerhouse under the influence of drink. Witness's opinion was that deceased had been walking towards some steps on an embankment, and in the dark had missed his way and fallen over on to the road.
In reply to a juror, Dr. Lawrence said he would not have been able to save the man's life had he been sent for immediately, but that was no reason why medical aid should not have been obtained.
The Coroner said he was of opinion Black deserved censuring for his conduct, and Hopkins was little better. He also criticised the Greenside Mining Co. for having no one in charge of the huts. That was the second inquest he had held under similar circumstances.
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," and requested the Coroner to censure Black and Hopkins, and to write to the Greenside Mining Co., pointing out the absence of supervision at the hut.
The Coroner censured Black and Hopkins in strong terms, stating that their conduct was unworthy of Englishmen. (Source: West Cumbria Mines Research Group)

31st October 1914 (Hexham Courant)

Letters to the Editor

A DISCLAIMER

Sir,—I understand that a persistent rumour is current in the district to the effect that I am responsible for the release of a German official at the Carrshield mine. Will you allow me to say that he does not live in my parish, and that I have had nothing whatever to do with the case in any way. All the Germans of Nenthead are detained at the Lancaster camp, and I have refused all applications to sign parole papers, not because I have anything against the men themselves, but simply on account of my neutral position as vicar. Yours, etc., F. W. Westgarth, D.C.L, Nenthead Vicarage Oct 26th

31st October 1914 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

At Alston a committee has been formed to accommodate 20 Belgian refugees, and Mr Richard Welford of Gosforth has given them the use of a house of 14 bedrooms in that town with two acres of land belonging to him and now unoccupied.

28th November 1914 (Hexham Courant)

PRIVATE ISAAC WEARMOUTH, son of Mr & Mrs Joseph Wearmouth, Stanhope, died on November 6th at the Hotel Bristol in Boulogne from wounds in the leg and chest received while at the front. Deceased who was 23 years of age joined the 1st Coldstream Battalion when 18 years of age and after serving three years with the colours he went to the Reserve. When the war broke out he volunteered his services and went to the front in August. He had been in action at Mons and on the Aisne.

In 1901, at Union Square, Stanhope, Joseph Wearmouth, limestone quarryman, aged 39, his wife Elizabeth 37, children Isaac Romas 9, and Jane Hannah 2.

16th January 1915 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Stanhope on the 8th inst., Margaret widow of the late Thomas Crawhall, aged 78 years.

6th February 1915 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

John George Thompson, Stanhope, has been at home a few days from Boulogne in France where he is engaged in Ambulance work.

13th February 1915 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

The German manager at Carrshield is evidently by no means unpopular. I learn from this letter (*from a Nenthead correspondent*) that after this Teuton had been laid hold of by the Military Authorities, and removed, a petition was got up locally, and as a result, he was enabled to resume his manager ship at Carrshield. It is further reported that last week there was a petition drawn up, praying for his second mittimus, but this fortunate or unfortunate, document only obtained two signatures.

20th February 1915 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

Mr James Emerson, formerly manager for the Nentforce Quarry Co. died very suddenly at Alston on Monday.

In 1851, at Mount Pleasant, Forest & Frith, John Emerson, lead miner, aged 33, his wife Mary 32, sons John 5, Thomas 3, and William 1.

In 1861, at Frog Hall, Forest & Frith, Joseph Horn, lead miner & farmer of 15 acres, aged 27, his wife Mary (Emerson, married 2nd quarter of 1857, Teesdale) 40, daughter Ann 2, and step sons in law, John Emerson, lead ore washer, aged 15, Thomas Emerson 13, William Emerson11, and James Emerson 9.

In 1871, at Frog Hole, Forest & Frith, Joseph Horn, lead miner & farmer, aged 37, his wife Mary 51, children Ann 12, George 9, Mary Jane 7, Joseph 5, stepsons, Thomas Emmerson, lead miner, aged 23, William Emmerson, lead miner, aged 21, and James Emmerson, lead miner, aged 19.

In 1881, at Raby Terrace, Middleton, James Emmerson, lead miner, and assisting stationary engine driver, aged 29, his wife Mary 30, sons John 7, and Edward 3.

In 1891, at Green Hurth, James Emmerson, stationary engineman, aged 39, and his wife Mary, aged 40. In 1891, at Hardship, Forest & Frith, Joseph Horn, lead miner & farmer, aged 56, his wife Mary 67, daughter Ann 33, son Joseph 25, grandson John Emmerson, cartman, aged 17, and grandson Edward Emmerson 13. In 1901, at Front Street, Alston, James Emmerson, manager of limestone quarry, aged 49, his wife Mary 50, and son Edward engine man, aged 24.

17th May 1915 (Newcastle Journal)

A meeting of the Board of Conservators of the Fishery District of the River Tyne was held on Saturday at the Moot Hall. Newcastle. Mr Thos. Taylor (chairman; presiding. …

A letter was read from the Haltwhistle Angling Association, which stated that the Warden Dam had not proved effective, and suggesting that an inexpensive pass should be erected about the centre of the dam. The letter also drew the attention of the Board to the water from the Nenthead mines.

The Board decided that they could do nothing more in regard to the pass. It was also stated that the very best filters had been installed at the Nenthead mines, and that the pollution was very small and practically harmless.

5th June 1915 (Hexham Courant)

DEPARTURE OF ITALIANS

On Wednesday morning a party of 15 Italians who had been employed at the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co.'s works at Nenthead, left Alston, having been called to the colours. They marched from the Town Head, to the station singing what appeared to be one of their national songs. They were in quite a happy mood.

15th June 1915 (Penrith Observer)

PERILS OF THE PENNINES.

FLUE FOR LEAD FUMES ACROSS THE MOOR.

The story of how a farmer fell into a lead mine flue, which runs for over two mile across the fells of West Durham, was told at an inquest at Rookhope. From the evidence given, it appeared that William Oliver went on the fell to look after his sheep. Along the fell runs a huge horizontal pipe, or flue, which carries fumes from a smelt mill, and from this flue the Weardale Lead Company extract sulphate of lead. The flue occasionally gives way in parts. Into one of these apertures Oliver stumbled and fell. His brother found his stick by the side of the hole. Coroner Proud said he could not help thinking it was a veritable death-trap for two miles One witness declared that sheep, and even a horse, had fallen into the flue and been asphyxiated. The management said they proposed to put foot bridges over the flue at certain points. The Coroner adjourned the inquiry for the presence of the Government Inspector.

26th June 1915 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE NOTES

The old iron furnace at Stanhope is being demolished this week. It was built in 1832 by Charles Attwood. ... The old furnace in Stanhope Dene was one of the first iron furnaces built in the North of England.

17th July 1915 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE NOTES

A young man named Thomas *(Frederick)* Lowes of St John's Chapel district was killed at Stanhope Lime Kilns on Wednesday morning. He was engaged by the Weardale Lead Company at their Stanhope mines tipping spar from small waggons into railway trucks. No one saw the accident but he was found in a dying condition by John Littlefair, bank rider, Crawleyside. It is supposed the rebound of the truck had caught him on the chest and killed him. *(Aged 20)*

31st July 1915 (Hexham Courant)

ACCIDENT AT HARTSIDE MINE

An accident occurred at Hartside Barytes mine on Thursday. William Hodgson, Middleton in Teesdale and William Lee, Alston, were working in a drift when the sides fell in. Hodgson was badly crushed and conveyed to Alston Cottage Hospital in an unconscious condition. Lee was able to reach home. Fortunately the manager Mr T. A. Walton, heard the men call for help, and quickly got assistance. Hartside Barytes mine has recently been acquired by the Hedworth Barium Company Ltd, Newcastle upon Tyne.

1st January 1916 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

PATTERDALE

On Thursday evening Mr. W. Marshall, M.P., Patterdale Hall, gave a supper of beef, plum pudding and other necessary accompaniments, to the boys employed in the washings at the Greenside Lead Works, and also the members of the Patterdale Brass Band, which, together, numbered 85. At seven o'clock the tables looked invitingly on the youths, who had assembled with keen appetites. The company then sat down to the repast, which was partaken of by the boys with a gusto seldom witnessed. The arrangements of the Rev. W. T. Rook, Messrs. Rickleby, Sinclair, Taylor, and Grenfell were admirable. The band played numerous lively airs, and Messrs. M. Millican, T. Lancaster, and D. Brown added much to the hilarity of the evening by singing several songs, which the boys seemed thoroughly to enjoy.

Deaths

At Seathwaite, Borrowdale, near Keswick, on the 4th January, John Dixon, formerly agent of the Black Lead Mine, aged 77 years.

26th February 1916 (Lancashire Evening Post)

EXEMPTIONS FOR PATTERDALE MINE WORKERS.

At yesterday's meeting of the Tribunal for the West Ward of Westmorland, Mr. W. H. Borlase, manager of the Greenside Lead Mining Company, Patterdale, applied for exemptions for two men. He said the War Office sent, them or 40 soldiers to assist the mining, but the work was such as they were not accustomed to, and about half of them had returned. Had it not been for the Italian workmen they had and the men the Government sent, the mine would have had closed, they had lost 25 men through enlistments.—The application was granted.

18th March 1916 (Hexham Courant)

FATAL ACCIDENT IN WEST ALLENDALE

On Thursday the 2nd inst., a serious accident took place in the Barney Craig mine, in West Allendale, in which a workman named Thomas Parker Liddell, was severely injured by being struck by a falling stone. He was taken out to Nenthead, and at the surgery there received every care and attention. It was soon seen how serious was his injury, and preparations were made to remove him to Alston where he could have closer medical care and attendance than was possible at Nenthead.

Sad to say, however before these arrangements could be completed pneumonia set in and removal was impossible.

Recovery soon became hopeless and he died on the following Wednesday evening.

Many sad aspects were revealed by the case and quite a gloom was cast over the Allenheads and Sparty Lee neighbourhood where he had lived all his life, as also among the men of Nenthead where as a workman, he was well known to very many.

He was only 37 years of age, and in full strength of his vigorous manhood. He leaves a young widow and five young children for whom the utmost sympathy is felt.

More sad still is the thought that the long continuing snowstorm, made it impossible for him to be taken to his home. Between the mine and Nenthead, on the one side, and his home on the other side, lies the open moor. All communication by the moorland road was completely blocked, while it was difficult even dangerous for any but the very strongest to cross on foot. It was impossible, therefore for his wife even to get to see him, and although they knew he would receive every attention, still, her anxiety, and that of his and her relatives, can easily be imagined, especially when it was known how serious his condition had become. When news of his death was received all felt the keenest sympathy for those whom he had left.

The funeral was arranged to be held on Sunday at St Peter's churchyard, and in connection therewith, a splendid spirit of brotherhood was shown by the men of Nenthead, into which the men on the Allendale side entered and cooperated with wholehearted sympathy.

Over a high mountain road, in places about two thousand feet above sea level, under the shadow of Killhope Law, the outstanding landmark of the whole country round about, it was impossible to attempt any kind of horse conveyance. The Nenthead men at once took upon themselves the task of conveying the remains over that difficult road, and as soon as it was known that this was to be done, the Allendale men entered into the spirit of their Nenthead comrades and decided to meet them on their way.

After a short service of hymn and prayer conducted by the Wesleyan minister, the procession started from Nenthead about half past nine on Sunday morning. Nearly fifty men took part, the larger number walking in advance, in rank four abreast thus making a beaten track, the rest following and drawing the coffin on a strong sledge specially made for the purpose. As early as eight o'clock a similar number of men had started off from the Allenheads and Sparty Lea side, and the two parties met near Coalcleugh, the united body of nearly one hundred men joining forces till the highest point on the journey had been reached when the Nenthead men returned to their homes. The Allendale men expressed the

highest praise for the splendid spirit shown by their Nenthead fellows, and their splendid method and organisation in which every detail was thought out.
Many people feared that it would be impossible to accomplish the journey. The snowstorm had continued for so long, and on Sunday morning had renewed its severity, but to these men the storm had no terrors, and their determined spirit paid no heed to the enormous difficulties except to overcome them. They reached the end of their difficult journey much sooner than was expected, and that which so many had seemed impossible, had been safely accomplished.
A large number of friends gathered to the funeral service, which was to have been conducted by the Rev J Bennett, the minister of the Allendale Primitive Methodist Circuit, and the Rev D J B Lewis vicar of St Peter's.
The roads from Allendale were too much blocked by the storm, so Mr Bennett was prevented from being present.
At the interment it was realised that Andrew Bryce of Ropehaugh, Allenheads, who had been with the party from Allenheads, was missing. The weather was very rough, a blizzard blowing on the moorland. A search was organised which continued on the Monday. It was eventually learned that Bryce realising he was lost had taken shelter at night in Snodbury wood on the Weardale side of Killhope. In the early morning of the Monday he had made his way to the nearest house, which was Gold Hill Farm.

25th March 1916 (Hexham Courant)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF ALLENHEADS

Sir Will you permit me to ask the men who assisted in the search for me on the 12th and 13th inst., to kindly accept the thanks of my wife and myself, and also the women for the sympathy and help shown to my wife during my 22 hours of terrible experience on the fells. Also to the older men of the dale who had the will but not the power to join any of the search parties. We also thank Mr and Mrs John V Peart, Gold Hill Farm, Weardale for their kindness shown and nourishment given to me on arriving at their house and to Mr Peart for seeing me home.

Yours Sincerely
Andrew and Ruth Bryce
Ropeheugh, Allenheads, 20 March 1916

1st April 1916 (Hexham Herald)

STANHOPE

An accident, which ended fatally occurred to Joseph Brunskill, aged 18 at Messrs Ord and Maddison's, Limestone quarry, at Frosterley near Stanhope. While engaged in quarrying a stone struck the youth upon the head rendering him unconscious. He expired an hour later.

18th July 1916 (Newcastle Journal)

WEARDALE LEAD MINE ACCIDENT

EVIDENCE AT THE INQUEST ON THE VICTIMS

Mr J. T. Proud (Coroner) held an inquest at Cowshill, Weardale, yesterday, respecting the death of two lead miners, Penrose Peart of Copthill, and John Albert Peart of Rush, who were entombed in Sedling Mine on Friday morning, when they were both dead.

The principle witness was Herbert Daeson, who said they went to work in the water level at six o'clock on Friday morning. They had put up three sticks and planks over them and Penrose Peart was preparing to put in another stick when the sides came in. Dawson had just gone for some more timber when the fall came. The two men were caught in the fall but lived up till about seven o'clock on Friday night. No one was to blame.
John Emerson, local manager, said he visited the mine on Friday morning at 6.30 a.m. He told the men to put up a covering of timber and to work out the Fluorspar from underneath. The mine looked perfectly safe. He had tapped the roof and it sounded all right. The mine was very wet.
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death." Mr Willis, on behalf of the Weardale Lead Company, expressed his sympathy with the relatives of the deceased and thanked all who had helped in getting the men out.
In 1871, at Bent Head, Stanhope, Emerson Peart, lead miner, aged 29, his wife Phebe aged 25 (Featherstone, married 2nd quarter 1865 registered at Weardale), sons, Jacob 4, Thomas 2, and Penrose 8 months.
In 1881, at Bents, Stanhope, Emerson Peart, lead miner, aged 39, his wife Phoebe 35, children Thomas 12, Penrose 10, Mary 9, Emerson 6, Robert H. 4, and Frances E. 2.
In 1891, at Bent Head, Emerson Peart, lead miner & farmer, aged 49, his wife Phoebe 46, children Thomas, lead miner, aged 22, Penrose, general labourer, aged 20, Mary 19, Emerson, lead ore dresser, aged 16, Robert H., farm labourer, aged 14, and Frances E 12.
In 1901, at Copt Hill, Penrose Peart, whinstone, quarry man, aged 30, his wife Elizabeth (Peart, married 3rd quarter 1896 registered at Weardale), aged 26, children Emerson 4, Mary 2, and John Thos 3 months.
In 1911, at Copt Hill, Penrose Peart, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth, aged 36, children Emerson, lead dresser, aged 14, Mary 12, John Thomas 10, and Arthur Featherstone 6.

In 1881, at Rush, Robert Peart, lead miner, aged 26, his wife Sarah aged 22 (Milburn, married 2nd quarter 1876, registered at Weardale), children John Albert 4, William 3, and Mary Ann 1.
In 1891, at Rush, Robert Peart, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Sarah 32, children John A., lead ore dresser, aged 14, Milburn, lead ore dresser, aged 13, Mary Ann 11, Thomas H 8, and Jane A 5.
In 1901, at Rush, Robert Peart, lead miner, aged 46, his wife Sarah 43, children John A, lead miner, aged 24, Mary A 21, Thomas H., stone quarry labourer, aged 18, and Mary A 6.
In 1911, at Middle Rush, John Albert Peart, limestone quarryman, aged 34, his wife Margaret aged 29 (Liddle, married 1st quarter 1903, registered at Hexham), children Sarah 7, Thomas Allan 5, and Robert 4.

26th August 1916 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Melbourne, Australia on 27th June, Hannah Maria, wife of Ernest Hood Leake (late of Haltwhistle) and eldest daughter of John & Elizabeth Dryden, Barhaugh, Alston.

30th September 1916 (Hexham Herald)

SETTLINGSTONES

LEAD MINERS EXEMPTION

Of the 60 appeals that came before Hexham Rural Tribunal on Wednesday week 47 were from lead miners in the employ of Settlingstones Mining Company. It was stated that 75 per cent of the mineral produced at these mines went to munitions. An application had been made to the Minister of Munitions to have these men badged and they were awaiting the result of the application. These cases were adjourned for a fortnight. Five men employed in the W. B. Lead mines, Allendale were granted conditional exemption.

21st October 1916 (Hexham Herald)

WEARDALE

MINING FATALITY

At Stanhope Coroner J. T. Proud held an inquiry into the circumstances connected with the death of Emerson Colling, 46, lead miner. The evidence went to show that the deceased and a man named John Brown were drilling for a shot in the Stanhope Burn lead mine when a piece of Spar fell upon Colling who received such injuries that he died.

In 1911, at Four Lane Ends, St John's Chapel, Emerson Colling, lead miner, aged 40, his wife Maria Elizth 40, children Frances Elizabeth 7, and John Frederick 6.

Deaths

Joseph Nicholas Emerson, aged 31 of Daddry Shields, St John's Chapel has been missing since Friday night. The weather has been very rough but search parties have been out every day. His cap was found on "Causeway" the mountain, which lies between Weardale and Teesdale.

Joseph N. Emersons death was registered 4th quarter 1916, at Weardale.

18th November 1916 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

As many a spare hour of my boyhood had been spent in and around Allen Mills, I made my way into the Rookhope Lead Mills, and as the manager had just come back after the Mid-day interval, I requested his permission to look around and renew my acquaintance with the inside of a lead mill. The manager not only gave me permission, but went round with me and 'cracked" about the improvements which later and better methods had brought about. The greatest improvement was seen in the slag hearth. The old slag hearth of Allen Mills, with which I had, as a boy been familiar was quite a back number: the slag from it still containing a large percentage of lead. From the modern hearth the slag is analysed two or three times a day a thing I never saw done at Allen Mills - and the quantity of lead residue is quite negligible. A qualified chemist is actually on the staff. All the ores smelted are not produced by the company, all that is obtained from outside sources is bought on the results of the analysis. The smelting hearths seemed much as I had been used to, and though evidently highly satisfactory as far as results went, yet struck one as being small, and dealing with ridiculously small amounts of ore at a time. The desilverisation of the lead, with its accompaniment of Pot Houses, is absent. The pig lead sold there from contains varying amounts of silver, which silver is extracted by the firms to which the crude product is sold.

At present, I believe there are no Allendale men working at the lead mills, but at the mines a mile or so further down quite a number. Besides these there are men from the neighbouring dales on all sides. Some travel quite amazing distances with their wallets on their backs. Boltsburn or Bowts, as the miners call "her" has been a veritable mine of wealth to the Weardale Lead Company, and if it has not made millionaires of the hardy walleters it has at least given them a livelihood, and inculcated many of the sterner virtues not to be found in factory workers of our larger towns.

30th December 1916 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The death is announced at his residence, 7 Greenfield Terrace, Gosforth, of Mr Thomas Walton, a native of Alston, who was for many years the representative of Messrs Locke, Blackett & Co. Lead Manufacturers on the Newcastle Quayside. Mr Walton who was in his 91st year was buried on Thursday.

In 1871, at Gallowgate, Thomas Walton, messenger at lead works, aged 45, his wife Catherine, aged 42, and daughter Mary Emma aged 2.
In 1881, at 47a Gallowgate, Newcastle, Thomas Walton, agent lead works, aged 55, his wife Catherine 52, and daughter Mary Emma 12.
In 1891, at Gallowgate lead works, Thomas Walton, agent lead works, aged 65, his wife Catherine 62, and daughter, Mary E 22.
In 1901, at Gosforth, Northumberland, Thomas Walton, retired Clerk, aged 75, his wife Catherine aged 72, and daughter Mary E. aged 32. In 1911, at 7 Greenside Terrace, Thomas Walton, widow, retired aged 85, and daughter Mary Emma aged 42.

30th December 1916 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

DEATH OF MR JONATHAN RUTHERFORD ALSTON.

The death of Mr. Jonathan Rutherford. Town Head, Alston, which occurred suddenly on Saturday morning, has removed an outstanding personality and well-known townsman. Mr. Rutherford attended to his duties up to Friday, and seemed to be in his usual health up to two o'clock on Saturday morning, when he took ill and died in a few minutes. Deceased of late years had not enjoyed robust health, and only recently had been under treatment of Dr. Carson. He was born nearly 60 years ago at Nenthead, where nearly the whole of his life was spent. A joiner and decorator by trade, he excelled in the latter, the artistic side of his business appealing to him. He rendered good service to ha native village for several years in the capacity of district councillor and school board manager, and it often fell to his lot to preside over meetings of importance in the village. A change in the industrial life of the village necessitated his seeking a fresh sphere of labour, and he received the appointment of sanitary inspector for the Alston district six months ago and removed to Alston. …

Mr Rutherford suffered a severe trial in the loss of his first wife, and he was left to face the world with five young children. An Almost equally tragic blow befell him when his eldest son, William, died in Canada from typhoid fever about six years ago. The young man had emigrated some time previously, and was carrying on the business of painter. Success crowned his efforts and he was making preparations for his father to join him in the undertaking, but fate decreed otherwise. …

Another tragic bereavement followed in the death of his daughter, Florence, who died suddenly at Carlisle about two years ago. Thus he had had a large share of domestic sorrow.
For 34 years deceased carried on the business of carpenter and pointer at Nenthead, but failing health obliged him to relinquish his business some nine months ago. His only son, who assisted him in the business, enlisted in the Royal Engineers, and is now serving in France. About six months ago he secured the position of sanitary inspector to the Alston Rural District Council. Mr. Rutherford was for many years a member of the Alston Rural District Council and Guardians, and will be much missed in the public life of the community. …

DEATH OF MR. THOMAS CARR. GARRIGILL.

By the death of Mr. Thomas Carr, which occurred on Thursday of last week, Garrigill has lost one of its oldest inhabitants and the local Wesleyan Methodist cause one of its most esteemed members and workers. Mr. Carr's whole life was spent in the village with the exception of six years in Newcastle. He was for many years foreman lead ore dresser at Green Hurth Mines, having to carry his wallet and return at week-ends. After his retirement he was a familiar figure at the village blacksmith's shop, and it was a pleasure to hear him relate interesting incidents of bygone days. In connection with the church he rendered yeoman service, holding the position of class leader up to the time of his death. Though lacking the facilities and equipment of younger men in the shape of books and other modern helps, he had a wonderful knowledge of the Bible, and had a plain, unvarnished, and straightforward way of explaining it. In him there was blended common sense and quaint spirituality, which gave him a wonderful adaptation in visiting the sick. He was 79 years of age, and leaves a widow and grown-up family. Mr. and Mrs. Carr celebrated their golden wedding two year. ago this month.

3rd February 1917 (Hexham Courant)

ALLENDALE NOTES

... At Carrshield, however, a novel mode of overcoming the winter's siege was resorted to: the tube railway, the lead mine or level connecting the West Allen mines with those of Nenthead, provided a track along which food stuffs, and other necessaries could be transported. Nenthead in communication with Alston, Carrshield was cut off from Staward. What was simpler then, than for the miner from Carrshield to make his purchases in Nenthead - a place with wonderfully good shops - ride with them to the Allendale side, and carry his bacon, etc., home to his guid wife with the minimum of difficulty.

23rd April 1917 (Lancashire Evening Post)

MINERS' PHTHISIS.
CONDITIONS AT A CUMBERLAND
LEAD MINE,

Sir Geo. Toulmin, M P., yesterday asked as to conditions under which lead mining is carried on at the Greenside Mine, Glenridding, on Ullswater, the mortality from miners' phthisis at this mine compared with other Cumberland and Westmorland lead mines, and the general rate for phthisis, and whether provision is made for men underground to wash before meals, also whether the mother rock produces silica dust and is a cause of miners' phthisis, whether this mine differs from neighbouring lead mines, whether appliances are provided to

safeguard men from the evil effects of the silica dust generated by boring and blasting in addition to those provided in neighbouring mines, and whether blasting is allowed whilst the men are still at work.
Mr. Brace replied: The Home Office recently directed special investigation into the conditions at this mine by the Mines Inspector for the division, and a Medical Inspector of factories. They came to the conclusion that the mortality at this mine from miners phthisis was considerably in excess of the death-rate from this cause for all males in the United Kingdom and also at other neighbouring lead mines and that this was due to the character of the rock and the amount of dust from machine drills which was allowed to escape into the air. At the Greenside Mine the rock in which lead bearing veins are found is quartzite, and this produces silica dust the inhalation of which is liable to cause fibroid phthisis whereas at the neighbouring lead mines the rock is either slate or limestone, and the dust is not injurious.
Following on this report special rules were drafted to deal with the danger, embodying the precautions recommended by the Royal Commission on Metalliferous Mines and Quarries. These have been adopted the owners of the mine, and are I am informed, now observed at the mine. They impose special requirements (not in force in neighbouring mines) in regard to boring and blasting, with a view to preventing as far as possible the production of dust in boring and the exposure of men to the dust after blasting. Blasting is not prohibited while men are in the mine, but is mainly done at the end of the shift. I am informed that washing facilities are not provided, and that they are not necessary for the prevention of miners' phthisis.

22nd August 1917 (Teesdale Mercury)
The death is announced of Mr D. Walton of Leadgate, Alston, at the age of 83 years. In early life he was engaged as washing master at Rotherhope Fell Mines.

24th November 1917 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
Private Frank Norman Millican, son of Mr & Mrs John Wallace Millican, of Garrigill, Alston, reported killed in France 26th October 1917.
In 1851, at High Pasture House, Wallace Millican (son of Thomas Millican and Elizabeth Walton baptised 27th July 1806 Garrigill, died 10th January 1877), farmer of 39 acres, aged 44, his wife Sarah (Featherstonehaugh, married 14th June 1832, at Knaresdale, Northumberland) aged 41, children, Henry, lead miner aged 17, Thomas lead miner aged 16, George, lead miner, aged 13, Elizabeth 11, and Wallace aged 8.
In 1871, at Garrigill Gate, Henry Millican (born Knaresdale, Northumberland), lead miner & farmer of 95 acres, aged 37, his wife Hannah (Peart, married 1857) aged 37, children Thomas S 13, Sarah 10, John W 8, and Elizabeth E aged 4 years.
In 1881, at Garrigill Gate, Henry Millican farmer of 90 acres, aged 47, his wife Hannah 47, children Thomas A. 23, Sarah 20, John W. 18, Elizabeth E. 14, Mary H. 9, and George N. 6.
In 1891, at 107 Union Street, Byker, John W Millican, messenger, aged 28, his wife Anne (Jackson, married 1885) 28, his brother George N Millican, clothier's cash boy, aged 16.

In 1901, at Gatehead, Garrigill, John W Millican farmer & carrier 38, his wife Annie (born Kirkhaugh, Northumberland) 38, children Percy E 15 (born Garrigill), Hugh J 8 (born Garrigill, Emily R. 6 (born Gateshead, Durham), and Frank N. 4 (born Gateshead, Durham.
At Claremont House, Alston (the residence of his brother Mr Walton Holmes) aged 71 years, John Holmes late of Gisborne, New Zealand.
See 17th June 1878, 5th June 1886, 22nd April 1893, & 28th February 1920

18th December 1917 (Penrith Observer)
On Monday an accident happened in a lead mine at Nenthead, Alston, which caused the **death of a man 51 years of age, named George Hutchinson**. Deceased was stemming a hole charged with powder in the mine, when the powder exploded. He received several injuries on his head and various parts of his body, from the effects of which he died on Wednesday.

5th February 1918 (Penrith Observer)
THE ITALIANS AT PATTERDALE.
Mr. W. H. Borlase, manager of Greenside Lead Mines, Patterdale, applied for two Italian miners, Guiseppe and Constantino Pala, whose services he said were essential to enable them to provide lead for munitions. The firm was only controlled to the extent that all their products were sent to controlled firms.—Mr. Borlase: If they are taken will they join the Italian army? —Captain Lambert: No, the British army.—Mr Borlase said the men were skilled, and worked drilling machines. The reason they had not been protected was that being Italians they were formerly free, and it was only recently that they had been called up. Ha also gave particulars of his staff, and said the output was now 646 tons against 1,821 tons before the war. He added that these Italians had married English girls. There were two other younger Italians for whom he was not appealing.—The men were given to May 20th, so that it could be seen if the other two joined up in the meantime.

18th May 1918 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At Alston on the 8th inst. aged 47, Staff Sergeant Fred A. Millican, of the Canadian Forces, son of the late John Millican J.P. of Croft House Alston.

In 1881, at 15 Front Street, Alston, John Millican (son of James Millican), Draper, aged 59, his wife Annie 52, children John Holmes drapers assistant, aged 29, Charles Arthur, assistant mining engineer, aged 19, Florence 14, Percy Reed 13, Frederick Arnold aged 10 years.
See 30th May 1866, 17th August 1872, 11th April 1874, 2nd September 1876, 2nd June 1877, 22nd March 1879, 24th June 1882, 12th September 1885, 21st April 1888, 13th August 1892, 14th April 1894, 20th May 1899, & 23rd March 1901.

3rd October 1918 (Newcastle Journal)

WEARDALE MINING INDUSTRY.

Great activity prevails in the mining industry in Weardale. The Lead Company are opening out the deep adit level at Stanhope Burn lead and spar mines, with a view to working the mines at a deeper random. The Weardale Steel, Coke, and Coal Company are introducing improved methods of haulage to facilitate the despatch of minerals from their Stanhope mines.

7th October 1918 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

WINDING Enginemen, experienced. Wanted for the W.B. Lead Mines, Allendale.—Apply to W. Bright, Sipton, Allendale.

21st December 1918 (Lancashire Evening Post)

BLASTING FATALITY STORY OF LAKELAND MINER'S TRAGIC DEATH

An inquest was held, at Keswick, yesterday, on the body of George Dixon, lead miner, Braithwaite, who died at Keswick Cottage Hospital as the result of injuries received in accident at the Force Crag Mines, Keswick, the 13th inst. He was well known as a footballer from Penrith to Workington, and was full-back in the team which won the Penrith League Cup.

John Thwaite, lead miner, Braithwaite, said that deceased, who was 43 years of age, was his half brother, and they had worked together at the Force Crag Mines for about three years. Their work was drilling and blasting. On Friday, the 13th inst., they were working in a level to which they were accustomed. Each had bored hole on opposite sides of the stope and each inserted his own cartridge and lighted the fuse. Witness retired 108 ft. and crouched behind a 3ft. wall. Deceased was following him closely, but before he could get behind the wall the shots exploded and a piece of metal struck deceased in the back below the left shoulder and knocked him down. Witness rushed to him and found him lying on his side and bleeding, but quite conscious. He was conveyed to hospital, where he died. Mr. Leek, Inspector of Mines, said that the 108 ft. was too short distance for safety, and he thought it very questionable whether a 3ft. wall would shelter two men with any safety, for there always the danger of a ricochet. The jury returned a verdict that "Deceased died of laceration the lungs being struck by a piece of metal from a lead mine shot."

30th December 1918 (Shields Daily News)

OVERCOME BY SNOW ON HELVELLYN

Information reached Penrith on Saturday of an exciting experience on Helvellyn. John Chapelhow, who is employed at the Greenside lead mines, was sent on Thursday afternoon about four o'clock to stop the water from Kepple-cove Tarn, which serves the mine reservoir. A very severe snowstorm prevailed at the time,

and it was impossible to see far ahead. As Chapelhow failed to return from his five miles journey, in the evening a search party was organised. The men spread themselves out and went towards the tarn, eventually finding Chapelhow helpless and completely exhausted; indeed, it was said that in a very short time he must have succumbed. Some years ago, a man lost his life while engaged in a similar task, as he lost his way and fell into Kepplecove.

7th February 1919 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

ALSTON LEAD MINES.

Damages Against a Proprietor

Mr. Justice Salter, in the King Bench Division, yesterday, granted the Hedworth Barium Company, St. Nicholas' Buildings, Newcastle, an injunction to restrain Mr. Cleveland R. Macdonald, of Alston, from entering on their lands at Alston, Cumberland, and carrying on mining work.

Plaintiffs, it was stated, were lessees of certain lands from the Admiralty for purposes of mining lead and other minerals. Some years previously, the defendant had held a lease or acquired rights to prospect in land in the same district, under the Alston Prospecting Syndicate, but that concession had gone into liquidation, and defendant had no rights to enter on plaintiffs' land. In June and July, 1917, he went prospecting over the plaintiffs land, and had made various shafts and cuts, removing some 50 tons of ore. Counsel added that these cuts and shafts had been left open, and, in addition to making it difficult for plaintiffs to work their mines, they were dangerous, because they were unfenced. This was grazing land for cattle or sheep, which might fall into these holes. Evidence was given by a clerk to the Admiralty with regard to the lease. James Turnbull, mining engineer, Alston, said it would cost £100 to fill up the shafts. There was no appearance for the defence. Mr. Justice Salter, besides granting plaintiffs an injunction and costs awarded them £130 damages.

22nd February 1919 (Lancashire Evening Post)

There is a somewhat better outlook in the lead and zinc mining industry in the Lake District. The Government has extended the time when the refunding of the award ceases to the end of March, mine owners having pointed out that the fixing of the price of lead at £40 per ton after the control was lifted could not cover the award, with the Government itself holding 63,000 tons of lead in stock and selling it at the forward price of £30 per ton. The respite now gained is very welcome, it enables owners and their men to come to terms regarding wages. Unless amicable arrangement can be arrived at the closing down of the mines is inevitable. The position respecting zinc is still obscure, the Government being desirous clearing its stocks of Australian zinc concentrates, but English Smelters' Association have refused enter into a binding agreement to take the Australian supplies. The Carrock Wolfram mine in the Caldbeck Fells has been closed down on account of high costs, the principal of which cartage.

16th August 1919 (Hexham Herald)

Deaths

At Toowoomba, Queensland June 3rd 1919, Ruth, the dearly beloved wife of Joseph Ritson.

29th August 1919 (Edinburgh Gazette)

THE WANLOCKHEAD LEAD-MINING COMPANY LIMITED.

A PETITION was on 28th August 1919 presented by the above-named Company to the Lords of Council and Session (Second Division, —Mr. Antonio, Clerk), praying their Lordships, *inter alia*, to confirm the reduction of the share capital of the Company, resolved upon by the Company under the Special Resolutions recited in the Petition, and passed on 16th July 1919, and confirmed on 6th August 1919, viz. "(1) That the Capital of the Company be reduced from £37,500 divided into 37,500 shares of £1 each (of which 25,000 have been issued and paid up in full, 11,600 issued with 10s, per share paid up, and 900 are still unissued) to £31,700 divided into 25,900 shares of £1 each, and 11,600 shares of 10s. each, and that by extinguishing the liability of 10s. remaining upon each of the 11,600 shares of the Capital upon which 10s. only has been paid up."

"(2) That on the reduction of Capital before set forth becoming effective, the said 11,600 shares of 10s. each shall be converted into 5800 shares of £1 each by consolidating every, two shares of 10s. into one new share of £ 1."

To approve of a Minute of Reduction of Capital in the terms set forth in the Petition; to direct the registration of the said confirmation and relative Minute by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in Scotland; to direct notice of such registration, when made, to be given by advertisement; and to fix the date until which the words "and reduced" require to be added to the name of the Company.

In the said Petition the Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills has pronounced the following Interlocutor: —

" Edinburgh, 28th August 1919. —The Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills appoints the Petition to be intimated on the Walls and in the Minute-Book in common form; to be advertised once in the Edinburgh Gazette and once in each of the Scotsman and Glasgow Herald newspapers; allows all persons having or claiming interest to lodge Answers within eight days after such intimations and advertisements, and meantime and during the dependence of these proceedings dispenses with the addition of the words "and reduced" to the name of the Company.CHARLES J. GUTHRIE.

Of all which intimation is hereby given.

J. W. & J. MACKENZIE, W.S., Agents for Petitioners.

16 Duke Street, Edinburgh, 28th August 1919.

12th September 1919 (Edinburgh Gazette)

THE WANLOCKHEAD LEAD MINING COMPANY LIMITED,

INTIMATION is hereby made that on 28th August 1919 a Petition was presented by the above-named Company to the Lords of Council and Session (Second Division,—Mr, Antonio, Clerk), praying their Lordships, *inter alia*, to confirm the Reduction of the Share Capital of the Company, resolved upon by the Company under the Special Resolutions recited in the Petition, and passed on 16th July 1919, and confirmed on 6th August 1919, all as set forth in said Petition.

In the said Petition the Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills has pronounced the following Interlocutor: — "Edinburgh, 11th September 1919. —The Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills, having considered the Petition, with evidence

produced that the same has been duly intimated and advertised as appointed by the preceding Interlocutor (no Answers having been lodged), fixes 28th August 1919 as the date with reference to which the list of Creditors of the petitioning Company within the meaning of Section 49 of the Companies Consolidation Act, 1908, shall be made up: Appoints the Company to lodge in process a list of such Creditors entitled to object to the proposed reduction of the Share Capital of the Company; fixes 25th September 1919 as the date on or before which the Creditors of the Company not entered in such list of Creditors are to claim to be entered thereon or are to be excluded from the right to object to the proposed reduction; appoints advertisement of the foregoing dates fixed to be made once in the Edinburgh Gazette and once in each of the Scotsman and Glasgow Herald newspapers; remits to Mr. F. P. Milligan, W.S., to inquire into and report upon the facts and circumstances set forth in the Petition as to the regularity of the proceedings, and as to the reasons for the proposed reduction of the Company Capital."

GEORGE L. MACFARLANE.

Of all which Intimation is hereby given.

J. W. & J. MACKENZIE, W.S., Agents for Petitioners.

16 Duke Street, Edinburgh, 12th September 1919.

13th September 1919 (Lancashire Evening Post)

NOTICES TO MEN AT LEAD AND ZINC MINES EXPIRE TO-DAY.

The inevitable result of the suspension the output bonus in the lead and zinc-mining industry in the Lake Country has been the almost complete curtailment of operations at the mines. Notice has been given to the whole the men to cease work to-day, and any men who are retained will continue their employment on three days' notice. The production of lead and blende is being suspended at Force Crag, but the company intend to concentrate their energies on barytes, of which they have a very fine deposit. At Threlkeld the fore breast on the main horse level is showing good ore—certainly two tons the fathom —which with this easily worked lode is a paying proposition. The whole development of the Caldbeck area is now in abeyance, the capitalists interested stating that they cannot touch it under the circumstances.

25th October 1919 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)

CLOSING DOWN OF NENTHEAD WORKS.

The announcement made some few weeks ago that the lead mines at Nenthead are to be closed down calls for more than passing mention, as it practically means the death knell to a little Cumberland village which from time immemorial has been associated with the lead mining industry.

For the past 23 years the mines at Nenthead have been worked by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., one of the most important lead and zinc companies in the world, the owners before that being the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company, of which the chairman was the late Mr. J. Cameron Swan, of Newcastle. That company took over the mines in 1882, from the London Lead Company. The history of the mining industry in the district is full of interest, and dates back probably to the Roman period. With its growth and progress has sprung up the village of Nenthead, 1,300 feet above sea level, which is now threatened in a very serious way. The village is 4½ miles from Alston, and had up to a few years ago a population of between 600 and 700, almost wholly

dependent on the mining industry. Since the latter end of 1918, the number of men employed in the mines has been gradually reduced until, in September last, when the Vieille Montagne Co. decided to dose down all the levels with the exception of one, there were only about 200 men engaged. Week by week this number has been reduced until at the present time there are not. more than about 50 men actually employed in the industry.

EXODUS OF WORKERS

Although the cutting down of the staff has been done gradually, the effect on the village has, nevertheless, been serious. The exodus from the place, however, has not been on such a large scale as it might have been but for the housing difficulties in the areas to which the men are drifting. A large proportion have found employment in the mines at Haltwhistle, while others have gone over into the Weardale Valley and found work in the mines there. In these cases the men are having to keep on their homes at Nenthead to which they return at the week-ends. the young single men have gone further afield in their search for employment, and in many instances have turned their attention to farming. A small proportion of the miners were also farmers in the Nenthead district, and they have now had to devote the whole of their attention to agriculture.

Nenthead is therefore far from being a deserted village, and one of our representatives who paid a visit this week could only find one empty house. ln the course of an interview. Mr. Gean Cox, the resident manager of the Vieille Montagne Co., explained the causes which had led up to the closing down of the mines. He pointed out that since the company took over the lease in 1896 they had spent £82,000 in prospecting, driving, sinking shafts and new levels, and equipping the mines with compressed air and rock drills, and a further £80,000 in extending existing dressing floors, and erecting new dressing floors. Altogether about £200,000 had been spent in that way, none of which had been written off.

Prior to the war they had supplied their Belgium works with the bulk of their products, and this had been done at a loss so far as the mines were concerned. During the war they had been in a better position as they had supplied the home market and had been subsidised by the Government. The withdrawal of the subsidies in March and June this year had, however, placed them in a much worse position than they were before the war, because whereas the quality of the metal had depreciated considerably, the cost of production of every ton of marketable ore had increased to two and a half times what it was in 1914. Although the withdrawal in the Government subsidy had put the finishing touch to it, the key to the situation was the diminishing quality of the ore which was being extracted from the mines. The principle sections in what is known at. the "Old Nan” a local name given to a part of the mine which has been worked in former days—are now closed and the only section which is being worked is that at Nentsbury, which will give employment to about 40 or 50 men.

FUTURE of the Mines

No statement can yet be made as to the future of the mines, but it is interesting to note that a Departmental Committee, set up by the President of the Board of Trade, is at present sitting in London, to investigate and report upon the present position and economic possibilities of non-ferrous mining in the United Kingdom, and “to make recommendations as to such Government action as may be expedited in regard thereto.

11th November 1919 (The Penrith Observer)

SOLDIERS' & SAILOR'S WELCOME HOME AT ALSTON.

The final welcome borne was held in the Town Hall, Alston, last week, there being a very large assemblage of ex-soldiers and friends. Mr. J. R. Walton, president of the Welcome Home Association, presided. The programme began with supper, during which the orchestral band of Mr Hadow, Carlisle, rendered a choice selection of music. After supper, a smoking concert was held, and following it, Colonel Hawthorn, D.S.O., presented Military Medals, which had been sent by the War Office to the association for presentation. The recipients were Sergt. Jacob Dickinson, Lce.-Corpl. Sproat, Bombardier J. Stephen, and Private John Pickering. A gold watch and albert were provided by the association for each bf the medalists, and these were handed to them by Alderman Yielder, on behalf of the committee. Lieut. Harold Storey, who had been awarded a Military Cross, was also presented with a gold watch and albert. The Chairman announced that Captain Edwin Little had received a decoration from the Italian Army, and Lieut. John Storey had been awarded a Military Cross; in 1817, Sergt. James Hetberington was awarded a Military Medal, and at the time was presented by the Association with a gold watch and albert. On the motion of the Vicar, the Rev. H. W. Lovett, R.N., seconded by the Rev. W. Sellers, and supported by the Rev. B. Briggs (both Military Chaplains), a vote of sympathy was passed in silence with the relatives of those who had sacrificed their lives, the large gathering reverently standing and the orchestra sweetly played the National Anthem. This was a most impressive time. The hall was afterwards cleared for the dance, which was kept up until a late hour. Mr. T. Smith was secretary, and Mr. John Tatters treasurer.

18th November 1919 (Penrith Observer)

THE LAKE COUNTRY MINING INDUSTRY.

The Lead and Zinc Mine Owners' Association are taking very active steps to present the case for their industry before the Non-Ferrous Mining Commission. It was arranged at a recent meeting that Mr. Onslow should deal with. the negotiations that have taken place between the Government and the owners during and since the war, and that Mr. Anthony Wilson, of the Thornthwaite Lead Mines, should present the case for the extension of the output to all mines until as regards (a) galena, the Government stocks are disposed of, and as regards (b) zinc concentrates, until the stocks in Australia have been disposed of or alternatively until the production from the tailings heap is disposed of. Mr. Anthony Wilson is also to concern himself with the question of the rating royalties, and income tax assessments. A member has been appointed to represent each district, and he will give an outline of mining past and present in his neighbourhood, and a reasonable price for sulphides is assured. The owners of the Threlkeld Mine, it is stated, are going to accelerate the development of a newly discovered lode. It is believed that the mine will become the principal producer of lead in the Lake District within the next five years.

29th November 1919 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

A BUSINESS JUBILEE

Mr R. H. Millican of the firm Messrs Reed Millican, Co. Glass Merchants, Newcastle; who will shortly celebrate his business jubilee, has been a member

of the Newcastle City Council since November 1904 and is one of the three representatives of St Andrew's ward. Born at Alston he received his education at the grammar school in that Cumberland, market town and subsequently at Gosberton Hall, Lincolnshire. At the end of his school days he was for seven years with the firm of Messrs R and W Hawthorn Leslie and Company, prior to his journey his Uncle Mr Joseph Reed of the Reed Millican and Company, with whom he has ever since been associated. ….

See Also 17th August 1872, 11th April 1874, 2nd September 1876, 2nd June 1877, 22nd March 1879, 13th August 1892, 14th April 1894, & 20th May 1899

28th February 1920 (Hexham Herald)

ALSTON

The death of Mr Walton Holmes occurred at his residence, Clairmont House, Alston, in his 81st year. The deceased was a well known mining agent in Alston district and was closely associated with the lead mining industry all his life. …

See 17th June 1878, 5th June 1886, 22nd April 1893, & 24th November 1917

Alston Cemetery

1st June 1920 (Peneith Observer)

THE MINERS' PHTHISIS AT PATTERDALE.
MEDICAL OFFICER'S SIGNIFICANT REPORT
THE MINE MANAGEMENT EXONERATED.

Recent meetings of the West Ward Rural Council have discussed the question of the alleged high mortality of men at Patterdale from miners' phthisis, and the consequent burden thrown upon the rates, for the maintenance of those left behind by the deceased miners. A few meetings ago the matter was again introduced by Mr. Winster, on resigning the sanitary inspectorship, and the discussion led to a request being made to Dr. Cockill, medical officer of health, to report on the whole matter. Dr. Cockill accordingly paid a visit to the mines and conducted an investigation, and his comprehensive report was presented to the members of tho Council at Tuesday's meeting at Penrith. The report was as follows:

In accordance with your instructions conveyed to me in a letter the 16th. ult. I have visited the Greenside Lead Mines, and present to you my report thereon. I have taken a period of ten years ending 1919, for investigation, thereby continuing the inquiry made on behalf of the Inspector of Mines in 1916. The number of cases notified has been nineteen, occurring as follows: Years 1910, 1913, 1915, 1917, 1919, nil; 1911, 1912, 1916, 1918, average 2, total 8; year 1914, 11, a total of 19. The mortality amongst these cases has been 15. The age incidence of the disease is 49 years. The age incidence of fatal cases is 52 years. The average number of years worked in mine prior to manifestation of disease (all cases) is 29 years. The average number of years worked in the mine prior to manifestation (fatal cases) is 32 years. With the exception of tin miners, costermongers, cutlers and file makers, no industry shows a higher percentage death rate from phthisis than lead mining. Phthisis as an industrial disease reaches its lowest level in agriculture. At Patterdale therefore we have side by side two industries, the one which is the least provocative and the other which is nearly the most provocative of phthisis. The comparison is naturally very pronounced. The causation of this disease amongst lead miners is due to two facts: (a) irritating dust particles; (b) temperature of mine. The latter cause does not operate at Greenside, as the mine is naturally ventilated, the temperature being practically the same as the outside air. The question of dust particles alone remains to be considered. This dust is generated in three ways: (1) By boring operations with mechanical drills; (2) By blasting; (3) By handling dry materials on loading tubs, &c.

1. Prior to 1914, dry boring was in vogue; since that date wet boring was introduced, and this, if carried out according to instructions, practically does away with all dust particles. 2. Blasting used to be done at any hour, the men returning to work at once. Now, the charges are laid, and slow fuses ignited immediately prior to knocking off work, and the blast takes place whilst the men are away from the site of operations. No return to work is made for seventeen hours; the ground around is all damped, so that all dust has settled by the,time work is resumed. 3. There must be a certain risk in handling dry material from time to time, though this cannot be very great, as there is abundance of water laid on which is available for damping purposes. I examined the contents of a large number of tubs

and found them invariably damp. The practice of men going home in their wet clothes, instead of leaving them in the drying rooms is slightly risky,' as the partioles of dust when dry are liable to contaminate the household atmosphere. Some of the men, however, still persist in this practice.

Conclusions.—I am of the opinion that provided the workers will take advantage of all facilities provided, there is little liability under existing circumstances of contracting this disease. I can offer no suggestions for further safeguarding their health beyond advocating more ventilation in the home. Of all the houses in the valley occupied by workers, I found only three where windows were opened.

I am indebted to the courtesy of the management of the mine for the facilities afforded to me for inspecting every part of the mine and the workings, and of talking with the men individually without their being present; also to Mr. Winster for much valuable statistical information; and to Dr. Lawrence, who informed me that at the present time there are very few miners who have even any suspicious symptoms, and many of these have been working in tin mines in Cornwall, the worst industry known for the production of phthisis.

The Chairman (Mr. J. O. Dent), said the Council had continually had that matter before them, and the Press had said they did nothing but talk, talk, talk about it, and never effected any remedy. He had always maintained that they as a Council had no jurisdiction over the Greenside Mines, but they had intentionally brought the matter up so that the people could know what was going on. The Chairman of the Parish Council had written to say that they (the District Council) did not do what they might do. Mr. Winster had brought the facts before them time after time, and Mr. Borlase (the manager of the mines) had also constantly brought it before them that the mortality was heavy. He did not run away from the fact at all. Consequently the relief for Patterdale was heavy. Dr. Cockiil had now reported, and Mr. Borlase gave them the same idea, that if the men would use all the facilities within their reach there need not be such heavy mortality, nor such a heavy amount of pauperism from Patterdale. Dr. Cockiil had given them a fair and unbiased report, for which they were thankful.

Mr. Moffat: From the report I take it the directors and management of Greenside have done all they could?

Dr. Cockill: I could suggest nothing more— absolutely nothing.

The Chairman said the mine was under Government inspection, and the Council had nothing to do with going down the mine.

The Rev. W. P. Morris suggested the adjournment of the discussion until there was a larger attendance of members.

Mr. J. Thompson said no useful purpose would be served by that. He thought the public had been rather misled by the Press reports, which appeared to suggest that the Council had connived at that mortality, by suggesting that they had refused to take measures which they might have taken.

Dr. Cockill said they had to bear in mind that the mortality had occurred after 29 years' working in the mine. Those men had been working when there was dry boring going on. They had got rid of those poor fellows, and had a new generation coming on under the wet boring system, and they would not get anything like the same mortality. In the course of investigation they came across a year which was phenomenal for its high mortality, but it was just the culminating year for that series of people who had been working there for a long

time under the dry boring system. It was appalling, and no wonder people took notice of it. One of the most astonishing things was the fact of people living in the valley inter-marrying. Wherever they had a stationary population, and inter-marrying went on they would get phthisis of the ordinary kind; but this, of course, was miners' phthisis, but possibly the conditions he had outlined tended to produce a constitution that was not too good. He did not think that in the future they would have the same lamentable mortality from miners' phthisis.
The Chairman: Was your visit a surprise visit?
Dr. iockill: No, I arranged for it.
Mr. Morris : That is just.it.
Dr. Ctakill: I could not go into the mine as a surprise visit. I had no right to. He added that they could not absolutely do away with the dust. When boring was beginning they could only wet a small portion of the surface, but when a hole was made the water was squirted into it, and when a drill was changed there had to be a certain dryness for a time. But there was no
more risk than there was from motor phthisis which might be got from the roads at present.
The Chairman: Mr. Borlase repeatedly said the men would not use the appliances put within their reach.
Dr. Cockill: They will now. The younger generation is more intelligent, and takes more care. Industrial disease was not troubled about twenty years ago, and nobody took the trouble to look into it.
Mr. Thompson: After all, lead mining it not a healthy occupation.
Dr. Cnckill said it ranked about fourth in the mortality list under the best conditions. The disease in the Cornish mines had been practically abolished Where there was carelessness there was risk, just as there was when a man working in a gunpowder factory carried matches in his pocket. The doctor added that at Greenside the men were provided with hot baths, and drying room, and the men had the opportunity of having hot bath and their clothes dried every time they finished work. The great thing was to keep down the dust, which, so far as he could see, was done absolutely.
On the motion of Mr. Moffat, seconded by Mr. A. Scott, the report wag adopted, and Dr. Cockill was given permission to send a copy of the report to the mine management.

22nd June 1920 (Penrith Observer)

SUDDEN DEATH AT PENRITH

Mrs. Spark, Victoria Road, Penrith, widow of Mr. J. Spark, High Galligill, Alston, died suddenly on Tuesday evening. Mr. D. Hayes, Penrith, was visiting Mrs. Spark, and was just leaving when the old lady fell forward and collapsed. Dr. Macdonald was summoned, but Mrs. Spark, who was 70 years old, died shortly after his arrival. The cause of death was apoplexy. Mrs. Spark and her husband were well known in the Alston district, where they farmed for many years, while Mr. Spark was formerly manager of the Brownley Hill Lead Mine.
In 1871, at Nentsbury, Joseph Spark, farmer, aged 61, wife Sarah 54, sons Hugh, farmers son, aged 32, Joseph, farmers son, aged 22, James, farmers son, aged 16, granddaughter Sarah Ann Glendinning, general servant, aged 11, visitor Mary Archer, widow, aged 50. See 4th April 1874.
In 1881, at Middle Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph Spark, farmer of 8 acres, age 33, and Sarah Ann Glendinning, general servant, aged 21.

Joseph Spark married Mary Bardgett, 3rd qtr 1886, registered at Penrith.
In 1891, at Nettle Hall, Galligill, Joseph Spark, contractor at lead mines, aged 43, his wife Mary (Bardgett, married 3rd qtr 1886 registered at Penrith) aged 37, and son Joseph William 2.
In 1901, at High Galligill, Nenthead, Joseph Spark, farmer & contractor, aged 52, his wife Mary 49, children, William 12, and Arnold 7.
Joseph Spark died 7th July 1901, at Galligill. See 12th July 1901
In 1911, at 5 Victoria Road, Penrith, Mary Spark, widow, aged 61, sons William, clothiers assistant, aged 22, and Arnold Bardgett, shoemaker, aged 17.

10th July 1920 (Hexham Herald)
Deaths
At the residence of her daughter, The Hill House, Alston, on the 5th July, Susannah Widow of the late Thomas Yeats Walton aged 91 years.
See 28th October 1871, 26th October 1872, 1st June 1889, & 6th July 1889,

5th November 1920 (Shields Daily News)
LEAD MINE TO CLOSE.
The Greenside lead mine, which is situated near the head of Ullswater Lake, in a spur of the Helvellyn range, and is one of the more valuable mines in North of England, is to be closed down on the termination of the lease in 1922, the shareholders having recently passed a resolution that the company should go into voluntary liquidation. Soaring costs are as to constitute the reason for this decision.

13th December 1920 (Lancashire Evening Post)
CUMBERLAND BLENDE MINES
THORNTHWAITE THE LAST TO CLOSE DOWN
The Thornthwaite lead mines, near Keswick, are closing down owing the low prices prevailing for lead and zinc ore. It is stated that the present prices of lead and zinc preclude any possibility of working the mines without further serious loss. Although the present prices are higher the pre-war figures, the cost of production, is stated, has increased nearly three-fold. The high price and bad quality of coal, and high wages and diminished output per man are also stated to be contributing causes.
Thornthwaite is the last of the Cumberland mines to close down. The Vieille Montague Zinc closed down the Nenthead plant some months ago; and the Force Crag Mine ceased production early this year, so that no zinc is being produced in the country with the exception of a small tonnage in Durham. The Greenside Lead Mine, Patterdale, is in voluntary liquidation owing to the refusal the royalty owners to reduce their charges, and the Threlkeld Mine has suspended operations, though in the latter case the men are being retained on development work in the hope that there may be an improvement in the metal market.

22nd March 1921 (Penrith Observer)
NOTICE GIVEN TO THE MEN.
The men'employed at Threlkeld Lead Mines have received notice terminating their employment this week end. About twenty men are effected, but a few will

be kept on to keep the mine in good condition. Coming some three months after the Thornthwaite stoppage, and after a determined effort to keep the mine going in the hope of a better demand for the lead and blende, the closing of this mine emphasises the hardship caused by the Government ten years' war contract with the Australian Lead mines at war prices. Though they have not been working the lead but concentrating on opening out the mine and putting it into first class condition, the management have kept the mine open with commendable courage and optimism. The prospects, however, are unfavourable, and the cost, despite the reduction in wages which the men accepted, so heavy that the management have been forced to dispense with all but essential labour. With lead and blende averaging about £11 a ton, and costing £18 a ton to produce, even a further reduction of wages to which the men were agreeable, would not make it possible to produce at a profit. The dosing down is for an indefinite period, and one can only hope that there will be a speedy revival of trade and then the mines will be able to resume their productivity. Fortunately the Threlkeld Quarry is very busy, and has good contracts in hand. Apart from this work there is nothing in the district to absorb the discharged labour.

30th August 1921 (Penrith Observer)

LEAD MINING AT ALSTON.

On Friday the first sampling of lead ore belonging to the recently formed Holy Field Lead Mining Company took place, and, as there is a very fair prospect of success in the undertaking, the directors decided to have a meeting of the shareholders and their friends at the works in connection with the mine. The day was very fine for the occasion, except in the evening, when rain set in. A select company sat down to luncheon, provided by the directors, in a marquee, which was erected in a field adjoining, while at the same time a substantial dinner was partaken of by the men and boys employed by the company. This being over, many of the visitors, including many ladies, entered and explored the mine. In the evening sports, such as wrestling, &c., were indulged in by many of the company, until the rain coming down rather freely, dispersed them.

18th October 1921 (Penrith Observer)

THRELKELD LEAD MINES CLOSED

Threlkeld lead mines were closed last week. This is the last of the Cumberland lead; mines to cease work. When the other mines were closed down early this, year, the Threlhald mines retained a few men, to continue the extensions which were being made in the mine. An effort was made to restart this mine, but as an agreement on wages could not be reached, the mine has been closed.

24th September 1923 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

After being closed for 50 years, lead mines ar Allendale, Durham, are to be reopened by the Weardale Lead Co.

5th February 1924 (Penrith Observer)

A DERWENT MINING AGENT.

A hundred years ago the lead-mines at Hunstanworth were leased by Hall, Rutter, and Co., and their principal mining agent was John Robinson, who held the position from about 1805 to 1836. He used to reside in a house near the

church, which is either part of the present vicarage or stood upon its site. He was in his day a well-known authority upon lead-mining; and was adviser to landed proprietors all over the North of England, including the lead-mining districts of North Yorkshire. He was well respected by his workmen, who, in 1830, as a mark of their appreciation, presented him with a silver tea service made by Messrs Reid and Son, of Newcastle, from silver extracted from the lead of the Derwent mines. He died in or about 1836, and was buried in Hunstattworth Churchyard.

Some of his descendants live in Northumberland, and one of them has the above- named silver tea service in his possession, as well as an excellent oil painting portrait of John Robinson and his wife, both he and his wife were firm believers in giving their children a good education, and evidences are in existence of their earnestness in such matters. They sent their sons and daughters to the village school, the master of which was Edward Readhead who was a splendid penman an able mathematician, and a schoolmaster of more than ordinary ability for a country school. One of Mr. Robinson's grandsons has still in his possession the mathematical exercise books of John Robinson, jun., dated 1823, containing fine examples of penmanship, from which one can learn that it is evident the training in land surveying, lorgarithums, trigonometry, etc. was of a very advanced order at the school at Hunstanworth at that time. Nor was the education of the girls one whit behind, and sampler, in excellent preservation, and of an unusually large size (28 inches by 22 inches) and of splendid workmanship, testifies. It is a “South-west View of Solomon's Temple," and bears at the bottom:— “Youth is the time to serve the Lord.

The time to ensure the great reward,
And while the lamp holds out to burn
The vilest sinner may return."

“This sampler was worked by Caroline Robinson, at
Mary Readhead's School, Hunstanworth, 1827”

She was John Robinson's eldest daughter.

9th May 1924 (North Star Darlington)

Deaths

At Pry House Farm, Nenthead, on the 7th inst., aged 64 years, John Armstrong, dearly beloved husband of Margaret Cowan.

9th May 1924 ((Consett Guardian)

THE GREENSIDE MINING ACCIDENT.

NO BLAME TO ANYONE.

The inquest concerning the fatal accident to William John Turner, 40, lead miner, in the Greenside lead mines, Patterdale, as reported in last week's “Observer." was held at the mines, office on Friday afternoon by Mr. J. Harker, Kirkby Stephen, deputy coroner. Mr. Lowden, Government Inspector of Mines, Whitehaven, was present.

Henry Turner, Glenridding, deceased's brother.

Joseph Greenhow, lead miner, said on Friday week he was working in the next heading to deceased, and about ten o'clock he heard a fall of rock near to where the deceased was working with a boring machine. He ran to the place and thought he could see part of deceased’s arm under a large piece of stone. Other

workmen arrived and started to get the stone off deceased, while witness went for a prop, as it seemed more stone might fall. When he returned deceased had been freed from the stone, but was quite dead, his head being crushed. He was not that day in the place where deceased was working, and he himself was working some twenty or thirty yards away. He could not say for certain that deceased was drilling when the fall occurred.
Reuben Sleightholme, mechanic in charge of the boring machines, said he was through the head where deceased was working about 9:30. He examined and repaired deceared's machine, and left it in good order. A shot had been fired there on the previous day and he noticed a "cut" about 12 or 20 feet away from where deceased was working. They discussed the "cut" and tried it with a bar but could not stir it. They agreed that it was sate, and deceased said that Webster, the foreman, was of the same opinion. It was not an unusual occurrence. He did not see deceased test the rock between where he was working and the "cut." He had known deceased all his life and he had always worked underground.
The coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death, and stated that in his opinion no blamcl attached to anyone.

30th January 1926 (The Times)
Deaths
Crawhall: On the 22nd January, at Welwyn, Henry F. Crawhall, youngest son of the late T. W. Crawhall, of Alston, Cumberland.

1st February 1926 (Newcastle Daily Chronicle)
KILLED IN LEAD MINES.
Popular Swaledale Man's
Tragic Death.
Joseph Sunter, aged 67, farmer, of Whiteside Low Row, Swaledale, was killed whilst working in the lead mines at Low Row.
The mines known as "Old Gang" had been reopened for twelve months, and Sunter undertook the work of leading away rubbish. He was coming away with his pony and truck when the animal became startled and bolted. Sunter was on the truck and was thrown under. It passed over his body, inflicting severe injuries.
The deceased was removed to the Punch Bowl Hotel, in Low Row, but died on the journey. Sunter leaves a widow and grown-up family. He was a great favourite in Swaledale, and took an active interest in all agricultural shows.

5th October 1926 (Penrith Observer)
DEATH OF MR. JACOB WALTON, ALSTON
The death took place on Tuesday of Mr. Jacob Walton, Glenwood, Alston. Mr. Walton had an operation some months ago, and appeared to be recovering, but pneumonia developed. Mr. Walton was the son of the late Mr. Jacob Walton. His father did much to develop the mineral resources of Alston Moor, and the monument erected to his memory at Alston Town Foot testifies to the high esteem in which he was held. Mr. Jacob Walton was for some time librarian at the Alston Literary Institute. His chief interests were literature and minerology, having a splendid collection of minerals. In his younger days be took an active interest in mining at the Brownley Hill Mine, Nenthead,

Stonecroft, and other mines in Northumberland. He was a regular attender at Alston Church. For a good number of years he was a trustee of the Langhorne Charity. He was 75 years of age, and never married. The interment was on Friday at Alston Cemetery.

31st October 1927 (Newcastle Joornal)

LAKE DRAINED BY A DAM BURST
CUMBERLAND OCCURANCE
MILES OF STONE WALLS CARRIED AWAY

In the dense darkness of Saturday morning, when the tremendous storm was at its worst the dam at the foot of Kepplecove Tarn, Cumberland, gave way, and within a few minutes the whole of the dale down to Ullswater was being swept by a raging torrent.

Kepplecove, which is a large tarn 1,805 feet above sea level, and lying at the foot of Helvellyn, has long been utilized for supplying electric power to the Greenside Lead Mines, it covers an area of nearly 25 acres, is a mile in circumference, and is 2½ miles from Glenridding, the northern portion of the Parish of Patterdale.

FAMILIES IMPRISONED.

It was kept back by a concrete dam, 40 feet high across which there is now a chasm 30 feet wide.

The first intimation of the burst—for, of course, nobody was on the mountains in such a storm at that hour of the night—was received by a family named Barker, who live near Pattlebeck Bridge. Mr and Mrs Barker found the water coming into their bedroom, a large hole having been burst through the back of the house. In a few seconds they found the water up to their necks, and they had the greatest difficulty in escaping.

A little lower down the valley other families were similarly imprisoned, and though the dam is believed to have burst about one o'clock in the morning one family were marooned until 11.30.

The dam race, which carries the water to the power house, was completely washed away for a distance of a mile, and several miles of substantial stone walls were thrown down or washed away. The damage to this part of the property is estimated at not less than £10,000.

The streams which come from Red Tarn and Kepplecove Tarn converge at the foot of Birkhouse Moor, where they form the Glenridding beck, which falls very rapidly until it reaches Ulswater. By a remarkable piece of good fortune all the mine’s property is a considerable distance to the north.

The actual state of affairs at Kepplecove was not discovered until George Birkett went up in the morning to turn off the power at the dam. He was amazed to find that Kepplecove Tarn was, as he described it, “drained almost dry." and the only tangible evidence of the cause was provided by the huge gap in the dam.

Meanwhile there were exciting scenes at and near Glenriddiug, wreckage being seen on every hand. A shop counter, 10 feet long, was protruding half-way through the window of the Co-operative Stores, and the remainder of the property was surrounded by a considerable depth of water. …

29th November 1927 (Penrith Observer)

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT GREENSIDE
NARROW ESCAPE OF FOUR WORKMEN
COLLAPSE OF SHAFT STAGING

On Saturday morning there was an accident at Greenside Lead Mines, Patterdale, which, which it had serious results, might easily have proved disastrous to four men. About half past nine F. *(Frank)* Dewis, who lives at Holton Terrace, and George Birkett, Glenridding, both timbermen, were making some repairs which were necessary to the shaft. Dewis noticed that one of the wall plates was cracked, and he at once sent for the underground foreman, W. Richards, Stybarrow Terrace, to whom he pointed out what had happened. The men were standing on the stage when without warning the stage some ten yards above them collapsed. On it Thomas Hind, engineman, Low Rake, was standing, and he was carried with the timber he was using down to the next stage, which in turn collapsed, and fell on to the third stage, 18 feet below.

H. Watson, who was working at the compresser at the top of the shaft, was the first to notice that something was wrong, and he got assistance to help the men from what was a very perilous predicament, as there seemed every probability of them being thrown to the bottom of the shaft, which is 90 fathoms (180 yards) deep. Had the third stage failed the men must have been dashed to death, as there was not another stage to the bottom. Hind had fallen 32 feet.

The officials were notified by telephone, and the injured men were carried to the office. In the absence of Dr. Byrd from home, Mrs. Byrd, who is a fully qualified lady doctor, gave the necessary attention to the men, and was assisted by Nurse Greenhow. Dewis was found to have a badly damaged shoulder, and extensive contusions. Richards was chiefly injured about the legs, and Birkett's ankles were hurt, while Hind suffered from shock and a badly lacerated hand. The latter three are being treated at home, but Dr. Byrd advised that Dewis should bo taken to the Cumberland Infirmary, whither he was conveyed yesterday morning.

10th May 1928 (Nottingham Journal)

HIDDEN LEAD MINE AT MATLOCK.
Reported as Having Good Prospects.

The Jughole lead mine at Matlock was officially reported yesterday by Mr. Hodgkiss, Bar master for the Dukes of Rutland and Devonshire, as having good prospects.

The new vein, which is what Is known as "a hidden source." was hidden by the finder years ago because lead ore was down in the English market and evidently the finder died leaving no information.

16th October 1928 (Penrith Observer)

THRELKELD LEAD MINE CLOSED,
EFFECT OF GOVERNMENT ACTION

It is announced that the Threlkeld lead mines owned by Messrs, Marple and Gillot, Ltd,, Sheffield, and managed by Mr, Anthony Wilson, Thornthwaite, closed on Saturday. it has employed 44 men and boys, and had a wage bill of about £110 a week. About 5,000 men were formerly employed in the industry. The closing of the mine will be a disaster for the village.

The decision to permanently close down the mine has only been come to through sheer necessity. Every possible economy and saving has been effected, and the men have worked whole heartedly with the employers, recognising the generosity of the firm keeping the mine working so long as possible for their sakes—ever at a loss—with a view of keeping the mine going and the blende has been stored against better times.
No blende has been sold for some months now, and the point has now been reached when the company cannot continue to lose money at the rate they are doing. It is stated that all the other blende mines were long ago driven out by the effect of the contract made by the British Government with the Australian zinc mine owners to buy out all their zinc ore up to June 30th. The Government terms had the effect of stimulating production. Last year the Government, unable to dispose of the ever increasing amount of Australian ore, entered the market, and by underselling home producers have killed the trade of about 20 mines producing zinc ore in this country.
Mr. Anthony Wilson has sent the following letter to the Employment Exchange, Workington, in reply to their letter bringing to their notice Mr. Baldwin's appeal for the employment of men and boys from the depressed areas: "We are in receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., enclosing a copy of Mr, Baldwin's letter, asking us to employ more men. In the circumstanced this appears somewhat ironical, as we have given the whole of our men notice to cease work on the ground that we cannot sell our produce of zinc ore at a price which will meet the cost of production. Mr. Baldwin's Government is buying about 26,000 tons of zinc ore a month from the Australian mines at an average price of £4 16 s. per ton at the mine but has refused to buy a single ton from Threlkeld Mine.
Whilst one appreciates. Mr. Baldwin's desire to assist the Colonies, my company cannot understand why this group of Australian mines should be granted a subsidy of about £70,000 per month from our overtaxed citizens, whilst the home mines are prevented from participation in this arrangement, and the shareholders are taxed to provide funds to consummate their own ruin. The Government is selling this zine ore in the home markets at a price far below its cost, and this makes it impossible for us to compete with the Colonial produce."

19th October 1928 (Newcastle Journal)

NENTHEAD MAN KILLED

A fatal accident befell a young man named William Stout, of Nenthead, on Wednesday night. Deceased was employed at The Haggs Mine, Nentsbury, belonging to the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company. He was leaving his work when there was a heavy fall of stone, causing instant death. Stout was 24 years of age.

18th June 1929 (Penrith Observer)

LEAD MINING IN ALSTON MOOR.

It is understood that nearly one-half of the workmen employed at Rodderup Fell Mine are under notice to leave. Rodderup Fell is the only mine in the district which up to the present has employed its normal number of hands, and now that these are reduced the outlook for the lead-miners is gloomy indeed. Besides that, the Alston Moor mines are now almost without exception poor; the unprecedentedly low price of lead renders the working even of a rich mine

problematical as to whether it will be remunerative. It is felt on all hands that the Lords of the Admiralty should make a material reduction in their royalty dues.

20th December 1929 (Durham Chronicle)

FUNERAL OF MR T. WALTON.

Mr Thomas Allanson Walton (56) who came to reside at Brandon some years ago from Harwood-in-Teesdale, passed away lost week at his residence, Double Newcastle Street, after attending the funeral of a friend at Tow Law the same day. Deceased was a well-read man, possessed of intelligences above the average, and at one time acted as manager of the Cow Green Mines at Harwood, and also of the Teesdale Lead and Zinc Company's works. He was also a keen agriculturist and a clever conversationalist, an authority upon Weardale and Teesdale nomenclature and the mineral deposits peculiar to those areas, and a few minutes talk with “Tom” Walton was a splendid tonic. A man of commanding presence, standing well over 6 feet in height, and proportionately broad. Mr Walton was afflicted with acute chest trouble, but the end eventually arrived with startling suddenness. There was a good attendance at the funeral, and the remains were interred at Meadowfield Cemetery. A widow and grown-up family are left to mourn their loss.

20th May 1930 (Penrith Observer)

PATTERDALE GRIEF
NEARLY 50 MEN STOPPED TO-DAY
LOW PRICE OF BRITISH LEAD.

Between 40 and 50 men employed by the Greenside Mining Company, at Glenridding, at the head of Ullewster, we are informed by a correspondent, have received notice to cease work at the lead mines, and they will be out of work to-morrow.

The decision of the Company, it is understood, is not due to any trouble as between employers and employed, but to the fact that the price of the products is so low that the mines are being worked at a loss. Since the disaster at Kepple Cove Tarn, when the dam burst and caused such havoc at Glenridding, the Company have spent a large sum of money in replacement, and also in bringing the property up-to-date, but notwithstanding this they have been compelled to stop nearly fifty men.

It is not known how long the men are likely to be idle, but it is stated that the Company have confined their dismissals to single men as far as possible, and that only two or three married men are involved.

It is stated that the manager, Mr. Borlase, is endeavouring to make arrangements whereby the men need not have to travel to Penrith to “sign on” for unemployment pay; but to get a clerk from the Labour Exchange to visit Glenridding at certain periods. The stoppage is greatly regretted in the dale, and it is hoped that the price of lead will soon be such as to warrant a resumption of full production.

29th October 1930 (Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligence)

MR. R. W. RAINE. MIDDLET0N-IN-TEESDALE.

Mr. Ralph William Raine, who died at Middleton-in-Teesdale early yesterday morning, at the age of 69 was one of the best known public men in the district Mr. Raine had been a member of the Barnard Castle Rural Council since its

formation in 1894, was a member of the Teesdale Board of Guardians for 38 years, and had been a magistrate since 1908. He was a trustee of the Lady Barnard Memorial Charity and of the Abram Hilton Charity, and a member of the Teesdale Education Committee. Two of his three sons ore in the medical profession, Dr. Arthur E. Raine being Public Assistance Medical Officer and Deputy Director of Medical Services under the Durham County Council, and Dr. R. Howard Raine bring in practice in Newcastle. One of his two daughters is a qualified pharmacist.
In business as a pharmacist. Mr. Raine was also keenly interested in lead mining, and for many years had been engaged in the development of the Coldberry mine, near Middleton-in-Teesdale.

21st January 1932 (Hexham Courant)
The Cornishman and Cornish Telegraph

BREAGE MAN HONOURED.
NOW CUMBERLAND MAGISTRATE.

His many friends in Camborne and district will be glad to hear of the distinction conferred on Mr Amos Treloar, who has been made a justice of the peace in Nenthead, Cumberland.
Mr Treloar, who is manager of the Nenthead, mines of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, is well known and popular in the district.
In his early days, Mr Treloar studied assaying at the evening classes run by the Penzance School of Mines at Pool and Illogan Highway, being later in charge of the tin dressing plant at East Pool. He then went to South Africa to take up a mining appointment, and was for some time in charge of a property there; on his return to England, he became instructor in tin dressing at the Royal School of Mines in London. He was manager at Wheal Kitty, in the St. Agnes district, for some years, whence he went to Polgooth, near St. Austell; he afterwards held an appointment at the Tyndrum lead mine in Scotland.
He went to Nenthead to take over the management of the Vieille Montagne mines in 1923; the mines, which are the chief industry of the area, are on Alston Moor, and, when he arrived, were in a very bad state, and, as a result, the district was in a distressed condition. He at once undertook extensive development work on most modern lines, with the result that the mines were soon put on a high productive basis, and, prior to the slump, employment was found for all men in the district. His mining achievements soon won for him the highest regard and confidence of the staff and men.
He has taken a keen interest in all phases of public and social life in Nenthead, and has done much to advance education in the district; he has arranged mining classes for the miners, and is governor of the Samuel King's School. As chairman of the Alston Cottage Hospital he has been mainly responsible for the provision there of X-ray apparatus and an operating theatre, which has recently been installed. He is a ready supporter of all deserving local functions, and his advice on many matters is considerably sought.
It is stated that his appointment will fill a long-felt want for resident magistrate in Nenthead, and the honour justly deserved.
Mr Treloar is a native of Breage, and his wife was formerly Miss Stevens, of Tremearne Farm, Breage.
Mr Percy Blight, of Roskear, son of Mr J. Blight, is also employed on the mines at Nenthead.

24th May 1932 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

THE LEAD MINE DISASTER
BODIES RECOVERED
RESCUER AMONG THE VICTIMS

After working feverishly for several hours, rescue workers at the Shining Gutter mine, Youlgreave. near Bakewell, Derbyshire, succeeded in recovering the bodies of the eight men who last night lost their lives through an explosion underground.

The mine is owned by the Mawstone Mine Co., and is a lead mine.

Five of those killed were miners, the other three being members of the rescue party.

The names of the dead are: D. Porter (under-manager of the mine) and his son, James Porter, both of Darley Dale: Geoffrey Gould, Jack Gallagher, and William Brindley. These five were working underground at, the time of the explosion.

The three members of the rescue party who lost their lives were: Mr. Kenneth Seville (the mines manager). Eric Evans, and Jack Birds.

One man, George Frost, who was working with the five other men, had a narrow escape. He was attending to a fan about 200 yards along the workings from the mine shaft and had left the others. As he was about to return to them the explosion occurred. Frost managed to get to the mine shaft and give the alarm.

At the time of the explosion the six men were working 200 feet underground.

Mr. Seville, who was 34 years of age, had four children. His wife is at present in a nursing home awaiting the birth of another child.

The inquest on the victims will be opened to-day at the mine offices.

George Frost was unable to-day to relate his terrible experiences owing to suffering from shock. His wife, however, satid that after the explosion he was knocked down three times, but managed to crawl along to ring the alarm bell. He tried to work the cage two or three times, but had not the strength to get it to the top.

His son, aged 17, and his nephew, aged 16, were off work at the time owing to the erection of the temporary fan.

The rescue workers declare that Seville died in an effort to save his men.

6th March 1934 (Penrith Observer)

ALSTON. MINERS FATAL WALK.
RUN INTO BY MOTOR CYCLIST.

THE INQUEST. A serious accident occurred on Tuesday about 9:20 p.m. to Mr. John Joseph Dixon, an aged man, residing at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead. He was walking down Crook Bank on his way to work at the Haggs Mine, Nentsbury, when a motor cyclist, named James Ward, also of Nenthead, collided with him. Dixon, who appeared to be badly injured about the head, was attended by Dr. Coates. Alston, and removed to the Alston Cottage Hospital, where he died of his injuries about noon on Wednesday. The inquest was held in the Reading Room, Nenthead, on Friday afternoon, before a jury. Mr. F. W. Halton was the Coroner, and Mr. F. W. Lightfoot, Carlisle, represented Ward. Frederick Dixon identified the body, and said deceased was employed at the Haggs Mine. He last saw the deceased alive that night between 7 and 8 p.m. Deceased had a bad cold, which affected his hearing. Witness advised him to stay at home, but he persisted in going to work. Deceased was sometimes so deaf that one had to shout at him, and he appeared worse than ever on that

night. In reply to Mr. Lightfoot. Witness said he did not think he was out to walk. Snow had fallen, and it was then slightly snowing. It would be about half an inch deep. Robert James Ward, joiner, Bank Foot, Nenthead, who elected to give evidence, said on that night he was riding a motor cycle in the direction of Alston, accompanied by Hilda Hewitson as a pillion passenger. He would arrive at Crook Bank about 9.20 p.m. He went down the bank is in second gear to get the benefit of the engine as a brake. It was a nasty night, and snow had fallen. The wind was against him. He saw a man in front near the right hand side of the road. He sounded his horn more than once. Deceased would be about thirty yards away when he first saw him, (deceased) was on his right, and had the full half of the road. Witness pulled into this gutter when he got near him. Deceased started to run and put his hand to his head, and went to the left side of the road. It was snowing slightly. Deceased had a cap on. He did not give witness the impression that he had heard the horn, although probably he thought. something was corning from behind. Witness applied his brakes, and made for the grass verge, and as he was coming to the left it was no good going right. He caught deceased with the offside handlebar, and threw him to the ground. He could not say where he caught him. Witness and the pillion rider were also thrown. He went to deceased and saw he was injured, and got him brought home. Witness's lights were good. When he left Nenthead his lamps were burning brightly. He informed the police right away. He was going slowly at the time of the accident. Mr. T. Wright (a juror): Have you ever passed deceased before?—Yes. Had he ever staggered in a similar way before—I could not say. Hilda Hewitson, Blue Bell Hotel, Alston, gave corroborative evidence. Susannah Fairless, Nenthead, said that on the night in question, she saw Ward's cycle when it set off from Nenthead to Alston, and the lights were good. P.C. Vipond said he went to the place at 1 a.m. on the following morning. There was a pool of blood, and marks on the grass verge, which had not been obliterated, although there was snow. It was a steep gradient, about 1 in 8, but perfectly straight. The road was good. There was a slight blizzard at the time. He examined the motor cycle, and the back brake was good but not the front one, perhaps caused by the accident. The lamps were good. He knew deceased, and it was true he was deaf, and accustomed to walk in the middle of the road. Witness had received complaints by motorists about this. In reply to Mr. Lightfoot. Witness said the pool of blood was three feet from the road. The cycle had practically stopped on contact, and fallen over. The Coroner said Ward had never seen deceased stagger, and he believed his story, and in his opinion he thought the deceased was accidentally killed. He could not see how the motor cyclist was to blame. The jury. without retiring, unanimously returned a verdict of "Accidentally killed."

13th March 1934 (Penrith Observer)

DEATH OF MISS MILLICAN

We regret to announce the death of Miss Ellen Millican, which occurred at her residence, Hundy Hall, Alston, on Wednesday night. Miss Millican, who was 80 years old, was born at Nenthead, and was the daughter of the late Mr. John Millican. The family held a very long connection with the Alston district. and were very highly respected. Miss Millican's grandfather was district agent to the old London Lead Co. in Alston Moor, and was succeeded by his son. Mr. John Millican. On the retirement of her grandfather, he was presented by the

Company's workmen with a beautifully bound edition of the New Testament in Greek. Her father was similarly honoured, with an English translation of the full Bible. An inscription on a silver plate was attached to each, and these were the proud possessions of Miss Millican, who regarded them as heirlooms. She lived in Alston all of her life, and was closely identified with the Alston Methodist (Wesleyan) Church and was for many years a Sunday school teacher. She also took a keen interest in the Alston Literary Institute. She was highly esteemed by all, and was of a very charitable disposition, always willing to help in any good cause. While she had no surviving relatives in the district, her loss, will be mourned by many who came in contact with her. The funeral was at the Alston cemetery on Saturday.

5th June 1934 (Shields Daily News)

ALSTON RURAL COUNCIL at the monthly meeting, decided to welcome the installation of electric light at Alston, Nenthead, and Garrigill. Representatives of the Mid-Cumberland Electricity Company attended the meeting. The cables in most parts of Alston will be underground, so as not to destroy the amenities of the town. The supply is being brought via Gamblesby to the south of Hartside Top and down to Alston.

21st August 1934 (Penrith Observer)

MINER KILLED AT PATTERDALE.

While working at the Greenside Lead Mines on Monday, Daniel Pattinson, 50, was killed when a rock about 8 or 9 cwts. in weight fell upon him. it took about twenty men a quarter of an hour to release the body. A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest on Wednesday at the Travellers Rest Inn.

4th September 1934 (Penrith Observer)

NENTSBURY MINE CLOSING DOWN.

Bad News for Nenthead.

About 130 men and boys will be affected by the closing down of the Nentsbury Mine, worked by the Vieille Montague Zinc Company. Notices have been posted on the Company' works that the works would close down on September 8th Nentsbury Mine has been very rich for lead for a number of years, but recently it has not been so good, and has been worked at a loss.

20th November 1934 (Penrith Observer)

Mr. T. A. Martindale, Blackburn Banks, Alston. who for the last 35 years has been employed by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co., at Nenthead and Rotherhope mines, is leaving Alston to-morrow (Wednesday) to take up an appointment as under-manager for the Wrentrall Baryta Co.. Comnock, Ayrshire.

22nd October 1935 (Sunderland Daily Echo & Shipping Gazette)

LEAD MINERS RETURN

After being idle for two years, lead and zinc miners have resumed work at Nenthead while preparations are being made to reopen other lead and zinc mines at Nentbury and Rodrup, between Wearhead and Alston.

About 150 men have resumed work at Nenthead, and preparations to reopen other mines include provisions to work the two shift system, so confident is the outlook for better trade. Electrification is another consideration.

22nd October 1935 (Penrith Observer)

GOOD NEWS FOR ALSTON.

Resumption of Work at Nentsbury and Rotherhope.

It is learned from reliable information that preparations are going forward for resumption of work at both Nentsbury and Rotherhope lead and zinc mines in Alston Moor, owned by the Vieille Montagne Zinc Co. It is understood that increased production in Nentsbury, where a skeleton staff has been employed mainly on a maintenance basis since September 1934, will commence immediately, and that at Rotherhope mine which has been closed for nearly five years, preparations are in progress and it is hoped the mine and mill will be operating one shift per day by December, and two shifts in January 1936.

It seems likely that not less than 150 miners and mill men will be working by January, and if the prices of lead and zinc remain as at present more men will be required early in 1936. The good news, will be welcomed in the district. which has been listed as a distressed area for some time.

19th July 1936 (Lincoln Nebraska State Journal)

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stout, who have resided near Alvo for forty-nine years, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary Wednesday at their home with a family dinner and open house in the afternoon and evening A granddaughter. Miss Golda Klyver. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Klyver, of Lincoln, was married at noon to Ray Heiers of Murdock at the Stout home. Mr. and Mrs Stout were married in Gosper county. After their marriage, they went to Kewanee, Illinois. In 1887, they removed to the 160 acre farm on which they have continued to reside. They have four children Mrs. Mabel Winn, Alvo; Mrs. Elmer Klyver. Alvo; Mrs. Arthur Klyver, Lincoln: and Charles Stout, Beacon Hill, Canada, five grandchildren, and three great grandchildren Mrs. Stout, formerly Miss. Mary Pask, was born July 25, 1854, near, Arapahoe. Mr. Stout was born; August 25. 1849, at Nenthead, England, and came to America in 1870.

4th March 1937 (Lincoln Evening State Journal)

Thomas Stout, Native of England, Dies at 87.

Thomas Stout, 87, died Tuesday at his home in Alvo and will be buried there Friday afternoon. Born in Nenthead, England, he came to this country at the age of 21 and located in Illinois. He was married July 15, 1876, in Gosper county. Neb., to Mary Pask. They removed to Alvo ten years later and had farmed there ever since. Eight children were born to them, four of whom preceded their father In death.

Surviving are the widow, a son, Charles, in Saskatchewan. Can., three daughters. Mrs. Mabelle Winn at home. Mrs. Elmer Klyver of Alvo and Mrs. Arthur Klyver of Lincoln; five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at the home at 1:30 p.m. Friday and at the Alvo Methodist church at 2 o'clock. Burial in Alvo. The pall hearers:

Jess Hardnock	*Sam Hardnock*
Earl Dreamer	*Earl Bennett*
Alfred Stromer	*Charles Ayres*

3rd March 1946 (Lincoln Sunday Journal)

MARY PASK

Mary Pask was born on July 25, 1854. In Peoria county, Illinois, and died at her home four and one-half miles northwest of Elmwood. Neb., on Jan. 6, 1946, at 11:20 p.m., at the age of 91 years, 5 months' and 12 days.

On July 15, 1876, she was united in marriage to ***Thomas Stout of Nenthead****, England. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 1937. Eight children were born to this union.*

Four children, her husband, father and mother, her sisters and brothers preceded her in death. She was the last of her family.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Luella Klyver, Lincoln; Mrs. Mable Winn, Elmwood, and Mrs. Cora Klyver, Alvo; one son, Charles, of Elmwood; five grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Jan. 9 at the Methodist church in Alvo, Neb., Rev. John Hemmel; and Rev. George Morey officiating. Interment was in the Alvo cemetery.

In 1861, at Welgill, Nenthead, Thomas Stout, lead miner, and Carrier, aged 43, his wife Elizabeth 43, children, Isabella 21, Joseph, lead miner, aged 18, Henry, Carter, aged 16, Elizabeth 13, Thomas, Carter, aged 12, Hannah 9, Anne 5, John 3, and William 1.

1910 USA, Federal Census, Elmwood, Nebraska, Thomas Stout, farmer, aged 60, immigration year 1871, his wife Mary 55, children, Mabel S 29, Cora M, clerk, aged 27, Luella A, telephone operator, aged 22, Elsie, telephone operator, aged20, and son Charles, farm labourer, aged 18.

See 1st May 1869, 2nd May 1874, 24th February 1877, and 29th April 1882

13th January 1937 (Teesdale Mercury)

BARYTES BOOM.

There is apparently a boom in barytes, judging by the immense quantities of the mineral recently excavated from a mine at Cow Green, near Langdon Beck, Upper Teesdale. The Wrentnall Baryte Company, whose headquarters are in

London, has proved a vein of barytes at a depth of 200 feet, and during the two years of their operations they have obtained several hundred tons of this valuable material near the scene of the extensive lead mining operations of many years ago. At present 30 men are employed, but if the demand continues that number may eventually be trebled.

27th January 1937 (Teesdale Mercury)

DEATH OF MR JAMES LOWE.

The death took place at Middleton-in-Teesdale on Saturday of Mr James Lowe, aged 84. In early life Mr Lowe worked in the Lead Mines for the London Lead Co., but he later became a coal miner at Woodland. Losing an arm in a colliery accident he returned to Middleton, and for a time was engaged in farming. He was an enthusiastic gardener and a frequent exhibitor at local horticultural shows. The funeral takes place this (Wednesday) afternoon.

9th March 1937 (Penrith Observer)

ALSTON LEAD MINES.
BRIGHTER OUTLOOK.

With lead selling at over £31 per ton, the outlook for the ALston Moor district may now be described as encouraging.

The Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, which has worked the mines for forty years has decided to install electric power in the Rotherhope Fell mine. The Mid-Cumberland Electricity Company, which has the contract to supply the power and to instal most of the plant, has surveyed the main level, and work has commenced. When completed about the end of May it is expected the output from this mine will be increased by upwards of 100 per cent. The company has been operating the Haggs Mine continuously for many years, excepting 1931, and Brownley Hill mine, which was re-opened in 1936 after having been closed since 1921. Much preparatory work has been done in this latter mine, and it is now producing some hundreds of tons of ore monthly.

The development of both of these mines is having serious attention, and the one difficulty with which the company may be faced with is a sufficient supply of suitable labour due to the long periods of unemployment having reduced the ranks of efficient miners.

6th April 1837 (Penrith Observer)

GOOD NEWS FOR THRELKELD

The lead mine at Threlkeld, which has been closed for seven years, is to reopen in view of the increased price of lead, which has risen fran £10 to £31 per ton, and zinc, which has risen from £12 to £33. It is proposed to open the mine this week and to put about eight men on exploratory and repair work in the falls, but it will at first only be possible to work in two places, as the conditions in the levels are not known,

Mr. G. Hewitson, formerly manager of this mine, is being brought back from Derbyshire, where he went after the Threlkeld mine was closed, and he will have charge of the work. It will probably be two or three months before other men can be taken on.

When fully employed the Threlkeld mine gave employment to about 60 men, but it is hoped that, if the demand continues strong and the price remains high, to work the mine on a much larger scale than hitherto, and so provide work for

more men. Quite recently a number of the Threlkeld lead miners went to work at the Greenside mine, Patterdale.

2nd June 1937 (Hartlepool Daily Mail)
COLDBERRY LEAD MINE, Middleton in Teesdale, has reopened after being idle for eight years. Several old hands have been engaged.

2nd June 1937 (Hartlepool Daily Mail)
"FLUSHAMEA" Mine, once famous lead mine, near Newbiggin in Teasdale, was reopened yesterday. It is the third Upper Teesdale mine to reopen.

3rd August 1937 (Penrith Observer)

NEWS FOR GREENSIDE
CREDITORS AND MINERS.
Syndicate to Purchase Mines.

As was suggested probable in the "Observer" some months a go, the Basinghall Mining Syndicate *(a subsidiary of British Non-Ferrous Corporation)* has given notice of their intention to exercise the option to purchase the Greenside lead mines.
It is about a year since the Syndicate began to work the mines—after they had been closed for a period on the Greenside Mining Company going into liquidation—with a two years' option to purchase.
With the decision to purchase, the hopes of continued employment are, of course, brightened. All the creditors of the old Company will be paid in full, preference shareholders will receive 10s. for each share, and ordinary shareholders 1s. for each share.

12th September 1937 (Sunday Sun Newcastle)

DARLINGTON INQUEST COMMENT
ON MINE TRAGEDY

An accident at the Coldberry Lead mines, Middleton-in-Teesdale, on September 8, as a result of which Herbert John Balsom (51), a shaft sinker, of Milne Place. Moricetown, Devonport, lost his life, was stated at the inquest at Darlington on Saturday, to be an example of familiarity having bred contempt.
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death," the Coroner (Mr. J. E. Brown-Humes) commenting that the affair appeared to have been a "pure accident" and there was no question of negligence on the part of the firm, the English Lead Exploration Co. Ltd. Joseph Gaffray, mine foreman, of Masterman Place, Middleton-in-Teesdale, stated that on September 8 he and Balsom were working about 15 feet down a mine shaft near Bullhouse Road. Two wooden planks were lowered into the shaft from above in the usual manner after a shout of warning had been given.
"I also told Balsom to stand back," Gaffray said, "but he seemed to delay in doing so and one of the planks slipped from the ropes, hit the side of the shaft, and then struck Balsom. I assisted him out of the shaft, but he was quite conscious and neither of us thought he had been seriously injured."
Gaffray added that if Balsom had moved to the side of the shaft he would have been quite safe.
The mine manager, Sydney P. Higgins, stated that Balsom was an experienced miner and shaft sinker. In future the wearing of steel helmets would be

compulsory at the mine. Actually the men were not supposed to remain in the shaft when timber was being lowered.
A report from Darlington Memorial Hospital revealed that death was due to a fracture of the base of the skull.

31st October 1937 (Sunday Sun Newcastle)
THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY, which owns lead mines and smelting works at Weardale and Allendale, has declared a final of 7 per cent making 10 per cent.
for the year—double the distribution for the, previous twelve months. The £1 shares are admittedly speculative but, if lead and fluor spar prices are maintained at to-day's levels, look cheap at 18s 6d ex-dividend to yield 10¾ per cent.

10th January 1938 (The Scotsman)
LEAD MINING IN TEESDALE
There is a prospect that lead mining will be again resumed in Teesdale now that Professor Granville Poole, Professor of Mining, King's College, Newcastle, has presented a report to the Technical Advisory Committee of the North-East Development Board. Already an old mine has been reopened at Coldberry, in Upper Teesdale, with promising results. There are four barytes mines being worked, and he has investigated five areas in which they are not yet being worked—one at Force Burn, where there is a verged vein of clean barytes, 4 feet to 5 feet thick, exposed by a waterfall to a depth of 30 feet. In Weardale he found that a company had already began to develop the fluorspar deposits, but that there was a shortage of skilled men in the area—blacksmiths, joiners. &c., which was becoming a serious problem.
Professor Poole concludes his report by stating: —"I think there are definite prospects for the mining of lead with modern machinery."

15th January 1938 (Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligence)
TEESDALE LEAD MINE
REOPENED
The Flushamea lead mine, near Newblggin-in-Teesdale, with a workable area of 835 acres, which was mentioned In the recent report on the mineral prospects of Teesdale by the North-East Development Board, was reopened yesterday by the company who are prospecting the Coldberry mine.
The mine, which was formerly worked by the London Lead Company, is known to have valuable deposits of sulphate of barium and fluorspar. It is the third Teesdale lead mine to be reopened in the last two years. The Wrentnall Baryta Company has opened the Cow Green mine, near Langdon Beck, and a small village is now springing up round the mine as workers' cottages are being erected. Nearly 100 men are employed already at the Cow Gill mine.

14th June 1938 (Penrith Observer)
NENTHEAD
GOLDEN WEDDING
Mr. and Mrs. John Barron, Brownley Hill, Nenthead, celebrated their golden wedding with a number of relatives and friends on Friday. They were married on June 3rd. 1888. in St. John's Church, Nenthead by the late Rev. Charles

Berry. Mr. Barron is a son of the late Mr. Smith Barron, who was killed while working in Nenthead lead mine. Mrs. Barron was formerly Miss Agnes Moffat, *(sic)* a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moffat, Pasture House, Nenthead. Mr. Barron started work in the lead mines when he was 11 years of age. He later served his apprenticeship as a blacksmith to the late Mr. A. Martindale of Alston, who worked as a blacksmith to the Old London Lead Co., at Nenthead. Mr. Martindale walked from Alston to Nenthead each day for 52 years which is a distance of approximately 4½ miles. He is a noted mines drill sharpener.

Mr and Mrs. Barron, who are welt known in the district have a family of four sons and four daughters living, 26 grand-children and six great grand-children. Among those present at the celebrations was a two-years- old grand-daughter, Jean Harrison, from the Isle of Man. Mr. and Mrs. Barron had a son — Robert William Barron—killed on the Somme on July 1st. 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Barron received a large number of congratulatory messages among which was one from a number of Mr. Barron's old work-mates at Consent, where he was once employed as a blacksmlth.

17th December 1938 (Lancashire Evening Post)

CUMBERLAND MINE TO CLOSE

The Vieille Montague Zinc Company, owners of all the lead mining activities at Alston (Cumberland), have posted notices that the Rodderup mine will close down on Christmas Eve. This will throw upwards of 100 men out of work. In recent years the only mines working have been Nentsbury and Rodderups. and as the latter produces only a low grade of ore the owners find it impossible to continue, with the price of lead below £15 per ton, compared with £23 last year.

20th December 1938 (Penrith Observer)

SAD XMAS EVE FOR ALSTON MOOR MINERS

Rotherhope Fell Mine on Alston Moor is to close and workmen's notices expire on Christmas Eve, The mine is owned by the Vieille Montagne Lead and Zinc Company, and was re-opened three years ago after being closed for several years. The price of lead has declined recently, and it is said that further working of the mine would be uneconomic. A large number of Alston Moor people depend for their livelihood on the mine.

9th January 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

GUNPOWDER IN FIRE —
ROOF BLOWN OFF

GUNPOWDER left in a drill which was placed in the fire at the blacksmith's shop at Coldberry, Teesdale, lead mine, exploded and blew off part of the roof.

The blacksmith. Mr. Richard Grey, of High Dyke, Middleton, had just left the building when the explosion took place.

There has recently been a revival in the working of the once famous Teesdale lead mines. At Langdon Beck, production is on the largest scale ever known in the dale. A modern plant has been installed and a new village for workers is springing up

Thousands of pounds have been spent in the last two years in the hope of finding new supplies at Coldberry. Exploration is also going on at Wire Gill and Close House.

4th March 1939 (Lancashire Evening Post)

CLOSING CUMBERLAND LEAD MINE

The Haggs lead mine, Nenthead, Cumberland, in which 25 men are employed closes down from today. The only other miner, Roddering (*Rotherhope?*), which was working in this once flourishing lead mining area of Cumberland closed down at Christmas throwing 100 men out of employment.

6th March 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

ALSTON MINES CLOSED

COUNCIL TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR HELPING UNEMPLOYED

Pointing out that local lead mines had closed down, Councillor J. F. Herdman urged at Alston Rural Council that something should be done to alleviate unemployment. It was decided to hold a special meeting to consider schemes. Residents at Prye House, Nenthead, wrote threatening to refuse payment of rates unless an adequate water supply was provided.

Councillor Wright, Nenthead, said the water now being used by the tenants was obtained from a stream.

It was decided that the surveyor prepare a report and estimate the cost of supplying water to Prye House.

7th March 1939 (Penrith Observer)

ALSTON UNEMPLOYMENT

Employees or the Vielle Montagne Zinc Company at the Haggs lead mine, Nentsbury, near Alston, received notices to cease work on Saturday. About forty men were affected. A notice posted up at the mine stated that, the manager and the company expressed regret, but owing to the low price and the poor grade of lead ore in the mine the course taken had been unavoidable. In the event of the re-opening of the mine the old employees will he re-instated. The Rotherhope lead mine closed in December last, affecting 150 men, although a few men are working there at present.

24th April 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

WEARDALE VILLAGE

MINE CLOSES

Rookhope, village of 500 inhabitants in Weardale, lost its main and only working industry over the week-end with the closure of the Boltsburn Head mine, owned by the Weardale Lead Company.

Fifty-three miners were given a fortnight's notice. Mr. Thomas Maddison, mine manager for 37 years, said the decision to close was due to the poor price of lead and the poorer prospects of the mine.

25th April 1939 (Penrith Observer)

ULLSWATER DISCOLOURATION

THE question of the discolouration of Ullswater by the deposit of silica dust from the Glenridding lead mines which has been debated to a considerable extent in the immediate locality as well as by the Lakes Rural District Council, is brought to the fore as the result of a letter published in the daily Press last week. For some time, despite reassuring statements by the company concerned, it has been alleged that there are some grounds for saying that the deposit of the dust in the waters of the upper reaches of the lake has had an

effect on recreation so far as fishing and boating are concerned, and this is borne out in the statement made in the Press last week under the signatures of Lord Aberdare, Norman Birkett, A. M. Carr-Saunders, R. D. Denman. Alwyn Dunelm, Lord Horder, Fred B. Markham, Claude Petriburg, Austin T. Porritt, Nancy Price, Frank S. Smythe and Graham White. First pointing out that the Basinghall Mining Syndicate opened the Glenridding lead mine on a much larger scale than any of the previous lessees in the early part of last year, the letter states that great quantities of finely discharged silica dust are being discharged into Ullswater by way of the Glenridding Beck. After explaining the nature of the dust—produced by the crushing of the rock—the letter lays stress on fact that a milky appearance to the water is an eyesore on the higher portion of the lake. An important statement is made when it is pointed out that chemically the sediment is not poisonous, but at the same time, of equal importance to Lakeland lovers, there is "a grave disfigurement to a beautiful place." Fish, it is stated, refuse to rise from the milky depths and boating is spoiled. Continuing, the letter emphasises that the silting-up of the lake bed is continuous, and "since 250 tons of rock are dealt with each day at the mine the evil is cumulative." Complaint is further made of the high water mark left of the sediment of the dust on the lake shores. The last part of the letter appears of particular interest, stating as it does that:

“When conditions are aggravated, the discolouration of the water may now be seen as far up as the head of the lake; while on the north it can be seen right past the National Trust's property and foreshore at Glencoin Wood, and half-way to Aira Beck. Last Summer, it was urged on behalf of the Basinghall Mining Syndicate, that the disfigurement and public loss were only temporary. This has not been the fact. There have been changes in the mining plant and various promises have been made of improved conditions. But nothing effective has been done; for satisfactory settling tanks have not been installed. Thus at the beginning of another Summer the evil continues. We are not urging that industry in the Lake District is itself out of place, and we have no wish to hinder the very considerable employment given at these lead mines. What we do urge is that when capital migrates into places of special beauty it is under a special obligation that it cannot presume to waste or to injure the national assets of beauty and happiness; that it must use its own resources to preserve what has an irreplaceable public value, and that it must order its affairs by this principle. We invite those who know the lake to go to Glenridding, to look down from the bridge into the beck, or to walk up its course to just below the mine and see the pools of slime which are waiting for the next spate to bring them down; they will then understand what is happening in Ullswater."

12th May 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

CONSETT DIAMOND WEDDING

13 Is Their Lucky Number

A CONSETT couple who celebrate their diamond wedding to-morrow are not superstitious. They believe, fact, that 13 is their lucky number. They are Mr, and Mrs. Robert Dixon, of Stratford Terrace, Number One, Consett, who were married on May 13, 1879. and have had 13 children, 11 of whom are still living. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dixon are aged 80, and enjoy the best of health. Mr Dixon told a “North Mail” representative last night: We were married on the 13th day of a month and were blessed with 13 children, only one of whom died in infancy.

“Our health has always been good and we have been favoured with reasonable good luck throughout our married life.”

WORKED AT 10

Five of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon’s sons and two sons-in-law served the Great War. The youngest son. Corporal Thomas H. Dixon, was killed. They were married at the Stanhope ex-Primitive Methodist Church by the Rev. J. Worsnap. Since going to Consett 48 years ago they have been regular worshippers at The Avenue Methodist (ex-Primitive) Church, Consett.

Born at Garrigill, Cumberland, Mr. Dixon started work at the age of 10 years as a washer at the Alston lead mines for sixpence a day. He worked until he was 74, spending nearly half a century as a steelworker at the Consett Iron Works.

17th May 1939 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

WEARDALE LEAD MINE

RE-OPENING

WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY, owners of Rookhope lead mines, the last of which, Boltsbum Mine, was closed a fortnight ago, throwing the 53 local miners out of work, and so bringing the total number of unemployed up to 80 per cent, in the village, is to be re-opened.

Between 17 and 20 men will be started on Monday by the company on special development work.

This welcome news was given to a “North-Eastern Gazette ” reporter by Mr. W. S. Willis, the managing director of Weardale Lead Company. No statement was made nor could be secured on the special development referred to, but it is believed that the company is making a big endeavour to bring the industry back to its former prosperity.

It is also hoped that the re-opening of the mine will absorb many more local men.

22nd May 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

WEARDALE LEAD MINE OPENS FOR “SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTS”

Closed Only Fortnight Ago On what are described as special developments,” about 20 men began work to-day at the Boltsbum lead mine, Rookhope, Weardale, which was closed down just over a fortnight ago. When the mine closed 53 local miners were thrown out of work. To-day Mr. E. P. Deas, chairman of the Weardale Lead Co., Ltd., told the Evening Chronicle that it was too early to say whether more men would be employed in the future. It all depends on the price of lead." he said. “At the moment prices are Very low, and I can only say that the 20 men who started this morning are engaged on what we term ‘special developments.’ I cannot tell you what those developments are, but the reopening of the mine has no Government connection.” QUESTION IN COMMONS Less than a fortnight ago Mr. T. M. Sexton, M.P. for Barnard Castle, asked the Secretary for Mines in the House of Commons if he was aware that the lead mines Rookhope had been closed, thus causing 100 per cent, unemployment in the small community, and whether the Government was prepared to assist production of lead in the mines by insisting on the use of home-produced lead in Government contracts, thereby ensuring a supply of lead for armament manufacture in the event of war. In written reply, Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd stated that he had been informed that 80 per cent, of the insured population of the community Rookhope were now registered as unemployed.

He understood that the Boltsburn mine might be re-opened if the market improved. “As regards the second part of the question. I not think the suggested solution would be effective, as I am informed that the company has no difficulty in disposing of its output at current prices,” he added.

11th July 1939 (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough)

WEARDALE MAN’S
SIXTY YEARS IN MINES

“Keep young company; stick to a pipe of baccy and a glass of beer,” is the advice to those who are getting on in life and want to feel young, of Mr. Joseph W. Dalton, who at 72, is still working in a Stanhope spar mine, and is one of the oldest working miners in the dales. It is 60 years since he first went down a Weardale lead mine.

Mr. Dalton lives with his daughter and son-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blades, of Willard-grove, Stanhope, and, despite his 60 years of hard work in and around the Dale's mines, he is a remarkably fit man.

“Too many people,” he told a “North-Eastern Gazette” reporter yesterday, think that when they come to old-age-pension age, they have to get ready to die. That's wrong. They just want to keep young company; don’t ever grow old.”

Mr. Dalton, who belongs to Upper Weardale. has worked in almost every mine in Weardale, including Killhope, Haggs. Nenthead, High Sedling, Ellwood, Allenheads. Grove Rake, Barberry, and in several quarries.

He has never had any serious illness, but some years ago had his leg broken in three places in an accident.

5th September 1939 (Penrith Observer)

MARRIAGE MAKES HISTORY

The bells of the Church of the Holy Cross, Haltwhistle, were peeled for the first time in their history on Wednesday, for the marriage of Mr Amos Treloar, A.C.S.M., A.I.M.M., only son of Mr and Mrs A. Treloar, Nenthead House, Alston, and Miss Ethel Robson, East Crossfield, Haltwhistle. …

12th September 1939 (Penrith Observer)

ADDITIONAL PARTY FOR ALSTON

In addition to those previously evacuated from South Benwell, 38 children and five teachers from South Shields were received at Nenthead on Friday. They travelled by rail to Haltwhistle, the remainder of the journey being completed by buses. On Saturday 70 children from St. Mark's School, High Shields, and a number of mothers were taken to Nenthead, Nenthall. and Garrigill. It is reported that a number of mothers and children have returned to their homes, but the majority are settling down and making the best of things. One pleasing point is the interest shown by the elder children in the younger ones. Farm stock are source of great interest to the toddlers. Evening services have been held at Alston Parish Church Thursday and Friday conducted by the Rev. N. A. Walton.

29th November 1939 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

NEW LEAD VEINS FOUND
IN ALLENDALE

Indications of further lead bearing veins in Allendale area were confirmed by Investigations now being carried out by an expert of the Geological Surveyor,

the Government sponsored body for discovering mineral deposits in this country.
This was revealed by Mr. Edmund P. Deas. chairman of Weardale Lead Co., Ltd., at the annual meeting of the company in Newcastle to-day.
The new development scheme in the Boltsbum area would take about six months to carry out, he added, and would probably decide the future of that area.
At St. Peter's Mine, Allendale, production had been below average but south of this mine was a large area of unexplored ground.
A theory was held to-day that the future of lead miningin the Pennines depended on the discovery of ore bodies at considerable depths below those worked in the past but the cost would be great and it would be a long term venture.
The year had been a disappointing one, and lead prices had not risen to expectations. The accounts showed a net loss of £3,513.
Mr Deas was re-elected chairman of the board.

5th December 1939 (Penrith Observer)

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. E. T. BORLASE, CARLISLE

Former Glenridding Mines Manager

A former manager of the Greenside lead mines at Glenridding passed away unexpectedly at Carlisle on Tuesday evening after taking his children to the cinema. He was Mr. Edward Thomas Borlase manager of the barytes mines at Potts Ghyll, Caldbeck. He was 56 years of age and is survived his wife and three children. Mr. Borlase was a son of the late Mr. William Henry Borlase. Greenside Lodge. Glenridding, who for many years was manager of the Greenside lead mines,and a brother of Mrs. J. C. Kidd. Penrith. He was for several years manager at the mines after the death of his father. Educated at St. Bees School and the Camburn Mining School. where he obtained his degree as a mining engineer. He had mining experience in Spain, Portugal, Wales and Yorkshire, and was lecturer on mining at Birmingham University. He was working in Spain when the Great War broke out and returned to England to serve, with a commission, in the Royal Garrison Artillery. He returned to Spain after the war. His surveys of the Caldbeck Fells satisfied him that there was a rich seam of barytes at a much lower level than the old barytes mines, which were worked out during the Great War, and in 1837, under his personal supervision and management, the new drift which had been abandoned some years previously was recommenced by the Caldbeck Mines. Ltd. It was a matter of great satisfaction to Mr. Borlase when, only a few months ago, the new mine, the only one of the volcanic series being worked in Britain, was brought into production. Under his management the mines, particularly valuable in wartime, have been steadily developing and are now in full production.

14th December 1939 (Whitehaven News)

LEAD MINE FATALITY

INCORRECT SIGNAL

CAUSED WORKINGTON MAN'S DEATH

That an error in a signal was the cause of an accident in which a Workington young man met his death at Greenside Lead Mine, Ullswater, was revealed at

the resumed inquest at Patterdale, on Samuel Sowerby, single, aged 25, whose home was at Workington.
Raymond Rudd said he and Sowerby gave two rings on the bell-push as a signal to the winchman to lower the cage. As the cage did not move, Sowerby reached out as if he was going to signal again, and while he was doing so the cage set off. Sowerby seemed to catch his head between the landing and the binding bar at the top of the cage. The cage was then lowered to the 175 fathoms level and witness obtained help. When Sowerby was taken to the surface he was dead.
Witness said there was a notice to the effect that three rings must be given to the winchman before entering the cage, and that deceased never gave that signal, but only two rings. If he had given three rings the winchman would have signalled back in a similar way. At the time the safety gates were not on the cage.
Harry Birkett, the winchman, said he first lowered the cage to 135 fathoms. Sowerby went with it. He subsequently received three rings showing that Sowerby wished to enter the cage, and witness replied to it. Then he got two rings to lower the cage to the 150 fathoms, and he did so. Next, about five minutes later, he got two rings — a signal that the cage was to be lowered empty — but it was not preceded by the three rings signal. The cage gates were kept at the top for the convenience of deceased in unloading.
Witness said had he got the three rings before the two he would have waited longer before lowering the cage. Sowerby had not been in the habit of giving incorrect signals.
The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death owing to an incorrect signal having been given by Sowerby." (Source: West Cumbria Mines Research Group)

1st January 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, Crosslands, 29th ult., John George Craig.

2nd January 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
At Alston, Elmfield House, December 31st Elizabeth Annie Watson.

20th January 1940 (Liverpool Daily Post)
A LAKE REVIVED
Recent years have brought many threats to the beauty of the Lake District, and it is satisfactory to know that one of these threats, which concerned Ullswater, has now been removed. Lovers of the Lake District will remember that Ullswater's beauty was in danger of being spoilt by the discharge polluted water from lead mine on the banks of the lake. Many protests, indeed, were made when this danger was first realised, and it is fortunate that the owners of the mine appreciated the harm that might be done to Ullswater. Now, it appears, special methods of infiltration are being used, and it is guaranteed that, in normal weather conditions, nothing but absolutely clear water will pass from the mine to the lake. Here, in fact, is an excellent example of the good results that may be achieved by friendly co-operation between industrial firms and local societies for the preservation of amenities, such as the Friends of the Lake

District. The revival of Ullswater should be a hopeful indication of how other threats to the Lake District may be countered.

22nd January 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, Station Road, on the 21st inst, John Pearson, dearly beloved husband of Florence Lowe.

26th January 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
At King's Arms Lane, Alston, on the 25th inst., Mary Elizabeth, wife of the late Robert Walton, of Nenthead, and eldest daughter of the late Thomas Richardson.

26th January 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
ALSTON SHOW FOR RED CROSS
£30 Raised in Three Nights
Alston Amateur Dramatic Society, presenting "Carpet Slippers." by W. A. Darlington, in the Town Hall. Alston, in aid of the British Red Cross Society raised £30. Each of the three performances was well attended.
Parts were taken by Mrs. L. Partner, Mrs. Wake. Miss D. Harrop. Mr. N. Wake, Miss A. Sowerby, Mr. H. Dixon. Mr. L. Partner. Miss A. Lennard. Miss W. Dawson, Mr. S. Blackstock, Mrs. J. S. Swales.
Deaths
At High Market Place, Alston, (at the residence of her niece Mrs Lowe) aged 73 years, Ann Alice Carr.

29th January 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
PRICE RISE STIMULUS TO LEAD TRADE
By Our Quayside Correspondent The generous advance made in lead prices about a month ago has had a stimulating effect on the British lead producing industry and on Weardale lead mining, and will mean opportunity for increased output in this area. This country produces only a small proportion of its lead requirements, and imports the bulk of these from Empire sources. Hence the price of lead on the English market governed by that of the imported product. In the last few years prices have fluctuated over a wide range, and made home production a hazardous venture so far as financial, returns are concerned. Last year the average price of pig lead was £15 3s 10d a ton; for 1938, £15 12s 1d: 1937, £24 10s 7d; 1936, £16 11s 5d; 1935, £12 9s 8d.
COSTS PROBLEM
Of that period only 1937 was a definitely profitable year, but 1936 led to some recovery. Last year was a difficult one for English producers. When hostilities commenced, the price of lead was stabilised at £16 12s. 6d. a ton. At this figure producers had difficulty in carrying on in face of rising labour and operating costs. Their remedy, however, lay in an improvement in imported lead prices. Revision of the price to the present level of £25 to £26 10s. a ton came as something of a surprise as an increase beyond £21 was not expected. At existing values, prospects for the Weardale lead mining industry have much improved. Demand for lead is good, but it is not one of those metals of which consumption reaches vastly increased proportions during war-time.

30th January 1940 (Newcastle Journal)

GOLD IN LEAD

With the increase in the price of lead from £16 12s 6d per ton at the outbreak of hostilities to the present level of from £25 to £26 10s, new hope is afforded one of the oldest industries of the North, that of lead mining. It may not mean the opening of new mines, but it will encourage increased production at the Weardale mines.

1st February 1940 (Newcastle Journal)

ALSTON RED CROSS DANCE

Members of Alston Unionist Association held a successful whist drive, supper and dance in aid of Red Cross funds, in the Town Hall. Alston. Mrs. J. W. Tatters presented prizes to Miss E, Dickinson. Mrs. H. Jackson. Mrs. J. W. Irving and Messrs. J. Scott. W. Lee and R. Bell The M.C.s were Messrs. W. Lancaster and J. Clark

14th February 1940 (Newcastle Journal)

NO HOME-SICKNESS HERE

HERE IS pictorial evidence that evacuees can be happy: children of South Benwell School. Newcastle, now living at Alston

27th February 1940 (Newcastle Journal)

Deaths

At Low Park, Alston, February 24th, Elizabeth, beloved wife of the late John Parmley.

5th March 1940 (Penrith Observer)

THE LATE MR. R. W. GRAHAM

The death took place recently of Mr. Robert William Graham, Hill Top, Nenthead, who worked for a long time in the Nenthead lead mines. He was 61 years of age and was keen on sport and at one time he was a regular playing member of the Nenthead Football Club. He is survived by his wife, who was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Hetherington, The Row, Nenthead.

7th March 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Crosslands, Alston, Gladys, dearly beloved wife of Thomas William Smith, of High Crossgill, who passed away at Crosslands, on Tuesday March 5th , aged 41 years.

18th March 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
ROYAL GREETINGS
Garrigill Diamond Wedding
A telegram from the King and Queen was among the many congratulations received by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ward, Garrigill, near Alston, who celebrated their diamond wedding on Saturday. They were married at Alston. Mr. Ward is 85 and his wife 80. Both were born at Garrigill. They live in the house which they occupied when they married, though they left the district for some years. They received a large number presents and entertained a number of relatives and friends to tea.

23rd March 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Nentsbury on the 21st inst., Robert Walton, beloved husband of Frances Snowdon.

10th April 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, at Church View, on the 9th inst., Amelia, beloved wife of the late Joseph Bramwell.

21st May 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
Ay South Tyne House, Alston, on the 20th inst., George William, beloved husband of Mary Elizabeth Storey.

11th June 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
The appeal of the British Red Cross and St. John Ambulance Brigade met with a splendid response from Alston, Nenthead and Garrigill. The total sum realised was £17 15s 9d. Collectors were:—Alston. Misses M. Swales, F. Swales. C. Watson. V. McMillan. B. Richardson and A. Armstrong; Nenthead. Misses L. Maxwell and A. Armstrong; Leadgate, Miss G. Thompson; Nenthall. Miss Edith Elliot; Garrigill. Misses M. Ridley and N. Currah; Kirkhaugh and Ayle, Miss K. Richardson.

27th June 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
ALSTON TO TAKE MORE EVACUEES
At the monthly meeting of Alston Rural Council, members discussed the question of the district as reception area for more evacuated school children, and although a warning was voiced by the Medical Officer, it was agreed to take the number of evacuees allocated 200. Dr. Dalgetty, the Medical Officer, said that after due consideration he strongly recommended to the Ministry of Health that Alston was full up. The district was now full of aged persons and invalids. They couldn't put evacuees into houses without taking others out. Mr.

Thompson said Alston Moor used to hold 8000 people instead of 3000 at the present day. The district was capable of sheltering more people there were no rules in war. Mr. Martindale. the Billeting Officer, said he did not wish to take compulsory powers. The Chairman (Mr. Robinson): It would be a disgrace if we evaded our responsibility.

23rd July 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

ALSTON EVACUEE PROBLEMS
OPPOSITION TO MORE CHILDREN

OPPOSITION to the further evacuation of children to Alston was voiced by Dr. Dalgetty at the meeting of Alston Rural District Council. He said he desired to prevent another 300 children coming into the district. Mr. Martindale, the billeting officer, mentioned that under the scheme the district was allocated another 600. Dr. Dalgetty said that as far he was concerned they were not coming. He was quite definite about that. If they did come neither Mr. Martindale nor himself were going to have anything to do with them. Mr. Herdman said that in the event of an invasion they would have to take them. Mr. Robson: Can we refuse to take evacuee children?—It would seem a sin to do so. The Clerk (Mr. T. Dryden) said there were already 400 unofficial evacuees in the district, and more were arriving. If there was a rush compulsory billeting would be necessary.

29th August 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

WEDDED AT ALSTON

The wedding took place at Alston Parish Church, to-day, of Miss Evelyne Margaret Sproat, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Sproat, of Lawn House, Alston, and Mr. George Dawson Reed, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Reed, Sunset View, Alston. The bridegroom is in the Royal Corps of Signals. The Rev. N. A. Walton officiated and Miss Dorothy Sproat, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Mr. Roland Reed, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

5th December 1940 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

Deaths

At Whitehall, Nenthead, on December 4th, aged 58 years, Joseph, beloved husband of Mary Jane Cousin (late of Cotterill).

14th December 1940 (Newcastle Chronicle)

WEARDALE LEAD MINERS TO MOVE

Mining having been suspended in Boltsburn lead mine in Weardale, after 40 years' working, the owners, the Weardale Lead Company Ltd., have decided to transfer most of the employees, who live in the village of Rookhope, to the Stotsfieldburn mine. This was announced Mr. Edmund P. Deas, chairman of the company, at the ordinary general meeting of the shareholders, held on Wednesday in Newcastle. Mr. Deas said that the results of the year did not justify the payment of dividend. The financial position of the company was quite sound. In the Allendale mines, they were hoping that the south cross-cut towards Allenheads, which had been driven about 1,500 feet into virgin ground, would bring success. Mr. Anthony Wilson, the retiring director, was re-elected.

18th December 1940 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
At Alston, at 2 Cross Fell View, 15th inst., aged 81 years, Elizabeth Ann (nee Raine), beloved wife of John W. Jackson.

8th August 1941 (Newcastle Journal)
IMPORTANT SALE OF MINING PLANT.
MACHINERY AND BUILDINGS AT
THRELKELD LEAD MINES
adjoining the main road. 4 miles from Keswick and 14 miles Penrith.
WEDNESDAY. 13th AUGUST.
PENRITH FARMERS' and KIDD'S AUCTION CO.. LTD . have received instructions Sell by Auction, the following
VALUABLE MACHINERY
EQUIPMENT & BUILDINGS.
Viz.: —STONE-BREAKER, 18in. x 9in.: ROBEY STONE-BREAKER. 10in x 8in. with conveyer; LUHRIG CRUSHING ROLLS. 2ft. 6in. dia. 10in. face. Trummel 5ft. 6in. x 2ft.; CHAT MILL ROLLS, 18in. dia, 10in. face; Range 4 Classifying Screens. 5ft. 6in x 2ft. 61n.; TANGYE 45 h.p. GAS ENGINE; FAIRBANKS and MORSE 6 h.p. PETROL ENGINE; TRUMMEL, 6ft. 6in x 2ft. 6in., and Conveyer belt. WORM GEAR POWER WINCH: SIX 4-COMPARTMENT JIGS with Iron bodies. 7½ in.; ENGINEER'S LATHE with change wheels. 6ft. bed; Drilling Machine; 15 TUBS. 21in. gauge; Cast Iron Turntable. 2ft gauge; “Roots” Acme Blower, by Samuelson and Co; 8 h.p. VERITYS MOTOR. 110 D.C.: 5 h.p. Electric Motor. 110 D.C: Rise and Fall Iron Saw Bench. 5ft. 4in. x 3ft. 2in. Saw Gap 30in.; Wood Turning Lathe; Grinder, 2 Joiner's Benches. 12ft. with Grip and Iron Vices; Shafting and Jig Frames: new 8in Sluice Valve; Sundry Valves and Cocks; 4-ton screw Jack. 12in screw; YARDS RAIL, 14lb. to 20lb; 58 STEEL PLATES. 12in. x 3/8: 262 ft. STEEL SHAFTING. 1½in to 3½in. and Pulleys Belting: 250 ft. CAST-IRON PIPING. 4in.; 560 ft. WATER PIPING, 1in. to 3in. Parkinson 10in. Iron Vice; 2 Sets Chain Blocks; Rope Blocks. Chains; 4 Belt Tighteners; Pipe Grips; Coil Balata Belting. 11in.; Punch Copper Sieving. 3mm; Iron Safe. 2ft. 6in. 2ft x 1ft. 10in; Iron Windows. 18in. x 36in.; Weighing Machine; Oil Strainer; 20 TONS LOCAL SLATE; Ridging; 400 ft. BLACKSMITH'S IRON and DRILL STEEL; Porcelain Washhand Basins; 2 Enamelled Baths. 3 Galvanised Water Tanks. 4 Cylinders. 5ft x 20in. A LARGE QUANTITY SCRAP METAL.
TIMBER BUILDINGS. Including Table Shed. 24ft x 45ft.; Shed. 18ft x 40ft; Weighing Shed with corrugated zinc roofing; Lathe Shed. 20ft .x 30ft., and several Brick Buildings.
The above CAN BE VIEWED on TUESDAY, 12th AUGUST, and MORNING OF SALE. Sale 1 pm. Terms Cash
The Auctioneers, Lake Rd., Keswick

8th November 1941 (Liverpool Daily Post)
TO INVESTORS
SALE BY AUCTION OF
THRELKELD LEAD MINES.
The above property, which is situated on the main road, 4 miles from Keswick, in the heart of the LAKE DISTRICT, comprises: —

A DESIRABLE FREEHOLD BUNGALOW, occupying a unique position and comprising living-room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, h. and c., and w.c., kitchenette, garage. The bungalow is built of timber with stone foundation. Vacant possession.

14 WORKMEN'S TIMBER-BUILT
BUNGALOWS,
all let on weekly tenancies at
GROSS ANNUAL RENTAL OF £200. and 15 Acres of Land. Including grazing land and mine dumps.

17th January 1942 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
Nenthead, Alston, Homes Foot, 15th inst., aged 33, Elizabeth, died suddenly Walkergate Hospital. Internment Nenthead Cemetery January 18th.

8th May 1942 (Newcastle Journal)
Deaths
Nenthead, Post Office, 6th, aged 65, Amelia, beloved wife of W. H. Hetherington.

10th September 1942 (Newcastle Journal)
THE DEATH OCCURRED AT EASTERN HOUSE, NENTHEAD, OF MR ISAAC WALTON SWINDLE, at the age of 64. For 20 years he was a member of Alston Council, a member of the committee of Nenthead Agricultural Society, and for a number of years acted as treasurer. He was a manager of Nenthead Council School, a special constable, and for a period acted as local fuel overseer.
Peter Swindal (baptised 15th June 1774, Whitfield, son of Peter & Susannah (nee Nicholson) Swindal) married Sarah Lee, 3rd December 1803, at St Cuthbert's, Allendale.
Children of Peter and Sarah Swindal:
Peter baptised 23rd September 1804, at Ninebanks, buried 14th January 1805, at Ninebanks
Jane baptised 14th July 1807, at St John's, Garrigill, married George Wilkinson 17th December 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston. George Wilkinson died 5th August 1870. See 20th August 1870.
Thomas baptised 26th February 1810, at St John's, Garrigill, See 7th December 1872.
Susannah baptised 7th January 1815, at Alston, married Robert Douglas 26th December 1839, at St Augustine's, Alston. See 21st June 1879
John born 24th November 1818, baptised 1st March 1819, Wesleyan, Alston, Peter Swindale of Natrass, was buried at St John's, Garrigill, 29th February 1820, aged 46
In 1841, at Hillersdon Terrace, Nenthead, Sarah Swindle aged 60, and son John, smelter of lead ore, aged 20.
John Swindle married Jane Greenwell (father William, blacksmith) 8th September 1842. See 17th September 1842
Jane Swindle of Nenthead, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 29th September 1844, aged 23
John Swindle married Elizabeth Smith 17th November 1849, at St John's, Nenthead.

Elizabeth (Betsy) Swindle was buried at Nenthead, 4th September 1851.
In 1851, at Hillersdon Terrace, Sarah Swindell pauper lead smelters widow, aged 72, son John, lead smelter, aged 33, daughter in law, Elizabeth aged 42, granddaughter Jane 6, grandson Peter 4 months, and visitor Thomas Walton, merchants son, aged 14.
In 1861, at Low Dyke Heads, Sarah Swindle, widow, aged 81, son John Swindle, widow, lead smelter, aged 42, granddaughter Jane Swindle 16, and Peter Swindle 10.
Jane Swindle, married Robert Bell, 22nd May 1869, at Nenthead. See 29th May 1869.
Peter Swindle married Eleanor Walton, 1st April 1871, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel. See 8th April 1871.
In 1871, at Low Dyke Head, Peter Swindle, lead smelter, aged 20, and his wife Ellen aged 20.
In 1871, at Clog Hall, Nenthead, Jane Wilkinson, widow, grocer, aged 63, and Boarder, John Swindle, widower, separator at Smelt Mill, aged 53.
In 1881, at Bridge End Cottage, Nenthead, John Swindle, widower, lead ore smelter, aged 62, Peter Swindle, lead ore smelter & farmer of 13 acres, his wife Eleanor aged 30, sons, John 9, and Isaac W 4.
In 1891, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Peter Swindle, cartman, aged 40, his wife Ellen 40, children Johnnie, waggon driver, aged 19, Isaac Walton, waggon driver, aged 14, father John Swindle, widow, labourer, aged 72, and domestic servant Mary Jane Shield 20.
John Swindle was buried at Nenthead, 16th July 1898, aged 79.
In 1901, at Kings Head, Nenthead, Isaac Swindle, carter, aged 24, John Swindle, carter aged 29, and John's wife Annie aged 22.
Isaac Walton Swindle married Minnie Angus 1st quarter 1908, at Alston.
Eleanor Swindle died 1st quarter 1910, registered at Alston
In 1911, at Kings Head Farm, Nenthead, Isaac Walton Swindle, farmer and carting contractor, carting zinc ore, aged 34, his wife Minnie aged 28, and daughter Mabel aged 2.
Probate 1842: Isaac Walton Swindle of Eastern House, Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, died 4 September 1942 Administration Carlisle 14 November to Minnie Swindle widow. Effects £846 13s 4d.
See 8th April 1871

27th January 1943 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)
Deaths
HESLOP. Holmsfoot, Nenthead, 25th, George Nevin, beloved husband of Ethel.

12th May 1943 (Newcastle Journal)
MARRIAGES
BAILEY—PICKERING. Nenthead Central Methodist Church, on April 26, Stuart Kenneth, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J, Bailey, Billingham, to Marion Gertrude, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Pickering. Spring House. Nenthead.

22nd November 1943 (Newcastle Journal)
DRILL TRANSFIXED LEAD MINER'S HEAD
Penrith inquest failed to clear up the death of Fred Howe (47), Round Thorn, Penrith, who was killed in the Greenside lead mine, Glenridding, at the head of

Ullswater. Witnesses said the mine is set out in levels and that drillers on the sub-levels dropped their blunted steel drills down a 90-feet-long two-inch chute, which carried them to the 200 -fathom level to be sharpened. Howe had sent down several drills and went down to the lower level to collect them. Shortly afterwards he was found with his head transfixed by a drill, which had gone through his steel mining helmet. A workman said he had never known drill stick in the pipe. The Coroner recorded a verdict Accidental death and said there did not appear to have been negligence.

22nd February 1945 (Newcastle Journal)

WORKED FOR 6D, A DAY

Mr; John L. Kindred (83), who has died at Castle Nook, near Alston, was a well-known local farmer and breeder of Shorthorn dairy cattle. He started work as a boy at a Rotherhope lead mine, being paid 6d a day. He was a member of the committee of Alston Agricultural Show Society.

9th October 1945 (Penrith Observer)

ALSTON SHOW

Gate Doubled For First Since 1938

After bring in abeyance for seven years, Alston Agricultural Society held its 99th show on Saturday, when the gate receipts totalled over £217, double the figure of the 1938 show. …

14 December 1945 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

… The Clerk reports that Non-Ferrous Minerals Development Ltd. had announced the closing of their mill at Nenthead on November 30.

16th January 1946 (Newcastle Journal)

THE WEARDALE LEAD COMPANY annual report presented at yesterday's meeting declared that the company's operations dictated by war needs continued to be directed towards the production of Fluorspar.

No active mining done at the Allendale Lead Mines although it was necessary to continue maintenance work there. The profit for the year including income from investments etc., was £310 9s 6d. This sum has been applied to the reduction of the amount of standing to the debit of Profit and Loss which is now £2,301 16s. 2d.

19th November 1948 (Morpeth Herald)

Mr. I. ARMSTRONG,

Morpeth

"By the passing from our midst of Mr. Isaac Armstrong, has passed one of the noble men of our community, if not of our generation," remarked the Rector of Morpeth (Canon F. Baker) when conducting the funeral service in St. Mary's Parish Church on Tuesday afternoon for the late Mr. Isaac Armstrong, twice Mayor of Morpeth and an alderman of the Town Council for a number of years. "Without the benefits of noble birth to sustain him, his own conduct, industry, personality and integrity had enabled him to rise to the honoured position of being the Mayor of the town of Morpeth upon two occasions," continued the Rector." I well remember when the Morpeth War Memorial was unveiled and the names of John N. Armstrong and Edwin Armstrong were read. It was a very

trying time. Then, later, when Mr. Armstrong lost his third and youngest son, Charles, those dark days revealed a quality and character in our friend, which won our respect.
“That same quality had been recognised by others, as His Majesty had made him a Justice of the Peace, an office he discharged with the utmost credit to himself. They who are left should thank God that this England of ours could produce such men as Isaac Armstrong.”
Born at Nenthead, near Alston, just over the Cumberland border, 85 years ago, Mr. Isaac Armstrong came to the district in December 1881 with other members of his family. As a young man he entered the employment of the L.N.E. Railway Company and joined the staff at Morpeth station.
Always interested in municipal questions, he was elected to Morpeth Town Council in 1911 and remained a member of that body for some ten years. After a short absence from the council he was re-elected in 1923 and made Mayor the following year, 1924.
During the war years of 1914 -18 he tendered yeoman service to the community as a member of the local Military Tribunal, Food Control Committee, Coal Control and, later, as a member of the War Pensions.
He also became closely identified with the Morpeth War Savings, and during the years, which followed, right up to the outbreak of the Second World War, watched with interest the activities of the local War Savings Committee. For many years he was identified with the Morpeth Trustee Savings Bank, as a manager before being elected a trustee, and, though asked to take over the position of chairman, was happy in being vice-chairman right up to the time of his retirement in 1946.
In the council chamber he was elevated to the aldermanic chair and asked to take office as Mayor for the second time in 1931, and for a number of years was the council's representative upon the Board of Governors of Morpeth Grammar School.
He was also a prominent member of the Co-operative movement and succeeded the late J. D. Smith as the Morpeth representative on the district committee of the Ashington and District Co-operative Society, a post he held until 1941. …

26th February 1949 (Cumberland & Westmorland Herald)

LEAD MINING ON ALSTON MOOR
STORY OF VIEILLE MONTAGNE COMPANY
HOW WARTIME PROBLEMS WERE SOLVED

Last week we recorded the transfer of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, Nenthead, to the Imperial Smelting Corporation, Ltd., through its subsidiary Company, Anglo-Austral Mines, Ltd. We now give the story of the Belgian Company's connection with Nenthead dating back to 1886. (sic)

La Societe des Mines et Fonderies de Zinc de la Vieille Montagne of Angleur, Belgium, established its Nenthead agency at what was to prove the dawn of almost a new age, in which hitherto unquestioned standards of accomplishment, and of industrial relations were to be swept aside before the progress of science and the gathering strength and organisation of labour. From laborious hand drilling to the devastation of the atom bomb, from strings of horses and carts wending their way twice a day to Alston Station, each bearing

a few hundredweights of ore over pot-holed roads to the modem petrol and diesel motor wagons carrying six and ten ton loads to Liverpool and Glasgow on smooth tar-macadam, are some of the transitions of this period.

WARTIME RESTRICTIONS

Through all this the Vieille Montagne Company survived, but, emerging for the second time from the carnage of war, it found its powers weakened. Currency and export restrictions imposed by a crippled Britain severed the life-lines between Nenthead and Angleur. Capital required to rehabilitate the mines in Alston Moor, exhausted of almost all reserves of ore by the demands of war, could not be received from Belgium, and even if this had been permitted and further ore reserves made available, no lead ore or zinc ore could have been sent from Nenthead to feed the huge smelters of the Vieille Montagne at Baalen and Chenec.

Thus, without an early relaxation of the restrictions, the position was rapidly approaching a stage when, reluctantly, the Company must consider liquidating its interests in Alston Moor.

The Company had, during its years in Alston Moor, expended capital amounting to hundreds of thousands of pounds, in addition to vast sums paid out for wages and services, goods and supplies, rates, taxes and royalties to maintain and operate their mines and mills.

HEAVY EXPENDITURE

Shortly after purchasing the holdings of the old Nenthead and Tynedale Company in 1896 very heavy expenditure was incurred in installing plant and machinery to provide compressed air to operate pneumatic drills in the mines, with which the previous system of hand-drilling was replaced - a course to which the miners took exception (as recorded in "Looking Backward" in the "Herald" on 12th February) on the grounds that it would render many men superfluous.

In 1908-9 the huge building in the centre of the village known as Rampgill Mill was built and equipped at very heavy expense, to become the largest and most efficient plant in the country at that time. During the first world war is was decided to acquire Nentsbury Mines, the Company having, up to then, the working only of the mines in Nenthead and Rodderup under the Admiralty leases, and of Carrshield area under lease from Lord Allendale.

RICH ORE

Nentsbury Mine was then owned by the brothers James and Joseph Thompson. It was a wise investment, and in 1924-5, as a result of a vigorous program of development instituted by Mr. Amos Treloar, who had been appointed manager in 1925, and of further modernisation of the plant and equipment on his recommendation, the mine commenced to yield unprecedented tonnages of rich ore. Solid galena (lead sulphide) was blasted in sizes too large for the mine tubs, or for two men to carry, so that it had to be broken down further. At to-day's price of £123 per ton of lead, each of these pieces would have been worth from £50 to £80, and at that time ore was being shipped to Belgium at the rate of 400-500 tons per Month.

The phenomenal richness of Nentsbury Mine lasted until the Middle 30's, but before this, the effect of the "economic blizzard" of 1930 had been felt, the prices of lead and zinc having fallen from £35 to £25 per ton, and finally to little more than £10 per ton, with the result that, except for maintenance, the mine closed in December 1930.

PROGRAM CURTAILED

This meant the serious curtailment of an ambitious development program for the mine, and meanwhile further capital expenditure had been made on re-equipping and modernising Rampgill Mill, which had been out of commission since shortly after the first war, building a new engine house and installing two 200 h.p. fuel oil engines, electrical generating and transmission plant, new compressors and erecting a power line and aerial ropeway between Nenthead and Wellhope Shaft, which was sunk on the exposed Wellhope Moor in 1927, and equipped with a headgear, 500 ton ore bin, double cage-way and electric motors in 1929.

Much of this colossal expenditure had to be discounted, because the prices of lead and zinc remained low, despite a slight fillip when the country deserted the gold standard in the autumn of 1931.

In February, 1932, in the interests of providing employment in the district, which was by then classified as a "distressed area", and in the not very strong hope that the prices of base metals would recover, it was decided to re-open Nentsbury Mine and operate it on a small scale, using the little mill there for dressing the ore.

DENUDED ORE RESERVES

With slight variations, conditions continued substantially the same for the next six years, and, while employment was provided for a number of men, the Company not only lost money but were also unable to afford to develop the mine and thus replenish the ore reserves which were becoming denuded by the continued drain.

To reduce the loss to a minimum it was essential to mine only the richest ore, and each year this naturally fell in value and quantity, so that by the end of 1938 the ore reserves consisted mainly of a mixed Witherite - zinc - lead ore. It was possible in the dressing mill to recover the lead content, but the specific gravity of Witherite being approximately the same as that of blende (zinc sulphide) created technical difficulties.

SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT

Following an experiment by a chemical firm at Stockton-on-Tees in December 1938, several thousand tons of mixed ore was treated at Nentsbury Mill in the spring of 1939 for the extraction of the lead content and the elimination of impurities. The middlings of mixed zinc and Witherite were sent to Stockton-on-Tees and the Witherite value extracted chemically, the zinc residue being sent to the Vieille Montague works in Belgium. The chemical firm had only a pilot experimental plant, and before the full value of the trial could be assessed by both parties, the second war intervened. However, the value was not entirely lost, because the national demand for zinc induced the Ministry of Supply later to have the material treated and the zinc residues smelted at Seaton Carew in the works which were, and are, the property of the new owners of the Nenthead Mines.

MINE RE-OPENED

Meanwhile, Rodderup mine, which had closed in October, 1930, had been re-opened in 1935, and with the opening of new flatts of good average lead content the decision was taken to install electric power inside the mine. This involved the use of some 1,300 yards of tough electric cable from the mine mouth to the chamber inside the mine to drive two new compressors by means of two electric

motors of 100 and 150 h.p. The Installation was completed in the summer of 1937 and the flatts gave a good yield of greatly needed high grade lead concentrates during the war years, but with the price of lead fixed at £25 per ton in December, 1939, and never raised until after the cessation of hostilities, despite the general increase in the costs of labour and materials, there was no margin to provide for developing of the mines, and, in any case, the limited number of miners left after meeting the demands of the Forces were all required to produce ore in the national interest.

VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO WAR EFFORT

Other welcome contributions to the war effort by the Vieille Montague Company included several thousand tons of clear washed limestone chippings and broken stones, which were used for the surfacing of new aerodromes built in the Carlisle - Longtown area, and, at the request of the Fluor Spar Control, some hundreds of tons fluorspar, urgently required to relieve a shortage of this material experienced by the foundries during 1941-2. In addition the dumps of tailings at Nenthead, estimated at a gross tonnage of 600,000 and preserved because they were known to contain percentages of lead and particularly zinc values, were also to serve the nation in its hour of need, A separate Company, Non-Ferrous Minerals Development, Ltd., was formed by the Ministry of Supply, the Rampgill Mill building requisitioned, and new plant installed to treat the material from the dumps, which were also requisitioned. From this source alone the nation and the Allies received about 20,000 tons of high-grade zinc concentrates from July, 1943, to November, 1945, particularly valuable at a time when zinc was a disappearing commodity in the world market.

COMMUNICATIONS CUT

The second war soon brought a grave responsibility be bear upon Mr. Treloar, the manager at Nenthead. With the fall of France in June, 1940, all communications with his head office were severed and he was left, not only to direct the operations of the Nenthead concern in the interests of the V.M. Company, but also to meet in every way the incessant demand for greater production of lead ore concentrates and other minerals for the Ministry of Supply, with a continually decreasing number of miners as a result of calls to the Forces. This position, sufficiently difficult without being able to consult his directors, was further complicated by the fact that, after the occupation of Belgium by the Germans, that country was technically regarded as an "enemy country". The Nenthead agency was only permitted to operate by a licence from the Board of Trade Trading-with-the-Enemy Branch, and the accountancy side of the operations was subject to the scrutiny and approval of the "Custodian of Enemy Property", an office designed by a kindly Government to carefully guard the property in this country of any members of other nations with whom we were waging total war.

REUNION

It was, therefore, a relief when, in the late summer of 1944, the news of the liberation of Belgium became known and slowly a trickle of correspondence began as military operations allowed. Notes of a personal nature at first, good news and bad intermingling. Mons. G. Dupont Biar, a retired director of the Company, who spent many years at Nenthead, was still alive and well, but Mons. Jean Cox, also well known in Nenthead, and whose interest he represented personally at head office, was no longer alive. Mons. Eduard Buste,

another who retained happy memories of Nenthead, was still alive, but one of his daughters, actually born at Nenthead, had died in the horrors of a concentration camp. As for the works in Belgium, they had happily suffered little damage, the rapidity of both the invasion and the liberation having left them unscathed.

RODDERUP MISFORTUNE

From the comparatively small liquid cash reserves which Mr. Treloar built up from nothing during the war years sums were set aside for limited prospecting in the Nentsbury and Rodderup mines. The results obtained in the first mine were disappointing, although their range was severely restricted because of the small capital available, but promise was shown in a section of the Rodderup mine until a most unfortunate and substantial collapse of the ground in the mine in August, 1947, isolated the region where the work was being prosecuted.

During 1948 Imperial Smelting Corporation, Ltd., became interested in the agency, and in July at a meeting attended by Mr. Treloar and representatives of the head office of the Company and representatives of the directorate of I.S.C. provisional agreement was reached to dispose of all the V.M. interests in Alston Moor to the I.S.C. or Anglo-Austral Mines, Ltd. To give legal effect to this decision has required many months of ceaseless negotiation and considerable research, as well as the consent of other parties. The legal representatives of the V.M. have been Messrs. Blackburn and Main, Carlisle, and the I.S.C.'s own solicitor, Mr. G.A. Delafield, has conducted legal proceedings on their behalf.

2nd June 1949 (West Briton and Cornwall Advertiser)

Cornish Mining Engineer Mr. and Mrs A Treloar 2 Penwinnick-villas St Agnes, have sustained a bereavement in the death of Mr Treloar's elder brother Mr Amos Treloar A.I.S.E., M.I.M.M., of Alston Cumberland in a Cheltenham nursing home last Wednesday. He had been on his way to Cornwall. A native of Breage and a member an old and well-known Breage family Mr Treloar trained as a mining engineer and many years ago he was for some time on staff of Wheal Kitty Mine St Agnes and then at Blackwater. He also followed his profession in Africa, London, and Scotland, and he had remained for the past 26 years at Nenthead, Alston, with the firm of Messrs Vieille Montagne Zinc Co Ltd of Liege Belgium. He was county magistrate for Cumberland. His only sister is Mrs S. J. Williams of Porthleven late of Vicarage-road St Agnes.

The funeral service in Bethesda Methodist Church on Friday conducted by the Rev M. H. Gelbert was followed by interment Cheltenham Cemetery, Mourners present were the widow and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Todd, Miss M. J. Treloar, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Small, and Mrs. D. Wash (daughters and sons-in-law) Mr. A. L. Treloar (brother) and Mrs. S. J. Williams (sister), Mr. W. B. Paterson (Wylam Northumberland) and Mr. B. T. Hallett representing all members of the firm of Messrs Vielle Montagne Zinc Co Ltd.

Probate 1949

Amos Treloar of Nenthead House, Nenthead, Alston, Cumberland, died 25 May 1949 at The Imperial Nursing Home, Montpellier Grove, Cheltenham, Probate Carlisle 2nd August to Amos Treloar timber merchant and contractor, Margaret Jane Treloar, spinster, and Doreen Stanley Walsh (wife of Douglas Hendrick Walsh. Effects £4100 4s.

20th August 1849 (Newcastle Journal)

OLD LEAD MINE MAY REOPEN

An effort is being made by two Haltwhistle men, County Councillor George R. Wardle and Mr George Ridley, to revive the old-time mining industry in the Allendale district.

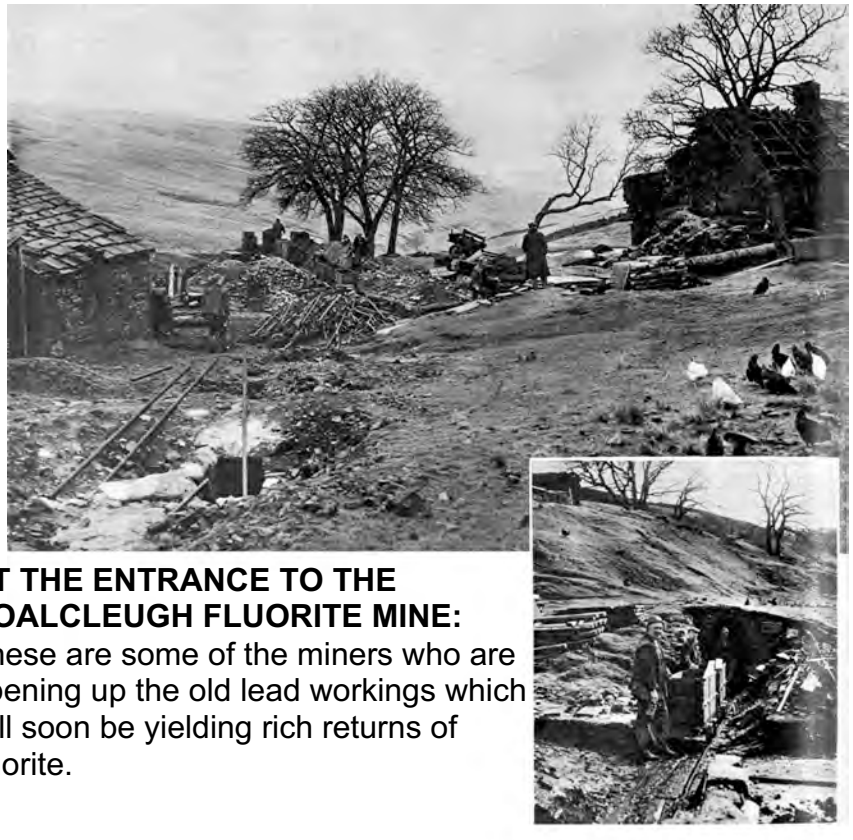
They have formed the Allendale Metalliferous Mining Company, and at the Hamlet of Coalcleugh on the Allendale moors work has begun reopening a lead mine which was closed more than 50 years ago.

Four Nenthead miners are working half a mile underground preparing the way for a project which may eventually mean work for hundreds of men. Their search is for valuable deposits of fluorspar, which are known to exist.

29th April 1950 (The Sphere)

WHERE THE LEAD MINING INDUSTRY DIED A CENTURY AGO THE FLUORITE MINING INDUSTRY NOW SPRINGS UP:

The old Coalcleugh workings in Allendale, Northumberland, which are once again being brought into production because of the value of fluorite in the still existing lead deposits. Fluorite—the natural form of calcium fluoride (CaF_2)—plays a part in atomic research and also has an importance as flux in the making of steel, in the manufacture of opalescent glass and enamels, and in the preparation of hydrofluoric acid. The dark-blue variety, which comes from Derbyshire, is known as “bluejohn” and is used for ornaments. The Allendale workings are particularly rich in fluorite, a common accessory mineral found with ores of lead, silver and zinc, and miners from many surrounding districts are coming there for work. It will be another twelve months, however, before they can be taken on in large numbers, as the ten men already there are sufficient to carry through the preliminary work.



AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COALCLEUGH FLUORITE MINE:
These are some of the miners who are opening up the old lead workings which will soon be yielding rich returns of fluorite.

24th May 1950 (The Times)

IMPERIAL SMELTING CORPORATION LIMITED

The new anhydrous hydrofluoric acid plant, which commenced operation in 1948, made an important contribution to our expanding range of fluorine chemicals. Many of these materials are still largely in the development stage and it is believed that there will be a greatly increased demand for them in the future. The essential raw material for these products is fluorspar and in order to ensure a supply of fluorspar of the requisite high quality, a mine was developed during 1949 in County Durham and a bene-ficiation plant installed at Nenthead. Progress has been made in modernizing our barytes mines.

12th December 1950 (Sheffield Daily Telegraph)

FIREMEN ON SHAFT LADDER SAVE MINERS

MORE than 400 feet below ground, firemen last night used ropes to rescue two men trapped in the Magpie lead mine at Sheldon, near Bakewell. The men, Arthur Hurst, aged 34 of Curbar, and Harry Heaton, aged 36, of The Dale, Stoney Middleton, were working at a depth of 450 feet on a narrow staging 40 feet below the last rung of a steel ladder running up the side of the shaft.

To reach the ladder, the men used a winch-operated bucket, but, after they had sent up the bucket filled with lead ore, the winch jammed.

Three members of the Derbyshire Fire Service — Assistant Divisional Officer E. Gaskarth and Fireman G. Thomas, off Chesterfield, and Sub-Officer W. Alexander, of Bakewell clambered down the ladder and lowered ropes to the trapped men below.

Rung Was Pulley

Using a rung of the ladder as a pulley, they hauled them on to the two-yard-square scaffolding on which they were standing.

Unhurt, the miners then climbed the ladder. They had been trapped for more than two hours.

Mr. Gaskarth told the “Sheffield Telegraph”: “The two men had little room to stand, and a false step would have sent them 200 feet to the bottom of the shaft which is full of water.”

The mine, which is about 700 feet deep, is worked by five men — two underground and three, one of whom operates the winch, on the surface.

7th August 1951 (Newcastle Journal)

FIRE in ROOKHOPE LEAD MINE

The Coliery Rescue Brigade from Crook and Houghton-le-Spring, were called to an underground fire at a lead mine at Rookhope, belonging to the Weardale Lead Company, last night.

it is understood that no workmen were in the mine at the time. Firemen tackled the outbreak wearing oxygen apparatus because of the danger of fire damp and gas.

26th June 1952 (The Times)

IMPERIAL SMELTING CORPORATION LIMITED

Considerable progress has taken place at the U.K. mines and additional ore reserves have been revealed. The fluorspar mill at Nenthead continued to work successfully and provided acid-grade fluorspar for the fluorine chemical processes.

8th July 1952 (Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligencer)

FOUR MEN TRAPPED BY GAS IN LEAD MINE
RESCUE TEAMS FORCED TO WITHDRAW AFTER 9 HOURS

From our special correspondent

Up to the early hours of this morning rescue teams equipped with oxygen breathing apparatus had been unable to reach four men trapped by gas 1,050 feet below the surface at Greenside lead mine on the slopes of the fells at Glenridding, Westmorland, near the head of Ullswater. The rescue teams were work in the mine from noon until after 9 o'clock last night, when they were forced to suspend operations for several hours owing heavy concentrations of gas. There is only a faint hope that the four men may have found a pocket of air in the gas-filled mine. At midnight, they had been underground for 15½ hours. More than 30 others affected by the gas were rescued during the day and are recovering.

The trapped men are two members of the morning shift, Leo Mulryan, aged about 40, and Richard Mallinson (35), both married men. of Glenridding, and two men who entered the mine to try to rescue them, John Miller (33), electrician, and George Gibson (27), crusher operator, both of Glenridding. The men are at the lowest level of the mine. The gas is believed to be carbon-monoxide caused by a fire after a fault in the electrical wiring.

Staggered back

The morning shift 35 miners went into the level at 8 a.m. and the alarm was raised about half hour later when some of them were seen staggering back. Surface workers immediately went into the mine and began bring out men who had been overcome. By 10 a.m. all except the four in the lowest level had been brought out and were recovering. Mr. C. Connor, the mine manager, who led one of the early rescue attempts, was also affected by the gas. He said: "The men are on the lowest level which is reached by walking along a mile-long gallery and descending two shafts in electric hoists. I got to the head of the second shaft, which only about 150 yards from where the men are thought to be, but found that the hoist operator had collapsed and I dare not operate the cage because I feared that some of the men might be lying half out of the cage Along with other men affected by gas I had to move to a higher level."

Hoist accident

Rescue teams sent from West Cumberland coal mines arrived about noon bringing breathing apparatus. The Greenside mine not equipped with breathing apparatus because gas has never before been encountered in the history of the mine. The rescue teams are working groups six. During the rescue attempts a 20-year-old miner. Douglas Hodgson, Glenridding. who returned to work the mine only last week after serving the Army, lost both feet in accident one of the hoists. He had collapsed from the effects of the gas, and his companions, who were also affected, were trying to bring him out when his feet were trapped in the cage and both legs were severed at the ankles. He is In the Westmorland County Hospital at Kendal.

Air supply failed

Edward Poole (22), of Glenridding. one of the survivors, was recovering in bed last night. He said that with Gibson and Millar, two of the trapped men, volunteered to go down the mine with a rescue party.

“We had no special breathing equipment," he continued, "and as we approached the top of the shaft were met with a sickly-sweet pineapple smell. We carried on, however, and it was decided that I should work the air pump down the face shaft while Gibson and Miller went down try to locate the missing men. After a little while the air supply was cut off and I felt myself being overcome with the fumes. The last thing I remember was seeing the manager coming towards me, and when I recovered consciousness I found myself the open air together with a couple of dozen other men who were also recovering."

9th July 1952 (Teesdale Mercury)

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TEESDALE

After having provided extensive employment for a large number of workmen drawn from Middleton-in-Teesdale and the whole of Upper Teesdale for a good number of years, the barytes industry in the district shows ominous signs of declining.

It was announced by the Anglo-Austral Mining Company, who operate one of the largest mines in the district at Cow Green, that they are compiled to reduce their staff by 50 per cent.

This reduction will mean that over fifty men will become unemployed. Those found to be redundant have been informed and they are expected to cease work on Friday.

The position has arisen because of competitive working costs and a decrease in the demand for the mineral. A similar fall in demand has temporarily restricted output at the Lunehead barytes mines of Athole G. Allen and Co. to a very low tonnage.

24th February 1953 (Penrith Observer)

HEIGHTS MINE PRODUCTION EARNED DINNER

MINERS from Alston and Nenthead on Wednesday joined their colleagues from Heights Mine, Weardale, at a dinner and social evening which they earned last year by producing 4000 tons of fluorspar in six months.

Up to the middle of last year, Anglo-Austral Mines, Ltd., had spent about four years restoring the mine. The production started and the company's director of operations, Dr W. G. Hiscock, promised: "Get me a 4000 tons by the end of the year, and I’ll provide you with a dinner." The director kept to his promise after the 4000 tons were produced, and dinner was held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Tirril *(near Penrith)*. The Mines Superintendent, Mr J. Connor, Penrith, presided, and apologised for the unavoidable absence of the company's general manager. Mr G. R. Daniels. …

14th October 1953 (Lancashire Evening Post)

GREENSIDE APPEAL

YOUR readers may remember that an appeal was launched after an accident at Greenside Lead Mine, in July, 1952, in which four men lost their lives. The response was most generous and a total of £4,761 has been collected. A trust has now been formed to administer the money. The trustees are: The Rector of Patterdale. the mine accountant Greenside Mine, the manager of Martins Bank, Penrith, the County Councillor for the Patterdale Division, and one other, person to be co-opted by the original trustees. The trust fund is to be distributed by the trustees for the benefit of the dependants according to their need, with the intent

that the fund shall be completely distributed during the lifetime of the dependants. The committee wish to express their thanks to all who have given money and help to the fund, and to the Press which has given generous publicity. JOHN C. ROGERS (chairman). KENNETH DOBELL (secretary), Patterdale.

17th November 1953 (Penrith Observer)

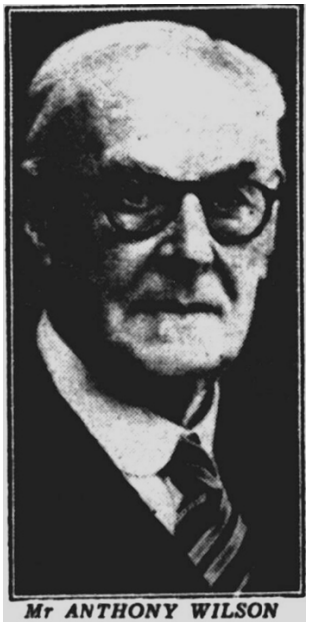
DEATH OF ALDERMAN

MR. ANTHONY WILSON, a county alderman ot Thornthwalte Grange, near Keswick, died suddenly shortly after returning home on Tuesday afternoon from a meeting of the Keswick School governors, of which he was a county member. He was in his 83rd year.

Mr Wilson was a member of a Kendal Quaker family, and qualified as a member of the Institute of Mining Enginers. and of the Institute of Mining Metallurgy. He was managing-director of the Thornthwaite Lead Mines, the Carrick Fell Tungsten mine, and later Threlkeld Lead Mine, all now derelict. After the first World War Mr Wilson was appointed chairman of the Lead and Zinc Mining Association, and was a member of the Government Advisory Mines Committee. Up to his death he was an active director of the Weardale Lead Co., Durham.

PUBLIC CAREER

For some years Mr Wilson was a member of the Parish Council of Above Derwent and from 1910 to 1919 he was the local county councillor. He returned to the Cumberland County Council 12 years ago and was made an alderman last year. He was chairman of the County Education Finance Committee, chairman of the County Education Schools Meals Committee. chairman of the Governors of Lairthwaite Secondary Modern School Keswick; a Governor of Keswick School; chairman of the Income Tax Commissioners, and a member of the North Cumberland River Board.



Mr ANTHONY WILSON

For 37 years he was an active Keswick magistrate and chairman of that bench for some years. He was a Liberal.

Mr and Mrs Wilson celebrated their golden wedding just over two years ago, but Mrs Wilson died last year. He is survived by three sons and three daughters.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral took place at St. Mary's Church, Thornthwaite. on Friday afternoon and was conducted by the Vicar of Thomthwaite cum-Braithwaite, the Rev. H. Crossland. The chief mourners were Mr and Mrs Comar Wilson and Mr Comar Wilson. |un., London (son and daughter-in-law and grandson); Mrs Joan Nahum. Thornthwaite Grange (daughter), and Mrs Penelope Peel, London (daughter).

In 1901, at Middle Ridding, Braitheaite, Keswick, Anthony Wilson, mining engineer, aged 39, his wife Jessie Macgregor 37, children, Joan 8, Anthony Comar 7, Peter 4, Annie 4 months, mother in law, Sarah Cameron Robertson, widow, aged 62, and 3 servants.

1939 England and Wales Register, at Thornthwaite Grange, Anthony Wilson, borb 25th May 1871, mining engineer, lead mines, and Jessie M. Wilson born 25th November 1873.

21st September 1854 (Penrith Observer)

KILLED IN BARYTES MINE A MEMBER of a Threlkeld family, and until four years ago a leading member of Threlkeld sporting and social activities. Mr John Frederick Stuart (53), was killed by a fall of roof rock on Wednesday morning in the Brigsford barytes mines. near Christow, Devon, of which he was manager. Mr Stuart was the second son of Mr Fred Stuart and the late Mrs Stuart, 2 Taylor's Cottages, Threlkeld, and was home attending his mother's funeral a fortnight ago. MINING CAREER He started in the Threlkeld lead mines and when they closed down he went to Threlkeld Quarry, and later to Greenside Mines. Patterdale. On the Force Crag, Braithwaite, barytes mines being re-opened during the War he went to work there and became manager. When Force Crag mine was closed down in 1950 the firm appointed him manager of their Brigsford mine in Devon. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Agnes May Greenup, Threlkeld, and their son and two daughters.

6th September 1955 (Penrith Observer)

BIG MINE PLAN FOR ALSTON

A major mining development is foreshadowed for Swinhope, Northumberland, roughly 4½ miles from Nenthead. on the Allenheads road. It has been officially announced that the New Consolidated Gold Fields. Ltd.. of 49 Moorgate. London. E.C.2 have acquired an option on the mining lease held by Allendale Metalliferous Mining Company, and are to carry out a programme of drilling and prospecting. Mr A. Treloar. A.C.S.M., of Garrigill. has been appointed mines manager, and Mr F. T Thom. Allendale Town, mines, secretary.

It is understood that shaft sinking is to start immediately at Swinhope and drilling operations are starting this week by the Cementation Company, of Doncaster. A tunnel, at least a mile in length and dead straight with face dimensions of 7ft. square. will be driven in a South Easterly direction towards Middlehope Moor, between Killhope Law and the village of Allenheads.

VIRGIN GROUND

This region is a virgin mining ground (one of the few such remaining in accepted non-ferrous mining districts in the British Isles) and it is hoped that rich deposits of minerals will be found, mainly in lead and zinc, which are being chiefly sought. The New Consolidated Company had previously carried out a geo-chemical survey of the area and this announced project. which is in the nature of a preliminary programme and expected to last two years. is the biggest, of its type for many years in the Northern Pennines. The offices of the company are to be opened at Allendale Town, and it is understood that the recruitment of labour for all classes of work, surface and underground, is now in progress.

24th January 1958 (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail)

SAW SON KILLED

Raymond Swindle, a 21-year old miner of Boltsbum Crescent, Rookhope, was killed by fall while working Grove Rake mine, Rookhope, yesterday. His father was also working in the mine and saw his son killed.

19th August 1958 (Penrith Observer)

LEAD MINE'S FATE IS IN THE BALANCE

Future of supply at Glenridding ENOUGH PAYABLE ORE FOR 18 MONTHS WORKING THE future of the 200-year-old Greenside lead mine at the head of Ullswater hangs in the balance, because of lack of ore and the falling price of lead. At the present time, there is sufficient high grade ore to keep the mine working for about 18 months, and so far searches for more have failed. The closure of the mine could be a serious blow to Patterdale and district, for it employs almost exclusively local labour and provides work for 50 men. In May, the Greenside Mining Company, who operate the mine, announced that men would lose their jobs because the falling of lead in the world market had made it necessary to continue mining ore with a reduced labour force.

At that time the Company stated that exploratory work was to be carried out in the hope that new payable ore would be discovered and it would be possible to increase the labour force.

"Lap of gods"

Yesterday, however, the mine manager, Mr Cyril Connor, told the "Observer" that exploration had been carried out without any success.

"We are in the lap of the Gods," he said and explained that at present there was sufficient high grade ore left to enable the mine to continue working for about 18 months. After that, it seemed that if no ore was found the mine might have to close down.

Mr Connor said the only other factor which would enable work to be continued longer would be an increase in the price of lead.

Three year future?

"If the price of metal rises to an economical level." he said, "we may be able to carry on for three years by using some of the low grade ore which at present we have had to leave because it is not economical to work."

He added that there was, on the other hand, the possibility that prices might fall even lower, necessitating a close down earlier than expected.

However, the mine would not close down suddenly in a matter of months. An undertaking of that nature would take some time to close down and employees might have to be given notice in periods of two months or the like.

At present, the mine produces about 2000 tons of ore from which only about 120 of lead concentrates are extracted to be sent to Newcastle to be smelted.

Mine's colourful history

Greenside was not worked extensively until about 1825. Previous to this the workings were near the summit of Helvellyn

and most of the ore was carried over the mountains through the Vale of St. John and Keswick to the smelting mill at Stoney Croft Gill. During the 1820's the metal was carted to Penrith where a string of horses was waiting to take it to Alston where the ore was smelted.

The principal ore at Greenside is galena which produces 80 per cent. of lead and six ounces of silver per ton.

From this sliver was made the Communion plate now in use which was presented to Patterdale Church by the mining company in 1856. From 1835 to 1902. when desilvering was stopped, the Bank of England was supplied with over a million ounces of silver. Between 1826 and 1876 the production of galena and silver was worth £95,000 and Greenside was regarded as one of the richest mines in the North of England. A new company was formed in 1923 and carried

on the mine for some seven years. Not until the end of 1936 were the workings then re-commenced when the Basinghall Syndicate took over.

26th November 1959 (The Times)

BIGGER TESTS TO DETECT ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS
DEEP FIRINGS IN NORTHERN MINE

Tests with bigger and deeper explosions than those recently announced to take place in a Cornish mine are to be held in a few weeks time at Greenside lead mine, Glenridding, Westmorland, the Atomic Energy Authority announced yesterday.

The tests are with conventional explosives. They will be part of a series to obtain information on the detectability of small underground nuclear explosions.

Precautions will be taken to ensure that there is no surface disturbance or damage. The Cornish mine, at Kit Hill, is unsuitable for these bigger explosions.

The authority said they located the Westmorland mine, which was about to be closed, in consultation with the Atomic Energy division of the Geological Survey.

"The owners are co-operating in the arrangements and have agreed to carry out the civil engineering work involved in preparing the underground chambers. The potential productive capacity of the mine will not be impaired by the tests."

It is planned to register the results on seismic instruments at various distances from the mine. Local authorities and other interests concerned are being consulted, and planning permission is being sought."

19th December 1959 (The Times)

TEST EXPLOSION IN MINE START TO-NIGHT EXPECTED
FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Ambleside, Dec. 18. The first test explosions by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority at the Greenside lead mines, Glenridding, on the shores of Ullswater, are expected to take place to-morrow night — probably between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m.

The explosions are designed to assess the detectability of underground nuclear explosions, although conventional explosives are to be used.

Two explosions will probably be arranged, each using about one ton of explosive fired electrically from the entrance to the mine. It is not expected that later tests, when up to five tons of explosive are to be used, will take place until after Christmas, probably in the New Year. In the meantime, the results of the first tests are to be analysed.

The explosions, to be detonated more than 1,000ft. down the mine, will not take place in the main shaft but in cells some distance away. Listening posts have been set up both in the immediate neighbourhood of the mine and at some distance away, and scientists with seismograph instruments will record the sound waves from the explosions.

17th June 1960 (Coventry Evening Telegraph)

RESEARCH GRANT TO SINK BOREHOLE

A special research grant of £36,050 has been awarded by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research to Durham University to sink a borehole at Rookhope, County Durham, to investigate the deep structure of the Pennines. The investigation will be led by Professor K. C. Dunham, head of the Department of Geology.

21st December 1960 (The Times)

TEST EXPLOSION
'SATISFACTORY'
SCIENTISTS RECORD SOUND WAVES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

AMBLESIDE, DEC. 20

A successful first test explosion was made by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority at the Greenside lead mine, Glenridding, on the shores of Ullswater, last night. "Satisfactory signals were received at the five listening posts where seismographic instruments recorded the underground sound waves, it was stated.

The explosion was one of a series planned to give information on the detectability of small underground nuclear explosions. The results are to be analysed and the conclusions forwarded to the three-Power conference at Geneva.

There was to have been a second explosion last night, but a fault was detected somewhere between the firing point and the explosives. The tests were adjourned until early next month.

On the surface the explosion sounded no more than a slight "plop." The 50 scientists and technicians of the authority who were engaged seemed reasonably happy with this start to the series. About one ton of conventional explosive of the T.N.T. type was used. This had been placed at the end of a tunnel some distance from the main shaft and more than 1,000ft. below the entrance to the mine.

FIRED ELECTRICALLY

Scientists and technicians had been working on the project for about a fortnight and it was finally decided to have the first explosion at 10.30 p.m. and the second exactly half an hour later. The reason given for the late hour was that there is less natural noise and vibration at night.

The charge was fired electrically by the pressing of a button in a wooden shed—packed with instruments, scientists, and technicians—just outside the bleak entrance to the mine. Strict anonymity was insisted upon and neither the name of the firer nor of the bearded young scientist in charge of the operations was disclosed.

The last pip of the B.B.C. time signal at 10.30 p.m. had been chosen as the exact moment for the explosion. The five listening posts, the nearest of them a few hundred feet above the mine in a disused house at the foot of the fells and the most remote one about 40 miles away, were all interconnected by radio and telephone.

After the reported success of the first explosion preparations were made for the second one at 11 p.m. but just before this time it was announced that the check back had not been entirely satisfactory. It was decided to cancel further tests. There is no B.B.C, time signal at 11.30 p.m. and midnight was too late, as it had been earlier decided not to work on the Sunday.

16th January 1960 (The Times)

TWO DIE IN TEST MINE FUMES
EXPLOSION POSTPONED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT
AMBLESIDE, JAN. 15

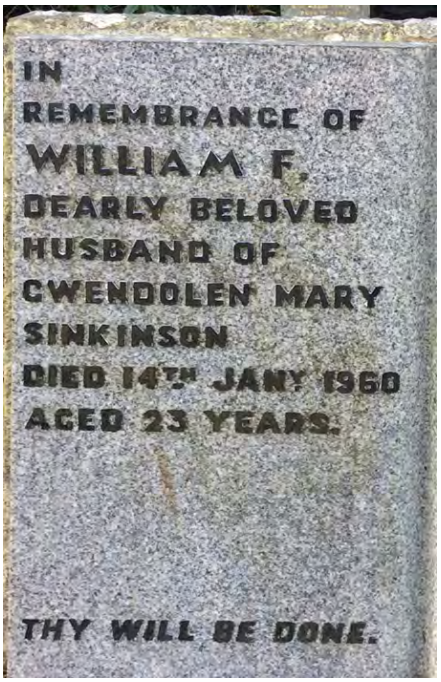
Less than 24 hours before the time fixed for a second test explosion by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority at Greenside lead mine, Glenridding, on the shores of Ullswater, two local men were killed more than 1,000ft. down the mine last night by fumes. The men were employed by Greenside Mines, Ltd., the authority's contractors.

A series of explosions had been planned by the Authority to assist in assessing the detectability of underground nuclear blasts by the use of conventional explosives. After the accident it was decided to postpone to-night's explosion.

The two men, Mr. Alexander Joseph Santamera, aged 47, married, and Mr. William Foster Sinkinson, aged 23, married a few months ago, both of Glenridding, were members of a team of about a dozen who were in the mine preparing for to-night's test. They had been on sandbagging work, and were missed from the main body.

When a search was made they were found in a stope — a working in the pit side. The men were finally brought out by a rescue party wearing respirators. Artificial respiration was tried without success.

St Patrick's, Churchyard, Patterdale



Source: www.patterdaletoday.co.uk/history/churchyard-memorials

12th February 1960 (Newcastle Journal)

ANXIETY OVER MILL PLANS

Alston with Garrigill Rural Council are concerned about the proposed closing of a mill at Nenthead, run by Anglo- Austral Mines . When the mill closes in September 40 people will be out of work. The council's Development Committee have discussed ways of attracting new industry to the area. The

committee will recommend on Monday that the council should ask another firm in the town to take over the Mill. …

27th April 1961 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

DISUSED LEAD MINE GETS NEW LIFE

By ANTHONY BRADLEY

ON a desolate stretch of the Durham moors, where the wind sometimes howls like a million agonised cats, eight men dig for a sort of industrial glue. They dig 300 feet down in the earth in what was a lead mine, before the lead ran out, for a substance called fluorspar. This is used in the steel industry as a flux. They are supported by another ten men on the surface who unload the rocks and gravel from which the fluorspar is extracted before it sent to a washing plant for processing. Mr. Eric Godfrey, manager of the mine, which is two miles from Blanchland, said "I've been here since 1947 but I'm not a native. You have to be here three generations before you are a native"

Cigarette

From the mine, he said, the fluorspar is taken for use in the Glasgow steel firm which owns the workings. Burly, Mr. Edward underground foreman at the mine lit a cigarette before stepping into the cage to go below. "Gas." No gas here." he said puffing away contentedly. "There used to be lead but that's all worked out now. We get about one per cent. lead in our production. And he said the ironical thing at the mine — called "Whiteheaps" no one is sure why—is that the old time lead miners threw away the fluorspar for which the men are now digging. They didn't think it was any good, but it just goes to show that you can always get something useful out of the earth.

Workmen ready to go down the narrow shaft at Whiteheaps lead mine.

Tipping ore from a tub at the mine is Mr. Joshua Jameson.

25th February 1964 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

A 20 -YEAR-OLD labourer, Mr. William Roland Bell, was found dead in a large store bin today at a mill where he worked. Fellow workmen had to use cutting equipment for over an hour to free him and later tried artificial respiration.

But It was in vain. Earlier his boot had been seen moving on a conveyor belt from the bin at Rampgill Mill, Nenthead, Cumberland where lead and zinc are extracted from ore. Mr Bell, who was unmarried lived at The Firs, Alston, Cumberland. An Inquest was opened by the Coroner for East Cumberland, Mr Peter Pickles it was adjourned until March 4.

10th February 1969 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

REMOTE

… North of Eastgate in a remote valley near Rookhope. ICI have their Redbum mine, a former lead mine, now producing fluorspar, used to produce flux for the steel industry. With a ten foot seam, Redburn is the second largest of four British mines producing bulk fluorspar. There may be no imminent mineral boom in this part of the Pennines. But certainly there seems plenty for Mr. Stanley Bowle and his geo-chemical colleagues to get their analytical teeth into. And if anyone is to get his hands on the hidden wealth of “them thar Hills" who better than an Aberdonian?

30th June 1970 (Newcastle Journal)

At ALLENHEADS, the British Steel Corporation is to re-open former lead mines in search of fluorspar a steel making mineral. They have applied for planning permission. Jobs for up to 100 men will be provided.

12th August 1970 (Newcastle Journal)

OUT OF THE-FIRE-INTO THE FRYING PAN Story: KEN SMITH.

NON-STICK frying pans could be the lifesavers of several small County Durham villages condemned to death by the planners. To make the frying pans non-stick they are specially treated. And one of the substances used in the treatment is fluorspar—mined in nearby Weardale. The "spar” boom demand is expected to double in the next four or five years, has created a jobs bonanza in the dale. But because most of the villages near the lead mines are tagged with a category-D label, which means that housing development is prohibited. labour is at a premium.

One company, the Weardale Lead Mining Company, is spending hundreds of pounds every year on a special bus which travels about 2,500 miles a week taking man to and from work. And this is long before the mine will reach peak production, says the manager, Mr . Harry Green. But now, Durham planning committee has decided it will allow the rural council to build six houses for miners at Rookhope, home of the Weardale Lead Mining Company. …

27th October 1970 (Newcastle Evening Chronicle)

MINE SURVEYOR required for mine in North-West Durham—experience in metalliferous mines desirable. Housing available. Please write giving details of age, experience etc, to: The Manager, The WEARDALE LEAD CO. LTD., Rookhope, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham.

14th April 1984 (Cumberland and Westmorland Herald)

WALKER'S DEATH FALL HIGHLIGHTS DANGER OF OPEN MINE SHAFT

THE open mine shaft on Cross Fell down which Andrew Ramsbotham tumbled to his death on Tuesday was probably reported as dangerous two years ago.

Fell walker Ron Brotherton reported a dangerous mine shaft near Fallow Hill more than two years ago after he had been out walking on the Pennines.

And only a few weeks ago Mr. Brotherton, of Fell Lane, Penrith, saw the same open mine shaft again. This time it was accentuated by snow, and the broken-down fence, which had been around it previously, had - gone. He took a picture which appeared in the "Herald" on 24th March.

The shaft where the accident happened is about twenty feet from a fence which guides a short cut on the Pennine Way in a North-Easterly direction.

This week Eden District Council, which has already "capped" half the 400 open shafts they have located on Alston Moor, erected a fence around the hole as a temporary measure until it can be "capped" after the snow has melted.

An eight-hour rescue operation, involving members of Penrith Mountain Rescue Team and the Cave Rescue Organization from Settle, was mounted after 20 year-old student Mr. Ramsbotham, of Thorpe Willoughby, North Yorkshire, fell down the 120ft. Shaft.

WALKING OVER FELL

He and another student, 18-year-old Alistair Hall, from Cambridge, had set off walking from Garrigill for Dufton Youth Hostel across Dufton Fell.

Police said that in knee-deep snow and mist they lost their way and Mr. Ramsbotham fell down the mind shaft near Fallow Hill.

Mr. Hall managed to make his way back to Garrigill to raise the alarm, having marked the way back to the accident spot.

Penrith Mountain Rescue Team spokesman Mr. Mike Graham said the search and recovery of the body would have taken much longer but for help from local people who provided a tracked Snowcat vehicle to take the teams and their equipment to within two miles of the incident.

Poor weather conditions and large amounts of snow meant that both organisations had to be vigilant for the welfare of their own members over such a length of time.

HAZARDS

Mr. Graham said the incident highlighted the potential hazards of walking in the area where there are uncapped mine shafts, especially when they were covered with deep drifts of snow.

Mr. Ramsbotham body was eventually recovered by the cave rescue team who used ropes and ladders to get to the bottom of the shaft.

Mr. Brotherton said he reported the shaft he discovered in the area about two years ago to Eden Council. "I reported it to the Mansion House. They have done nothing about it," said Mr. Brotherton.

Eden only started capping the mines a year ago. Last year warnings were issued by the Council about the dangers of open mine shafts through brochures distributed to all the youth hostels, schools and tourist information centres.

Signs were also put up in the area warning of the dangers of the uncapped shafts.

Mr. Bruce Payne, organizer of the "capping" operation, said: "We thought that it would probably increase the risk because if people saw a sign they are more likely to go over to it than if we simply left it alone." The Council, which accepts

no responsibility for the mines, has surveyed about three quarters of Alston Moor and found 400 uncapped shafts, most of which were ventilation shafts for the lead mines.

Concrete sleepers or a steel cage manufactured by Alston firm Cumbrian Engineers are used in the "capping" process.

Workers under the Man-poser Services Commission have currently "capped" half the located shafts and Eden recently received a further £37,500 from the Department of the Environment to carry on with the "capping" and to put gates across the entrance to drift mines in the area.

Mine shafts have been "capped", area by area to save on time and the nearest have been tackled first. Ventilation shafts are about five feet in diameter and can vary from 12ft. deep to 350ft.

Mr. Payne said the particular shaft was right on top of the fells and was probably the most remote.

30th January 1993 (Newcastle Journal)

REMAINS OF HISTORIC INDUSTRY BEING HARNESSED TO AID TOURISM.

Lead mining in the North Pennines left a legacy to be harnessed and an element of danger. Environment Editor TONY HENDERSON reports.

THE 18th and 19th Century lead and zinc miners of the North Pennines experienced the highs and lows of life in a rugged area. They grafted not only underground but were often small-time farmers working fields at up to 2,000 ft above sea level. What they left behind has helped shape a distinctive landscape legacy which the county councils of Northumberland, Durham and Cumbria, together with bodies like the North Pennines Heritage Trust, are working towards capturing for the new growth industry of tourism. Killhope Lead Mining Centre, with a hat trick of recent awards, is a leading light but work is now starting on restoring the most complete lead mine site in the North Pennines. Cumbria County Council has just acquired the Rampgill lead mine and buildings at Nenthead. In co-operation with the heritage trust, the aim is to develop the site as an exhibition area with the target of an Easter 1994 opening. Tomorrow volunteers will pitch into restoration and clearing work at the assay house, where lead ore was tested, miners' barrack block and blacksmith's shop. …

22nd August 1998 (**Cumberland & Westmorland Herald**)

WORK STARTS ON £3.2 MILLION SCHEME TO STABILISE NENTHEAD SPOIL HEAPS

ENGLISH Partnerships are to invest £1 million to help stabilise three lead spoil heaps and prevent pollution of the River Nent in the former mining area around Alston.

Work has just started on the £3.2 million scheme, which will stop the erosion of the spoil heaps/tailings dams and improve 14 hectares of unstable and unsightly land close to the village of Nenthead.

This is the first project to be brought forward as part of the £8 million Alston Moor strategy, recently endorsed by English Partnerships and is currently awaiting planning permission for its initial stage.

Two further projects in the area are planned during the next three years, as part of the strategy, which is being pioneered by Cumbria County Council in

conjunction with the Environment Agency, Eden Council and Alston Moor Parish Council.

John Carr, senior development manager for English Partnerships, said: “In its current condition the site is an eyesore in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and is a disincentive to investment in the area.

“The scheme will provide a permanent solution to the problem and will contribute to the regeneration of the local economy. It also ties in with the current sustainable tourism strategy at Alston Moor to attract more visitors to the area”.

Mining at Nenthead can be dated back to the Roman times and was central to the largest lead mining industry in Europe during the Victorian era. The three large spoil heaps/tailings dams are a legacy of a process used during World War Two to extract lead and zinc from the waste left over from mining.

A full environment investigation and study into the River Nent and the adjacent land, including the tailings dams, has been completed on behalf of the county council by County Durham-based Scott Doherty Associates, with £120,000 from English Partnerships.

The problem at Nenthead arose due to the erosion of the dams by the river, making them unstable and giving the potential for contamination. The scheme will involve works to slow the speed of the river, removing its erosive power, using a system of natural stone weirs to reduce the gradient of the water course. The dams themselves will be covered by a synthetic clay liner, granular drainage layer, filter membrane and vegetation and soil layer, which will prevent water from entering them and allow them to dry out naturally.

Michael Baker, from Cumbria County Council, said: “The Nenthead environmental improvements will provide a permanent solution to the long term problems associated with the site. In particular, the area will be protected against serious pollution that would occur should the contents of one of the dams discharge into the river.”

Work on site is expected to be completed by November, with the second contract to start in 1999.

Appendix 1
Emigration information from the Durham Advertiser.
13th April 1832
Durham Advertiser
Emigration

The Commissioners appointed to inquire into the subject of emigration to the British Colonies in North America have issued a notice, dated from the Colonial Office, in which they give some useful information to persons desirous to emigrate.

They commence by stating the nature of the assistance, which will be afforded by Government to emigrants, and proceed to remark upon the various other subjects connected with our North American possessions. Government, they state will not grant any pecuniary aid to emigrants, nor will they, after their arrival be provided with grants of land, gifts of tools, or a supply of provisions. The land which is for sale will be open to public competition, and therefore the price must depend upon the offers made; generally speaking, it will hardly fetch less than from 4s to 5s per acre; indeed in good situations, it has lately realised 7s, 8s, 10s and even 15s. Government, however, though declining to afford pecuniary assistance, have been at some pains to afford facilities to emigrants on their arrival, and with this view agents are to be maintained at the principle colonial ports, who will gratuitously give every requisite information to persons upon their first landing, protect them against imposition, and point out to them the most advantageous line of conduct to be pursued according to circumstances. In cases, also where a private engagement cannot immediately be obtained, these agents will procure employment in some of the public works in progress in the colonies. In order to provide against frauds, and also to prevent an improper expenditure at the first moment of arrival, it has been arranged that money may be made payable there, instead of giving it into the hands of emigrants in this country. Money may be paid into the hands of Messrs Smith, Payne, and Smith, who will give letters of credit, so as to enable the emigrant to receive the amount in the Canadas. They will not, however, take a less sum than £20 on account of any one individual. The best months for leaving England are stated to be March and April, as those who emigrate later do not find employment so abundant, and have of course less time before the approach of winter. The Commissioners suggest that persons proceeding to Canada should also be provided with the means of paying for the journey which they may have to make after their arrival at Quebec. The cost of conveyance will of course depend upon the distance, but the average appears to be at the rate of 180 mile for 7s. Passengers from London to Quebec, or New Brunswick, may be engaged either inclusive or exclusive of provisions. In the former case, the price is about £6; in the latter £3. But from Liverpool, Greenock, and the principle ports in Ireland, it is a good deal lower. In fact, in March and April, the Commissioners say it may probably be obtained from Dublin for 35s or 39s, but the prices increase as the season advances. The colonies to which emigrants to North America can proceed with the most advantage are stated to be Lower Canada, Upper Canada, and New Brunswick. The following is the correct list of the prices of grain and wages in Lower Canada: - Wheat per bushel, 4s 6d, Rye about 3s, Maize 2s 6d, and Oats 1s 3d. Wages of labourers 2s 0d per day, shipbuilders, carpenters, joiners, coopers, masons, and tailors, 5s per day. From a calculation made with respect to Upper Canada, that the yearly wages of labourers there, hired by the year

are from £27 to £30; monthly wages from £2 10s to £3 10s; daily wages from 2s to 3s 9d. In all the above rates of wages, board and lodgings are found by the employer; without board, the daily wages vary from 3s 6d, out of harvest, to 5s in harvest time. The wages given to mechanics may be stated to be from 5s to 7s 6d per day. In New Brunswick, the expense of living and the rate of wages are somewhat the same as Lower Canada; but it may be remarked that when labourers have become better acquainted with the work of a particular colony they may be able to get an increase of wages. The mechanics most in demand are those connected with house building. Shoemakers, tailors, and shipbuilders, also find plenty of employment. The following are the prices of a few articles of necessity in New Brunswick: - Bread, the 4lb loaf, 10d; Beef, per stone, 3s 3d; Mutton, 2s 6d; Pork, 2s 01/2d; Veal, 2s 4d; Salt Pork, £4 15s per barrel.

11 May 1832
Durham Advertiser
Coal Mines Strike
Several lead miners have passed through this city on their way to Hetton and other collieries where they are engaged to work in the coalmines.

25 May 1832
Durham Advertiser
The misguided pitmen still adhere to their determination to continue their “union”, and the colliery owners are equally determined to employ no union men. In this state of things vast numbers of the lead miners from Weardale and Teesdale, and even from Cumberland are arriving daily at the collieries, where they obtain immediate employment, to the permanent exclusion of an equal number of pitmen, who ere long, must have their eyes opened to the folly of their conduct, and the designs of their delegates and leaders. (*Pitmen received wages of around 20s per week*)

Appendix 2

Notice of Personal Injury at the WB Mines 1876-1900
(NRO 712/C/36)

26 January 1876
Thomas Emerson aged 20
Killhope Mine
Lead Miner
Gunpowder explosion resulting in burns.

26 January 1876
Joseph Stephenson
Hope Level (Groverake mine)
Plumber and Painter
Hurt while assisting to take down Air Piping.

24 May 1876
Cornelius Nattrass aged 39
Greenlaws
Lead Miner
A roof fall broke his leg and bruised his foot.

27 September 1876
George Nattrass and Cuthbert Nattrass
Hope Level (Groverake mine)
Lead Miners
Fired a bottle of gunpowder with a candle resulting in burns.

20 November 1876
Thomas Hodgson aged 20
Killhope
Lead Miner
Gunpowder fired in a hole resulting in burns.

19 March 1877
John Spark aged 42
Allenheads
Lead Miner
While firing a match at the end of a paper squib it exploded he was burnt about the face.

5 June 1877
John Race aged 40
Greenlaws Mine
Lead Miner
A piece of mineral came away from the side of the working, grazing his hip and thigh.

19 November 1877
John Elliot aged 26
Craig's Level (Langdon mines)
Lead Miner
Fall of mineral broke his thighbone.

26 March 1878
John Ridley aged 26
Burtree pasture mine
Lead Miner
Charged a hole, which missed firing, while in the act of boring it out it exploded. Slightly burnt.

1 May 1878
Thomas Dalton aged 19
Burtree Pasture Mine
Lead Miner
A mineral fall from the side of the working. Injuries uncertain but expected to recover.

19 February 1880
Richard Wearmouth aged 49
Greenlaws Mine
Lead Miner
A fall of mineral hit him on the side of the head. Cut needed two stitches.

6 January 1881
William Elliot aged 15
Groverake Mine
Washer boy
Fell while attempting to jump onto a wagon, the wagon ran over his arm and broke it.

1 November 1881
Thomas Kidd aged 48
Stanhope Burn
Lead ore dresser or washer
Fell while climbing a small ladder, which was partly covered with ice, at the crushing mill. Fell and cut his head.

9 November 1881
Thomas Wearmouth aged 56
Burtree Pasture Mine
Banksman and Deputy Woodman
While repairing, a climbing way in Engine Shaft a piece of timber fell on his shoulder and dislocated it.

1 March 1882
Jonathan Kidd aged 32
Groverake Mine
Lead Miner
Fired a match set to blast and instead of going to proper shelter he went below some timber, the blast crushed a portion of the timber work down on him, broke his leg.

9 June 1882
John Emerson aged 42
Greenlaws Mine
Lead Miner
Mineral fell on his back, - not much injured.

7 May 1883
John Bell aged 48
Groverake Mine
Lead Miner
A wall gave way, some fell on him, he is very little worse.

3 January 1888
Pattinson Heslop aged 52
Allenheads Lead Miner
Put his foot on damp timber fell over and broke his left arm.

30 October 1888
Joseph Sanderson aged 50
Allenheads
Foreman, Mechanical engineer
While adjusting the elevators at the crushing mill, he accidentally slipped his right foot down against the nearly horizontal worm screw, which was in motion and has got his big and second toes badly lacerated

8 January 1891
John Bright aged 55
Blackett Level, Sipton Shaft
Engine man
Wound on the left side of the head caused by a weight suspended to the capper at the shaft top, falling down upon him.

3 February 1892
Joseph Vickers aged 36
Allenheads, Durham Tract
Lead Miner
While wagoning deads along the Hazel level to the High Shaft a projecting piece of rock lying on the top of the wagon caught the side or roof of the level and drove it over the end of the wagon and cut his face on the forehead.

19 March 1896
John Tom Nixon aged 27
Allenheads Durham Tract
Lead Miner
Side of the working gave way covering him up, complains of stiffness in his hands face and limbs.

28 September 1900
William Philipson aged 46
Blackett Level, Sipton Shaft
Lead Miner
Assisting engineers to erect an air compressing engine and Pelton wheel, strained his left side.

Appendix 3

Record of Fatal Accidents at WB Mines 1876-1883
(NRO 712/C/37)

20 November 1876
John Hodgson aged 53
Killhope Mine
Lead Miner
Had bored a hole into a small cavity and while putting in a large quantity of gunpowder fired it with his candle it blew a quantity of stuff against him, he was crushed and died about an hour afterwards.

15 March 1878 about 6pm
Thomas Harrison aged 19
Killhope Mine
Lead Miner
Had bored a hole and charged it and while in the act of firing the blast exploded he lived about an hour afterwards. A strong current of good air is passing through this part of the mine.

18 September 1879
Thomas Heslop aged 54
The Old Gin Water Level, Allenheads Mine
Engine Keeper
Killed while engaged attending to his duty in oiling and looking after the water wheels and pumping.

25 January 1881
Christopher Walton aged 32
Barney Craig or West Allen Mine
Lead Miner
While engaged putting gunpowder into an unsound blast hole it exploded and he was killed.

21 November 1881
Joseph Robinson aged 38
Greenlaws Mine
Lead Miner
While climbing a rise on his way to work, he came to foul air and was warned by his partner not to go further but persisted in going and lost his life in the foul air.

3 November 1882
John Joseph Roddam aged 17
Groverake
Lead ore washer
While engaged putting the elevators of the Chat Crushing Mill on to the guides, which had got off, his foot got into the wheels and crushed his leg he died six hours after the accident.

25 January 1883
William Parker aged 20
Holmes Linn, Blackett Level
Mason and Quarry man
While on his way to work at the quarry which is situated on a steep hill side and in a wood where some trees had been felled some of which lying across the road to the quarry he along with his partner disturbed one in crossing over it which rolled down the hill taking William Parker along with it crushing him causing his death.

20 March 1883
John Phillipson aged 42
Level in Whitings Vein, Blackett Level
Lead Miner
While engaged in filling a wagon with rubbish, which had been worked from the Whiting vein level forehead, a fall of roof came down upon him and killed him instantly.

Appendix 4
Search of California newspapers
Website used:
California Digital Newspaper Collection: cdnc.ucr.edu/newsucr
Search criteria used
Allendale
Alston
Hexham
Northumberland
Stanhope
Tyne
Weardale

Daily Alta California, Volume 3, 10 December 1852
At Grace Church, December 9th, by the Rev. Dr. Ver Mehr Francis James Lippett, of this city, to Elizabeth Stobart, only daughter of the late James L. Clarkson, Esq., of Wickham, in the county of Durham, England.

Daily Alta California, Volume 4, Number 138, 19 May 1853
On the17th inst., by the Rev. Albeit Williams, at the First Presbyterian Church. Stockton Street, Capt. Wm. Scutter to Miss Alice Hart daughter of the late Mr. Patrick Hart of South Shields. County of Durham, England

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 9, 28 April 1855
In San Francisco, April 25th, Capt. John Hart, a native of South Shields, county of Durham, England, aged 50 years.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 21, Number 3130, 9 April 1861
At the Hoboken House, El Dorado county, March 14th, of putrid sore throat, Alice, aged 5 years and 7 months; also, on April 5th, John, aged 8 years and 11 months, children of Cuthbert and Jane Nattrass, of Durham, England.

Daily Alta California, Volume XV, Number 4755, 2 March 1863
The loss of the schooner Beeswing, on the bar of San Francisco, on the 18th of February, has thrown a great gloom over the city of Monterey, to which port she was a regular trader. Her unfortunate owners were Thos. McRea and Robert Young, both of San Francisco. Mr. Robert Young was a native of Hilton County, Durham, England. He was much respected by all who knew him and leaves many warm friends to lament his death. He was 53 years and 16 days old.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 27, 26 May 1864
In San Francisco, May 14th, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Kip, Oswald Broder, of Mormon Island, to Francis Bainbridge, late of Durham, England.

Daily Alta California, Volume 18, Number 5873, 9 April 1866
In Alameda county April 7th George Dixon, a native of Durham. England aged 77 years.
Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral this day, (Monday), at 101/2 o'clock A. M.

Daily Alta California, Volume 18, Number 5982, 28 July 1866
UTAH ITEMS.
At Gardnerville, Utah County, on the 11th inst., Charles Wilson, while taking his gun out of a wagon, shot himself. The ball after passing through an inch plank, entered his left side, and passing near his heart, came out on the opposite side, killing him instantly. Mr. Wilson was about forty years of age, has been a member of the church seventeen years, and emigrated from Durham, England, he leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 33, Number 5046, 30 May 1867
The Shooting Affray at Port Townsend.
The Port Townsend Message gives the following particulars of the recent shooting affair, which took place May 14th, at Port Townsend, to which reference was made by telegraph:
About two months ago some of the men of the ship Southern Chief who had shipped for the round voyage via Acapulco to Puget Sound and back, left her at Port Gamble and came to this place. Here they enlaced the services of J. W. Tripp *(He was also the Republican candidate for District Attorney of Washington Territory)* as an attorney to collect what pay was coming to them, for which service they agreed to give him half, besides paying the expenses he might incur the business. Tripp collected $190 from the master of the Southern Chief as a balance coming to the men and sent to them $75 as their share. These men had been boarding at the Franklin House and drinking at the Antelope bar, and owed the proprietor of the two houses more than the sum they received for their wages, the money having fallen into the hands of the proprietor of the boarding house, and not being enough to cover the bill the men bad already incurred, he of course kept the money find told them they must go somewhere else to board. Tis the men did not like, and they had made up their minds to make Tripp pay to them more money. When the New World arrived at tie wharf on Monday afternoon, Tripp came ashore, and as he was coming up the wharf, accompanied by his wife, four of the men pitched on him, tearing his clothes and at last drove him on board the New World. One of the men told Mrs. Trlpp, in a very insulting manner, as she was walking ashore from the New World, whither She had been driven with her husband by the sailors, that unless Tripp paid them $50 he would never leave the wharf alive, and drove her back on board the steamer. Tripp requested the Captain of the steamer to land him at Point Wilson, which the Captain at first promised to do, but Tripp was afterward persuaded to proceed to Victoria, and fortunate indeed was it for him, for we are informed that seven of the men suspected that he would land at Point Wilson, and proceeded thither to receive him. Whilst at Victoria, Tripp purchased a shotgun with which to protect himself. At nine o'clock on Thursday morning, on the arrival of the New World, Tripp came ashore, and his brother-in-law, whom he met at the boat, proceeded up the wharf, gun in hand. Half way up the wharf, four of the sailors were in wait for him, and as he advanced, assumed a threatening attitude. Tripp, with his gun at half shoulder told them to keep off or they would hurt; whereupon the men commenced spreading out so as to surround Tripp. One, an Englishman, drew a knife, and as he did so was immediately shot by Tripp and killed on the spot. In the same, moment Tripp shot another of the assaulters, killing him also. As soon as both barrels of the gun were discharged, Tripp clubbed his gun to defend himself against the third

man Tripp's brother in law then drew a revolver and fired twice at the man who was assaulting Tripp, only one of the shots taking effect, however. Upon this, Tripp and his brother in law were arrested by the authorities. On Wednesday night, the sailors who had assaulted Tripp swore that they will kill him on sight, if they were hanged for it the next moment, and were advised by some of the towns folk to let the matter drop; but they would not, and have suffered the consequences. Tripp and his brother-in-law were both in charge of the Sheriff when the New World left Townsend. Since writing, the above we have learned that the man whom Tripp's brother-in-law shot has died.
The Victoria Morning News says: "The above account is not altogether correct. There were only two men killed — Tripp shot one, and his brother in-law the other. A third man was badly injured by Tripp striking him on the head with the butt of his gun. Tripp and his brother-law have had an examination before a magistrate, and have been committed for trial for murder in the first degree." There were from 50 to 75 persons on the wharf at the time, and its only wonder that no outsider should have been killed. The names of the deceased were Alexander Clark, a native of Belfast, Ireland, aged 27, and James Partridge, a native of Tynemouth, England, aged about 30. The wounded man's name is Buckley, Tripp and Keys were arrested on the spot, and upon examination before the Magistrate were fully committed on the charge of murder. “W" a passenger by the New World blames the officials of the place for not being on board to protect Tripp, when they knew it was the Intention of the sailors to assault him. *(J. W. Tripp continued as an attorney working in San Francisco)*

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 7, Number 237, 27 November 1878
Sacramento, November 26— J. A. Johnson, a native of Durham, England, 51 years, 9 months and 20 days.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 2, Number 187, 28 September 1876
Sacramento, September 27 — By Rev. J. H. C. Bonte, John Emmatt, of San Francisco, to Mary F. Stainsby, of Seaton Carrew, Durham, England.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 17, Number 50, 20 April 1883
NEVADA.
Found Dead and Half Naked.
Eureka, April 19th. — Ralph Emerson, a miner, aged 38 years, a native of Durham, England, was found this morning lying dead on a bunk in a wood-packer's cabin, to which he had strayed last night half naked. He is supposed to have been insane, and to have taken his own life by poison.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 52, Number 82, 28 November 1884
Lower Stockton Road, November 27— William Sparrow, a native of County Durham, England, 59 years, 7 months and 15 days.

Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 52, Number 147, 14 February 1885
NEVADA
Lonely Death of a "Forty-niner." Palisade, February 13th. — James Matlock, a native of Durham, England, 52 years old, was found dead in his cabin at the Safford mining camp. Eureka County, Nevada yesterday. Deceased was a forty-niner, has a brother in California and a daughter in New Orleans.

San Francisco Call, Volume 69, Number 132, 11 April 1891
BOLTON— In this city, April 9 1891, Dr. William Bolton, a native of Newcastle on Tyne, England, aged 7l years. Remains at the undertaking parlours of N. Gray & Co., 641 Sacramento Street, until 12 o'clock am. Saturday, April 11th. Funeral services THIS DAY (Saturday), at 2 o'clock pm., at St. John's Episcopal Church, Eighth and Grove streets, Oakland. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

San Francisco Call, Volume 74, Number 12, 12 June 1893
The Rev. Ralph Swinburn. who lives near Charleston. W. Va. is the oldest railroad man living in this country. He was born near Newcastle-on-Tyne, in the county of Durham, England, August 4, 1805, and began to work on railroads in the year 1818.

San Francisco Call, Volume 79, Number 54, 23 January 1896
JACKSON— In this city, January 22, 1896, Fred H., beloved husband of Maggie E. Jackson, a native of Durham, England, aged 47 years 6 months and 18 days. The funeral will take place THIS DAY (Thursday), at, 2 o'clock p.m., from his late residence, 348 Seventh Street. Interment Laurel Hill Cemetery.

San Francisco Call, Volume 83, Number 61, 30 January 1898
CRAWHALL— In this city, January 28. 1898. John, beloved husband of Margaret Crawhall, a native of Durham, England, aged 64 years 8 months and 3 days. (English papers: please copy.)
Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral this day (Sunday), at 2 o'clock, from Laurel Hall, Shiels building, 32 O'Farrell Street. Funeral under the auspices of Yerba Buena Lodge No. 14. A. O. U. W. Interment Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

San Francisco Call, Volume 84, Number 153, 31 October 1898
BEE— In this city, October 30, 1898, Joseph, beloved husband of Louise Bee, stepfather of Mrs. F. H. Mills, and brother of William and Sarah Bee, a native of Weardale, Dunham County, England, aged 53 years 5 months and 27 days. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral to-morrow (Tuesday), at 1 o'clock, from his late residence, 1706 Broadway. Interment I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

San Francisco Call, Volume 85, Number 128, 7 April 1899
REV. ANNA HOWARD SHAW-B. F. B., San Jose. Cal. The Rev. Anna Howard Shaw was born at Newcastle-on- Tyne, England, February 14, 1847, and was brought to America when four years of age. Her parents located In Massachusetts, and then in Michigan. In 1873, Miss Shaw was granted a license as a local preacher; in 1875, she entered a college in Michigan, and then she entered the theological department of the Boston University and graduated with honours in 1878. During the last year of her theological course, she was the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Hingham. Mass. Her second pastorate was at East Dennis on Cape Cod. She made application to the New England Methodist Episcopal ' Conference for ordination, and though she passed the best examination she was refused ordination on account of her sex. She appealed to the General Conference in 1880 and the refusal was

confirmed. She then applied to the Methodist Protestant Church for ordination, and received it on the 12th October 1880, being the first woman ordained in that denomination.

San Francisco Call, Volume 95, Number 45, 14 January 1904
HEAVISIDE— In this city, January 12 1904, Robert, beloved husband of Mary Heaviside, and father of William and Marjorie Heaviside, a native of Durham. England aged 57 years 2 months and 21 days.
Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral to-day Thursday at 2 o'clock, from St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Van Ness Avenue and Clay Street. Interment I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

San Francisco Call, Volume 97, Number 6, 6 December 1904
BUCKLEY— In this city, December 5 1904, Cornelius T., beloved son of Elizabeth Buckley, and brother of Mrs. McGorry Mrs. Malaghan, Mrs. Aklund. Mrs. Durfee and John Buckley, a native of Newcastle-on- Tyne. England aged 34 years.

San Francisco Call, Volume 97, Number 16, 16 December 1904
OLDEST PIONEER GOES ACROSS GREAT DIVIDE
James Payne Smith, who reached the age of Ninety-Four, Dies in Alameda.
ALAMEDA, Dec. 15. — James Payne Smith, who was found yesterday in a helpless condition on the porch of his cottage at 1616 Railroad avenue, passed away last night from oedema of the lungs and shock sustained by a fall in which his scalp was lacerated. Smith was 94 years of age and the oldest member of the California Society of Pioneers. His physical and mental energy were remarkable for one of his years, and his last words to his attending physician were, "Whatever you do, doctor, don't say after I am gone that I died of old age. I have always cared for myself, but there is something on my lungs that is strangling me now." Smith was a widower; his wife having died two years ago. He was a native of Durham, England, and came to California in 1848. He was engaged in mining for many years and was at one time Postmaster at Elko, Nev. He is survived by a son, J. B. Smith of this city.

San Francisco Call, Volume 102, Number 116, 24 September 1907
KNOWLTON— In this city, September 23, 1907, Catherine, beloved wife of the late Frederick Knowlton, mother of Edward Roy Knowlton, daughter of Mrs Mary McKeever, sister of. James, Edward. Michael, Mabel and Ethel McKeever, cousin of Mary Duecy, and John McDonald, and niece of the late Peter McKeever, a native of County Durham, England, aged 31 years 11 months and 12 days.

San Francisco Call, Volume 106, Number 165, 12 November 1909
BAINBRIDGE— In this city, November 11, 1909 Charles William Bainbridge, beloved husband of Mrs Augusta C. Bainbridge, lecturer for the California Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and father of Mrs. John B. Wetmore of Los Angeles and Mrs. George W. Eltz of Colorado Springs, a native of Lumley Thicks, County Durham, England, aged 66 years 8 months ' and 3 days.

Appendix 5

Library of Congress, Chronicling America Newspaper pages.
http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/pages/
(Search period 1880-1922)

New-York tribune. (New York [N.Y.]) August 26, 1905,
A new figure in the religious work of the city is Colonel William Peart the successor of Colonel Edward Higgins is the chief secretary ship of the Salvation Army in this country. He has already had his welcome meetings, which were filled with enthusiasm and good feeling. Colonel Peart is well qualified for the place, which he occupies, which practically places him as second in command of the army work here. He filled a similar post for many years in Australia.
Colonel Peart was born in Alston, England. He went to Australia at the early age of seven. In January 1885 Cadet Peart entered the old training home at South Melbourne. In the few weeks at Coventry-st. he earnestly applied himself to the important work he had taken up. Before the close of February, he received his first commission to assist Staff Officer Hendy at the Adelaide divisional office.
In the four years, he remained in Adelaide Cadet Peart received promotion to the rank of lieutenant, afterward advancing to that of captain and still further to staff officership and staff captain. In 1888, he was transferred to the Gouldburn divisional office, under staff captains (now colonel) Jeffries and Hoskin, respectively. On the occasion of his farewell at Adelaide his marriage with Captain Hettie Butcher was celebrated. …

Jacob Peart married Hannah Bell, 9th January 1823, at St Augustine's, Alston.
In 1841, at Middle Craig, Alston, Jacob Peart, lead miner, aged 45, his wife Hannah 40, children, John 15, Robert 12, Thomas 10, Hannah 8, George 6, Nancy 4, and William 4 months.
Jacob Peart of leadgate was buried 19th July 1850, aged 50, at St John, Garrigill.
In 1851, at Leadgate, Alston, Hannah Peart, widow, aged 50, children, John, lead miner, aged 26, Robert, lead miner, aged 23, Thomas, lead miner, aged 20, Hannah 18, George, lead miner, aged 16, Nancy 14, Tamar 12, William 10, and Joseph 4.
Hannah Peart peart of Leadgate was buried 7th August 1853, aged 52, at St John, Garrigill.
John Peart married Tamar Coates, 2nd quarter 1854, registered at Alston.

Tamar born 1832, daughter of William and Nancy Coates
In 1861, at Gill House, Alston, John Peart, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Tamar 29, daughter, Ann 4, and William 1.
John Peart and his family emigrated to Melbourne, Australia on the "Great Britain" 25th May 1864.

Victoria, Australia, Assisted and Unassisted Passenger Lists, 1839-1923 (Ancestry.co.uk)

John Peart was born 21st November 1824, at Garrigill, and baptised 28th April 1825, Wesleyan, Alston.

John Peart, miner, died at Beaconsfield, Tasmania 12th May 1890, of disease of the heart, aged 66. Probate 7th July 1890, to Tamar Peart, Benjamin Rough & John Robinson; £150.
Tamar Peart died 6th December 1894, at Beaconsfield, Tasmania, of Cerebral Apoplexy, aged 63.

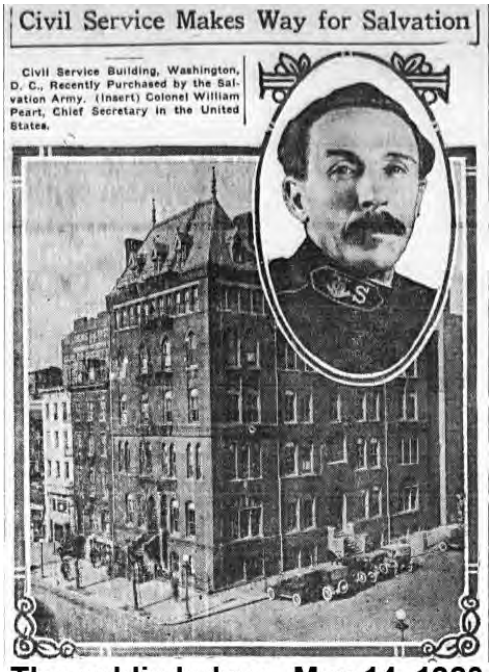
15th December 1894 (The Tasmanian)

Another old resident passed away on Thursday night last in the person of Mrs Peart at the age of 63. The deceased lady was much respected and leaves a grown up family to mourn their loss. A son (Brigadier Peart) is the head of the Salvation Army in Victoria. The remains were conveyed to the public cemetery on Saturday, followed by members of the Salvation Army, of which the deceased lady was a member.

William Peart married Amanda Henrietta Butcher on 24th October 1888, T Hooker Buildings, Adelaide.

In 1905 the family emigrated from Melbourne, Australia to New York in 1905.

In 1910, at Mount Vernon Ward 5, Westchester, New York, William Peart, officer Salvation Army, aged 50, his wife Henrietta aged 57, children, Florence 20, and Herbert 16.
Amanda Henrietta Peart died 6th April 1914, aged 55, at Westchester, New York
In 1915, at Mount Vernon Ward 5, Westchester, New York, William Peart, Chief Secretary, Salvation Army, aged 54, children, children, Florence, kindergarden teacher, aged 25, born, Australia, and Herbert,, at College, aged 21, born, Australia.


Civil Service Makes Way for Salvation

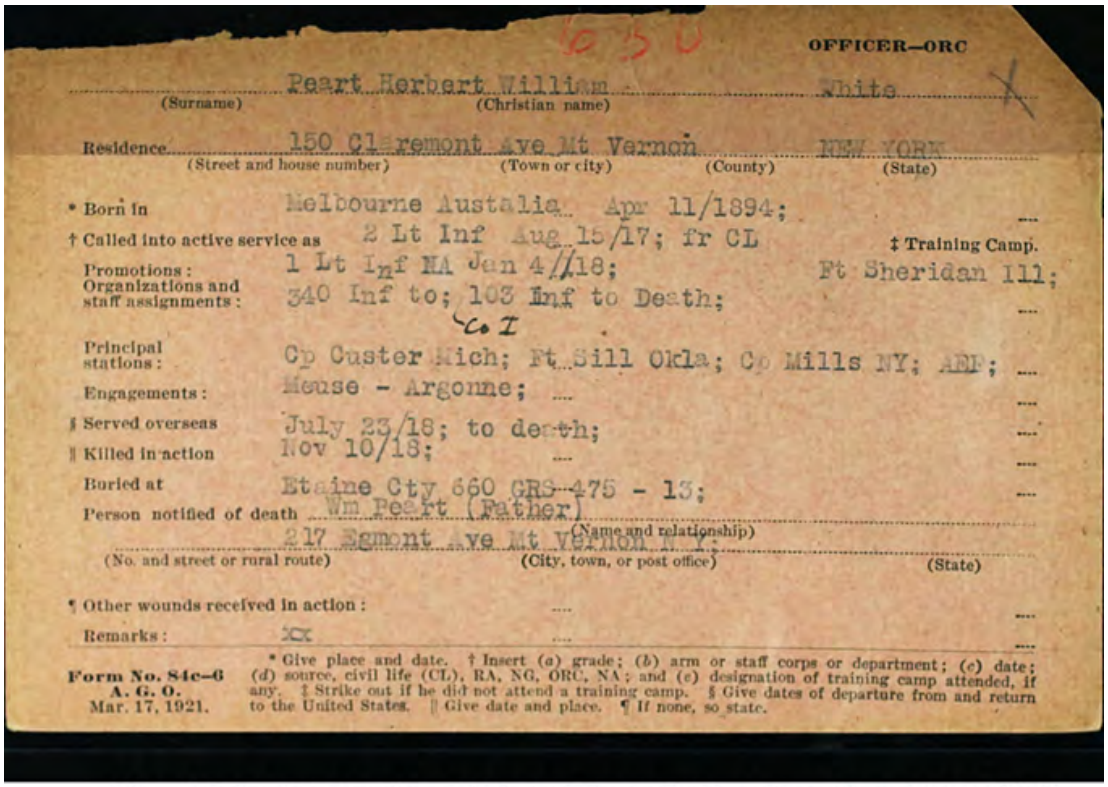
Civil Service Building, Washington, D. C., Recently Purchased by the Salvation Army. (Insert) Colonel William Peart, Chief Secretary in the United States.

The public ledger., May 14, 1920

8th January 1919 (San Fransisco Chronicle)
Father Told How His Hero Son Died.

Mount Vernon (N.Y.). January 7. —Details of the heroic death of Lieutenant Herbert William Peart are given in letters from brother officers to his father, Colonel William Peart of the Salvation- Army, who lives at 217 Egmont avenue, this place, Lieutenant Peart was killed in action north of Verdun on November 10. He was 24 years old. According to the letters, Peart led a platoon of his men, members of Company A, 103d Infantry, against a German trench. The Officer found himself and a sergeant cut off from his men by a German counter-barrage. They jumped into the trench, which was held by sixteen Germans, seized two machine, guns and turned the weapons on the enemy, driving them out of the trench and holding the position until reinforcements arrived after the barrage had lifted.

Lieutenant Peart was killed just before his men came up. He was born in Australia and completed his education at the Brooklyn Polytecnic Institute. He enlisted at the beginning of the war and went to France in October. 1917. He was commissioned First Lieutenant last summer.



OFFICER—ORC

Peart Herbert William (Surname) (Christian name) White

Residence 150 Claremont Ave Mt Vernon NEW YORK
(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County) (State)

* Born in Melbourne Australia Apr 11/1894;

† Called into active service as 2 Lt Inf Aug 15/17; fr CL ‡ Training Camp.

Promotions: 1 Lt Inf NA Jan 4/18; Ft Sheridan Ill;
Organizations and staff assignments: 340 Inf to; 103 Inf to Death;
Co I

Principal stations: Cp Custer Mich; Ft Sill Okla; Cp Mills NY; AEF;

Engagements: Meuse - Argonne;

§ Served overseas July 23/18; to death;

‖ Killed in action Nov 10/18;

Buried at Etaine Cty 660 GRS 475 - 13;

Person notified of death Wm Peart (Father)
(Name and relationship)
217 Egmont Ave Mt Vernon N Y;
(No. and street or rural route) (City, town, or post office) (State)

¶ Other wounds received in action:

Remarks: XX

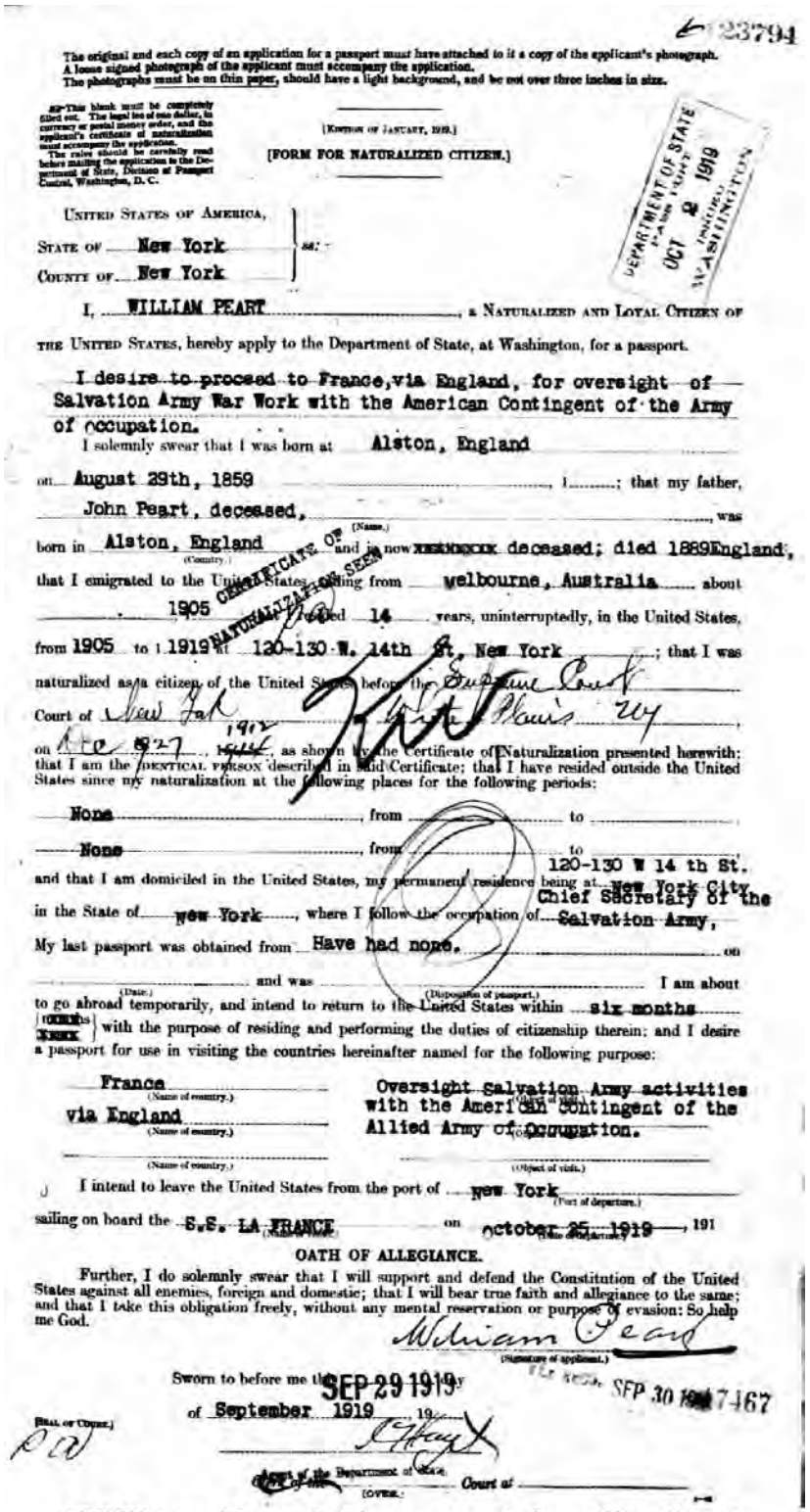
* Give place and date. † Insert (a) grade; (b) arm or staff corps or department; (c) date; (d) source, civil life (CL), RA, NG, ORC, NA; and (e) designation of training camp attended, if any. ‡ Strike out if he did not attend a training camp. § Give dates of departure from and return to the United States. ‖ Give date and place. ¶ If none, so state.

Form No. 84c–G A. G. O. Mar. 17, 1921.

New York, Abstracts of World War I Military Service, 1917-1919

In 1920, at Egmont Ave, Mount Vernon Ward 1, Westchester, New York, Secretary Salvation Army, aged 60, and daughter Florence 30.
In 1930, Beirut Street, Los Angeles, California, William Peart, widower, Minister, Salvation Army, aged 70, and daughter Florence A aged 40.
In 1940, at Briant St., Los Angeles, William Peart, widower, aged 80, and his daughter Florence, aged 50.

William Peart aged 67, born Alston, 28th August 1859, travelled on the S.S. Wilelmina, to Honolulu, on 9th March 1927, home address, Pacific Palisades, California. He returned to San Fransisco on 30th March 1927
William Peart died 31st December 1948, at Los Angeles.



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The original and each copy of an application for a passport must have attached to it a copy of the applicant's photograph.
A loose signed photograph of the applicant must accompany the application.
The photographs must be on thin paper, should have a light background, and be not over three inches in size.

The blank must be completely filled out. The legal fee of one dollar, in currency or postal money order, and the applicant's certificate of naturalization must accompany the application.
The rules should be carefully read before mailing the application to the Department of State, Division of Passport Control, Washington, D.C.

[EDITION OF JANUARY, 1919.]

[FORM FOR NATURALIZED CITIZEN.]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE OCT 2 1919 WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
STATE OF New York } ss:
COUNTY OF New York

I, WILLIAM PEART, a NATURALIZED AND LOYAL CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport.

I desire to proceed to France, via England, for oversight of Salvation Army War Work with the American Contingent of the Army of occupation.

I solemnly swear that I was born at Alston, England
on August 29th, 1859, ; that my father,
John Peart, deceased, (Name.)
was born in Alston, England (Country.) and is now deceased; died 1889 England,
that I emigrated to the United States, sailing from Melbourne, Australia about
1905, that I resided 14 years, uninterruptedly, in the United States,
from 1905 to 1919 at 120-130 W. 14th St, New York; that I was
naturalized as a citizen of the United States before the Supreme Court
Court of New York, in the State of New York, on the 8th day of June, 1927, as shown by the Certificate of Naturalization presented herewith;
that I am the IDENTICAL PERSON described in said Certificate; that I have resided outside the United States since my naturalization at the following places for the following periods:

None, from to
None, from to
and that I am domiciled in the United States, my permanent residence being at 120-130 W 14 th St, New York City
in the State of New York, where I follow the occupation of Chief Secretary of the Salvation Army,
My last passport was obtained from Have had none. on
(Date.) and was (Disposition of passport.) I am about
to go abroad temporarily, and intend to return to the United States within six months
with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein; and I desire a passport for use in visiting the countries hereinafter named for the following purpose:

France (Name of country.) Oversight Salvation Army activities with the American Contingent of the Allied Army of Occupation. (Object of visit.)
via England (Name of country.)
(Name of country.)

I intend to leave the United States from the port of New York (Port of departure.)
sailing on board the S.S. LA FRANCE on October 25 1919, 191

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: So help me God.

William Peart (Signature of applicant.)

Sworn to before me this SEP 29 1919 day of September 1919, 19

(SEAL OF COURT.)

Clerk of the Department of State.
Clerk of the Court at

(OVER.)

SEP 30 1919 7467

William Peart, Passport Application
(Note the error regarding his fathers death)
Source:Ancestry.co.uk

Appendix 6
From Alston to Utah

Jacob Peart

Deseret News 4 April 1855 (Salt Lake City)
Report of the Sixth Quorum
MR EDITOR we are pleased to be able to make a good report of the sixth quorum of seventies which possess a lively faith are energetic in all the duties required and meet on the first Sunday in each month at Jacob Pearts' 14th ward at which time the lord blesses the brethren with testimony faith and power we wish our brethren who live remote from us to report each conference by letter or otherwise their faith progress &c.
Your truly in the bonds of the covenant
GEORGE SIMS

Presidents
Israel Barlow on his way home
Alexander Badlam, California
L. O. Littlefield, Council Bluffs
David Candland, G. S. L. City
William Wordsworth, Utah
Charles Smith, England
Jacob Hofheins, Iron County

Deseret News 5 November 1856 (Salt Lake City)
Los Vegas Br Jacob Peart writes from near the Vegas Oct 13 that the Indians supply of mesquite beans and pine nuts has been measurably cut off by the drought which has shortened their customary supply of food and tempted them to steal a few animals from the settlers. Ice made its appearance at that place on the 9th and 10th of October

Deseret News 25 July 1860 (Salt Lake City)
In this city on the 20th instant by Daniel Spencer Jacob Peart jnr., and miss Margaret Grey

Deseret News 1 July 1868 (Salt Lake City)
This Morning, in the 14th Ward in this city, Phebe, wife of Jacob Peart. She was baptised in the fall of 1837, crossed the ocean in the spring of 1841 with those of the twelve apostles who returned from Europe at that time, left Nauvoo in the spring of 1846, and crossed the plains in 1848 in President Young's company

Deseret News 22 April 1874 (Salt Lake City)
In this city, April 20th 1874 of chronic Asthma Jacob Peart in the 73rd year of his age.
Funeral at 14th Ward assembly Rooms, Wednesday, at 11a.m. Friends are invited.

Emery County Progress 14 July 1906
Exodus From Nauvoo John R Young
… At this date our camps had reached Grand river. President Young called a halt and set all hands at work fencing a field and planting crops for the benefit

of the poor who would follow. First an ample guard was selected to look after the stock. That left three hundred fifty-nine labouring men; of these, one hundred were selected to make rails under the direction of C. C. Rich; ten under James Allred to put up fence; forty-nine under Father John Smith, uncle of the Prophet Joseph, to build houses; twelve under Jacob Peart to dig wells; ten under A. P. Rockwood to build the bridges, and one hundred eighty under Daniel Spencer to clear land, plough, and plant. …

In Mormonism, a Quorum of the Seventy is one of a group of up to seventy "traveling ministers" charged with the mission of preaching to the entire world, under the direction of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. The office is based on the Seventy mentioned in the Gospel of Luke. Members of the Seventy are commonly referred to as seventies.

Sixth Quorum of the Seventy: The Sixth Quorum members live and serve in North America Central, North America East, North America Northeast, North America Southeast, and North America Southwest Areas.
(Source ALL EXPERTS http://en.allexperts.com/e/q/qu/quorums_of_the_seventy.htm)

Tooele Transcript 6 February 1914 (Utah)
Jacob Peart 78 years of age died at his residence in Salt lake last week. He crossed the plains to Utah with one of the early companies arriving in Salt lake valley in 1848

George Peart married Ann Peart 22nd May 1788, at St Augustine's, Alston, witness Isaac Vipond.
Children of George and Ann/Nancy Peart:
Thomas baptised 3rd May 1789, at St John, Garrigill
John born 26th July 1791, baptised 4th August 1791, at Redwing Chapel
George baptised 29th December 1793, at St John, Garrigill
Anne baptised 21st February 1796, at St John, Garrigill
Cuthbert born 28th June 1798, at St John, Garrigill, 4th Son, of George Peart, Tynehesd, Miner, of Kirkhaugh, by his wife Nancy daughter of Thomas Peart, of Stanhope.
Jacob baptised 3rd June 1801, at St John, Garrigill, 5th Son, of George Peart, Noonstones, Miner, of Kirkhaugh, by his wife Nancy daughter of Thomas Peart and Isabella Peart, of Stanhope.
William born 20th December 1805, baptised at St John, Garrigill, 6th son of George Peart, Tynehesd, farmer, of Kirkhaugh, by his wife Nancy daughter of Thomas Peart.
George Peart was buried, 7th August 1832, aged 67.
Nancy Peart, of Bridge End, was buried at St John's, Garrigill 19th April 1838, aged 73.

John Haldon, married Frances/Fanny Teasdale 5th June 1796, at Kirkhaugh, Northumberland.
Children:
Ann baptised 24th April 1797, at St Augustine's, Alston, daughter of John & Frances Haldon of Physic Hall, Alston, buried 4th December 1798, at Alston.

Foster born 11th July 1799, baptised 14th July 1799, at Redwing Chapel
***Elizabeth** daughter of John & Fanny Halden, Miner, born 1st October 1804 and baptised 25th October 1807, at Redwing Chapel.*
Teasdale son of John and Fanny Halden, Miner, Alston born 23rd October baptised 25th October 1807, at Redwing Chapel.
Joseph baptised 1st October 1810, baptised 23rd October, at Redwing Chapel
John born 29th May 1814, baptised 15th June 1814 at Redwing Chapel
Fanny born 10th August 1816, baptised 9th September 1816, at Redwing Chapel

Probable burial of John Haldon senior, 29th October 1828, aged 55, at St augustine's, Alston.

Jacob Peart married Elizabeth Haldon 30th December 1824, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of Jacob and Elizabeth Peart born at Garrigill:
John 28th June 1826
Ann born 6th March 1828, baptised 12th December 1828, Alston, Wesleyan, buried at St Augustine's, Alston 25th December 1828, aged 9 months
Ann Amelia born 28th July 1830, baptised 28th January 1831, Alston, Wesleyan; died at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois June 1841
Frances born 24th November 1832, baptised 25th January 1833, Alston, Wesleyan.
Jacob baptised 22nd December 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston
Elizabeth born 14th September 1837
Mary born 10th April 1840

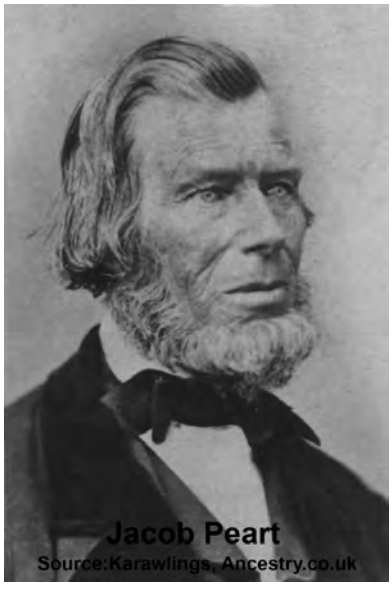
Elizabeth Haldon Peart died June 2, 1841, at Nauvoo, Illinois.

Marriages in the United States:
Spouse: Phoebe ROBSON (AFN: 2VX5-SK)
Marriage: 6 May 1842
Nauvoo, Hncck., Il

Spouse: Fylinda (Phylinda) Angela LOSS
Marriage: 22 Nov 1847
Winter Quarters, Douglas, Ne

Spouse: Ann WILKINSON
Marriage: 1 Dec 1868

Spouse: Malantha LOSS



LDS Church Ordinance Data (Source Family Search)**:**
Baptism Date: September 1837 Ordained Elder Ordained Seventy Date: January 13, 1846 Rebaptism Date: March 23, 1857 Patriarchal Blessing
LDS Temple Ordinance Data: Endowment Date: January 21, 1846 Temple: Nauvoo, Hancock, IL, USA Sealed to Spouse Number 1 Date: January 24, 1846 Temple: Nauvoo, Hancock, IL, USA Sealed to Spouse Number 3 Date: November 21, 1847 Sealed to Spouse Number 4 Date: May 23, 1860 Temple: Endowment House, Salt Lake City, UT, USA Sealed to Parents Date: February 1, 1955
Vocations: Stonemason; 1850
Comments: In 1850, Jacob had a household of 6 and a real wealth of $500.2. In 1870, he had a household of 5, a real wealth of $4000, and a personal wealth of $250. Jacob and Phebe were married by John Sanders. Comments: #31. Jacob came to Utah on July 24, 1848 with the Brigham Young Company. From the autobiography of Jacob Pearts: Born in England. Father a farmer. Joined the Methodist Church. Sunday School superintendent. Arranged for Mormon missionaries to use Methodist chapel. Baptized, 1837. Persecuted. Head of branch. Emigrated, 1841. To Nauvoo. Wife and three daughters died, 1841. Wives sealed to him by Hyrum Smith. Opened cabinet shop. To Rock Island for coal. To Salt Lake City, 1848. Mission to Las Vegas lead mines, 1856. Company captain in Utah War. To American Fork, 1857. Sealed to Fylinda Angela Loss, 1860. Sealed to Ann Wilkinson, 1868. Testimony, 1872. Jacob was in the 6th Quorum of Seventy.
Household Members:

Name	**Relation**
Jacob Peart	Self (Head)
Elizabeth Haldon	Spouse
John Haldon Peart	Child
Ann Haldon Peart	Child
Ann Amelia Haldon Peart	Child
Frances Haldon Peart	Child
Jacob Peart	Child
Elizabeth Haldon Peart	Child
Mary Haldon Peart	Child
Phebe Robson	Spouse
George Alma Peart	Child
Elizabeth Peart	Child
Phoebe Louise Peart	Child
Philanda Angela Loss	Spouse
Benjamin Loss Peart	Child
Thomas Willard Peart	Child
Joseph Nephi Peart	Child
Leander LeFort Peart	Child
Sally Felinda Peart	Child
Malantha Laureth Peart	Child
Merelda Amelia Peart	Child

In 1850, at Great Salt Lake, Utah, Jacob Peart, home mason, aged 50, his wife Phebe 55, children, Jacob 15, George 7, Elizabeth 4, Lucy 1, Robert Thompson, brick maker, aged 24, Philinda 24, Benjamin 1, and Scully Loss aged 64.
In 1870, at Salt Lake, Utah, Jacob Peart, aged 70, his wife Vilinder aged 44, children Leander 13, Marilda 7, Anni 44, and Sulie Loss aged 84.
Also, Benjamin Peart, Carpenter, aged 21, and his wife Elizabeth aged 20. William Peart labourer, aged 24, and his wife Susannah 21. George Peart, carpenter, aged 25, wife Jane, 17, and Sarah 1.
Jacob Peart died 20 Apr 1874, at Mill Creek, Salt Lake City, Utah

Peter Maughan & Family

Thomas Maughan and Margaret Bell married at Brampton 2nd June 1768.
Thomas Maughan senior was buried 27th May 1796, at Farlam
Margaret his wife was buried 1st May 1811
Children:
Thomas baptised 5th January 1773, died 9th January 1773, at Haltwhistle.
Mary baptised 5th January 1773, died 6th January 1773, at Haltwhistle.
Thomas baptised 20th April 1776 or 1777 at Farlam
William Maughan born 10th March 1779, baptised 23rd July 1780, at Farlam.
There are other children in the records with a Thomas Maughan as the father, but I cannot directly connect them to Thomas and Margaret.

Martha Wilson baptised 13th June 1779, at Stanwix, parents Peter Wilson, Yeoman and Jane Heslop (married 6th October 1777, at Stanwix)
Carlisle Marriage bonds give:
10th January 1800, William Maughan of Milton, Farlam, Yeoman. Martha Wilson, Fourbutt, Stanwix, a minor. Jane Todd wife of John Todd, Yeoman, her mother and consents.

William Maughan married Martha Wilson 11th January1800, at Stanwix, witnesses, John Todd, Jane Todd, and Joseph Maughan
Children of William and Martha Maughan:
1. Thomas baptised 16th March 1800 at Stanwix, son of William and Martha Maughan of Fourhowbutt.
2. Mary baptised 19th December 1802, buried at Garrigill, 4th November 1828, aged 25.
3. John born about 1804, buried at Garrigill, 14th October 1827, aged 23.
4. Joseph baptised 5th May 1805, at Farlam, died before 1815 (possible burial at Haydon Bridge, 27th December 1812)
5. Jane baptised 8th February 1807, at Farlam,
6. William baptised 12th March 1809,
7. Peter baptised 7th May 1811, at Farlam
8. Margaret born 8th September 1813, baptised 22nd July 1814, at Farlam,
9. Joseph born 7th December 1815, at Mosshill, Farlam, baptised 2nd January 1817, 10. Sarah Maughan baptised 6th September 1818 at Lambley, Northumberland. buried at Garrigill 25th January 1826, aged 7.

Martha Maughan wife of William was buried 1st March 1839, at Garrigill, aged 61.

In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, William Maughan, labourer, aged 60, Joseph Maughan, lead miner, aged 35, Ann 25, and Martha 1.
In 1851, at Ramsay Buildings, Alston, William Maughan, widower, Ag. Lab, aged 70, born Farlam, sons wife, Ann Maughan aged 34, sons children, Martha 11, Mary 9, Joseph 7, Thomas 5, Ann 2, and William 4 months.

9. Joseph Maughan married Ann Bowman (father Joseph) at Alston, 6th June 1839, at St Augustine's, Alston, he died 13th November 1872, at Jamieson, Victoria, Australia. Anne Maughan died 18th May 1860, at Beechworth, Indigo, Victoria.

Victoria Unassisted Passenger Lists, Arrival at Geelong 29th August 1852

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3	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, ANN
36	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, ANN
36	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, JOSEPH
6	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, THOMAS
8	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, JOSEPH
1	6	AUG	ENG	1	B	GEELONG	1852	MAUGHAN, WILLIAM

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1. Thomas *possible information:*
Thomas Maughan Widower, married Barbara Burrows, spinster 6th June 1829, both signed with a Mark, at St Augustine's, Alston. (Barbara, born 4th February 1804, at Hesket in the Forest, Cumberland, parents George Burrow and Jane Irving/Irwin)
In 1841, at Town Head, Penrith, Barbara Maughan, charwoman, aged 35.
In 1851, at Faugh, Cumberland, Barbara Maughan, widow, Ag. Lab. Aged 45, born Hesket, and visitor, Ann Burrow aged 25, born Stanwix. Barbara Maughan died 3rd quarter 1885, registered at Carlisle, age given as 77.

5. Jane *married William Bell, widower, 10th August 1833, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
In 1841, at High Hudgill, Alston, William Bell, lead miner, aged 30, his wife Jane 30, children, Sarah 16, Mary 8, John 4, and William 2.
In 1851, at Foreshield, Nenthead, William Bell, lead miner, aged 44, his wife Jane aged 44, children, Mary, house maid, aged 18, John, lead miner, aged 15, William 11, Jane 9, Hannah 7, Ann 4, and Margaret 6 months.

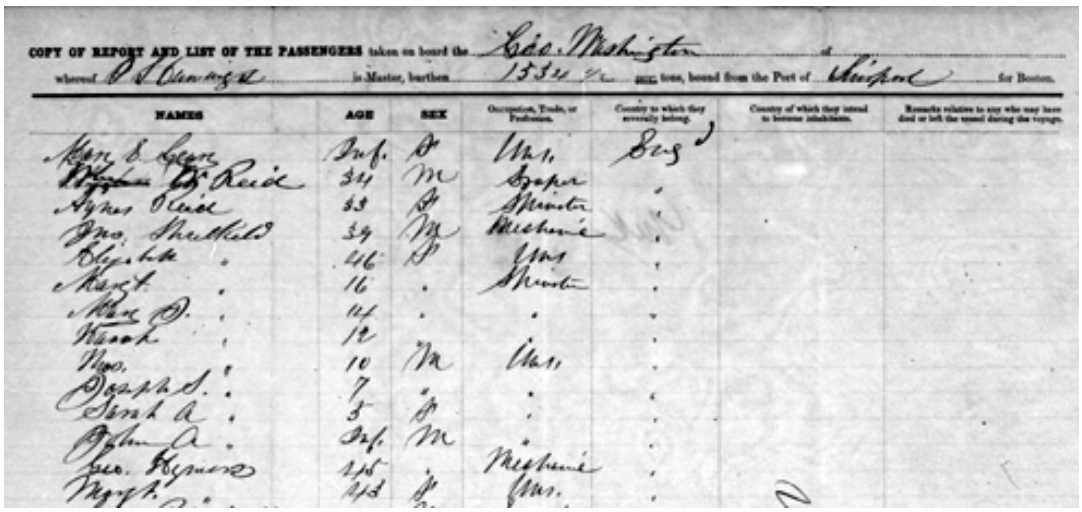
Jane Bell possible death at Teesdale, 1st quarter 1858
William Bell possible death, 2nd quarter 1858, at Teesdale.
In 1861, at Mill Houses, Newbiggin, Middleton, Durham, William Bell, lead ore washing master & farmer, aged 21, sisters Jane 19, and Margaret 10.
In 1871, at Westgate, Stanhope, William Bell, cartman, aged 31, his wife Jane 22, children, Isaac 10, John 6, and Thomas 1.
In 1881, at Low House, Stanhope, William Bell, labourer, aged 46, his wife Jane 33, children, John, ore washer, aged 16, Thomas 11, Mary Jane 9, Annie 7, Elizabeth 5, and Isaac 3.
In 1891, at Kitty Cragg, William Bell, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Jane 47, children, Thomas, limestone quarryman, Mary J 19, and Isaac 13.

6. William *married Isabella Coulthard 10th May 1828, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
In 1841, at Garrigill, William Maughan, grocer & draper, aged 30, his wife Isabella, 30, children John 12, Frances 10, William 8, Thomas 6, and Joseph, aged 4.

In 1851, at Gate, William Maughan, school master, aged 41, his wife Isabella aged 41, children, John, lead miner, aged 21, Fanny 19, Thomas, joiner, aged 14, and Morrison 10.
William Maughan was buried 13th September 1854, at Garrigill, aged 45.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, Lodger, Joseph Maughan, tailors apprentice, aged 14. In 1861, at Main Street, Alston, Joseph Maughan, master Tailor, aged 24, born Alston, his wife Mary, 28, born Windermere, Westmorland, children, Isabella 3, born Preston, Elizabeth A 2, born Alston, and William Maughan, widower, formerly farmer, aged 80.
William Maughan died 18th August 1863, and buried 20th August 1863, aged 84.

In 1861, at Church Croft Terrace, William W Maughan, Brewers Agent, aged 28, his wife Sarah, aged 25, born, Whittonstall, Northumberland, Mother Isabella Maughan, formerly grocer, aged 51, and brother Morrison, joiner, aged 19.
In 1871, at Rochdale Road, Manchester, William Watson Maughan, draper, aged 38, his wife Sarah 35, and mother, Isabella Maughan, aged 62.
William W Maughan died 3rd quarter 1880, aged 47, at Manchester
In 1881, at Rochdale Road, Manchester, Sarah Maughan, widow, aged 45, born Bywell, Northumberland, and mother in law, Isabella Maughan, widow, aged 71.
Possible death for Isabella Maughan, 4th quarter 1887, aged 78, registered at Newcastle.

***8. Margaret** married George Wilkinson/Hymers, 13th August 1835, at St Augustine's, Alston. George born 26th May 1811, was the illegitimate son of Nancy Wilkinson, of Galligill, the fathers name was given as Hymers.*
In 1841, at Town Head, Alston, George Hymers, cartwright, aged 30, and his wife Margaret aged 25.
In 1851, at Front Street, Alston, George Hymers, Cartwright, aged 39, born Alston, and his wife Margaret aged 37, born Farlam.
George Hymers aged 45, and Margaret Hymers, aged 43, emigrated to the United States in 1857, on the George Washington, Liverpool to Boston 20th April 1857.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NAMES	AGE	SEX	Occupation, Trade, or Profession.	Country to which they severally belong.	Country of which they intend to become inhabitants.	Remarks relative to any who may have died or left the vessel during the voyage.
Mary E. Lyons	Inf.	F	Mrs.	Eng		
William D. Reid	34	M	Draper	"		
Agnes Reid	33	F	Milliner	"		
Wm. Shotbolt	34	M	Machinist	"		
Elizabeth	16	F	Mrs	"		
Mary	16	"	Milliner	"		
Mary D.	14	"	"	"		
Enoch	12			"		
Wm.	10	M	Mrs.	"		
Joseph S.	7	"	"	"		
Sarah A	5	F	"	"		
John A.	Inf.	M	"	"		
Geo. Hymers	25	"	Machinist	"		
Mary	45	F	Mrs.	"		

Margaret Maughan Hymers died 16 Jul 1862 (aged 48), Logan, Cache County, Utah, buried at Logan City Cemetery

In 1870, at Logan, Cache, Utah, George Hymers, aged 59, and his wife Mary aged 49 years.
George Hymers died 12th July 1885 aged 74, buried at Logan City Cemetery, Logan, Cache County, Utah, USA.

St John's Churchyard, Garrigill

To the memory of
THOMAS Son of THOMAS
and MARY MAUGHAN
of LONDON, who departed
this Life at LOW CRAG on
the 7th Day of February 1827
in the 23 Year of his Age
ALSO
SARAH Daughter of WILLIAM and
MARTHA MAUGHAN of LOW
CRAG who departed this Life on the
23 Day of January 1826 in the 7th
Year of her Age

St John's Churchyard, Garrigill

In Memory of
William Maughan, of Garrigill Gate,
who died 11th Sepr 1854 Aged 45 Years.
Also Isabella Daughter of William and Isabella
Maughan, who died Novr 8th 1840
Aged 1 Year & 4 months.

7. Peter Maughan, *married Ruth Harrison, 1st October 1831, at St Augustine's, Alston.*
Peter Maughan, farmer, and his wife Ruth travelled from Liverpool, 21st April 1841, on the Rochester, arriving at New York 20th May 1841.
Children:
1. John 8th October 1830, baptised 3rd April 1831, John Harrison, illegitimate son of Ruth Harrison; died 31st October 1912
2. Agnes born 22nd April 1832, married Jonathon Teasdale on November 9 1848, at Lafayette, Wisconsin.
3. William born 7th May 1834, baptised 5th August 1834, at Redwing Independent Chapel
4. Thomas born 16th December 1836, baptised 11th March 1837, at Redwing Independent Chapel, he died 25th May 1851, aged 14.
5. Mary birth registered at Alston 1st quarter 1839, baptised 16th June 1839, married Thomas Atkin, 20 May 1856, Tooele, Utah
6. Ruth born 12th February 1841, birth registered at Alston, 2nd quarter 1841. She was buried at sea off Newfoundland, 5th May 1841.

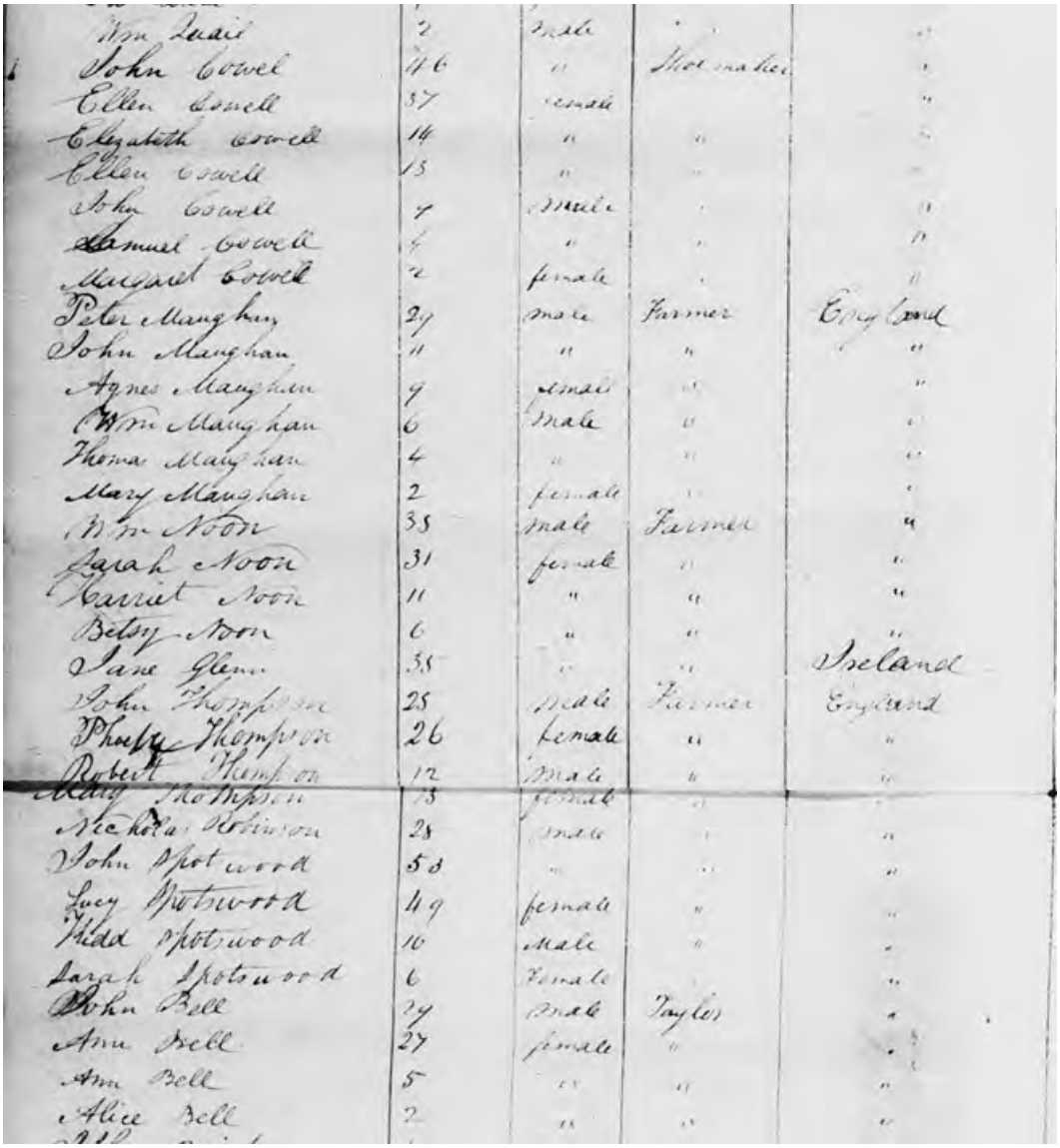
In 1860, at Brigham, county of Cache, Utah, Peter Maughan, farmer, aged 42, his wife Mary A aged 42, children, Chas W 16, born Illinois, Joseph 10, born Illinois, Hyram 8, born Utah, Willard 6 born Utah, Elizabeth 4 born Utah, Martha 2 born Utah
In 1870, at Logan City, county of Cache, Utah, President of Cahe Co., aged 59, his wife Mary A 56, children, Joseph, working on farm, aged 21, born, Wisconsin, Hyram, working on farm, aged 18, Willard, 16, Elizabeth 13, Martha 11, and Peter 4.

Peter Maughan born 7th May 1811, died 24th April 1871.

LDS Library Records (Source Family Search)**:**
LDS Church Ordinance Data Baptism Date: 1838 Officiator: Isaac Russel Ordained Elder Date: Spring 1841 Officiator: Brigham Young
LDS Temple Ordinance Data: Endowment Date: February 2, 1846 Temple: Nauvoo, Hancock, IL, USA Sealed to Parents Date: February 18, 1952 Sealed to Spouse Date: November 1, 1861 Temple: Endowment House, Salt Lake City, UT, USA Sealed to Spouse Date: December 8, 1866 Temple: Endowment House, Salt Lake City, UT, USA
Vocations Cache Co. President; 1870
Comments
In 1870 Peter had a household of eight, a real wealth of $4,000, and personal wealth of $3,300. Peter was a member of the Nauvoo 3rd Ward. Peter came to Utah September 17, 1850, with the William Wall company. Peter served as presiding bishop. He was a probate judge, quartermaster of 1st brigade of military district, Cache county, and representative to territorial legislature from Cache and Rich counties. He was also a farmer.
Peter was presiding Bishop and president in Cache valley from 1859 to 1872. He was the fourth son of William and Martha Maughan. In 1829 he married Miss Ruth Harrison, who died in 1841, leaving him six small children. He emigrated with his children to America in 1841, crossing the ocean in the ship "Rochester,"

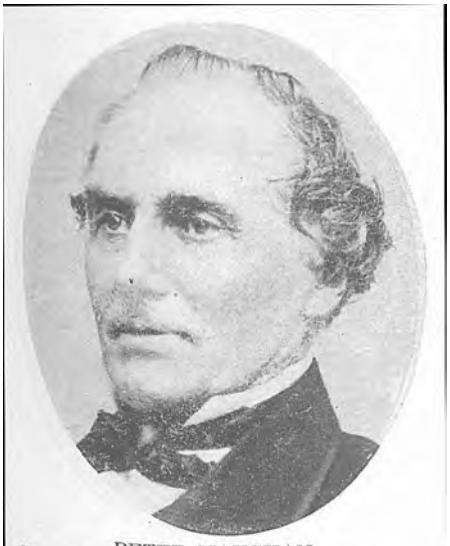
together with President Brigham Young and others of the Apostles who were returning home. He remained a short time in Kirtland, Ohio, and then removed to Nauvoo where he married Mary Ann Weston Davis, a native of England, where he then lived until the spring of 1844, assisting in building the Temple and the city. In 1846, together with the rest of the Saints, he became an exile for the sake of his religion and went into the wilderness. He arrived in Salt Lake City September 17 1850 and was shortly afterwards sent to Tooele valley to help establish settlements there. When Tooele county was organized in April 1851, he was appointed county clerk and assessor, which offices he held till 1853. He was also chosen one of the selectmen of the county, and appointed city recorder for Tooele city. Having assisted in forming the settlement of E. T. City he was appointed presiding Elder at that place in October, 1854. In the fall of 1856 he was called to establish settlements in Cache valley, which he did most successfully, and he presided over the same as president and presiding Bishop until his death.
Household Members
Name Age
Peter Maughan
Ruth Harrison
John Harrison Maughan
Agnes Maughan
William Harrison Maughan
Thomas Harrison Maughan
Mary Ann Maughan
Ruth Maughan

Mary Ann Weston
Charles Weston Maughan
Peter Weston Maughan
Joseph Weston Maughan
Hyrum Weston Maughan
Willard Weston Maughan
Elizabeth Weston Maughan
Martha Weston Maughan
Peter Weston Maughan
Sarah Hobson
Frances Maughan
Heber Chase Maughan
Ada Lucille Maughan

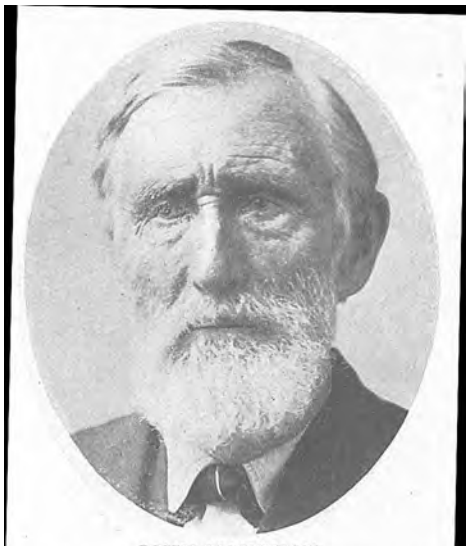


Wm Lucas	2	male	"	"
John Cowel	46	"	Shoemaker	"
Ellen Cowell	37	female		"
Elizabeth Cowell	14	"	"	"
Ellen Cowell	13	"	"	"
John Cowell	7	male	"	"
Samuel Cowell	4	"	"	"
Margaret Cowell	2	female	"	"
Peter Maughan	29	male	Farmer	England
John Maughan	11	"	"	"
Agnes Maughan	9	female	"	"
Wm Maughan	6	male	"	"
Thoma Maughan	4	"	"	"
Mary Maughan	2	female	"	"
Wm Noon	35	male	Farmer	"
Sarah Noon	31	female	"	"
Harriet Noon	11	"	"	"
Betsy Noon	6	"	"	"
Jane Glenn	35	"	"	Ireland
John Thompson	25	male	Farmer	England
Phoeby Thompson	26	female	"	"
Robert Thompson	12	male	"	"
Mary Thompson	8	female	"	"
Nicholas Robinson	28	male	"	"
John Spotwood	50	"	"	"
Lucy Spotwood	49	female	"	"
Hidd Spotwood	10	male	"	"
Sarah Spotwood	6	female	"	"
John Bell	29	male	Taylor	"
Ann Bell	27	female	"	"
Ann Bell	5	"	"	"
Alice Bell	2	"	"	"

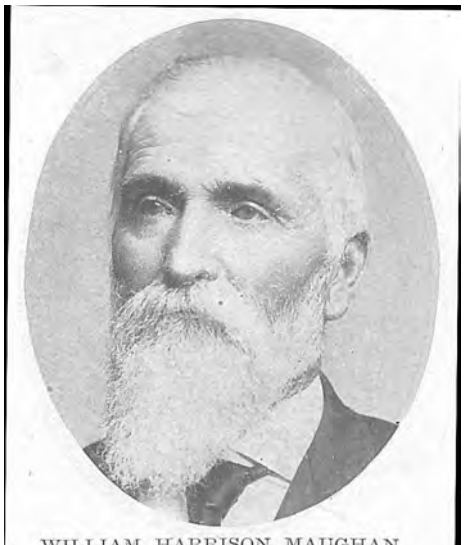
Rochester Passenger List



PETER MAUGHAN
Born May 7, 1811, Milton, Cumberland, Eng. Came to Utah Sept. 17, 1850, William Wall Company. Residing Bishop of Cache County.



JOHN MAUGHAN
Son of Peter Maughan and Ruth Harrison. Born Oct. 8, 1830, Alston, Cumberland, Eng. Bishop of Weston, Idaho.



WILLIAM HARRISON MAUGHAN
Son of Peter Maughan and Ruth Harrison. Born May 7, 1834, Alston, Cumberland, Eng. Came to Utah in 1850. Bishop of Wellsville Ward.

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12th February 1908 (Deseret Evening News)

TOOELE.

DEATH OF MRS. THOS. ATKIN.

Noble and Esteemed Woman Closes
Brilliant Career at 69.

Tooele, Tooele Co., Feb. 11. —In the death of Mrs. Mary Ann Atkin, wife of Bishop Thomas Atkin, which occurred here on Thursday, Feb. 6, Tooale loses another of its very earliest pioneers, and a most notable woman. Her death resulted from heart trouble and general debility.

Mrs. Atkin was born at Alston Moor, Cumberland, England, January 16, 1839. She was the daughter of the late Bishop Peter Maughan and his first wife. Ruth Harrison. who together embraced the gospel in 1838. Peter Mnughan with his family sailed from England on the ship Rochester in April, 1840. On the same ship were six of the apostles returning from mission. The family resided in Nauvoo for several years, the mother dying there shortly after their arrival. The deceased with her father and the rest of the family viewed the remains of the martyred Prophet and Patriarch, Joseph and Hyrum Smith. Peter Mnughn and his family crossed the plains in 1851 and come to Tooele, where in the year 1856 his daughter Mary Ann became the wife of Thomas Atkin, and she has resided here continuously up to the time of her death. She has held many positions of trust in this ward and stake. She was a gifted and talented public speaker, and was a teacher in the first Sunday school organised here, was also the firstt secretary of the Relief society. In February, 1896, she was elected president of the Relief society of this ward which position she faithfully and very

acceptably filled until failing health obliged her to resign. She was also a counselor to the stake president of the Primary association. She was a true and energetic worker in all of these positions. Mrs. Atkin is the mother of eight children. Thomas M. Atkin, residing in Idaho, Edward Atkin. Willard O. Atkin, Mrs. John B. Gordon, Mrs. Howard Lougy, Mrs. Edith Clegg, wife of State Senator Clegg, and Peter Atkin, the last two preceded their mother to the Great Beyond, all of the rest are living here, together with her aged husband and numerous grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren, who mourn the loss of as true and loving a wife and devoted a mother as ever lived. …

Agnes Harrison Maughan Teasdale

James Teasdale married Hannah Pearson 16th June 1815, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children:
Betty baptised 4th July 1816
Hannah baptised 7th November 1819
Jonathan Teasdale, son of James (Miner) and Hannah Teasdale, of Middle Houses, was baptised at St Johns, Garrigill, 20th August 1820.
Nancy baptised 14th July 1822
Esther baptised 20th March 1825
James born 1st November 1826, baptised 15th July 1827, at Redwing Chapel
John born 2nd October 1828, baptised 1st February 1829, at Redwing Chapel
Phebe born 14th September 1831, baptised 1st January 1832, at Redwing Chapel

In 1841, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, James Teasdale, lead miner, aged 50, his wife Hannah 45, children, Jonathan, lead miner, aged 20, Nancy 15, James 14, John 12, and Phebe 9.
In 1851, at Middle Houses, Garrigill, James Teasdale, formerly lead miner, aged 62, his wife Hannah 58, son James, lead miner, aged 24, and daughter Pheby 19.
James Teasdale of Middle Houses was buried at St John, Garrigill, 19th July 1857, aged 68.
Hannah Teasdale of Middle Houses, was buried at St John, Garrigill, 23rd February 1858, aged 64.

In 1850, at Benton, Lafayette, Wisconsin, Jonathan Tisdale, miner, aged 24, his wife Agnes 18, and son James 7 months.
In 1860, at Granby, Newton, Missouri, Jonathan Tisdell, miner, aged 38, his wife Agnes, 28, children, James 10, Mary 8, Agnes 6, Frances 4, and Phoebe aged 1.
Jonathan Teasdale died 28th October 1870, at Stanton, Franklin, Missouri.

Children, James Harrison Teasdale, Mary Emma Teasdale, Agnes Ann Teasdale, Frances Ruth Teasdale, Phoebe Jane Teasdale, Lucy Teasdale, Esther H Teasdale and Edith Evelyn Teasdale

In 1910, at La Grange, Laramie, Wyoming, Ed Stemler, Ranchman, aged 56, his wife Esther H. 46, children, Minnie A, teacher, aged 23, Hugh R, farm labourer, aged 21, Edith M 19, Clarance E, farm labourer, 12, Clara E 10, and mother in law, Agnes M Teasdale, widow, aged 79.

Findagrave.com gives the following:

Agnes was barely nine years old when her mother died When the family emigrated to America they went to Kirkland Ohio where her father met a widow Mary Ann Weston. They then moved to Nauvoo, Illinois where they lived for two years. Then they traveled to New Diggins, Wisconsin in the summer of 1846. At the age of 17 she married Jonathon Teasdale on November 9 1848. Later the young couple moved to Coon Branch where their first child was born. When her father left for Utah Agnes stayed in Coon Branch. In 1851 she and her family moved to Dubuque County, Iowa and later to Stanton Missouri. When Jonathon died in 1870 the 38 year old widow was left with six young children whom she raised. In 1888 she visited her sister Mary Ann Maughan Atkin, whom she had not seen in nearly forty years, in Tooele Utah. Her later years were spent at the home of her daughter Mrs Ester Stamler of Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Agnes Harrison Teasdale died 31st March 1911, at Laramie, Wyoming

William H. Maughan

Deseret evening news. (Great Salt Lake City [Utah]) December 21, 1901, Utah-Colorado Edition

The newly elected mayors of the cities of Utah chosen in the month of November 1901,

William H Maughan Snr who was elected mayor of Wellsville in November was born May 7 1834 at Alston Cumberland England. He was elected as a Democrat to a membership in the State Constitutional convention and in and served fourteen years as county selectman prior to 1882. He served continuously as mayor of Wellsville from 1866 to 1875 and again from 1877 to 1882.He was again elected in 1896 and again in November last. He is independent in politics and was elected on a Citizens ticket.

2nd September 1905 (Logan Republican)

Death of Wm. H. Maughan
Pioneer of Wellsville and Cache County
Passes to Great Beyond
Biographical Sketch of the Well
Known and Respected Man

Blshop Wm. H. Maughan, of Wellsville died Tuesday night at 12 o'clock, he had been failing for months and for weeks prior It was known that death must come soon. Although he was afflicted in various ways, the cause of his death is given as hypertrophy of the liver.

Of his life and works. THE REPUBLICAN can offer nothing better than the following from Dr. Geo. L. Phillips, who says-

Bishop Maughan is dead!

"He had not passed on life's highway the stone that marks the highest point: but being weary for a moment, he lay down by the wayside, and, using his burden for a pillow, fell into that dreamless sleep that kisses his eyelids still. While yet in love with life and raptured with the world, he passed to silence and pathetic dust."

The sturdy pioneer, the loyal and faithful friend, the beloved husband, the fond father, the match less counsellor, the zealous churchman, all these was William H. Maughan. It seems but yesterday that his familiar form graced our thoroughfares, that his cherry salutations greeted us as we saw him passing up and down the street, for he was a virile pedestrian and fain would walk when younger men must e'en use a vehicle. And now he lies mute and cold with "the rigid, silent, upturned face." A generation produces but a few men like him. His son-in-law, Congressman Howell, gazing with grief at the noble profile of the dead, exclaimed, "He was, truly, the noblest Roman of them all!" Nor was this a perfunctory exclamation. For true, innate nobility was the keystone topping the arch of many great characteristics of the deceased. He possessed, in a remarkable degree that rarest of ail mental attributes, common sense, the inseparable concomitant of the cardinal virtues. And when to these are added truth, justice, magnanimity and courage we can perhaps discern the remarkable

nature of the really great man who for over half-a century has been our “guide, counselor and friend.”

A Biography,

“He was born in Alston, Cumberlandshire, England, in May 7th, 1834 and passed in that village the first six years of his life, At the end of that period, with his father and the rest or his family, he crossed the sea in the sailing vessel “Rochester” leaving Liverpool on April 21, 1841, arriving in New York over two months latter. From that port he proceeded to Kirtland, Ohio, remaining in the famous temple city for seven weeks, when he journeyed to Nauvou. Here he sojourned till the spring of 1843. Whilst in that ill-fated city, he had the inestimable privilege and blessing of gazing on the countenance of the great Prophet of God, Joseph Smith Jr., and of listening to his inspired utterances. To quote the language of the deceased Bishop at a recent family gathering, in referring m this experience, he said: ‘‘The impression left on my youthful mind no lapse of lime can ever efface.

I have heard his voice. I have seen his face literally shine, illumined from within by the influence of the Holy Spirit, and I testify to you that he was in very deed a prophet of the true and living God.” Peter Maughan, his father being called by the prophet to go to Rock Island to explore for coal with which to supply the city of Nauvoo, William accompanied him. They remained at Rock Island for over a year, and, returning to Nauvoo, finally left that city for New Diggings, Wisconsin, arriving there on April 15, Hlii, and remaining till April 17, 1850. During this period, his father with his elder brother John and him self were, through the blessing of God, successful in accumulating enough means to purchase an outfit with which to travel to Salt Lake city, at which place they eventually arrived on Sept. 17, 1850. They were, shortly afterwards, sent by President Brigham Young, to locate in Tooele Fort (now Tooele city) and were among the first pioneers of that place. On Christmas day, 1853, William was there married to Barbara Morgan, daughter of Morgan Morgan and his wife Cecilia, the ceremony being performed by Bishop John Rowberry. In 1854 he removed to E. T. City.

Comes to Cache.

In July 1856 under Instructions from President Young, in company with his father, Morgan Morgan, George W, Bryan, John Tate and Zial Riggs, he proceeded to Cache Valley for the purpose of exploring it. and investigating its adaptability to agilcultural puposes. After doing this and reporting favorably, they returned to Tooele, and, winding up business affairs there, came with their families to Cache Valley, arriving on the site of Wellsvllle, which they named Maughan's Fort, on Sept. 15, 1856, this being the first colony to settle in Cache Valley for agricultural purposes. Here, for the next few years,

William had to undergo all those adventures and privations incident to pioneer life in the vicinage of hostile Indians, and here on numberless occasions he exercised that ‘suaviter in modo, fortiter in re,’ which later In life established him as one of the ablest of out local diplomats.

Was Deeply Religious.

Bishop Maughun was of a deeply religions turn of mind and a profound and abiding knowledge of the Gospel was a part of his very being. He was Intensely fervid, yet never fanatical.

A close student of Mormon Doctrine, history and philosophy, he was allways ready at a moment's notice to enlarge on those principles which were so dear to his heart and so clear to his intellect. He had a natural power of oratory and seldom failed to make the most puissant appeals to the hearts and minds and spirits of his auditors. He was never known to tire an audience and his discourses were always didactic with never the slightest suggestion of pedantry. In any other form of Ecclesiasticism a man so endowed would have climbed to the very summit of Parnassus. In the Mormon system, however, ability and valiant service coupled to an almost fanatical fealty to churchly overlords, are not the things most taken into consideration, and so for forty faithful years and five months, Wm. H. Maughan was Bishop of Wellsvllle. He was ordained a High Priest and set apart as bishop on November 12, 1859 under the hands of Apostles Orson Hyde, and Ezara T, Benson and was honorably released in April 1900. Prior to this he had been ordained a Deacon in 1851 by Bishop John Rowberry and an Elder in June 1854 by Dr, Sprague. Recognltlon of his long and faithful services, and of his self-sacrificing loyalty, noble integrity and unswerving fidelity, came to him but two mouths ago, when seated by his death-bed Apostle F. M. Lyman assisted by Presidents W. U. Parkinson and C, W, Nibley, ordained him to the office of a Patriarch, Apostle Lyman making a special visit to Wellsvllle, for this purpose.

Missionary Experience.

In May, 1875, Bishop Maughan responded to a call to perform a mission to Great Britain where he labored successfully In the Sheffield and Birmingham conferences, being called by President Jos. F. Smith to preside; over the latter conference, which position he filled till July, 1876 when he was honorably released to return home. 1884 he was called to act as a director of the Logan Temple, a position he filled acceptably till his death.

From January 3rd till October 15th, 1889 a period of nine months and twelve days, he was imprisoned in the state Penitentiary as a result of having yielded obedience to the Divine doctrine of the new and everlasting covenant. He had been sentenced to two and a half years' imprisonment but was subsequently pardoned by President Benjamin Harrison

Was a Good Soldier.

During the trying periods of community settlements in where brave hearts and ready hands were needed to deal with ubiquitous red raider, no one responded more promptly nor with higher courage nor more dexterous skill than Col. Wm. H. Maughan. In 1862 he served as a volunteer under General Ferguson rendering valiant aid in subduing the Goshute Indians.

In 1857 he was elected captain of company "F" of Colonel Frank Cummings' command, Nauvoo Legion. In 1862 he was elected Major under General West's command, and when the Cache county military district was organized, he was

elected colonel of the 2nd infantry, under General Ezra T, Benson, holding the legal commission therefore from Governor Doty.
In civic affairs Bishop Maughan always took an interesting and leading part. Thus In 1859 when Wellsvllle was then the county seat he was elected county treasurer, In 1869 he was elected selectman of the county and was re-elected in 1872, 1875 and 1878. He served as a member of three constitutional conventions. When in 1866 Wellsvllie was incorporated as a city he was elected the first mayor and was re-elected every two years till 1875, he was again chosen in 1878,1880 and 1882; and again in 1897 and 1901.

The Family Life.
As before stated, Bishop Maughan yielded obedience to the principal of plural marriage and married successively six noble women, five of whom surrounded his bedside at the moment of dissolution, the other, who was his first wife, Barbara, referred to in the foregoing died in September, 1888.
She bore him 9 children, 5 sons, and 4 daughters.
In 1860 he married Sister Lizzie Hill who bore him 10 children, 5 sons and 5 daughters.
In 1863 he married Sister Margaret Nibley, who bore him 9 children, 3 sons and 6 daughters.
In 1868 he married Slater Mary Lloyd who bore him 9 children, 3 sons and 6 daughters.
In 1872 he married Sister Rachel Woodward who bore him 8 children, 5 sons and 3 daughters.
In 1880 he married Sister Euphemia Nibley, who bore him 7 children, 2 sons and 5 daughters.
Thus these noble women have borne him in all 53 children, 40 of whom, 21 sons and 19 daughters survive him. All of these are members of the church in good standing and faithful workers in the great Latter-day work. In addition to this number the bishop is survived by 136 grandchildren and 10 greatgrandchildren, in all 186 living descendants.
Honored his Wives.
In an address to his family on the occasion of his 70th birthday, the late Bishop, referring to his plural wives said: “I wish to express from the depths of my heart, my gratitude to my Heavenly Father for these noble women, who, for so many years have shared in my burdens, my sorrows and my trials, as well as participated in my joys. They have not only been true, good, faithful, loyal wives to me, but, what is of equally infinite importance, they have been, in very truth, sisters to one another in all which that name truly implies.
Finis.
Bishop Maughan was a man of God. Firm for the right, loyal to the truth and to his church. Intensely devoted to his "file leaders.” Charitable to the weak and erring and full of gracious love for all mankind A born leader in his sphere of action and fit to act in any sphere. Of keen discernment. Human himself and so ever conscious of human limitations. We, who have lost him, do but dully realize it, so bereft are we in the demise of one we had learned to love so well. May the Comforter rest with the afflicted relations in this; their sad and severe hour of irreparable loss

John Slack & Family

John Slack born 18th May 1798, 2nd son of John Slack, Tailor, of Alston, by his wife Mary daughter of Thomas and Mary Pattinson, native of Derwent

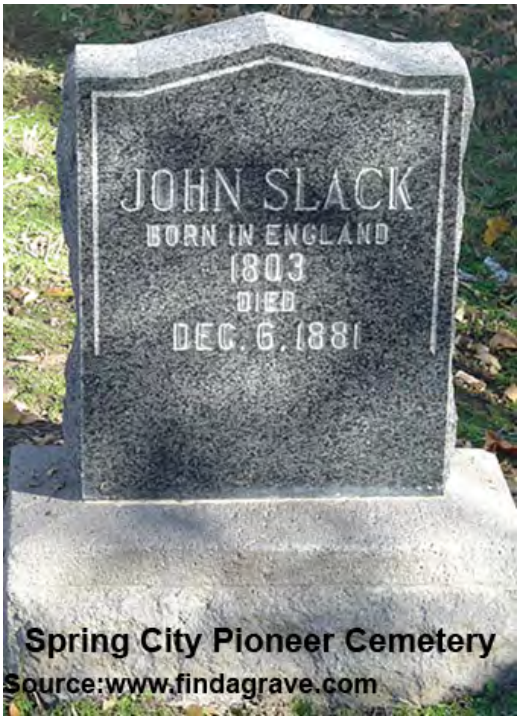
Elizabeth Shield, baptised 29th March 1819, at St Augustine's, Alston, daughter of John and Mary Shield.

John Slack married Elizabeth Shields 21 Nov 1838, at Gretna Green.
In 1851, at Thirlwell Lane, Alston, John Slack, tailor, aged 50, his wife Elizabeth aged 33, daughters, Mary A 11, Jane 7, and Hannah 1.
In 1861, at Harthwaite Toll Bar, Nichol Forest, Cumberland, John Slack, tailor aged 50, (sic) his wife Elizabeth 42, children, Mary Ann 21, Jane 16, Hannah 10, Isabella 5, and Elizabeth 6 months.

Mormon Pioneer Records Give:
John Slack 65, Elizabeth Shield Slack 49, children Jane 22, Hannah 18, Isabella 11, and Elizabeth 7, emigrated in 1868.

Jane Slack married Robert J Blain, of Carlisle, 4th October 1869, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

In 1870, at Weston, Cache, Utah, John Slack, aged 74, his wife Elizabeth aged 53, daughters, Hannah 21, Isabella 14, and Elizabeth 9.
John Slack died 6th December 1881, at Monroe, Sevier, Utah, burial Spring City, Sanpete, Utah Spring City Pioneer Cemetery
Elizabeth Slack died 17th August 1890, at Monroe, Sevier, Utah, buried at Monroe City Cemetery.



15th November 1871 (Deseret News, Utah)
At Spring City, Sanpete County, October 15th of Heart Disease, Jane Slack, wife of Robert Blain, aged 25 years, 9 months and 4 days. Deceased was born in Alston, Cumberland, England. Emigrated to Utah in 1868.
Robert Blain, born 27th August 1843, at Carlisle died 30th July 1926, at Utah

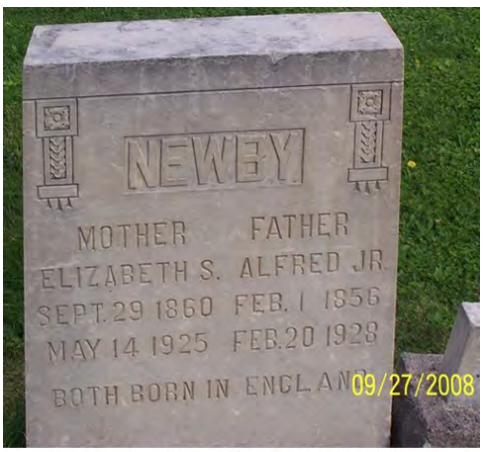
Hannah Slack married George Blain, 22nd January 1874, at Salt Lake City, Utah; she died 24th November 1920, aged 70, buried at Monroe City Cemetery.

Isabella Slack married Andrew Mark Wardrobe, she died 13th November 1931, at Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, buried at Genesee City Cemetery, Latah County, Idaho.

17th March 1922 (Cottonwood Chronical, Idaho)
A. M. Wardrobe, father of Mrs. Frank Blackburn of this city, who died at his home near Genesee last week was an old time pioneer of that city. Relative to his death the Genesee News contained the following article:
A. M. Wardrotie, one of Genesee's most highly respected pioneer citizens, passed away Sunday evening, March 6. at his home in Genesee, at the ripe old age of 84 years, five months and two days. Flu complications were the direct cause of his death, but he had been in declining health for a year or more.
Andrew Mark Wardrobe was of hardy Scotch ancestry, having been born in Glasgow, Scotland, on August 8. 1837. He emigrated with his parents to America in 1844, at the age of seven years, and they settled at St, Louis. From there the family removed to Utah in 1848 and went to California in 1863, when; they joined the gold seekers.
Upon leaving California some time later he was for a time located at Carson City, Nevada, where he was connected with a pony express.
From Utah he came with his family to Walla Walla in 1877. During his residence there he was a volunteer during the Indian trouble. He came to Genesee in 1878 and took up a homestead eight miles east of town, which farm he still owned at the time of his death. He retired from active farm life 18 years ago and has since maintained his residence here.
Mr. Wardrobe is survived by his widow, who will deeply mourn the loss of her companion for more than 47 years. To them were born 13 children, all of whom, except his son, John, who passed away September 24, 1921 at Spokane, survive him.
Source: Ancestry.co.uk. (shared by Tim & Natalie Day)

Elizabeth Slack married Alfred Newby.
In 1900, at Monroe, Sevier, Utah, Alfred Newby, farmer, aged 42, his wife Elizabeth aged 40, children, Eva S 14, Albert S 11, Ruth S 10, Angus S 8, Hugh S 6, Olive S 2, and Leonard 7 months.
In 1910, at Monroe, Sevier, Utah, Alfred Newby, farmer, aged 54, his wife Bessie 49, children, Ruth 20, Alfred, labourer, aged 21, Angus, labourer, aged 18, Hugh 16, Olive 12, and Leonard 10.

Elizabeth, died 14th May 1925, at Monroe, Sevier County, Utah, buried at Monroe City Cemetery.



Monroe City Cemetery, Utah
Source:www.findagrave.com

Mary Ann Slack born 17th February 1839, married John Little, 2nd quarter 1865, registered at Carlisle.
In 1871, at Wood House, East Denton, Newburn, Northumberland, John Little, Ag. Lab., aged 33, his wife Mary Ann 31, sons, Thomas 4, and John 3.
In 1881, at Woodhouse Farm Cottage, East Denton, Newburn, John Little, brickyard labourer, aged 42, his wife Mary Ann 42, children, Thomas, brickyard labourer, aged 14, John 13, George Robert 7, and Christopher 2.
The family emigrated to the United States in 1886.

28th June 1898 (Salt Lake Tribune)
Died
Little: In this city, June 27, 1898, of cancer of the stomach, Mary Ann Little, wife of John Little, aged 65 *(sic)* years. The remains will be shipped to Monroe, Utah, today (Tuesday) at 3 p.m.

In 1910, at Salt Lake City, Utah, Thomas Little, carpenter, aged 45, his wife Beatrice 27, children, Grace, 9, Mabel 8 months, and father John Little, widower, aged 75.

John Little born 27th February 1832, died 1st September 1913, at Salt Lake City.

Mary Ann Leathard

17th August 1883 (Salt Lake Herald)
Died
Long: In this city, August 16th, of dropsy, Mary Ann Long, relict of Nicholas Long, deceased, aged 52 years.
Mary Ann Leathard born 1826, Alston

Mary Ann Leathard married James Cameron, 2nd quarter 1854, at Newcastle.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, Mary Ann Cameron, married, milliner, aged 32, children, Joseph L, aged 10, born, Hexham, and Hannah E, aged 6, born Alston.
In 1861, at Butts, Alston, boarder, Nicholas Long, millwright, aged 48, born, Scotland.
Mary Ann Cameron married Nicholas Long 4th quarter 1864, registered at Newcastle.
In 1871, at Byker Bank, Nicholas Long, millwright, aged 63 (sic), born Scotland, his wife Mary Ann, bonnet maker, aged 44, born Alston, children, Leithard, labourer, aged 17, born, Newcastle, Elizabeth, machinist, aged 15, born, Alston, and Matthew 7, born, Newcastle.

Nicholas Long aged 59, his wife Mary Ann 46, and son Mathew 7, emigrated to the United states, on the ship Idaho which left Liverpool for New York, manifest dated 5th November 1873. In 1880, at Park City, Summit, Utah, Mary Ann Making aged 47, and sons, Letharp Cameron, miner, aged 25, and Matthew Long, miner, aged 16.

Mary Wanlass Hutchings

In 1851, at Skelgill Plains, Jackson Wanlass, lead miner, aged 27, his wife Sarah (Bell, married 4th quarter 1846, at Alston), aged 24, daughter Mary aged 2,
and visitor, Isabella Wanlass, unmarried, dressmaker, aged 32. Jackson and Sarah had a Son William born 1st quarter 1850, William died 1st quarter of 1851, and his wife Sarah died 2nd quarter 1851.

See Newspaper Records 31st December 1842
19th September 1907 (Lehi Banner)
Funeral Service of Mary Wanlass Hutchings
Sunday afternoon services were held over the remains of Mary Wanlass Hutchings from the Lehi Tabernacle. After the close of the sacrament service, Bishop Henry Lewis took charge of the services and read the following sketch of her life.
Sketch
Mary Wanlass Hutchings was the daughter of Jackson Wanlass and Sarah Bell; was born in the town of Alston, county of Cumberland, England, May 20th 1848, emigrated to America, arriving at Richmond, Ray County, Mo., in the fall of 1856; left Mo., in the spring of 1863, crossing the plains with one yoke of oxen, and one yoke of cows which consisted their team, having charge of the younger children of the family; with no assistance, the mother of the family having died just prior to their leaving Missouri, and the father being sick the greater part of the way across the Pains, arriving at Lehi, Utah in the fall of 1863; was married to Wm. L. Hutchings in the early spring of 1864. Was the mother of ten children, 7 of whom survive her. She assisted Brother Hutchings in all his undertakings and has been a very devoted wife and mother. She departed this life September 13th 1907, in full faith of the Gospel. …
A large number of friends attended the services. Mrs Leroy Fox, a daughter of Mrs Hutchings was unable to attend the service, having just a few days previous given birth to a child. Ed. Hutchings a son is now in the Southern States on a mission. The flowers were beautiful. The sympathy of the community goes out to Brother Hutchings and family in the loss of mother and wife.

Lehi City Cemetery, Utah
Source:www.findagrave.com

Mother Sarah's death 6th June 1862, Richmond, Ray, Missouri
Father's death Jackson Russell Wanlass 31st October 1864 at Lehi, Utah

Sarah Wanlass Atwood

Sarah Wanlass born 10th May 1856, at Foreshield, Alston, daughter of Jackson Wanlass and Jane Bell, married. Millen Dan Atwood, 8th October 1877, at Salt Lake City, Sarah died 16th February 1933 at Pleasant Grove, Utah County, Utah, and was buried at Pleasant Grove City Cemetery
Millen Dan Atwood died 23rd November 1909, at Manila, Utah.
Children:
Francis Dan Atwood
William Atwood
Sarah Delilah Beck
John Leslie Atwood
Ardena Jane Atwood
Lawrence Miner Atwood

24th February 1933 (Pleasant Grove Review)

Life Sketch of Sarah Wanlass Atwood.

Sarah Wanlass Atwood, the fourth child of Jackson Sr. and Jane Bell Wanlass, was born in Alston, Cumberland, Co., England, May 10, 1856.

At the age of three months she sailed with her parents for America. After a very tedious voyage they landed in America, and later moved to Richmond, Missouri, where she resided until she was five years old. At this age her mother died just as they were preparing to come to Utah.

As it was the ambition of the mother to come to Zion she made the father promise that he would take the children to Utah. Sarah crossed the plains with her father and endured all the hardships that! were encountered by those who crossed the plains with ox teams. This being doubly hard on account of not having the care of a mother and not being with a company of Saints.

She landed with her father in Salt Lake in the fall of 1863 and the family moved to Lehi very soon after. Her father died the next fall leaving her an orphan when she was seven years of age. From this time on she was forced to care for herself. At first she went to live with the family of Dr. Harvey C. Hullinger on Cottonwood, where she did errands and housework for her board and schooling. She remained here for about seven years, later returning to Lehi, where she remained with relatives and friends for a few years.

She went from here to Salt Lake City where she was employed in the home of Francis Armstrong, mayor of Salt Lake. It was here that she met Millen Dan Atwood, also an employee of Mr. Armstrong, and was married to him on October 8, 1877, in the Salt Lake Endowment House by Elder Daniel H. Wells.

The following children were born to them: Millen William, Francis Dan, Lawrence Miner, John Leslie, Sarah Deliliah, and Ardena Jane, all of whom survive her. Her husband and all her brothers and sisters having preceded her into the Great Beyond.

On the 26th of October, 1887, with J her husband and children, she moved to Pleasant Grove in what was then the Third ward, now Manila ward. They purchased the farm of Benjamin Holly. In those days Manila ward was very sparsely settled and unimproved and they did their part in helping to break up the sage brush and build up the ward.

Sarah Wanlass Atwood has' always taken an active part in her religion. When a girl she was chosen as second counselor to Orinder Davis in the first Retrenchment Association that was organized in Lehi and later in life has worked in Relief Society as president and also as counselor to the president of Relief Societies both in the Manila ward and Pleasant Grove Third ward.

She has always enjoyed her work in the church and was very happy when helping someone or offering an encouraging word, always admonishing everyone to do right and serve God.

She passed peacefully away at her home on the evening of February 16, 1933, at 10 p.m., surrounded by her entire family. She died in full faith of the Gospel as she had lived it during her entire life.

She was loved and respected by all who knew her.

10th December 1941 (Provo Daily Herald)
Postmaster of Pleasant Grove Dies at Hospital

PLEASANT GROVE—Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. In the LDS Timpanogos stake tabernacle for Frank D. Atwood, 59, local postmaster, who died at 1:50 a.m., Tuesday, in a Salt Lake City hospital following a three weeks' illness. Services will be conducted by Bishop Joseph S. Walker.

Mr. Atwood was born June 12, 1882 at Salt Lake City, the son of Millen D. and Sarah Wanlass Atwood. He was educated in schools at Pleasant Grove, later attending the University of Utah and the LDS Business college.

His marriage to Margaret Smith was solemnized Feb. 14, 1918 in the Salt Lake temple.

At the time of his death he was active in the stake high council in which he was manager of the welfare program. In addition to being bishop of the Third ward from 1929-39. he was active in the Sunday school and served on the MIA stake board.

Mr. Atwood was employed, upon finishing school, as a bookkeeper for the Utah Banking company and the Utah-Idaho Sugar company. He worked in a local grocery and butcher establishment and as manager of the Pleasant Grove Fruit and Vegetable Growers association. Later he received appointments in the state auditor's office and with the state tax commission. For the past six years he has been postmaster here.

Surviving him are his wife, three sons and four daughters: Fred S., national guardsman at San Luis Obispo; Dale F., Margaret, Maxine, Lynn. Anna Beth, Mary, also three brothers and two sisters: William, Salt Lake City, John L., Malad. Idaho; Lawrence M., Mrs. Sadie Beck and Miss Ardena Atwood. Pleasant Grove.

Friends may call Wednesday evening at the home and Thursday until time for the funeral.

Ralph Thompson & Family

Ralph Thompson, born 12th April 1811, baptised 3rd November 1811, at Aycliffe, Durham, parents William Thompson and Mary Shields. Ann Bentley baptised 13th August, 1817, at Aycliffe, Durham, parents, Thomas & Ann Bentley.
Margaret Thompson born 31st January 1840, at Alston

Ralph Thompson, his wife Ann, children, Mary 2, Ann, infant, and Margaret infant, travelled from Liverpool to New York on the ship North America, manifest dated 12th October 1840.

LDS Records give:
Margaret Thompson married Frederick Augustus Herman Mitchell, 15 Nov 1855, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah

Children - Margaret Ann Mitchell, Emily Lavinia Mitchell, Ella Mitchell, Francis Laura Mitchell, Augustus Frederick Mitchell, Eleanor Mary Mitchell, Ida Rachel Mitchell, Herman Frank Mitchell, Ralph Thompson Mitchell, Alfred Hezekiah Mitchell, Milton Reuben Mitchell, Edgar Bentley Mitchell

In 1860, at 13th Ward, Great Salt Lake City, F. A. H. Mitchell, druggist, aged 25, his wife Margaret, aged 20, daughter, Margaret Ann 10 months. Also, Ralph Thompson, woollen Manufacturer, aged 49, Sarah Thompson 51, and Ann Plant 18.

Ralph Thompson died 8th February 1872, at Salt Lake City
9th February 1872 (Salt Lake Herald)
Died
Thompson. In this city, at 5:30 a.m., 8th inst., Ralph Thompson of inflammation of the lungs.
Funeral today at 1 p.m., from the 6th Ward school house. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

15th November 1915 (Salt Lake Tribune)
Married For Sixty Years
Big Celebration Arranged
Mr and Mrs Frederick A. Mitchell formerly of Salt Lake, now of Logan, who will observe their sixtieth wedding Aniversary today.

Number of Relatives From
This City Will Attend
the Function.

JUDGE and Mrs. Alexander McMaster will go to Logan this morning to be present at the celebration of the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mrs. McMaster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Mitchell. Accompanying them will be Mrs. L. G. Burton, Mrs. H. M. Blackhurst and1 Mrs. Margaret A. Caine, all daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell. Mr. Burton and Mr. Blackhurst. will accompany their wives. Frank Athol McMaster and Miss Margaret Burton, grandchildren, will also be in the party.

Others who will attend from Salt Lake are Milton R. and Ralph T. Mitchell and their families. They will be joined at Logan by H. Frank Mitchell of Cache Junction, Edgar B. Mitchell of Blue Creek, Idaho, and A. H. Mitchell of Lewiston, Idaho, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Mitchell, who were united in marriage in this city sixty years ago today by President Brigham Young, are among the most widely-known pioneers in the state and are former residents of Salt Lake.

Entertainment Planned.

The relatives who will go from here and other points will entertain the happy old couple at a big dinner this evening, to be served at Murdock ’s, a Logan catering establishment. There will .be music and dancing after the dinner, and roses will be used in profusion to decorate. Everything will be done to make the anniversary the happiest day of their lives, excepting, perhaps, the day that they were married in Salt Lake so long ago by the late President Brigham Young.

Frederick A. Mitchell was born on July 14, 1835, in Sheffield, Yorkshire, England, and came to the United States in January, 1850. He lived at St. Louis for four years, coming to Salt Lake in 1854.

Mrs. Margaret Thompson Mitchell was born in Alston, Cumberland, England, on January 31, 1840. She was brought to the United States by her parents when only a few months of age, and the family settled at Nauvoo, Illinois. They lived there until September, 1846, when they came to Salt Lake.

Pioneer Business Man.

Mr. Mitchell was prominent in the business life of Utah for many years. In the early days of his residence in Salt Lake he formed a partnership with W. S. Godbe, under the firm name of Godbe & Mitchell. For two years Mr. Mitchell made semi-annual trips across the plains for merchandise, which was sold in the Godbe-Mitchell store, at the corner of First South and Main streets. The building in which the business was conducted, known as the Godbe-Pitts building, still stands. Mr. Godbe managed the drug end of the business, while Mr. Mitchell handled the merchandise department.

After the advent of the railroad Mr. Mitchell became interested in coal mining. It was he who shipped the first two cars of coal by railroad into Salt Lake. He was secretary and manager of the Home Coal company for fifteen years and was one-fifth owner of the Wasatch coal mine at Coalville.

In 1889 Mr. Mitchell went to Cache valley, where he became one of the pioneers in dry farming. He removed his family there from Salt Lake two years later and operated a dry farm successfully near Cache Junction. Two; years later he moved to Logan.

Prominent in Public Life.

Mr. Mitchell has served three missions tor the Mormon church, two in Hawaii and one in England. He was state commissioner to select university lands for six years and was a director for many years of the Deseret Agriculture &

Manufactures association, he is one of the oldest living members of that famous society. For fourteen years he acted as deputy United States mineral surveyor. Last summer Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, he in his eighty-first and she in her seventy-sixth year, were Utah delegates to the convention of the Genealogical society in San Francisco and took keen I delight in viewing the wonders of the exposition.
President Brigham Young of the Mormon church married the couple in Salt Lake City on November 15, 1855. They have ten living children, thirty-two grandchildren and seven great grand-children, many of whom will attend the anniversary celebration today.

Margaret Thompson Mitchell, died 6th April 1924, aged 8, at Logan, Cache, Utah, buried at Salt Lake City Cemetery.
Frederick Augustus H Mitchell born 14th July 1835, at Sheffield, Yorkshire, died 26th July 1823, aged 88, at Logan, Cache, Utah, buried at Salt Lake City Cemetery.

John Thompson & Phebe Liddle Robson

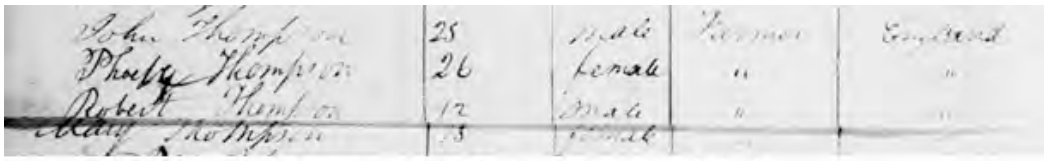
Robert Thompson married Mary Law 14th February 1795, at St Augustine's, Alston.
1. Mary baptised 19th December 1795, daughter of Robert and Mary Thompson of Newshield
2. Elizabeth born 23rd July 1798, baptised July 1798, 2nd daughter of Robert Thompson, Miner of Alston, by his wife Mary daughter of George & Mary Law.
3. Ann born 15th February 1801, baptised March 1801, 3rd daughter of Robert Thompson, Miner of Alston, by his wife Mary daughter of George & Mary Law of Newshield.
4. Margaret baptised 18th February 1803, at St John, Garrigill, 4th daughter of Robert Thompson, Miner of Low Craig, by his wife Mary daughter of George Law
5. John Thompson, born 27th November, 1804, baptised December 1804, 1st son of Robert Thompson, Alston, Miner, by his wife Mary daughter of George Law.*
6. Sarah born 1st April 1807, baptised September 1810, 5th daughter of Robert Thompson, Alston, Miner, by his wife Mary daughter of George Law.
7. George born 14th June 1810, baptised September 1810, 2nd son of Robert Thompson, Alston, Miner, by his wife Mary daughter of George Law.
Mary Thompson was buried 3rd May 1816, aged 47 at Alston.
Robert Thompson, of Alston, was buried 16th February 1821, aged 43, at Alston.

John Robson married Nancy Liddle, 25th June 1795, at St Augustine's, Alston.
Children of John and Nancy Robson:
1. Caleb baptised 7th May 1796, at St Augustine's, Alston, of High Galligill
2. Ann born 6th August 1800, baptised September 1800, 1st daughter of John Robson of Nenthead, Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Liddle of East Allendale.
3. Thomas born 19th November 1797, baptised 18th March 1798, at Redwing Chapel,
of Galligill,
3. Thomas born 17th November 1801, baptised March 1802, 2nd son of John Robson
of Nenthead, Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Liddle of East Allendale.
4. John born 5th December 1802, baptised February 1803, 3rd son of John Robson
of Nenthead, Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Liddle of Allendale.
5. Phebe Robson born 30th August 1804, baptised November 1805, at St Augustine's, Alston, 2nd daughter of John Robson, Whitehall, Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Liddle.*
6. Liddle born 24th August 1810, baptised November 1810, 5th son of John Robson of Nenthead, Miner, by his wife Nancy daughter of Joseph Liddle
7. Nicholas baptised 5th January 1813, at St Augustine's, Alston.

John Robson senior of Nenthead was buried at Alston 6th February 1822, aged 51

Nancy Robson of Nenthead was buried at Alston 22nd September 1822, aged 44.

John Thompson married Phoebe Robson 27th January 1827, at St Augustine's, Alston.
John Thompson, aged 35, and Phebe Thompson 36, along with their children Robert 12, and Mary 13, travelled from Liverpool, 21st April 1841, on the Rochester, arriving at New York 20th May 1841.



Rochester Passenger List

John Thompson died 1841 at Kirtland, Ohio or Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois.

Jacob Peart married Phebe Robson Thompson on 6th May 1842, at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois. See Jacob Peart
Phebe Peart died 26th June 1868, buried at Salt Lake Cemetery, Utah

Salt Lake Cemetery, Utah
Source:www.findagrave.com

Mary Thompson, born 21st October 1827, married Willard Richards 27th January 1846, at Nauvoom Hancock, Illinois, they had two children, Phoebe Amelia and Jennetta. Willard Richards died 11th March 1854, at Salt Lake City.

www.findagrave.com**, gives the following:**
Mormon Church Religious Leader. Apostle of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Cousin and 2nd Counsellor to Brigham Young. As a member of the Twelve, he and John Taylor accompanied Joseph and Hyrum Smith while imprisoned in Carthage Jail, and were there at the time when they were killed. Hyrum was killed first, John Taylor was then shot from the front and back, then Joseph was sent out the window. Willard Richards remained unharmed, and Taylor was near to death. He dragged Taylor to the jail room across the hall and laid him under a mattress figuring the mob would return to finish them off. However, they dispersed and fled leaving them to take care for themselves. He's the only Apostle ordained outside the United States, while serving a mission in England with other Apostles. He passed away at the age of only 49.

Mary Thompson married Franklin Dewey Richards, 6th March 1857, at Salt Lake City, they had four children, Myron John, Wealthy, Mary Alice, and Wilford Woodruff.

Mary Thompson Richards, died 10th September 1905, at Riverside Box Elder, Utah, buried at Farmington City Cemetery, Farmington, Davis, Utah.

Farmington City Cemetery
Source:www.findagrave.com

Robert Thompson born 14th February 1829, at Alston, in 1850 was living with Jacob Peart and his mother Phebe.
Robert Thompson married Alice Mary Hulme 28th February 1852, at Salt Lake City.
Robert Thompson married Elizabeth Hilliard 16th July 1857, at Salt Lake City
In 1860, at Great Salt Lake City, Ward 14, Utah, Robert Thompson, Adobie Maker, aged 31, his wife Alice 27, children, Mary A 8, Robert H 6, Thomas W 4, Ann E 2, Heber J 1 month, and Elizabeth Hilliard 22.
Robert Thompson died 21st April 1865, at Santaquin, Utah

John Spotswood

Lucy Kidd daughter of Thomas Kidd and Elizabeth Little (married at Alston 19th March 1780) born at Tynehead 31st March and baptised at Redwing Chapel 8th April 1792.
John Spot baptised 22nd December 1787, father Hugh Spot at Alston.

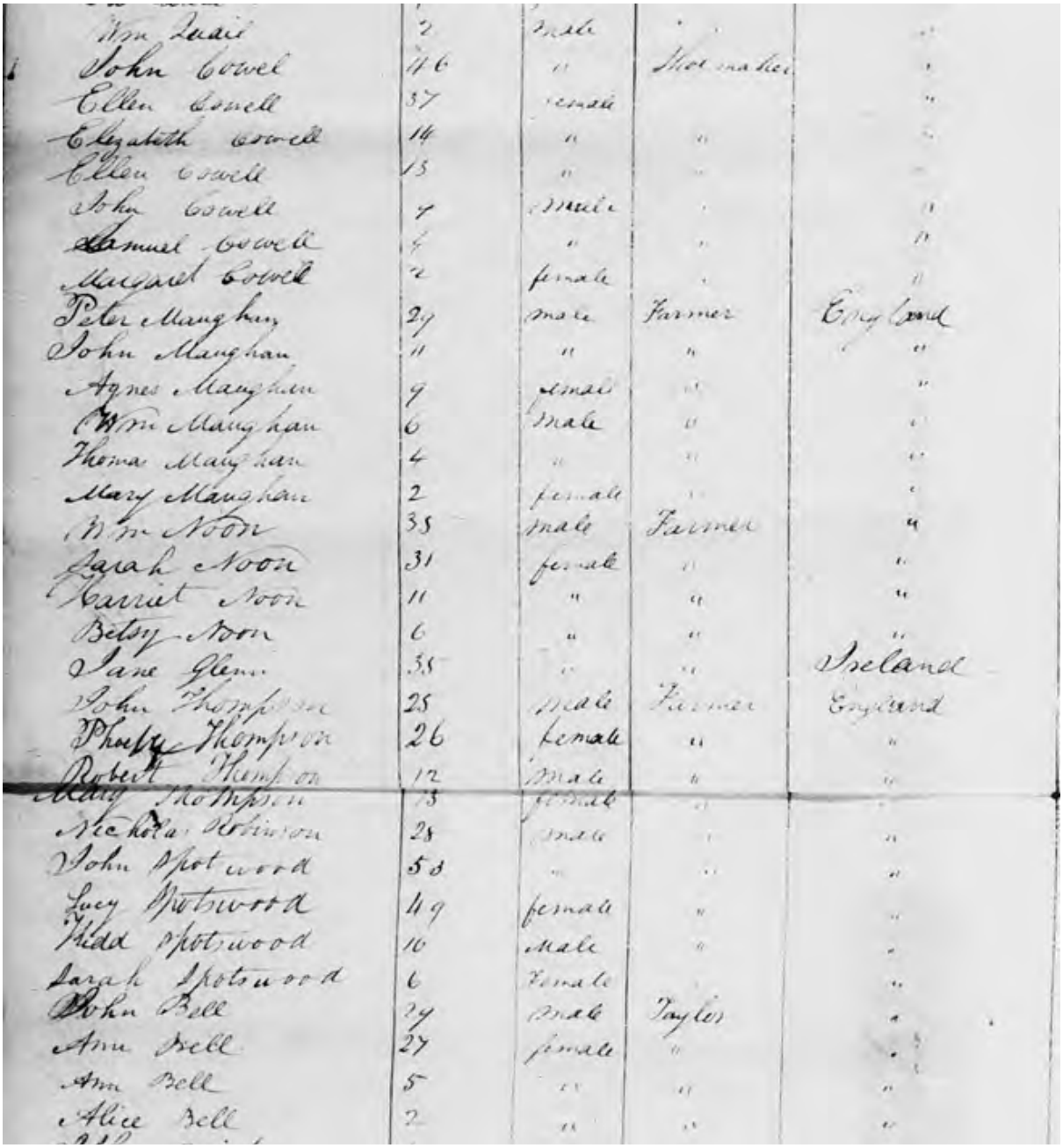
John Spotswood married Lucy Kidd 29th June 1811, at St Augustine's, Alston; witnesses John Little, Joseph Little, Thomas Kidd, F Hall.
Children of John and Lucy Spotswood.
Hugh born 1st November 1811, first son of John Spotswood, Greenends, Miner, by his wife, Lucy daughter of Thomas Kidd.
John baptised 20th April 1817
James baptised 25th January 1818
Elizabeth baptised 29th April 1821
Matthew baptised 27th June 1824
William baptised 20th January 1828
Kidd born about 1830
Sarah born about 1834

John Spotswood junior, and his brothers and sister travelled on the Sheffield, from Liverpool 7 Feb 1841 to New Orleans, arriving on the 30 Mar 1841.
Passenger List:
John Spotswood 25, of Alston, Miner
Elizabeth Spotswood, milliner, 20
Matthew Spotswood, miner, 17
William Spotswood, 13

The Contributor Vol. XII October 1891. Published Salt Lake City, Utah
Church Emigration
"FOURTH COMPANY. Sheffield, 235 souls. The following is culled from the History of Joseph Smith:
Saturday, February 6th, 1841, a council meeting was held at Brother Richard Harrison's, seventy-two Burlington Street, Liverpool, for the purpose of organizing a company of Saints going to New Orleans on the ship Sheffield. Captain Porter, Apostles Brigham Young, John Taylor and Willard Richards and other officers were present. Elder Hiram Clark was chosen president, and Thomas Walmsley, Miles Romney, Edward Martin,
John Taylor, Francis Clark and John Riley, counsellors to President Clark. Edward Martin was appointed clerk and historian of the company. President Clark and his counsellors were blessed and set apart for their mission.
The Sheffield sailed from Liverpool, bound for New Orleans, with two hundred and thirty-five Saints on board, on Sunday the 7th…
… After a passage of fifty-one days the company landed in New Orleans; three deaths and two births having occurred on the voyage. On arriving at New Orleans, Elder Clark made a contract with a steamer to carry the company to St. Louis for two dollars and fifty cents each, including baggage. From St. Louis to Nauvoo they secured a passage on the Goddess of Liberty for one dollar each. About thirty of the emigrants who had become disaffected through false reports, tarried at St. Louis. The bulk of the company landed in Nauvoo, April

18th, 1841, about eleven o'clock in the evening. Notwithstanding the late hour, quite a number of the brethren stood on the shore to welcome these new arrivals from the old world."

John Spotswood senior, his wife and youngest children, travelled from Liverpool, 21st April 1841, on the Rochester, arriving at New York 20th May 1841.
Passenger List:
John Spotswood 53, Farmer
Lucy Spotswood 49
Kidd Spotswood 10
Sarah Spotswood 6

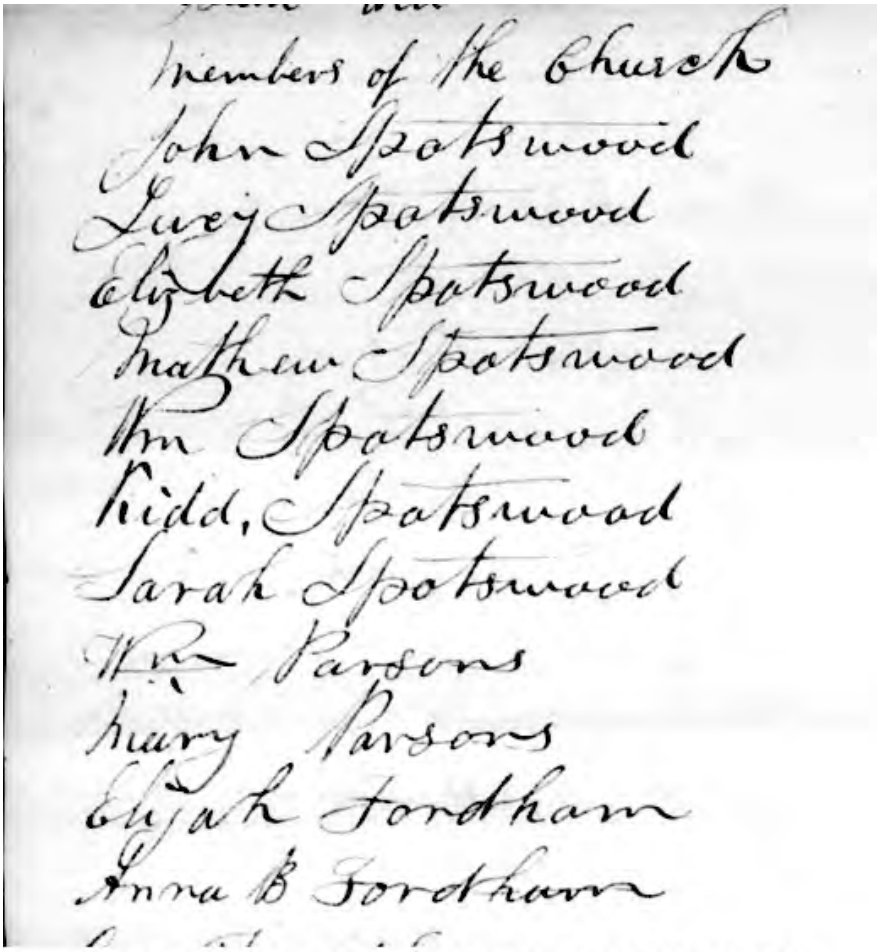


Passenger List of the Rochester

The Contributor Vol. XII October 1891. Published Salt Lake City, Utah
Church Emigration
"EIGHTH COMPANY. -- Rochester, 130 souls. Tuesday April 20th, 1841, Apostles Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, Orson Pratt, Wilford Woodruff, John Taylor, George A. Smith and Willard Richards and family went on board the ship Rochester, Captain Woodhouse, at Liverpool, bound for New York, with a company of one hundred and thirty saints. Captain Woodhouse delayed his sailing two days, to accommodate the Elders.
The Rochester sailed on the twenty-first and arrived at the quarantine ground at New York May 19th, after a toilsome passage. At one time she was beset with head winds and a tedious storm, when the Apostles united in prayer, in answer to which the storm abated, the sea became calm, and the voyage was continued with rejoicing. On the twenty-eighth of April the ship encountered a tempest, shipped a heavy sea in which Apostle Woodruff got thoroughly drenched, while Willard Richards escaped under the bulwarks.
The Rochester arrived at the dock in New York about four o'clock p.m., on Thursday, May 20th, but the passengers were prevented from landing by the carters and rowdies until late in the evening. Such was the confusion in New York at that time at the arrival of a ship, steamboat or coach, that strangers were led to suppose that the city was without mayor, marshal, police or any other officer to keep the peace.
The company remained in New York until the fourth of June, when the journey was continued, under the direction of Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball and John Taylor, via Philadelphia to Pittsburgh by railway and canal transportation. They travelled on what was then called the swift line, for which they paid fourteen dollars for each adult; the slow line carried passengers for nine dollars. After staying four days at Pittsburgh, they set sail on the steamboat Cicero, June 12th, and after having proceeded about fifteen miles the boat ran on a sand bank, where it was detained three days; in fact, the boat ran aground several times, the water being very low, and the passengers were three weeks on board before they arrived in Nauvoo. The weather was also extremely warm. Apostle Kimball, in a communication to the Millennial Star, advised future emigrants to come by way of New Orleans, on which route the accommodations would be better and the fare less, and he also recommended that British Saints should sail in the cool part of the season.
The company finally arrived in Nauvoo, July 1st, 1841, and was met on the river bank by about three hundred Saints who had come down to meet the new comers. A greater manifestation of love and gladness had perhaps never been witnessed among brethren in this dispensation than that which was exhibited on this occasion when the Prophet Joseph met his brethren of the Twelve, whom he loved so dearly. Joseph was the first person on board the steamer which brought the company in and gave the immigrating Saints a warm and hearty greeting."

Illinois, Hancock County Nauvoo Community Project 1839-1846:
Hugh Spotswood, born 1st November 1811, resident at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois, 1839-1846 parents, John R Spotswood and Lucy Kidd.
Matthew Spotswood, born 1824, died 8th December 1851, at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois, parents, John R Spotswood and Lucy Kidd.

William Spotswood, died 27th September 1852, at Wisconsin, resident at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois, parents, John R Spotswood and Lucy Kidd.
John Spotswood born 6th September 1815, died 15th May 1856, at Wisconsin, resident at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois,1839-1846 parents, John R Spotswood and Lucy Kidd.
Kidd Spotswood, son of John R Spotswood and Lucy Kidd, died 4th August 1860, at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois.


Members of the Church
John Spotswood
Lucy Spotswood
Elizbeth Spotswood
Mathew Spotswood
Wm Spotswood
Kidd, Spotswood
Sarah Spotswood
W. Parsons
Mary Parsons
Elijah Fordham
Anna B Fordham

1842 Population Census, Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois

Elizabeth Spotswood *married John Raine 23rd July 1844. John Raine died before 1850.*
In 1850, at Benton, Lafayette, Wisconsin, United States, John Spottswood, miner, aged 62, his wife Lucy 57, children, John, miner, aged 29, Mathew, Smelter, aged 25, William, smelter, aged 22, Sarah 17, Elizabeth Raine 26, and John Raine 3 (born 16th November 1846, at Hazel Green, Grant, Wisconsin).
John R Spotswood died 17th July 1855, at Hazel Green, Grant, Wisconsin.

In 1860, at Hazel Green, Grant, Wisconsin, Lucy Spotswood, aged 68, James K, house carpenter, aged 27, Elizabeth Raine, milliner, aged 38, and John E Raine, aged 13.
Lucy Spotswood died 2nd April 1861

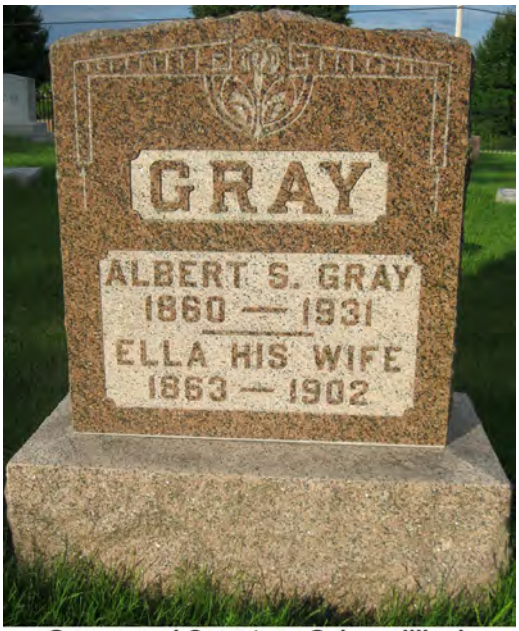
Elizabeth Spottswood Raine died 10th September 1873, at Hazel Green, Grant, Wisconsin.

Sarah Little Spotswood married William Gray
In 1880, at Benton, Lafayette, Wisconsin, United States, William Gray, farmer, aged 49, his wife Sarah L 45, son Albert S 20, and boarder, John Rain, labourer, aged 36.

Albert Spotswood Grey (father Wm Grey, mother Sarah l Spotswood) married Ella Lillian Richards 23rd August 1884, at Grant, Wisconsin.

William Gray, farmer, died at Lafayette, Wisconsin, 16th August 1887, buried at Greenwood cemetery, Illinois.
In 1900, at Benton, Lafayette, Wisconsin, United States, Albert Gray, farmer, aged 40, his wife Ella, aged 39, children, Florence 16, Clyde 13, Beauford 11, mother Sarah L Gray, widow, aged 66, and boarder, John E Raine, zinc miner, aged 54.
In 1905, at Benton, Lafayette, Wisconsin, United States, Albert Gray, widower, farmer, aged 44, children, Florence 20, Clyde, farm labourer, aged 18, Beauford 16, mother Sarah L Gray, widow, aged 71, and cousin, John E Raine, miner, aged 59.
Sarah Little Gray died 21st November 1908, at Galena, Jo Daviess, Illinois.

Albert S Gray, born 4th July 1860, at Hazel Green, Wisconsin, died 3rd October 1931, at Galena, Jo Daviess, Illinois, aged 71, parents William Gray and Sarah Spotswood.



Greenwood Cemetery, Galena, Illinois
Source:www.findagrave.com

John E Raine, retired Superintendent of Mines, died 30th July 1935, at Galena, Jo Daviess, Illinois, aged 87, born, 16th November 1846, at Hazel Green, Wisconsin, parents, John Raine and Elizabeth Spotswood. Wife Maria Raine.

Greenwood Cemetery, Galena, Illinois
Source:www.findagrave.com

Spotswood Memorial
Hazel Green Cemetery, Grant Co.
Source:www.findagrave.com

Appendix 7

Search of New Zealand Papers
Web site used: paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast?a=q&l=en

Search criteria used:
Alston
Hexham
Northumberland
Stanhope
Weardale

Nelson Examiner and New Zealand Chronicle, Volume XI, 4 September 1852,
The Carlisle Journal states that upwards of two hundred and fifty men, women, and children, left Penrith per rail for Liverpool on Monday last. The men, who are mostly natives of Alston and neighbourhood, are engaged by Mr. Thompson of Hexham, formerly mine agent of Greenside, for workmen in the Government gold mines of Bathurst, in Australia. Married men had the privilege of having voyage expenses defrayed for themselves, their wives, and two children each. When landed, the men would receive a monthly wage of £6. The Alston band accompanied the emigrants from Alston to Penrith.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume III, Issue 111, 12 May 1868
Rutherford-White. – May 11, at St. Mary's by the Rev. Father Garin, Ralph, second son of John Rutherford, Weardale, County Durham, to Mary, third daughter of James White, Castle Ray, County Roscommon, Ireland.

Taranaki Herald, Volume XXIV, Issue 2430, 22 July 1876,
THE LATE DR. FEATHERSTON.
Died June, 1876
Dr. Isaac Earl Featherston, whose death was recorded the other day, was the fourth son of Mr. Thomas Featherston, of Blackdean, Weardale, and Cotfield house, in the County of Durham, was born on the 21st March, 1813, and therefore was sixty-three years of age at the time of his decease. He received his early education at the private school at Tamworth and subsequently in Italy. He afterwards studied at the Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.D. in 1830. In 1839, he married the daughter of Mr. A. Scott, of Edinburgh; and in the following year, on account of ill health, he emigrated to New Zealand. He settled at Wellington, and immediately took a leading part in the politics of the country, especially in advocating the immediate introduction of representative government. On the inauguration, in 1853, of the New Zealand Constitution Act, he was elected first Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, and he held that office continuously for eighteen years, having been elected six times during that period. He was elected member of the House of Representatives for the district of Wanganui on the first meeting of Parliament in 1853; subsequently represented the city of Wellington, and held a seat in the House up to the time of his departure from the Colony in 1871. He has been a member of two Ministries, in one of which he held office, for a short period, as Colonial Secretary: and he has been especially employed by the Government of the country on various important missions. In 1809 he proceeded to Australia at the

request of the Government and Parliament of New Zealand for the purpose of urging General Sir Trevor Chute, then commanding H.M. Forces in Melbourne, to take upon himself the responsibility of retaining the troops in New Zealand pending further reference to the Imperial Government—a responsibility which the General, much to his credit, readily undertook. Immediately on his return to the Colony he was appointed special commissioner, with Sir Francis Dillon Bell as his colleague, to proceed to England for the purpose of urging on the Imperial Government the retention of the troops in New Zealand, in which object the commissioners failed, although they succeeded in inducing H.M. Ministers to guarantee a loan of a million for opening up inland communication within the Colony, and thereby giving employment to the native tribes and rendering the removal of the troops less hazardous. Upon returning, on the day of his arrival in New Zealand he was offered the appointment of Agent-General for New Zealand, which he retained up to the time of his death

Southland Times, Issue 2625, 14 December 1876
KENYON—SCOTT. — On the 9th November, at the residence of the father of the bride, by the Rey. James Lindsay, of Chalmer's Church, Henry Kenyon of Launceston, son of the late Henry Kenyon, Esq., of the Park, Alston, Cumberland, to Clementina, second daughter of James Scott, Esq., J.P., M.L A., of Bowhill, near Launceston, Tasmania.

Wanganui Herald, Volume XX, Issue 5624, 20 May 1885
PYEMONT-HARLE. —Oh the 9th May, at Maxwell town, by the Rev P. L. Cameron, Aubrey Beauchamp Pyemont, second youngest son of the late Rev. Samuel Pyemont, D.D., Vicar of Whitwick, Leicestershire, to Elizabeth Taylor, second youngest daughter of Mr Jonathan Harle, of Maxwell town, late of Allendale, Northumberland. [Home Church Guardian please copy.]

Star, Issue 4634, 3 May 1893
OBITUARY.
The Rev; Matthew Baxter died on Monday at the ripe age of eighty-one. The reverend gentleman arrived in the Colony in the ship Gainsborough on May 2,1869, he at once entered upon active duty as General Superintendent of the United Methodist Free Church in New Zealand, which office he held for over ten years, and was the leading preacher to that congregation at the St Asaph street, Addington and Richmond Churches. Owing to failing health coming with declining years, he retired from active ministry in 1876, and went to live at Fendalton, since which time till quite recently he has given his services voluntarily wherever it was possible for him to do so; but as he has been living at Oxford latterly, these opportunities have not been many except in that particular district. He was the author of three volumes— "Land of the Blessed," "Memorials of Free Methodism," and " Sketches of Ministers of the United Methodist Free Churches." Mr Baxter was editor of the United Methodist Free Churches' Magazine for nine years. He also held all the prominent positions in the Conference, and was a member of the Connexional Committee for many years previous to his leaving England, where he rendered valuable service. In his will, he leaves one hundred and fifty acres of land to the St Asaph street church. He also gave to the Oxford Circuit, previous to his death, his library, which contains some five hundred volumes of the Edinburgh and Quarterly

Reviews, besides a large number of theological, metaphysical and other books. Mr Baxter leaves one son, resident in Christchurch, and two daughters resident in England, both of whom are married to clergymen of the same denomination. He was born at Alston, in Cumberland, and served for over forty-five years in the ministry of the church. A memorial service will be conducted in the St Asaph street church on Sunday.

Daily Mail and Empire - Jul 22, 1895 Toronto
DEATH
WALTON – At Riverside, California, on the 19th inst., Alfred Morrison, aged 36 years, eldest son of the late Rev. John Walton, formerly of “Greenends,” Alston, Cumberland, Eng.

Otago Witness, Issue 2310, 9 June 1898
DEATH
Johnson. — On the 3rd June, at the residence of his son-in-law (Robert Lee, Lintzgarth, Anderson's Bay), William James Johnson (late of Allendale, Northumberland, England); in his eighty-fourth year.

Otago Witness, Issue 2879, 19 May 1909,
The Wyndham Farmer reports that on the 15th there was celebrated at Wyndham the golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Robert Robson. The couple, being then each 20 years of age, were married at Hexham, Northumberland, on May 13, 1859. They arrived in New Zealand in 1879, resided three years at Inch Clutha, '24 years at Mimihau, and for the last three years at Wyndham. Despite their three score and ten years they enjoy good health, and are intimately known to, and much respected by, a large number of the residents of the district.

Vipond References
Daily Southern Cross, Volume XXXI, Issue 5627, 24 September 1875
DEATH
VIPOND At his residence, Matakana, Mr. Joseph Vipond, late of Tynehead, Alston, Cumberland, England; aged 55 years. . Home papers please copy.

Daily Southern Cross, Volume XXXII, Issue 5781, 7 April 1876
DEATH
Vipond On March 31, at her residence, at Matakana
Mrs Vipond aged 45 years widow of the late Joseph Vipond, Matakana, Late of Tynehead Alston, Cumberland, England. Home papers please to copy.

PEART References
Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XVIII, Issue 73, 28 March 1883
Peart— Smith. — On the 27th March, at the residence of the bride's father. Benaphry, Richmond, Nelson, by the Rev. W. Lee, Frederick Blenkiron, third son of Mr Joseph Peart, of Alston, England, to Clara, third daughter of Mr John Smith.

Star, Issue 4063, 29 April 1881
DEATH
PEART— April 28, at the Christchurch Hospital, Ralph George Peart, son of Thomas and Alice Peart, aged 7 years and 6 months. (Thomas Peart Fishmonger Victoria Market, Christchurch)

Star, Issue 4071, 9 May 1881,
Christchurch Board of Health
Three cases of scarlet fever have been lately reported to the Board from the Hospital. If the Hospital has not a rule against the admission of diphtheria and scarlet fever patients into its wards, I would suggest that this Board would urge upon the Hospital Board the necessity of making a rule to that effect, as the admission of such patients into a general hospital is fraught with the greatest danger. I find that one of the patients, R. G. Peart, who recently died at the Hospital from a throat affection, came from one of those houses in Kilmore street, belonging to the Church Property Trustees, with reference to ' which a strong complaint has been made to this Board that the closet pans had been overflowing, because they had been left unemptied, through a dispute between the Trustees and the City Council.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XVIII, Issue 73, 28 March 1883,
Peart— Smith. — On the 27th March, at the residence of the bride's father. Benaphry, Richmond, Nelson, by the Rev. W. Lee, Frederick Blenkiron, third son of Mr Joseph Peart, of Alston, England, to Clara, third daughter of Mr John Smith.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXI, Issue 5, 7 January 1887,
Peart — Drummond. — January 3rd, at the residence of Mrs Peart, Vanguard street, Nelson, by the Rev. W. H. Beck, Cuthbert George, eldest son of the late Mr Joseph: Peart of Alston, England, to Helen, youngest daughter of the late Mr John Drummond, Lower Moutere.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXII, Issue 101, 2 May 1888
BIRTH
Peart. — On May 1st, at her residence Waimea Street, Mrs Cuthbert G. Peart, of a son.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXIII, Issue 5, 7 January 1889,
Peart — Tunnicliffe. — On January 1st, at Upper Wakefield, by the Rev, J. Crump, Alfred, youngest son of the late Mr Joseph Peart of Alston, England, to Selina, third daughter of the late Mr Henry John Tunnicliffe, of Coventry, England.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXIII, Issue 63, 16 March 1889
BIRTH
Peart. — At her residence, Schoolhouse, Takaka, on the 13th inst., the wile of Mr Frederick B Peart of a daughter.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXIII, Issue 302, 27 November 1889
BIRTH
PEART. — November 21, at Foxhill, the wife of Mr Alfred Peart, of a son.

Colonist, Volume XXXIII, Issue 5891, 26 August 1890
BIRTH
Peart. August 23, at Takaka, the wife of Mr F. B. Peart, of a daughter.

Colonist, Volume XXXV, Issue 7306, 28 April 1892
BIRTH.
Peart. — April 23, at Takaka, the wife of Frederick Blenkiron Peart, of a daughter.

Mataura Ensign, Volume 15, Issue 1264, 21 February 1893
McDonald— PEART. — On the 16th inst., at the residence of the bride's mother, Stuart street, Dunedin, by the Rev. W. Ready, Duncan McDonald, farmer, Wyndham, to Elizabeth Anne (Annie) Peart, of Dunedin.

Colonist, Volume XXXVII, Issue 7901, 31 March 1894, Page 3
BIRTH.
Peart. — March 25, the wife of F. B. Peart, teacher, Takaka, of a son.

Colonist, Volume XXXVIII, Issue 8225, 18 April 1895
DEATH.
PEART. — April 17, 1895, at his brother's residence, Vanguard Street, Joseph Hetherington Peart, aged 42 years.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXX, Issue 140, 15 June 1896
DEATHS.
Peart. — June 14, at her residence, Vanguard Street, Ann Peart, relict of the late Joseph Peart, aged 73 years.

Otago Witness, Issue 2256, 27 May 1897
IN MEMORIAM.
Peart. — In loving memory of Charles Owen Peart, who was accidentally killed at Sydney, New South Wales, on May 7, 1896; aged 24 years. So sadly mourned, so deeply missed. —Inserted by Elizabeth Lawrence.

Colonist, Volume XLI, Issue 9071, 15 January 1898, Page 3
WEDDING BELLS.
A correspondent writes: — A pleasant gathering took place in the Baptist Chapel, Richmond, on the 13th January, to witness the union of Mr Francis James Jeffreys, of Nelson (who is well-known both in Nelson and surrounding district), with Miss Margaret Eugenic Smith, of Richmond, a member of the Chapel and organist for many years, and who has also taken an active part in the local " Endeavour Society" as its Secretary. The Chapel was beautifully decorated in honour of the occasion, and the building was filled with friends of the bride and bridegroom, who all joined heartily in singing the "Bridal Hymn." The Rev R. S. Gray performed the marriage ceremony. The bride, who was tastefully dressed in figured fawn silk, was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr

F. B. Peart. Miss Amy Haycock and Miss Muriel Peart (niece of the bride) were the bridesmaids, and Mr Walter Blick acted as best man. After the ceremony, the bridal party drove to Wakefield, where they were joined by other friends, all of whom were entertained at afternoon tea by Mrs. F. F. B. Peart, the bride's sister. Later on, Mr and Mrs Jeffreys left for Nelson. They both had received many presents from their friends and well-wishers.

Otago Witness, Issue 2428, 26 September 1900,
LIGGETT— PEART. — On the 20th _ September, at the residence of the bride's sister, Ellesmere Park, Edendale, by the Rev. J. T. Burrows, Otautau, James Liggett, farmer, of Wairio and Mokoreta, to Amelia Jessie, second daughter of Mrs M. Peart, Stuart street, Dunedin.

Nelson Evening Mail, Volume XXXVIII, Issue 175, 21 September 1904
DEATH.
Peart. —On September 19th, at Pohingina, Palmerston North, Florence, daughter of Alfred and Selina Peart, aged 61/2years.

Appendix 8

Australian Newspaper Notices

Information gathered from the National Library of Australia on line Newspaper Archive.

Search criteria used:
Alston
Gateshead
Hexham
Northumberland
Shields
Stanhope
Tyne
Weardale

Some newspapers are still being digitised, and are not yet available to be searched.

Newspapers searched:
New South Wales
The Maitland Mercury & Hunter River General Advertiser (NSW: 1843-1893)
The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser (NSW: 1803-1842)
The Sydney Herald (NSW: 1831-1842)
The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW: 1842-1954)

Northern Territory
Northern Territory Times and Gazette (Darwin, NT: 1873-1927)

Queensland
The Brisbane Courier (Qld.: 1864-1933)
The Courier (Brisbane, Qld.: 1861-1864)
The Moreton Bay Courier (Brisbane, Qld.: 1846-1861)

South Australia
The Advertiser (Adelaide, SA: 1889-1931)
The South Australian Advertiser (Adelaide, SA: 1858-1889)

Tasmania
Colonial Times (Hobart, Tas: 1828-1857)
Colonial Times and Tasmanian Advertiser (Hobart, Tas.: 1825-1827)
Hobart Town Gazette (Tas: 1825-1827)
Hobart Town Gazette and Van Diemen's Land Advertiser (Tas.: 1821-1825)
The Courier (Hobart, Tas.: 1840-1859)
The Hobart Town Courier (Tas.: 1827-1839)
The Hobart Town Courier and Van Diemen's Land Gazette (Tas.: 1839-1840)
The Hobart Town Daily Mercury (Tas.: 1858-1860)
The Hobart Town Gazette and Southern Reporter (Tas.: 1816-1821)
The Hobart Town Mercury (Tas.: 1857)
The Hobarton Mercury (Tas.: 1854-1857)
The Mercury (Hobart, Tas.: 1860-1954)

Victoria
The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1954)
The Melbourne Argus (Vic.: 1846-1848)

Western Australia
The Perth Gazette and Independent Journal of Politics and News (WA: 1848-1864)
The Perth Gazette and West Australian Times (WA: 1864-1874)
The Perth Gazette and Western Australian Journal (WA: 1833-1847)
The West Australian (Perth, WA: 1879-1954)
The West Australian Times (Perth, WA: 1863-1864)
The Western Australian Times (Perth, WA: 1874-1879)

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser Thursday 18 March 1824
PRINCIPAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, SYDNEY, March 17, 1824.
THE under mentioned Prisoners having absented themselves from their respective Employments, and some of them at large with false Certificates, all Constables and others are hereby required to use their utmost Exertions in lodging them in safe Custody: -
Malcolm Campbell, Mariner; 29; Newcastle-upon-Tyne; 4 ft. 3½; hazle eyes; br. hair dark freckled comp; H. M. colonial cutter Sally.

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser
Thursday 12 May 1825
PRINCIPAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, SYDNEY, March 17, 1824.
THE under mentioned Prisoners having absented themselves from their respective Employments, and some of them at large with false Certificates, all Constables and others are hereby required to use their utmost Exertions in lodging them in safe Custody: -
Hutton, James Neptune (3), 30, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 5 feet 6, hazle eyes, black hair, dark ruddy complexion, Hyde Park Barracks.

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser
Thursday 22 December 1825
PRINCIPAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, SYDNEY, March 17, 1824.
THE under mentioned Prisoners having absented themselves from their respective Employments, and some of them at large with false Certificates, all Constables and others are hereby required to use their utmost Exertions in lodging them in safe Custody: -
2. Taylor Thomas, Minerva (5), 27, Newcastle upon Tyne, 5 feet 7 and three quarters, hazle eyes, rusty hair, pale complexion, from Emu Plains, noted as an expert Penman.

BIRTHS
The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 24 March 1866
BEEDELL. — On the 2nd inst., at Austin-street, Footscray, the wife of Capt. Walter J. Beedell, yacht-courier, of a son. Both well. Newcastle-on-Tyne papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 26 October 1878
MAUGHAN - October 24, at the Gap, Watson's Bay, the wife of J. N. Maughan, Esq. (late of New Zealand, and of Newbrough lodge, Northumberland, England, of a son.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 11 April 1891
DICKINSON. – April 1 at 34 Campbell-street. Balmain, the wife of H. E. Dickinson, of a daughter. Newcastle-on Tyne papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 5 May 1897
McKay. - April 24 1897, the wife of G. R. McKay pawn broker Camperdown of a son Newcastle-on Tyne papers please copy

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 16 September 1920
MACASKIE (nee Sister A. E. Huon). - On the 11th September, at Bamburgh, Northumberland, England, to Dr. and Mrs. Macaskie - a son. Both well. (By cable.)

MARRIAGES, ENGAGEMENTS, & ANIVERSARIES
The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser
Thursday 3 November 1836
On Monday, by the Rev. Mr. McGarvie, Mr. J. B. Howard of H.M. Customs, Sydney, to Miss Mary Wardel, late of Newcastle on-Tyne, England.

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser
Saturday 12 February 1842
By Special Licence, by the Rev. W. Macintyre, at his Residence, East Maitland, Roger Pearson Forster, eldest son, of the late John Forester Esq. Alnwick, Northumberland, and nephew to the late Sir Gowen Cammeron, of Fassiferen, Scotland, Baronet, to Jane Isabella, daughter of the late John Colter Magenis, Esq., Solicitor, Arran Quay, Dublin.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 8 December 1842
By Special License, on Thursday, the 1st instant, by the Rev. William McIntyre, M.A., Mr. Charles Cathrow, of West Maitland, to Ann, fourth daughter of John Forster, Esq., late of Alnwick, in the county of Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 27 August 1846
At Port Macquarie, on Tuesday, the 4th of August, by the Rev Mr Woodward, Christopher Dawson Fenwick, Esq., of Jamarwitch, New England, third son of Christopher Fenwick, Esq., Stand House, Northumberland, to Isabella Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Captain Jobling, of Gooloowa, Port Macquarie, formerly of Humshaugh, Northumberland.

The Maitland Mercury & Hunter River General Advertiser
Wednesday 14 February 1849
On the 8th Feb., at Trinity Church, Sydney, Mr. David Moore, of Sydney, to Ann Isabella, second daughter of the late George Barrass, Esq., of North Shields.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 19 December 1850
On the 15th instant, at St. Peter's Church Melbourne, by the Rev. Daniel Newham M A. John Clutterback, fourth son of the late Francis Forster, Esq., of Alnmouth, Northumberland, to Elizabeth Jane Weatherly, eldest daughter of Mr M. A. Richardson, Bookseller, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 9 January 1852
By special license, at Tarcuttah Creek by the Lord Bishop of Sydney,' on Wednesday the 31st December last, Mr. George Forsyth', of that place, formerly of South Shields, Durham, England, to Miss Margaret Annie Gordon, sister of John Gordon, Esq., J. P., Barambulah, Wagga Wagga.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 20 April 1852
On the 18th March, at St. Paul's Church, Auckland, by the Rev. J. F. Churton, J. C. Blackett, Esq., third son of the late and brother of the present Sir Edward Blackett, of Matson Hall *(Matfen Hall?),* Northumberland, to Emily Jane, second daughter of Major Cockcraft, H.M., 58th Regiment.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 8 February 1853
On the 5th inst, at St Peter's, Collingwood, by the Rev. H. H. P. Handfield, Mr. George Thompson, of South Shields, Durham, to Mary Elizabeth, only daughter of the late B. Horton, Esq., Mincing-lane, London.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 18 March 1853
March 16th, at St. Paul's, Melbourne, by the Rev. Louis A Baker, Mr. John Charles Young, of Geelong, to Isabella, youngest daughter of the late Mr. R. C. Young, of Gateshead, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 28 October 1853
At Curzon-street, North Melbourne, on the 27th inst., by the Rev. Dr. A. Cairns, David Crombie, of the firm of Crombie, Clapperton and Findlay, to Isabella, daughter of the late Thomas Hodgson, Esq., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 14 December 1853
At the Independent Church, by special license, on the 12th inst., by the Rev. Thomas Odell, Captain George Morgan, late of the brig Mount Alexander, son of William Morgan, builder, Bristol, to Mary Ann Usher, youngest daughter of

John Usher, contractor, Brunswick, late Colliery Viewer, in the county of Durham, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 29 December 1853
On Tuesday, 27th inst., at St. Peter's church, Mr George Pitt, son of Mr John Pitt, surveyor, Maryport, to Miss Ellen Green, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 16 January 1854
On Wednesday, 11th instant, by special license, at 105 Lonsdale Street East, by the Rev. A. M. Ramsay, of the United Presbyterian Church, Collins Street, Mr John Cou??e, Shoe-merchant, Melbourne, late of Edinburgh, to Isabella, daughter of Mr. John Copeland, Northumberlandshire England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 18 November 1854
On the 1st inst., at Ballarat, Matthew Batters, cattle-dealer, fifth son of John Batters, Esq., of Etal, Northumberland, to Julia only daughter of Mr. Stephen Moyle, of Cambourne, Cornwall.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 29 November 1854
By special license, at St. James's' Church, Sydney, by the Rev. Mr. Priddle, Samuel, fifth son of Mr. Edward Clark, Newbiggin by-the-Sea, Northumberland, to Isabella, third daughter of Mr. W. Kearns, Epping Forest, Campbelltown.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 2 December 1854
On the 29th ultimo, at Wollongong, by the Rev. M. D. Meares, M.A., Matthew Thomas, youngest son of the late John Pratt, Esq. of Bells-hill, Northumberland, to Sarah Ann, fourth daughter of Charles Throsby Smith, Esq., Wollongong.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 16 April 1855
On the 14th inst., at St. Paul's, Melbourne, by special license, by the Rev. T. L. Chase, Alfred Addison Todd, third son of the late Robert Todd, Esq., of Picton House, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Ann, second daughter of M. A. Richardson, Esq., Sharpley, Prahran, also formerly of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 7 May 1855
On Thursday, May 3rd, 1855, by special license, by the Rev. R. Allwood, James Battley (Author of Mortillo), only son of Mr. R. Battley, formerly of South Shields, Durham, England, to Catherine Mary, second daughter of Mr. James Shaw, Hobart Town.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 24 May 1855
At St. Thomas' Church, Birmingham, on the 14th February, by the Rev. G. S. Bull, rector, Benjamin Hunt, Esq., surgeon, youngest son of the Rev. Thomas Hunt, vicar of Pulton, Norfolk, to Jane Anne, only daughter of Professor Fife, Queen's College, and niece to Sir John Fife, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 30 May 1855
At St. James's, by the Rev. D. Seddon, Fred John Coote, Esq. of St. Ives, Huntingdonshire, to Joanna, youngest daughter of the late James Burrell, Esq., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 28 August 1855
On the 16th inst., at Prahran, by the Rev. G. Divorty, Mr. Thos. Hunter, butcher, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. John Kilvington, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 4 January 1856
On the 29th ult., at St. Kilda Church, by the Rev. J. Niall, Thomas S. Martin, Esq., merchant, to Emma Robinson, daughter of the late Christopher Routledge, Esq., of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 21 January 1856
On the 15th inst., at East Collingwood, by the Rev. W. B. Landells, Mr. Wm. D. Horn, formerly of Alnwick, Northumberland, to Miss Thomasine Hann, late of Tweedmouth.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 5 February 1856
On the 26th ult., by the Rev. W. B. Landells, of Collingwood, Mr. T. T. Orde, carpenter and builder, to Miss M. A. Wanless, both of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 19 February 1856
On the 13th inst., at Burrumbeep, River Hopkins, by the Rev. D. Mackenzie, A.M., Hamilton Hugh Macdonald, Esq., fourth son of H. P. Macdonald, Esq. of Monkstade, Isle of Skye, to Eleanor, fourth daughter of Mr. James Chrisp, late of Doddington, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 20 May 1856
On the 15th inst., at Northcote, by the Rev. Dr. Cairns, Daniel Cameron, Esq., of the Wimmera, to Silias Hawthornthwaite, of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 5 August 1856
On the 31st ult., at St. Paul's, Melbourne, William, younger son of Mr. Robert Hogarth, of Bampton, Westmoreland, to Ellen, second daughter of Mr. William Peel, hat manufacturer, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
On the 2nd inst., at St. James's Cathedral, Melbourne, by the Rev. W. R. L. Bennett, Robert Short, Esq., of Aiken's Gap, late of Northumberlandshire, England, to Miss Leticia Dunlop, daughter of Nathaniel Dunlop, Esq., of Ballantrae, Ayrshire, Scotland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 16 August 1856
On the 15th inst., at St. Paul's, by the Rev. Thomas Dowell, Robert Brough Smyth, formerly of Crook Hall, in the county of Durham, to Emma, only daughter of the late Mr. Charles Hay, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 24 September 1856
On the 13th inst., at Ballarat, by the Reverend Mr. Baird, Ralph, third son of Mr. John Longstaff, of Low House, Stanhope, Weardale, Durham, to Jessie, eldest daughter of Mr. John Campbell, late of Loch Nell House, Argyleshire.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 10 March 1857
On the 5th inst., at St. James's, by special license, by the Rev. John Freeman, Mr. John Winder, of Flemington Bank, to Miss Christina Brown, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Brown, of Newcastle-upon- Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 15 April 1857
On the 8th inst., by license, at St. John's Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. Jas. Darling, Mr. Charles Reid, fourth son of Christain Bruce Reid, Esq., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, to Annie, second daughter of Mr. William Monk, of Maryborough,

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 22 July 1857
On the 28th April, at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Mrs. Wilkinson, mother of Mr. H. Wilkinson, Inkermann-road, St. Kilda, aged seventy-four years.
On the 15th inst., at his late residence, 154 Russell-street, Melbourne, Mr. John Smith, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 1 August 1857
On the 30th July, by special license, at Ebenezer Chapel, Riley street, Sydney, by the Rev. Samuel Humphreys, Matthias Christian Bohramann, of Altona, Germany, to Elisabeth Johnson Smith, youngest daughter of the late Robert Smith, Esq. Tynemouth, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 29 October 1857
On the 27th inst., by special license, at Christ Church, Hawthorne, by the Rev. Mr. Wood, George S. O'Halloran, Esq., formerly of Glenarm, County Antrim, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Hodgson, Esq., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 29 January 1858
On the 22nd inst., at Mansfield, by the Rev. Wm. Singleton, of Kilmore, Henry Rowell, Esq., of Delatite River, to Isabella, relict of J. Cully, Esq., late of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 10 February 1858
On the 27th ult., at St. Enoch's, by the Rev. John Potter, of Ballarat, Mr. John George Chrisp, eldest son of James Chrisp, Esq., late of Doddington, Northumberland, to Jessie, second daughter of H. P. Macdonald, Esq., late of Monkstadt, Isle of Skye, North Britain.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 27 March 1858
On the 20th inst., at St. Peter's Church, Collingwood, by the Rev. H. P. Handfield, Jane Ann, eldest daughter of the late John Russell, of Gateshead, England, to J. Parkman, of Somerset, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 9 May 1859
On the 5th inst., at Christ Church, Geelong, by the Rev. Mr. Goodman, John Bell Chirnside, Esq., of the West Charlton station, second son of Peter Chirnside, Esq., of Newham House, Northumberland, to Miss Ellen Cobham Watson, daughter of George Watson, Esq., of Lexton, formerly Lieutenant in H.M. 3rd Light Dragoons.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 18 May 1858
On the 14th inst., by special license, at St. James's Cathedral, Mr. Charles Frederick Cogdon, plumber, of Durham, to Miss Jane Rowell, youngest daughter of the late George Rowell, builder, of North Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 15 June 1858
On the 14th instant, at the Congregational Church, Pitt-street, by the Rev. William Cuthbertson, Edward, son of the late Captain Mark Monro, of Rotherhithe, to Mary, daughter of Captain J. C. Byram, of North Shields, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 20 October 1858
On the 19th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Guinness, William, youngest son of the late Mr. William Powley, Thrimby Grange, Westmoreland, to Mary, second daughter of the late Mr. Henry Angus, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 22 March 1859
On the 9th inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, Collingwood, by the Rev. E. M. Myers, Maurice, youngest son of Mr. Trytle Joel, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Kate, third daughter of Mr. Aaron Woolf, formerly of Brighton, Sussex, and Cape of Good Hope.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 31 May 1859
On the 30th instant, after a short illness, at his residence, Parramatta street, James Green, late of Wolsingham, near Darlington, county of Durham, in his forty-eighth year.

The Hobart Town Daily Mercury
Saturday 11 June 1859
Juno 2., Henry Clayton, Esq. of Wickford, Norfolk Plains, to Alice, youngest daughter of the late Henry Kenyon, Esq., of the City of London, and of Alston, Cumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 13 September 1859
On the 18th May, at West Clayton-street Chapel, Newcastle-on-Tyne, by the father of the bride, William Henry son of the Honourable George Fife Angas, of Lindsay Park, Angaston, member of the Legislative Connell of South Australia, to Mary, only daughter of the Rev. George Steward, of Ensemere Hill, Westmoreland and Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 15 October 1859
On the 13th inst., at St. Mark's Church, Collingwood, by the Rev. R. B. Barlow, Mr. William Stephen Kimpton, Brunswick-street, to Isabella Mason, third daughter of Mr. William Mason, brewer, Newcastle-on-Tyne**,** England**.**

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 20 October 1859
On Wednesday, the 19th instant, by the Rev. George King, William R Elliott, Esq. of Blyth, Northumberland, England, to Sarah Elizabeth Goodwin, eldest daughter of Robert Whytte, Esq., of Newcastle, New South Wales.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 9 November 1859
On the 2nd inst., at Three Castles Hotel, Smeaton, by the Rev. G. Pollard, Mr. Henry Hamp, formerly of Berwick-on-Tweed, England, to Mary Ann, only daughter of the late Mr. Richard Walker, wheelwright, London.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 29 December 1859
On the 26th inst., at St. Peter's Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. M. Handfield, Mr. James Rogers, merchant, North Melbourne, youngest son of the late Mr. Rogers, Maryfield, Aberdeen, Scotland, to Isabella, second daughter of the late Mr. Russell, draper, Gateshead, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 30 December 1859
On the 26th instant, by licence, at St. Stephen's Church, Newtown, by the Rev. C. C. Kemp, Mr. John Robinson, of Christchurch School, Newcastle, to Susannah, youngest daughter of Mr. T. Walker, of Wingully, late of Hexham, in the county of Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 21 January 1860
On the 16th instant, by special license, at the Wesleyan Church, Bourke-street, by Rev. William Schofield, Lancelot Iredale, fourth son of Mr. Lancelot Iredale, Sydney, late of Gateshead upon-Tyne, Durham, England, to Margaret Lowe, eldest daughter of Mr. M. Lowe, Riley Street, Sydney.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 21 September 1860
DRYDEN-REED. - August 25, at Launceston, by special license, by the Rev. James Lindsay, William Dryden, of Acklington, Northumberland, to Mary Fenwick, eldest daughter of the late Mr. William Reed, millwright, Tynemouth, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 10 October 1860
On the 8th instant, at St. Paul's Redfern, by the Rev. Alfred Stephen, Mr. Percy Gibson, of Newcastle -on-Tyne, to Elisabeth Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. George Stubbs, or this city.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 27 October 1860
On the 23rd Inst., at the residence of Dr. John Clarke (the father-in-law of the bride), by the Rev. Andrew Begg, Presbyterian minister, Cuthbert Surtees Ward, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Stella Sellara, of Warrnambool.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 25 March 1861
BROWNE. —Miss Anne Browne, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, aged 22; at 76 Fitzroy-street, Fitzroy, on the 29th ult.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 14 February 1861
On the 13th inst., at Wesley Church, Lonsdale street, Melbourne, by the Rev. James S. Waugh, Mr. Thomas Egglestone, of Smythesdale, to Miss Hannah Walton, late of St. John's Chapel, Durham.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 4 April 1861
REID—JOPLING. — James, son of the late James Reid, Esq., to Helen Debord, youngest daughter of John Jopling, Esq., surgeon, of this city, both of Newcastle-on-Tyne; at St. Mary's Church, by the Rev. W. Byrnes, on the 28th ult.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 3 May 1861
On the 25th ultimo, by special license, at St. John's Church, Shoalhaven, by the Rev. Abraham Smyth King, Henry Gordon Morton Esq. Shoalhaven, to Jane, only daughter of Alfred Fairles, Esq. late of South Shields, Durham, England.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 13 May 1861
On May 10, by special license, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. E. C. Pritchard, Mr. Thomas JONES to Miss MARY ANN, youngest daughter of Mr Hiddlestone, formerly of South Shields, Durham.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 28 December 1861
On the 21st December, at Pembroke Cottage, Cook's River, by the Rev. J. Langford, Edward James, youngest son of Mr. James Baymam, Totterdown farm, Inkpen, Berkshire, to Margaret, eldest daughter of the late Mr. John Forster, of Alnwick, and niece of Joseph Forster Esq. of Newton Hall, Northumberland, **England**.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 15 February 1862
Dickson-Davidson - On the 8th inst., at St. Kilda, by the Rev. Charles Moir, Mr. David Dickson son of the late Moffat Dickson, merchant, Newry, North of Ireland, to Annie Margaret Davidson daughter of the late Andrew Davidson, of Her Majesty's Customs, Newcastle on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 25 March 1862
ROBSHAW – YOUNG - On the 11th inst, at the Baptist Chapel, Collins street, by the Rev. James Taylor, J. K. Robshaw, to Charlotte, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Young, Esq., farmer,???????, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 11 June 1862
STAMP--DEVONSHIRE. -On the 7th inst., at Wesley Church by the Rev. D. J. Draper, John Thomas Stamp, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Harriet Wynne, eldest daughter of Mr. C. Devonshire, of Yarram Yarram, Gippsland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 25 August 1862
BELL – CHIRNSIDE On the 12th inst., at Deer Park, Point Cook, by the Rev. A. J. Campbell, John Bell, Esq., of Bell Park, near Geelong, to Margaretta, third daughter of Peter Chirnside, Esq., of Newham, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 5 September 1862
SHRIMPTON—SIMPSON. — On the 25th ult., at Taradale, Victoria, by the Rev. John Stanley Lowe, George, eldest son of the late George Shrimpton, Esq., of London, to Charlotta Sarah, only daughter of John L. Simpson, engineer, of South Shields, England.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 6 September 1862
On the 3rd instant, at the residence of the bride's father, Hobart Town, by the Rev. E. C. Pritchard, Mr. George, youngest son of Mr. Robert Hiddlestone, of South Shields, Durham, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. John Watson, of Shouldham, Thorpe, Norfolk, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 16 September 1862
CHRISP-PATON. - On the 9th inst., at Menzies' Hotel, Melbourne, by the Rev. Wm, Miller, James, second son of the late Jas. Chrisp, Esq. of Doddington, Northumberland, England, to Isabella, fourth daughter of George Paton, Esq. of Thornbank, Stirlingshire, Scotland.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 31 October 1862
On the 28th instant, at the residence of the Bride's father by the Rev. E. C. Pritchard, Mr John, eldest son of Mr James McMurchy, of Campbell Town, Scotland, to Miss Mary Jane, eldest daughter of Mr Ralph Lisle Pattison, formerly of South Shields, Durham.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 21 October 1862
SWAN-KING-September 18th, at St. Marys Cathedral, by the Rev Father Lennard, Robert Swan, son of Mr William Swan, of North Northumberland England, to Miss Eleanor King, second daughter of Mr John King, of Wexford Ireland

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 16 December 1862
HUNTER -THOMSON -On the 20th September, at St Alpheze, Greenwich, John, second son of the late John Lees Hunter, Esq., surgeon, Wetherby, Yorkshire and grandson of the late Rev. Alexander Hunter, Heriot, Midlothian, to Eliza Mackenzie, daughter of the late J. Thomson Esq., surgeon, Newcastle, and granddaughter of the late Eneas Mackenzie, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 11 February 1863
On the 23rd ultimo, by special license, at 11, Marlborough street, by the Rev. George Hurst, Thomas John, eldest son of Lancelot Iredale, Surry Hills, late of Gateshead-upon-Tyne, Durham, England, to Sarah Adelaide, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Bennett, of Rushcutters Bay, near Sydney.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 23 February 1863
On the 21st instant, by special license, at Christ's Church, Sydney, by the Rev. W. H. Walsh, M A, James Anthony, fourth son of Mr, Edward Clark, of Northumberland, England, to Anne Christiana, youngest daughter of Mr. William Kearns, of Epping Forest. Cards not circulated.
On the 11th instant, by special license, by the Rev. T. Jones, at the bride's residence*, (Alma Cottage, Alma Street, Rockhampton)* Charles Augustus Dittmar, eldest son of the late Augustus Dittmar, Esq., magistrate of Darmstadt, South Germany, to Mary Maughan, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Maughan, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 5 May 1863
POTTS - WRIGHT. -On the 28th ult, at Wealey Church, Lonsdale Street, by the Rev. D. J. Draper, David Potts, third son of David Potts, Rothbury, Northumberland, to Emily Louise Wright, fourth daughter of T. Wright, Dublin.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 7 July 1863
On the 25th June, by special license, at St. Mary's Cathedral, by the Rev. Father James McGwirk, Anthony Hilcoat, of Newcastle, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Mary Ann Flenady, eldest daughter of William Flenady, Esq., Camperdown Hotel, Camperdown.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 15 August 1863
On the 8th instant, by special license, by the Rev. James Watkin at the residence or the bride, James Pringle, of Sydney, to Maggie, fourth daughter of Lancelot Iredale, late of Gateshead, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 18 November 1863
GEDYE - MOFFAT. -On the 5th ult., Hichens Gedye, widower, of Flinders-street, Melbourne, auctioneer, formerly of Stamford-hill, London, to Mary Moffat, youngest daughter of Alexander Moffat, Esq., ship-owner, and supervisor of inland revenue, Morpeth and North Shields, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 6 January 1864
ROBSON – HORWOOD - On the 25th ult, at St, Mark's Church, Fitzroy, by the Rev. R. B Barlow, Charles Robson, son of the late Mr. E Robson. Morpeth,

Northumberland, to Emma, eldest daughter of Mr. E. Horwood, Sawyers' Arms, Collingwood

The Courier (Brisbane)
Tuesday 12 January 1864
On the 17th December, at St. John's Church, Brisbane, Queensland, by the Rev. J. Tomlinson, Mr. J. H. Mayer, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Caroline, youngest daughter of the late Charles Goddard, Esq., of Market Harborough, Leicestershire, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 21 January 1864
WALKER-THIRLWELL. - On the 13th inst., at Mount Gambier, South Australia, by the Rev. Needham, Edward Walker, son of Edward Walker, Esq., of Eastbourne, England, to Cecilia Anne, third daughter of the late George Thirlwell, Esq., of Newcastle, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 1 February 1864
On the 25th ultimo, by the Rev. Mr. Reid, of the Mariners church, William Christopher Dixon, eldest son of William Dixon, of London, to Julia Budd Barnes, only daughter of the late Captain Budd Barnes, of South Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 7 April 1864
On Thursday, 24th March, at the residence of the brides parents, Marlborough-terrace, Surry Hills, by special license, by the Rev J. Watkin, Mr. Benjamin Richards, of Glamorganshire, South Wales, to Mary, third daughter of Lancelot Iredale, Esq., late of Gateshead, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 12 July 1864
On Thursday the 7th instant, at the Scots' Church by special license by the Rev. Dr, Steel, Mr. William Jones, a native of Sydney to Mary, fifth daughter of Mr. William Swan, black-smith, Goulburn street, Sydney, a native of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 3 August 1864
PALMER-MILLER. -On the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Dr. Cairns, Thomas McLeod Palmer, Esq., of Grassmere, to Elizabeth Miller, youngest daughter of William Miller, Esq., of Woodburn, Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 20 August 1864
TODHUNTER-DAWSON-August 1st, at 105, Prince-street, by special license, by the Rev. John Reid, of the Mariners' Church, James Walter Todhunter, native of Greenwich, England, to Martha Dawson, daughter of the late Thomas Dawson, military officer, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.
The Argus (Melbourne)

Wednesday 24 August 1864
HUNTER - McGONIGLE -On the 17th inst, at Schnapper Point, by the Rev. James Glover, Mr Wm Henry Hunter, youngest son of Mr Wm Hunter Rothbury, Northumberland, to Miss Anne McGonigle, sister of Mrs Armstrong, of the former place.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 1 November 1864
CLEMESHA-GREEN. — On the 19th ult., at the meeting-house of the Society of Friends, Melbourne, Chapman Clemesha, of Ballarat, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Rachel Green, of Prahran, late of Banbury, Oxfordshire.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 20 January 1865
THOMPSON-DARLEY - December 22nd, by special license, at Oakland's Pambula, the residence of James Manning. Esq. J.P., by the Rev. H. Knight, M.A, W. G. Thompson, Esq. of Kanoona, Bega, to Sarah Maude, only daughter of the late William Darley, Esq., of Hexham, Northumberland, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 11 February 1865
DAVIDSON-ARUNDELL. - On the 9th February, at the residence of William Cubitt, Esq., by the Rev. Mr. Griffith, Robert Spencer, second son of Mr. John Davidson, Newcastle-on Tyne, to Jane Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Edward Arundell, of London.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 17 February 1865
PURVES - COMPTON. -On the 7th January, by special licence, at St. James's Church, Sydney, N.S.W., by the Rev. Robt. Allwood, Captain John Purves, of the Queen of the South, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. Ralph Compton, farmer, formerly of East Learmonth, county of Northumberland, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 5 June 1865
ELLIOTT-COOPER. - On the 3rd June, by special license, at Wickham Terrace Church, by the Rev. T. Jones, David Gillespie Elliott, officer of her Majesty's Customs, at the Port of Brisbane, and youngest son of James Elliott, Esq., Currigans House, Carrigans, Londonderry, to Esther Clara, second daughter of Captain R. E. H. Cooper, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 25 August 1865
On Saturday, the 12th instant, at the residence of the bridegroom's father, Bull-street, Newcastle, by the Rev E. C. Pritchard, Thomas Charlton, second son of Mr. George Wrightson engineer, of this city, and formerly of Gateshead, Durham England, to Sarah, eldest daughter Mr. David Richard Williams, of this city, and formerly of Monnepouth, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)

Monday 25 September 1865
MAXWELL-ELLIOTT. -On the 23rd ult., at Benrigg, by the Rev. R. Henderson, John Maxwell, Esq., merchant, Kyneton, to Elizabeth Catherine, only daughter of the late William Elliott, Esq., Howden, Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 19 February 1866
SAMPLE - MAHONY - January 16th, by special license, at St Mary's cathedral by the Rev J Cunningham, Henry Hedly Sample, of Sandhurst Victoria, eldest son of Mr Arthur Sample, Bedlington, Northumberland**,** England, to Margaret Catherine, eldest daughter of Mr Michael Mahony, County Kilkenny, Ireland

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 15 March 1866
BALSILLIE-LAING. - On the 18th inst, at All Saint's Church, Sandhurst, by the Rev. W. B. Croxton, Mr. A. P. Balsillie, draper, to Marla, youngest daughter of the late Captain James Laing, North Shields, England. No cards.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 22 March 1866
Wilson-Richardson - On the 20th lust, at All Saints Church, East St. Kilda, by the Rev J. H. Gregory, Henry Fitz, eldest son of Mr. Henry Wilson, of Prahran, formerly of Birmingham, to Dorothy Eleanor, fifth, daughter of Mr. M A. Richardson, also of Prahran, and formerly of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 29 March 1866
On the 24th instant, at Holy Trinity Church, by the Rev Edward Rogers, George Henry Stace, son of Colonel Stace, Royal Engineers, to Helen Kardiana Jobling relict of Captain Robert Jobling, Hon. E.I.C.'s Maritime Service, and of Newton Hall, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 30 April 1866
On the 25th instant, at the residence of the bride's father, Bull-street, Newcastle, by the Rev. E. C. Pritchard, Mr. JAMES KILGOUR, grocer, Hunter street, second son of Mr. Robert Kilgour, of the Bewhouse Farm, Fifeshire, Scotland, to MARGARET, only daughter of Mr. GEORGE WRIGHTSON, engineer, of this city, and formerly of Gateshead, Durham, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 30 June 1866
ATCHISON-WHITE. -On the 25th inst., at St. James's Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. M. H. Becher, George Atchison, second son of the late Andrew Atchison, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Dorothea, widow of the late Samuel White, architect, of the Public Works Department, Melbourne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 6 August 1866
Fordyce-Forster - On the 2nd inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. W. Inglis, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, Joseph, second son of Andrew Fordyce, Esq. late of Lerwick, Shetland, Scotland, to Elizabeth Mary, second daughter of Mr. Luke Forster, late of Rothbury, Northumberland, and grand-daughter of the late Cuthbert Blackett, Esq., of the city of Durham, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 27 September 1866
BANKS-RAMSAY. - On the 28th ult., at Christ Church, South Yarra, by the Rev. W. Newton Guinness, Charles D. Banks of London, to Jane Ramsay, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. Home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 15 December 1866
REID-RIDLEY. - On the 13th inst., at Williamstown, by the Rev. John Clark, Hugh Ronald, third son of the Rev. John Reid, of Sydney, N.S.W., to Elizabeth Rowlands, eldest daughter of Captain James Ridley, of Williamstown, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 23 July 1867
FERGUSON – SWAN July 11th, by special licence, at the residence, of the bride's parent, by the Rev Dr Steel, Mr John, the third son of the late Mr Henry Ferguson of Alnwick, to Elizabeth fourth daughter of the late Mr William Swan, both of Northumberland England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 19 October 1867
On the 19th September, at St. Barnabus' Church, by the Rev Thomas Smith, George Frederick, fourth son of the late Henry John Forster of Sydney, to Jemma, third daughter of the late Henry Ferguson of Alnwick, Northumberland England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 21 October 1867
TAYLOR-RIPPON. - On the 19th inst., at St. Philip's Church, East Collingwood, by the Rev. B. S. Walker, William, only surviving son of the late Mr. John Taylor, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Laura, daughter of Charles Rippon, Esq., solicitor, Fitzroy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 5 December 1867
SPROD-PINKERTON. - On the 29th ult, at St. Paul's Church, Sale, by the Rev. T. W. Serjeant, Thomas York Sprod, of Walhalla, Gipps land, to Lillie, third daughter of Sir. James Pinkerton, Newcastle on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 3 January 1868
CHIRNSIDE – FORBES On the 2nd inst., at Skene street, Geelong, by the Rev A. J. Campbell, of St. George's Church, Robert Chirnside, Esq., of Werribee park, eldest son of Peter Chirnside, Esq., Newham-house, Northumberland, to Margaret Jane, eldest daughter of the late Rev James Forbes of John Knox's Church, Melbourne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 5 February 1868
JOHNSTON-JAMESON - On the 29th ult., at the residence of the father of the bride, by the Rev. Mr. Cope, Wesleyan minister, Mr. Charles Johnston, of 118 Bourke-street, to Elizabeth Wheatley, daughter of Mr. George Jameson, of Russell-street, formerly of 28 Grey-Street, Newcastle on-Tyne, and Prudhoe, Northumberland, England. No cards.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 16 June 1868
On the 9th May by special license, at Sofais, by the Rev. G. E. C. Stiles, Samuel, eldest son of the late Robert Lovell McDougall, native of Scotland, to Georgina, youngest daughter of the late William Swan, native of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 24 September 1868
RENNISON - BROCKIES. -On the 21st inst., by licence, at St. Jude's Church, Carlton, by the Rev. C. S. Perry, W. H. Rennison, second son of the late Mr. John Rennison, of North Shields, Northumberland, to Mary Ann Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. John Brockies, of London. No cards.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 12 October 1868
HORTON – ANGUS On the 16th ult. at Blanche Street, St Kilda, by the Rev E. G. Lewis, David Horton, of St Kilda, to Mary, second daughter of the late Henry Angus, Iron Founder, of Newcastle upon Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 12 October 1868
THOMPSON – LAIDLER On the 19th ult. at the Manse, Erskine Church, Carlton, by the Rev. James Ballantyne, Thomas Thompson, Surveyor, Fitzroy, to Annie Laidler, formerly of Ford, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 20 October 1868
RICHARDSON-BAMFORD. -On the 17th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Wellington, Victoria, by the Rev. C. L. H. Rupp, Cuthbert Ridley, youngest son of Mr. M. A. Richardson, Prahran (late of Newcastle-on-Tyne), to Mary Ann, third daughter of Mr. James Bamford, Wellington, formerly of H. M. Ordnance Office, London.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 21 October 1868
BERKLEY-SMITH. -On the 15th October at St. John's Church, by the Rev. T. Jones, Mr. J. Berkley, Brisbane, youngest son of Mr. J. Berkley, of Shipley, Northumberland, to Mary Emma, second daughter of Mr. Samuel Smith, Mary-street, Dublin, Ireland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 7 December 1868
SCOTT- JOHNSTONE. -On the 4th inst., at Henry-street Windsor, by the Rev. C. Moir, David Laing Scott second son of Adam Scott, Esq., manufacturer, Acklington Park, Northumberland, to Lizzy, only daughter of the late Alexander Johnstone, cabinet maker, Falkirk, Scotland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 18 February 1869
MITCHELL-PEART. - On the 16th inst, at the residence of the bride's father, Windsor, by the Rev. A. Paul, John, the second son of Mr. Wm. Mitchell, Cremorne Brewery, Richmond, to Charlotte Joanna, youngest daughter of Mr, Joseph Peart, late of North Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 19 March 1869
On Thursday, the 18th instant, at the Scots' Church, by special license, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, M.P., Mr. Joseph Home, miner, a native of Lanarkshire, Scotland, to Jane Ann, youngest daughter of Robert Estell, contractor, a native of Newcastle on Tyne, England, both residing at Rydal, Western Road.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 21 April 1869
SCOPE-WESTON-November 2nd. 1868, by the Rev. Dr. Bailey, of the Free Church of England, John Walter Scope, of Kingston, Newtown, fourth son of the late Mr. Henry Scope, C E, and grandson of the late Captain John Tompson Hawks, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Miss E. Weston, youngest daughter of Henry Weston, Esq., of London.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 27 May 1869
Elliott-Williamson. - On the 25th inst, at West Melbourne, by the Rev. A. D. Kininmont, Robert Cochrane, son of the late William Elliott, of Howden, Northumberland, to Maria Jeanette, younger daughter of the late Robert Williamson, of Inverness

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 19 June 1869
Gray-Harris. - On the 11th inst., by license, at St Kilda, by the Rev. Charles Moir, George Gray, engineer, late of Scottswood, Northumberland, to Mary Ann, youngest daughter of the late George Harris, Esq., of Southampton, England.

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Monday 6 December 1869
TAYLOR-ANGUS. -On the 17th ult, at Blanch-street,
St. Kilda, by the Rev. W. Dlnnis, Joshua, eldest son of the late James Taylor, woollen manufacturer, Holmfirth, Yorkshire to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late Henry Angus, iron founder, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 3 January 1870
PRICE - NOBLE. -On the 27th ult, at St. Peter's Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. H. H. P. Handfield, William Price, to Elisabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Noble, formerly of Morpeth, **Northumberland**, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 19 February 1870
On the 7th instant, at Yamba, Clarence River Heads, by the Rev. James Niven, WALTER BLACK, fifth son of Adam Black, Esq., Northumberland, England to MARIA JANE, fourth daughter of Mr. E, Williams, of Parramatta.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 18 May 1870
DAVIS-PINKSTON-April 26th at his residence, 41, Burton Street, South Head Road, by the Rev. Dr Bailey, of the Free Church of England, Mr Archibald Henry Davis, formerly of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, to Frances youngest daughter of Mr Charles Pinkston, of Kent-street, Sydney.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 11 June 1870
HOPKINS-DAGLISH. – On the 23rd May at the house of Geo. Daglish, the brother of the bride, Athelstane Range, Rockhampton, William Hopkins, youngest son of the late William Hopkins, of Saffron Walden, England, and Rachel Hopkins, Bishop's Hill, Brisbane, to Mary Dalglish, the youngest daughter of the late William Daglish, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 15 April 1871
CHIPPINDALL-DAWSON -On the 15th March at Kenilworth Station, by the Rev. R. R. Wilson, Giles Tatlock Chippindall, to Miss Sarah Isaac Dawson, daughter of the late lsaac Dawson, Esq., merchant, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 7 July 1871
STEWART-BURGESS. - On the 9th May, at the Scotch Church, North Shields, by the Rev. John Stewart, cousin of the bridegroom, James Stewart, Esq., St Arnaud, Victoria, Australia, to Jamesina, youngest daughter of the late James Burgess, Esq., mining engineer, Newcastle on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 12 July 1871
COOK-SCOBIE – June 24, at the residence of the bride's mother. Erskineville lane, Newtown, by the Rev S C Kent, Michael Cook (Gateshead upon Tyne, England), glassmaker, late of the Co-operative Glass Works, Druitt street, Sydney, to Margaret, fourth daughter of the late Henry Scobie, C E, Enmore, Newtown, and granddaughter of the late Captain John Thompson Hawks of Newcastle on-Tyne, England

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 12 August 1871
HARDING-SMTH. - On the 16th ult, at St. Francis Catholic Church, by the Rev. Father Martin, William Harding, of Manchester, to Margaret, daughter of John Smith, of Newcastle on-Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 12 February 1872
On the 3rd instant, at 7 Prospect-terrace, Sydney, by the Rev. A. W. Webb, Ralph second son of the late William Wylan, Esq., of North Leam, Gateshead on Tyne, England, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. William Saunders, George-street South Sydney.

The Brisbane Courier
Thursday 29 February 1872
IREDALE-KIMBERLEY - On the 15th February, at Buckingham-street Sydney, by special license by the Rev. J. Watkins, Robert youngest son of Mr Lancelot Iredale, senior, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 16 July 1872
TELFORD-HARLEY. -On June 19, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. U. Taylor, George youngest son of Thomas Telford, Pallinsburn House, Northumberland, England, to Charlotte, third surviving daughter of Michael Harley, Carron Vale, Baringhup, late of Falkirk, Stirlingshire, Scotland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 8 October 1872
BLACK-YOUNG. -On the 4th inst., at Ballan, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. J. Black, M.A., brother of the bridegroom, George Proctor Black, chemist, to Frances Ann, younger daughter of the late Andrew Young, of Millfield, near Flodden, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 27 January 1873
BALL- January 3, at her residence, 400, Crown Street, Surry Hills after a long and painful illness, Caroline, the beloved wife of William Ball aged 52 years, relict of the late William Allder, chemist and druggist mother of C W Allder, of this city and Mrs R Morrison, of Melbourne, and daughter of the late John Kyle of South Shields Durham, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 27 May 1873
MATHEWSON-SNOWDON. - On the 21st inst., at the residence of the bride, Robert, fourth son of the late R Mathewson, Esq., Ironmonger, of this city, to Esther, third daughter of the late Thomas Snowdon, Esq., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 8th July 1873
ELLIOT-KEANE – On the 9th June at St Joseph's, Rockhampton, by the Rev. Dean Murlay, Aynsley John Elliot, J.P. Langton Downs Clermont, second son of John Elliot Esq. late of Benwell Lodge, Northumberland, England, to Jeannie Mary Theresa, third daughter of John Keane Esq. of Brisbane.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 6 August 1873
ARMSTRONG-EVERTON-On the 17th July, at Everton Lodge, Gympie, by the Rev. Joseph Buckle, of Terrace-street Brisbane, assisted by the Rev J. Williams, Mr George Armstrong, Primitive Methodist Local Preacher, formerly of Allendale Northumberland, England, to Miss Everton, formerly of Coventry, Warwick, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 3 October 1873
OWEN - COULSON-Captain D. H. Owen, son of J. H. Owen general merchant, Bangor, North Wales, to Miss J. A. Coulson of Hexham, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 30 December 1873
Pattison – Foster - On the 18th Inst., by the Rev. Dr. Stewart, John Pattison, of Morpeth, Northumberland, and late of Melbourne, to Susan Foster, daughter of James Foster, of Burton-crescent, London.

The Argus (Melbourne
Thursday 4 June 1874
TEMPERLEY-WATT. - On the 2nd inst., at Christ Church, St. Kilda, by the Rev. Stanley Lowe, John Ridley, second son of William Angus Temperley, Esq., Hexham, England, to Lizzie, second daughter of Chas. Watt, Esq., of this city.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Wednesday 24 June 1874
MAIN-ALEXANDER -On the 23rd of April, by special license, at St David's Cathedral, by the Rev Canon Bromby, George Main, of Shields, England, to Jane, the youngest daughter of Mr James Alexander, of Franklin Island, late of Hobart Town.
The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 7 October 1874

MOLTINE- GRANT. - On the 10th ult, by the Rev. John Watsford, of Emerald-hill, James A. Moltine, to Margaret, daughter of Robert Calder Grant, of Edinburgh. Newcastle-on-Tyne and Edinburgh papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 14 October 1874
DAVIDSON-ROGERS. -On the 12th inst., at Christ Church Castlemaine, by the Venerable the Archdeacon, William Davidson, of Sandhurst third son of the late John Davidson, of Newcastle on Tyne, England to Miriam Annie, widow of the late William Rogers, Kangaroo flat, Sandhurst. No cards.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 24 January 1876
Cameron-Eade. - On 5th January, at the residence of Mr. James Goodger, Blackstone, near Launceston, by the Rev. E. W. Nye, Thomas Williamson Cameron (City Missionary), late of Newcastle-on Tyne, England, to Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. James Eade, farmer, Essex, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 24 November 1876
KENYON-SCOTT. - On the 9th inst., at the residence of the father of the bride, by the Rev. James Lindsay, of Chalmer's Church, Henry Kenyon, of Launceston, son of the late Henry Kenyon, Esq. of the Park, Alston, Cumberland, to Clementina second daughter of James Scott, Esq. J.P., M.LA. of Bowhill, near Launceston.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 1 October 1877
BROWN-LAMB. -On 6th September, at Jerusalem, by the Rev. S. B. Fookes, Ohio Brown, of Deloraine, and only surviving son of William Foster Brown, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Amy Charlotte, youngest daughter of Mr. Charles Lamb.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 11 May 1878
NEWTON – NEWMAN April 23, at St Barnabas' church Sydney by the Rev J Barnier, James Allen, youngest son of the late George Allen, Newton, Alnwick, Northumberland, England, to Georgina, fourth daughter of the late Edward Newman, of Goulburn.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 17 June 1878
BROWNE-FISHER. - On June 13, at St. John's Church, Hobart Town, by the Rev. J. H. B. Bailey, William, fourth son of James Browne, Newcastle-on- Tyne, England, to Hannah, sixth daughter of the late James Fisher, formerly of Blair Athol, Bothwell, in Tasmania.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 30 August 1878
ROBERTS - BRUNTON. - On the 29th August, at St. John's Church, Brisbane, Gordon M. Roberts, M.R.C.S E., of Toowoomba, Queensland, to Joan,

youngest daughter of the late Lieutenant John Brunton, R.N. of Morpeth, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 14 March 1879
BUSHELL-MACTAGGART. - February 25, at 183. Macquarie Street. Edward Hunter, second son of L. B. Bushell, Newcastle on-Tyne, England, to Menie, eldest daughter of Rev. D. C. Mactaggart. Inverary, Scotland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 24 April 1879
GEORGE - CARR. -On the 16th Inst, at Holy Trinity Church Sandridge, by the Rev F C Platts M A, Edward John, eldest son of John George, of South Geelong, to Mary Haddon Carr, eldest daughter of the late Elsdon Storey, ship-owner, North Shields, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 9 June 1879
THE Friends of the late Mr. THOMAS DAVISON, contractor, Highett street, Richmond are most respectfully invited to follow his remains to their last resting place, the Melbourne General Cemetery.
The funeral procession is appointed to move from his late residence, Hexham Villa, Highett street, Richmond, on Tuesday, 10th, at half past 2 o clock punctually.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tueday 10 June 1879
DAVISON. -On the 8th inst., at his residence, Hexam villa, Highett-street Richmond, Thomas Davison, contractor, aged 49 years. Home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 30 January 1880
MEWTON-TURNER. - On the 6th inst., at St. James's Cathedral, by the Rev. Canon Becher, Frederick Reid Mewton, second son of James Reid Mewton, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Matilda Ann Kate Turner, eldest daughter of James Turner, 52 Bank-street, Emerald-hill, late of Shropshire.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 6 March 1880
CAMPBELL-HOUGHTON. - February 28, by special license, at St. Philip's Church, by the Rev. Canon O'Rielly, Henry Campbell, eldest son of Henry Campbell, of North Shields, England, to Naomi Rebecca Houghton, only daughter of George Houghton, Gloucester-street, Sydney, New South Wales.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 8 June 1880
PHILLIPS - KEENE - May 23 at Christchurch, Gosford, by the Rev. G. H. Johnstone Thomas Steel Phillips, youngest son of James Phillips of Alnwick

Northumberland England, to Mary Ann Keene eldest daughter of the late George Keene, of Gosford Brisbane

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 24 July 1880
STODDART - WHITFIELD - On the 7th inst at St Stephen's Church, Richmond, by the Rev C. T. Perks, Walter James, eldest son of Thomas Stoddart, formerly of Kidderminster to Louisa Emily, eldest daughter of Robert William Whitfield, formerly of Hexham, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 17 January 1881
DOBBYN-CARRICK - On the 13th inst, at Trinity Church, Sandridge, by the Rev W A Brooke, incumbent, Francis Birkitt Dobbyn, youngest surviving son of the late John Catton Dobbyn, M.D, Dublin to Minna youngest daughter of the late Thomas Carrick, artist, Newcastle on Tyne. London, Dublin, and Newcastle papers please copy

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 19 March 1881
WALL-McMASTER -On the 22nd February, at the Wesleyan Church, Ann street, by the Rev. R. Sellors, Rev. William Wall, of Egglestone, Durham, England, to Isabella, eldest surviving daughter of Alderman John McMaster of Bowen-terrace, Brisbane, and formerly of Ayrshire, Scotland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 21 April 1882
SHEAD-McCARTNEY. – April 4, at St Thomas Church, St Leonards, by the Rev. S. H. Childe, B.A. William, eldest son of the late George Shead, builder, of St Leonards, to Elizabeth eldest daughter of William McCartney, of Newcastle on Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 21 April 1881
BUTCHER-FISHBURN. - On the 6th inst., at All Saints' Church, St. Kilda, by the Rev E. C. Spicer, J. Thomas, eldest son of Horace Butcher, Stanhope, England, to Isabel Mary, third daughter of George Fishburn, railway contractor, South Yarra, Melbourne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 21 April 1881
BUTCHER-FISHBURN. - On the 8th inst., at All Saints' Church, St. Kilda, by the Rev E. C. Spicer, J. Thomas, eldest son of Horace Butcher, Stanhope, England, to Isabel Mary, third daughter of George Fishburn, railway contractor, South Yarra, Melbourne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 6 November 1882
EDGAR-VINDIN. - October 19th at the Wesleyan Parsonage, Dowling St, Sydney, by the Rev. Mr. Clark, William, eldest son of the late David Edgar, of

Allendale, Northumberland, England, to Eliza Cowper, relict of the late Frederick Vindin Sydney, and seventh 'daughter of the late Farquhar Aberdeen, Sydney.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 12 June 1883
HAGGARD - CHIRNSIDE. -On the 3rd ult, at the British Consulate, Cairo, before the British Vice-Consul, and by the Rev. John McTaggart, Presbyterian chaplain to the forces, Major Andrew C. P. Haggard, Egyptian Army (captain The King's Own Borderers), son of W. M. R. Haggard, Esq., of Bradenham-hall, Norfolk, to Emily Isabel Chirnside, daughter of Peter Chirnside, Esq., Newham, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 13 July 1883
KING - PRATT - July 5, at St. John's Church, Young, by the Venerable Archdeacon Dunstan, M.A., of Forbes, assisted by the Rev. J. M. Ware, of Young, George Hulton, eldest son of Canon H. Smyth King, M.A., incumbent of St. Michael's, Sidney, to Sarah Elizabeth, second daughter of Matthew Thomas Pratt, of Young, and granddaughter of the late John Pratt, Esq., of Bell's Hill, Belford, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 30 July 1883
GOTT-CAMPBELL. — On the 16th inst., by the Rev T. Masterman, at East Collingwood, Melbourne, A. L. Gott, late of Manchester and Gateshead-on-Tyne, to Hannah Jane, only daughter of Mr. Joseph Campbell, of Shincliffe, Durham, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 12 September 1883
FLANNAGAN-SHIELD - October 25, 1882, at St Peters' Church, by the Rev Broughton Tress, Francis Lott Flannagan, monumental mason, to Maggie the fourth daughter of Septimus Shield, of South Shields, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 21 November 1883
CAMERON-WOOD - On the 15th inst. at Elm cottage, Munster terrace Hotham, by the Rev. T. W. Cameron, of Campbellfield, Andrew Cameron, of Hotham, to Jane Richardson Wood, eldest daughter of Mr John Wood, of Newcastle upon Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 4 April 1884
WISE - BAIRD. -April 1, at St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral, Melbourne, by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Sydney, Primate of Australia, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Bromby, D.D., and the Rev. R. E. Relton, Bernhard Ringrose Wise, of Queen's College, Oxford, barrister-at-law, second son of the late Mr. Justice Wise, to Lillian Margaret, third daughter of the late John Forster Baird, of Bowmant-hill, Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald)
Tuesday 2 September 1884
TAUBMAN-SCOTT. - August 20, at St. David's, Surry Hills, by the Rev. J. Hargrave, George Henry, oldest son of the late John Taubman, Isle of Man, to Isabella, eldest daughter of Captain Scott, North Shield's, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Tuesday 4 August 1885
ALEXANDER-MOORE. -On the 1st August, at the residence of the Rev. J. Stewart, Arthur street, Fortitude Valley, Charles Alexander, engine fitter, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Ann, daughter of John Moore, Aightonbanks, Durham, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Tuesday 4 August 1885
DICKSON-LEE. -On the 22nd July, at 28 Bowen-street, Brisbane, by the Rev. J. Stewart. George Smith, son of Thomas Dickson, of Airdrie, Lanark, Scotland, to Barbara, daughter of William Lee, miner, Leadgate, Durham, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 20 August 1885
MORRISON-APPLETON - April 22, 1885, at Christ Church, Sydney, by the Rev.. Charles Frederick Garnsey, William, oldest son of William Morrison, J.P., publisher and proprietor of the Border Standard, The Advertiser, Evening Telegraph, &c., Hawick, Scotland, and grandson of the late Robert Greig, Esq., writer, Calcutta, to Eliza Ann. seventh daughter of P. A. Appleton, Bourke-street, Sydney, late of South Shields, England, and granddaughter of the late Samuel Bull, Esq., glass manufacturer, Exeter, England. Home papers please copy

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 19 September 1885
HARBUTT-NOBLE. - September 16, at Marrickville, Congregational Church, by the Rev. Robert Dey, Thomas Leslie Harbutt, of South Shields, England, to Sophia Noble of Maitland, N. S.W.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 2 October 1885
PEART-PERRY. -On the 28th September, at the Presbyterian Manse, Brisbane, by the Rev. D. F, Mitchell, Rev. J. Peart, eldest son of John Peart, Esq., Dyke, Weardale, Durham, England, to Annie, second daughter of H. T. Perry, Esq., State School, Blackall.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 21 December 1885
TOMLINS-SCOTT. -December 17,1885, at the minister's residence, Queen-street, Wooliahra, by Rev. Samuel Bryant, of Wooliahra Congregational Church, W. H. Tomlins, M.R.C.S., of Wallsend, to Mary Jessie Scott, eldest daughter of the late Morice Scott, Esq., physician, North Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 23 March 1886
BLAIR-GRAINGER -March 17, at All Saints' Church, Petersham, by the Rev. Charles Baber. Stuart, oldest son of John Blair, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Mary, eldest daughter of William Grainger, of Napier, New Zealand.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 19 July 1886
TINDALE - DE SAXE On the 7th inst, at St Philip's
Church, Sydney, by the Rev. J. D. Langley, John, only surviving son of Mr. Robert Tindale, Durham, England, to Florence, eldest daughter of Mr. Geo. De Saxe, dentist.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 8 July 1887
HAMILTON-MELDRUM-On the 5th July, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Leichardt-street, by the Rev. J. F. McSwaine, Thomas, son of G. Hamilton, Esq., Spring Hill to Agnes Johanna, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Meldrum, builder, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 15 July 1887
BLACK-ANDERSON-On the 5th July, at Holy Trinity Church, Bowen, by the Rev. J. L. Wilson, David, second son of John and Mary Black, of Gayndah, Burnett River, Queensland, to Ellen Metrina, eldest daughter of Claus and Sarah Anderson, of Gateshead, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 18 August 1887
REDMAYNE-MITCHELL. - July 6, 1887, at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, London, by the Rev. C. J. Ridgeway, vicar, Robert Norman, second son of John M. Redmayne Esq., of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Edith Louisa, eldest daughter of the Rev. Stanley Mitchell, of Sydney, New South Wales.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 26 August 1887
DOWEY- BROOKE - On the 28th June, at Tweed Heads, by the Rev. T. E. Fox, John Dowey, of North Shields, England, to Fannie Louisa Brooke, daughter of Frederick Brooke, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 16 September 1887 Christchurch, New Zealand by the Venerable Archdeacon Lingard, F. G. Shields, M A. (Camb), son of the late Rev. W. T. Shields Hexham, to Margaret, daughter of John Carr, Elchester Co. Durham.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 17 September 1887
Pattison-Holroyd -On Tuesday, September 6,at Holy Trinity Church, Hobart, by the Rev. G. W. Shoobridge, George Hall, eldest son of George Pattison, Stanhope, Darlington, England, to Maud Mary, fourth daughter of the late B. Holroyd, of Hobart

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 23 September 1887
SHOOTER- JENNER. —On the 14th September, at St. John's Church, Dalby, by the Rev. V. R. Handyside, Charles George Shooter, second surviving son of the late Rev. Joseph Shooter, Trinity Parsonage, North Shields, Northumberland, to Leila Evelyn, eldest surviving daughter of Samuel Jenner, of Jimbour, Darling Downs.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 4 February 1888
LIVINGSTON-DAWSON. – February 1, 1888, at the residence of the bride's father, Waverley, by the Rev. J. Gerrard Martin, Wesleyan minister, of Tenterfield, Robert Livingston, of Eversleigh, near Armidale, to Janealla, second daughter of K. C. Dawson, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 21 April 1888
GILLIES-ROBERTSON - On the 28th ult at the Australian Church, by the Rev. Dr. Chas Strong, Walter Sandeman, son of P. S. Gillies late of Newcastle upon Tyne and London, to Jeannie Harrison, second daughter of Joseph Robertson of Brunswick, Fitzroy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 5 September 1888
LITTLEJOHN – DEES - September 1, at Christ Church, Sydney, by the Rev. C. F. Garnsey, Robert, second son of Thomas Littlejohn, of Hawthorn, Manly, to Frances Annie Lister, widow of George Dixon Dees, of Riverdale, Northumberland, England, and daughter of the late James Lister, of Stoneleigh, Lansdown, Bath, England.

The West Australian (Perth)
Monday 24 September 1888
ANDERSON-GRIFFIN. - On the 19th inst., at the Roman Catholic Church, Fremantle, William Anderson, of Newcastle-on Tyne. England, to Annie, second daughter of Owen Griffin, of Fremantle.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 25 October 1888
MALLETT – HENDREN. - October 11, at St. Patrick's Church, by the Rev. Father Piquet, Charles Sustains, eldest son of William Mallett, South Shields, England, to Susie Josephine, third daughter of James Hendren, Glebe.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 7 November 1888
ROBSON-PETERS. -October 24, by the Rev. T. B. Tress, of St. Peter's, Sydney, A. C. Robson, only son of Captain M. Robson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Esther C. Peters, eldest daughter of S. Peters, of Sydney.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Thursday 8 November 1888
JOHNSON-WILLIAMS. - On October l8, at St John's Church, Goulburn-street,

Charles Crombe Johnson, of Newcastle on-Tyne, England, to Florence Edith, only daughter of the late John Williams, Hobart.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 24 December 1888
HILL - McPHARLANE, - On the 18th December, at the Courthouse. Nanaugo, by A. Lee, Esq., J P., Thomas Gilbert Hume Hill, only son of the late Thomas Gilbert Hill, of Northumberland, England, to Laura Violet Mary McPharlane, seventh daughter of the late Enos McPharlane, Edinburgh, Scotland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 11 February 1889
PARKES – DIXON - February 6, at St. Paul's, Redfern, by the Rev. F. B. Boyce, the Hon. Sir Henry Parkes, Q.C.M.G., to Eleanor, the youngest daughter of the late Thomas Dixon, of Wooler, Northumberland, England. No cards.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 29 January 1890
THRELFALL - BAIRD. - January l8, at St. John's Church, Hobart, by the Very Rev. the Dean of Hobart, Richard Threlfall, M.A. (Cantab.), of Hollowforth, Preston, England, Professor of Physics, University of Sydney, to Evelyn Agnes, fifth surviving daughter of John Forster Baird, Esq. of Bowmont Hill, Northumberland, and St. Aiden's, Hampstead.

The Sydney Morning Herald)
Monday 17 March 1890
APPLETON- PICKERING. - January 30, 1890, at Paddington, by the Rev. H. W. T. Pincombe. Joseph Ambrose, second son of S. T. Appleton, of Sydney, late South Shields. England, to Helena Minnie, second daughter of W. Pickering, of Wooliahra, late Adelaide, S. A.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 3 April 1890
FORSTER-MILLETT - March 28,1890, at St. Augustine's, Neutral Bay, by the Rev. North Ash, M.A., Edward, son of the late John Forster, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Theresa Frances, fourth daughter of Edward Millett, The Rangers, Mossman's Bay.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 11 July 1890
AMOS-PRYOR. - July 10, 1890, at the residence of the bride's mother, l68 Norton-street. Leichardt, by the Rev. J. M. Bayley, Edgar James third son of the late Henry Edwin Amos. Jarrow-on-Tyne, to Susie, third daughter of the late James Pryor, late of Bathurst, N.S.W.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 3 September 1890
SOLOMON-BONNER. - On the 21st ult., at 3 Carolina-terrace, Drummond-street, Carlton, by the Rev. Nathaniel Kinsman, Lionel Albert, youngest son of the late Joseph Solomon, of Melbourne, to Norma Elizabeth, second daughter

of the late Tudor Bonner, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. (New Zealand papers please copy.)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 8 September 1890
CANE - WOODMAN. - On the 8th September, 1865, at Richmond, by the Rev. James Taylor, Samuel Cane, second son of Samuel Cane, Richmond, Melbourne, to Miriam, third daughter of James Woodman, pianoforte maker, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Silver wedding. Newcastle, Sunderland, and Hobart papers please copy.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 7 February 1891
HENDERSON-NOON. - 0n the 31st January, by the Rev. Thos. Leitch, J. K. Henderson, the youngest son of the late Captain J. K. Henderson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, to Amelia, the second eldest daughter of Mr. Thos. Noon, of Arthur terrace, Brisbane.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 7 March 1891
PROCKTOR-HOGARTH - On the 27th ult, at St Colomb's Church, Hawthorn, by the Rev Thomas Armstrong, Henry James, son of Edward Cornelius Procktor, of Kent, England, to Annie, eldest daughter of the late William Hogarth, of Newcastle on Tyne, England.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 14 March 1891
ROWELL-JOHNSON. - 0n the 4th March, at the Wesleyan Church, Warwick, by the Rev. W. Jeffries, Robert Rowell, second son of E. Rowell, Walbottle, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Helena M, Johnson, second daughter of T. A. Johnson, Warwick, Queensland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 25 May 1892
SIMONS-LATIMER -May 4, at the Primitive Methodist Church, Johnston-street, Annandale, by the Rev. J. W. Leadley, Frederick John, second son of G. D. Simons, of Cambridge, England to Rachel Elizabeth, second daughter of John Latimer, of North Shields, England.

The West Australian (Perth)
Friday 21 April 1893
WEBSTER-TYERMAN. At St. John's Church, Albany, on April 17, by the Rev. W. Wardell-Johnson (by special license) Alfred Edwin Webster, Fremantle, son of the late Alfred Pomeroy Webster, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Eleanor Mary (Nellie), youngest daughter of Robert Tyerman, Thornton-le street, Thirsk, Yorkshire. English papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 26 April 1893
Twiddle-Billis -On the 5th inst, at the residence of the brides mother, Annat, Auburn, by the Rev. Professor Macdonald, D. D. uncle of the bride J. Thornton

Tweddle, youngest son of Thomas Tweddle, Winlaton on Tyne, England, to Lilian, younger daughter of the late John Billis.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 13 May 1893
LAMBERT—McCHEANE. —On the 3rd inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, William, fourth son of the late Mark Lambert R.N, of Gateshead, England, to Laura Anna, fifth daughter of Edward McCheane, of Ascotvale.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 13 July 1893
HASTWELL-LORKIN - July 12 at St Thomas Church Balmain Sydney by the Rev. J. Dixon, Henry Hastwell of Newcastle-on Tyne, England second engineer SS Tasmania to Ida Louise oldest daughter of John R. Larkin of Port Esperance.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 14 October 1893
MORLAND-DAVIS. - October 7, 1893, Maude, eldest daughter of John Davis, Queen's Hotel North Shore, to John Morland, Esq., of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Brisbane Courier
Thursday 5 July 1894
FARR - BARFOOT. -On the 4th July, at St. Nicolas's Church, Sandgate, by the Rev. Canon Matthews, Percy Proctor Farr, of Nanango, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Frances Alice, eldest daughter of W. R. Barfoot, Esq., of Sandgate. No cards.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 8 September 1894
RIDLEY-LAWLOR. - On the 3rd inst., at St Marys, Dandenong road, East St Kilda, by the Rev., Father McCarthy, William Arlington Ridley, of Mildura second son of the late Mr William Ridley, of Finchley, London, and Newcastle on Tyne, to Josephine eldest daughter of Mr W. J Lawlor, of Raheen, Balaclava.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 26 September 1894
ADAMSON - DOUGLAS. -On the 18th September, at Christ Church, St George, by the Rev. J. Lister Coles, Cuthbert Frederick, fourth son of the late Major William Adamson of Garden House, Cullercoats, Northumberland, England, to Myra Anecia, fourth daughter of the late Franklin Randolph Douglas, of St. George, Queensland.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 6 October 1894
HASTWELL-PARTRIDGE - On October 3, at Hobart, by the Rev. D, B. Bridgwood, George Alfred Hastwell, second son of Robert Hastwell, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to May Elinor Partridge, youngest daughter of Samuel Partridge, of Hobart

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 26 January 1895
JONES-DOYLE-October 11, 1894, at St David's Surry Hills, by the Ven. Archdeacon Dunstan, M. A. Charles Jones, of Birkenhead, Cheshire, to Annie, daughter of the late Michael Doyle, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 2 February 1895
THORNTON-EASTON-January 16,1895 at All Saints' Mission Church, Petersham, by the Rev. C Kingsley Cole, Edward eldest son of Samuel E. Thornton, Gateshead-on-Tyne, England, to Amelia Grace, eldest daughter of Henry Easton, of Petersham.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 4 May 1895
CRAIG – TAYLOR- On the 27th ult., at Christ Church. South Yarra, by the Rev Canon Tucker, assisted by the Rev John Garlick, of All Saints', Bendigo, James Henry younger son of George Napier Craig, of Bendigo to Alice, third daughter of Michael Taylor, formerly of Hexham, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 3 August 1895
SPENCER - DAVISON On the 17th ult. at Holy Trinity church, Maldon, by the Rev R. W. Cooke, MA Michael Percy, youngest son of the late Michael Spencer of, Walbottle hall, Northumberland, England to Flora Harriet, youngest daughter of Thomas Bell Davison, Tyneside, Maldon.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 7 September 1895
GUTTRIDGE - CLARK - On the 3rd instant, at St. Philip's Church, Sydney, by the Venerable Archdeacon Langley, assisted by the Rev. T. V. Alkin, M.A., of St. Peters Campbelltown, Loftus Percy, youngest son of Frederick Guttridge, Esq., late chief officer of the Manchester Assizes Courts England, to Elizabeth Mary June (Popsie) eldest daughter of James Anthony Clark, Esq. of Minto, N S W., and late of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 13 September 1895
CRUDDAS – CLARK - On the 12th inst, at Holy Trinity church, East Melbourne, by the Rev Canon Berry, John Swale youngest son 0f the late Rev Canon Cruddas, of Warden, Northumberland, England to Christina Sarah, second daughter of Frederick Clark, Esq. of Eaglehawk, Victoria.

The West Australian (Perth)
Saturday 16 November 1895
NEVILLE-HARDEY. - On November 13, at St. George's Cathedral, by the Rev. Price,
George Mackelcan, second son of the Rev. H. M. Neville, of Ford, Northumberland, to Janie Evelyn, fifth daughter of Robert D. Hardey, of Perth.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 4 September 1896
DAVISON-SWALLING. – On the 4th September, 1871, at Castlemaine, by the Rev. E. Day, Thomas Bell, fourth son of the late Ralph Davison, Chapple-house, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Jane Newbery, youngest daughter of the late William Swalling, architect, Greenwich, Kent, England, late of Bendigo. (Silver Wedding)

The West Australian (Perth)
Thursday 23 December 1897
CLIFFORD-EVANS. - On the 15th December, 1897 at St. John's Church, Fremantle, by Archdeacon Watkins, Edward Randolph, only son of the late Charles Randolph Clifford, Esq. Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Emily Florence, third daughter of Charles Evans, Esq., Brisbane, Queensland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 23 April 1898
Diamond Wedding
CLARK-PRESTON – April 2, 1838 at St Andrew's Church, Sydney by the Rev. Dr McGarvie, James Clark only son of James Clark, Gravesend, England, to Jane Preston, third daughter of David Preston of Newcastle upon Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 28 May 1898
TAYLOR – GOODGER - May 26, 1898, at the Manse, Oxford Street, by the Rev. J, Fulton, Paddington, Thomas Taylor, Esq. of Woolgoolga, New South Wales, formerly of Northumberland, England, to Florence May, daughter of William Goodger, Esq., of Ulmarra, New South Wales.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 30 July 1898
July 13, at St Barnabas' Church, Sidney, by the Rev Norman Jenkyn, Arthur Alexander the fourth son of the late Joseph Hart, of outlands Tasmania to Macbe Louis Matilda Waugh youngest daughter of Wm Waugh, of Alston England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 1 April 1899
WINTER – WAY - March 28 at the Congregational Church Beckenham Kent by the Rev T. Eynon Davies, Frank Winter A.C.A son of County Alderman, J. M. Winter J.P. Tynemouth, Northumberland, to Emily, second daughter of E. Way, Ravenswood, Beckenham, and Pitt Street Sydney. By cable.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 3 October 1898
BELLETTE-CLEARY. - On October 2, 1873, at St. Georges Church, Sorell, by the Rev. C. J. Brammall, George Arthur, youngest son of the late George Bellette, of "Charm Banks" Sorell, to May, eldest daughter of Thomas Cleary, of Bream Creek, and great granddaughter of the late Dr. Treham Temple, of Newcastle on-Tyne, England. Silver wedding.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 10 December 1898
SHORT-SMITH. On the 7th December, at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Maryborough, Henry Short (late of Newcastle-on-**T**yne), to Bridget Mary, second daughter of the late James Smith, Nanango.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 23 August 1899
ROUTLEDGE–ROBERTSON - On the 9th August, at Christ Church, Castlemaine, by the Rev Canon Sutton, Richard, youngest son of the late George Routledge, Esq., of Shotley bridge, County Northumberland**,** England, to Florence Mary second daughter of the late George Robertson Esq. St Kilda, Melbourne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 25 December 1899
BUCKMAN-TINDALL. - December 21, 1899, at St Peter's Cathedral, Amidale, by the Ven. Archdeacon, Ross N. W. Buckman, second son of "William Bulley Buckman, Esq., of Brighton, England, to Eliza June second daughter of Thomas Lionel Tindall, Esq., of UIgham Grange, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 11 April 1900
CARR-ELLISON – LANG - On the 19th March
1900 at St Martins Hawksburn, by the Rev. T. Holyoake Rust, John Ralph Stockley, second son of John Ralph Carr-Ellison of Hedgeley, Alnwick, Northumberland, to Alice Ursula only surviving daughter of Fredk. A. Lang “Talofa” Bruce, street Toorak.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 5 May 1900
GRAYSON-BUCKLE -March 14 1900, at the Pyrmont and Ultimo Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. R. S. Peterson, assisted by the Rev John Ferguson, of St. Stephen's, Robert Grayson, of Melbourne, second son of the late William Grayson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Martha Ames, third daughter of Francis Buckle, of Dunskey, Pyrmont, Sydney, New South Wales.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 25 August 1900
DAWSON-ROSMAN. - August 6, at Sydney, by the Rev. George Hay, Adamson Beckley Dawson, of Newcastle on-Tyne, England, to Kate Rosman, eldest daughter of Patrick Conway, of Adelaide.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Wednesday 10 October 1900
Fisher-Nixon. - On September 8, 1900, at Adelaide, by the Rev. Archibald Smith, Frank Tasman, fourth son of the late Charles Victor Fisher, of Hobart, to Maud Adelaide; daughter of Captain George Nixon, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 26 November 1900
CRICHTON-MORSE - On the 3rd August, 1890, at Wesleyan Parsonage, Camberwell, by the Rev. R. Ditterich, Archibald Crichton, son of Archibald Crichton Newcastle on Tyne (England) to Amy Eleanor Beatrice Morse, youngest daughter of Robert Edward Morse, New Cross, London.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 27 May 1902
TUCKER-REYNOLDS - On the 8th April, 1902 at St. John's Church, West Melbourne, by the Rev. Cadwaladr Thomas, Alfred, eldest son of the late Alfred W. Tucker, Esq., of Gateshead on Tyne England to Ethel May youngest daughter of the late James Reynolds, Esq., of Bendigo.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 3 July 1902
SWALES-MORKHAM. - On the 30th June, at the Cathedral, Singapore, Thomas Swales, of South Shields, England, to Edith Mary, elder daughter of William Morkham, "Christowell," Camberwell. (By cable.)

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 20 May 1903
ANNIVERSARY WEDDING.
BROWN-HOBBS - May 20 1902, at the Unitarian Church, Sydney, by the Rev A Worthington (officiating), Archibald Tennent Brown, youngest son of Mr. John Huntly Brown of South Shields, England with Annie J. Hobbs, of Tamworth, second youngest daughter of Mr William George Smith, of Geeboro, Yorkshire England.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 27 July 1903
SILVER WEDDING.
ROBSON-TIMOTHY. -On July 27, 1878, at Hobart, by the Rev, J. P. Wright, Franklin, William Robson, youngest son of the late John Hobson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Marion, oldest daughter of the late Joseph Timothy, of Berkshire, England.

The Advertiser
Wednesday 2 March 1904
FETTIS-ALDRED. - On 'the 25th February, at "Inverness," 'Hall-street,' Semaphore, by the Rev. A. C. Sutherland, Frederick, fourth son of the late, Robert Alfred Fettis, Jarrow-on-Tyne, England, to Lizzie, youngest daughter of John Fair Aldred, of Port Adelaide.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 9 April 1904
TWEDDLE-HUNTER-On the 30th March 1904, at St. Kilda Methodist Church by the Rev. A.E. Gifford assisted by Rev. Samuel knight, Joseph Thornton Tweddle youngest son of Mr. Thomas Tweddle, Winlaton upon Tyne, England to Isabel May Hunter youngest daughter of the late Henry W. Hunter formerly of Deniliquin.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 12 October 1904
FRASER-REAY - [Golden Wedding.) - On the 12th October, 1854, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, South Shields, England by the Rev. W. O. Allan, Duncan Fraser, head master of Barnes schools, South Shields, to Anna Elizabeth, daughter of John Reay, ship owner, of the same place. Present address, Rev. D. Fraser, Rossarden, Heidelberg.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 31 October 1905
DUNN -October 27, 1905, at Abbotsford, Picton, Thomas Mellanby, third son of Charles Dunn, ship owner, Newcastle on Tyne, England, aged 72 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 4 November 1905
PEGG-SCOTT - October 4 at St John s Church Balmain North by the Rev J. Cakebread John the eldest son of Alfred Pegg of Derby England formerly of the Coldstream Guards London England, to Jane fourth daughter of Captain Henry P Scott, of North Shields England. Home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 27 February 1907
LYALL-REA. -[Golden Wedding]-On the 27th February 1857, at the Presbyterian Chapel, ????kham Northumberland, England, by the Rev. J. Edwards, Henry Lyall, eldest son of the late Robert Lyall, of Ewart, to Eleanor Rea, eldest daughter of the late Alex. Rea, of Spittal Present address- "Lindisfarne " Leverson street North Melbourne.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 15 June 1908
GOLDEN WEDDING.
LANE-DUN. - On June 14, 1858, at St. David's Cathedral, Hobart, by the Rev. John Dixon, John, oldest son of John Lane, of London, to Margaret, eldest daughter of William and Martha Dun, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. Sydney papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 20 June 1908
MASON - GREGORY -On the 20th May, at St Luke's Church, Alberton, by the Rev. H. T. Fowler, B A, William, the second son of Thomas Mason Northumberland, England, to Daisy, youngest daughter of James Gregory, The Grange, Alherton, South Gippsland. (Address, Finch Street, Beechworth).

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 7 November 1908
WHITE- MELLON - At Christ Church North Sydney, on September 14 by the Rex John H. McLean, Charles Ernest, son of the late Mr Albert James White, Adelaide, and grand-nephew of the late Sir George Robert Tyler, Bart. to

Florence Maud Isabel (Flossie), second daughter of the late James Barr-Mellon, J.P. of Newcastle upon Tyne, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Thursday 12 November 1908
PATON-DUNCAN. - On the 1st October, at St George's Church, by the Rev; Canon Boot, M.A., Alfred Maurice, B.A. (Cantab), B.Sc., eldest son of the late Rev. David Paton, M.A., D.D., of Adelaide, South Australia, to Emily Margaret, third daughter of Robert B. Duncan, Esq., of 7, Tankerville-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 2 January 1909
SILVER WEDDINGS.
FORSTER-HANDCOCK. _- On January 3, 1884, at Christ Church, Gateshead, on Tyne, Co. Durham, by (by Rev. I. Hoyle, William Frear Forster, son of the late John Forster of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Annie Handcock, daughter of the late Robt. Handcock, of Barcus Close, Co. Durham. Present address, Lonah, 345 Liverpool-street, Hobart.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 30 January 1909
Silver Wedding
GREENWELL-CHARTERIS - January 30, 1S84, at St. Edmund's Church, Gateshead-on-Tyne, England, by the Rev. T. Hazlewood, Joseph Napoleon, only son of William Greenwell, of Gateshead, to Isabella June, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Charteris, of Wooler, England, Bailiff to Earl Tankerville, Chillingham Castle. Present address: 198 Enmore Road, Enmore, New South Wales.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 27 February 1909
FIRZPATRICK-RAMM, - At St Mary's, Port Adelaide, by special license. James Thomas Fitzpatrick, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Mary A. Ramm of Port Adelaide. At home, 1st and 2nd March, Dale-street, Port Adelaide.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 5 February 1910
DICKSON - RIDDICK – (Silver Wedding) - On the 2?th January, 1885 at the Church of England, Belford, Northumberland, England by the Rev Charles Robertson vicar, William T Dickson, merchant son of the late Robert Dickson, Esq. Easington grange, Belford, and Ord Mains, Berwick on Tweed, to Hannah Gibson, eldest daughter of the late Henry Walter Nicholas Blaney Riddick, Esk., of Home house Drogheda Ireland, and Auchterarder Perthshire, Scotland, grand niece of the late Lord Blaney. Present address, White Horse Road, Balwyn.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 11 June 1910
ROWELL-DAW. - On file 6th June, at St, Michael's Church, Sydney, by Rev. Dr.

Manning, George Hindmarsh, son of late J. Rowell, Esq., Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Laura, fourth, daughter of Henry Daw. Esq., Adelaide.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 13 August 1910
OAKLEY-MUNGOVAN. - On the 5th July, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, by the Rev. Father O'Connell, Walter John, eldest son of the late William Oakley, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Anna Marie, only daughter of the late John Mungovan, of West Melbourne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 19 November 1910
HENDERSON-OLDHAM - On the 12th October at Melbourne Arthur Sebastian Henderson son of the late Sebastian Henderson of Newcastle-on T**yne** England to Frances Mary Le Poer, daughter of the late James Grant Taylor, of Melbourne.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Friday 3 November 1911
SILVER WEDDING.
CARR-DUNBAR - On the 3rd November 1886, by the Rev. F. H. Brown, Victoria. Joseph Arron Carr, eldest son of late Joseph Carr, engineer, Newcastle upon Tyne, England, to Elizabeth Yetta, third daughter of George Dunbar, North-terrace, Adelaide. Present address, Glenloth House, 175, Carrington-street, Adelaide.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 15 June 1912
THEW-BURRELL. - On the 30th April, at Stow Congregational Church, Adelaide, by the Rev. A. Depledge Sykes, M.A., John Ridley, youngest son of H. T. A. Thew, of Whittonstall. Northumberland, England, to Alice, second daughter of W. H. C. Burrell, of Silloth, Cumberland, England.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 3 February 1913
BUCKINGHAM-BOWRING – On December 18, 1912, at St. John’s Church, Darlinghurst, Sydney, By the Rev. C. E. Beck, William Buckingham, of South Shields, England, Master Mariner, to Elma third daughter of Mr and Mrs Bowring, of Hobart Tasmania.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Tuesday 1 April 1913
TENCH-HEITHERSAY - On the 22nd March, at the Pirie-street Methodist Church, by the Rev. A. Wellesley Wellington, George, fourth son of the late W. R. Tench, Esq.; M.I.C.E., Rye Hill, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Hazel only daughter of W. Heithersay, J.P. of "Hazeldene," Prospect.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Wednesday 6 August 1913
DENNICOOK-COX - On June 21, at St. Michael's Church, Sydney, by the Rev.

Elder, John Edward, second son of Mr. and Mrs John Dennicook, of Shields, England, to Alva Irene, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cox, North Hobart.

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic)
Tuesday 18 November 1913
OAKLEY-MUNGOVAN. - In loving memory of my beloved husband. Walter John, accidentally killed 18th November 1910, late of Newcastle-on- Tyne; also my dear parents, died 17th January, 1889-25th January 1890, and my dear cousins, Louisa Walsh, died at Rossmoyne. Tylden, 12th April 1906; Elizabeth G. Skeen, died 20th October 1906, at "Elberton," Kew. R.I.P.

The fond remembrance of the past
Shall always bring regret.
Until my heart shall cease to beat,
I never will forget.

(Inserted by his loving wife, Anna M. Oakley.)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 7 February 1914
FORD-DWYER. - On the 25th December, 1913, by license, at St. Joseph's R.C. Church, West Brunswick, by the Rev. Father Sheehan, Joseph, fifth son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford, Newcastle on Tyne, England, to Lillian Maud, daughter of Mrs. C. Dwyer and the late Chas. Dwyer, late Tatura and Sandringham. Present address "Viola," 96 Rose Street. West Brunswick.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Tuesday 29 December 1914
WITCOMB-STEPHENSON. - On the 3lst October, at St. Paul's Church, Lithgow, N.S.W., George William Trafford, eldest son of F. S. Witcomb, and grandson of the late George Witcomb, of Broughton Hotel, Yacka, S.A., to Mary Turnbull, youngest daughter of the late Peter Knowles Stephenson, South Shields, Durham, England. Present address, "Torrington," Spooner-street, Lithgow, N.S.W., Western Australian papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 24 July 1915
POTTS-CRESSWELL. -On the 10th July, at St. George's Church, Malvern, by the Rev. Reginald Dalton, Charles Gilbert, son of Charles Potts, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Lily May, daughter of Alexander Cresswell, Malvern. Bendigo papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 28 August 1915
BAILEY-STEPHENS - On the 17th July 1915 at Welsh Church, Latrobe street, Melbourne by Rev. Dr. Egryn Jones, Herbert Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey, "Elswick Hall," Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Blodwen (Wyn) daughter of Mrs. Stephens and the late David Stephens "Essex," Charles street, Abbotsford.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 2 October 1915
TIPPING - GREENER. - On the 31st August, 1915, at St. Mary's Church of England, North Melbourne, by the Rev. J.H. Frewin, William Goodson, youngest son of Matthew Tipping, Lincoln, England, to Eleanor Maud, youngest daughter of the late John Kirkley Greener, of Newcastle- on-Tyne, England, and the late Elizabeth Sophia Greener, of North Melbourne.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 8 January 1916
THOMSON-McKENZIE. - On the 27th November 1915 at St. Bartholomew's Church, Norwood, by the Rev. F. J. Price, - Hayburn, third son of the late Robt. Thomson, of Homestead, Torrens road, Croydon, to Emmie, third daughter of Geo. McKenzie, of Glanville, late of Northumberland, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 17 January 1916
HARPER-CROFTON. - On the 17th January, 1891, at St. Paul's, by the late Canon Sunter, Thomas Harper, son of the late John Harper, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, to Melasena Ethel, daughter of the late James E. Dunn Crofton, and granddaughter of the late Chas. Snellgrove and William Morgan Crofton, rector of Screen, Connaught. Ireland. Present address, Jasper Street, Hyde Park.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 27 April 1916
GUTHRIE-KENTISH. - On the 25th April, at St. Peter’s, Melbourne, by the Rev. Canon Hughes, Alfred, eldest son of Mr. Reginald Guthrie, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Irene, youngest daughter of Mr. Alfred Lipscombe Kentish, Grafton, Sandringham.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 13 May 1916
BELL-WILKINSON. - On the 1st January, by special license at Saint Paul's, Port Adelaide, by the Rev. M. Williams, Lawrence Cuthbert, youngest son of George Bell, of North Shields, Northumberland, England, to Myrtle, second daughter of Charles William Wilkinson, of Woolnough Road, Exeter, South Australia.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 15 May 1916
MARCH-DARBY. - On the 20th April, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. William Jeffries, James Henry, eldest son of the late John March, Blaydon-on-Tyne, England, to Kathleen Eva, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Darby, The Gums, Kilkenny. Present address, Clarence-street. Hyde Park.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 13 September 1916
LONGSTAFF-CAMPBELL -(Diamond Wedding.) -- 0n the 13th September, 1916, at Ballarat East, by the Rev. J. Baird, Ralph, fourth son of the late John Longstaff, of Stanhope, Weardale, Co. Durham, England, to Jessie, eldest

daughter of the late John Campbell, of Argyllshire, Scotland. (Present address, Stanhope, Shepparton, Victoria.)

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Tuesday 28 November 1916
WILKEY-BROWN. -On the 20th September, at Chalmers Church, -North-terrace, by the Rev. Dr. Seymour, Herbert Wilkey, second son of the late W. F. Wilkey, of Edinburgh, to Annie (Nancy), Brown, second daughter of the late D. W. Brown, of South Shields, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 10 February 1917
HESLOP-CARTER. - On the 13th January, at St. Patrick'. by the Rev. Father D. O. Sullivan, Neil, youngest son of the late G. and J. Heslop, South
Shields, England, to Rose Adeline, third daughter of the late J. and J. Carter, of Adelaide.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 27 February 1917
LYALL - REA - (Diamond Wedding) - On the 27th February, 1857, at the Presbyterian Church Crookham, Northumberland, England, by the late
Mr. Alexander Cromar, Henry Lyall, eldest son of the late Robert Lyall, of Ewart, Northumberland, England, to Eleanor, eldest daughter of the late Alexander Rea, of Spittal, Northumberland, England. Present address, "Lindisfarne," Levison Street, North Melbourne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 28 April 1917
KING-SNEE. – 30th April 1917, at St
Bedes Church, Elwood, by the Rev. F. E. Lewin, Reginald Cuthbert, second son of Mr and Mrs King, Charlton, Philipson street, Albert Park, to Lill, third daughter of Mrs Snee, Saltwell, Glenhuntly road, South St Kilda, and the late Mr Snee, of Gateshead on Tyne, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 4 August 1917
STROTHER-HUTTON. - On the 7th July, at St. Mary's 'Church, N.A. by the Very Rev. Precentor Hurley, Joseph Stanley (late Engineers, A.I.F.), son of J. Strother. South Shields, England, to Agnes, daughter of J. Hutton, Ralston Street, N.A. (late of Whitby, England).

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 24 June 1918
BERGEN - TAYLOR. – (Silver Wedding.) - On the 4th June, 1893, at Longframlington, by the late Rev. C. B. Carr, Frederick William Bergen, Rothbury, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bergen, Blyth, to Elizabeth Isabella, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Longframlington, both of Northumberland, England. Present address, Tallangatta, Victoria.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 24 May 1919
HICKS—McALPINE. — On the 26th April, 1919, at the Church of Christ, Swanston street, Melbourne by Mr. Allan Wedd, Ernest William, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Hicks, of Wallsend-on-Tyne, England, to Doris Lillian, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter McAlpine, of Flemington.
MACASKIE-HUON. – On the 31st March at Ahmednagar, India, Captain F. B. Macaskie, R.A.M.C., son of Dr Macaskie of Bamburgh, Northumberland, England, to Sister A. E. Huon (Dollie), youngest daughter of the late John Huon, of Bungoona, and Mrs. S. J. Huon, of Murrumbeena, late of Elsternwick.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Tuesday 5 August 1919
WOODALL-WILLIAMS--0n the 2nd.August, at the Residence of Mr. William Tamlin (uncle of the bride), of Government-road, Croydon, by the Rev. E. O. Holten, John Samuel Woodall (late W.O., Indian Army and A.I.F.), to Beatrice, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Williams, of Newburn -on-Tyne, England. Present address Sixth Avenue, St. Peters.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 29 November 1919
ENGAGEMENTS.
JORDAN-MARTIN - The engagement is announced of Koey, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, Lemington-on-Tyne, Northumberland, England, to Walter Stanley, late A.I.F., eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. George Martin, “Wantadilla" Sandy Creek.

DEATHS

The Sydney Herald
Friday 14 June 1839
At Bathurst, on Saturday the 8th, instant, at eight o'clock a.m., Philip Launder Fell, Esquire aged 37 years, late of South Shields, in the County of Durham, deservedly regretted by those who knew him.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 23 May 1850
On the 16th April 1850, at Melbourne, Port Phillip, Ann, relict of the late George Barrass, Esq., of North Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 8 June 1852
At his residence, Clarence-street, Church Hill, Mr. John Johnson, sail maker, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, aged 37, leaving a wife and three children to deplore their loss.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 17 January 1853
On board the barque Emigrant, of Sunderland, in Hobson's Bay, on the 13th inst., aged 30, Jane McColl, wife of Hugh McColl, bookseller and printer, late of South Shields, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 26 January 1853
On the 22nd instant, at Collingwood, Alfred Robson, aged eight years and three months, only son of Mr. Isaac Henzell, from Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 14 February 1853
On the 11th instant, aged six weeks, Colin Augustus, infant son of Mr. Hugh McColl, printer, Lonsdale- Street, and late of South Shields, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 11 March 1853
At Collingwood, on the 10th instant, Elizabeth, the wife of William Weldon Carter, late of Stockton on-Tees, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 2 June 1853
At Auckland, New Zealand, on Monday, 28th March, 1853, of dysentery, in the 61st year of her age, at the house of her son-in-law, Mr. Wm. Rattray, Mrs. Dorothy Horsley, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 15 August 1853
At Collingwood, Melbourne, on the 13th of August, John Hall Kent, Esq. late or Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 25 August 1853
At Brunswick, on the 23rd inst., aged 17 years, after a lingering illness, Robert, son of Mr. John Usher, road contractor, late of Tow Law Ironworks, Durham, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 28 March 1854
On Monday, 27th March, at half past 3 o'clock, a.m. Mary Annie, aged 8 years and 10 months, the beloved daughter of Jacob and Mary Ann Wood, Shepherds' Arms, Collingwood, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 1 May 1854
On the 28th inst., at her residence, North Melbourne, Prudence, the wife of Mr. Thomas Marston, late of Newcastle on Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 8 May 1854
On the 3rd inst., in Collingwood, Mr. John B??? *(Text not visible)* late of Bedlington, Northumberland, England, aged sixty years, deeply regretted by a large circle of friends.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 21 August 1854
At Wollongong, on the 17th August, 1854, Percy Pratt, Esq., late of the Bank of Australasia, Sydney, and formerly of Bell's Hill, Northumberland, England, in the 36th year of his age, leaving a young widow and infant son.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 9 May 1855
On the 5th instant, at Melbourne, Thomas R. Younghusband, late of Elwick, Northumberland, aged thirty-six years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 15 May 1856
On the 11th inst, at the residence of his brother, (William Hastie, Tankerville Arms, Nicholson-street, Collingwood,) John Hastie, late of Wooler, Northumberland, in his 28th year.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 30 October 1855
At his lodgings, Edward-street, North Brisbane. Moreton Bay, on the 19th October 1855, Mr. George Hall, aged 31, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and lately in the house of Messrs. Christopher Newton, Brothers, and Co., of Sydney.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 1 October 1856
At his late residence, 27 Little Collins-street West, Mr. Robert Foster, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England aged forty-eight years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 12 June 1857
On the 5th March after a short illness, Hannah, wife of Mr. E. Clark, Newbiggin by the Sea, Northumberland, also mother of Mr. S. Clark, Pitt-street, Sydney.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 15 June 1857
On the 13th February, at Islington, in her 87th year. Anne, relict of Thomas Carden, Esq. of London, (daughter of the late Mr. James Shadforth, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and mother of Mrs. Anne Lydia Davis, of Sydney.
On the 20th February 1857, at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northumberland, England, Mr. George Henderson, aged 82 years, and uncle to Mr. R, Henderson, of Camellia Grove. Newtown.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 13 July 1857
On the 1st May 1857, at her residence. South Shields, England, Jane, relict of the late Captain John Kyle, and mother of Mrs. William Ball, Crown-street, Surry Hills, aged 71 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 9 December 1857
Margaret, relict of the late Mr Edward Lambton, of Rothley, Northumberland, aged 60. Deeply regretted.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 18 February 1858
On the 17th inst, at Weston-street, Brunswick, after a long and lingering illness, Margaret, the beloved wife of William Stephen Kempton, late of Newcastle on-Tyne, aged 26 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 16 August 1858
On the 17th May, at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, after a painful illness of 14 weeks, aged 49 years, Mr. William Goold, brother of Mr. T. G. Goold, accountant of Melbourne Savings Bank.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 15 December 1858
On the 8th inst., at Clunes, William Sugden Shackleton, of Liverpool, aged 28 years; also, Jane Squires, of Newcastle on-Tyne, aged 34 years, killed by the falling in of a drive in No. 2 shaft, Clunes, Alluvial Gold Mining Company's works. *(Mining records suggest that the name should be James Squires, and that the date of the accident was the 14th December)*

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 13 May 1859
On 17th January, at the residence of her parents, Blyth Northumberland, England, Hannah Byrom McKenzie, sincerely lamented by her afflicted parents and relatives.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 10 June 1859
On the 16th ult., drowned in the wreck of the brig Boundary, off Goose Island, Captain Foster Hempseed, of South Shields, County Durham; Mrs. Hempseed, daughter of William Bradford, Esq., of Durham, and sister of Mrs. Elder, Bourke-street east, also William Hempseed, son of the above.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 13 July 1859
On Saturday, 9th July, suddenly, of apoplexy, on board the ship Holinside, George Thrift, mister mariner, of North Shields, Northumberland. England aged 56 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 12 November 1859
ROBINSON-November 5th, at Sydney, New South Wales, Richard Robinson, native of Newcastle-on-Tyne, much regretted.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 17 November 1859
BATTERS - On the 6th of September, at Berwick-on-Tweed, John Batters, Esq. late of Etal, Northumberland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 14 December 1859
At Toronto, Canada West, Matilda, daughter of Captain Thomas Clarke, London, niece of John Clarke, Esq., Ridley Villas, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and wife of Mr. George Jameson, of 154 Russell-street, Melbourne, aged 36 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 17 December 1859
CHRISP - On the 28th ult., at Conway, Lower Werribee, Mr. James Chrisp, late of Northumberland, deeply and deservedly regretted.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 30 March 1860
On the 16th inst., at Tootgarook, Point Nepean, formerly of Berwick-on-Tweed, Mr. Peter Purves, aged 58 years, deeply regretted.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 28 April 1860
Funeral Notice. THE Friends of the late Mr. JONATHAN SIDDLE, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, teacher, are requested to follow his remains to the Melbourne Cemetery, this day. To move from the Melbourne General Hospital at 3 o'clock.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 17 May 1860
SIDDLE - On the 27th ult., at Collingwood, Victoria, Jonathan Siddle, Esq., aged 57 years, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, much regretted.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 23 June 1860
On the 21st instant, at Surry Hills, John Shield, the beloved son of James and Catherine Gibson (of Newcastle-upon-Tyne), aged 8 months.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 14 November 1860
On the 18th inst., at Napier-place, Emerald Hill, Edward Motherly, youngest son of W. B. and Mary Fyfe, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, aged three years and one month.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 14 December 1860
On the 2nd ult., at Otago, drowned by the capsizing of the pilot boat, Mr. Henry Oates, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, aged 56, also. John, his son, aged 19, both much and deservedly respected.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 23 February 1861
HADAWAY. — On the 12th inst., at Melbourne, Edward Norman Hadaway, son of Mr. Edward Matthew Hadaway, late of Newcastle on Tyne, aged 3½ years.
HADAWAY. - On the 22nd inst., at Melbourne, Edward Matthew Hadaway, formerly of Newcastle on Tyne, aged 38 years.
The information below gives further detail regarding this family's unfortunate situation.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 1 June 1860
NEW INSOLVENTS.
Edward Matthew Hadaway, of Melbourne, ship broker and agent. Causes of insolvency. An adverse judgement in the County Court continued ill health, and falling off of business. Debts, £93 7s. 4d.; assets, £43 17s. Id.; deficiency, £40 10s. 3d, Mr. A. Laing, official assignee.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 14 February 1861
Dr. Candler held an inquest yesterday on the body of Edward Norman Hadaway, a child about three years of age, who died on the previous day from congestion of the brain, in East Collingwood. The mother of the deceased stated that up to the 9th inst., he was quite well, but on that day he became feverish, and on the 10th was drowsy, and she thought he had a cold. On the 11th a rash came out and he was hotter he was restless during the evening, and about? In the morning, he seemed still better. She left the room for about 10 minutes, and on her return found him dead. No medical man had seen the child, as she did not think him dangerously ill. The jury returned a verdict in accordance, with the evidence.

The South Australian Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 25 March 1861
GIBBISON - At his residence, Norwood, after a painful illness, Mr. James Gibbison, late of Northumberland, England, aged 46 years, leaving a widow and five children to lament his loss

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 20 July 1861
HOWITT - May 13th, at Warkworth, Northumberland, aged 91 years, the beloved wife of Mr, Adam Howitt, late of Alnwick, and mother to Mr. Adam Howitt, of this city. Her end was peace.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 17 October 1861
HISLOP - On the 4th inst., at Beckworth Court, after a short illness, Mr. John Hislop (late of Cottonshope, Burnfoot, Northumberland, deeply regretted by all who knew him. Border papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 7 April 1862
On the 31st March, at Kiora, in the 96th year of her age, Margaret Werge, widow of the late Francis Peacock, Esq., of Wallsend, near Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 20 May 1862
On the 5th March, at Bloomfield-terrace, Gateshead, England, George Pringle Esq., in his 87th year, father of Mrs, R, T. Ford, of Heathfield, Balmain.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 4 February 1863
COMPTON. - On the 2nd inst., at 216 Victoria-street, Richmond, James, youngest son of Mr. Ralph Compton, farmer, late of East Learmonth, Northumberland, England, aged two years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 19 February 1863
BOLAM - December 25th, at his residence, No. 5, O'Connell street, Newtown, Mr Archibald Bolam, in his sixty-seventh year, a native of Northumberland, England. Newcastle-upon Tyne papers, please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 28 February 1863
On the 4th instant, at Battleytown, near Beechworth, Ovens, Victoria, Robert Battley Esq. formerly of South Shields, Durham, England, aged 65 years, father of Mr. James Battley, of 160, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 15 July 1863
RUSSELL. -On the 13th inst., at Fitzroy, Isabella, widow of the late John Russell, draper, Gateshead, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, aged fifty-four.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 31 July 1863
COLVILLE - On the 29th inst., at Ballarat, Mr. Edward Colville, late of Chatton, Northumberland, England. New Zealand papers please copy.
The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 4 February 1864
BATTERS - On the 1st inst. at Argo Street, South Yarra, after a short but severe illness, aged thirty-four, Werge, seventh son of the late John Batters, of Etal, Northumberland, deeply regretted by a largo circle of friends.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 26 February 1864
On the 24th instant, at his residence, Arthur Street, New Town Rand, Mr Robert Hiddlestone, aged 74 years, formerly of South Shields, Durham and brother to the late John Hiddlestone, Esq., of this city. The funeral will move from his late residence, this day, at 3 o'clock. Friends will please accept this as an invitation,

as no circulars will be issued. Newcastle upon-Tyne and Shields papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 25 November 1864
IRVINE. - On the 9th inst, in Melbourne, Captain Charles Irvine, of South Shields, aged forty-five years, and formerly of Limerick, Ireland.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 6 March 1865
PORTER. - Margaret Eleanor Porter, wife of Charles Porter, late of Spital Tongues Colliery, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 21 April 1865
HEPPEL-April 13th, at 63, George-street North, Mr. John Heppel, late of South Shields, England. Requiescat in pace.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 24 June 1865
Wm. Ridley, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, draper greatly respected, aged sixty-four.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 25 October 1865
USHER. - On the 3rd inst., at Sydney, N.S.W., Simpson Usher, aged 22, son of John Usher, M.E., formerly engineer and manager of the Weardale Iron Company's Collieries, Iron Mines, &c, Tow law, Durham, England, and brother of John Usher, jun., C.E. and M.E. of the Mining department, Victoria.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 20 November 1865
MACKENZIE. - On the 18th inst., at his residence, Richmond, Eneas Mackenzie, of the Chief Secretary's office, Melbourne, Victoria, late of London, and formerly of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, aged fifty-seven years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 8 December 1865
Newbigin. - On the 7th inst., at his late residence, Bridge-road, Richmond, Mr. Edward Newbigin, aged sixty-seven years, late of Newcastle-upon Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 12 December 1865
On the 5th instant, at Orange, of concussion of the brain, caused by a fall from a horse, three days after his seventeenth birthday, Percy Charles Stewart eldest son of Matthew
Thomas Pratt, and grandson of the late John Pratt, Esq. of Bell's Hill, Northumberland, England

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 30 December 1865
LOWREY. - On the 14th October last, William Lowrey, Esq., of Bowsden and Whistleban, Northumberland, England, aged sixty-three.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 17 February 1866
HENDERSON. - On the 16th inst., of apoplexy, Mary Henderson, the beloved wife of John Henderson, at Clyde, Cranbourne, late of Toorak, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne**,** England, aged fifty-six. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 11 April 1866
On the 6th instant, suddenly in George Street, James Douglas Cruckshank, master mariner, aged 32 years, a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, leaving a wife and three young children, deeply regretted by all who knew him. Newcastle on Tyne papers please copy.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 25 May 1866
Bulmer. - On the 3rd May, at her late residence, Upper Charles Street, Launceston, after a short and painful illness, Rachael, the beloved wife of Mr. Charles Edward Bulmer, of South Shields, England, and youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Hunt, aged 23 years and 2 months.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 4 August 1866
MOULD. - On the 28th ult. at Mariner-street, Williamstown, in the forty-ninth year of his age, after a long and painful illness, Mr. John Mould, formerly of South Shields, son-in-law of the late Mr. Henry Woodroffe. His end was peace. Home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 25 August 1866
TAYLOR. - On the 23rd inst., at Inglewood-cottage, Abbotsford, Margaret, relict of the late Mr. John Taylor, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in her seventy first year.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 20 April 1867
WALTON. - On the 18th inst, at the Royal Saxon Hotel, Elizabeth-street, Melbourne, Joseph Walton, aged thirty-eight years, son of John Walton, West Hill, near West Gate, Weardale, Durham, England. New Zealand and home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 16 April 1867
USHER. - On the 31st ult., at Waratah, N.S.W., aged twenty-eight, William Simpson Usher, son of John Usher, formerly mining engineer and manager of the Weardale Iron Company's collieries, coke works, iron mines, &c., Durham,

England, and brother of John Usher, jun., C.E., Government mining surveyor, Ballarat.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 6 September 1867
HIDDLESTONE - On the 4th September 1867, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. R. Shield, builder. Arthur-street, New Town Road, Hobart Town, aged 80 years, Jane, relict of the late Mr. Robert Hiddlestone, formerly of South Shields, Durham. The funeral will move at a quarter past two o'clock to-morrow. Friends please accept this as an invitation. Newcastle-on-Tyne Shields papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 14 September 1867
On the 13th instant, suddenly, John Wheatley Blumer, native of South Shields, England, son of L Blumer, Esq., and brother of G Blumer, ship-owners of Hartlepool, Durham, England, aged 53 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 9 October 1867
GUTHRIE -On the 8th Inst, at his residence, Drummond Street, Ballarat, Robert Guthrie, late of North Shields, England, aged thirty-five years.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 25 October 1867
Dryden - On the 18th October, at Aggerstone, Thos. Dryden, Esq. a native of Northumberland, and a very old colonist.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 18 December 1867
ELLIOTT-On the 17th December, at Kangaroo Point, Catherine Elliott, youngest daughter of Mrs J. Elliott, relict of the late John Elliott, Esq., formerly of Newcastle on Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald Wednesday 20 May 1868
On the 16th instant, at Unwin s Bridge Road, Cook's River, Ann, the dearly beloved wife of William Waugh aged 46 years, leaving a husband and large family to mourn their loss. A native of Alston, Cumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 26 August 1868
At Freelands, Alnwick, England, Mrs, Ann Skelly, relict of the late Mr. Thomas Skelly, sister to Mr. John Dodds, of Balmain, and last surviving niece of the late Major-General Henry Darling.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 24 February 1869
On the 18th instant, at his residence, Nattai, Mr. JONATHAN DIXON, aged 48 years, native of Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 14 August 1869
Horton - On the 12th inst, at Inkermann-Street, St Kilda, Mary, the beloved wife of David Horton, and second daughter of the late Henry Angus, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Northumberland.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 26 November 1869
On the 18th instant, at her residence, George Street, Parramatta, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Mr Joseph Craig, a native of North Shields, Northumberland, England, aged 43 years leaving a husband and six children to deplore their loss.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 19 February 1870
On the 17th instant, it his residence, Bay-street, Glebe, WILLIAM FENWICK, engineer, aged 55 years, leaving a wife and family to mourn their loss. North Shields, Northumberland, papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 18 April 1870
HALL — On the 15th inst., Martha, the beloved wife of Armstrong Ritchie Hall, aged 44 years, and third daughter of the late Wm. Henzell, Esq. ship-owner, North Shields, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 13 August 1870
On the 6th inst, at Brunswick, Mary, wife of Mr. John Wight, formerly of Carr's Hill, county of Durham, England, aged 76 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 23 February 1871
On Friday, 3rd instant, at her residence, Factory-street, Parramatta, Isabella, wife of Robert Rae, aged38 years. Northumberland and Cumberland papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 27 March 1871
BROWN- On the 17th inst, at her residence, Tyne cottage, Pickett-street, Footscray, Alice, wife of John Brown, of phthisis, aged 52 years. Newcastle-on-Tyne papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 29 May 1871
BLAIKIE -On the 23rd inst., at Orrong-road, Elsternwick, after a short illness, Robert Blaikie, aged 62 years, late chief clerk to the M. and H. B. United Railway Company. Deeply regretted. Newcastle on-Tyne and Dunse papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 21 June 1871
Noble - On the 20th inst. at her residence, Capel street, West Melbourne, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian fortitude, Mary, the beloved wife of Mr. Thomas Noble, formerly of Morpeth, Northumberland. Deeply lamented by her family and friends. Her end was peace. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 24 August 1871
On the 21st instant, at her residence, Ann street, Ultimo, suddenly, of sanguineous apoplexy, in the 64th year of her age, ANN, the dearly beloved wife of Mr LANCELOT IREDALE, sen. and affectionate mother of Messrs Thomas, John, Lancelot, and Robert Iredale, and Mesdames Henry French, Charles Pattison Benjamin Richards, James Pringle, John Wesley Watkin, all of Sydney, and deeply regretted by a large circle of relatives and friends. Newcastle and Gateshead papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 9 September 1871
WILSON. - On the 4th inst. at Brisbane, Queensland, suddenly, Mr. George Wilson, merchant, 18 Queen street, Melbourne, formerly of Aberdeen and Newcastle-on Tyne, aged 50 years.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 30 October 1871
THOMPSON – On the 26th October at his late residence Roma Street, George Thompson, of South Shields, Durham, aged 42 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 26 January 1872
MAYNE. - On the 14th Inst., at No. 40 Villa-street, Hotham, Mr. James Mayne, of Morrison's Diggings, native of South Shields, England, aged 40 years.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 20 April 1872
KIPLING - On Sunday, the 7th April, 1872, at his residence, Elizabeth street, Hobart Town, after a short illness, in his 48th year, Mr Jonathan Kipling, Builder, formerly of South Shields, Durham.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 3 July 1872
STOREY- On the 23rd of April, at North Shields, Northumberland, aged 68, Elsdon Storey Esq. ship-owner, father of Elsdon and de Henzell Storey, Leigh-terrace, Sandridge. Sydney papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 7 September 1872
On the 2nd instant, at the residence of his eldest son, Mr. Joseph Craig, O'Connell-street, Parramatta, Robert Craig, aged 72, a native of Newcastle

England, and for upwards of thirty years a resident of North Shields. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 12 July 1873
LAIDMAN-July 4, at Grafton Wharf, on board the barque Corinne, William, infant son of Thomas and Isa Laidman, of North Shields, England, aged 3 months 25 days.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 1 August 1873
JEFFREY - On the 30th ult. at her residence, Foundry lane. Lonsdale street east, Elizabeth, the wife of Elias Jeffery, aged 56 years, formerly of Newcastle on Tyne Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 26 January 1874
On the 25th instant, at his residence, O'Connell-street, Parramatta, after a long and painful illness, Joseph Wright Craig, monumental mason, formerly of North Shields, England, in the 46th year of his age.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 27 August 1874
Dodds August 10th at Balmain, in the 84th year of his age, Mr, John Dodds, formerly of Alnwick, Northumberland, nephew of the late General Darling, of Berwick-on-Tweed, and father of Mr William Darling Dodds, of this city.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 14 September 1874
PEART. - On the 13th inst., at 17 Cremorne-street, Richmond, Mr. Joseph Peart, aged 84, formerly connected for 35 years with the Postal department of Tynemouth and North Shields, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 26 November 1874
LAWSON. - On the 24th inst., suddenly, at his residence Moray Street, Emerald hill, Edward Lawson, aged 57 years. Gateshead and Newcastle papers please copy.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 13 January 1875
MACARTHY. - On the 8th January, at Kangaroo Point, after a short and sudden attack of epilepsy, Mary Scott, the dearly-beloved wife of Justin Edward Thomas Macarthy, and eldest daughter of the late Mr. John Elliott, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. (Newcastle-on-Tyne and Glasgow papers please copy)

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 16 April 1875
SHARPE-Jan. 31, Lowick, Northumberland, Elizabeth Herridke? eldest daughter of Rev. John Sharpe, late of Parramatta aged 21 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 4 May 1875
RICHARDSON - On the 22nd ult, at Chapel Street, Prahran, in her 76th year, Ann widow of the late Mr M A Richardson of Sharpley, Prahran, and formerly of Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland, England

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 14 May 1875
CLEGHORN-April 10, Canterbury, near Sydney, James Cleghorn, aged 32 a native of Alnwick. Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 1 December 1875
RAIN. - On the 14th October, at their residence, 41 Oxford-street, Collingwood, John Rain, sen., aged 47, and John Rain, jun., aged l8. Newcastle and Durham papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 25 November 1876
WYLAM - November 15 at the residence of R. J. Beavis, No. 4, Stanley-terrace, Cleveland-street, Redfern, Ralph Wylam, son of the late W. Wylam, Esq., of the Leam. Gateshead, Newcastle on-Tyne, aged 37 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 26 June 1877
COOK. - June 25, at his residence, l8, Erskine-street, Solomon Cook, native of Shields, England, aged 77 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 18 July 1877
Brown-On the 16th Inst., at his residence, 22 Leicester Street, Fitzroy, John Brown, aged 46 yeas, formerly of Bedlington, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 28 July 1877
CRACKETT -On the 21st inst, at Glenluce, Mr. John Crackett, late of Northumberland, aged 61 years, the beloved father of Mrs. James Newman, of Castlemaine.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 3 October 1877
RAIN. —On the 24th ult., at 50 Oxford Street, Collingwood, Jane, second daughter of Mr George Rain, compositor, and granddaughter of the late John Robinson, Hexhamshire, Northumberland, England, aged 19 years.

The Brisbane Courier
Saturday 24 August 1878
DAGLISH -On the 11th August, at the residence of his brother George, Campbell-street, Rockhampton, Joseph, second son of the late William and Margaret Daglish, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, aged 41 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 28 August 1878
FRANCIS - August 17, at her residence, Douglas Vale, Port Macquarie, Margaret, the beloved wife of Mr. George Francis, aged 78 years, a native of North Shields, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 2 October 1878
NEALE. - On the 1st inst., at Carlton, Elizabeth Bargate, daughter of the late Rev. Francis Neale, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, and sister of the Rev. F. Neale, Carlton, aged 28 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 5 October 1878
SMITH. - October 4, at 21, Cowper-terrace, Church-hill, Thomas Smith, aged 63 years, formerly of North Shields, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 16 November 1878
WILKINSON. October 24, at her residence. Redfern-street, Redfern, Annie, wife of Thomas Wilkinson, and daughter of the late Sir William Magnay, Bart. Park House, Northumberland, and niece of the late Rev. Joseph Jefferson, Archdeacon of Colchester. England aged 48 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 15 November 1879
BATTERS - On the 10th August, at Quay Walls, Berwick on Tweed, Northumberland, England, Eleanor Francis Batters aged 69 years, mother of the late Werge Batters, of South Yarra.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 2 December 1878
WILSON. - November 30, at her residence, 298, Liverpool-street, Woolloomooloo, Mary White, the beloved wife of Thomas Wilson, aged 82 years, leaving a loving husband and family to mourn their loss; native of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 22 January 1879
TODD. – January 10, at her residence 291 Sussex Street, Jane, relict of the late John Todd, of Newcastle upon Tyne, in the 69th (?) year of her age.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 21 April 1879
DONNISON -On the 20th inst, at his residence, 78 Bouverie Street, Carlton, Mr William Donnison, aged 54 years. Newcastle on Tyne papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 11 February 1880
Potts - On the 9th Inst, at 20 Malvern road, Prahran, John Isaac Potts, aged 32 years, formerly of Newcastle on Tyne, Northumberland.

The West Australian (Perth)
Friday 19 March 1880
PEARSON. - At Perth, March 4, after a very painful illness, Mr. Francis Watson Pearson, of the Greenough Flats, formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne; aged 60 years. A colonist of thirty years. Deeply regretted. The deceased arrived in the colony in the barque Morning Star, in the year 1851, as Manager of the smelting works of the Geraldine Mining Company.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 29 March 1880
DOWNING. - March 28, at his residence, Jesmond House, Norwood-street, Petersham, Richard Henry Downing, Esq., C.E., the Harbours and Rivers Department; formerly of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, aged 38 years. English papers please copy.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 14 March 1881
SMITH. - On January 16, at Upper Walmer, Jane J. Smith, aged 80 years, wife of Arthur Smith (formerly of Beaufront Ross, and now of The Shrubbery, Upper Walmer, Kent), and daughter of Michael Dobson, late of Gateshead, county Durham.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 12 October 1881
DAGLISH - On the 23rd September, at his residence, Rockhampton, George, eldest son of the late William and Margaret Daglish, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, aged 46 years, leaving a wife and seven children.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 23 February 1882
POW - On the 22nd inst., at his late residence, 3 Peel Street, Hotham, John Kent Pow, merchant, late of Newcastle upon Tyne, England, aged 72

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 25 March 1882
VARDY - On the 22nd inst, very suddenly at his residence Carlisle Street, St Kilda, John E S Vardy, formerly of Newcastle upon Tyne aged 40 years. Deeply regretted North of England papers please.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 26 August 1882
BARRAS. – On the 20th inst. at No. 9 Peel street, West Melbourne, Thomas Barras, master mariner, aged 62, eldest son of the late George Barras of Shields, England. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 22 February 1883
BARNETT- SUTTON -February 20, by special license, at St Andrew's Cathedral, by the very Rev. the dean of Sydney, Charles Brettell, second son of the late Charles Horatio Barnett, of Watsell, to Frances, second daughter of Charles Sutton, Esq., of Whitley, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 12 September 1883
ATCHISON. -On the 22nd August, on landing from steamship Duke of Buckingham, Robert, the beloved son of William and Jane Ann Atchison, and of the firm of Hayle, Shipley, and Hayle, Solicitors, Dinnington, Newcastle-on-Tyne; aged 16 years and 10 months. His end was peace.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 19 July 1884
GIBSON. - July 7,1884, at his residence. Wellington-street. Mount Carmel, after an illness of five years, James Percy Gibson, heraldic artist, only son of John Allen Gibson, of Picton, aged 60 years, native of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 23 January 1885
BUCKHAM. — On the 15th ult., at his residence, Hargrave street, Fitzroy, John Buckham, aged 43; also, Daniel Buckham, brother to the former, on the 10th inst., at his residence, Vere-street, Collingwood, aged 40, dearly beloved sons of John and Mary Buckham, tentmaker, of Elizabeth-street, Melbourne, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 4 May 1885
THOMPSON - April 26, 1885, Catherine, the beloved wife of W. H. Thompson, of Leichardt, Sydney, New South Wales, second daughter of the late Mr. Mark Edington, of Glanton, Alnwick, Northumberland, England, aged 42 years. Home papers please copy.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 15 May 1885
MORTON - At his late residence, Bennington Street, Lansdowne crescent George Morton, native of Northumberland, aged 74 years. The funeral will leave at 2 o'clock on Saturday next.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 7 September 1885
EVANS - On the 5th inst., at Osborne street, South Yarra, Margaret, beloved wife of Charles Evans, and eldest daughter of the late John Baird, of Bannamoor, Northumberland, England, In her 64th year.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 28 October 1885
NEWTON - October 26, at Ryton, Northumberland, England, Christopher Newton, of Sydney, in his 68th year.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 27 January 1886
RENTON. - On the 25th January, at the residence of Mrs. Peel, Brighton-road. South Brisbane, Hudson, youngest son of Mr. John Renton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, aged 22 years.
The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 23 June 1886
LOWES - June 21,1886, at Macquarie-street, Sydney, New South Wales, Septimus Lowes, M.B., L.S.A.; &c., aged 27 years, late 0f Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 11 November 1886
GIBSON -November4, at inst. at his residence Swiss Cottage, Upper Picton, John Gibson, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, of heart disease and dropsy, in the 75th year of his age

The Brisbane Courier
Tuesday 21 December 1886
COLLEDGE. - On the 20th December, at South Brisbane, in her 82nd year, Mary Ann, relict of Captain Colledge, late of North Shields, Northumberland, and mother of W. R. Colledge, Brisbane, and G. M. Colledge, Toowong. (Home papers please copy)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 6 October 1888
REDPATH On the 27th ult, at Berne-park, near Traraigon, Gippsland, Victoria, Thomas, second oldest son of William Redpath, merchant, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Northumberland. Newcastle Chronicle pleases copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 17 October 1888
GRAY - On the 12th inst at St Kilda, Margaret relict of Thomas Gray of Chicago and Newcastle on Tyne, and beloved sister of A. Elcoate, St. Kilda.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 5 March 1889
JAMIESON. - March 4, 1889, at his residence, Framlington, Young-street, Croydon, George, eldest son of the late George Jamieson, Long Framlington, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 6 April 1889
WOOD. - On the 4th inst., at his mother's residence, Carlisle-cottage, Drummond street Carlton, Thomas Wood, aged 21, fourth son late Thomas Wood, Esq., Navarre, and grandson of the late Rev. John Ayton Wood, Beadnall-hall, Beadnall, Northumberland, nephew late Lieutenant-Colonel Wood, 64th Regiment, and Mrs. Wood, Tugall-hall, Chathill, Northumberland, England.

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic.: 1848-1954)
Thursday 20 June 1889
TWEDDELL - On the 19th inst, at his residence, Graystone, Barkly street St Kilda Edward Tweddell late of Newcastle on Tyne, In his 70th year.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 10 October 1889
MORRIS. - September 23, at Kendal-street, Lambton, Wm. Morris, (of Bedlington, Northumberland, Eng,), aged 64.

The Brisbane Courier
Tuesday 22 October 1889
MELDRUM, - On the 16th October, at the residence of her son-in-law, Leichardt-street, Brisbane, Elizabeth, widow of the late Thomas Meldrum, builder and contractor, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 10 December 1889
BUTCHER. - December 4, at Glen Innes, J. T. Butcher, son in-law of Mr Geo Fishburn, of Nestlcbrae, Summer Bill, after a long and painful illness, -which was born with Christian fortitude-born at Stanhope, England, aged 37 years-leaving a sorrowing wife and one child, Melbourne and Adelaide papers please copy.

The Brisbane Courier
Friday 24 January 1890
DOWNIE. - On the 23rd January, at High street, Toowong, suddenly, of heart disease. James Downie, tailor and ship-owner, late of Newbiggin by the Sea, Northumberland, England, aged 71 years, (Home papers please copy)

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 25 April 1890
POWELL. - In loving memory of my dear, mother Elizabeth Powell, relict of the late John Powell, of the 11th Regiment, born at Tynemouth Castle, North Shields. England, who departed this life 25th April 1889, aged 70 years, leaving a sorrowing family to mourn her loss. Inserted by her ever-loving daughter. Sarah E. Harrison.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 18 August 1890
WAITS -August 15 1890 at his residence 19 Agnes-terrace, Womerah Avenue,

Darlinghurst, James Watts, of Hexham, Northumberland, England, aged 71 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 25 April 1891
YOUNG - On the 9th inst, Robert Hall Young, late shire secretary and engineer Ballan shire aged 54 native of Flodden, Northumberland, England

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 4 September 1891
BRADY. – On the 3rd inst. at Winchester Street, Moonee Ponds, Alfred Brady, the youngest son of the late Henry Brady, surgeon, Gateshead, England, aged 44 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 20 November 1891
GALLOWAY -On the 15th inst at Bocabula, New South Wales Richard Albert Galloway youngest son of the late W Galloway, Esq., of Bensham Towers, Gateshead on Tyne, England, aged 29 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 2 January 1892
SWAN -December 30 at the residence of her son in law M H Bowmaker, Longstone, Darghan street Lyndhurst, Glebe Elizabeth Swan relict of the late Mr Swan farrier Goulburn-street formerly of Falloden Northumberland the beloved mother of Mrs Vandervord, Albion Street, Mrs Bowmaker, Darghan Street, Mrs Jones Thompson, Drummoyne, Mrs MacDougall, Denham Street, Glebe.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 9 January 1892
MOORE - January 4, at her residence, Joadja Creek, Rebecca, the beloved wife of James Moore, and daughter of Robert Newton, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. Deeply regretted. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 2 February 1892
SCOTT. - February 1, at his residence, 31 Bucknell-street, Newtown, Captain Henri Pattison Scott, of North Shields, England, aged 65 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 18 July 1893
THOMSON -On the 10th inst, at 13 Victoria Street, Newmarket, Alexander Findlay, eldest son of John and Elizabeth Thomson aged 19 years, after a long and painful illness, His end was peace Dumfries, Glasgow, and Newcastle upon Tyne papers please copy

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 19 August 1893
HORN -In loving remembrance of my dear husband, William David Horn, who died at Fitzroy, 5th August 1892. Berwick and Northumberland papers please copy. - (T. Horn)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 29 August 1893
BELL - On the 20th ult. at Reefton, New Zealand, Algernon Francis Henry, third son of the late T. George Bell LI.D. of London and formerly of Northumberland, England. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 13 November 1893
GREENWELL -November 8, at the residence of his son in-law Hamilton, N.S.W. whilst on a visit, of heart disease William the dearly beloved husband and companion for over 52 years of Mary Greenwell aged 82 late of Gateshead-on-Tyne, England. Tyneside papers kindly copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 5 March 1894
AVERY. —Accidentally killed on or about the 18th January 1894, at Johannesburg, South Africa, Athol F. Avery, eldest son of Robert B. Avery, Esq., Newcastle-on-Tyne. Our old chum at rest.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 13 August 1894
JOHNSON. - At Roseneau, Moorooka (late of East Brisbane), after a long and painful illness, Joseph, sixth son of the late Clark Johnson, Esq., of South Shields and Boldon.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 19 September 1894
BEST -On the 15th inst. at Mardon villa, Berwick, after a short Illness, the dearly beloved wife of Wm Best, formerly of Branxton, Northumberland, England, aged 55 years and respected by all who knew her. Home papers please copy. Interred at Berwick on 17th inst.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 29 November 1894
SCHOREY - On the 9th inst, at her residence, Cromwell, Newcastle on Tyne Mary Ann relict of the late Chief Constable Schorey of Newcastle on Tyne, England aged 78 beloved mother Mrs Dickinson, Massilia Inverleigh Street, Auburn.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 29 December 1894
PATTERSON -December 17, at Carlisle-street, Leichardt, John Hunter Patterson, from Gateshead, Newcastle-on-Tyne, aged 26 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 15 January 1895
LAWS - January 11, at the North Sydney Cottage Hospital, Catherine Florentia, eldest daughter of the late Cuthbert Umfreville Laws, solicitor, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 23 March 1895
RUSSELL. On February 21, 1894, at Hobart, Tasmania, Robert Griffen Russell, a native of Newcastle on-Tyne, and late of the 18th Royal Irish Regiment. Liverpool and American papers please copy.

The West Australian (Perth)
Thursday 2 April 1896
EGDELL. - On 29th March, at Newcastle, John Egdell. Aged 75 years. A native of Newcastle on-Tyne, and a colonist of 50 years.

The Brisbane Courier
Monday 10 May 1897
IN MEMORIAM.
TAYLOR. -In loving memory of John, only son of the late William and Margaret Hindmarsh Taylor, of Chatton, Northumberland, England, who died at Brisbane on 8th May 1891. London " Times" please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 23 October 1897
BLACKETT. – On the 18th October, at St Kilda, Ann Blackett, aged 74 years, late of North Shields, England, Newcastle on Tyne papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 3 December 1897
ENGLISH -On the 2nd December at her late residence 72 St Vincent Place Albert Park, Annie dearly beloved daughter of S Grant, and granddaughter of the late Joseph Thompson of Cow's Hill, Weardale, Durham, England, aged 27 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 23 December 1897
DAWSON. – December 22, 1897, at his residence, Coulthard, Belgrave Street, Waverley, Robert Coulthard Dawson, native of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, aged 69 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 21 April 1898
BROWNE. -At his Into residence, 41 Phelps-street, Moore Park, James Hamilton Browne, aged 45 years, blacksmith and engine-driver, eldest son of the late James Hamilton Browne, of 573 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, late of Morpeth, Northumberland, Eng. He was for years in the employ of John Young Esq. also Amos Bros., Batty and Sheehy, Harbour and Rivers Department, &c. Inserted by his loving wife.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 2 May 1898
PUNSHON. - On the 29th April, at Nicholson- street, Footscray, Mary, the relict of the late Robt. Punshon, of Gateshead-on-Tyne, and of the firm of M. Punshon and Co., aged 82 years.

The Brisbane Courier
Wednesday 29 June 1898
BYRAM. - On the 27th June, at Manly, Elizabeth Freeman, relict of the late A. R. Byram, and formerly of North Shields, England, aged 74 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 14 November 1898
On the 3rd November, at his residence, Darlington road, Stawell, John, dearly beloved husband of Ann Lee, native of Alston, Cumberland, England, aged 62.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Thursday 29 December 1898
KYLE. - December 27, 1898 at his residence, George's River, Robert Kyle, native of South Shields, England, aged 85 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 11 March 1899
FORSTER – February 27, at Leominsterville, Palace Street, Petersham, John Clutterbuck Forster, of Peashurst, Sydney, formally of Alnwick, Northumberland, England, fourth son of the late Francis Forster Esq. of Briston Vale and Alnmouth, England, brother of Mrs Adams, Acton Hall, Northumberland, England, and nephew of the late Major Clutterbuck, in his 73rd year. A colonist of 49 years. Inserted by his niece and nephew, Mrs and Mr J. W. Coe.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 6 October 1899
BASTON - Passed peacefully away at his residence, Wansbeck, Mill Hill-road, Waverley Benjamin Baston, aged 74, of Morpeth, Northumberland, England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Tuesday 23 January 1900
SKELTON. – January 22nd, at her daughter's residence, 37 Church Street, Balmain North, Mary Skelton aged 70 years, late of Havelock Street, South Shields, Tyneside (England).

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 23 February 1900
SPENCER - On the 22nd February at his residence, "Taycreggan" Yarra Street, Lower Hawthorn, Michael Percy, dearly beloved husband of Flora Harriet Spencer, and son of the late Michael and Isabella Spencer of Walbottle Hall, Northumberland, England, and nephew and son in law of Thomas Bell and Jane Newbury Davison, after a short illness aged 31 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 25 April 1900
POWELL - In ever loving memory of my dear mother, Mrs Elizabeth Powell, who departed this life 1889 aged 71 years. Born in Tynemouth Castle, North Shields, England, relict of the late John Powell, of the 11th Regiment, and daughter of Sergeant Major Lauchland, of the Royal Horse Artillery, of Woolwich, veteran of Waterloo and numerous other engagements. Inserted by her ever-loving daughter, Sarah E. Harrison.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 14 September 1900
BEATTIE -On the 12th September, at Alfred Hospital, Melbourne William Beattie, miner a native of Northumberland England.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Saturday 15 September 1900
SUTTON - August 13, at Addington Hospital, Durban, Natal, Charles Sutton, of Newcastle on-Tyne, second son of the late Charles Sutton, of Whitley by the-Sea, aged 44 years. Newcastle papers please copy

The Mercury (Hobart)
Tuesday 5 March 1901
SHIELD. - On March 4, 1901, at his late residence, Arthur-street, Hobart, Rippon Shield, builder, late of South Shields, Durham, in the 80th year of his age.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 27 March 1901
WATSON - March 26, at Sanatorium, Summer Hill, Robert Watson formerly of Belford, Northumberland, England and late of the Grosvenor Hotel, Waterloo, in his 48th? year

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 27 May 1901
COHEN. - May 26, at Sydney, Simeon Cohen, son of Freidman Cohen, of Newcastle on-Tyne.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 8 June 1901
On the 2nd June, at her residence. Darlington-road. Stawell, Ann, relict of the late John Lee, native of Alston, Cumberland, England, aged 69 years.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Friday 4 April 1902
WATSON. - On the 3rd April, at his residence, Harrow-road. St. Peters, Richard Watson (of Hydraulic Engineer's Department), third son of the late Hugh Thomas Watson, of Newcastle-on Tyne, aged 50 years.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Tuesday 31 March 1903
BRUCE. - On the 25th February, Captain David Bruce, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, aged 86 years.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Thursday 5 November 1903
ROBINSON. -On the 20th October, at Taylor street, Brompton, John, the beloved husband of Ellen Robinson, late of Alston, county. Cumberland, England, in his 68th year.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Tuesday 16 February 1904
GILLIES. - On the 15th February, at his late residence, Glen Eira road, Elsternwick, P. Sandeman Gillies, loved husband of C. E. Gillies, formerly of Newcastle on Tyne, son of the late James Gillies, Glasgow; grandson of the late Dr. William Gillies, Glasgow and Rev A. Baxter, Edinburgh.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 20 May 1904
WIGHT. – On the 19th May at 41 Erin Street, Richmond, Dorothy Ellen, only daughter of John and Mary Wight, late of Brunswick, formerly of Cars Hill, Gateshead, England, in her 85th year.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 20 May 1904
HODGSON - May 19 1904, at his residence, Ross and Eton Streets, Camperdown, William Edward Hodgson, aged 34 years, late of South Shields, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 16 July 1904
SHARPE. -On the 11th July, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. H. Leach, Rann-street, Birkenhead, Annie Hutchinson H. Sharpe, dearly beloved, wife, of J. H. Sharpe, butcher. Semaphore Road, Glanville, aged 64. Respected by all who knew her. Newcastle-on-Tyne papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 18 July 1904
SMITH -On the 17th July, at the residence of her son in law, James Sproule, Princes street, Kew Margaret widow of the late William Smith and daughter of the late William Andrew Chatto of Newcastle on Tyne and London, aged 76 years.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 22 August 1904
HIDDLESTONE. - On August 17, 1904, at his son's residence. North Sydney New South Wales, William Hiddlestone, formerly of South Shields, England, and late of Hobart, aged 85 years. Brother of Geo. Hiddlestone, of this City.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Friday 15 December 1905
CHAMBERS. - In loving memory of Margaret Chambers who departed this life, December 15, 1901, aged 15 years. Inserted by her loving parents James and

Margaret Chambers of Gateshead on Tyne, England and Maryborough Queensland. Brothers James (Wollongong), Joe, Fred, and Will, and sisters, Alice Flood and Gladys.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Thursday 15 February 1906
WHITFIELD. - On the 13th February, at her daughter's (Mrs. A. Boyes) residence, "Abbeydale," Spencer-street, Essendon, Margaret, the beloved wife of Joseph Whitfield (cutler), late of Bourke-street, Melbourne, eldest daughter of the late Robert Jobson (miller), of Windmill Hills, Gateshead-on-Tyne, aged 76 years.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Wednesday 7 March 1906
SYME - March 6 at Grafton N.S.W after a long, illness Harry Howard Syme late of Newcastle on Tyne England aged 37 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 16 April 1906
HUNTER – On the 14th April, at Coquet Dale Villa, Inglesby Road, Camberwell, William Henry Hunter (Saddler of Rouke Street), the beloved husband of Annie Hunter, in his 76th? year after a short and painful illness. Born Rothbury, Northumberland, England.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 28 October 1907
MACKIE. - On the 25th October, at Adelaide, Nicholson, the beloved husband of Laura Mackie, in his 66th year, late of Northumberland, England. Home papers please copy.

The Sydney Morning Herald
Monday 6 July 1908
CARTER. - July 4, at Sydney Hospital, John, second son of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Carter, of Gateshead on Tyne, England, aged 42 years. Beloved and only surviving brother of S. A. C. Carter, Mosman.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 4 September 1908
MARSHALL. - On the 29th August, at "Babette," Eltham, William, the dearly beloved husband of Helena A. (Nellie) Marshall, - and fourth son of the late Dr. John Marshall, of Chatton-park, Belford. Northumberland, England, late of "Merchiston," Travancore, India, aged 56 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 29 January 1909
HASTIE - On the 28th January, at the Alfred, Hospital Walter Ben the dearly beloved youngest, son of Edwin T. and Sophia Hastie of 35 Herbert Street Park and York chambers city formerly, of Newcastle on Tyne, England aged 10 years. (Private funeral)

The Mercury (Hobart)
Friday 29 January 1909
ANDERSON. -On January 27, 1909, at his late residence. No. 79 Argyle-street, John Anderson (native North Shields, England), aged 84 years. Funeral private. No flowers.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 12 July 1909
SUNTER. - On the 10th July, at Flinders-street, the Rev. James Sunter, B.A. (Durham), rector of St. Paul's Church. Adelaide, and formerly canon of St.-Nicholas' Cathedral, Newcastle-on-Tyne, in his 70th year.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 10 January 1910
ALLAN. - On the 5th January, at West-street, Queenstown, Ralph Wilson, late of Dipton, County of Durham, England, dearly-beloved husband of Sarah Allan, aged 74, beloved father of R. W. Allan and A. E. Allan, Port Pirie; E. W.,
Allan. Perth, W.A.; Mrs. J. S. Allan, South Shields, England; and Mrs. S. Renton, Broken Hill. Home papers please copy.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 12 August 1910
PACE. - On the 11th August, at the residence of Mr. D. Davison, Rowsley, Jane, relict of the late Robert Pace, of Northumberland, England, in her 92nd year.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Monday 28 November 1910
FERRERO-On the 27th November, Arino Paleario, eldest son of the late Giovanni Ferrero, late of Newcastle on-Tyne, England, in his 58th year. English papers please copy.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Monday 19 February 1912
CLARK -On February 17, 1912, at the residence, No 97 Argyle-street, John, the dearly beloved husband of Mary Ann Clark (a native of Warkmouth, Northumberland, England, and a colonist of 62 years), in the 81st year of his age. Friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, which will move from the above address on Monday Afternoon (This Day), at 2.30 o'clock, for Cornelian Bay Cemetery. Home and New Zealand papers please copy.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 28 February 1914
HUNTER. - On the 27th February, at the residence of her brother-in-law (E. V. Little), Torrens-road, Woodville, Eleanor Hunter, late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, in her 70th year.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Saturday 9 May 1914
WESTGARTH. - THE- FRIENDS of Mr. THOMAS WAILES WESTGARTH are informed that the remains of his late WIFE (Catherine), late of Blyth,

Northumberland. England, will be removed from the residence of her daughter (Mrs. F. Fraser), Margaret-terrace, Rosewater, on SUNDAY, at 2 p.m.,' for interment in the Woodville. Cemetery.

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Wednesday 27 January 1915
EMERSON. - On the 26th January, at 48, Essex street, Goodwood, after a very short illness, Eleanor, eldest daughter of the late Captain T. Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Friday 29 January 1915
DAVIES. - On the 27th January, 1915, at Johnson street, Ballarat, Jane Eleanor Davies, beloved wife of William P. Davies, and elder daughter of the late Edward Mole, Northumberland, England. Funeral private.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 5 June 1915
REID - On the 3rd June at her residence 26 Charles street, Richmond Helen Debord, widow of the late James Christian Ker Reid (late of Footscray) youngest daughter of the late John Jopling, surgeon of Newcastle on Tyne and Rallan and loving mother of James, John Henry, Faraday (Fil) and Leopold aged 79 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 17 January 1916
CARTER. - On the 16th January, at Melbourne, John James (Jimmie), the beloved eldest son of James and Dorothy Carter, of Bulla road, North Essendon, and beloved brother of Dorothy, aged 16 years and 10 months (late of Newcastle-on Tyne, England).

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 12 February 1916
ALLEN - In loving memory of my dear son Tom Allen who was lost overboard from the motorboat “Magnet”, near Townsville on the 19th February 1915. Will ever be remembered by his loving father, brothers and sisters. (Geo. Allen, 6 Albion Street West, North Shields, Northumberland, England.

The Mercury (Hobart)
Saturday 1 April 1916
DOBSON. - On March 31, at Manilla, Elboden-street, Georgiana, the youngest daughter of the late John Dobson, of Hobart, formerly of Gateshead, England.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 1 July 1916
HAMILTON. - On the 29th June, at his late residence, 225 Johnstone street, Abbotsford, Joseph, husband of the late Mary, and dearly beloved father of E. H., M. I. H., B. H., J. W. H., and A. R., late of Hexham, Northumberland, England, aged 80 years. (Interred privately Heidelberg Cemetery, 30th June, 1910.)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 23 December 1916
TULLY. - A tribute in loving memory of Corp. Richard S. Tully killed in action In France November 14, 1916, formerly of North Shields, England. (Inserted by his fellow-employees of Buckley and Nunn Ltd., Melbourne.)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Wednesday 10 January 1917
DOUGLAS. — On the 21st December, at Matamata, New Zealand, Edward Douglas, formerly of Anwick, Northumberland, England; uncle to James, William, and Grace Landells and Mrs. Angus McNaughton, of Melbourne, aged 79 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Monday 25 February 1918
RENNISON. - On the 22nd February, at E. St. Kilda, Mary A. Rennison, widow of the late William H. Rennison, of North Shields, England, loved mother of W. H. Rennison (Clifton Hill), Jessie, (Mrs Thompson, South Africa), and Mrs Alice Slater (290 Dandenong Road, E. St. Kilda), aged 78 years. Private interment, Melbourne General cemetery.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 27 April 1918
ARTHUR- Killed in action in France, February 1918, Robert (Lieutenant, Northumberland Fusiliers, Newcastle-on Tyne, England), nephew of Mr and Mrs R. Fairweather, Dromana,

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Thursday 17 October 1918
DIERICX. - To the memory of Corporal Albert (Kit) Diericx, A.I.F. (late of Gosforth, Northumberland, England), killed in France, October 17, 1917. - Inserted by his friends, Mrs. J. Hearn and family.
DIERICX. - In affectionate memory of oar dear pal, No. 60, Corporal Albert D Diericx. 1st Australian Signal Company, who was killed in action, October 17, 1917. Steadfast in life, valiant in death. -Inserted by his pals, J. Canham (abroad), and A. Arthur (returned).

The Advertiser (Adelaide)
Thursday 7 November 1918
WALD. - Age 23, killed accidentally on 11th August while on night-flying duty, Lieutenant Alexander Wald, M.C, Royal Air Force, beloved son of Alexander and Esther Wald, Largs. Interred at St. Andrew's Cemetery, Newcastle-on Tyne, England. Four years' service.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 25 October 1919
PEART. – On the 18th October (suddenly) John Joseph, late of Albert street, Sebastopol, eldest surviving son of the late Joseph Peart, The Rush, Weardale, England: beloved husband of Margaret; loving father of Myra fond brother of J. A., K. H. (Perth, W.A.), and R. W. Peart; aged 61 years.

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 22 May 1920
PYE. - On the 21st May, 1021) at private hospital, Carlton, Frances Alma, relict of the late John James Pye, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, loving mother of John and Elizabeth (Mrs. Dobson, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England), aged 65 years. (English papers please copy.)

The Argus (Melbourne)
Saturday 4 December 1920
SALMON - Passed peacefully away, November 27, Eleanor, relict of the late Benjamin Salmon, of South Shields, England, aged 96. The dearly loved mother of the late P. M. Salmon, M.L.A; Launcelot of the Royal Navy; Mrs. R. Taylor, Mrs. G. B. Bennett, Mrs. S. H. Cumpston, and Mrs. J. Thorpe, "Thorpeleigh", Oban street, Hawksburn. A colonist of 61 years. Private interment, Coburg, November 30.

Appendix 9

Abstract of The Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875
Source: NEIMME Tracts Volume 73, pages 411-430

Application of Acts.

1. The Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act, 1872, herein-after referred to as the principal Act, and the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act, 1875, herein-after referred to as the amending Act, apply to every mine of whatever description, except—

    1. Coal mines,
    2. Mines of stratified ironstone,
    3. Mines of shale,
    4. Mines of fireclay

    which are subject to the Coal Mines Regulation Act, of 1872

The Acts extend to the Isle of Man.

2. **Definition Of Mine:** – The term "mine" means a mine to which the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875, apply, and includes every shaft in course of being sunk, and every level and inclined plane in the course of being driven, for commencing or opening any new mine, or for searching or proving minerals, and all the shafts, levels, planes, works, machinery, tramways, and sidings, both below ground and above ground, in and adjacent to a mine and any such shaft, level, and inclined plane, and belonging to the mine, The term " shaft includes pit,

3. The commencement of the principal Act is 1st January 1873, and of the amending Act is 2nd August 1875.

Inspectors.

4. Inspectors of mines may be appointed by a Secretary of State, and a district may be assigned

5. An inspector may not himself be or practice, or be the partner of one who is or who practise, as land agent or mining engineer, or as a manager, viewer, agent, or valuer of mines or as arbitrator in mining cases, and may not be otherwise employed in or about any mine, whether such mine is one to which the Acts apply or not.

6. In order to ascertain whether the provisions of the Acts are observed both above ground and below ground, the inspector is authorised to examine any mine by day or night, so however, as not to impede the working there of; and owners and agents, and all employed in or about the mine are bound to render him every assistance in conducting such examination.

7. Each inspector is to make to the Secretary of State an annual report of his proceedings to be laid before Parliament, and when directed is to make a special report as to any mine accident attended with loss of life or personal injury. Such special report will be made public in the mode and at the time directed by a Secretary of State.

Restrictions as to Employment underground.

8. Women and Girls of any age may not be employed at all.

9. Boys under 12 may not be employed at all.

10. Boys of 12 and under 13, and Male Young Person of 13 and under 16, may be employed not more than 54 hours a week, or more than 10 hours a day, and

are to be allowed an interval of 12 hours for rests between each two consecutive periods of employment, except that an interval of 8 hours will suffice: -

a. between Friday and Saturday;
b. between any two consecutive periods of employment in the case of a boy or male young person who does not during the interval return to his ordinary place of residence; provided that he is not employed more than 40 hours in the week.

11. A week begins at 12 p.m. Saturday, and ends at 12 p.m. the Saturday following

12. A period of a person's employment begins at the time of his leaving the surface and ends at the time of his returning to the surface.

13. The immediate employer of any boy of 12 and under 13, and of any male young person of 13, and of any male person of 13 and under 16, is not to take him below ground until he has reported his intention so to do to the owner or agent, or to some person appointed by the owner or agent.

Who may be employed about an Engine.

14. The person who is in charge of any engine, windlass, or gin, howsoever worked, which is used for the purpose of taking persons up or down or along any shaft, inclined plane or level (being either an entrance to a mine or a communication from one part of a mine to another) or who is in charge of any part of the tackle of such engine, windlass, or gin, must be a male of at least 18 years of age.

If the engine, windlass, or gin is worked by an animal, then not the driver but the person under whose directions the driver acts is to be deemed the person in charge; but in that case the driver must not be under 12 years of age.

Penalty for Misrepresentation of Age

15. Any parent or guardian misrepresenting the age of any person with a view to procuring him employment in contravention of the principal Act will be liable to punishment.

Wages.

16. Not to be paid in Public Houses &c. – Wages are not to be paid on any premises used for the sale of intoxicating liquor, or in any place contiguous to such premises.

Fencing abandoned Mines

17. **Rule:** —Subject to the exception presently mentioned, where any mine is abandoned or the working thereof discontinued (at whatever time such abandonment or discontinuance occurred), the top of the shaft and any side entrance from the surface must be kept securely fenced by the owner of the mine or the persons interested in the minerals thereof.

Exceptions: – This rule does not apply in the case of a mine abandoned or discontinued before 10th August 1872, except to a shaft or side entrance situated within 50 yards of a highway, road, footpath, or place of public resort, or in open or unenclosed land, or except to a shaft or side entrance which is specifically required by the inspector of mines for the district to be fenced.

General Rules

18. The principal Act prescribes General Rules (set forth at length hereunder, paragraph 44) which are to be observed, so far as is reasonably practicable, in every mine.

Special Rules.

19. In addition to the General Rules, but not at variance with them, each mine may have its own set of Special Rules, framed to meet the special circumstances of the mine.

20. **Object:** —The object of special rules is—

1. To prevent dangerous accidents.
2. To provide for the proper discipline of those employed in the mine.

21. **Force:** –Special rules have the same force as if they were contained in the principal Act.

22. **How Made:** – Special rules are prepared in the first instance on behalf of the owner, and are together with a notice, to be posted up during a fortnight on the premises; such notice to be printed and to be to the effect that at the end of the fortnight, the rules will be submitted to the inspector of mines for the district, and that, in the meantime any person employed in the mine is entitled to forward any objection to the inspector at his address, as stated in the notice. On the expiration of the fortnight the owner or agent may transmit the proposed special rules to the inspector, together with a certificate that such rules and notices had been posted up as aforesaid. Such certificate must be signed by the person transmitting the same.

23. A Secretary of State may, within 40 days, object to the special rules if they are insufficient or unreasonable, and require them to be modified. These requisitions must be complied with, or else referred to arbitration.

24. After 40 days special rules, if not objected to, become established, and are to be signed by the inspector of the district.

25. **Amendment:** —At any time special rules may be amended in like manner at the instance of the owner or agent.

Also, a Secretary of State may at any time propose special rules where none exist, or amendments to existing special rules and such proposals must be complied with, or referred to arbitration.

26. **Publication:** –A copy at full length of this abstract, and of the special rules (if any') when made, together with the name and address of the inspector of the district, and the name and address of the owner or agent of the mine must be kept posted up on the premises, and a copy thereof supplied gratis on application.

27. Any person who pulls down the documents so posted up is liable to punishment.

As to dangerous practices not expressly prohibited.

28. If in any respect a mine is carried on in a manner which though not expressly forbidden by the terms of the principal Act or by special rules, is nevertheless dangerous, the inspector may require the matter to be remedied, and the owner or agent is bound to comply with the requisition, or else submit to a reference to arbitration.

Penalties

29. Breach of a general rule by any person, or of a special rule by any person bound to observe the same, is an offence against the principal Act.
And in the event of such an offence being proved to have been committed, the owner and agent will also each of them be guilty will also each of them be guilty of an offence "against the principal Act, unless he proves that he had taken all reasonable means to prevent the offence by publishing and to the best of his knowledge enforcing the rules.
A like liability arises with respect to other provisions of the Acts, the breach of which is declared an offence against the principal Act.
30. The penalty for an offence which by either of the Acts is declared to be an offence against the principal Act (except when another penalty is expressly specified) is—

(a.) If the offence he committed by a person employed in or about the mine Not exceeding £2

(b.) If committed by the owner or agent Not exceeding £20,
and a further penalty not exceeding £1 per day for every day that such offence continues to be committed after a written notice from the inspector,

31, Where, however, the court is of opinion that the offence is one which is reasonably calculated to endanger the safety of those employed in or about the mine, or to cause serious personal injury or dangerous accident, and was committed wilfully by the personal act, personal default, or personal negligence of the accused, and that a pecuniary penalty will not meet the circumstances of the case, the punishment may be imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for three months.
32. An appeal lies in case of imprisonment or half the maximum penalty has been adjudged.
33. An offence can only be summarily prosecuted within three months after the date when it was committed.
34. An offence by an owner or agent cannot be summarily prosecuted except either by an inspector of mines or with the consent of a Secretary of State.
35. The owner or agent may, if he think it fit, be sworn and examined as an ordinary witness, if charged in respect of any contravention or non-compliance by another person.
36. Penalties for neglect to send notice of accident or for any offence against the principal Act which has occasioned loss of life or personal injury may be directed by the Secretary of State to be paid to the sufferers or to the relatives of deceased sufferers, but not to any person who has contributed to neglect or offence.

Register.

37. The owner or agent must keep a register containing the particulars prescribed by section 6 as to –

(a.) Boys of 12 and under 13
(b.) Male young persons of 13 and under 16
(c.) Women above 18
Employed below ground
(d.) Male young persons of 13 and under 18

(e.) Female young persons of 13 and under 18
(f.) Boys of 8 and under 13
(g.) Girls of 8 and under 13
Employed above ground

This register must be kept either in the office at the mine, or in the principal office of the mines belonging to the same owner in the same district.

The register is to be produced to the inspector' who may inspect and copy it.

38. Subject to the exception presently mentioned, the owner or agent of each mine is, on or before the 1st of February in each year, to send to the inspector of the district a return, in form to be prescribed by a Secretary of State, specifying, as to the persons employed in or about the mine and the mineral produced from the mine, the particulars mentioned in sec. 1 of the amending Act.

Exception: —In any mine where not more than 12 persons are employed underground, the returns specifying the quantity of mineral produced from such a mine shall be made by the barmaster officer, if any, employed to collect the dues or royalty; and where there is any barmaster or other officer, the owner or agent is not required to send any return specifying the number of persons employed in or about the mine.

Plans

39. Except in the case of a mine where not more than 12 persons are ordinarily employed below ground, the owner or agent is to keep an accurate plan and section or a tracing thereof of the mine, showing the workings up to at least six months previously, except workings last discontinued before 1st January 1872. This plan is to be kept either in the office of the mine, or in the principal office of the mines belonging to the same owner in the same district, and is to be produced to the inspector of mines for him to examine, but not to copy. If required, the owner or agent is to mark on the plan the workings up to the time of production.

40. **Plans of Abandonment:** —Within three months of the abandonment of a mine, (except in the case of a mine where not more than 12 persons have ordinarily been employed below ground,) a plan and section or tracing thereof, showing the boundaries of the workings, are to be sent by the owner to a Secretary of State as a mining record, not, however, to be seen until after the lapse of 10 years, except by an inspector or under a licence from a Secretary of State.

Notices.

41. Notices of accidents in or about a mine must be sent by the owner or agent of the mine to the inspector of mines for the district as follow:

1. Of any accident causing loss of life or serious personal injury within 24 hours after such accident.
2. Of any accident from explosion of gas, powder, or steam boiler, causing any personal injury, within 24 hours after such accident.
3. Of any death resulting from personal injury caused by an accident previously reported within 24 hours after the death comes to the knowledge of the owner or agent.

42. Also, unless in the case of a mine where not more than 12 persons are ordinarily employed ground, notices must be sent by the owner or agent to the inspector of mines for the district within 2 months after the event;

1. Of the commencement of any working for the opening of a new shaft.
2. Of the abandonment of a shaft.
3. Of the re-commencement of the working of a shaft after an abandonment for more than two months.
4. Of any change in name of the mine, or in the name of the owner or agent except that in the case of a partnership working a mine within the Stannaries of Devon and Cornwall, notice of every change in the purser of the partnership may be given, instead of notice of every change in the membership of the partnership.
5. Of any change in the officers of any incorporated company owning a mine.

Coroners Inquests.

43. In the case of an inquest being held concerning a death caused by a mine accident unless the inspector or some other person on behalf of a Secretary of State is present, the coroner is to adjourn the inquest, and to send to the inspector four day's notice of the time and place of the adjourned inquest.

If, however, only one life has been lost by the accident, and 48 hour's notice of the time and place of holding the inquest has been sent to the inspector, the inquest need not be adjourned if the majority of the jury think it unnecessary.

At the inquest, the inspectors may examine any witness subject to the order of the coroner.

If the inspector is not present and evidence is given of any neglect having caused or contributed to the accident or of any defect in or about the mine appearing to acquire a remedy, the coroner is to send to the inspector notice thereof in writing.

In the event of a fatal accident occurring in a mine and an inquest being held, no person who is employed in that mine or is concerned in its management or has a personal interest in that mine is qualified to serve on the jury.

General Rules.

44. **The following are the general rules:** –

(1.) An adequate amount of ventilation shall be constantly produced in every mine to such an extent that the shafts, winzes, sumps, levels, underground stables, and working places of such mine and the travelling roads to and from such working places, shall be in a fit state for working and passing therein.

(2.) Gunpowder or other explosive or inflammable substance shall only be used underground in the mine as-follows:

- (a.) It shall not be stored in the mine.
- (b.) It shall not be taken into the mine, except in a case or canister containing not more than four pounds
- (c.) A workman shall not have in use at one time in any one place more than one such case of explosives.
- (d.) In charging holes for blasting, except in mines excepted from the operation of this section by the Secretary of

State, an iron or steel pricker shall not be used, and a person shall not have in his possession in the mine underground any iron or steel pricker, and an iron or steel tamping rod or stemmer shall not be used for ramming either the wadding or the first part of the tamping or stemming powder.

(e.) A charge of powder which has missed fire shall not be un-rammed.

(3.) **Every underground:** plane on which persons travel, which is self-acting or worked by an engine windlass, or gin, shall be provided (if exceeding 30 yards in length) with some proper means of signalling between the stopping places and the ends of the plane, and shall be provided in every case, at intervals of not more than 20 yards, with sufficient manholes for places of refuge.

(4.) Every road on which persons travel underground, where the produce of the mine in transit excels ten tons in any one hour over any part thereof, and where the load is drawn by a horse or other animal be provided, at intervals of not more than 100 yards, with sufficient spaces for places of refuge, each of which spaces shall be of sufficient length, and of at least 3 feet in width between the waggons running on the tram road and the side of the road; and the Secretary of State may, if he see fit, require the inspector to certify whether the produce of the mine in transit on the road aforesaid does or does not ordinarily exceed the weight as aforesaid.

(5.) Every man-hole and space for a place of refuge: shall be constantly Kept clear, and no person shall place anything in a man-hole or such space so as to prevent access thereto.

(6.) The top of every shaft which was opened before the commencement of the actual working for the time being of the mine, and has not been used during such actual working shall, if so required in writing by the inspector of the district, be securely fenced, and the top of every other shaft which for the time being is out of use, or used only us an air shaft, shall be securely fenced

(7.) The top and all entrances between the top and bottom of every working or pumping shaft shall be properly fenced, but this shall not be taken to forbid the temporary removal of the fence for the purpose of repairs or other operations, if proper precautions are used.

(8.) Where the natural strata are not safe, every working or pumping shaft shall be securely cased, lined or otherwise made secure.

(9.) Where one portion of a shaft is used for the assent and descent of persons by ladders or a man-engine, and another portion of the same shaft is used for raising the material gotten in the mine the first mentioned portion shall be cased or otherwise securely fenced off from the last-mentioned

(10.) Every working shaft in which persons are raised shall, if exceeding fifty yards in depth and not exempted in writing by the inspector of the district, be provided with guides and some proper

means of communicating distinct and definite signals from the bottom of the shaft and from every entrance for the time being in work between the surface and the bottom of the shaft to the surface and from the surface to

the bottom of the shaft and to every entrance for the time being in work between the surface and the bottom of the shaft.
(11.) A sufficient cover overhead shall be used when lowering or raising persons in every working shaft, except where it is worked by a windlass, or where the person is employed about the pump or some work of repair in the shaft, or where a written exemption is given by the inspector of the district.
(12.) A single linked chain shall not be used for lowering, or raising persons in any working shaft or plane except for the short coupling chain attached to the cage or load.
(13.) There shall be on the drum of every machine used for lowering or raising persons such flanges or horns, and also if the drum is conical, such other appliances as may be sufficient to prevent the rope from slipping.
(14.) There shall be attached to every machine worked by steam, water, or mechanical power, and used for lowering or raising persons, an adequate break, and also a proper indicator (in addition to any mark on the rope) which shows to the person who works the machine the position of the cage or load in the shaft.
(15.) A ladder permanently used for the ascent or descent of persons in the mine shall not be fixed in a vertical or overhanging position, and shall be inclined at the most convenient angle which the space in which the ladder is fixed allows, and every such ladder shall have substantial platforms at intervals of not more than 20 yards.
(16.) If more than 12 persons are ordinarily employed in the mine below ground, sufficient accommodation shall be provided above ground near the principal entrance of the mine, and not in the engine-house or boiler-house, for enabling the persons employed in the mine to conveniently dry and change their, dresses.
(17.) Every fly-wheel and all exposed and dangerous parts of the machinery used in or about the mine shall-be and be kept securely fenced.
(18.) Every steam boiler shall be provided with a proper steam gauge and water gauge, to show respectively the pressure of steam and the height of water in the boiler, and with a proper safety valve.
(19.) No person shall wilfully damage, or without proper authority, remove or render useless, any fencing, casing, lining, guide, means of signalling, signal, cover, chain, flange, horn, break, indicator, ladder, platform, steam gauge, water gauge, safety valve, or other appliance or thing provided in any mine in compliance with the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act, 1872.

Appendix 10

An Account of Receipts and Disbursements by the Committee respecting the Emigration, to Upper Canada, of Poor Persons belonging to the Parish of Alston in the Year 1832.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

	£	s.	d.
The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital	200	0	0
The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead, &c.	25	0	0
Robert Hodgson, Esquire	10	0	0
George Elstob, Esquire	10	0	0
Mr. Jacob Wilson	5	0	0
— Robert Elliot	5	0	0
— Robert Bainbridge	5	0	0
— William Bainbridge	5	0	0
— Jonathan Walton	5	0	0
— William Guy	1	0	0
— Thomas Dickinson	5	0	0
John Wilson, Esquire	5	0	0
Mr. Anthony Wright	5	0	0
— Jacob Walton	5	0	0
— John Dickinson	1	0	0
— Joseph Dickinson, Alston	2	10	0
— Thomas Shaw	1	0	0
— William Armstrong	1	0	0
— Jonathan Robinson	1	0	0
— Anthony Walton	1	0	0
— Robert Walton Bainbridge	1	0	0
Mrs. Stagg, Long Marton	2	0	0
Mr. Hugh Pickering	0	3	0
— Adam Walton	0	5	0
— William Gill	0	3	0
Messrs. I. & T. Watson, Skides	1	0	0
Mr. Hugh Lee Pattinson	1	0	0
— Thomas Brown	0	10	0
— Jonathan Walton	0	10	0
— James Bell	0	2	6
— William Kindred	0	3	0
— John Millican, Lee House	0	7	6
— William Richardson, Shields	2	0	0
— Robert Friend, Preston	2	2	0
— David King, Hexham	1	0	0
	£310	16	0

Alston, August, 1832.

	No.	£	s.	d.
Frances Pearson, Widow, & 4 Children	5	8	0	0
Friend Wallace, Wife & 4 Children	6	5	0	0
Richard Pattinson, Wife & 4 Children	6	2	0	0
Robert Carr, Wife, & 8 Children	10	23	0	0
Henry Cowing, Wife, & 4 Children	6	20	0	0
Leonard Bright, Wife, & 2 Children	4	3	0	0
Jane Carr, Widow, & 2 Children	3	14	0	0
Richard Storey, Wife, & 4 Children	6	18	0	0
Jonathan Thompson's Wife, & 7 Children (Husband in Canada)	8	28	0	0
Margaret Cousin, Widow, & 4 Children	5	20	0	0
John Chester, Wife & 3 Children	5	16	0	0
Jane Elliot, Widow, & 6 Children	7	29	0	0
Robert, Leonard, & William Bright	3	8	0	0
John Lee, Wife, & 4 Children	6	5	0	0
John Barron, Wife, & 4 Children	6	15	0	0
William Hall, Wife, & 4 Children	6	13	0	0
Thomas Armstrong, Wife & 4 Children	6	15	0	0
Mary Walton	1	6	0	0
Elizabeth Richardson, Widow,	1	3	0	0
Mary Featherstonhaugh & 5 Children	6	29	17	6
Robert Walton, Wife, & 3 Children	5	5	0	0
Widow Chester	1	4	0	0
William Armstrong, Wife & 3 Children	5	6	0	0
Joseph Wallace, Wife & 5 Children	7	4	0	0
Various Expenses in removing the Emigrants to the Sea Coast, &c. &c.		5	3	6
Balance in the Hands of the Treasurer		5	15	0
	124	£310	16	0

A Sum of £5. out of the above Balance has been promised to a Family of the name of Wharton, who have not yet got off.

J. Pattinson, Printer, Alston.

Source: Carlisle Record office D/Wal 7d

Appendix 11

Poetry of the Lead Miners

Introduction

The following poems were either written by men who worked in the lead mines of the North Pennines, or were written about lead mining. The poems of Featherstone Martindale were obtained from the Hexham Herald, and those by Richard Watson from a book of verse, "Poetical Works of Richard Watson" published by him in 1884.

The Authors

Featherstone Martindale was the son of Jonathan Martindale a lead miner, and Rebecca Gill, who were married on 18 June 1831. He had a brother Joseph and two sisters, Elizabeth and Mary. According to the 1881 census Featherstone Martindale was also a lead miner and had married Elizabeth, were living at Shallow Ford, Stanhope, he was aged 45 years and Elizabeth 43 years. He had worked for the Beaumont lead mining company at Slitt mine, Weardale. His death was reported in the Hexham Herald of 15 November 1890.

> "There died at Shallow Ford in Weardale, on Saturday last, a well-known Weardale poet Mr Featherstone Martindale in the 55th year of his age. His remains were interred at Westgate on Tuesday in the presence of a large gathering. Deceased who had been ailing in health for some time was the recognised bard of the valley. Several pamphlets in verse survive the author who was a respected member of the Wesleyan Society, to which his last lyric was dedicated. His verses possessed merit, being full of poetry and lofty thought, and rhymed pleasantly as well."

Census information:

In 1841, at Wood Meadows, Jonathan Martindale, lead miner, aged 35, wife Rebecca (Gill, married 18th June 1831) aged 30, children Esther 8, Featherstone 5, Elizabeth 3, and Mary 2 months.
In 1851, at Shallow Ford, Jonathan Martindale, lead miner, aged 46, wife Rebecca 43 (born Allendale), children Featherstone, lead miner, aged 15, Elizabeth 12, Joseph 7, and Mary 3.
In 1861, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 25, his wife Elizabeth aged 23, children Jonathan 2, and Sarah 1 month.
In 1871, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 36, his wife Elizabeth aged 33, son Jonathan 12, and daughter Sarah 10.
In 1881, at Shallow Ford, Featherstone Martindale, lead miner, aged 45, and his wife Elizabeth 43.
In 1891, at Shallow Ford, Elizabeth Martindale, widow, aged 53. In 1901, at Albury Park Road, Tynemouth, Thomas M Burnside, provisions merchant, aged 45, his wife Sarah 39, children Wilfred M. shopkeepers clerk, aged 18, Stanley M. grocers assistant, aged 17, mother in law Elizabeth Martindale, widow, aged 63, and visitor Lily Walton aged 27.

Richard Watson was born on 16 March 1833, the son of William (a lead miner) and Rebecca (Walton) Watson, who had married in June 1824. He had one brother, William, and four sisters, Elizabeth, Ann, Mary, and Martha; they lived at Middleton in Teesdale, in Stotley Lane before moving to a larger house at High Dyke. When Masterman Place in Middleton was completed by the London Lead Company, the family moved into one of these new cottages. His father worked at Lodge Syke lead mine.
Richard and his brother and sisters were educated at the Company school at Middleton, the school master at that time being John Hyslop. Richard was seen as a clever child and was given extra lessons by John Henry Brown the Rector of Middleton. His father William died in July 1846. It was usual for a boy to remain at school until the age of twelve years, and girls until fourteen; but following his fathers death Richard was allowed to leave school early (10 years old) by the Company, in order that he could work as a Washer boy, to earn money for the family. He married Nancy Brumwell (aged 20 years) from Ettersgill Upper Teesdale, at Barnard Castle registry office on 24 September 1857, at this time he was working at Coldberry mine. They moved to Scotland, Leadhiils, around 1865, they moved back to Middleton in 1875, and lived at Cross House at Holwick, before moving to Newbiggin, at Hill Top cottages; in order that they would be nearer Richards place of work. Richard was working at Little Eggleshope. When production was cut back at Little Eggleshope Richard became unemployed, so the family moved to Coply Lane to be nearer the colliery (Woodland colliery) in which he had found work.[1]
His work was published in the Teesdale Mercury, and his book of "Poetical Works" was first published in 1862. He died after an illness on 2nd October 1891, aged 58 years.[2]

Census information

In 1841, at Middleton in Teesdale, William Watson, miner, aged 40, his wife Rebecka, aged 40, children Mary 10, Richard 8, Martha 5, and William 2 years.
In 1851, at Middleton, Rebeca Watson, widow, aged 51, son Richard, lead miner, aged 18, and daughter Martha 14.
In 1861, at High Dyke, Middleton, Richard Watson, lead ore dresser, aged 28, his wife Ann 24, and children Rebecca 3, and Elizabeth A. 1.
In 1871, at Leadhills, Lanarkshire, Richard Watson, lead miner, aged 38, his wife Ann 32, daughters Rebecca 13, Lilly 11, and Margaret 6.
In 1881, at Holwick, Teesdale, Richard Watson, lead miner, aged 48, his wife Ann 43, children Elizabeth Ann, domestic servant, aged 21, born Middleton, Margaret, domestic servant, unemployed, aged 16, born Frizington, Cumberland, Mary 9, born Leadhills, Martha 6, born Leadhills and Rebecca 3, born Holwick.
In 1891, at California Road, Middleton, Richard Watson, general labourer, aged 58, his wife Ann 53, children Martha 15, Rebecca 12, and grandson Richard 4.
In 1901, at Hude, Middleton, Ann Watson, widow, aged 65, and grandson Richard Watson, Whinstone quarryman, aged 14

M. Wilson Unfortunately I have been unable to find a great deal about this person other than he was a local Hexham poet.

S.M. I have no information at all about this poet.

Miners Farewell[3]
To Allenheads, in May 1849.

Farewell thou dear and lovely place,
We'll never see thee no more
Nor there attend the means of grace,
As we oft did before.

The natives were in friendship bound
And harmony did reign;
The pleasure we in thee have found.
We never shall find again.

Tho' far from rich we were content
With our sufficient store, [sent,
And prayed the Power our blessings
Might send them evermore.

We toiled for our daily bread,
And drew the metal forth;
Contentment in the vale to spread,
And to enrich the earth.

At public days to Allen town,
We often did repair;
Oft took a glass as we will own,
To drive away du l care.

If some left town before us, we
Desired them to wait;
If not we'll follow presently,
Bie you reach Sinderhope Gate.

Or if you call at Sparty Lea,
Got to the Blacksmiths shop
And there you will find company,
And for us you must stop.

While Crawhall was at Allenheads,
Its wealth did much increase:
Elate the miners raised their heads,
The land was blest with peace.

Till Sopwith came the Upas Tree,
To poison all the Dale,
And drive us from our country,
And make us weep and wail.

At doing mischief he is apt
It seems to give him joy;
He the firm bond of friendship snapt,
Delighting to anoy.

His ignorance with pride allied,
Has fearful havoc made;
The sneaking agents with him side
Then ask. Who is afraid?

The men who should have kept him
Did hound him sorest on, (back
Joined with this Jehn in a crack,
And confidence is gone.

“Self rules the roost & claps his wing,
Cries Cock a doodle doo;
While we were there we saw such
As would astonish you. [things,

Now we on other sights must look,
In a far distant land,
While those we leave behind must
The tyrants stern command. (brook

Willing to work but not to he
Sopwiths devoted slaves,
In a far distant country,
We go to make our graves.

We can’t forget the ties that bind
Us to our long lov’d home;
Our kindred dear - our neighbours
Or what may be to come.

But come what will, we will not stay,
In our devoted land,
Nor e’er become a tyrant’s prey,
Or yield to his demand.

In number we are fifty eight,
To Illinois we go,
Far from the spot of our delight,
Either for weal or woe.

Upon the twenty first we sail,
And leave our friends behind,
Tho’ far away we will not fail
To keep them still in mind.

We'll face the blowing of the wind,
The stormy raging sea,
Poor, yet to crouch no - ways inclined,
We swear we will be free,

We'll seek our bread in foreign clime's
And we'll depend on God;
Far from the despot and his crimes,
We are going off abroad.

He may enquire, Why go away,
Why not submit to me?
We answer hateful tyrant nay,
We value liberty.

We will not bear thy hated yoke,
But we will go to those
Who the' bonds of oppressors broke
For freedoms sacred cause.

We leave our country with a sigh,
We leave thee in disdain,
Remember Sopwith thou must die,
We tell the so again.

The evil thou hast done of late
Thou never can undo;
Pity the Key of Allen's fate
Was ever left to you.

To Allendale and Allenheads
We fondly say Farewell,
Of the proud tyrant and his deeds,
In other lands we'll tell.

By M. Wilson, Hexham

The Lead Co. and Nenthead Pays.[4]

We live in a time of improvement,
Science and art have full swing;
And scarcely a day passes over,
without bringing out a new thing.

Nenthead is a place of renown,
For its riches of silver and lead,
With one thousand five hundred inhabitants,
Which by it are earning their bread.

For many long years we've been getting
our money once a year, which we made,
Excepting a little bit lenning,
Every month the Company paid.

The Company has wisely considered
To knock these big pays on the head,
And pay every man his own quarterly,
The money he has honestly made.

May the Company go on and still prosper,
'Tis the wish of the workmen, I say
May they cut a good mine in the brewery
And may they make money like hay.

S. M.

Winter, War, and Want.[5]

Cold winter appears in wild terror to reign,
O'er mountain and meadow, o'er city and plain;
The ice fettered streamlets have now ceased to flow,
And beautiful landscapes lie buried in snow.
The flowers are all dead which bloomed at our feet,
And muffled in snow is the sound of the street,
Wild wintery winds whistle in madness and mirth,
And lone poverty shivers on the fireless hearth;
And pale orphanage dreams on a supperless bed
Of palaces of plenty where children are fed.
The brave honest workman sits sad in his chair,
And virtue lies smitten on the verge of despair.
Wise Whigs and wild Tories make up aloud clamour,
But the needs of the nation's the sound of the hammer.
Cold, cold as the snow-wreaths that cover the hills
Are the artful orations of old Parliament swells.
Sad, sad is the news from the sullen Afghan.
What-what is thy policy, mysterious man?
Is the dire cannon and sword, in the lust of thy power,
Are these the best gifts to the famishing poor?
The deep wail of the mass is for cotton to spin,
And limestone, and iron, and lead ore to win.
And peace and prosperity to millions will bring.
Then hush the wild war-cry of ambition and clamour,
The glory of Old England's the stroke of her hammer.
O God of the poor, the fatherless and friendless,
From the horrors of bloodshed vouchsafe to defend us,
And may the brave sons of Britain find peaceful employment
And our castles and cottages alike ring with enjoyment.
Then silence the wild war-cry of tumult and clamour,
The life of Old England's the ring of the hammer.

F. Matindale
Westgate.

The Lead Miner's Plaint[6]

In garments of grandeur the meadows are clad,
And rich blossoms adorn the trees of the wood;
But the hearts of our dalesmen are drooping and sad,
For their homes are devoid of cash fuel, and food.

Lonely they oft wander on the banks of the Wear,
And watch the wild waters roll murmuring past;
The voice of the surges - like the words of their prayer -
Grow sadder and deeper the longer they last.

The old lead mines are closed, the source of our bread,
Hewn out by the hands of our brawny ancestors,
Poor, hard toiling miners, it is well they are dead,
And freed from the ills which daily sweep o'er us.

Beneath the church spire in the quiet green hollow,
We laid them to rest on death's dreamless pillow.
There sunbeams oft linger on the white daisied sod.
Where sleepeth our kindred, whose sons are with God.

Such memories must bind us to our dear native hills,
Though foreigners should reap the rich of the sills.
Work - work is our wealth, and this seems denied us,
And new forms of anguish threaten to o'erwhelm us.

Cold rusty, and dormant are picks, hammers, and drills,
And locked in dead silence are the huge crushing mills,
And bloodless brow'd children have forgotten their play,
And hang like blanched roses around the bare tray.

We revile not our master, we chide not the state,
But bear faultless and firmly our indigent fate,
In our travail of grief through the starless night,
Love's high priests will lead us, and heaven be our light.
Behind the crude curtain Jehova is working,
And "Lo I am with you" is his law everlasting.

Blessed balm of the soul to sufferers given,
Sweet dewdrops of comfort descending from heaven.
Then hush thy sad murmurs, pious miner and friend,
For in heaven thy taper shall shine without end.

F. Martindale
Westgate, 25th June 1879.

Autumn[7]

The air is pensive, cold and gloomy,
Dense sluggish mists hang on the distant hills;
The hoarse - voiced warring wintry winds
Drown the soft music of the rippling rills.

What sudden changes mark the rolling year!
Sweet spring adorns the fields in living green;
Bright summer brings her golden fruits and flowers -
Then winter reigns, and o how changed the scene.

Around me withered leaves are falling fast,
Upon earth's bare and chilling pulseless breast;
O when life's year of changeful scenes are past
Calm as a falling leaf may I sink to rest.

F. Matindale
Westgate.

The Wear Valley[8]

Cold winter in wild terror reigns
In the valley of the Wear;
In the lanes, the fields, the woodlands,
His icy hand is everywhere.

There are barred and empty dwellings
In the Valley of the Wear;
And hollow winds, through broken roofs,
Whistle degrees of despair.

Crushed with sorrow are the miners
In the Valley of the Wear;
There are words of woeful meaning
In the pious father's prayer.

There is strange and heartless dealing
In the Valley of the Wear;
Direful acts that whisper sadly
That a despot ruleth there.

There are mineral stores of wealth
In the Valley of the Wear;
Then why should honest miners not
Of its rich bounties share?

But a brighter day is dawning
In the Valley of the Wear;
When secret wrongs and open curses
Shall not mingle in the air.

F. Matindale
Westgate, 15 January 1882.

The Dark side of Things[9]

Who tramples on his fellowman
That he may thus succeed
In lording self, and hoarding wealth
Is a hollow wretch indeed.

With idle tongues and artful wrongs
Men torture one another;
Ten times a day some will betray
An unsuspecting brother.

When morning dawns the gossip runs
To some kind neighbour's door,
And plant a thorn of envy born,
Which grieves them evermore.

Were social lies transformed to flies
To sting the offending race;
No lady fair, though veiled with care,
Could keep them off her face.

To grasp a groat what numbers float
And press each other down;
And striplings caught in a leaky boat
Oft flounder, sink, and drown.

With frenzied brain fools risk the game,
And bet their last bright shilling;
Then seize the knife in horrid strife,
The nether regions filling.

The rest is known to God alone-
We need not travel farther,
Enough to say the world to-day
Is full of moral disorder.

F. Matindale
Westgate, 15 May 1882.

Weardale "Blacklegs."[10]

Deaf to pity's tender pleadings,
Destitute of generous feelings,
Starving hosts by double dealings -
Scheming blacklegs.

Patriots freely give their gold
To feed and cloth miners old,
Whilst your hearts are basely cold -
Selfish blacklegs.
Sunk ye are in deeds of shame,
Cause of famine grief, and pain,
Dalesmen loath your very name -
Sneaking blacklegs.

Wrecking churches, mines and homes,
Filling earth with sighs and groans,
Crushing womens hearts like stones -
Ruthless blacklegs.

Bound not of your vain resources,
Damning gold is in your purses,
Stained with bribes, and blood, and curses -
Woeful blacklegs.

May God the humble poor release,
And ghostly, hungry ruin cease,
And miners reap and honoured peace,
And brotherhood.

F. Matindale
Westgate 23rd March 1883

The Bitters Bitten.

A True Story

Gib Tom and Robin Allinson,
In Teesdale were known well;
They carriers were and neighbours too;
And did at Skears dwell.
And each a stud of ponies kept,
Brought from the Highland hills,
To take the lead ore from the mines,
Unto the smelting mills.

Stout hardy, well-built men were they,
Fit to stand any weather;
And as their business was the same,
They often went together.
But they were vain and quarrelsome,
And very ill-tongued too;
At fairs and at elections were
The cause of many a row.

And often they were heard to say,
No two men of the place,
In an encounter with the fist,
They were afraid to face.
But ‘tis a saying true that those
Who love to fight and fratch,
Have never far to go before
They fall in with their match.

As they passed Stotley Carse one day,
A tinker they espied,
Stretch’d fast asleep upon the grass
That grew by the roadside.
Said Tom to Rob, “We’ll have some fun,
We have no fear of blows;
We’ll steal up to him while he sleeps,
And we will pull his nose.”

The plan pleased Robin, who would not
At silly actions stick;
“We’ll prove the tinker’s pluck,” said he,
“Twill be a clever trick.”
For certainly so large a nose
They’d never seen before;
And like a trumpet’s martial blast,
Loud did the tinker snore.

They softly went up to the man,
Unwitting of his foes;
Tom laid his hand upon his face,
And sized him by the nose.
When the rude grasp the tinker felt,
He sprang up with a bound;
And by a well directed blow,
Fell'd Gib Tom to the ground.

And quick as lightning turning round,
He did Gib's partner meet;
And Rob, with all his boasting soon
Lay breathless at his feet.
Tom soon recovered, and arose
The conflict to maintain;
'Twas to receive another blow
Which sent him down again.

And also, Robin in his turn
Had the same fate to share;
That they had caught a Tartar fierce
Too late they were aware.
The tinker o'er his fallen foes,
Stood calm with watchful eyes;
To strike them to the ground whene'er
They did attempt to rise.

Batter'd and bruis'd and vanquish'd by
His crushing heavy fist;
With shame they had to own their fault,
And beg him to desist.
"You've had enough," said he," and learned
With tinkers not to fight;
You played a foolish joke on me,
And I have served you right.

"Go on your way, and be more wise,
And this advice give I;
Whene'er you see a sleeping dog,
Pass on and let it lie."

Richard Watson.

The Long man of Bollihope Fell

O’er Westerhope, far in the west,
The sun was sinking to his rest
In glorious splendour to behold,
Tingling the clouds with burnished gold,
Which o’er the azure sky above
In wild romantic forms did move.
The shrill-toned plover loud did cry,
And becking grouse went whirring by.
Far to the south, o’erspread with trees,
Appear’d the distant vale of Tees;
And Shackleborough’s rugged height,
In hoary mist, nigh hid from sight;
And, northward, Wear’s beauteous dale,
With Bollihope’s sweet rural vale;
And, in the background, Rookhope Gill,
With Stanhope Burn and Warden Hill.

Such were the scenes of closing day,
As two men slowly took their way,
Where Bollihope’s limpid waters glide,
And climbed the dark-brown mountain side,
Among the moss and waving ling,
’Twixt Polo Pike and Shaftwell Spring.
One was a tall, dark-visaged wight,
Approaching to a giant’s height;
His curling locks, of raven hue,
O’erspreading his dark and massive brow,
His robust frame, and piercing eyes,
Seem’d fitted for some bold emprise.
The other traveller was but young,
Yet active, vigorous and strong;
His flaxen hair, and ruddy face,
Betoken’d him of Saxon race;
While flashing from his dark-blue eye,
Was purpose bold, and courage high.
As up the mount he did advance,
He often cast a sidelong glance
At his companion, – in the way
As lion fiercely views his prey.

They reached the rugged mountain height,
Where Tees’ valley meets the sight;
To rest, they sat down on the bent,
Fatigued by the steep ascent.
Then spoke the dark gigantic man,
And to his comrade thus began:-
“Let us not linger on this height,
Bright Phoebus seeks the shades of night,
The prowling hawk begins to wake,

The timid dear hath sought the brake,
The dusky veil of evening chill
Now spreads around, o’er dale and hill;
Then let us here no longer stay,
But hasten onward on our way.”

“Stay!” said the youth, “before we go
I have a secret thou shalt know;-
Before we leave this barren fell,
A tragic story I will tell.”
Then, pointing backward, down the vale,
He thus commenced his mournful tale:-

“Down yonder dale, beside that wood,
A humble thatched cottage stood;
There, in that calm sequestered place,
An aged couple passed their days;
Far from all bustle, noise, and strife,
They led a sweet, contented life,
And felt that happy peace of mind
Which higher circles seldom find.
Two children had that honest pair,
A blooming son and daughter fair;
Ellen was their daughter named,
For loveliness and virtue famed.
Her brother Arthur oft would leave
His home and hunt the deer till eve,
For in the chase well was he known,
From Killhope Fell to Stanhope town.

“One night, when fiercely blew the blast,
And rain descended thick and fast,
A stranger to their cottage came;
Hubert, he told them, was his name.
He said he’d travelled far that day,
And on the moor had lost his way,
And strayed o’er deep morasses wide,
Until their cottage he espied.
The old man bade him stay all night,
And journey in the morning light,
And kindly pressed him still to share
With them their homely rustic fare;
Meanwhile, fresh garments they supplied,
And o’er the fire his drench’d clothes dried.
Mirthfully the evening pass’d –
They were delighted with their guest,
And all invited him to stay,
Whene’er again he came that way.
After that, he ne’er forgot
To pay a visit to the cot.

“Ellen’s heart had little rest,
Love’s tender flame had touched her breast;
For what had cheered her mind before
Pleased and delighted her no more.
Oft ’neath the elm tree was she known
To sit and meditate alone,
And linger at the twilight hour,
And look for Hubert o’er the moor.
Poor girl! the world she had not prov’d,
She little knew the man she lov’d;
His wickedness to her unknown,
She framed his feelings as her own.
Nor were her parents e’er aware
They entertained a villain there,
Who, like a wolf, rav’nous and bold,
Was scheming how to rob their fold.
Oh! who can paint the dire despair
That did their aged bosoms tear,
When one bright morn they rose from bed
And found their guest and daughter fled.
And thought they sought the country round
The fugitives could not be found!
They did not long survive the blow,
Cold death soon eased them of their woe;
And now their earthly toils are past,
Their souls the blessed Virgin rest!

“Arthur, of home and friends bereft,
His native valley straightway left;
To him it could no pleasure yield, –
He went and sought the battle-field,
In his king and country’s cause,
The haughty foreigner to oppose.
Long time he could no tidings hear
Of Hubert and his sister dear;
At length he heard the tidings sad,
His sister Ellen, she was dead!
Had he been able e’er to trace
Her vile seducer, mean and base,
He would have stabb’d him where he stood, –
Wash’d out their woes in his heart’s blood!

“Seven long years,” he cried, “are past,
The hour I’ve sought has come at last;
I’m young Arthur, thou must know,
And thou, base villain, art my foe;
Here we meet, in mortal strife, –
Draw thy sword, – defend they life!”

The fiercely gleam'd dark Hubert's eye,
As to the youth he did reply, –
"Hast thou come with me on this fell,
Thus an old woman's tale to tell,
And vilely challenge me to fight,
Though I ne'er saw thee till this night?
Thy parents, sister, and their cot,
I tell thee, now, I knew them not!
Then keep thy taunts within thy mouth;
Remember thou art but a youth,
And but for that, I would have soon
With my broad falchion hewn thee down!"

"Base liar! –" said the fair-haired youth;
"Thou stranger to remorse or truth;
Dost thou then think I know thee not,
That thy cursed form could be forgot?
No, wretch! thy face I could have found
Had there been thousands standing round.
Wert thou as tall as yon pine trees
That rustle in the northern breeze,
Yet I would not have been afraid
To combat with thee, blade to blade;
And I will satisfaction have,
Before this mountain-top I leave!"

"Then, by the powers of earth and heaven,
That satisfaction shall be given;
Thou shalt not wait;" thus Hubert spoke,
And at young Arthur dealt a stroke;
But Arthur had the movement spied,
And nimbly dash'd the blade aside;
Then, hand to hand, they both engaged,
And long and fierce the combat raged.
Hubert's wilder passions rose,
And faster still he showered his blows;
And as he on young Arthur pressed,
To end at once the fierce contest,
He in his breast received a wound,
Which struck him, dying, to the ground!

"Arthur! thou art avenged at last,
I feel lif's tide is ebbing fast;
Too long from duty's path I've swerved,
My fate is what I have deserved;
In wickedness my life has past,
And like a wretch I die at last!"

Upon the turf he dropped his head,
And his immortal spirit fled.

Early on the ensuing day,
Some travellers chanced to pass that way,
And Hubert's stiffened body found,
And laid it on the mossy ground;
And, now, a grey stone marks the place,
And letters on it you may trace;
And shepherds still the legend tell
Of the "Long Man of Bollihope Fell!"

Richard Watson.

The Fells.

I dearly love the mountain, for 'tis there
Dame nature in her wildest form appears;
The purple waving heath, the brooklet's sheen,
The mossy swamps, and hoary cliffs adorned
With bilberry shrubs and graceful ferns,-
All have their pleasing charms for me. Oft have I
At the mine shop door, at early morn,
Stood, as the rising orb of day
Was peering o'er the eastern horizon,
Tinging with gold the mountain tops,
Watching the becking grouse, as they each other chas'd
In sportive play; and merry, soaring lark,
As from its dewy bed it mounted high,
Carolling sweetly as it rose, till like
A speck it seem'd amid the downy clouds,
Blending its lively song with the shrill notes
Of plover and curlew, and the hoars croak
Of the dark raven sailing in the air,
And scanning with anxious eyes the ground
For the dead carcass of some sheep to ease
The pressing cravings of a hungry crop.
Thus have I spell bound stood, until my mind
To darker bygone days has wandered back,
When stranger sounds rose on the mountain breeze,-
Sounds of fierce men in deadly combat met,
Like tigers thirsting for each other's blood;-
When Douglas and Randolph the border cross'd
With brave and hardy followers mounted well
On nimble steeds, well train'd to pace the moss,
And burning to avenge the many wrongs
Their country suffer'd from our hands, over
The peaty swamps they rode and like a flood
They swept the vales below, and left behind
A blacken'd scene of woe to mark their track.
How thankful should we be that such fierce broils
No more disgrace our isle, and that in peace
Both nations were united in a bond
Of brotherhood, and bound together with
A Gordian knot, - a happy junction,
Which by the sword could never have been wrought.
Since then, how swiftly has our isle progress'd
In knowledge, power, and in enterprise!
I still can trace the ancient path, with bent
And stunted ling o'ergrown, which formerly
Was the chief way across the mountains bleak
From Teesdale high unto the river Wear,
Where from Newcastle merchandise was brought,
Pack'd up in sacks, strapp'd on to ponies' backs;

The drivers drest in thick, warm, home spun coats,
Arm'd always to the teeth; for well they knew
That danger in their path did often lurk.
Fierce banditti did the mountains sore infest,
And from their hiding places they rush'd forth,
And stopp'd the travellers journeying past;
Vilely stripp'd them, and left them almost nak'd
Their journey to pursue. But times have chang'd;-
No more those bloody villains pace the moss;
Justice, once tardy in her steps, moves now
With stride more rapid in the path of crime.
Pack horses now no longer bring our goods,-
They now are swiftly whirl'd on iron rails
From place to place, by steam's strong agency;
And news from distant parts is borne on wires,
Swift as the lightening passes through the sky,
So that we now can conversation hold
With all the nation round about. Could I
Look forward but two hundred years, what strange
Things should I see! Perhaps as great a change
Will have been wrought as has been since this moor
Was one vast forest, where stately oak trees
Flourish'd and spread wide their giant limbs,
Whose trunks now lie embedded in the moss.
Perhaps tall trees again may rear their heads,
And fields of yellow grain wave in the breeze,
Instead of rushes, bent, and ling. Though wild
The scenery be, - and wilder still when
Winter resumes his regal sway, and keenly
The bitter, frosty wind doth pierce the frame,
And thick and fast descends the fleecy snow,
No flower or blade of grass to meet the eye,-
Yet to a Briton's heart 'tis dearer far
Than all the spicy, fragrant orange groves,
Where beauteous flowers perfume the air,
Which Spain and sunny Italy can boast.
Though bleak our native hills, yet they are free!
For Britain is by Britons only ruled;
And may it still continue so! May the
Supreme, who holds the nations in His hand,
Still watch o'er and protect our native isle.
May noble, virtuous hearts be rear'd still,
To guard our shores 'gainst the invading foe,-
Men who revere their country and their GOD.

Richard Watson.

My Journey to Work

’Tis Monday morning and Apollo bright
Gilds the far eastern hills with golden light;
To hail the rising orb of day, I hear
The cheerful rousing voice of chanticleer;
From the whin cliffs the wild rock pigeons fly,
And starlings there keep up a chattering cry.
All animated things seem blythe and gay,
Pleased with the prospect of a pleasant day.
With my week’s wallet o’er my shoulder flung,
Down the green sloping meads I jog along
A well known path from Holwick to Bowlees,
Where Winch Bridge spans the verdant banks of Tees.
When to the roaring river drawing near,
Its rumbling sound strikes loudly on the ear,-
Foaming and dashing in its rapid course,
O’er the rough grey whin rock named Little Force,
Then flowing gently doth its way pursue,
Till by the Staple Crag ’tis hid from view.
The sun, with no dark cloud to intervene,
Shines brightly on a varied lovely scene;
The tall fir trees that on the north bank grow,
Their shadows long across the river throw,
Forming a picture strange of light and shade,
Where interesting objects are displayed,
To meditate on these I must not stay,
So o’er the creaking chain-bridge take my way,
And through a dense plantation move along,
The ears regaled with many a pleasant song
Of happy birds that flit from tree to tree,
And seem, unlike our race from sadness free.
But, soon emerging from the shady trees,
And, leaving the small village of Bowlees
On my left hand, the dewy footpath leads
Down by Bank Farm and through the flowery meads,
Where cowslip, primrose, clover and heartsease,
With fragrance sweet perfume the morning breeze.
Crossing a brook upon a rough hewn plank,
And going up a short, steep, stony bank,
Newbiggin ‘s reached, where miners often stop
To light their pipes at Willie Gibson’s shop.
A blacksmith Willie is, of well tried skill,
Whom we find hard at work call when we will;
Though toiling hard, he does no strong drink use,
Give him the proffer he’ll at once refuse.
He means a staunch teetotaller to remain-
Never to taste the tempting draught again,
Because he’s felt its power and therefore tries
To watch, with care, the point where danger lies.

Whene’er we meet he greets me with a smile,
Enquiries the news, and bids me rest awhile,
Which I oft do, loving his chat to hear,
Because ’tis from all coarse expressions clear.
Though in our views we sometimes disagree,
It matters not, good humoured still is he.
But here too long the time must not be spent,
Before lies, a rough, steep, and long ascent:
Bidding good-bye, and shouldering my load,
I, like a cadger, take again the road,
And through long strips of fenced allotment pass,
Where sheep and cattle crop the tender grass.
When past the grounds of Stable Edge, I find
The verdant trees and fields are left behind;
The ground does here a sterile aspect show,
Where bent, coarse grass and stunted heather grow;
From which the merry lark rejoicing springs,
And in the clouds his song of rapture sings.
In circles round me noisy lapwings fly,
While uttering their peculiar cry.
The rugged up hill walk, and sun’s hot rays,
Cause the warm sweat to trickle down the face,
Yet pushing on, the path an ascent still,
Till on the top of bleak hardberry Hill,
Where sitting down, my wearied limbs to ease,
I, look back, survey the Vale of Tees.
What a majestic scene can be discern’d
When to the far off west the eye is turn’d;
Grim mountain peaks in Alpine grandeur rise,
Which in the distance seem to kiss the skies.
First in the range, from hoary mist not clear;
The outlines dim of high Cross Fell appear,
With Dun Fell, Little Fell, and Meldon too,
And nearer Mickle Fell’s broad rocky brow.
A bright scene meets the eye down the vale, where
Neat whitewash’d cots stand scatter’d here and there,
Each with its farm, reclaimed from the wild moor,
Affording comforts to the labouring poor.
No healthier dwellings in our isle are found,
Than those upon the Duke of Cleveland’s ground;
Plainly are seen the rugged Cronkley rocks,
Frequented by the prowling, cunning fox.
Because its numerous length caverns yield
Places for shelter, and from foes a shield.
Well may be mark’d the river’s winding course,
Through Cauldron Snout and, near High Force;
And other interesting objects too,
Behind the hill hidden from the view.
Seen are the cliffs in front of Holwick Fell,
Also the deep ravine named Fairy Dell;

And Unthank bank, where once a village stood:
The craggy steeps beyond, and Park End wood.
Like a huge serpent, down the dale is seen
The Tees, all glistening like silver sheen,
Oft curving round some hill, ‘tis hidden quite,
Anon appearing in the broad sunlight.
And such is life, our brightest vision fade,
Sometimes ’tis bright, anon we’re in the shade;
At times we smoothly glide, at others grope
Our gloomy way, with nothing left but hope.
At yon vale foot, where Hudeshope’s waters run,
Stands the small market town of Middleton,
Supported by the mines producing lead,
Where many a dalesman labours for his bread;
While others, with employment are supplied
In the whin quarries on the Yorkshire side.
Southward appears that broad and mighty swell
Of brown moor pasture land, named Arthur Fell,
And Kirk Cairn’s little round plantation green,
Which almost from the ocean may be seen;
And further down, more interesting still,
The little ancient church upon the hill.
Next Mickleton appears, distinct to sight,
Beyond where moss-tinged Lune and Tees unite,
With its long street extending east and west,
And fertile fields, in verdant beauty drest.
My face from Yorkshire for a while I’ll turn,
And view that lovely scene past Egglesburn;
A vapour dense ascends on yonder hill
From the large smelting works at Blackton mill;
Long may it rise in curling wreaths on high,
And ore be raised, each furnace to supply,
To give employment to the neighbouring poor,
And keep the wolf named Want far from their door.
Below, where Neimer’s thick set forest wide,
Eastward extends along yon mountain side,
Lies Eggleston, a village neat and clean,
Though from this mountain indistinctly seen.
The mansion where the worthy squire resides,
Yon intervening hill completely hides.
Straight opposite across the rolling Tees,
Old Romaldkirk lies nestling ’mong the trees.
Its grey church steeple like a giant tall,
With its square form appears above them all.
Although the village snug meets not my gaze,
Yet well am I acquainted with the place;
Many a happy eve I’ve in it spent,
In youthful days, when I a-courting went!
’Twas pleasant in the summer time to stray,
And nature’s scenes by Lowgarth Farm survey,

Or the green path by Wooden Croft pursue,
And, by the stream, the Fairy Cupboards view.
But here my muse her backward flight must stay,
Lest from my text she draw my mind away
On bygone days to meditate and dream,
When present things must be my only theme.
Now, further down the woody vale I look,
Where Tees is fed by Balder's rippling brook.
Southward, across from Shiply's shaggy wood,
Where gallant Fitzhugh's ancient castle stood,
Lies pretty Cotherstone, a healthful place,
Frequented much in the warm summer days
By gentry from our smoky towns, to share
The bracing influence of country air.
The vision now grows cloudy and unclear;
By Lartington more dense the trees appear;
That charming village under Witham's care,
With its neat cots and flower gardens rare.
Though distance dims the view, yet further down
Is seen the smoke of Barnard Castle town;
"Old Barny," - Teesdale's pride and strength of yore,
Which no small share in feudal conflicts bore.
Set 'mid a landscape beautiful and grand,
Adorned by glowing nature's lavish hand.
But not for charming scenery alone
Is this metropolis of Teesdale known.
When England's flag of war has been unfurled,
No matter in what quarter of the world,
Men of this loyal town were never slow
In going forth to battle with the foe.
With gallant Moore, and Wellington in Spain,
On Waterloo's famed sanguinary plain,
Where British pluck was to the utmost tried,
They nobly fought their way, or nobly died.
Those who returned served only to inspire
The rest with the same patriotic fire.
It too, has had its literary men
Of no mean order, wielding well the pen,
And not a few has still, whom I know well,
Though unpretentious, yet do they excel.
In vein I look among yon misty stream
To view that structure grand the Bowes Museum,
Where works of art from distant lands are brought,
By the most famed and skilful artist wrought,
A building which, when finished, cannot fail
To form the chief attraction of our dale.
O lovely native vale with fond regard
I look on thee; though dreary, rough, and hard
My way has been, yet no amount of ill
Can loose the ties that bind me to thee still.

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Again I take the wallet on my back,
And northward follow on the miner's track;
Unto the sight soon Hudeshope Vale appears,
With the rough broken ground around Skears,
Broken by hushes, strong in days of yore,
To bare the veins, and to discover ore.
Between those ravines deep are pastures green,
Beyond the summit of Monks is seen;
While fir plantation patches beautify
Places where heaps of ancient rubbish lie.
Across the mountain ridge my way I wend,
And with brisk step into the vale descend.
On my left hand, Coldberry Mine appears;
The din of mills and jiggers strike the ears;
This sound does from the washing floor proceed,
Where from the dross the mineral is freed.
Those interested in the dressing line
Should pay a visit to this busy mine;
Three chief points gained a skilled observer sees,
These are despatch, economy and ease.
At Elfatory Foot flows the small brook,
Which, having crossed, my face is turned to look
Upon the muddy waters as they glide
Down past the place where poor old Bottom's died;
Of his lone dwelling there is little trace,
Strong floods have almost swept away the place.
Poor Tom! No more will we hear his hunting horn
Awake the slumbering echoes of the morn;
Time will not linger;
leaving the brown burn,
Unto Lodge Syke old mine my face I turn.
By far the richest mine in Teesdale seen,
In fact, few in our isle have richer been;
Like ancient Carthage, it has had its run,
'Tis now wrought out, its mineral wealth is done,
Large rubbish heaps along the hill side show
The vast extent of hollow ground below.
Here toiled my father for his bairn's support,
Till poverty and toil his days cut short;
While I was but a boy of tender years,
Unconscious of his cares, his griefs, and fears,
Which like a galling burden he'd to bear,
A legacy of which I've been his heir.
Now silence reigns where clamour reign'd before,
The rattling of machinery is o'er,
The anvil's ringing sound, also the noise
Of labouring men and busy washer boy's;
One man alone remains extracting ore

From refuse heaps, of little worth before.
The lodging shops, where miners nightly stayed,
Are into airy cottage dwellings made,
Each with its garden plot, the peaty soil
Repaying well the cotter for his toil.
Now past the verdant patch from rubbish freed,
Where MacNomara's goat and donkey feed;
More wild and dreary grows the aspect round,
Bent and brown heather clothe the mossy ground,
Which give to nature's face a darker hue,
Home of the grouse, the plover, and curlew.
Reaching the summit of the barren hill,
'Tis a rough long descent to Manorgill;
From here is seen, far as sight can extend,
A desert vast, of which there seems no end,
One place alone, like an oasis bright,
Adds variation to the gloomy sight;
It is the well known farm of Middle End,
Near where two muddy brooks their waters blend.
Crossing the stream, and climbing up steep hill,
Keeping the path to west of Wiregill,
Where a rich prosperous mine is, which employs
A number large of men and washer boys.
The hill top gained, pleased I look round,
Knowing I've done with all the climbing ground.
Before bleak Shaftwell's dark brown hills appear,
Which form the boundary line 'twixt Tees and Wear,
And the squire's shooting box upon the hill,
Which fort-like frowns on Thornberry Gill;
And on a line extending o'er yon ridge,
The long abandoned works of old Flake Bridge.
Passing two reservoirs, built to supply
The works with water when the weather's dry,
And going down an easy gentle slope,
I reach the Rake of Little Eggleshope.
And to the shop beside the mill proceed,
Where from their load my shoulders soon are freed.
After a meal and a short rest, I find
Myself refreshed, and more work inclined;
Then down the stony burn my footsteps wend,
And reach my cabin at my journey's end.
And now, my muse, begone, go take thy rest,
The inspiration suits my leisure best;
I must not by thy vain fancies led,
'Tis here, and not by thee, I win my bread.

Richard Watson.

Will Toward and the Bailiff.
A True Story.

Will Toward was a miner strong;
No better could be found
To swing a pick, or drive a wedge,
Or turn a jumper round.

He was, as all his neighbours say,
A strange, eccentric wight;
Next to good ale, mischief and fun
Were always his delight.

But though he plagu'd his neighbours sore,
He did not idle stand;
When they had hay to win, or peats,
He lent a helping hand.

Next door to his a poor man lived,
With many children small,
And nothing but his daily toil
For to maintain them all.

And being much involv'd in debt,
Which often is the case,
His creditors, quite angry, sent
A Bailiff to the place.

So to his neighbour, Will, he came,
A mournful tale he told,
How everything about the house
was going to be sold.

"Come, neighbour, cheer up!" said Will,
"And do not be distrest;
Trust me, I'll very soon find means
To rid you of your guest."

Then Will began to dress himself
In a most curious plight,
A blue frock-coat he button'd up
Around his body tight.

He had a felt-hat on his head,
Which was without a crown;
His trousers cut off by the knees,
His stockings hanging down.
He let his long, dark, matted hair
Hang down before his eyes;
And with a gully in his belt,
Complete was his disguise.

And thus equipped, he straightaway to
His neighbour's house did go
Bellowing loudly, as he went in,
Like a wild buffalo.

The family, as had been plann'd,
In seeming haste ran out,
While, like a maniac, he began
To roar and jump about.

He of the Bailiff, who sat still,
No notice seemed to take,
But howl'd, and bark'd, and yell'd, and did
A dreadful uproar make.

Sometimes he rolled upon the floor,
Then hopp'd round like a frog.
Then tore his hat between his teeth,
Like some ferocious dog.

The Bailiff, of such actions wild
No good opinion had;
He was convinced, beyond a doubt,
The man was raving mad!

At length, Will drew his gully forth,
And fiercely turned about;
The Bailiff bounded from his seat,
And quickly bolted out.

And down the dale he swiftly ran -
A frighten'd man was he -
He thought if he o'ertaken was,
That he would murdered'd be.

And shrieking like an Indian,
Will swiftly did pursue -
He had no thought of catching him,
But keeping him in view!

O'er sikes and brakes away they sped!
But, pitiful to tell,
Up to the middle in a pool
The poor Bailiff fell.

But there he did not dally long,
Out, soon he had to hop;
Will, with his gully, was nigh hand,-
There was no time to stop!

Splashing, dashing, on he went,
As he had done before;
His trousers wet clung to his legs,
Which did annoy him sore.

Puffing, blowing, like to burst,
With running nearly spent,
His trembling limbs began to ache,
Yet onward still he went!

At length he to a farmhouse came,
And open'd quick the door;
But being tired out and faint,
He fell down on the floor.

The farmer quickly raised him up,
And garments fresh supplied,
While his torn, wet, bespatter'd suit,
Before the fire dried.

"Come tell me now," the farmer said,
"Whate'er has taken place?
And why you've sprung into my house,
In such a wretched case?"

"I've just escaped from death," said he;
"A madman, with his knife,
Has chased me, with the full intent
To take away my life!"

The farmer shrewdly guess'd the joke,
But he was not inclin'd
To tell the man it was a hoax,
By waggish Will design'd.

The Bailiff, next day, took his leave,
And his course homeward steer'd;
And he in Harwood from that day,
Has never more appear'd.

Richard Watson.

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Appendix 12

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The Nature, Causes, and Means of Prevention of the Diseases incident to Lead-Miners.
By WILLIAM EWART, Surgeon, Carlisle. 1846. 8vo. pp. 31.

The subject of this pamphlet may to some seem to be of local interest only; but a very little consideration will suffice to show that what is specific in its application to the workers in lead-mines, is also equally applicable to the workers in lead generally, —to painters, plumbers and glaziers, to type-founders, china-potters, and other classes of operatives who are engaged in the preparation of lead for the various purposes to which that metal and its compounds are applied; while the more general deleterious causes which operate in addition to the specific action of the lead,—such for instance as breathing a confined atmosphere loaded with dust, and contaminated with divers impurities, are common to miners in general, and consequently to mining districts. Thus, the lead-miner is subject to bronchial and pulmonary irritation, which not only complicates the action of the metallic poison, but materially tend to impair the general health, and increase the mortality of his class.

The chief peculiarity of this pulmonary affection, as we gather from the pamphlet before us, is the expectoration of a quantity of blue-coloured matter, the colour being probably derived from the metallic particles, which in part, at least, have given rise to the irritation of the bronchial membrane, and with which the sputa must be more or less loaded. The effect of this cause on the mortality among lead-miners is, that about four-sevenths of their number die of disease of the lungs, the Character of which is chiefly pulmonary consumption, while the general average of the deaths from the same cause throughout the entire country is about one-fifth of the mortality.

Among the predisposing causes of pulmonary disease to which miners in particular are subject, must be reckoned the impermeable coating of perspiration and dust which the skin is apt to acquire from labouring in an atmosphere charged with dust, unless due means are used, by frequent ablutions, to remove it. The necessary consequence is, as Mr. Ewart well observes, an increase of duty thrown upon the compensating organ, the lungs, already in an impaired state of efficiency from respiring a loaded atmosphere, and thus at the same time irritated from without, and congested from within. Whether the high rate of mortality among lead-miners is in part owing to any paralysing influence resulting from the peculiar action of the poison does not appear.

As a preventive measure to relieve the lungs from the accumulation of dust and irritating matters to which the bronchial tubes and cells are exposed, Mr. Ewart proposes for the lead-miner, a plan of treatment which we do not remember to have seen suggested before, and which may be in like manner applicable to workers in mines generally, and indeed to all who are exposed to the inhalation of air charged with finely divided particles of dust. The method proposed consists in the frequent use of emetics.

"With regard," observes the author, "to occasionally ejecting from the air passages, the irritating particles that continue in the course of mining to be

precipitated within them, it seems possible enough to adopt means that would be attended with the highest advantage. This is some form of emetic, that when given at certain stated intervals, would have no injurious influence on the stomach, but on the contrary, would have an j) indirect bracing effect upon it, at the same time unloading the lungs of all extraneous matters, —promoting a freedom of the blood's circulation through them, 2— determining to the skin, — and, in fact, giving a healthy impulse generally to the various functions of life. To effect the above purposes, the emetic that would seem best adapted is a combination, in equal parts, of the sulphate of zinc and the powdered root of ipecacuanha. Six, eight, or ten grains of each of these, according to the strength and constitution of individuals, if taken occasionally in a cupful of tepid water, and their emetic operation assisted by copious draughts of the same liquid, would be every way likely to afford no trifling protective influence in the case of lead-miners."

Mr. Ewart has not had any personal experience of the effects of the mode of treatment, which he proposes, but he refers to the benefit experienced or said to be experienced in the early stages of tubercular consumption from the use of emetics. It might certainly be worthy of a trial in conjunction with the use of the warm bath, or some other mode of thorough cleansing of the skin; but it is very questionable whether the proposed remedy would be submitted to at a time when it is likely to prove beneficial, or with sufficient frequency to ensure its effects as a prophylactic. Of the specific effects of lead on the system, we find little mention made in the pamphlet, and it is to be inferred, therefore, that the more general deleterious action of mining operations, arising out of the blasting and breaking up of the strata, are chiefly concerned in the production of disease in the Alston Lead-Mines, to which Mr. Ewart's observations more particularly refer.

Appendix 13

William Bickford and ‘The Miners’ Safety Fuze’

Bickford Safety Fuse:
The specification was as follows :—

"To all to whom these presents shall come, &c, &c.—Now know ye, the instrument invented by me for igniting gunpowder when used in the operation of blasting of rocks and in mining, which I call 'The Miners’ Safety Fuze,' I manufacture by the aid of machinery, and otherwise, of flax, hemp, or cotton, or any other suitable material, spun, twisted, and countered, and otherwise treated in the manner of twine spinning and cord making, and by the several operations hereinafter, and in and by the drawings hereunto annexed, mentioned, and described. By means whereof I embrace in the centre of my fuze, in a continuous line throughout its whole length, a small portion or compressed cylinder or rod of gunpowder, or other proper combustible matter prepared in the usual pyrotechnical manner of firework for the discharging of ordnance, and which fuze, so prepared, I afterwards more effectually secure and defend by covering of strong twine made of similar material, and wound thereon at nearly right angles to the former twist by the operation which I call countering, hereinafter described; and I then immerse them in a bath of heated varnish, and add to them afterwards a coat of whiting, bran, or other suitable powdery substance, to prevent them from sticking together, or to the fingers of those who handle them. And I hereby also defend them from wet or moisture, or other deterioration, and I cut off the same fuze in such lengths as occasion may require for use. Each of these lengths constituting, when so cut off, a fuze for blasting rocks and mining, and I use them either under water or on land in quarries of stones and mines, for detaching portions of rocks or stone or mine, as occasions require, in the manner long practised by and well known to miners and blasters of rocks. Having thus particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, I now proceed to show in what manner and by what apparatus the same is to be performed.—(The specification then proceeds to describe the mechanical apparatus and process.)—In witness whereof, &c.

“ WILLIAM BICKFORD.”

Source: ‘Law Reports of Patent Cases’ by William Carpmael Esq. Vol 2, published 1851; page 449.

Blasting Rocks and Mines.—To W. Bickford, of Tucking Mill, in the county of Cornwall, Leather Seller, “for an instrument for igniting gunpowder when used for blasting rocks, which he denominates the ‘Miner’s Safety Fuse’,” a patent was granted on the 6th of September, 1831, and the specification was lodged in the Enrolment Office on the 28th of February, 1832.

This instrument, denominated by the inventor the “Miner's Safety Fuse,” is a minute cylinder of gunpowder, or other suitable explosive mixture, inclosed within a hempen cord, which is first twisted, then countered or overlaid to strengthen it, afterwards varnished to preserve the combustible matter from. the effects of moisture, and finally coated with whitening, or other light pulverulent matter, to prevent the varnish from sticking to the fingers, &c.

The patentee verbally describes, with great attention to exactness, the most minute and unimportant parts of his very simple apparatus, which are moreover fully explained by elaborate and correct, though coarsely-executed, drawings; and so liberal has Mr, Bickford been to the public, in return for the exclusive privilege of the patent, that he indulges them not only with the representation of his mechanism, but every door, window, wall, board, joist, rafter, roof, and almost every nail of his extensive manufactory is placed before them in every point of view for examination; thus fulfilling the law not merely in the spirit, but beyond the letter thereof.

At one end of the twisting room, 65 feet in length, is a closet, where for greater security the operation of filling with the explosive mixture is conducted, which we will describe with reference to Pl. V. fig. 5, where *a a* represent a frame of wood, which is attached to a shelf in the filling closet about five feet above the floor, and supporting a funnel *b* containing the powder; 12 threads *c c*, of loosely spun yarn, proceeding from 12 balls *d d* of that material deposited in the lower part of the closet, are carried upwards and passed over a hoop of cane *e e*, from whence they converge towards and pass through a conical boss *f f*, which has a series of equidistant apertures around it for that purpose. These apertures are so inclined to the axis of the cone, that at their points of emergence the 12 threads come nearly in contact, and being immediately beneath passed together through a hole, the twisting of them is easily effected; during this operation the powder is permitted to flow from the reservoir *b* in a regulated thin stream in the centre of the threads, which continually present by their convolution a central funnel-formed cavity adapted to receive it; and by the continued action of twisting, the powder is pretty evenly laid in the centre of the cord.

The apparatus for twisting, we believe, varies but in a trifling degree from that in general use. This consists of a bench about 60 feet in length, and less than a foot in breadth; having on one side a raised tooth rack, and on the other a plain ledge for guiding a “monkey" in travelling along it. A portion of this apparatus we have sketched at fig. 6, Pl. V. *a* represents the toothed rack, *b* the external ledge, *c* the monkey formed of a flat board mounted upon little wheels, underneath; *d* a toothed wheel taking into the rack, and giving motion to an inclined double wheel *ef*, through the medium of the lesser circle *e*; the larger one, *f,* actuating a little conical pinion *g*; on the axis of this pinion is fixed the “crook" (or hook) *h*, that holds the cord *ii*, which is thus twisted round with great

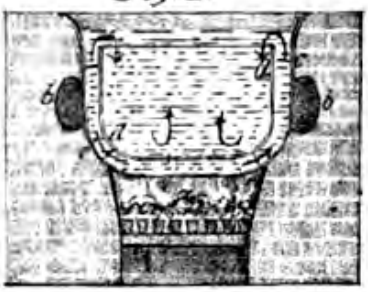
velocity, the motion being produced by the monkey being drawn along the bench. The fusee cord, first shown in fig. 5, as descending vertically and then changed into the horizontal direction by the pulley *k* being drawn out and twisted in lengths of about 60 feet, are cut off, and the ends being carefully secured by tying, are ready for the second operation of countering.

In this operation each length of cord is stretched out its whole extent, one end is secured to a swivel crook, and the other is fastened to a crook fixed on a small mandril, which is put in rapid motion by a cord passing round the rim of a large wheel turned by hand. The threads used for countering are six in number; they are laid on at right angles to the former twist, by what is technically termed a *jack;* this instrument has a hinge joint, dividing it into two equal and similarly formed portions, as shewn at *n,* fig. *7,* Pl. 5 ; it has also two semicircular grooves, *o o,* across its breadth, which accurately meet together when the instrument is shut up, and thus form a circular hole of the size of the intended fusee cord after it has been countered. Each of the semicircular grooves are also closely indented with small diagonal lines to correspond with the threads of the countering; and there are six small holes in the *jack* at *p*, through which the threads are passed from balls or reels carried in the apron of the *counterer,* who after attaching the threads to one extremity *o*. the cord, doubles up the jack over it, and holding the instrument **steadily** in the right inclination, advances gradually to the great wheel, which through the medium of the mandril before mentioned, rapidly turns round the cord, and draws the countering threads through the jack evenly upon its surface.

The next process of varnishing and coating the countered fusee cord, is to place them upon separate reels ranged over a furnace and caldron containing the melted varnish, which is to be a composition of tar and rosin, in proportions varying with the climate, temperature, and other circumstances. The caldron used by the patentee, is an open oblong vessel, having a partition in the middle of less altitude by two or three inches than the sides; the fire-place underneath extends to only one half the length of the melting vessel above, so that should the fluid boil over, it would be thrown into that compartment of the vessel which is remotest from the fire, kept empty for the purpose. A morticed bar or case of wood is fixed vertically above the fluid varnish, having a smaller bar which slides longitudinally out of it as from a socket, fixable by a screw at any desired extension; and to the lowest extremity of the small bar is a semi-cylindrical block, having on its curved under-side a number of grooves corresponding in size and number to the fuse cords operated upon at once; this semi-cylindrical block is plunged under the surface of the varnish, and the cords descending from the several reels passing under it, are plunged thereby into the varnish, and thus circumstanced the whole lengths on the reels are drawn through it, passing first over an inclined draining plate on to a long wooden bench, which is strewed or powdered with chalk, or other suitable matter, that readily attaches itself to the varnish, and prevents the fusees from sticking together.

It cannot be doubted that fusees so accurately prepared, of every required length, will be found of essential utility in facilitating mining operations.

Fig. 2



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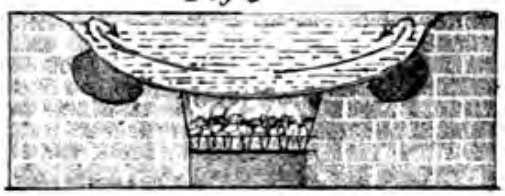

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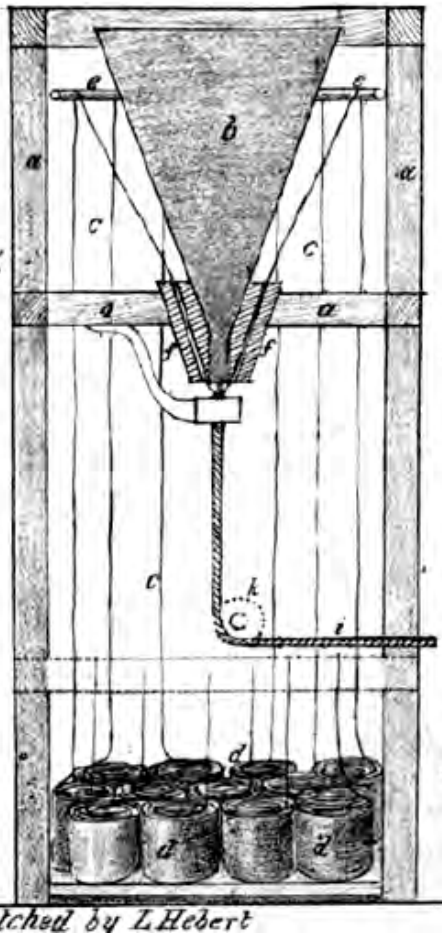

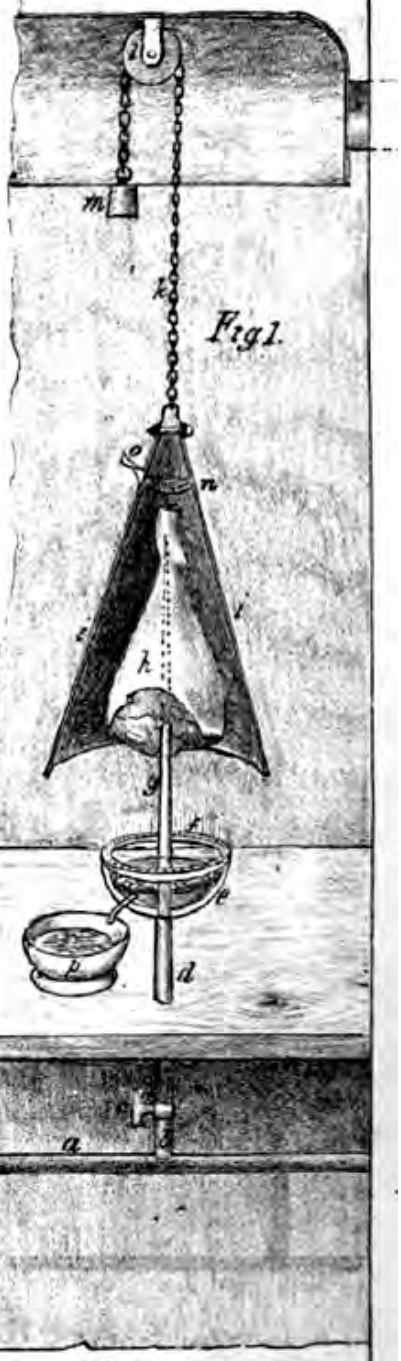

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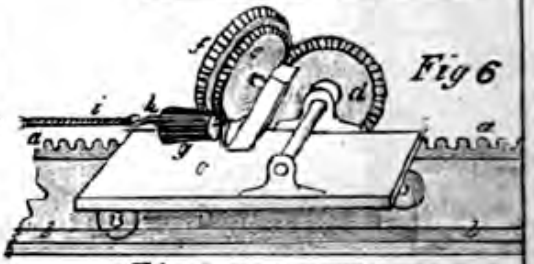

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MINERS' PATENT SAFETY FUSE. —This is one of the most important and useful inventions connected with mining. We shall endeavour briefly to describe its properties, and thus enable those who are embarked in mining pursuits to judge of the value to be attached to the use of the "fuse" while its safely is in itself one of the strongest recommendations. The “Patent Safety Fuse" is devised for safety, and certainly conveying fire to the charge in blasting rocks and in mining. It is in appearance like a firm varnished cord, just the size of a largo goose quill, and has in its centre a continuous column of best gunpowder—for convenient carrying and packing, it is manufactured in lengths, of twenty-four feet, coiled up like rope, the smallest coils being about three, and the largest about fifteen inches in external diameter, so that the different size coils fall into each other and pack closely into small kegs or casks. It is so hard and firm in its texture as to resist the action of lamping, is impervious to water, can be easily cut with a knife, to any length, burns regularly in a measured time, conveying the fire at the rate of half a minute to a foot, and will act as certainly in a close rock firmly lamped up or under twenty fathoms of water as on dry ground and in the open atmosphere. The great advantages resulting from the use of this instrument have been acknowledged wherever it has been used.

It offers protection to the workmen engaged in this hazardous employment, in large mining districts, where mutilation and death were frequent from premature explosions accidents now very seldom occur. Its use occasions no trouble, but in comparison with every other mode greatly facilitates its operation. It is not only cheaper and more effectual than every other thing used for the purpose of certainty and slowly conveying fire to the charge, but is absolutely cheaper than blasting with the needle and straw, by saving a great proportion of the powder necessary for the charge. The Safety Fuse has consequently been long used in all the Cornish mines; has been strongly recommended by John Taylor Esq., F.R.S., &c., Col. Burgoyne, chairman of the Board of Public Works in Ireland, Mr. Purdy, secretary of the Mining Association of Ireland, and, many distinguished scientific and practical gentlemen, connected with mining operations. —*Mining Journal*

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IMPORTANT TRIAL.

MONDAY. —The Court opened at nine. The first case was BICKFORD and OTHERS. v. SKEWES, the younger—a question of infringement of patent, which was brought from the sister county of Cornwall. There were for the plaintiff Mr. MONTAGUS SMITH, Mr. CROWDER, and Mr, ERLE. For the defendant, Mr, SERJEANT BONITAS und Mr, BUTT.

All the witnesses were ordered out of Court. The case was in effect an issue out of the Court of Chancery, Plaintiff got an injunction in that Court to distrain defendant from pirating his patent safety fuse. Defendant subsequently moved the Court to discharge the injunction—when the Chancellor directed the injunction to be continued, but directed the plaintiff to bring an action to try the question-—and in pursuance of that order this action was brought.

Mr. M. SMITH opened the pleadings. The declaration stated that W. Bickford obtained by letters patent the sole right and authority to make, use, exercise, and vend his safety fuse within England & Wales and the Colonies of this Empire, for the term of 14 years—provided that he should specify the patent within six months. The declaration then stated that Bickford did duly state the specification. It then stated that an assignment was made by Bickford of one quarter of the patent right to Thomas Davey, and three-fourths to the other plaintiffs. The declaration then alleged that the defendant made and sold divers of the said fuses in imitation of the said patent fuse—to which he had pleaded, first, that he was not guilty; second, that Wm, Bickford was not the inventor; third, that it had before been publicly used and exercised before Bickford took out the patent; and the fourth, stated that the specification was not clearly set forth.

Mr. ERLE now addressed the Jury, Gentlemen of the jury: — I appear before you on behalf of the plaintiffs in this case, Messrs. Bickford, Smith, and Davey, who are now proprietors of a patent taken out in 1831, by Mr. Wm. Bickford, who with the inventor of a very important instrument used for the purposes of mining. He took Davey as his partner in his life time, and the other plaintiffs were his legatees. For the purpose of understanding the value of this patent, I will draw your attention to the uses to which it was applied, and the instruments that had been in use before. The instrument is that which I hold in my hand [a small coil of rope]. It is called the “Miner's patent safety fuse." It is a rope: in the centre of this there runs a small stream of gunpowder, which goes through the whole length. You cut off a piece, and lighting the top of it the fire is conveyed any length that you may require. The instrument is used for blasting rocks, and probably many of you may have seen it performed. The miner is required to work in the rock a chamber, in which a sufficient quantity of powder it placed, and the hole leading to the chamber is then filled up with a substance rammed in very tightly, without which the powder would fail to effect the object required. This operation is called “tamping” and the substance is driven in with an instrument called a “tamping iron.” If the hole were entirely filled up there would be no means of conveying the fire to the chamber. For a long time the process adopted to get the fire down to the chamber was by leaving a small bar of iron or copper in the hole, which rested on the powder at the bottom, and was drawn out when the process of tamping was finished, and a small passage was left into which a rush was placed which being set fire to burned down to the chamber, and the explosion took place. Now there was very great danger and

uncertainty about this process, for it often happened that the metal needle being left in whilst the process of tamping was going on, become very hot, and an explosion would frequently take place attended with fatal consequences, mutilations of limb or death. The inconvenience great, and the operation uncertain, for if the continuity of the stream of powder was broken the fire would not run into the chamber, and the explosion would not take place, and the miner had to go through the whole process again. In addition to this the miner had to work in wet weather when the powder would frequently become damp through the wet getting into the hole, and the whole process had in this instance also to be performed over again. Attention was paid to these facts for the purpose of making some improvements in the process of mining, for civil and military purposes—for blasting rocks in roads, or for the purposes of quarrying and many attempts were made to improve the instrument, which should convey fire to the chamber in the rock. One step had been gained by the introduction of quills into the process of tamping, instead of leaving a metal needle in the hole. The quills having the ends cut off, and inserted into one into another, formed a continuous tube, which being filled with powder, was an improvement so far in effecting the explosion and averted the danger of a sudden explosion. This instrument was liable to objection. If it became bent it would destroy the train, and further improvement was sought. Attempts had been made to form a tube with paper rolled up, but in the course of tamping this also would often get out of the straight line and become broken, or it would go out, and the fire would not then be communicated with the powder in the chamber. Mr. William Bickford had turned his attention to the matter, and in the year 1831 he completed the invention which is now before you, and for which he took out a patent. The coil which I hold in my hand is called the miner's patent safety fuse, and the mode of making it is shown by the model on the table, [The, learned Counsel than explained the manufacture of the coil—which was effected by the twisting of twelve threads, in the centre of which, supplied by a funnel, a stream of gunpowder was very ingeniously inclosed along the whole length of the coil. It was very like the ordinary process of rope-making, but a stream of powder was kept up through the centre or the rope. Alter this twisting, the fuze had to go through one or two operations to make it. fit for the purpose of the miner. It had to be fastened, to prevent its unravelling and the
powder coming out, and this operation was called "countering." It had next to be made perfectly waterproof, which was done with tar or resin and then it was passed through a powder of some kind, to make it perfectly dry on the surface, so that it might be rolled up like a common rope.] This was the invention of Mr. Bickford, and I am told by those acquainted with mining either in civil or military matters, that it is an instrument of very great service indeed—that there had been many persons attempting to remedy the inconvenience for many years, and from the time of its invention, it had been constantly used amongst miners, and has superseded all the methods that were before in use, having been most highly approved of, and generally adopted. From 1831 to 1837, no one disputed Mr. Bickford's patent right, nobody questioned that he was the inventor—no one said that it had been in public use before. It answered all the purposes required, for it could not be broken by deviating from the right line, as it contained a stream of powder all the way down, it burned gradually and there was no fear of a sudden explosion—the miner might cut off any quantity he pleased, and adapt it to the length of a hole that he had bored. It was used by his partner and his

children three years after his death, without being questioned at all. The manufactory of it was in Camborne, in Cornwall; defendant is a cabinet maker of the same village—he had no pretence to be connected with mining in any respect; but as this was a very profitable invention, Mr. Skewes wished to have a share of it, and if the law would allow him to do so, there could be no objection. But the person who had a patent invention, was protected by the law in the exclusive use of it for 14 years, but there was a great desire generally displayed to share the profits, by persons who coveted a portion of the benefits, which were generally supposed to belong to patent rights. Patentees were constantly compelled to guard against the invasion of their rights; about the middle of 1837, defendant prevailed upon one of the workwomen in the employment of the plaintiff to communicate to him the mode by which the safety fuze was manufactured and he then commenced making a fuze of the same materials and the same construction as Mr Bickford made. Bickford having heard of it caused a person to buy one of the fuses of the defendant, and brought this action against him, and the jury are now summoned in the adjoining county of Devon, to say whether the plaintiff was entitled to the patent. The first plea was, that defendant had not infringed this right—I do not think that you will be detained much on that. For the other pleas, I believe he means to deny that his instrument is the same as Mr Bickford's. In all cases when the right of the patentee is disputed the party opposing him endeavour to prove that he has not complied with the specification—the purpose of which was to give a man the right use of it for 14 years. He was bound to give a specification so that when the 14 years were elapsed any working man of common skill would be able to make the instrument. The object of this was to perpetuate valuable inventions. Now the first objection the defendant makes is, that you have taken out your patent for a miner's patent safety fuze. He says, in reading your specification, I do not know whether you mean to claim your patent for a fuze, r the instrument by which it is made. The Learned Counsel then went through the objections to the specifications, and stated that he understood that the originality of the invention would be attacked by a statement that an unknown Irishman had gone into that neighbourhood with a similar fuse, and that he had sold the secret to defendant, and also that it was in use 30 years before. He should show that there was no pretence for these statements, and that the plaintiff were entitled to the protection of the law.

William Vyvyan examined by Mr CROWDER—I have been a civil engineer many years—I know the safety fuse, and have seen and examined the drawings and model, and the specifications.

Mr. Serjeant BOMPAS objected to the production of the drawings till they had been proved.

Mr Henry Shepherd Moule produced an examined copy of the specification and drawings—I examined them very carefully—they were made by a person employed purposely for this case.

Mr Vyvyan—I have seen the specification, and looked at the model, it represents the machine by which the patent safety fuze is to be made. There is no difficulty in making the machine by which the fuse could be made—according to these drawings. He then described the machine by the specification. I should have no doubt about the material—anything that could twist.

Cross-examined—I was called upon to examine the specification and the drawings, to see whether workmen could make the machinery therefrom—but I

have never worked at this manufacture. —I have seen the machinery at work many times during the last four years—I do not that the machine is precisely the same as that of the model, but I cannot tell you the precise nature of the alteration. The character of the machine is precisely the same but there is a difference in the position of the threads—instead of being under the box they are over it—a matter of no consequence I should think. I do not mean to say that in every substantial thing they work in the same manner, but I mean to say I think that hair would do for other materials—I have seen hair rope—I have never seen other material tried or given a thought—I have never known cotton or wool tried, glass will spin.

The Learned Judge interfered with cross-examination of the Learned Serjeant, who was "spinning" out and "twisting" up the witness rather too lightly for the ends of justice. His Lordship said that he was a mechanic and not an engineer. The assignment was put in.

Mary Davey—I am in the employ of plaintiffs, at Tucking Mill, in Camborne We have store houses, steam engines, and powder magazines, and about 32 persons all employed about this manufacture. When I first came into the factory the fuses were made by a machine similar to this. Within the last two years an alteration has been made in the reels of thread, which are now put on the top instead of under. Alice Hocking was in the manufactory with me, and was employed in making these. She was able to see how the whole of them were made. She left in 1837—I cannot tell that she is the wife of the defendant, I was told that she lived with him. [Mr. Serjeant Bompas admitted the fact that the infringement was made in 1837.] I never knew of any infringement before Alice Hocking left. I never saw any fuses manufactured by Skewes before she left. I have seen her coming from the factory—a great many months after left my master.

Richard Lego—was called to prove the purchase of the coil in 1837, but the fact being admitted, he was not examined.

Charles Thomas—I have been a mine agent for 31 years, and have been acquainted with the mode of blasting rocks. In the old method of blasting rocks, we bored a hole down to the place where we wanted to put the powder. It was then necessary to ram down a hard substance with a "tamping iron" and we used to leave an iron needle in the hole, and drove the tamping materials hard up against the needle. Then we pulled out the needle and put down a "rush" of gunpowder in the hole left by the needle—then we put fire to a "snop" made of touch paper, and the men retired whilst it burned to the rush. It frequently happened that the powder took fire whilst driving in the tamping iron. Sometimes the needle would get bent and being drawn out with difficulty the powder would take fire, and serious accidents would take place. Afterwards it was customary to introduce a series of quills which were liable to be open one from the other—there was a degree of uncertainty connected with the quills, and a barrel of quills occupied some time in making and filling with powder. The mode also was expensive, and the quill was sometimes injured in tamping. I first saw the patent safety fuse at Dolcoath mine. I have seen it used in a number of instances —it was very much less liable to be injured in the course of "tamping;" it was scarcely liable to be injured at all by tamping, and conveyed the fire to the charge more perfectly. You could calculate on the time the fuse would occupy. Miners used frequently to lose their lives by the instantaneous explosion of a the "rush." The

quills were “slower,” but this was the best plan for the blasting of rocks in my opinion that I have ever seen. As far as I could judge it a new invention.
The mine agents are alive to all improvements; they frequently meet together, and if such an instrument as this had been in common use I think it would be impossible that I should not have known it. I think that the expense of the fuse is about one half of the quills, including powder. If the expense were equal I should prefer the fuse. I never saw it miss fire. I have heard but rarely that it has. If the quills missed fire we had to take out the tamping or abandon the hole.
By the Learned JUDGE—If there was a failure in this the same consequences would ensue—we must either takeout the tamping or abandon the hole. I have known tin tubes used in cases of wet ground, but never else.
Cross-examined by Mr. BOMPAS—I was agent of Dolcoath mine 24 years, 21 out of the 24 below ground. When we let a piece of ground the men execute it as they please. These fuses have been used at Dolcoath for six years—generally for the last two years. But some of the men occasionally use the rush up to the present day. They get more into use every year. I suppose you know human nature as well as I do, and like the rest of mankind it is very hard to make them adopt improvements; and even to this moment there are a few who use the rush. A few of the “rushans” will run the risk of being blown up rather than abandon the rush.
The Learned JUDGE remarked that there were more accidents in the North since the invention of the Davey lamp than before. Mr. Serjeant BOMPAS added, because they go into more dangerous places than they did before.
I have not seen them generally in use in other mines, but in Stray Park, for the last two years.
Re-examined—I have not been in the habit of going into other mines much till the last two years, because I had been ill three or four years previously.
Henry Andrew Vyvyan mining agent for 20 years, said that the fuse was not attended with danger, not uncertain and cheap. The rush is grown on moors; they slit it and take the pith out of it, and put in gunpowder. It closes when it is put in.
John Walters, Nicholas Trevernan, Ferdinand Williams, Isaac Barrow, James Holman, James Sprague and others, and mine agents, were examined, and proved that till Bickford’s fuse came into operation, they had never met with anything of the kind.
Edward Deneyon, surgeon of Camborne, and adventurer in mines, said, before the introduction of the safety tubes, deaths from bursting were very frequent. Since the introduction, not more than one in 20.
Col. Julian Jackson was in the artillery. The patent fuse bears no resemblance to the port fire used in the army. The port fire is for sudden discharge, the fuse for gradual. I think the fuse is well adapted for blasting rocks. Simple gunpowder will do for filling up the cavity in the rock. *Cross-examined*. The port fire is made of sulphur, gunpowder reduced to a finer powder, and nitre or saltpetre. The safety fuse is gunpowder alone. *Re-examined*. The port fire is contained in a tube of cartridge paper. Both the materials in which it is contained are different. The powder bears no resemblance.
Colonel Charles William Pasley—I am a Colonel in the Royal Engineers; I have been many years in that corps—since the year 1798. I was about six months in the artillery previously. In the year 1812, I was appointed by the government as director of the establishment at Chatham for the purpose of instructing the

junior officers and sappers and miners in military mining. I have been among other things from that time very conversant with military mining matters. I have directed my attention a good deal for 14 years to firing gunpowder under water, till at last I succeeded in producing a method for effecting it in 1827. It is not a matter of considerable difficulty to get gunpowder ignited under water, but very simple when known. My plan was to make a very small hose about three sixteenths inches in diameter to reach the powder, which was to be exploded under water in a tin or metallic cylinder, and to have a patent leaden pipe to contain the hose; the leaden pipe it was necessary to buoy up in the water by a buoy, which occasioned great difficulty in a tide-way. We were obliged to secure it at every six inches by a wire. I know Bickford's safety fuses. They were referred to me in April, 1832, by the Master General of the Board of Ordnance, and having tried them I was to make a report on them as to their capability for military purposes.

I examined them particularly, and tried them in various ways. I had never seen anything of the kind before, and I am confident that nothing of the kind could have been used in military mining before. I think I must have known it if there had been, but at the same time nothing is absolutely impossible. It is a great advantage in firing under water, it dispenses with the leaden tube, and it dispenses with the buoy. It is certain for ten feet, but cannot be depended on beyond that length as there are always flaws which admit the water at every 30 or 40 feet—but for ten feet they may be used at any depth. In blowing up two vessels in the Thames last summer which attracted a considerable degree of attention, I used my own method for the large charges, and used Bickford's fuse for the small. It went down burning to the bottom. I recommended them very strongly both in the Royal Engineering Department and the Company's service—I recommended them to be sent round to all the ports wherever there were rocks to be blown under water—to Portsmouth, Devonport, and Gibraltar.

The hon. and gallant Colonel then proceeded to detail the former mode adopted, and also to speak to the specifications on which he was cross-examined at some length by the learned Serjeant for the purpose of showing that the wording of the specifications as to the other materials that might be employed in lieu of the gunpowder— was not clear and intelligible as the law required it. His evidence tended to support the specification.

The Learned Sergeant took an objection to the specifications, which being overruled the case for the plaintiff was now closed.

Mr. Sergeant BOMPAS addressed the jury for the defendant. — This case had already occupied a considerable portion of the time of the jury, and would for some hours longer, but he hoped that the jury would give him credit for not having unnecessarily occupied their time by long cross-examinations of the witnesses. If his leaned friend had felt it necessary to call so many witnesses, he (the learned Sergeant) had not increased the infliction by cross-examining them. His friend opened this case by telling them that it was not uncommon, when a party took out a valuable patent, that some persons anxious to share the profit, came in and questioned their right to the patent, for the purpose of depriving the patentee

of the profits, to which by his skill and ingenuity he was entitled. That was one side of the case. He admitted that the right of the patentee was not unfrequently attacked. There are other cases also, in which patentees are called to prove their right, and that was when patents were taken out, not by the inventor, but

by those who have got hold of the invention of another party, and are holding a monopoly of that to which by law and justice they were not entitled. He admitted that those who were really the inventors of any useful instrument, were entitled to a full monopoly of the profits, so long as the term of the patent held, but at the same time he had no hesitation in saying, that the man who was not the inventor, but who from circumstances, lays hold of an invention, and gets the profits which ought to belong to another—that person had no right to protection—and the real question which the jury would have to decide between these two parties was—was Mr. Bickford the inventor of this instrument? He knew that in many instances patents were called in question, where juries ought to decide against the patentee. He knew that a man brought an action for the protection of his patent, when it was actually proved that the plaintiff in the case he was alluding to, actually saw the thing in the window of the defendant, and went and took out a patent for it before the other had perfected his invention. That surely was a case in which the patentee did not deserve protection. There were two sides to a question in all these cases, and the question which they would have to decide was—did this invention belong to the plaintiff? His learned friend had occupied a considerable time in endeavouring to prove that the fuse was a good deal better than the old rush. He admitted it, and could not understand why he had spent so much time in proving that which he (the learned Sergeant) had admitted from the outset, and confirmed by his cross-examination. The value of the invention was not in issue—it was not upon the record, and if he had attempted to show that it was not worth a farthing it would not be available, for that was not in issue. But why had he done this? because he would get the feeling of the jury in behalf of the valuable inventor of so valuable an instrument, which had saved the lives of half the people in Cornwall. But the question which the jury must keep in mind was not the value of the invention, but was he really the inventor? The fact that it had got widely into use since Mr. Bickford's name had been attached to the fuse was no proof that he was the inventor, for he had taken the most effective steps to get it noticed in the quarter where a favourable notice would ensure success. In the hands of a person less skilled in getting it noticed, it might have lingered for years without being generally adopted; for they had it in evidence that although the safety fuse was as cheap as the rush, yet there were miners in Dolcoath who would still stick to rush; for men accustomed to danger all their lives were never driven by accidents into caution, as was evident to every observer of persons following dangerous avocations. Mr. Bickford, however, took the earliest means of getting it into notice: his patent was obtained in September, and by the beginning of March he had applied to the government, who referred it to Col. Pasley, when meeting with his approval, he sent it round to all the ports of the kingdom—to Devonport, to Portsmouth, to Gibraltar. Hence it was at once known. But supposing it had been the invention of some poor miner, among his fellow miners it might have remained hidden for years. Setting aside the value of the invention, it would be his duty to direct their attention to the circumstances under which he asked their judgment in favour of his client and upon the ground that the person from whom the plaintiff claimed was not the inventor of the fuse. He would not go through the witnesses which he should call in detail, but would rather call their attention to them in classes. He would not attempt to show that anything analogous to it had been in use in Cornwall. How slowly a useful thing got into general use would be admitted by all who had observed mankind, and

had been proved by the witnesses in the case, many who, though practical miners, had only known the fuse about five years; and if the fuse had not been aided by the strong recommendation of Col. Pasley, and its introduction by the mine agents, it would have been years hence before it would have got into general use. The law did not require that the instrument should be generally known to set aside the patent; but it must be publicly known. If a person makes a thing in his own room, and never tells a human being of it, and if another person makes the same thing, and takes out a patent for it—it is no bar to his right that the other had done it without making it known—it is no answer to the man who took out the patent, that some one knew it before—that is sound sense. But it, on the other hand, a person makes a discovery public to all around if he makes no secret of it—uses it himself though very little, that is quite evidence enough to set aside the patent. The learned sergeant then proceeded at some length to detail the kind of evidence which he should lay before the jury. He should prove that about the year 1830 a poor Irishman was down in the mining districts of Cornwall, making and selling a safety fuse, having all the properties and characteristics of Bickford's paten safety fuse; that it was made of the same materials, and that he sold the secret, being very poor, to Mr. Bickford, who was a porter merchant, for twenty shillings. He should bring respectable evidence to prove that the Irishman's fuses were tried in every way, and underwent all the tests to which the patent fuse was submitted—that it was in every respect the same, and therefore that the verdict must be for the defendant, if this evidence were substantiated.

[Several witnesses were called to prove the existence of a similar invention, prior to the appearance of Bickford's, having been hawked about Cornwall by a poor Irishman. We have only space for a few. The Court adjourned at seven till Tuesday.]

TUESDAY. —The Court sat at eight o'clock.

Stephen Litcher, a miner, on being called required that his expenses should be paid. Mr. Serjeant BOMPAS assured him that he should be paid his expenses, but he hesitated and hung fire. The Learned JUDGE assured him that he should be paid—he then assented to it, saying, with a patronizing & confiding air—thank you sir, I will take your word for it— (a laugh) He was examined respecting the fuse of the Irishman, which he had brought to him eleven years ago. It was made of hemp and band—there was a bandage over it, and then it was bound with twine, and pitched over with tar or pitch— "trade'' that would stick to our hands very much. I handled several pieces of it. I saw it put in the vice. They had some pieces like a trace about the breadth of his finger—there was tin or lead about it. I carried it down the mine and put it into a hole, but it was so limp that it would not stand. I put a rod of quills by the side of it and set fire to both. I had never seen anything like the round thing in mining before that. Lately we use the safety. All the difference I have seen between the safety of the Irishman and that of Bickford's, is that Bickford's has some flour or white stuff about it. But I don't know any difference between them. *Cross-examined*—I had never seen the

Irishman before that I know of, and I don't think I have seen him since. Twelve months ago, Mr. Skewes came and asked me about it, and about three or four days after that I went to be examined. I did not try the round one—because it was not our fancy to do it. I will swear that there were three or four took down in the shop, but I will not swear that any one took Dare down into the mine. From

the time that I saw them with the Irishman, I did not see them again till three or four years afterwards. Never heard that it was Bickford's till one or two years ago when I was examined on it. The Irishman's rod was about as thick as your pen—it might be a little more. I'll tell you what was said by the other party— but this was stopped.
By the COURT. —The flat one had a thin floating of lead or tin at the outside of the hemp and trade. It was put there to keep out the wet.
William Trengrove—I am a miner. I worked in Poldice Mine about ten or eleven years ago. I saw a man who called himself an Irishman—he had a rod, paper outside, then tin or lead, and powder inside. You could not call it flat or round. I saw him afterwards with a round one, which was just like that we are using now. It was turned in the mine in the presence of a man who went his way afterwards, and I went mine.
Cross-examined—It was in 1829. I will swear to that. I cannot tell the particular time I cannot tell anything that happened. [After considerable hesitation] -—I was not married then. I have been married & at Gwennap church. What was the woman's name— [after much hesitation]— "Prudence, [hesitation] "Bray," she lived at Gwennap. This marriage was in 1828. How do you know it was 28— [very quickly] —29. Was it the May month? —the spring time. Where did you go to after you were married— (great laughter). What time of year—who was present at the marriage— [no answer]. Have you got a son or daughter— [no answer].
The JUDGE—You must know that answer. I have a son—seven years of age.
[Examination resumed.]—It was something about Christmas, I was married. Skewes spoke to me about it, a year and four months ago. I cannot read, I cannot write. I swore to something, and signed to it. I have a brother of the name of John—he did not work with me at that time. I saw the rod tried, it "smiddered" away powder through the pitch and tar—Richard Bennett was with me at the time, my comrade, when it was burned. There were several men about, but I have not seen him a long time.
John Mitchell, of Redruth—I am a smith; I have lived there as long as I can mind. In 1830, I saw a man with some rods or fuses in my brother's shop—he was an engineer, I was foreman there; I recollect the Irishman bringing a safety fuse, it was like Bickford's, one and the same thing as near as I could see; I could not tell what it was made of; I fitted up some iron work for him, just as he directed; I recollect his bringing a piece of fuse, and we screwed it up lengthwise in the vice, and set fire to it: it burned right through—he said that was to prove that it would go through any hard substance; I screwed the vice up; I saw him come into the shop with a boy whom he called his son; he had some of these fuses in a basket, they were like those I had seen before. [A question as to whether he had applied to witness to have them sold, was not put, the Court deciding that it was not evidence.]—Cross- examined—I have not seen him since he came with the basket; I have been examined in Chancery—I cannot say how long it was before that, I was asked about the Irishman; I never saw anything more.
By the COURT—The Irishman looked like a man nearly broke down—he had a white hat on— (a laugh). The work we did for him was about seven inches high, with a flange at the bottom of it; I cannot tell what he paid for it, nor where he lived; I recollect it was 1830, because I made a grate for Joe Bray, who kept a beer house—he asked me to go and fit him a kitchen range, and when I measured the chimney, he asked me to go up-stairs—I went up, there were

three rooms up-stairs, and in the middle room I saw some of these fuses and powder, on a board over the door—that was on the 17th of November, 1830, I know, because I booked it. The Irishman had been staying there.
John Jenkins, Tinman. I recollect seeing the Irishman with the safety fuses, some coiled, and some he had got straight. I had been used to making the tin tubes for firing in damp ground. I was called out of my shop by a neighbour of mine to see it. I made my living by the tin fuses, and I was very sorry to see it. I spoke to him about it. I saw them burn—they were like Bickford's. *cross-examined*. It was about 1829 or 30. He looked very poor and mean. Bickford's fuse has been in general use 6 or 7 years Bickford's fuse has taken away all my trade, but I have no ill feeling to the party. *By the* Court. I called him an Irishman on account of his dialect.
John Budge, a friend—was examined on his affirmation. I am the executor of the late Mr. Bickford—I have no agreement among my papers, between Mr. Bickford, and another person, regarding some safety fuses. *Cross-examined*—I am a Quaker—Nancarrow is not of our society. *Re-examined*—He is not secretary of any society, of which I am a member—by no means: he lives in the house of the Institution—his wife brushes out the rooms, and lights the fires, but he has nothing to do with it. It is an institution for literary purposes, in Camborne—Sir C. Lemon, and Mr. Pendarves, are patrons of it. There is a standing committee, but I am not a member—two of the plaintiffs are members of it. *By the* Court—I never had any paper but the probate of the will.
Richard Bray—I am a brass-founder, living at Redruth; I knew Mr. W. Bickford; I saw old Mr. Bickford at the New Inn, in St. Day; I saw the landlord Mr. Treweek, who has been dead some three or four years; I saw a man also, who told me he was an Irishman; Bickford and the Irishman talked about a safety fuse, to be used by miners; and then Mr. Bickford fancied it from his statement, and said he would purchase it. There was some little altercation about the price; the Irishman wanted two pounds for it; Mr. Bickford said it was very heavy, for he was but a poor man, and would gladly give him one for it; he said it was too little, it was well worth trying, and he had made an improvement on the other; he showed it to me, and the persons present, and I examined it; Mr. Bickford purchased it, he gave 10s. as a deposit, and had an agreement; we returned to another room, in the same house, and Mr Bickford drew up an agreement in my presence, and I signed it—because there was to be a certain time in future, when it was to be proved; Mr. Bickford put his name to it; the Irishman could write very badly, and he put a cross to it; I forget the contents of it, but I was bound, I remember, to see it proved by the Irishman, to Mr. Bickford's satisfaction, before the remainder was paid. The only thing that I can recollect more, was, that he was to keep it a profound secret—not to teach anybody, or cause them to be taught; Mr. Bickford took the agreement; I was not present on the day that it was to be proved, having particular business to attend to; I saw him afterwards, and expressed a regret that I was not present, and asked him how he had got on with the Irishman—he said, very well; I hoped it was to his satisfaction—he said it was, and he had paid him the other ten shillings. When I first saw it, he asked me if I had ever seen anything of this kind before—I opened it and found it was hemp and twine, there was gunpowder in it—he said it was a fuse for blowing with. There was varnish outside. He said that was his last improvement, as it prevented the water getting at it. He explained how he made it, and told me that he would teach Bickford in about an hour to make

them as well as himself. He had a model he said that he was going to show Mr. Bickford that would make them perfectly. I have seen a great number of Bickford's fuses. I know no difference between them I and the Irishman's—I believe them to be exactly the same. *Cross- examined*—I am a master tradesman if you will allow the term—I have a man and a boy working for me. I have two shops, one at the house where I live, and the other opposite. I made a memorandum of the month that I was at St. Day with Mr. Bickford— "I put down August, 1830"—that is all because I knew the business that is the whole of the memorandum—it was in an account book—I cannot tell the reason for putting it down—it was a fancy —I had a reason at the time, but what it was I don't know, because it escaped my recollection. I cannot swear that it was not 3 years after. Skewes first spoke to me about the case just before he commenced the action. I did not find the memorandum in the book till lately—about a fortnight ago. I was not told to look into my book—but I had to look after some old accounts that I had, and then found it—It was "August, 1830," no other words. There is no other memorandum in the book—I am not in the habit' of making memorandums—I cannot tell what made me do it—I used to go to St. Day, perhaps once or twice a week, to buy pots—I should think we had been talking two hours before we went into the other room—I sat and smoked my pipe—I had a pint of beer, I might have had two pints. The Irishman put the cross to it himself—I did not think him a broken down gentleman, far from it, he was very meanly dressed—I did not write "witness'' but the word was there—I have always recollected that it was a pound that was given for it—I have said so to scores before ever Mr. Skewes had anything to do with it—It struck Mr. Bickford amazingly—he said this is the thing I have been trying to get at a long time—I made an impression on him—It was better than twelve months after that I heard of Mr Bickford's fuses. I have seen them from time to time ever since—I cannot say how many times I was sworn to this matter in the Court of Chancery—I was not present in the court —I think I have sworn to three or four affidavits—Cyrus Penrose lodged at my house, and showed me one of the fuses—soon after I heard of Bickford's patent—he was manager of a mine, and it was sent for him to try.—*Re-examined*—I could not distinguish any difference between the Irishman's fuse and the one sent for Penrose—I talked to him about it. I had business at St. Day to call me there with Mr. Harvey—it is a wholesale place where they sell things belonging to my trade.

Jane Phillips remembers a person called an Irishman—used to cook and wash for him, and help to make his safety fuse—bought four sorts of twine and tar for him, also gun powder—cannot name any shop where she used to buy either. He had only one shirt, and no money. Her evidence established the fact that he was poor enough to be a very great genius.

By the COURT—The owner of the house is alive—I know Joseph Bsay—he lived in the house after this Irishman left—he gave me something to keep for him till he came back, because he had not paid me—He said he should go and fetch his wife and family—the things were two cups and saucers, two milk jugs, and two plates—

I knew him for three months—I never heard his name the whole time—So far as I knew he had but one shirt. Mr. Blamey, the landlord of the house, is up here, but he did not come up with our party.

William Clements, a miner of Camborne, had bought the safety fuse of the Irishman before the patent ones appeared—had since had the patent fuse—

they were nearly the same as the Irishman's. —Cross-examined—I recollect that it was ten years ago from the place I worked in—We used no quills in trying it.

Geo. Nancarrow, A witness, whose name had run throughout the whole of the proceedings on the part of the plaintiff, in anticipation of some statements which he would make, was put into the box, and took the affirmation of a Quaker. Mr. Sergeant BOMPAS declined to put any questions to him, but asked the other side to examine him if they wished—who however, declined.

This closed the case for the defence

The Foreman of the Jury expressed a wish to return the verdict AT ONCE, AS THE JURY WERE QUITE SATISFIED.

The Learned JUDGE begged them to hear it out, for there were many points on both sides, which really required consideration. —These points were not obvious, and much was to be said, not whether it was a new invention, but as to whether it had been made public before.

Mr. ERLE then addressed the jury in reply. He should be very sorry to intrude upon their time—the two questions which they would have to decide was, whether or not Mr. Bickford was the first inventor, or whether this instrument was in public use before he took out his patent. Now for the early part of the case: — He had listened to his learned friend's opening, because he knew there would be this redoubtable would-be Quaker brought before them, and because, in anticipation of his appearance, he (the learned counsel) had, on the part of the plaintiff, called a great many witnesses, who had worked with him in various places in Pontypool, in Crowland, and in other mines, and had sworn that there was never any other process known but that of the needle and rush, the spire and the quill—he had called these witnesses on till his Lordship was tired of them. To the end of his case his learned friend had said all this has been tried before another Judge, and we come before an Exeter Jury to have their verdict upon the merits of the case. What the witnesses have sworn in the Court above they are ready to repeat here, and I will not flinch from calling Nancarrow before you. But when he (the learned Serjeant) had put Nancarrow before them, he had not ventured to ask him one word. He had therefore literally abandoned the question on which he first stood. The question (said his learned friend) was not whether Mr. Bickford was the first inventor, but was it not known before. The parties who were represented by Mr. Skewes in this action—for he was not the real defendant—but was set up by a party who wished dishonestly to get hold of the profits of this useful invention—and was now in prison for the interlocutory costs—these parties now said we do not stand upon this third plea, that it had I not been publicly used, but they stand on the second plea that Mr. Bickford was not the first inventor of this valuable invention. Contrast the two parties. Mr. Bickford appeared to be a substantial man—be had turned his attention to this subject according as he had sworn on oath.—in Sept. 1831, he swears that he is the first inventor of this important invention—on the following year the very skilful officer Col. Pasley, who had had his attention for fourteen years turned to this subject, and had been labouring to find some process that would answer the end, but without effect—had this question referred to him, and he pronounced it to be a highly useful invention that had long been sought for. Was it possible that the discovery of a safety fuse could have existed without his knowledge? It was not. He had his attention constantly directed to military mining and the teaching of military miners—and here where there was the

greatest skill, talent, and experience, it was; impossible that there could have been ignorance of the existence; of an instrument for which the military and civil engineer had both been looking with so much anxiety. He had shown that there was no knowledge of the existence of the instrument in this quarter—he had called before them practical men engaged in the operations of mining, working miners whose business called them below ground to peril their lives on their daily avocations, and mine agents who had the superintendence of their operations, and neither the one nor the other had ever heard a word of the safety fuse till Bickford's invention had been brought out six or seven years ago. And yet they wanted to rob him of the credit and give it to this unknown Irishman, whose poverty he would not willingly sport with, but who was selling some fuses composed of paper and lead, which did not answer, and left the country in a state of wretched poverty. But who was this Irishman—he might have been King of one of the provinces of Ireland, but driven forth by our tyranny, his golden crown displaced for the white hat which one of the witnesses cited as a proof that he had not a genteel appearance, and who so far from being a man of any marked abilities was not even able to his own name. After commenting on the evidence and contrasting the various points in his own keen penetrating style, the learned gentleman concluded by saying after the intimation which they had given him, he was ashamed to have occupied the time of the Jury, fully satisfied that he should have their verdict without.

The Learned Judge summed up with much perspicuity and conciseness, drawing out the various points of evidence in strong contrast, and with extraordinary clearness. His Lordship said he had thought it right not to stop the case, because he thought it was of the utmost importance to both parties that the Jury should hear it throughout. He did not mean to say that they had not taken a right view of it. But great expenses had been already incurred, and nothing was more likely to increase these expenses than by summarily stopping a case before it was gone through—which would be very strong ground for the Court above sending it to another Jury—if they had reason to conclude that the jury had taken a hasty view of it, or decided upon the testimony of a particular set of witnesses. His lordship did not mean to say that they had taken a wrong view of it, but he wished it to be manifest before they decided, that they had fully considered the whole of the case. Much had been said on one side and the other, and unless they watched the operations of their minds, it would be impossible to escape prejudice. It was for the persons who represented the plaintiff, to represent how common it was, and how very hard that those who had the merit of discovering some useful invention, should be robbed of the reward which the law gave them, of a monopoly for a certain period of the profits of an invention—a reward to which they were fully entitled, for without the exercise of their ingenuity and labour, society would never have had the benefit of the article for which the patent was granted. On the other hand, it is contended that here is a person having no merits of his own, but who avails himself of the talent of an ingenious mechanic—who has no title to the merit of the discovery, and is a monopolist in attempting to get the reward. That in opposing the pretensions of such a person, they would be standing between the public and a monopolist. The jury were to assume who was original inventor. If they assumed that Bickford was the inventor then all that his counsel had argued was perfectly true. If they assumed that Bickford was not the inventor, then that was assuming the whole of the case for the defendant. Now the plaintiff had certainly made out

a strong primafacie case, and the principal part to decide was the consideration of these pleas upon the issue. He would state the pleas because it was not enough to give a verdict generally—they must give an answer upon each question. His Lordship then went through the pleas and specification, laying down the law in the latter case. In doing this he adverted to the evidence of Col. Pasley whose testimony was the highest authority that could be got on the subject of the combustible materials specified. That gallant officer had spoken only of the general principles of the science not having, as he said, turned his attention to that particular branch. But this mode of expression was an illustration of the modest way in which great men frequently expressed themselves, when in fact the world knew that they were possessed of the fullest knowledge just as Lord Eldon would have declined to speak on a point of common law before the Judges, whilst in fact he would probably have decided it better than any man on the Bench. His Lordship having taken the evidence of the gallant Colonel as conclusive for the correctness of that part of the specifications to which he spoke, then took the other portion of the evidence—his observations on which we have not space to give. He had no doubt that there was such a person as the “Irishman,” but as to his connection with the invention, he left that for the Jury
The Jury immediately found a verdict for plaintiff on all the issues.
The trial lasted nearly two days.

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To JOHN SOLOMON BICKFORD, GEORGE SMITH, and THOMAS DAVEY, all of Tuckingmill, Camborne, in the county of Cornwall, for certain improvements in manufacturing the miner's safety fuse. — [Sealed 6th November, 1845.]
THIS invention consists in certain improvements in the manufacture of the safety fuse, for igniting charges of gunpowder when blasting rocks, &c., for which a patent was granted to William Bickford, September 6, 1831. The fuse consists of
a cylinder of gunpowder, in the centre of a rope composed generally of eight, ten, or twelve threads or yarns carefully twisted (in the manner of twine-spinning or cord-making), so as to enclose the gunpowder; the rope is defended by a covering of strong twine, wound on nearly at right angles to the “lay” of the yarns composing the rope (which process is termed “countering”); and the whole is afterwards coated or
varnished over. The laying of the yarns is performed by a machine described in the specification of the above-mentioned patent, and called a “monkey;” but only a single fuse can be spun by it at one time. Now, the first part of this invention consists in a novel construction of machine for spinning three or more fuses at the same time.
In Plate XIV., fig. 1, is a plan view, fig. 2, an end view, and fig. 3, a vertical section of a monkey for spinning three fuses at the same time. This machine travels along a table or bench, between two ledges; on the side of one ledge a rack is fixed, having 24 teeth in each foot of its length; and the wheel *a*, of 12

teeth, working therein, is thus caused to rotate when the machine is drawn onwards. The wheel *a*, drives a wheel *b*, having a like number of teeth; on the spindle of the latter wheel, at its upper end, is a crown-wheel *c*, with 52 teeth on its under edge, working into a pinion *d*, of 8 teeth, on the spindle *e*; at the outer end of which spindle there is a cog-wheel *f*, with 18 teeth, working into three wheels *g, h, i,* of the same size and number of teeth. On
the centres of the wheels *g, h, i*, are wires and crooks *j, j, j*, to which the yarns are attached; and as the monkey travels along the bench, the yarns are spun into fuses by the rotation of the wires *j, j, j*. If the cog-wheel *f*, is placed in such a position that a larger number of wheels may gear into it, and such additions are made as will be obviously necessary, four, five, or more fuses, may be spun at one operation.
When the improved monkey is used, the collars and funnels through which the yarns and gunpowder pass, are arranged in the manner represented at figs. 4, and 5; fig. 4, being an elevation, and fig. 5, a plan view. The collars *k, k, k*, are cast in one united piece of brass-work, which is fixed to an upright frame by the screws *l, l*; the centre holes *m, m,* (fig. 5,) receive the gunpowder funnels *o, o*; and through the holes *n, n*, the yarns *p, p*, pass, meeting below, and enclosing the gunpowder as the fuse is spun, *q, q, q*, are the three fuses issuing from the apparatus. The methods
of supplying yarns and gunpowder to each collar, and the other general arrangements for spinning the fuses, are the same as those described in the specification of the above named patent.
The second improvement consists in introducing into the centre of the fuse a strong thread or yarn, smaller and less fibrous than the yarns used for making the fuse. The
thread employed for this purpose is that known as No. 135 white-brown thread; it is supplied from a reel, and passing down through the gunpowder in the funnel, is spun into the centre of the fuse by being attached to the monkey with the other yarns; —the central threads are shewn at *r, r, r,* in fig. 4. By the introduction of the central thread, the gun powder in the lower part of the funnel is constantly kept in motion, and travels on with the thread, so as to flow regularly down into the fuse; and thus, the continuity and regularity of the cylinder of gunpowder is ensured.
The third improvement relates to the coating or varnishing of those fuses which are intended for blasting in dry ground, and in close or confined situations, where considerable variations in temperature are experienced. The coating of tar or resin, heretofore applied, burns with much smoke and heat, and is affected by changes of temperature; therefore, in order to avoid these inconveniences, the patentees propose to use a composition formed by dissolving 4 lbs. of the best glue, and 2 lbs. of yellow soap, in 12 gallons of water, by a gentle heat, and then adding 56 lbs. of whiting to give it a body. The fourth improvement relates to fuses to be used under
water. In manufacturing these, it has been usual to add a second “countering,” and then to coat or varnish them a second time; but fuses, prepared in this manner, have occasionally failed, in consequence of the varnish becoming hard and brittle on immersion in water, and cracking, and thus admitting the water to the gunpowder. The improved mode of preparing the fuses is as follows: —After the fuse has been coated or varnished with tar or resin, and before the coating becomes hard, the fuse is fastened to “crooks,” and made to revolve as if for

countering, as described in the former specification, -and a strip of brown paper is wound around the fuse, in a helical form, so as to completely cover it. A thread is wound upon the paper, in order to fix it and prevent shifting; and then a coat of tar or resin is applied to the paper: the fuse is thus rendered perfectly waterproof. The patentees claim, Firstly, –the improvement in manufacturing fuses by the use and application of suitable arrangements and apparatus, whereby three or more fuses may be spun at the same time, as above described. Secondly, –the improvement in manufacturing fuses by the introduction of a central thread, spun in with the gunpowder. Thirdly, –the improvement in manufacturing fuses by covering such as are to be used in close or warm places, and not under water, with a non-inflammable coating or varnish. Fourthly, –the improvement in manufacturing such fuses as are to be used in or under water, by the application of a second countering of paper and a second coating of tar or resin varnish. - [Inrolled in the Inrolment Office, May, 1846.]

ROYAL EXHIBITION FIRST CLASS PRIZE MEDAL,

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SAFETY FUZE,

FOR CONVEYING FIRE TO THE CHARGE

IN BLASTING ROCKS.

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MANUFACTURED BY GREATLY IMPROVED MACHINERY

AND PROTECTED BY A SECOND PATENT.

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TUCKINGMILL, CORNWALL.

1852

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Family
John Bickford married Susanna Evans, 6th October 1757, at Ashcombe, Devon.
(died 1811) and Susanna Evans (died 1810), their son William **Bickford,** baptised 23rd January 1774, at Ashburton, Devon.
William Bickford became a currier and leather merchant at Illogan
William Bickford married Susanna Burrall 10th April 1802, at Illogan, Cornwall.
Children of William and Susanna Bickford:
1. Susanna baptised 26th March 1803, at Liskard, Wesleyan
2. Elizabeth Burrall born 10th Dec 1805, bap 23rd Jan 1826, at Truro, Wesleyan.
3. John Solomon born 9th March 1804, baptised 9th April 1804, at Launceston, Wesleyan,
4. William born 6th November 1807, baptised 25th January 1808, buried 29th March 1808, at St Marys, Truro
5. William born 29th June 1809, baptised 1st November 1809, died 2nd November 1811

Susanna Bickford was buried 16th July 1823, at Tucking Mill, Illogan, aged 41
William Bickford died 2nd October 1834, at Tucking Mill, Illogan, aged 60, buried 7th October 1834,

William Bickford
Photo Credit: Helston Museum
Source: https://artuk.org

2. **Elizabeth Burrall** married George Smith, carpenter, 31st Oct 1826, at Camborne
George Smith son of William Smith, carpenter and small farmer, and his wife Phillipa Moneypenny.
In 1841, at Chapel Street, Camborne, **George Smith**, merchant, aged 40, his wife Elizabeth 35, children, Susan 11, Eliza 9, Emily 5, and Charles 2.
In 1851, at Trevu, Camborne, George Smith, safety fuse manufacturer &c., aged 50, his wife Elizabeth 45, children, William B, merchant in safety fuse manufacturer, aged 23, Susan B 21, Eliza 19, Mary Emily 15, Charles B 11, George John 5, and Henry Arthur 3.
In 1861, at Trevu House, Camborne, George Smith, Justice of the Peace for the county, manufacturer of safety fuse, aged 60, his wife Elizabeth 55, children, Susan 31, Mary Emily 25, George John 15, and Henry Arthur 13.

Centenary Methodist Chapel & Cemetery
Source: WWW.Findagrave.com
Added by:JSmart

Probate 18th September 1868, The Will of George Smith late of Trevu in the Parish of Camborne in the County of Cornwall Safety Fuze Manufacturer LL.D. deceased who died 30 August 1868 at Trevu aforesaid was proved at Bodmin by the oaths of William Bickford Smith of Camborne aforesaid Safety Fuze Manufacturer and George John Smith of Camborne aforesaid Safety Fuze Manufacturer the Sons the Executors.
Effects under £50,000. Re-sworn Nov. 1869, Under £35,000

In 1871, at Trevu, Elizabeth B Smith, widow, aged 65, son Henry A, Flax merchant, aged 23, and grandson Charles W Boots aged 10.
In 1881, at Trevu House, Camborne, Elizabeth B Smith, widow, aged 75.

Probate 7th May 1886, The will with a codicil of Elizabeth Burrall Smith, late of Trevu in the parish of Camborne in the county of Cornwall, widow, who died 4th March 1886 at Trevu was proved at the Principal Registry by George John Smith Esquire the son and John Rule Daniell, solicitor both of Trevu the executors. Personal Estate £8,810 19s 8d.

3. **John Solomon Bickford**, schoolmaster, of Phillack, married Sarah Davey, 26th March 1833, at Camborne.
In 1841, at Tuckingmill, Illogan, Sarah Bickford, married, aged 30, and daughter Susan aged 7.
In 1851, at Tuckingmill, Camborne, John S Bickford, safety fuse manufacturer employing 25 persons, his wife Sarah 41, children, Susan 16, and John 15.
Sarah Bickford, died 3rd January 1861, aged 51, at Tuckingmill.

In 1861, at Penlu, Tuckingmill, John S Bickford, widower, manufacturer of safety fuse employing 11 men and 66 women, aged 57, and daughter Susan, aged 27
John S Bickford married Julia Vivian 26 July 1866

John Solomon Bickford died 17/18th February 1870, aged 66 years.

Probated 11th March 1870. Letters of Administration of the Personal estate and effects of John Solomon Bickford late of Tuckingmill in the Parish of Camborne in the County of Cornwall Gentleman deceased who died 17 February 1870 at Tuckingmill aforesaid were granted at Bodmin to Julia Bickford of Tuckingmill aforesaid Widow the Relict of the said Deceased she having been first sworn. Effects under £100,000

In 1871, at St Hilary, Penzance, Julia Bickford, widow, aged 43, son John S Bickford, 11 months, sister, Frances M Vivian, aged 31, and visitors, John Vivian, widower, general practitioner, aged 74, Hugh P Vivian, merchant, agent foundry, aged 36, Clara E Vivian 32, and Ethel M Vivian 3.
In 1881, at Basset Road, Camborne, Julia Bickford, widow, aged 53, son John S V aged 10, and sister Francis M Vivian aged 41.
Julia Bickford of Basset Villas, Camborne, widow, died 24th September 1909, probate to John Solomon Vivian Bickford. Effects £16302 2s 9d.

Thomas Davey born 1794, died December 1852, Thomas Davey, miner, married Mary Thomas, 2nd March 1818, at Camborne, Cornwall.
In 1841, at Tuckingmill, Illogan, Thomas Davey, safety fuse manufacturer, aged 45, his wife Mary 45, children, Thomas, clerk, aged 20, Simon, clerk, aged 18, Mary 15, Caroline 11, Emma 7, Charles 5, and William 18 months.
In 1851, at Tolganack, Tucking Mill, Camborne, Thomas Davey, merchant, of patent safety fuse, aged 56, his wife Mary 55, daughters, Caroline 21, and Emma 17.

Royal Cornwall Gazette 10th September 1852,
Deaths
At Penlu, Tuckingmill, on Tuesday the 7th inst., Emma the youngest daughter of Thomas Davey, Esq., aged 18.

The Will of Thomas Davey was proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 23rd March 1853, by the oaths of Mary Davey, widow the relict, and Thomas Davey the son.

The Cornish Telegraph 17th September 1856.
Deaths
At her residence, Penlu, Tuckingmill, on Friday 12th September, Mary Davey, widow, of the late Thomas Davey, Esq., much lamented by all who knew her.

James Skewes the younger
London Gazette 24th April 1840
Court for Relief of Insolvent Debtors
Wednesday 22nd April 1840
James Skewes the younger, late of the parish of Camborne, Cornwall, cabinet maker. —In Gaol of Bodmin.

London Gazette 18th August 1840
Court for Relief of Insolvent Debtors
Saturday the 15th day of August 1840.
The following ASSIGNEES have been appointed.
James Skewes the younger, Cambourne, Cornwall, cabinet maker, an Insolvent, No. 53,175 C.; John Solomon Bickford, Assignee.

In 1841, at College Street, Camborne, James Skewes, cabinet maker, aged 25, his wife Alice (Hocking married 1st qtr 1839 registered at Falmouth) aged 20, and daughter Mary 3 (born 13th February 1839). The family emigrated to North America.
Mary Skewes married Thomas Roberts 29th November 1854, at Middle Haddam, Middlesex, Connecticut.
She and her husband returned to Cornwall. Thomas Roberts mine agent, died at Perranzabuloe, 28th September 1879.
In 1881, Mary Odgers Roberts, mine agents widow, aged 41, children, Elizabeth Ann, aged 25, born, Connecticut, Thomas 19, born Italy, Adelaide 17, born Italy, Eugene, 15, born Italy, and Frank 7, born Italy. Mary died 6th November 1888, at Perranzabuloe, aged 49.

PATENT SAFETY FUSE

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"International" Exhibition in Dublin, 1865:
AT THE
"Exposition Universelle" in Paris, 1867;
AND AT THE
"Great Industrial Exhibition" in Altona, in 1869.

"Exposicion Nacional Argentina" in Cordova, S. America, 1872. Two Medals "Universal Exhibition," Vienna, 1873.
AND AT THE
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Every Coil of Fuse manufactured by BICKFORD, SMITH and Co. has **TWO SEPARATE THREADS** passing through the column of Gunpowder, and they claim such **TWO SEPARATE THREADS** as exclusively their **TRADE MARK.**

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St. Helens Junction, LANCASHIRE.

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Appendix 14

Foreigners who appeared on the Census returns at Nenthead in 1901 and 1911

Foreigners at Nenthead 1901				
Name	**Surname**	**Age**	**Country**	**Occupation**
Jn. James Constant	Fernau	47	Belgium	Manager the Vieille Montagne
Magdalena	Fernau	37	Spain	Wife
Elena	Fernau	21	Belgium	Daughter
George J C	Fernau	18	Belgium	Son
John J C	Fernau	17	Belgium	Son
Carlotta	Fernau	14	Belgium	Daughter
Cecilia	Fernau	12	Belgium	Daughter
Evelyn	Fernau	3	Belgium	Daughter
Guillaume	Vansteenacker	78	Belgium	Father in law of J J C Fernau
Amandine	Vansteenacker	70	Belgium	Mother in law of J J C Fernau
Edward	Bost	27	Belgium	Mining Co Clerk
Jules J	Coppe	27	Belgium	labourer at Zinc mines
Auguste	Malherbe	46	Belgium	Chief accountant Vieille Montagne
Maria	Malherbe	45	Belgium	Wife
Marcelle	Malherbe	12	Belgium	Daughter
Didier	Malherbe	4	Belgium	Son

Foreigners at Nenthead in 1911					
Name	**Surname**	**Age**	**Country**	**Occupation**	**Region/Birth**
Guiseppe	Antemathen	43	Switzerland	Lead & Zinc miner	
Antonio	Bellamatto	27	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Gaston	Berard	47	France	Lead & Zinc miner	
Kate	Berard	22	British	Wife	Devon
Franceses	Biaggi	22	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Edward	Bost	37	Belgium	Mining Clerk	
Renee	Bost	28	France	Wife	
Fritz	Buerger	36	German	Joiner	
Joseph	Burgener	32	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Humbert	Burghener	23	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Bartolomeo	Casoni	32	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
G. Batttista	Casoni	29	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Giovanni	Cassietti	34	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	

Name	Surname	Age	Country	Occupation	Region/Birth
John	Cox	38	Belgium	Secretary of mining Co	
Elise	Cox	35	France	Wife of John	
Madelaine	Cox	13	Belgium	Dau of John	
Suzanne	Cox	12	Belgium	Dau of John	
Natala	Delponti	32	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Giovani	Fae/Fal	59	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Flavio	Gioia	16	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Giacomo	Gioia	24	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Giovanni	Gioia	29	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Giuseppe	Gioia	22	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Arthur	Habermann	25	Germany	Mechanical Engineer	
Charlotte	Habermann	1 mth	Germany	Daughter	
Eliza	Habermann	26	British	Wife	Nenthead
Carl	Heuchemey	23	Germany	Mine official lead & zinc dressing floors	Prussia
Peter	Hoiser	57	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Macugnaga
Wilhelm	Holler	54	Germany	Mining surveyor	
Giovanni	Horsingher	22	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Giuseppe	Jenetz	18	Switzerland	Lead & Zinc miner	Saas Grund
Luiggi	Jenetz	20	Switzerland	Lead & Zinc miner	Saas Grund
Andrea	Horsingher	18	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Guiseppe	Imsenz	17	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Elfieda	Jaeger	4	British	Daughter	Nenthead
Hannah	Jaeger	30	British	Wife married 5 yrs	Nenthead
Julius	Jaeger	32	Germany	Mine agent	
Olga	Jaeger	1	British	Daughter	Nenthead
Bernard	Kruger	39	Germany	Foreman on washing floor	
Luigi	Lanti	18	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Angele	Lenzi	23	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Giuseppe	Lenzi	18	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Jacamo	Lenzi	20	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Severino	Lenzi	17	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Henry Jos	Loupart	28	Belgium	Engineer manager of dressing plant	
Guiseppe	Maroli	27	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Aladar	Nador	23	Hungary	Electrician fitter	Budapest
Clement	Noirfalise	26	Belgium	Chemist working in lead & zinc Lab	
Batesla	Norzi	41	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Guiseppe	Orella	18	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Gaspardo	Pala	17	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Guiseppe	Pala	24	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Achille	Pizizi	20	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	

Name	Surname	Age	Country	Occupation	Region/Birth
Giuseppe	Pizizi	17	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Serafino	Pizizi	40	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Salvatore	Quaglia/Rioiglia	35	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Antonio	Rainari	45	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Giovani	Rainari	16	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Rudolf	Rodewald	42	Germany	Mining engineer manager	
Elizabeth	Rodewald	29	Germany	Wife	
Franz	Rodewald	5 mths	Germany	Son	Nenthead
Werner	Rodewald	5	Germany	Son	Nenthead
Hans	Rodewald	55	Germany	Mining engineer & head foreman	
John	Rolando	20	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Macugnaga
Giusseppe	Samonini	28	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Roco	Samonini	19	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Carl	Schlueter	44	Germany	Washing Master	
Otto	Strauss	27	Germany	Fitter	
Angelo	Trivelatto	48	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	Ceppo Morelli
Giusepina	Trivelatto	61	Italy	Wife	Ceppo Morelli
Theodor	Prumbaum	40	Germany	Mining Agent	
Isabella	Prumbaum	23	British	Wife under 1 yr	Walker
Dorothy	Prumbaum	3 mths	British	Daughter	Nenthead
Pietro	Varini	39	Italy	Lead & Zinc miner	
Moritz	Zurbriggen	39	Switzerland	Lead & Zinc miner	
Orella	Zurbriggen	40	Italy	Wife	
Giovanni Fazini	Zurbriggen	14	Italy	Stepson	
Felixe Fazini	Zurbriggen	9	Italy	Stepson	
Theodore	Zurbriggen	35	Switzerland	Lead & Zinc miner	

Foreigners Living at Carrshield, West Allen in 1911					
Name	**Surname**	**Age**	**Country**	**Occupation**	**Region/Birth**
Efrata	Antoni	40	Italy	Lead & Zinc Miner	Alpeno
Frederick Carl	Schmidt	33	Germany	Foreman lead mines	
Elizabeth Jane	Schmidt	31	British	Wife	West Allen
Margaret Triola	Schmidt	2	British	Daughter	West Allen
Elizabeth Flilora	Schmidt	1	British	Daughter	West Allen

Foreign Miners mentioned in Newspapers

21st October 1905
Italians committed for trial
Humberto Burgener 18 yrs (pleaded guilty to common assault)
Josef Burgener 20 yrs (not guilty, discharged)
Louis Burgener 24 yrs (not guilty, discharged)
Germano Carzana 24 yrs (pleaded guilty to common assault)
Battitsa Gimzatte 18 yrs (pleaded guilty to common assault, fined £2)
Guilia Jaeger (discharged)
Francis Maroni 23 yrs (pleaded guilty to common assault)
Andrea Ruppen (discharged)

7th March 1908
Death of Pietro Rolando, an Italian miner 53 years of age

18th April 1908
Wilhelm Doller & Edward Host at the inquest of George Black

30 May 1908
Killed Basilio Corsi aged 17 years.

24th March 1913,
Fatal Accident report of Moritz Burginer aged 54.

24 January 1914
Assault of Frederick Carl Schmidt at Carrshield.

The Door of Carr's Mine Shop, Nenthead, showing Miners Graffiti